

Waikato Regional update

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Ross Crescent, Hamilton

Kia ora neighbour,

With the strong and increasing demand for housing in the Waikato, Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities has a large build programme underway. We currently have plans to build and purchase over 850 new modern, warm and dry homes in the region over the next few years.

If you want to know more:
www.kaingaora.govt.nz/waikato



Location of Current Projects



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Here is a snapshot of activity occurring across our Waikato Region.

New homes completed in 2023 (411 new homes - 1092 new bedrooms)

- 2 one-bedroom home
- 209 two-bedroom homes
- 136 three-bedroom homes
- 57 four-bedroom homes
- 6 five-bedroom homes
- 1 six-bedroom home

Approved Resource Consents, construction occurring or about to begin (708 new homes - 1817 new bedrooms)

- 24 one-bedroom homes
- 359 two-bedroom homes
- 231 three-bedroom homes
- 84 four-bedroom homes
- 8 five-bedroom homes



Resource Consent Submitted to Council (123 new homes - 358 new bedrooms)

- 49 two-bedroom homes
- 45 three-bedroom homes
- 25 four-bedroom homes
- 5 five-bedroom homes

Who will live in the new homes

Kāinga Ora will match homes to families to be their long term homes, with priority given to those in greatest need, while considering location due to work, wider whaanau, and education.

401 Households are new customers

Across 2023 Kāinga Ora has provided a new home for 401 households who were on the Ministry of Social Development Housing Waitlist.

Most of these new customers have come from emergency housing situations.

Questions?

If you want to know more, please don't hesitate to contact one of the Kāinga Ora team.

Email:

Waikato.region@kaingaora.govt.nz

Our team are available to talk with people around any of our activity in the Region. We will keep our website updated as projects receive Resource Consent from Council. Across 2024 we will continue to be at your local Community Centre every second month to continue these conversations.



Community Partnerships - Transitional Housing

Transitional Housing is one of a range of government funded responses to address homelessness.

Transitional housing provides people and families in urgent need of housing with a warm, dry, safe place to live while they receive wraparound support services and are helped to find a more permanent place to live.

Transitional housing is managed by experienced contracted service providers who are responsible for making sure families living there are looked after and receive the support they need, such as budgeting advice or other social services, and help them find a permanent home. This could include public (social) housing or private rental.

The service provider will be responsible for managing the tenancies and the properties to ensure they are maintained and operated to a high standard.

Kāinga Ora is not responsible for managing individual transitional housing tenancies or for coordinating wrap around services for the people living in transitional homes. Our role is to supply and own some transitional housing properties. The Ministry of Housing and Urban Development is the purchaser of Transitional Housing services and the Ministry of Social Development (MSD) refers clients to Transitional Housing.

At the end of December 2023 we have agreements with eight Community organisations across 276 homes across the Waikato.

Our Waikato Region

Kāinga Ora - Waikato includes homes within the following seven local Council areas:

- Waikato District
- Matamata-Piako District
- Hamilton City
- Waipā District
- South Waikato District
- Ōtorohanga District
- Waitomo District



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Healthy Homes

Kāinga Ora currently has 4908 homes across the Waikato. The Residential Tenancies (Healthy Homes Standards) Regulations (2019) sets out minimum standards for heating, insulation, ventilation, moisture ingress/drainage, and draught-stopping. Kāinga Ora has to ensure all homes across our portfolio comply with these standards by 1 July 2024.

Work is underway to ensure all our homes meet these standards. As at 31 December 2023, 4830 now comply, 21 have work in progress and the 57 remaining homes will be addressed before July 2024.

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