

**Rural meeting with Hastings District Council
Council is changing some rules and these could affect you!**

Guest speakers

Mayor Lawrence Yule
Councillor Tania Kerr
Key Hastings District Council staff members

Chaired by Nick Dawson, Rural Community Board Member for the Kaweka Area

Topics for discussion:

Rates, Where do my rates go? Councillor Tania Kerr

Roading update, Maintenance and development (Les Glock/Craig Thew)

Amalgamation? Impact on rural communities (Mayor Lawrence Yule)

School safety, Children crossing to hall (Aaron Campion)

Recycling in rural areas - (Angela Atkins)

District plan changes – proposed new rules (Phil McKay/Rowan Wallis)

New rules for new buildings in Rural Zone

Introduction of a maximum floor area of 100 sq. m for commercial uses (including visitor accommodation), industrial uses and supplementary residential accommodation.

Introduction of seasonal workers accommodation with a max floor area of 125 sq. m

New rules around Indigenous Vegetation

The ability to clear up to 50ha of regenerating kanuka/manuka as a permitted activity over a three year period, providing Council is given notice of work.

Minor farm maintenance can be undertaken which has a minor effect on significant indigenous vegetation- for example maintenance of tracks, fences or stock crossings

Retained Rules around rural subdivision* but with time limits

The option of creating an additional lifestyle site (between 0.4 – 2.5ha) with a balance site of 20ha or greater on a 3 year basis until 2018, and on a 5 year basis thereafter.

Rural park subdivision option. Simplified 'conservation lot' rules

*with ongoing monitoring, to ensure there is an accurate picture of the number and type of rural subdivisions, to inform future lifestyle subdivision and housing targets for the region.

Anyone with concerns regarding any of the above District Plan matters should make a submission. Information is available on www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/proposed-hastings-district-plan or you can phone the council and ask to speak to the relevant staff member.

The submission period closes 5pm Friday 14th February so it is important we hear from you BEFORE this cut off time. (Please note this is only 3-4 days after these meetings)

Two meetings are being held.

Patoka Hall on Monday 10th February at 7.30pm. Supper provided

Sherenden Hall on Tuesday 11th February at 7.30pm. Supper provided

Look forward to seeing you there.

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Call Pippa Dixon for any queries

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Sheep & Cattle (level 4)	A comprehensive course for those looking to take on more responsibility. Course covers: feed allocation and budgeting skills, pasture production, mating and calving/lambing and animal nutrition and health.	25 Feb, Waipukurau	\$750 / 16 Days (1 day fortnightly)
Feeding & Pastures (Level 3) Suits Dairy/S&B.	This course focuses on pasture growth and quality, soil properties and weed control, feed supply and demand, and livestock grazing management.	26 Feb, Waipukurau	\$380 / 6 Days (1 per week)
Taxation and Investment Module Suits all Ag Sectors	Make informed taxation and investment decisions, based on accurate industry data and ensure you get value from your financial statements.	26 March Dannevirke	\$700 / 8 Days (1 per week)

Giant Auction Crafts & Collectables	Hamburgers! Steak Rolls! Ice-creams! Drinks! Sausages!	Tombola
Meat	Live Music	Delicious Teas
Books	Lindisfarne College	RAFFLES
Linen	Gala	Fruit & Produce
Bouncy Castle	Sunday 9th March 2014	Gourmet Kebabs
Pony Rides	9.00am onwards	DVDS
Candy Floss	Pakowhai Rd, Hastings	Cakes
Toys!	White	LOTS OF KIDS RIDES
Huge Secondhand Clothing	Lucky Wheel	PLANTS
Fresh Bread	White ELEPHANT!!	Picture Frames
Crayfish on the Lucky Wheel	Sport's Gear	Jewellery & Earring Bar
Merry-Go-Round	USED Furniture	