

## PUBLIC CONSULTATION - DRAFT LOCAL EASTER SUNDAY SHOP TRADING POLICY

A law change in 2016 now enables territorial authorities to decide whether retailers in their district can open on Easter Sunday. The Shop Trading Hours Act, was amended in August 2016 to enable territorial authorities to create local policies to allow wider shop trading across their district or in designated areas on Easter Sunday.

The local policies can only permit shop trading on Easter Sunday but cannot place other conditions around shop trading (i.e. types of shops, times of opening etc.). The Act allows for shop employees to have the ability to refuse to work on Easter Sunday without providing a reason to their employer.

Territorial authorities must consult their communities using the special consultative procedure on any local policy to allow shop trading on Easter Sunday.

We want to hear your views on this and the public consultation is now open for the Draft Local Easter Sunday Shop Trading Policy.

The Statement of Proposal is now available for public inspection and may be viewed at the Council Office,

Wairoa i-Site, Wairoa Library and also on Council's website ([www.wairoadc.govt.nz](http://www.wairoadc.govt.nz)).

Hard copies of the Statement of Proposal are available at no charge, from the above mentioned locations.

**Submissions close at 12.00 noon, Monday, 27 February 2017.**

**All submissions must be in writing and addressed to:**

Submission - Draft Local Easter Sunday Shop Trading Policy

Wairoa District Council

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Email [info@wairoadc.govt.nz](mailto:info@wairoadc.govt.nz)

**Submissions may also be made electronically** on the Council website [www.wairoadc.govt.nz](http://www.wairoadc.govt.nz)



## FOR YOUR DIARY

### COUNCIL MEETINGS

14 February: 1.30pm

### FINANCE, AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE

28 February: 1.30pm

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

21 February: 1.30pm

### MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE

14 February: 9.00am

All meetings will be held in the Wairoa District Council Chambers and are open to the public unless otherwise specified.



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## WAIROA WALKWAYS

The summer weather has proven very popular with walkers and cyclists on the Wairoa River Walkway. The Whakamahia Walkway extension was completed just before Christmas and provides walkers and cyclists with the opportunity to get to Whakamahia beach safely.

There is new signage down at the beach and the limestone walkway extension has proven very popular with locals and visitors alike.

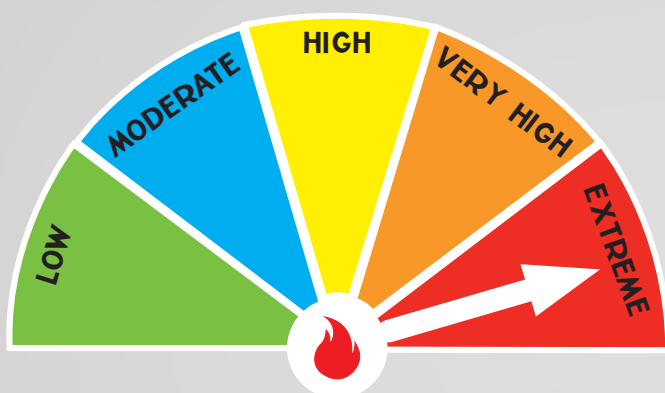
An issue has developed where motor cycles, quad bikes and even vehicles are being driven along the Wairoa River walkway.

Wairoa District Council Engineering Manager, Jamie Cox says motorbikes, quad bikes and vehicles damage the concrete and limestone walkways and this is a cost to the community. The walkway is used by families, children on their bikes and elderly. When other

vehicles are driving along the walkway, this creates a hazard and someone could get seriously injured. Our children and our elderly may not move quick enough to avoid a collision and this could turn out very bad. Please do not drive vehicles, quad bikes or motorbikes along the walkways. If you see vehicles driving along the walkway, please notify council or the police.



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For more information contact Wairoa District Council Rural Fire Officer Paul van Dorrestein on (06) 838 7309.

**If you see smoke, call 111 immediately.**

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WEEKEND!**