

# HAHEI COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE



Hahei Beach Ratepayers Association

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(To be read in conjunction with the Hahei Community Plan 2005-2015, pages 1-9)

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# HAHEI COMMUNITY PLAN

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## **WHAT IS A COMMUNITY PLAN?**

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The Community Plan is a community owned document. This plan provides a framework to guide decision making on issues relating to Hahei. The 2005 Community Plan has been reviewed in 2010 following a community survey carried out in 2009.

It is set out under four headings:

- Economic
- Social
- Cultural
- Environmental

Each section contains headings:

- What We Have
- What We Want
- What We Don't Want

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## **HOW WILL THE PLAN BE MONITORED?**

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The plan will be monitored by the Hahei Ratepayers' Association.

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## **HOW WILL THE PLAN BE REVIEWED?**

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A review of the Community Plan may be undertaken every three years to coincide with the review of the Council's LTCCP process. This review will be undertaken by the Hahei Ratepayers' Association and involve community consultation and feedback.

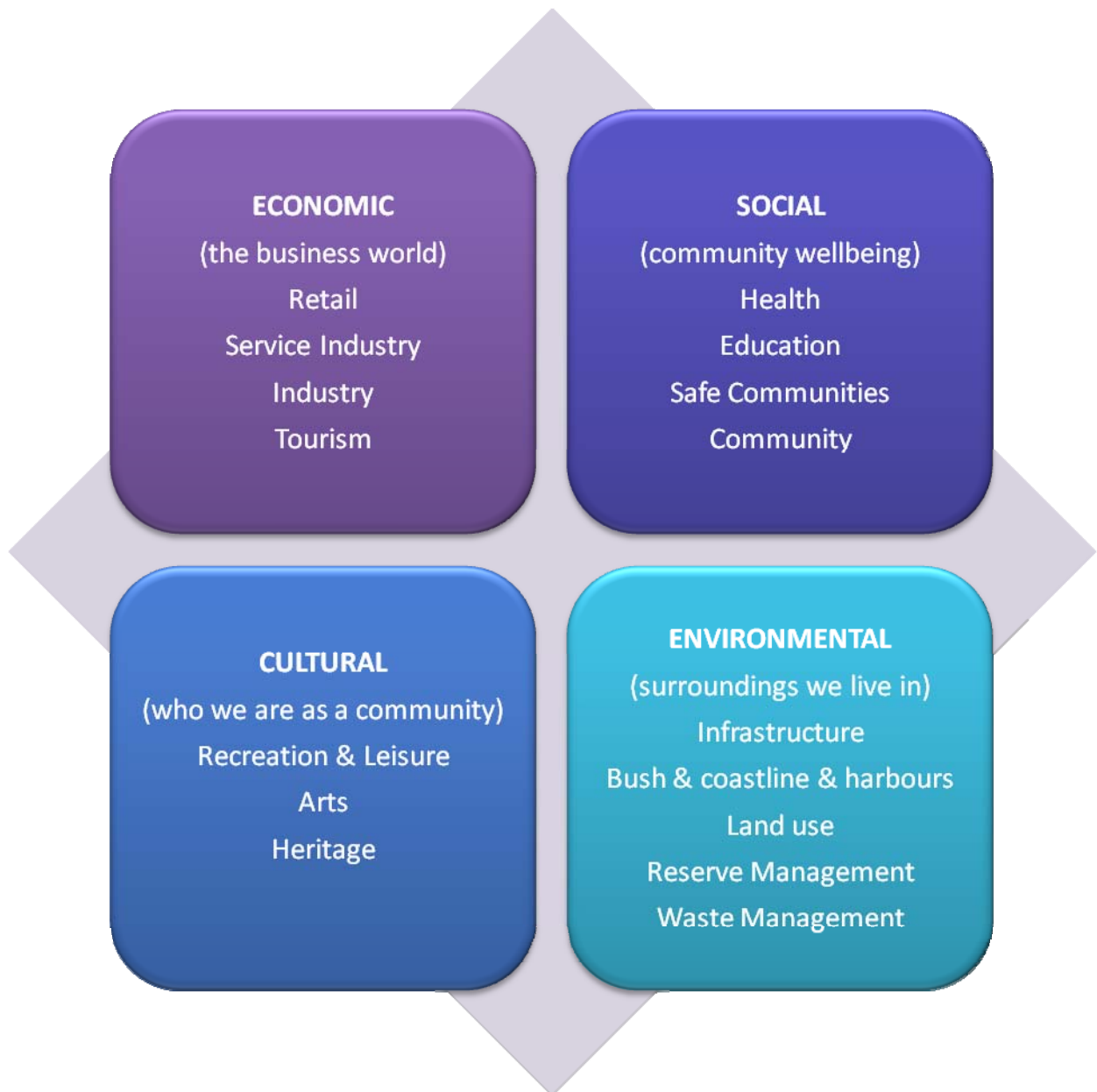
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## **HOW CAN NEW IDEAS BE INCORPORATED?**

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All comments on or contributions to this Community Plan are welcomed and should be made to the Hahei Ratepayers Association.

# KEY AREAS OF FOCUS



# ECONOMIC

## The business world – Retail/Service Industry/Industry/Tourism

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### WHAT WE HAVE:

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- Small commercial area including general store, café's, petrol, gift shop and real estate
  - Niche businesses in service, tourism and home based busines
  - Hahei Holiday Resort and Family Camp
  - Access to a full range of business and trade firms at Whitianga
  - Hahei Business Association
  - Communications
    - TV – limited channels without Free to View or Sky dish
    - Limited radio reception
    - Mobile phones
    - Broadband
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### WHAT WE WANT

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- To remain a small commercial centre as detailed above
  - No expansion of current town boundary.
  - One dwelling per section
  - To limit concessions
  - Continued operation of Hahei Holiday Resort and Motor Camp with a focus on the provision of family camping facilities
  - Minimum signage
  - Continued operation of Hahei businesses in non-intensive manner
  - Good radio, TV reception and reliable broadband to all areas
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### WHAT WE DON'T WANT

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- Further commercial zoning
  - Extension or expansion of commercial operations and associated signage
  - Any further concessions
  - Apartments or any residential development in the commercial zone
  - Growth to exceed the size of the beach and village infrastructure
  - Tourist transport (eg: coaches and motor homes) congesting the village roads and car parks
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# SOCIAL

## Community wellbeing – Health/Education/Safe Communities/Community

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### WHAT WE HAVE:

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- A well supported and funded full primary school (Years 1 to 8) at Whenuakite
  - District Nurse Service
  - Regular Church services
  - Local play group and Whenuakite Country Kids Early Childhood Education Centre
  - Hahei Beach Ratepayers Association
  - Health services in Whitianga
  - Mercury Bay Area School, a Composite Area School (Year 1 to 13) in Whitianga
  - Volunteer Fire Brigade and St John's Ambulance
  - Tsunami Action Plan
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### WHAT WE WANT

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- Continuation of the services detailed above
  - Ongoing and consistent communication flow from Council to HRP
  - Recognition and implementation of our Community Plan
  - Consistent police presence over peak periods
  - Civil Defence Emergency plan
  - Ongoing liquor ban
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### WHAT WE DON'T WANT

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- Services to stop

# CULTURAL

## Who are we as a community – Recreation & Leisure/Arts/Heritage

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### WHAT WE HAVE:

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- Hahei is a special place with small village charm, an unspoilt safe beach, low density housing, no high rise buildings and limited commercialism
  - A family orientated holiday destination with a number of permanent residents
  - Major tourist attractions at Cathedral Cove and Marine Reserve
  - Hahei Community Centre
  - Children's park and recreation area
  - Library operated by local volunteers
  - Local artists with studios and galleries
  - Walkways to Cathedral Cove and the Hereherataura Pa
  - Boat launching from the beach
  - Tennis and Sports Club
  - Kotare Reserve and playing field
  - Original Harsant homestead
  - Purangi Golf Club
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### WHAT WE WANT

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- Continuation of existing small village atmosphere
  - Continuation of the recreational services detailed above
  - Upgrade of Hahei Community Centre
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### WHAT WE DON'T WANT

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- Loss of small village charm of Hahei
  - To lose locally run library
  - To lose ability to launch boats on the beach
  - Any further concessions
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# ENVIRONMENTAL

## Surroundings we live in – Infrastructure/ Bush & Coastline/ Land Use/ Reserve Management/Waste Management

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### WHAT WE HAVE:

#### INFRASTRUCTURE

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- Minimum of concrete footpaths, street lighting and kerb and channelling
  - Rural delivery and courier services
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#### WATER

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- Two private water supplies: Grange Road with 68 members and the Hahei supply with 250 members
  - A council owned water reticulation system serving the “Area of benefit”
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#### WASTE WATER

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- A very high percentage of the community have private on site wastewater schemes
  - A council owned waste water system serving the “Area of benefit”
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#### STORMWATER

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- A mixture of open drains/culverts/kerb & channel
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#### POWER AND TELEPHONE

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- Good cell phone reception
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#### WASTE MANAGEMENT

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- Weekly rubbish and recycling collection with additional collections over peak period
  - Refuse transfer stations in Tairua and Whitianga
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#### ROADING

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- Increasing number of tourist buses and camper vans
  - Adequate main road network
  - Large traffic volumes at peak times
  - A distinctive and attractive stretch of road, east of the intersection of Link Road and Hahei Road, which leads down through trees. This marks the entry to Hahei.
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## RESERVES & STREAMS

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- Cathedral Cove, Te Pare Historic Reserve, Tutaritari Reserve, Wigmore Reserve, Kotare Reserve, beachfront reserve
  - An active reserves committee and adopted Reserves Management Plan
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## LAND USE

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- A low density, low rise, Coastal Village community with Coastal Village zoning.
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## WHAT WE WANT

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- Preservation of Coastal Village Zoning
  - Preservation of distinctive entrance to Hahei
  - All non-complying subdivisions to be publicly notified
  - No buildings over 8 metres
  - One dwelling per site
  - Maintain minimum section size of 600 m<sup>2</sup> (serviced) and 800 m<sup>2</sup> (unserviced)
  - Preservation of the existing water and waste water supply systems
  - Restriction of bus and bus parking in the village
  - Rationalisation and reduction of road and other signage
  - Improved collaboration between TCDC, EW and DOC in dealing with local planning issues
  - All subdivision and Resource Consent applications to be notified to all ratepayers and the Hahei Ratepayers Association
  - Alternative access to Cathedral Cove
  - Power lines and cabling to be underground
  - Council to monitor all consents correctly
  - Local green waste facility
  - Speed restrictions at targeted locations in the village
  - Weed and pest plant monitoring and control (Road berms to be free of Onehunga Weed)
  - Pedestrian access in certain parts of Grange Road for safety
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## WHAT WE DON'T WANT

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- Any reduction of Council service levels and quality of service
  - Development that is inconsistent with current zoning
  - Skyline housing
  - Public water and waste water system to properties
  - Infill housing
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- Extension of current coastal village zoning
  - Tourist transport (eg: coaches and motor homes) congesting the village roads and car parks
  - Large scale accommodation duplex/apartments/hotels
  - More footpaths, kerb and channelling
  - Any loss of reserves to car parking
  - Concessions on reserves eg: scenic, beach etc
  - Weeds and pest plants in reserves and on private land
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#### **PRIORITIES**

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- Speed restrictions or speed controls in village