

Survey

Are we heading in the right direction for our environment?

We're developing an Environment Strategy for Kāpiti. Our Direction of Travel sets out what we're proposing, and we want to know if we've got it right.

The Environment Strategy builds on what you told us through Vision Kāpiti. It will focus on four areas:

- Land use
- Air quality
- Biodiversity
- Water and ocean health

It will bring together the work already under way and show what needs to change over the next ten years.

The Strategy is for all of us to own. Council has a part to play, and so do our iwi partners, community groups, businesses, and households.

Your voice matters

We know the environment is important to Kāpiti residents and is a big part of our local identity. It is also a top priority for Council and Mana Whenua. We have high aspirations for our local environment, and our Direction of Travel sets out ideas to bring us closer to our collective vision for the future. Your voice will help inform our way forward.

What you tell us will shape the Environment Strategy we intend to release in December 2026. Your ideas will also help us develop an Action Plan in 2027.

Have your say

Feedback closes midnight Tuesday 27 Oct 2026

Complete this form online.

Online

- Complete our survey online at **haveyoursay.kapiticoast.govt.nz/EnvironmentStrategy**
- Email your feedback to **haveyoursay@kapiticoast.govt.nz**

In person drop-in sessions

- Talk to us at our drop-in sessions in various locations around the district. Details are on our website – **haveyoursay.kapiticoast.govt.nz/EnvironmentStrategy**

On paper

Fill in this submission form and either:

- Drop it into one of our libraries or service centres.
- Post it to Environment Strategy feedback, Private Bag 60601, Paraparaumu 5254.

Kāpiti Coast DISTRICT COUNCIL
Me Huri Whakamuri, Ka Titiro Whakamua

Have your say

Your voice matters. Please respond to as many questions as you can to help inform our Environment Strategy.

About you

Name: **Email:**

Are you completing this on behalf of an organisation?

◯ Yes ◯ No If yes, please name the organisation:

Age group: ◯ Under 20 ◯ 20s ◯ 30s ◯ 40s ◯ 50s ◯ 60s ◯ 70s ◯ 80+

Do you live or own a property in the Kāpiti Coast District?

◯ Yes ◯ No If yes, which area?

◯ Paekākāriki ◯ Peka Peka ◯ Raumati ◯ Ōtaihanga ◯ Paraparaumu ◯ Waikanae

◯ Te Horo ◯ Ōtaki ◯ Hautere ◯ Reikōrangi ◯ Other

If no, where are you from?

Are you a Kāpiti Coast District ratepayer? ◯ Yes ◯ No

Our outcomes and focus areas

Our proposed outcomes come from what our community told us through Vision Kāpiti. Each links to one of our four focus areas:

Land use	Sustainable land use that accommodates growth while preserving productivity and natural character.
Air quality	Pristine air quality with minimal pollution and sustainable practices that support this.
Biodiversity	Enhanced natural spaces with diverse ecosystems and protected habitats.
Water and ocean health	Clean and healthy waters with effective management of water use, erosion and flooding.

1. **Are we accurately reflecting community aspirations through our outcomes and focus areas?** (Tick one)

   ◯ Yes ◯ No **Is there something you think should receive more attention?**

Our principles

These principles are intended to guide decisions about our environment, particularly where different needs must be balanced.

Principle	What it means
Take an integrated approach	We will consider how decisions affect the whole environment (rather than individual parts) to preserve its inherent value and life supporting capacity.
Protect and enhance	We will support actions that protect and enhance our unique native plants, animals and the health of our waterways.
Avoid harm before needing to fix it	We will make decisions which first look at how environmental harm can be avoided, before considering options for mitigation or future offsetting of the effects.
Support iwi aspirations	We will work with Mana Whenua to support the exercise of rangatiratanga and kaitiakitanga and give effect to environmental aspirations in line with our Partnership Agreement.
Think about current and future generations	We will influence Kāpiti to grow sustainably. Our decisions will take a long term view by considering climate change and natural hazards, so communities are healthy and resilient, now and in the future.
Work in partnership	We will promote actions that empower our community and partners to be responsible guardians of our environment.
Invest for impact and efficiency	We will respect financial and ecological limits by investing wisely in projects that will have the biggest long term impact and return on investment.

2. **Do our proposed principles reflect what matters most to you when decisions are made about our environment?** (Tick one)

   ◯ Yes ◯ No **Why/why not?**

Our objectives

For each focus area we have proposed objectives that set out how we will get there. The Direction of Travel explains each in detail.

3. **Are our proposed objectives focusing our work on the right things?** (Tick one)

   ◯ Yes ◯ No **Is there anything important that we've missed?**

Measuring progress

For each focus area we have proposed measures to track whether we are making a difference.

4. Are we tracking the right things to know whether we are making a difference? (Tick one)

◯ Yes ◯ No **Is there anything else we should be measuring?**

Our Action Plan and your other ideas

We'll be developing an Action Plan in 2027. This will set specific actions to implement our Environment Strategy and Direction of Travel.

5. Any other comments you'd like to make or ideas we should be considering in our Action Plan?

Thank you for your feedback

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts on our Environment Strategy Direction of Travel.

The information you've provided will be reviewed and summarised by our Strategy and Growth team. The summary will be shared with elected members and may be made public on our website. However, your personal details won't be included.

All feedback will help us finalise the Environment Strategy, which we intend to release in December 2026, and inform our Action Plan in 2027.

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