

**PROPOSED MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL ZONE**

**PROPOSED GENERAL RESIDENTIAL ZONE**

## HAVE YOUR SAY – SUBMISSIONS OPEN ON REQUEST TO REZONE LAND IN NUKUHAU

**A PRIVATE PLAN change request to rezone 77.78 hectares in Nukuhau has been accepted for public notification by Taupō District Council and submissions are now open.**

The request has been proposed by cooperating landowners and would enable the future development of about 780 dwellings in an area identified as a growth area in the Taupō District 2050 Growth Management Strategy.

The public plan change request seeks to rezone an area from rural environment to a mix of general and medium density residential, as well as a shopping centre and areas for stormwater and recreation reserves.

Chief executive Gareth Green said the Resource Management Act allowed anyone to apply for changes to district or regional plans through a request for a private plan change.

“Council accepted the plan change request for public notification on December 15, 2020 and we are now inviting the public to make submissions on what is proposed.

“Following the public notification period, a hearing will be held to consider the submissions. A decision will be made whether to approve or decline the proposed plan change, based on full consideration of the merits of the plan change and the submissions received.”

Submissions are open until 5pm March 5, 2021 for the community to provide feedback on the application. Submitters who indicate they wish to speak at the hearing can do so and will receive public notice of the hearing.

The plan change, including detailed maps of the area, is available for viewing at all our customer services centres and libraries, as well as online at [taupo.govt.nz/nukuhauplanchange](http://taupo.govt.nz/nukuhauplanchange).



## MANGAKINO WATER SUPPLY PIPELINE REPLACEMENT UNDERWAY

**A SECTION OF pipe supplying water to Mangakino will be replaced to ensure a more resilient system. The existing infrastructure was built in the 1960s and is part of a network that pumps water from Maraetia power station to the Mangakino treatment plant and reservoirs.**

The first phase of the project was completed last week with a temporary pipeline installed to bypass ageing pipes, and infrastructure manager Denis Lewis thanked residents for significantly reducing water use during that time.

“The water supply to the township’s reservoir was temporarily shut off and while the reservoir has enough water to supply the township for a number of days, we asked the community to give us a hand by being mindful of their water use during that time.

“There was a noticeable drop in water use from the community, so thanks to everyone who helped us out by taking shorter showers or delayed watering the garden for a couple of days,” said Mr Lewis.

The next stage of the project is to decommission the infrastructure that runs along the cliff and install new water supply pipeline. This work will get underway in February and should be completed by June 2021.

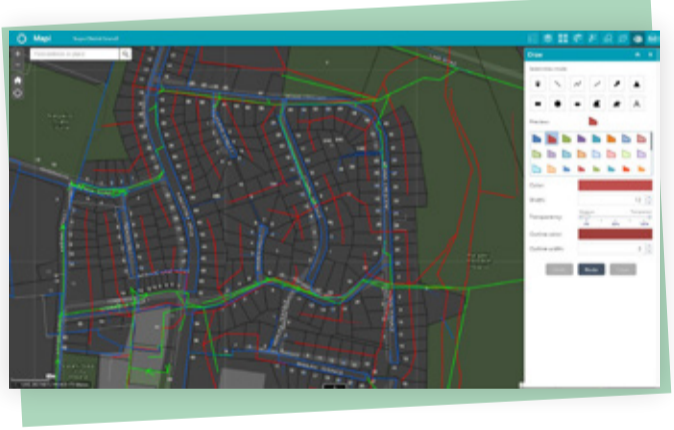
## NEW ONLINE MAPPING TOOL NOW LIVE

**OUR MAPPING TOOL the community can access online, Mapi, has been upgraded and is now live.**

The new version of Mapi has an updated look and feel with tools that are easier to use to access data. It's also compatible with mobiles and accessible on all devices, with access to new information.

The old Mapi was in need of a refresh, so we took advantage of new technology to provide a better experience for our community. People use Mapi to access all sorts of information, from contractors looking up services to members of the community accessing property information and aerial imagery.

The new version of Mapi can be found at [taupo.govt.nz/mapi](http://taupo.govt.nz/mapi).



**DON'T FORGET – YOU CAN NOW RECYCLE #5 PLASTICS**

**THE COLLECTION OF number 5 plastics resumed in the district at the start of the month, joining numbers 1 and 2 plastics in our recycling regime.**

Number 5 plastics will add a further 17 per cent to the volume of plastics currently recycled in our district, which means saving a huge amount of room in landfills and benefiting the environment.

The district was able to recycle all plastics numbered 1-7 until October 2018 when China restricted imports of recyclables, which meant the recycling of numbers 3-7 had to cease. A viable market was found for number 5 plastics which has allowed its collection to resume.

Only kitchen, laundry and bathroom number 5 plastics can be recycled, not outdoor plastics such as plant pots. These include things such as yoghurt, hummus, icecream and takeaway containers that are number 5.

Don't forget to thoroughly rinse your number 1, 2 and 5 plastics before putting them out for recycling.

## EVERY DROP COUNTS

**JUST A QUICK reminder that level one water restrictions are currently in place across the Taupō District. This means we're asking residents to restrict sprinkler use to alternate days. Hand-held hoses can be used at any time.**

Please only water your garden and lawn every second day (using the odds and evens system based on your street address). That means if your address ends in 0, 2, 4, 6 or 8, you can use sprinklers on even calendar days, if your address ends in 1, 3, 5, 7 or 9, you can use them on odd calendar days.

These Level 1 water restrictions apply to sprinklers only. For further information on how to conserve water, please go to [www.taupodc.govt.nz/wateralerts](http://www.taupodc.govt.nz/wateralerts).

**WATER RESTRICTIONS DISTRICT WIDE**

**LEVEL 1**

**Sprinklers on alternate days only**

**Hand-held hosing anytime**