

# Waikato District update

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Possible style of homes

## Kia ora neighbour,

With the strong and increasing demand for housing in the Waikato, Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities has a large build programme underway. We currently have plans to build over 850 new modern, warm and dry homes in the region over the next few years.

Here is a snapshot of activity occurring in Te Kauwhata, Raahui Pookeka (Huntly) and Ngaaruawaahia.



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## Te Kauwhata

**Detail design still being undertaken.**

- Waerenga Road

## Raahui Pookeka (Huntly)

**Completed (2 new homes)**

- Porritt Avenue (2 two-bedroom homes)

**Approved Resource Consents, construction occurring or about to begin (1 new home)**

- Harris Street (1 three-bedroom home)

**Detail design still being undertaken.**

- Baker Street
- Blundell Street
- Caesar Roose
- Harris Street
- Leather Street
- Meyer Place
- Porritt Avenue
- Tither Street

## Ngaaruawaahia

**Detail design still being undertaken.**

- Ellery Street
- Fairmont Street
- Herschel Street
- North Street

## Who will live in the new homes

Kāinga Ora will match homes to families to be their long term homes, with priority given to those in greatest need, while considering location due to work, wider whaanau, and education.

## Questions?

If you have any further questions, please contact:

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## Healthy Homes

Kāinga Ora currently has 386 homes in Waikato District. The Residential Tenancies (Healthy Homes Standards) Regulations (2019) sets out minimum standards for heating, insulation, ventilation, moisture ingress/drainage, and draught-stopping. Kāinga Ora has to ensure all homes across our portfolio comply with these standards by 1 July 2024. Work is underway in the District to ensure all our homes meet these standards. As at 28 February 2023, 246 now comply, 117 have work in progress and the 23 remaining homes will be addressed before July 2024.

## Home Ownership Assistance

Looking at buying your first home but not sure where to start? Kāinga Ora offers several products and resources that can give you a helping hand toward home ownership. These include financial assistance to help people afford a deposit or ongoing repayments. Have a look at what could be right for you.

This can be done through programmes like:

- First Home Grant (up to \$10,000)
- First Home Partner (up to 25% or \$200,000)
- First Home Loan (up to 15%)
- Kāinga Whenua Loan (up to \$500,000)
- KiwiBuild

[Home Ownership :: Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities \(kaingaora.govt.nz\)](https://www.kaingaora.govt.nz)

## Community Engagements

Community Engagement is ongoing. Over the past six months we have engaged with the Waikato District communities through individual conversations, emails, and letters. Through these conversations, we have been able to talk through plans and hear concerns, feeding these back to the appropriate Kāinga Ora staff to incorporate in our planning. Across 2023 we will be at Te Kauwhata Community House, Huntly West Community Centre and Ngaaruawaahia Community House every second month to continue these conversations.

Kāinga Ora staff remain available to talk with people about any feedback they have.



*The majority of homes to be delivered are still in early stages of design. All images used are examples of potential homes.*



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