# South Waikato update



Scotia Glen Street, Putaruru

#### 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 Putaruru and Tokoroa.

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#### Putaruru

## Approved Resource Consents, construction occurring or about to begin (10 new homes)

• Scotia Glen Street (5 two-bedroom and 5 three-bedroom homes)

#### Detail design still being undertaken.

- Charles Crescent
- Clothier Street

#### Tokoroa

#### **Resource Consent Submitted to Council (3 new homes)**

• Dalmeny Street (3 three-bedroom homes)

#### Detail design still being undertaken.

- Clyde Street
- Edward Street
- Elizabeth Street
- Moray Place



# 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:

Email: Waikato.region@kaingaora.govt.nz





Kāinga Ora currently has 38 homes in South 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 out 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, 24 now comply, 10 have work in progress and the 4 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:

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

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### **Community Engagements**

Community Engagement is ongoing. Over the past six months we have engaged with the Putaruru and Tokoroa communities through individual conversations and emails, letters, and seven community drop in sessions. 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 Overdale and Tokoroa Community Centres 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 will be built in a factory and then transported to site. Above image are examples of these homes.

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