

THE KAPITI COAST DISTRICT COUNCIL RATES REMISSION POLICIES

Policy for Rates Remissions for Land Protected for Natural or Cultural Conservation Purposes

Objective

The objective of this Policy is as follows:

- To preserve and promote natural resources and heritage land to encourage the maintenance, enhancement and protection of land for natural or cultural purposes.

Policy

This policy supports the provisions of the Kapiti Coast District Plan and the Heritage Strategy. It recognises that most heritage features are already protected by rules in the District Plan and encourages landowners to maintain, enhance and protect heritage features by offering a financial incentive.

Ratepayers who own rating units which have some feature of cultural or natural heritage which is voluntarily protected may qualify for remission of rates under this policy, for example:

- Properties that have a QEII Covenant under section 22 of the Queen Elizabeth the Second National Trust Act 1977 registered on their certificate(s) of title
- Properties that have a Conservation Covenant with the Department of Conservation registered on their certificate(s) of title
- Properties that have a site listed in the District Plan Heritage Register (excluding any buildings)
- Appropriately protected riparian strips
- Heritage features that are protected by a Section 221 consent notice (Resource Management Act 1991) registered on the certificate of title (excluding buildings)

This policy does not apply to land that is non-rateable under section 8 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 and is liable only for rates for water supply, wastewater disposal, waste collection or recycling.

Applications for rates remission in accordance with this policy must be in writing and supported by documentary evidence of the protected status of the rating unit, e.g. a copy of the covenant agreement or other legal mechanism.

In considering any application for remission of rates under this policy, the Council Environmental Management Committee acting as the Heritage Committee will consider the following criteria:

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- The extent to which the preservation of natural or cultural heritage will be promoted by granting remission on rates on the rating unit
- The degree to which features of natural or cultural heritage are present on the land
- The degree to which features of natural or cultural heritage inhibit the economic utilisation of the land
- Whether, and to what extent, public access to/over the heritage feature is provided for, and
- The extent to which the heritage feature is legally (e.g. covenanted) and physically (e.g. fenced) protected
- In respect of Geological Sites and Waahi Tapu:
 - the importance of the place to the Tangata Whenua
 - the community association with, or public esteem for, the place
 - the potential of the place for public education
 - the representative quality and/or a quality or type or rarity that is important to the District
 - the potential of the place as a wildlife refuge or feeding area
 - the potential of the place for its diversity in flora and fauna
- In respect of Ecological Sites (Areas of Significant Indigenous Vegetation and Significant Habitats of Indigenous Flora) whether the site has:
 - Representativeness
 - contains an ecosystem that is under-represented or unique in the ecological district
 - Rarity
 - contains threatened ecosystems
 - contains threatened species
 - contains species that are endemic to the ecological district
 - Diversity
 - diversity of ecosystems species/ vegetation
 - Distinctiveness
 - contains large/dense population of viable species
 - largely in its natural state or restorable
 - uninterrupted ecological sequence

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- contains significant land forms
- Continuity and Linkage within Landscape
 - provides, or has potential to provide, corridor/buffer zone to an existing area
- Cultural Values
 - traditionally important for Maori
 - recreational values
 - significant landscape value
 - protection of soil values
 - water catchment protection
 - recreation or tourism importance
 - aesthetic coherence
- Ecological Restoration
 - ability to be restored
 - difficulty of restoration
 - cost/time
- Landscape Integrity
 - significance to the original character of the landscape
 - isolated feature, does it stand out or blend in
 - does it have a role in landscape protection
- Sustainability
 - size and shape of area
 - activities occurring on the boundaries which may affect its sustainability
 - adjoins another protected area
 - links
 - easily managed

Where remission of rates is granted under this policy the landowner, in conjunction with the Council, will be required to develop a Heritage Management Plan.

The purpose of a Heritage Management Plan is to set out a plan of action for managing a heritage feature within the Kapiti Coast District that is subject to rates remission.

The Heritage Management Plan will:

- be reviewed on an annual basis by the Council in conjunction with the landowner.
- may contain conditions which shall be complied with on an on-going basis, including requirements to fence off the area, undertake weed control and restoration, undertake pest control and keep stock out of the area.

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- will ensure that the site will be managed in a manner that protects and enhances the heritage feature.

Any decision on whether to grant remission on rates will be at the discretion of the Council's Environmental Management Committee, acting as the Heritage Committee. The amount of remission will be determined on a case-by-case basis by the Committee, taking into account the merits of the protected feature and the extent to which it meets the criteria specified in this policy. The amount of rates remission will be reviewed by the Committee as appropriate.

In granting rates remission under this policy, the Heritage Committee may specify certain conditions before remission will be granted. Applicants will be required to agree in writing to these conditions and to pay any remitted rates if the conditions are violated.

Attachment 2 – Properties recommended to receive Rates Remission for Conservation Purposes in 2010/2011, and recommended amounts.

Property Location	Valuation	Area - Hectares	Amount
331 Valley Rd, Paraparaumu	15400-04300	7.8	\$356
222 Valley Rd, Paraparaumu	15300-06403	3	\$237
62 Hadfield Rd, Peka Peka	14900-05300	1.9	\$237
234 Te Hapua Rd, Ōtaki	14890-01104	3.5	\$237
140 Taylors Rd, Ōtaki	14861-20208	.4	\$119
96 Otaki Gorge Rd, Ōtaki	14881-09601	.6	\$119
243 North Highway 1, Ōtaki	14861-24200	8.2	\$356
432 Mangaone South Rd, Waikanae	14900-23400	40	\$711
518 Mangaone South Rd, Waikanae	14900-23401	.9	\$119
115 Arcus Rd, Te Horo	14881-27403	.45	\$119
566 Rahui Rd, Ōtaki	14881-51200	22.9	\$593
0 Akatarawa Rd, Waikanae	14885-16803	13.1	\$474
117 Ruapehu Street, Paraparaumu	15251-64400	.3	\$119
6 Matata Place, Waikanae	14960-55314	.3	\$119
197 State Highway 1	15262-04900	.4	\$119
5-7 Kohekohe Rd, Waikanae	14941-53000	.1	\$119
310-312 Te Hapua Road, Ōtaki	14890-01116	9	\$356
67 Waihoanga Rd, Ōtaki	14881-58704	1.8	\$237
331 Otaki Gorge Rd, Ōtaki	14881-06600	1.1	\$237
176 Te Hapua Rd, Ōtaki	14890-00800	1.4	\$237
15 Panorama Drive, Paraparaumu	15301-50002	.3	\$119
69 Mickell Rd, Te Horo	14881-66504	5.1	\$356
52 Ruahine Street, Paraparaumu	15251-31600	.1	\$119
168 Taylors Rd, Ōtaki	14861-20212	1.5	\$237
200 Reikorangi Rd, Waikanae	14885-16102	.9	\$119
54 Kohekohe Rd, Waikanae	14941-49000	.1	\$119
30-34 Greendale Drive, Paraparaumu	15260-35024	2.1	\$237
71 Aston Rd, Paraparaumu	15150-12400	11.5	\$474
366 State Highway 1, Paekakariki	15400-02404	1.1	\$237
207 Te Hapua Rd, Ōtaki	14890-01114	1	\$119
98 Old Coach Rd North, Ōtaki	14861-03300	8.5	\$356
5 Matata Place, Waikanae	14960-55362	.7	\$119
227 Te Hapua Rd, Ōtaki	14890-01113	1.7	\$237
90a Winara Ave, Waikanae	1488159001	26.4	\$593
54 Makora Rd, Otaihanga	15260-04900	n/a	\$119
48 Ruahine St, Paraparaumu	15251-31500	.1	\$119
91A Ringawhata Road, Ōtaki	14861-54000	1.4	\$237
0 State Highway 1, Paraparaumu	15150-11900	13	\$474

16 Aston Rd, Paraparaumu	15150-12422	6	\$356
15 Catley Rd, Te Horo	14881-24001	.4	\$119
14 Riwai Street, Paraparaumu	15251-42300	.1	\$119
158 Taylors Rd, Otaki	14861-20209	1.5	\$237
15 Manu Grove, Waikanae	14951-07600	.5	\$119
87 Belvedere Avenue, Waikanae	14951-29300	.4	\$119
126 Te Hapua Rd, Ōtaki	14890-00702	1	\$237
184 State Highway 1, Paraparaumu	15262-27100	3.2	\$237
70 Otaki Gorge Rd, Ōtaki	14881-08900	.3	\$119
0 State Highway 1 South, Ōtaki	14861-17000	1.3	\$237
75 Forest Lakes Rd, Ōtaki	14861-19900	3.8	\$237
89 Riwai St, Paraparaumu	15251-48000	.1	\$119
204 Te Hapua Rd, Waikanae	14890-01100	10.9	\$474
108 Huia Street, Waikanae	14960-35150	1.5	\$237
152 Te Hapua Rd,	14890-00700	10.5	\$474
298 Mangaone Rd, Waikanae	14900-24900	5.3	\$356
20-24 Reikorangi Rd, Waikanae	14885-15600	.8	\$119
80 Waterfall Rd, Paraparaumu	15400-04100	9.1	\$474
99 State Highway 1, Waikanae	14890-19600		\$356
387, 405 Otaki Gorge Rd, Ōtaki	14881-07600	1.7	\$237
0 Otaki Gorge Rd, Ōtaki	14881-07000	4.6	\$237
362-368 Otaki Gorge Rd, Ōtaki	14881-20000	6.8	\$356
514 State Highway 1, Waikanae	15150-13800	10.6	\$474
60 Octavius Rd, Waikanae	14900-05605	1.2	\$237
424 Te Moana Rd, Waikanae	14941-15500	.1	\$119
Otaki Gorge Rd, Ōtaki	14881-64700	85	\$1,067
217 State Highway 1, Paraparaumu	15262-05500	.5	\$119
528-530 State Highway 1, Paekakariki	15400-02500	21.2	\$593
190 Te Hapua Road, Waikanae	14890-01101	.3	\$119
3 Hadfield Road, Te Horo	14900-03207	1.2	\$237
92 Old Hautere Road, Te Horo	14881-18100	1.7	\$237
111 Ngatiawa Rd	14900-18701	.1	\$119
156 Maungakotukutuku Rd	15400-04400	3.1	\$237
16 Tongariro St, Paraparaumu	15251-20400	.21	\$119
2 Kereru St, Waikanae	14960-65000	.1	\$119
248 Ngarara Rd, Waikanae	14890-15200	43.7	\$830
66 Smithfield Rd, Waikanae	14890-17300	2.5	\$237
Park Avenue, Waikanae	14931-75200	20.8	\$593
53 Mangaone Rd, Te Horo	14900-18900	.1	\$119
121 Otaihanga Rd, Paraparaumu	15260-32800	1.7	\$237
2 Jacks Bush Rd, Waikanae	14890-16200	.3	\$119
8 Jacks Bush Rd, Waikanae	14890-16201	1	\$237
16 Jacks Bush Rd, Waikanae	14890-16203	2.1	\$237
31 Jacks Bush Rd, Waikanae	14890-16204	.1	\$119
27 Jacks Bush Rd, Waikanae	14890-16205	.3	\$119
19 Jacks Bush Rd, Waikanae	14890-16206	.3	\$119

17 Jacks Bush Rd, Waikanae	14890-16207	.2	\$119
Hadfield Rd, Peka Peka	14900-03212	3.3	\$237
21 Kakariki Grove, Waikanae	14960-67100	.1	\$119
19 Kakariki Grove, Waikanae	14960-67101	.1	\$119
568 Otaki Gorge Road, Ōtaki	14881-57510	4.2	\$237
231 Te Hapua Road, Ōtaki*	14890-01115	2.9	\$237
233 Te Hapua Road, Ōtaki*	14890-01111	1.5	\$237
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