

27 March 2026

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1 TE WHARO DRIVE
PAPAMOA 3118

Dear Sir/Madam

Update on property flood hazards from rainfall – Pāpāmoa

We live in a city affected by natural hazards, and it's important that we plan ahead to help us prepare and respond as best we can. As part of this work, we continually review data we hold about natural hazards to ensure we have the latest information available for our community.

We recently updated our stormwater flood modelling for the Pāpāmoa area and would like to share how this information relates to your property. This may be different to information you received previously as we have new data available to us.

Our latest dataset was developed in 2022 using laser light technology (LIDAR) to more precisely measure landforms and take a larger area into account. Combining this new dataset with older existing data provides a more refined rainfall flood hazard map.

Flood risk associated with your property

The updated information shows that your property located at 1 TE WHARO DRIVE, legal description LOT 444 DP 530967, remains in an area that is potentially at risk of flooding in an extreme rainfall event. However, the new data indicates that the potential risk of flooding on your property has increased.

Please note, this information relates to flood risks associated with extreme rainfall events only, or a once in a 100-year storm – predicted for the year 2130 and taking climate change and sea level rise into account. It is quite possible you have not had flooding on your property at this level in any previous storm events.

Flood maps & online flood hazard information

This flood hazard information replaces the information about your property that was previously noted in our records.

We have attached a map that shows how the updated information relates to your property, together with some answers to commonly asked questions. All of the attached information has been placed on your property file and is now online in our electronic mapping system MAPi, which you can access at www.tauranga.govt.nz/maps.

For additional information on how we gather this data and the type of information that it takes into account, visit tauranga.govt.nz/floodmaps.

Community drop-in sessions

We understand you may have some questions and we're here to help. We are holding community drop-in sessions and invite you to come and talk to our team in person. Our goal is to make these sessions accessible and welcoming to everyone. Please let us know if you have specific needs or support requirements to help you take part fully in this event.

Drop-in sessions:

Date and time	Location
Monday 20 April 4pm to 6pm	Papamoa Community Centre, Aihe room 15 Gravatt Road, Pāpāmoa
Tuesday, 21 April 4pm to 6pm	Golden Sands Baptist Church 42 Piata Street, Pāpāmoa
Wednesday 29 April 4pm to 6pm	Golden Sands Baptist Church 42 Piata Street, Pāpāmoa
Thursday 30 April 4pm to 6pm	Papamoa Community Centre, Aihe room 15 Gravatt Road, Pāpāmoa

Alternatively, please feel free to email us with any questions you may have on floodmaps@tauranga.govt.nz or contact Jennifer Pearson on Jennifer.pearson@tauranga.govt.nz. Otherwise, you can phone us on 07 577 7000, Monday to Friday between 8am and 5.30pm.

Tenant(s)

As the owner of this property, we are letting you know how our modelling shows your land may be affected by stormwater flood risks during an extreme event. If you rent this property out, please let your tenant(s) know about the contents of this letter and the attached information.

Continuous mapping of natural hazards

Over the coming months we will be sharing more information about natural hazards in Tauranga and updates that are available to the community. This includes an update on flood risks from coastal inundation, issued on Thursday, 19 March 2026. Using the latest data means we can work together to make informed decisions for our homes, businesses and communities, and make sure our infrastructure is as resilient as possible.

Yours sincerely



Wallace Potts
Head of City Waters