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ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Open Minutes Attachments

Draft City Wide Reserve Management Plan Presentations

Meeting Date: Tuesday 15 April 2025

Time: 9.30am – 10.52am

Venue: Large Exhibition Hall
War Memorial Centre
Marine Parade
Napier

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Submission from Jennifer Ellingham and Janey Campbell representing Hawkes Bay Horse Trails Hawkes Bay Advocacy Group

*Enhancing recreation and
community through horse trails*



Group's Focus and Objectives

Advocacy for Horse Trails

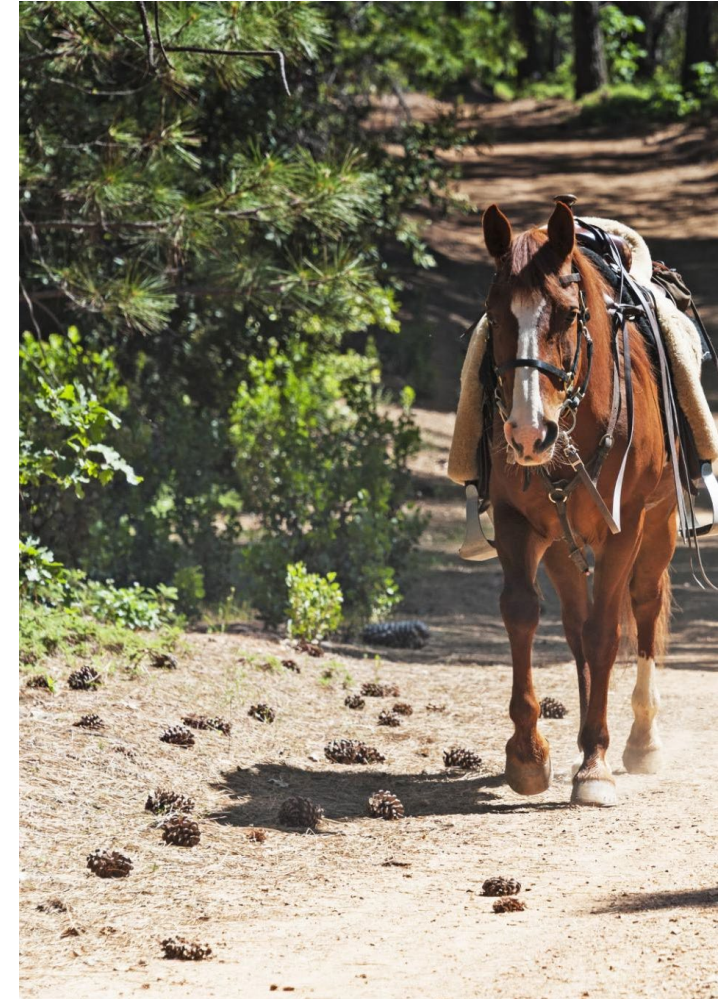
Our group advocates for the inclusion of horse trails in local planning to enhance recreational opportunities for riders.

Community Engagement

Our Group aims to advocate on behalf of the wide range of horse riders who value the opportunity to enjoy recreational riding.

Recreational Development

The group's goal is to integrate horse riding into recreational developments, promoting a healthy outdoor lifestyle.



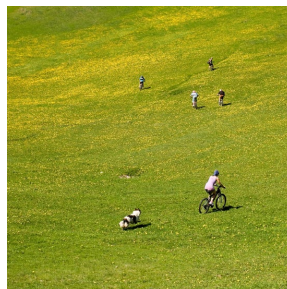


Submission to Napier City Council



Recreation and access Objectives

Submission is that the Napier City Council adds an objective to 2.0 Recreation and Access Objectives to provide for consideration of recreational horse riding in open spaces and reserves throughout the city, as provision has been made for Dog Exercise Activities (2.9).



Why?

There are a significant number of horses grazing within our City, but a shrinking availability of places to ride safely for recreation. Roads have become much busier and verges greatly reduced making road riding quite dangerous.



Comparison with Dog Activities

Currently, the city provides for Dog Exercise Activities. This proposal seeks to create a similar provision for horse riding.



Current Trails and Support

Investment in Cycle Trails

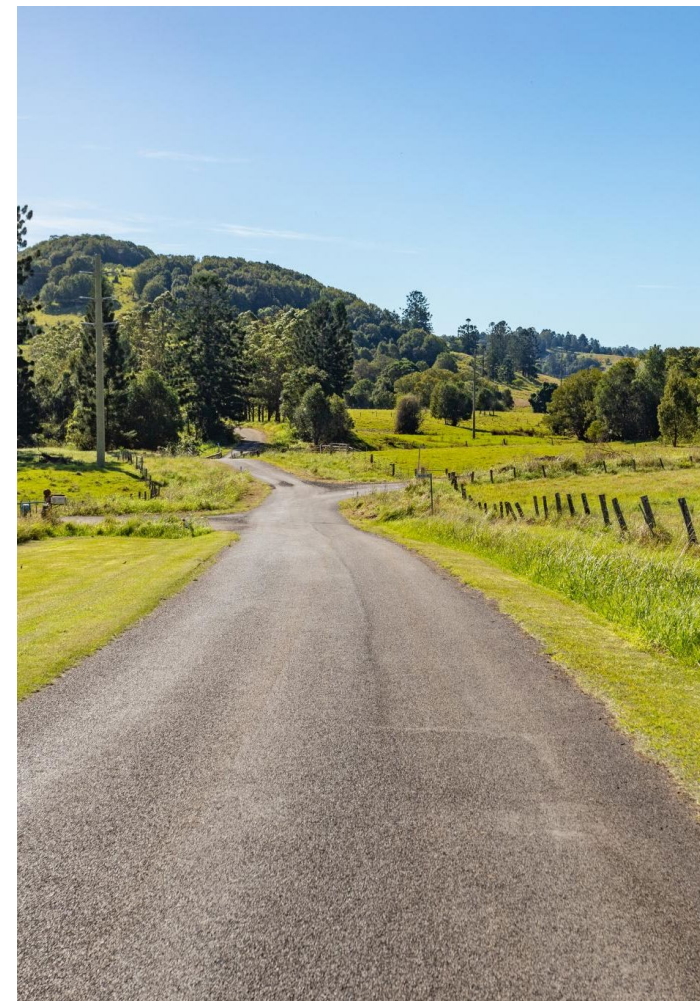
There has been significant investment in developing cycle trails in Hawkes Bay over the past decade, reflecting a commitment to outdoor recreation.

Horse Riding Trails

Horse riders have enjoyed established trails from Clive to River Road and Awatoto to Puketapu which have been in existence for over 10 years. These 2 trails have enhanced equine activities in the region.

Need for New Trails

Despite these existing trails, there has been a lack of new horse trails developed for over 10 years , limiting access for equestrian enthusiasts.





Current Challenges for Horse Riders



Limited Riding Spaces

The availability of safe riding spaces for recreational horse riding is diminishing significantly in urban areas.

Farm riding is not readily available to the majority of riders

The number of horse riders is not diminishing

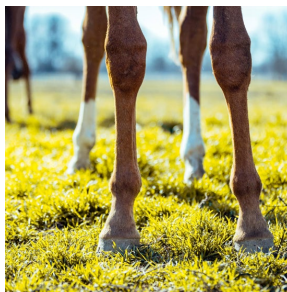


Increased Road Danger

With busier roads and reduced verges, riding horses on the roads has become increasingly dangerous.

No Legislation to include horses as vulnerable road users

Lack of public awareness for horse safety on the roads





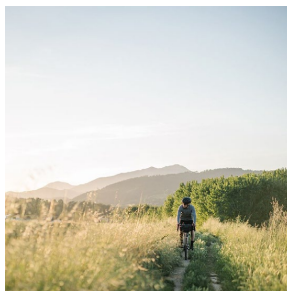
Survey Results and Economic Benefits



Local Rider Support

Survey completed in HB 2024 found over 200 local riders expressed strong support for establishing new recreational riding trails in Hawkes Bay.

Over 600 supporters in the HBHTAG Facebook page



Visitor Interest

Around 120 riders from outside Hawkes Bay indicated their interest in visiting for trail riding opportunities.



Economic Benefits

The development of recreational opportunities can lead to significant economic benefits through equine tourism in Hawkes Bay.



Support for Multi-use Trails



Support for Multi-Use Trails

We advocate for multi-use trails that cater to walkers, cyclists, and horse riders, promoting shared outdoor experiences.

Horse Trail Requirements

A suitable horse trail only needs a minimum 2m grass strip, ensuring safety and accessibility for all users.

Path Etiquette and Signage

Clear signage and etiquette are essential for shared paths, guiding users and ensuring a safe experience for everyone.



Examples of Successful Shared Pathways

Successful Shared Pathways

Regions like Kapiti Coast, Taranaki, and Bay of Plenty showcase successful shared pathways that promote recreational activities for various users.

Multi-Use Recreational Areas

Multi-use recreational areas in regions such as Rotorua and Taupo offer diverse activities for everyone, including horse riding and cycling.

Advocacy for Recreational Opportunities

National advocacy groups and networks work with decision-makers to develop shared pathways that benefit horse riders and other recreational users.



Economic and Recreational Benefits

Investment and Benefits

A small investment in horse trails can yield significant economic and recreational benefits for riders and local communities.

Safe Riding Alternatives

Horse trails offer a safe and pleasant alternative to riding on road verges, which are not horse friendly or safe.

Recreational Riding Value

Recreational riding is a valued experience for many, exceeding formal equestrian activities in enjoyment for numerous riders.





Conclusion

Incorporate Objectives

We are asking to include recreational horse riding into the Reserve Management Plan. Specifically, an amendment to 2.0 Recreation and access objectives to provide for consideration for horse riding in open spaces and reserves throughout the city , as provision has been made for Dog exercise activities (2.9)

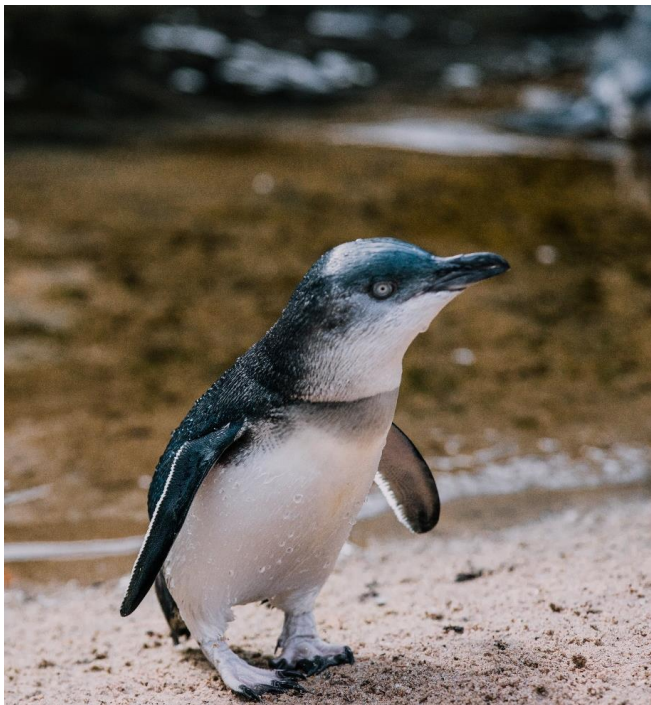
Support Recreational Riders

There has been no new horse trails established for over 10 years in the HB region and the areas within the city have been increasingly unavailable . We are asking for support for Multi use trails for walker/cyclists and horse riders as demonstrated successfully in other NZ regions such as Kapiti coast/Rotorua and Taupo.

Enhance Local Amenities

There is demonstrated support locally and outside for new horse trails encouraging potential economic benefits to HB.





Presentation to NCC –
City Wide Reserve Management Plan

Save the Dotterels, Hawke's Bay (Napier zones)



Shingle Beaches are Valuable Ecosystems





Providing Habitat for many Species



Let's just use the word BEACH

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Part A. 1.4 Classification of Foreshore Reserves

- Recreation Reserve? – beaches are not just a Recreation Reserve
- Historic Reserve?
- Scenic Reserve?
- Nature Reserve?
- Scientific Reserve?



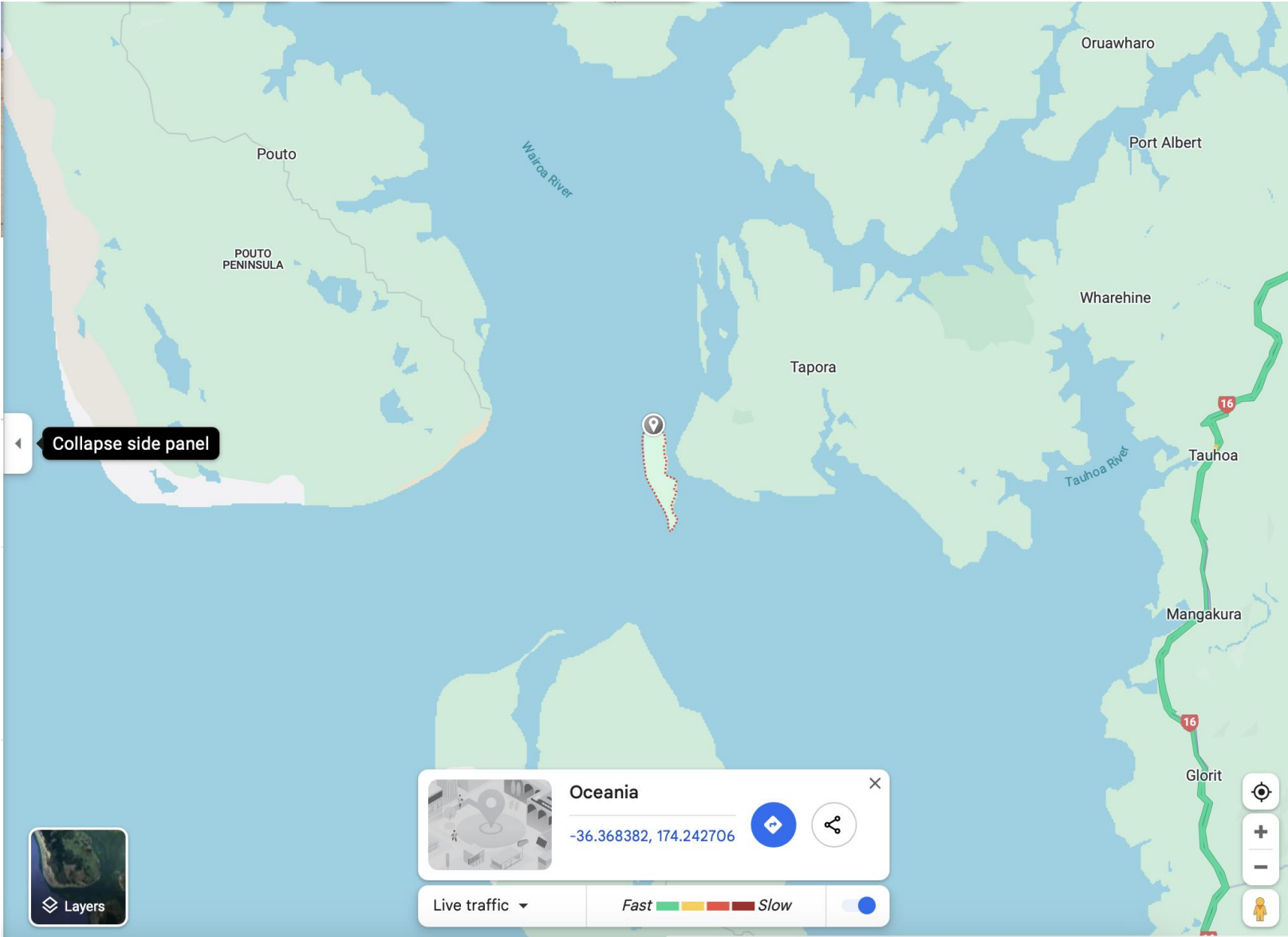
Scientific Reserve? – Banding Napier's Banded Dotterels













Part A. 2.3 Prioritised List

- Foreshore Reserves that include beaches to have a higher priority.
- They are particularly important in their role with climate resilience.



Part B 2.4 Motor Vehicle Access



Part B 5.3 Biodiversity and Ecology

-promote the protection, enhancement and growth of indigenous biodiversity
- Fully Support!

Part B 5.4 Pest Management (Animal and Plant)

- The newly launched:
‘Towards Predator Free Hawke’s Bay’
- Cat Ownership Management





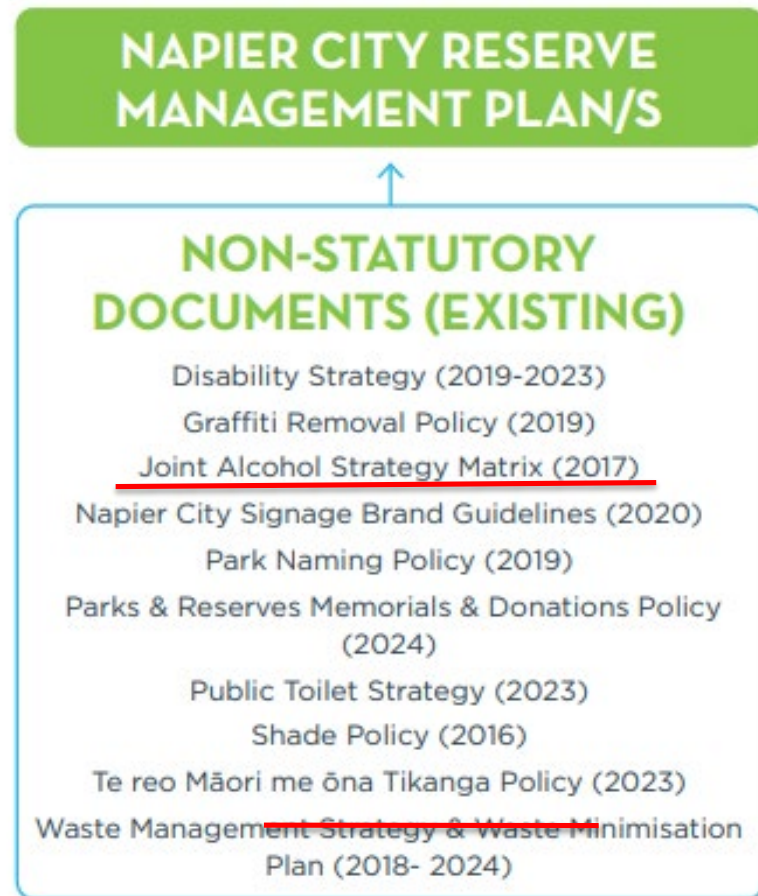
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Presenter: Crystal Lau, Health Promoter



Alcohol harm reduction

Sun protection

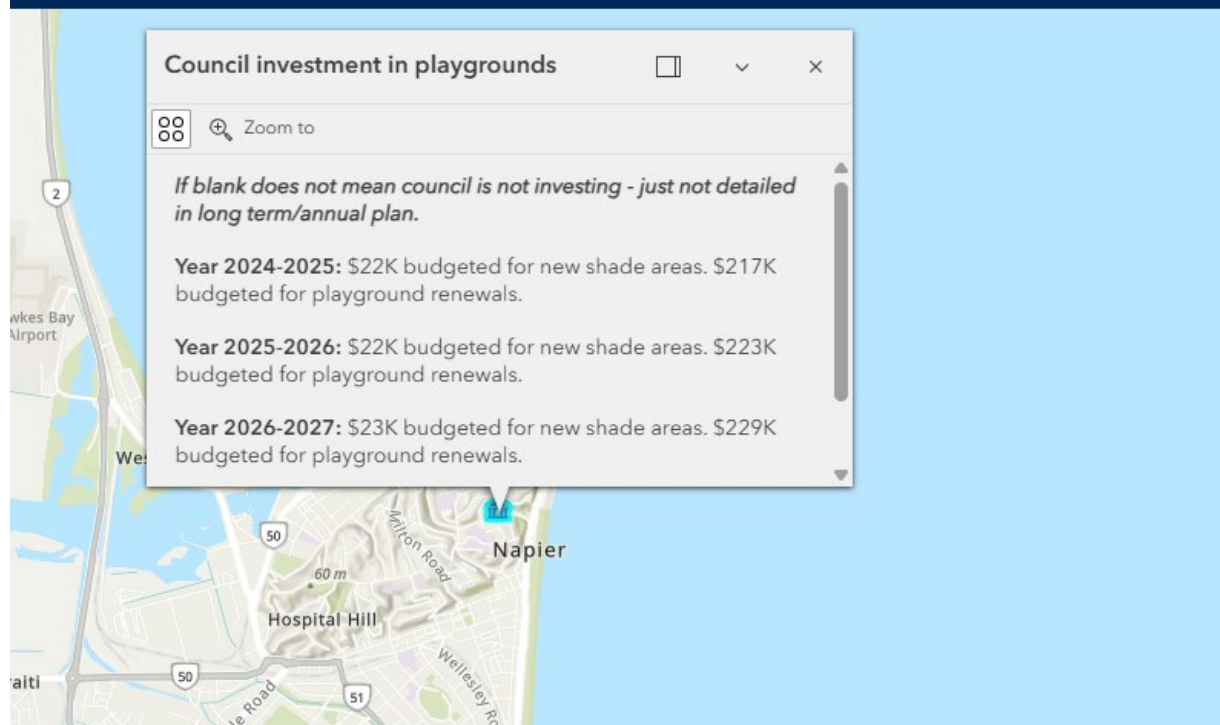
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Acknowledgement



Council planned investment in playgrounds

(sourced from long term and annual plans)



Source: University of Otago. (2025) Council planned investment in playground. [Online] Available from: https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/55b41442d04c4c37a57dc36acc4864b7/page/Introductory-page#data_s=id%3AdataSource_12-19534699362-layer-2%3A19 [Accessed 31st March 2025]

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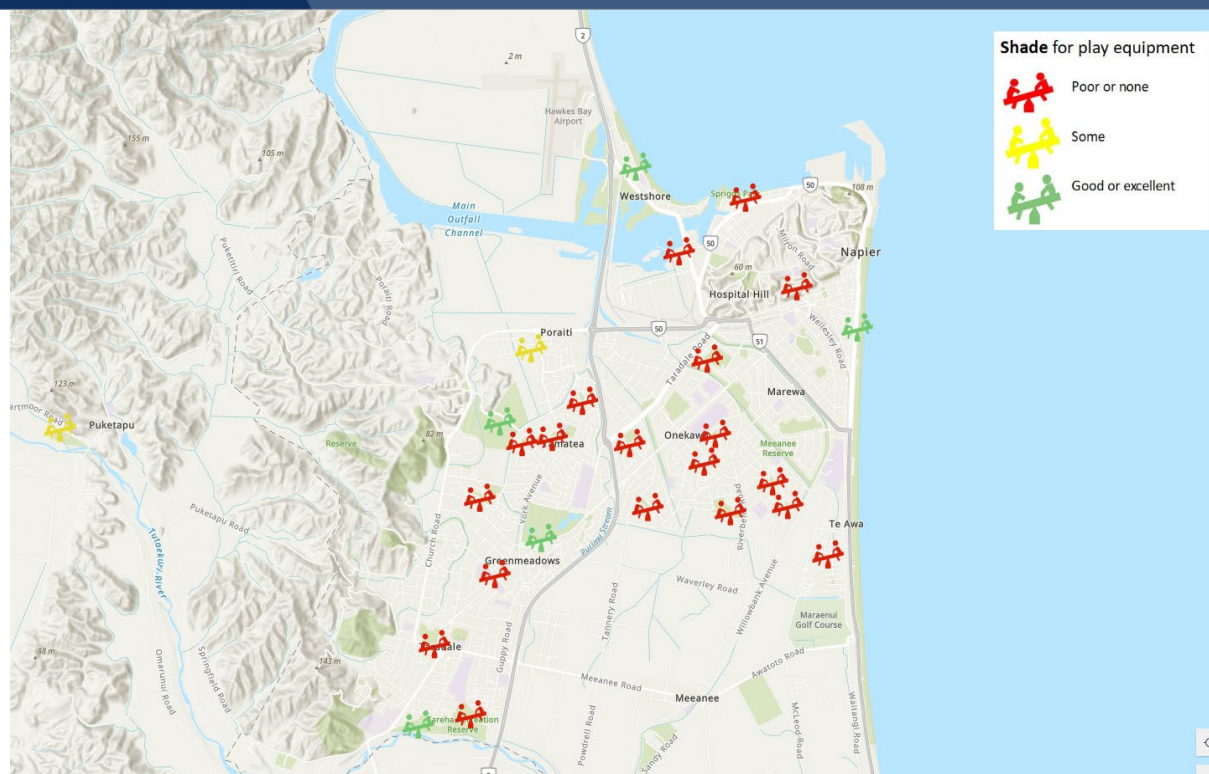




Shade Policy



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Prioritise shade for playgrounds in low SES areas

8 in 10 playgrounds (NZ Dep > 8) have poor or no shade for play equipment

6 in 10 playgrounds (NZ Dep > 8) have poor or no shade for spectators

Recommendation 1





Incorporate native tree planting for shade

Recommendation 2





Maraenui Park



Taradale Park



Marine Parade Park

Invest in sun safety signage at high-use playgrounds

Recommendation 3





Te Awanga Domain Playground, Hastings District Council

Invest in sun safety signage at high-use playgrounds

Recommendation 3





Rationale





Even one blistering sunburn in childhood or adolescence more than doubles your chances of developing melanoma later in life.





Melanoma skin cancer deaths

Rank	Country	Number	ASR/100,000
	<i>World</i>	<i>57,043</i>	<i>0.6</i>
1	New Zealand	472	4.7
2	Norway	375	3.2
3	Montenegro	32	3.0
4	Slovakia	317	2.8
5	Slovenia	127	2.6
6	Australia	1,408	2.4
7	Denmark	341	2.4
8	Croatia	236	2.4
9	The Netherlands	906	2.3
10	Serbia	393	2.3



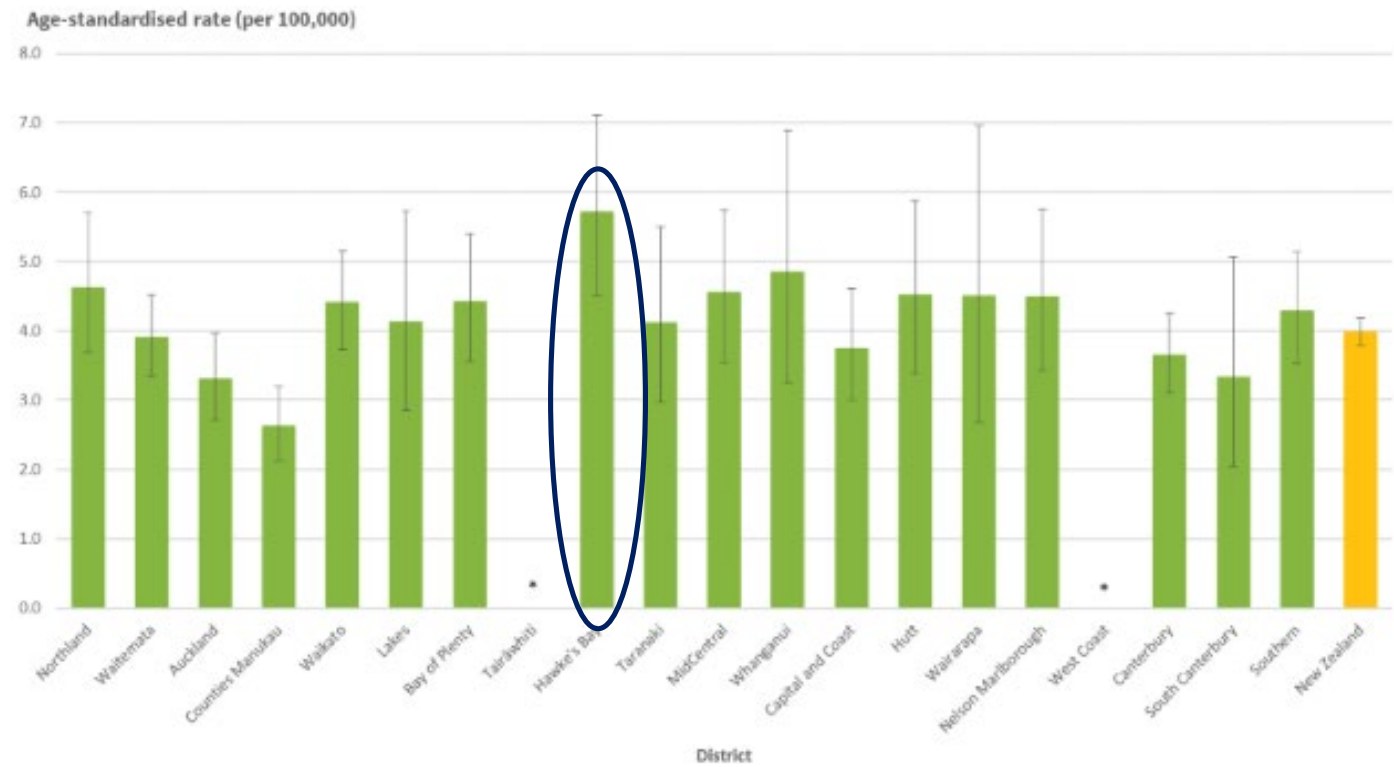
Resource: World Cancer Research Fund International. (2020) Skin cancer statistics. [Online]. Available from <https://www.wcrf.org/cancer-trends/skin-cancer-statistics/>

Sun protection





Figure 8: Melanoma mortality rates, by district, 2015–2019 aggregated

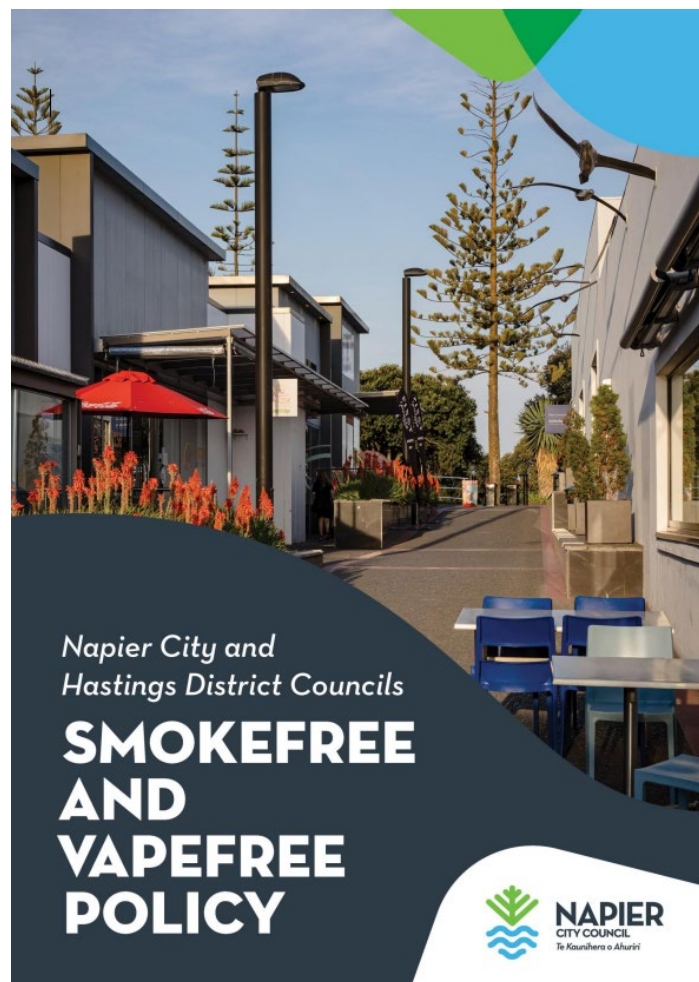


Notes: 95% confidence intervals have been presented as vertical bars. * = Rate was suppressed due to a low count of deaths (<20).
Source: New Zealand Mortality Collection

Sun protection



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Recommendation 4



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fresh air
zone
SMOKEFREE
VAPEFREE

Rationale



Between **30% to 50%** of cancers are **preventable**.
The leading causes of cancer in the Western Pacific Region are:



Tobacco use



Alcohol use



Infections
(HPV, Hepatitis, etc)



Obesity



UV exposure

Source: WHO Cancer Regional Profile 2020
Population Attributable Factors



Conclusion



Recommendations

Review the Shade Policy:-

1. Prioritise **shade provision** for playgrounds in low SES areas.
2. Incorporate **native trees** for a mix of deciduous and evergreen shade options.
3. Invest in **sun safety signage** a high-use playgrounds.
4. Consider the **Joint Smokefree and Vapefree Policy** in the City Wide Reserve Management Plan.



Skin cancer prevention



Shade in council managed playgrounds





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Source: University of Otago. (2025) Skin cancer prevention. [Online] Available from: <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/55b41442d04c4c37a57dc36acc4864b7/> [Accessed 31st March 2025]




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Feedback

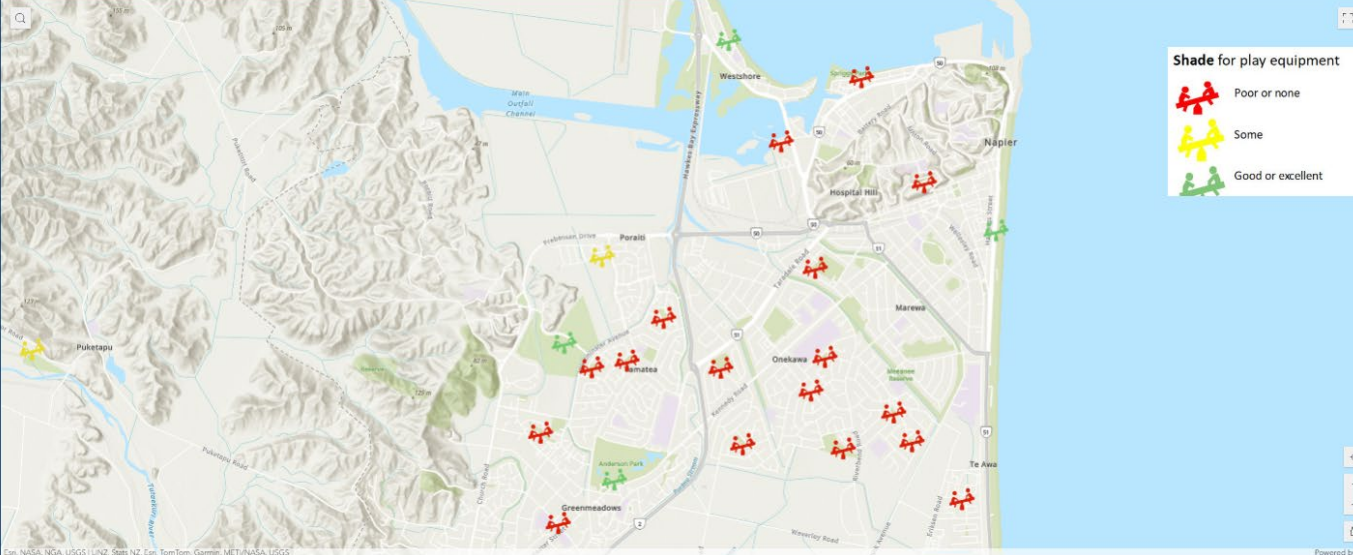


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Cancer Society Research Collaboration






NZ Playground Explorer


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Shade for play equipment

-  Poor or none
-  Some
-  Good or excellent


My Location

Locations 

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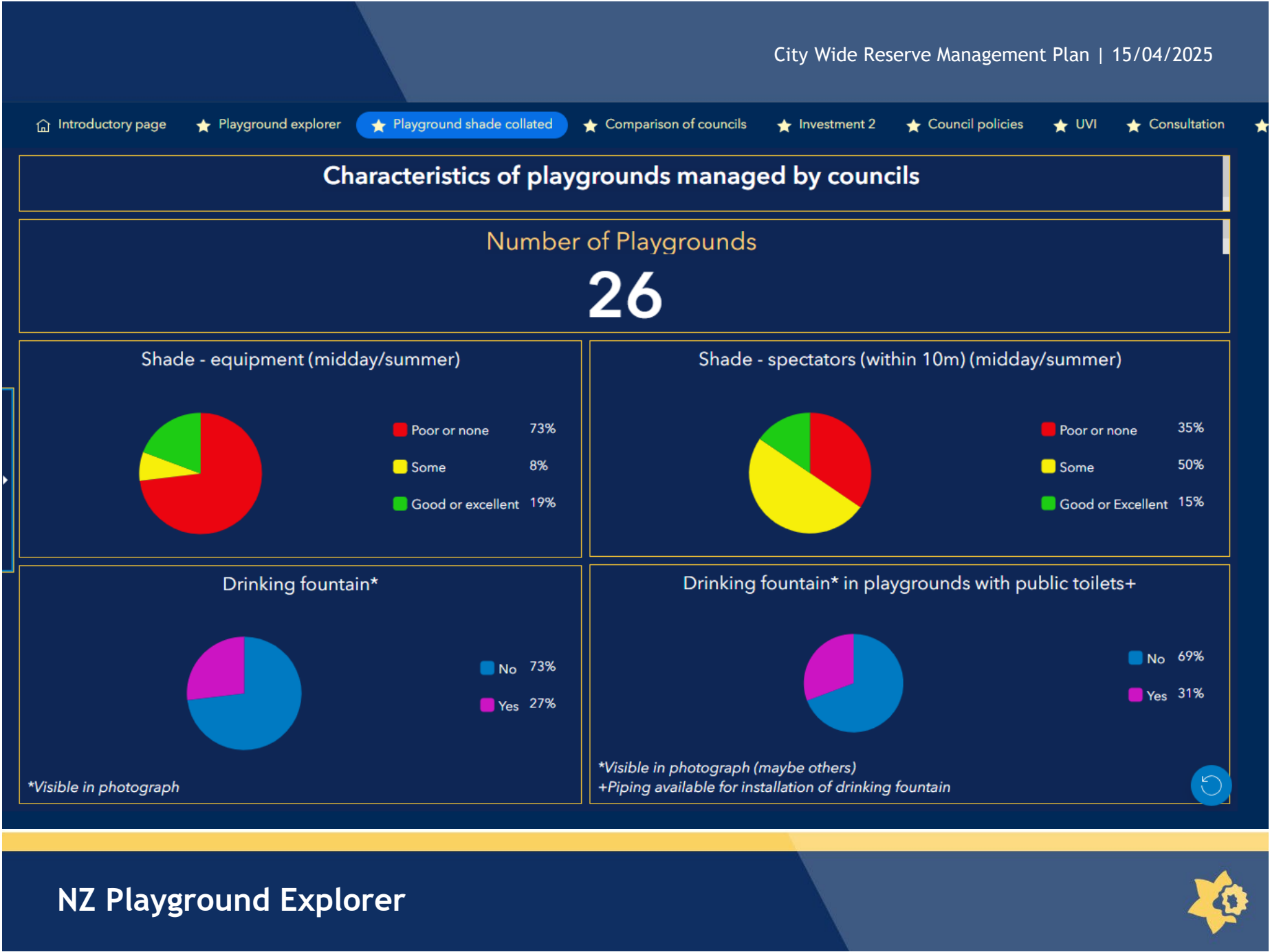
★ CHOOSE regional area

Region is Hawkes Bay

To filter map on amenities/features 

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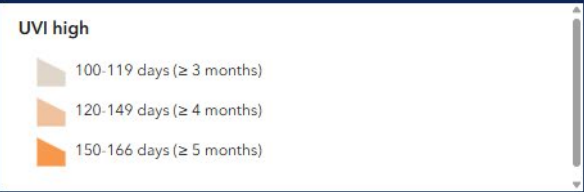
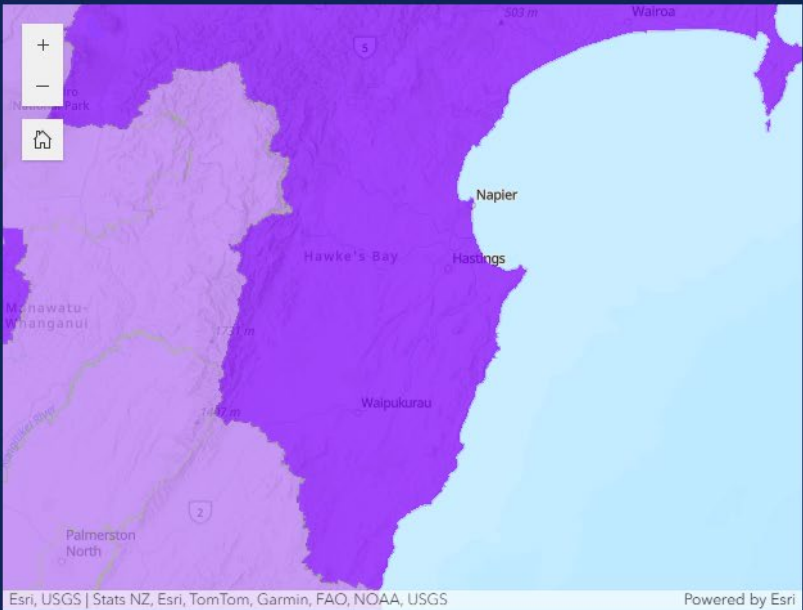
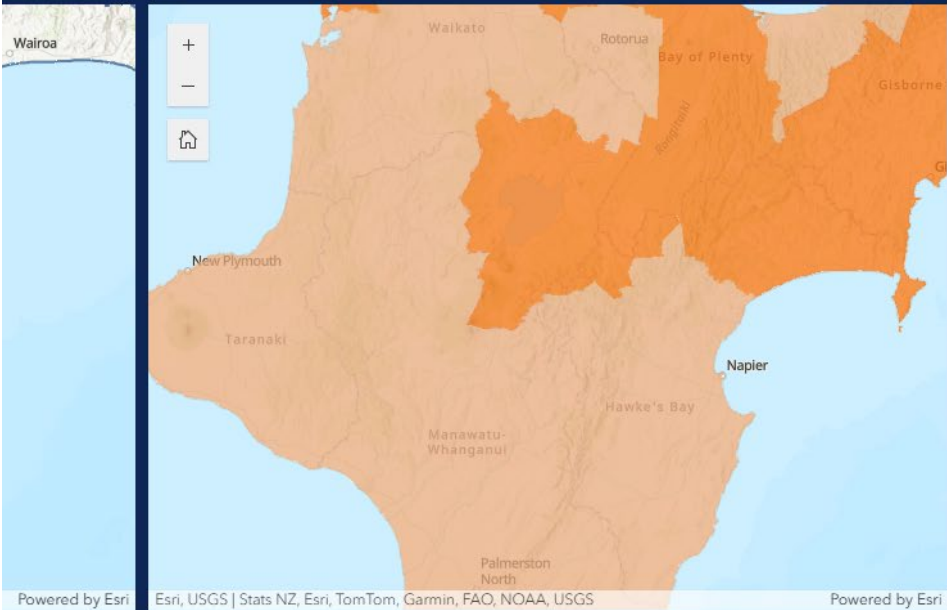


Ultraviolet Index (UVI) levels



Days per year UVI ≥ 6

Days per year UVI ≥ 11



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Pātai Questions

