

Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2022

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now we're
talking...

Introduction | He hupu whakataki

Council is required to prepare and adopt a Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (WMMP) at intervals of no more than six years. It is four years since our last WMMP, and Council has made significant changes to waste and recycling infrastructure and service delivery during that time.

Why do we need a plan?

Managing and minimising waste is a key Council responsibility, and this 2022 draft of the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (WMMP) will set the strategy for our solid waste activities, services and infrastructure for the next six years. We are guided in the development of this strategy by the Waste Minimisation Act, which encourages waste minimisation to protect the environment from harm, and to provide environmental, social, economic and cultural benefits.

In the four years since the last WMMP Council has made significant changes to waste and recycling infrastructure and service delivery. Our forecast of future demand for waste and diversion services provides Council with key opportunities to build on these changes and lead the district towards lower resource use and lower environmental impact in line with national initiatives proposed by Ministry for the Environment (MfE).

Our targets 2022-2028.

The Action Plan contains 25 actions which we can take to better manage and minimise our waste. The actions will all contribute to our proposed targets:

1. Kerbside food waste collection is implemented in urban areas by 2025.
2. Waste minimisation information is provided, or readily available, to 100% of our community by 2026
3. Our diversion rate increases to 50% of the district's waste disposed to landfill by 2027

How well are we doing?

- In 2021 our per capita waste to landfill was 449kg, well below the national average of 680kg per capita
- We diverted 3,000 tonnes from landfill, mostly recycling, greenwaste and sewage sludge
- Our transfer stations received 11,400 tonnes of waste for landfill, but 45% of that could have been recycled, recovered or composted
- We collected 2,500 tonnes of waste from kerbside wheelie bins, but nearly half of that was food waste that could have been composted.

We've made good progress against actions and targets in our 2018 WMMP except in the areas of waste education and diverting waste materials from landfill. This plan has a greater focus on waste awareness across all sectors of our community and addresses the national and global move towards a circular economy.



This is the Consultation document for the:

**WMMP
2022**

**Consultation period:
Thursday
8 September
2022 to Monday
10 October 2022.**



**PANUI
READ**

this document,
Statement of
Proposal and WMMP



**WHAKAARO
THINK**

about what makes
sense for you



**TUHITUHI
WRITE**

your feedback



Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2022 Submission Form

office use

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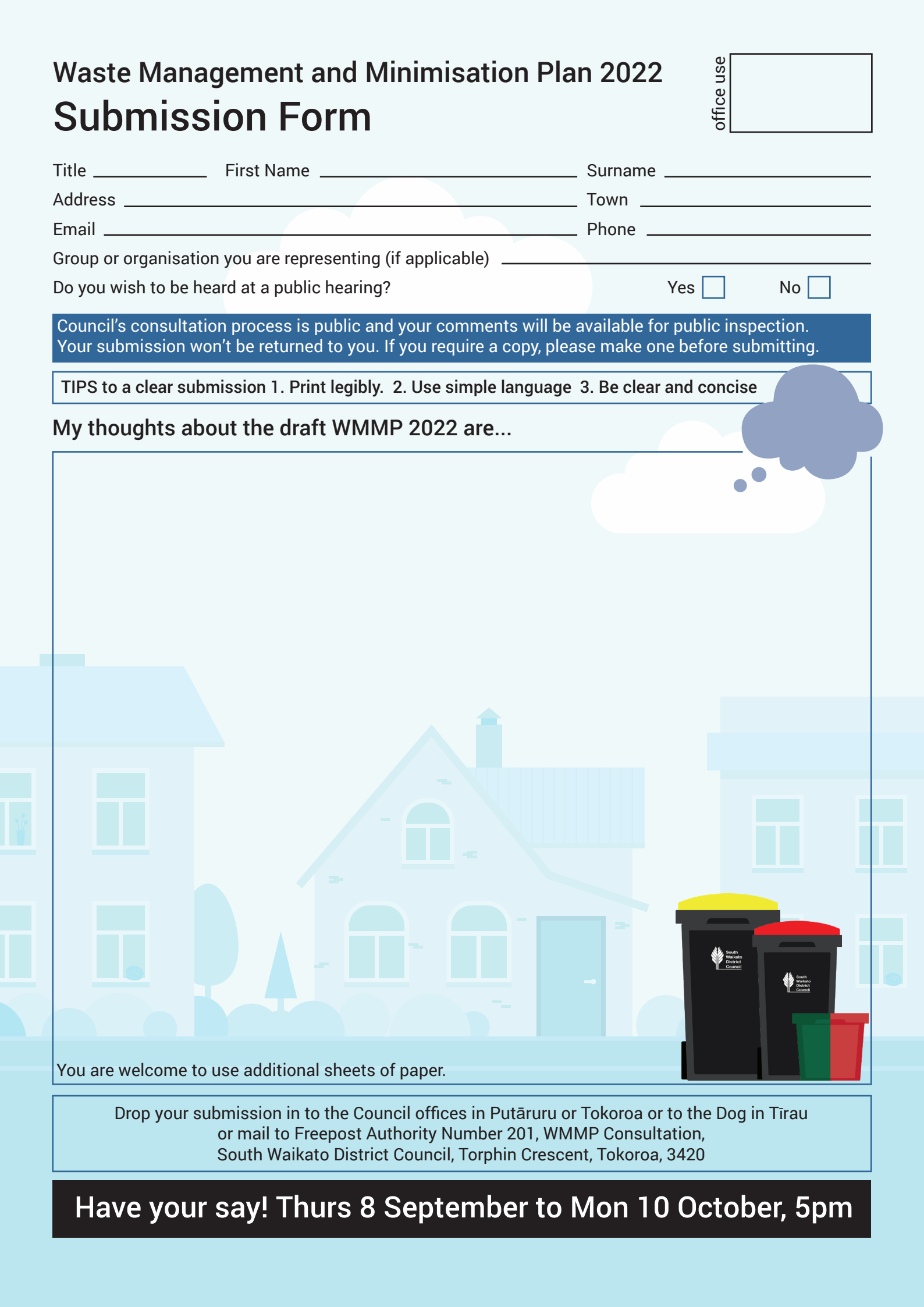
Group or organisation you are representing (if applicable) _____

Do you wish to be heard at a public hearing? Yes No

Council's consultation process is public and your comments will be available for public inspection. Your submission won't be returned to you. If you require a copy, please make one before submitting.

TIPS to a clear submission 1. Print legibly. 2. Use simple language 3. Be clear and concise

My thoughts about the draft WMMP 2022 are...

A light blue background illustration featuring stylized houses with windows and doors, and a row of recycling bins (black, red, green, and red) in the foreground. A thought bubble is positioned in the upper right corner of the submission area.

You are welcome to use additional sheets of paper.

Drop your submission in to the Council offices in Putāruru or Tokoroa or to the Dog in Tīrau
or mail to Freepost Authority Number 201, WMMP Consultation,
South Waikato District Council, Torphin Crescent, Tokoroa, 3420

Have your say! Thurs 8 September to Mon 10 October, 5pm