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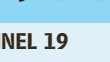
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19 Fri		1:28am ▼ 0.9m	7:58am ▲ 2.9m	
20 Sat		2:10am ▼ 0.8m	8:39am ▲ 3.0m	
21 Sun		2:50am ▼ 0.8m	9:18am ▲ 3.0m	
22 Mon		3:28am ▼ 0.7m	9:57am ▲ 3.1m	
23 Tue		4:06am ▼ 0.7m	10:36am ▲ 3.1m	
24 Wed		4:44am ▼ 0.7m	11:15am ▲ 3.1m	
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Editorial

by the Clevedon Association chair Martin Grant

Our Valley, Your Voice priorities for action

The Clevedon Association seeks six outcomes:

- Connected community and businesses
- A well-planned compact village and surrounds
- A sustainable visitor destination
- Businesses that are thriving
- Connected to our maunga, awa and whenua
- Connected to our rural, Māori and colonial heritage.

Following our recent business breakfast and online ‘Our Valley, Your Voice’ community engagement, we also looked at The Clevedon Association’s 2025/26 Strategy, the 2018 Clevedon Village Design Framework and the Clevedon Village and Clevedon Showgrounds Masterplans.

Considering all of the above we have asked the Franklin Local Board’s support of Clevedon in the following areas:

- Main Street work programme to create a safe and enjoyable heart to Clevedon.
- Public transport advocacy with Auckland Transport.
- Clevedon Showgrounds upgrades and adjustments like enabling full time carpark access, installing further drainage, installing floodlights, etc.
- Clevedon Showgrounds masterplan delivery including walkways and trails, tennis club expansion, youth park and Sharing (Men’s) Shed location.
- Clevedon trails connecting Clevedon to Hūnua Falls and Beachlands/Pine Harbour.
- Clevedon Community Hall capital works into next capital plan.
- Clevedon community school pool operating expenditure.

Some of these will be considered for the Board’s 26-28 Plan, some will require connection with other programmes and some will require perseverance on our part!

In service of us all; we need some help

Everyone on our team is working in service of the people of Clevedon or



The Clevedon Association team L-R: Ellen David, Fiona Ritchie, Nicki Henshaw, Jane Masters, Victoria Richards, Martin Grant (chair), Josephine Elworthy, Mark Kinsler, Mary Whitehouse, Tina Cadogan, Leanne Chamberlin, with Franklin Local Board members Amanda Hopkins and Alix Bonnington, and Constable Lauren Dalley. Absent: Sarah Crabb, Pia Elworthy-Jones.

Clevedon as a place we all want to be part of. We have more work to do than we have people or time. So, we need help in the following areas:

- Main Street project
- The Roundup folding and distribution
- Love Clevedon Guide & Directory 2026
- Welcome to Clevedon Gift Bags
- Two committee members to join September 2026

Some of our work is purely volunteered and some has some nominal compensation. Get in touch with us if any of these interest you or you just want to chip in.

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Temporary library closure

The Clevedon Library will close the doors of its current building permanently on 20 December until its proposed relocation into the Clevedon District Centre in 2026 (date TBC). The building will eventually be moved to make way for the renovation of the wider Clevedon Community Hall and playground space. Book loans will continue to be available in the village via the Auckland Council mobile library, which visits Clevedon Hall every Wednesday afternoon (1.30-3.45pm)

and Saturday (2-3.30pm).

On behalf of the community, the Clevedon Association wishes to thank the team of volunteers who have kept this service running over the years.

The Association is talking with the Franklin Local Board about activating the District Centre as a future resource for the community as we grow. We will keep you up to date on these discussions as they proceed.

Clevedon Village Planting Palette recognises our rural roots

The Clevedon Association has developed a planting palette - a practical guide designed to shape a consistent and character-rich approach to planting across the village. The palette is intended to be used by local developers, property owners, community groups, and Council partners when planning new gardens, walkways, and public spaces. It draws inspiration from Clevedon’s historical ecosystems, celebrating the native species that once defined this landscape - such as tōtara, nīkau, maire tawake and kahikatea - alongside heritage exotics like the ‘Black Doris’ plum, first cultivated here. You can view and download the palette on our website - clevedon.co.nz.

Pop-up Youth Space

The Clevedon Association is excited to announce that a Pop-Up Youth Space is currently being set up on the corner of North & Twilight Roads. This prototype project will give our youth a place to connect, spend time together, and take part in activities throughout summer.

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Your Views

In today’s tough economic times it is more important to be kind, show respect and be grateful rather than buy flash expensive presents. Therefore we the staff and teachers at Whitford Early Learning would love to publicly acknowledge and thank our centre owners, Kim and Joe O’Neil, for the incredible work they do to maintain our beautiful natural environment at 633 Whitford Rd.

Our centre isn’t like most early childhood settings. We’re fortunate to be situated on five acres of lush, peaceful nature. We deeply value the natural world, and our tamariki feel the benefits of being immersed in it every day. We even have three much-loved resident alpacas who bring joy to our children and whānau.

While we are a successful early childhood centre, we as staff and teachers see firsthand the enormous amount of hard work, time and dedication that happens behind the scenes to keep our environment thriving. For this reason, we wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to Kim and Joe for the love, care and commitment they pour into our centre and our local community.

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Donaldson family prepares for USA therapy trial

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Over the past few months, schools, sports clubs, businesses and friends have stepped forward to help the Donaldson family raise the money required to travel to the USA for Hugo's medical care.

Thanks to the community's support, the Donaldsons have now reached the point

where they can commit to the therapy. The first part of the treatment has already been started in New Zealand, with some of Hugo's blood collected and sent to Texas where it will be used to make the CAR-T cells for the infusion-administered therapy.

Hugo's parents, Samantha and Aaron, say they are "blown away" by the support of the local community.

"The support from everyone here has meant the world to us," says Samantha.

"We feel extremely blessed to be part of such an amazing place to live," says Aaron.

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- by STIHL SHOP Botany

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Locals encouraged to join the Pōhutukawa Coast Crime Wach Patrol in 2026

- by the Pōhutukawa Coast Crime Watch Patrol

For many years we have been helping to keep the beautiful Pōhutukawa Coast a clean, tidy and safer place to live, with the help of volunteers from our community. You may well have seen our group of volunteer patrollers out in our marked vehicles around the areas of Beachlands, Maraetai and Whitford.

We are a charitable trust working in partnership with various agencies to achieve our goals. Our volunteers support our community by carrying out patrols in marked vehicles and act in a non-confrontational manner as the eyes and ears for the New Zealand Police, observe and report on issues that require Auckland Council Services as well as supporting local community events. We call this ‘Community Powered Safety’ as we are operated by the local community and secure our annual operating expenses through a mixture of local grants, sponsorships and donations.

Our Patrol has been around for several years and we are affiliated with Community Patrols of New Zealand (CPNZ). This is a nationwide organisation backed by funding from the New Zealand Police and Government. CPNZ are headquartered

at the Police National HQ in Wellington who oversee the support and coordination of 5,000+ volunteers across 160 affiliated Community Patrols throughout New Zealand. In collaboration with various partners, we actively prevent crime and minimise harm through the dedicated presence of trained patrollers. CPNZ’s vision is a New Zealand where everyone feels safe, and our volunteers act as additional “eyes and ears” for the Police. Through intelligence gathering and keen observation, we assist law enforcement and other agencies in building safer communities. Our patrols are uniquely tailored to the needs of the community, strategically patrolling where and when it best supports the various agencies we work closely with and the community.

Our patrols also report on issues that require Auckland Council Services as well as supporting local community events such as the local Trolley Derby and the Beachlands Santa Parade. We patrol the community in pairs, either by day or night and note such things as suspicious behaviour or activity alongside graffiti or illegally dumped rubbish amongst other things. Patrollers are non-confrontational, and we have no special powers therefore are subject to the same

rules and regulations as everyone else. In the past six months, our Pōhutukawa Coast volunteers patrolled over thirty-two thousand kilometres contributing over six thousand hours. During this period, we logged 2,801 council service requests, providing proactive identification of issues. The majority of these relate to illegally dumped rubbish (2,163 reports) and graffiti (271 reports).

As our community grows, so does the demand on our services. If you would like to receive more information on how to get involved and would like to join our patrol team who believe that every helping hand can make a difference then please get in touch. We welcome applications from anyone aged 18 or over (subject to Police vetting and reference checks). In return for your commitment of patrolling for a minimum of 2 hours twice a month, our commitment to you is to provide both initial and ongoing training that will ensure you are well equipped to carry out this important community role.

For further information, please email chairpersonpccwp@gmail.com

- by Christopher Tomlin, Chair and Trustee of the Pōhutukawa Coast Crime Watch Patrol Charitable Trust.

Fire brigade sweetens Christmas with annual lolly run

This Sunday 21 December from 3pm, the Beachlands Volunteer Fire Brigade will be out and about for its annual Christmas Lolly Run. For those who are new to the area or haven’t seen it before, this is when the brigade cruises through the community in their fire engine with Santa on board, handing out lollies to the families of Beachlands and Maraetai as a thank you for their incredible support throughout the year.

Listen out for the sirens, Christmas carols, music, and plenty of festive cheer as the brigade makes its way down your street - or a nearby one!

As the community continues to grow, the brigade is unfortunately unable to visit every street. Please keep an eye on the brigade’s Facebook page for a list of the routes they’ll be travelling.



‘Tis the season to love where you live.

Merry Christmas and happy holidays from the team at Barfoot & Thompson Beachlands! It's been a pleasure being your local property experts this year.

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Franklin Vets advice: What you need to know about Christmas and pet safety

- by Dr Samuel Frost, BVSc –
Branch Manager & Veterinarian,
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While Christmas on the Pōhutukawa Coast is typically a relaxed time for families, it can be a holiday filled with hidden risks for our pets. Many of the foods, plants, and outdoor activities we enjoy over the holidays can be hazardous for them if we're not careful.

Festive food is one of the most common sources of accidental poisoning. Chocolate is well known as a danger, but grapes, raisins, and sultanas found in Christmas cake and mince pies are equally harmful to dogs and cats. Ingredients such as onions and garlic, often used in stuffing and marinades, can cause illness in large quantities. Alcohol is another risk, as pets are often drawn to the sweet smell of cocktails or spilled drinks. Even fatty meats like ham trimmings and crackling can trigger painful pancreatitis. The safest approach is to keep all Christmas food well out of reach and remind visitors not to feed pets any leftovers.

Decorations and gifts can also

create problems. Cats are particularly attracted to tinsel and ribbon, which can cause intestinal blockages if swallowed. Small batteries from toys and electronic decorations are also extremely hazardous if ingested.

Summer activities bring additional challenges. BBQ scraps, skewers, corn cobs, and bones are common causes of intestinal blockages. Around the garden, slug and rat bait, fertiliser, and compost are more commonly used at this time of year and can be highly toxic. Karaka berries, which ripen in mid to late summer, are another significant hazard. The bright orange berries are attractive to dogs, but the kernels contain a neurotoxin that can cause severe and sometimes fatal poisoning.

One often overlooked hazard is the heat of pavements and sand. Dark asphalt and beach surfaces can become hot enough to burn paw pads within minutes. Walking pets during cooler parts of the day and choosing grassy or shaded routes helps prevent painful injuries or heatstroke.

With a bit of awareness and planning, our pets can enjoy a safe and happy



Kiwi summer alongside the rest of the family. If you have any incidents, our clinic on Kouka Road is open throughout the Christmas and New Year period, apart from Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day, and

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Friday	19 December 2025	OPEN 8.15AM-5PM	
Saturday	20 December 2025		CLOSED
Sunday	21 December 2025		CLOSED
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Tuesday	23 December 2025	OPEN 8.15AM-5PM	
Wednesday	24 December 2025	OPEN 8.15AM-2PM	
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Sunday	28 December 2025		CLOSED
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Christmas: a time to pause, rest, reflect and cherish



- by **Beachlands Baptist Church**

“A thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices, for yonder breaks a new and glorious morn....”

The holiday season can easily turn into a whirlwind of shopping, decorating, and endless to-do lists, leaving us exhausted, stressed, and broke. One of my favourite Christmas carols, “Oh Holy Night,” paints a different picture - one where the daily grind and years of waiting leave us weary, but Christmas promises a respite, something new and hopeful.

What if, regardless of your faith, Christmas could be a time to pause, rest, reflect, and cherish the moments, things and people that

truly matter? This year, our church community has been exploring ways to slow down, to focus on what truly matters. By decluttering our schedules, eliminating the hustle, we can make space for the peace, joy, hope and love promised by Christmas. Special times with loved ones, making sure our friends know they are cared for, and ensuring our neighbours know they’re not alone can bring warmth and connection to all our lives.

Over 2000 years ago, on that first Christmas, Jesus was born into a world rife with political tension and social unrest. His people were hoping for the all the fuss, glitz and glamour that came with a rescuer king. Instead, a vulnerable baby

was born where the animals slept - no fanfare or throne. Jesus was not what people expected - He didn’t arrive with a crown or with tinsel, ribbons and coloured lights. It all looked simpler but meant so much more.

Christmas on the Coast may look very different today, but the age-old message remains the same. The simplicity of that first Christmas reminds us that true contentment and hope are not found in the tinsel, wrappings, parades or shops.

Our family-friendly nativity service is on the 14th of Dec at 10am, and everyone is welcome to join us for our Carols Picnic in the Park at 10am at the Log Cabin on 21st of Dec. On Christmas Day our service is at 9am.

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Council schedules seawall path repair



Auckland Council is about to undertake repairs of the seawall pathway which runs along Maraetai Beach. The existing metal pathway atop the seawall has been washed away on numerous occasions since its installation, leading to some local residents expressing their frustration at the poor choice of materials. Franklin Local Board deputy chair Amanda Hopkins says the metal pathway will be replaced with a concrete pathway, more resistant to storm surges. There are no plans to replace the vertical timber seawall beneath the pathway.

Fighting back against invasive weeds

It is that time of the year when gardens and hedgerows are full of blossom, which for many people is something to marvel at, while to others the white blossom in hedgerows means only one thing: privet and with it a horrible allergic reaction... watery eyes, sore throat and sneezing. Privet, both the Chinese tree privet and common privet, is one of the worst of the invasive plants which infest our road verges, parks and farmland. As well as causing misery to allergy sufferers it competes vigorously with our native plant species. Seed from privet plants is spread by birds or just drops from the host plant and germinates in the surrounding undergrowth. Within a few years privet can form a dense cover that prevents any other plants establishing.

A local volunteer group has been attempting to make an impact on the spread of privet in Whitford. Since May 2025 the Turanga Restoration Project volunteers have been working most Saturday mornings on the Potts Rd bridle path, an Auckland Council Reserve, to eliminate not only privet but gorse, woolly nightshade, wilding pines and other invasive plants. The group say they are starting to see real progress now and Auckland Council are backing the project by providing mulching services, large tree felling and supplying 1000 native plant seedlings for planting in 2026



The Turanga Restoration Project volunteers are on a mission to eradicate privet.
Anyone interested in being involved in the project is welcome to come to the Potts Road bridle path on any Saturday morning from 9.00am and lend a hand. Sturdy shoes, gloves and a pair of loppers are what you will need to bring. For further information contact Turanga Restoration Project, Sarah Blong 027 233 0972 or Marcus Lonsdale-Cooper 027 495 8797, email whitford@predatorfreefranklin.nz.

Every three years, post elections, Auckland’s 21 local boards work with their communities to develop a local board plan - a strategic document that sets out local priorities and preferences, and guides how council delivers services and investment in each area.

Soon work will start on the draft Local Board Plans 2026.

Many local communities including Clevedon, Kawakawa Bay and Hūnua have begun compiling their lists of projects and areas they would like to see council invest in. But Beachlands and Maraetai have been largely silent, likely due to

the absence of a community or business association group which represents the wider community’s interests.

Franklin Local Board deputy chair Amanda Hopkins and member Alix Bonnington told attendees at the recent Wairoa representatives meeting that they are keen to hear from Beachlands and Maraetai residents about what is important to them.

“At the moment, we’ve had no feedback from Beachlands Maraetai. We need to hear from the community about how we will cope with growth in Beachlands,” says Amanda.

Local Board Plans will be formally consulted on in mid-2026, but Amanda says that now is the time to start having conversations and for communities to start letting the Board know what they want.

Early conversations help shape direction before formal consultation begins. They allow local boards to test ideas, understand community aspirations, and identify shared priorities.

Local boards are supported by teams across Auckland Council who provide expert advice and data to inform the plans.

Amanda says the Board would like to see Auckland council create a non-statutory overlay for the Pōhutukawa Coast - a document that will help guide development rather than leaving it up to land developers who may not have the community’s best interests at heart.



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Student Voice

LOCAL STUDENTS' NEWS, VIEWS & LITERARY TALENT

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Dear Government,

Class sizes should be smaller! Have you ever had a class day in primary school when there were only 10 to 20 kids because they were at a sports event? Is it more relaxing? Can the teacher pay more attention to your learning? Do you get along better with your classmates? Well, the answer is yes. Class sizes matter.

Firstly, having a smaller class will allow you, your classmates, and your teacher to have a more relaxed day. For example, there will be less conflict, it will be quieter in class, and the teacher will not have to keep telling kids off. According to the mental health foundation, kids feel stressed, worried or even threatened when they hear other students being told off for doing something they were not supposed to. If we have smaller classes, we will have a great, relaxing day without stress.

Secondly, the teacher can provide you with more support in your learning because there is more time for the teacher to help each student. With fewer students in the class, the teacher will have more time with her family because she won't have to mark many books, come up with good activities for a big class, or make report cards. If the teacher had more time, they would be less stressed, leading to a better experience. That's why the teacher can better support your learning.


The last point that you need to know is that kids actually get along better. How? Well, kids have a greater opportunity for meaningful conversations because they can't be influenced by peers who might think they're a bad person or look weird. Things like this should not get between friendships. So, having smaller classes will expand friendships and eliminate cliques.

In conclusion, having smaller classes is better for everyone! For the students, you, and the teacher, it benefits everyone. So make a change, make class sizes smaller. You can do it!


- by Amber, Year 7, Clevedon School

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Across

3. Burial chamber (5)
9. Spacious and well ventilated (4)
10. Spin (6)
11. Despondency (5)
12. Pant (4)
14. Extreme fear (6)
15. Funeral vehicle (6)
17. Small beard (6)
20. Ship (4)
22. Signal (3)
23. Rise up (4)
24. Gossip (6)
25. Choice (6)
29. Skin art (6)
31. Back of the neck (4)
32. Email arrival area (2-3)
33. Relating to horses (6)
34. Genuine (4)
35. Swedish currency (5)

Down

1. River boat (5)
2. Rubbish (5)
4. Measuring stick (5)
5. Student or disciple (7)
6. Weighty book (4)
7. Tell a story (7)
8. Small dog (7)
13. Basil sauce (5)
16. Second person singular (3)
18. Fire raising (5)
19. Dine (3)
20. Sibling (7)
21. Unpaid performer (7)
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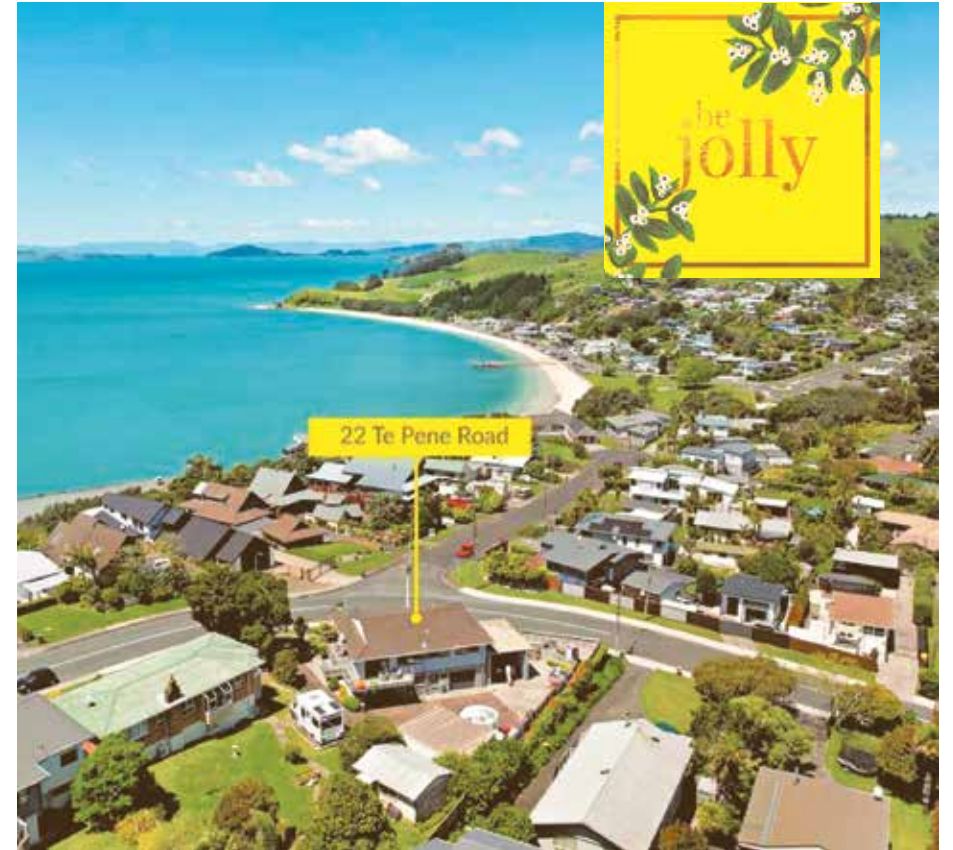
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