

## **CENTRAL HAWKES BAY DISTRICT COUNCIL** **CAMPING IN PUBLIC PLACES (FREEDOM CAMPING)**

Conditions under which permission will be granted for camping on public reserves and public places under Council jurisdiction are as follows:

Casual 'free' camping will be permitted in the following places:

1. **Te Paerahi Beach (Porangahau)** - In the Council owned 'free camp' area situated on the corner of Te Paerahi Street and Puketahinu Place. This includes motor homes and other modes of camping.
2. **Kairakau Beach** – Fully 'Self Contained' motor homes **ONLY** are permitted to overnight stay on the area at the northern end of Kairakau Beach Road (past the new public toilet) beyond the vehicle turning area plus the small area just before the end of the road. The area allowed to be used is clearly signposted. Any other form of camping on any other 'council' land at Kairakau Beach is **NOT ALLOWED**.
3. **Pourerere Beach**, where signposted – permit required. **Please note:** following community concerns Council has agreed to substitute 'free' camping at Pourerere Beach during the peak summer holiday season for a system of allocated camping overseen by a community committee from 2004/2005. From 17 December until 6 February each year a \$35 'permit application fee' applies. For the rest of the year permits must be obtained from Council for any camping at Pourerere Beach but no charge will apply. **NOTE:** There is also an area for self contained motor homes only at the top of the hill just before the second settlement of baches. Designation signs have been erected.
4. **Aramoana Beach** - Fully 'Self Contained' motor homes **ONLY** are permitted to overnight stay in the clearly signposted area at the southern end of the public car park area near to the public toilets. 3 parks have been allocated for this activity.

(This in effect excludes camping ***including motor homes*** from all other places such as Whangaehu, Mangakuri, Parimahu and Blackhead Beaches. Camping is also **not** allowed on the 'local purpose reserve' at the northern end of the existing Blackhead Beach Public Camping Ground.)

The following conditions **MUST** be observed:

- a) Pourerere Beach users **MUST** obtain a permit. Casual campers at other areas must notify the Council's Bylaw Officer of their name, address and contact phone number, their intended location and length of stay. The length of stay is not to exceed 7 days. (However 14 day stays may be permitted during the summer holiday season, mentioned above, depending on demand.)
- b) A camp site must be set up in such a way that there is no interference or damage to sand hills, trees or other vegetation growth. No permanent structures will be permitted.
- c) Campers must leave the site clean and tidy.