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Project milestone reached

We have exciting news to share with property owners about Phase II of Pokeno's new wastewater system. Waikato District Council has just awarded the contract to install the reticulation wastewater network of Pokeno village to Fulton Hogan. Fulton Hogan is a leading New Zealand civil engineering and resource company. It has more than 80 years' experience in the transport, water, energy, mining, civil construction and land development infrastructure in New Zealand, Australia and the South Pacific.

What does this mean?

The awarding of the contract means that construction work will begin soon. So time is running out, for those who haven't made up their minds to connect and take advantage of the 50% subsidy offered.

How much will it cost?

Good news - we're paying half, until construction in your area is complete. If you decide to connect after the construction phase you will need to pay the total cost.

Residential Connection Cost (Capital Contribution)

Total cost	\$27,237
Less subsidy	\$13,618
Actual cost	\$13,619 including GST

What does this cost cover?

- Connection to the new system
- Decommissioning of the existing septic system and reinstatement to match existing surface
- Contribution towards public infrastructure to provide a reticulated wastewater system to the Pokeno township

How can you pay your contribution?

You have two payment options to choose from. either three lump sum payments over one rating year, or by way of annual instalments over 10 years, including interest.

Connection to the system isn't mandatory. If your property is suitable for on-site treatment and disposal, this could still be used. But if the pipeline runs past your property and you choose not to connect, you'll still need to pay an availability charge. This will be half the annual targeted rate that covers operational costs of the wastewater system.

For those properties that are undecided or have indicated they don't want to sign up but may have changed their mind, this newsletter serves as a reminder that there is still time for you to connect if you want to.

What is Phase II of Pokeno township wastewater system and why are we doing this?

A reticulated wastewater network for the existing township was required to service and facilitate the expected and future growth and development. Installing a reticulated wastewater system for Pokeno township is needed to ensure our infrastructure can support growth and ensure the environment is looked after.

Phase 1 of the wastewater reticulation which serviced the commercial properties along the main road is complete.

Phase 2 is designed to service the remainder of the residential properties in Pokeno township.

What happens next?

The construction phase of the project will begin on 18 April 2017.

Stay informed

If you want to receive updates about the project, send your email address to Pokeno.Scheme@waidc.govt.nz or go to www.waikatodistrict.govt.nz/pokenowastewater Or you can contact project manager Paul White on paul.white@waidc.govt.nz