

# WAIPAPAKAURI SPORTS COMPLEX

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**3 Warau Street  
Awanui**

Far North District Council

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We wish to supply the following information in support of our Application for the Renewal of our Lease of the Waipapakauri Recreational Reserve.

As a Sports Complex and facility we supply the following Organisations and Sports Clubs with facilities to enable them to meet their goals within the Far North Community.

- Waipapakauri Netball Club - This season the netball club will have two Senior Teams and five Junior and Collegiate Teams. The total number of players involved in their club will be approximately seventy across all grades. The Netball Club also runs a twilight summer tournament each year during daylight saving for up to 16 mixed teams with approximately one hundred and sixty youth and adult players involved.
- Waipapakauri JMB Rugby Club – This season the JMB rugby club will have four children and youth teams catering for players from 4 – 14 years in age. The total number of players involved in their club will be approximately eighty across all grades.
- Awanui/Kaitaia Pony Clubs – The pony club provides training and events for a total of approximately thirty riders from young children to adults.
- Waipapakauri Bombers Rugby League Club – The Bombers currently have one senior team with approximately twenty two players.
- Natives Womens Rugby League Club – The Natives womens team is new to our group this year and will have one senior womens team playing in the RL Northland competition. The team will have approximately twenty two players from the Far North area. This team has already received a partially sponsored entry into an International Womens Rugby League Tournament in Fiji later this year by virtue of being the Runners Up in the 2024 Tournament. The team has received sponsorship to cover 50% of their airfares in 2025.
- In addition each year we provide training facilities for various Junior and Senior Representative Rugby League Teams to represent the Muriwhenua area at Regional and National Tournaments. This often includes approximately fifty players each year.
- We often also provide playing facilities for Far North and Northland organised one day tournaments in various codes especially for children and youth which can at times involve up to 200 – 300 school children.

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This gives a total of approximately 274 of our players direct support for their various sporting codes, and also facilities for the large number of whanau and supporters who follow their children, siblings, grandchildren and wider whanau in their sporting endeavours. We feel that this is an extremely valuable contribution to the health and wellbeing of the Far North Area which we operate in. Many of these people reside in areas outside our immediate local community which extends all of the associated benefits to a large area of the Far North and Northland when you also consider the teams, participants and supporters who travel to our facilities to play in opposition to our many local clubs. I believe that we are the only Far North sporting facility which provides facilities to such a wide range of sporting codes, many of which would otherwise struggle to find suitable venues. We have operated from this reserve for around 45 years and have over the years also provided a venue for many other sporting codes including softball, darts, lawn bowls, soccer and eight ball pool to name a few.

We look forward to your favourable consideration of our application for the renewal of our lease.

Kind regards,



Chairperson.