

# WDC Notices

## **MEDICAL DEPENDENCY REGISTER**

If you or someone living with you is dependent on Council water supply for critical medical support, we recommend that you complete a Medical Dependency Form. This can be found along with an information guide, on our website [www.waitomo.govt.nz](http://www.waitomo.govt.nz)

Alternatively for more information please contact our Customer Services Centre on (07) 878 0800 or 0800 932 4357.

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## **MINISTRY OF HEALTH NOTICE**

Some plumbing fittings have the potential to allow minute traces of metals to accumulate in water standing in the fittings for several hours.

Although the health risk is small, the Ministry of Health recommends that you flush a mugful of water from your drinking-water tap each morning before use to remove any metals that may have dissolved from the plumbing fittings.

Waitomo District Council is recommending this simple precaution for all households, including those on public and private water supplies.

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## **NOTICE OF BIRD CONTROL PROGRAMME - TE KUITI WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT**

During this time of year, there is a large duck and swan population that congregates in Te Kuiti on any water body that is available.

The ponds at the Te Kuiti Wastewater Treatment Plant are no exception. These ducks and swans can become a nuisance by invading nearby farmland, damaging crops and can cause the spread of infectious diseases.

Council will soon commence a control programme using an acoustic deterrent device, to discourage the ducks and swans from populating the pond.

The loud bang created by the device may be heard randomly but should not cause concern, as it is harmless.

The device will not be used overnight and on weekends, to minimise any annoyance to the residents of Te Kuiti.

The bird control programme runs annually from November to March.

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