



# Energise Ōtaki

BRIGHT FUTURES



[www.energiseotaki.nz](http://www.energiseotaki.nz)

An invitation to support our work through sponsorship.

# Enough good energy for everyone. Ka nui te hiko pai mō tātou katoa.

We're powered by a vision:

**Our town is a carbon neutral, net producer of clean energy.**

To get there, Energise Ōtaki is:



- generating our own clean energy
- reducing the town's energy consumption
- reducing energy poverty, and
- planting native trees to absorb carbon and improve biodiversity.

**Active in the community since 2012 and a charitable trust since 2021, Energise Ōtaki's work has been recognised both regionally and nationally.**

- 2014** • **Project Innovation Award** Conservation Innovation Awards, WWF New Zealand
- 2021** • **Best Community Energy Project** in conjunction with Infratec, SEANZ Fronius  
New Zealand Sustainable Energy Industry Awards
- **Finalist** Community Initiative of the Year, New Zealand Energy Excellence Awards
- 2022** • **Heritage & Environment Award** Wellington Airport Regional Community Awards
- **Supreme Winner, Kāpiti** Wellington Airport Regional Community Awards
  - **Semi-finalist** Kiwibank New Zealander of the Year Awards

**Energise Ōtaki projects include:**

## Power Up Ōtaki - Ka Hiko Ake Ōtaki

**Energise Ōtaki has developed two significant solar farms, with the support of the Wellington Community Fund.**

**Rau Kūmara** is a 108kWp ground-mounted solar array at the Ōtaki Waste Water Treatment Plant. Kāpiti Coast District Council purchases its power.

The 25kWp roof-mounted solar PV system installed at **Ōtaki College** powers the school.

Revenue from the solar farms provides grants through the [Whakahiko Ōtaki-Energise Ōtaki Fund](#) for energy related projects in the community.

**With suitable funding and sites, we hope to further extend solar generation in Ōtaki.**



## Energise Ōtaki projects cont'd

### Warm Up Ōtaki and Beyond - Whakamahana Ōtaki

Providing advice and practical support to reduce energy consumption, improve heating and insulation, eliminate black mould and stop draughts. Where required we provide free pre-loved curtains, tailored and lined for warmth retention.



### Ōtaki Bike Space - Te Wāhi Pahikara o Ōtaki

Receiving and refurbishing donated bikes otherwise destined for landfill. Giving these to both adult and child residents helps lower carbon emissions by encouraging fewer trips by car. We are also in the process of developing a Bike Library.



### Ōtaki Repair Café - Te Whare Whakatika o Ōtaki

Running quarterly Repair Cafés where volunteers fix - and teach locals how to fix - clothes, bikes, household electronics, bric-a-brac, jewellery and more. This reduces waste, delays the need for buying replacements and helps build community in Ōtaki.



### Ōtaki Carbon Forests - Ngā Ngahere Waro o Ōtaki

Encouraging landowners and kaitiaki to plant native trees in plots of a half hectare or more, with informational, motivational and hands-on help. We host public talks with carbon sequestration experts to raise awareness locally. Aiming to reforest 40ha to help offset Ōtaki's energy emissions.



### Kai Power Ōtaki - Te Pūngao Kai Ōtaki

Developing a pilot project to transform food scraps unsuitable for composting into biogas and fertiliser, using the power of anaerobic digestion. The biogas and fertiliser will be used locally.



### Business Energy Service - Ratonga Hiko mō ngā Pakihi

Providing free Energy Audits and advice to Kāpiti and Horowhenua businesses, including schools/ kura and charities. By analysing a business's energy use we can identify opportunities for improving energy efficiency and reducing consumption.



### Ōtaki Energy Pulse - Te Manawataki o te Hiko

Developing dashboards to show Ōtaki's carbon footprint, online and in real time. Providing relatable information on our town's renewable energy generation, energy use, energy conservation, and the potential for improvement by taking action together.



Growing demand for Energise Ōtaki's initiatives has created the need for strong new partnerships to help fund Energise Ōtaki's portfolio of strategic projects.

## We invite you to join with our other partners to support the ongoing future of Energise Ōtaki.

Two levels of annual sponsorship are offered, subject to agreement. We are happy to discuss developing other levels of support.

### ONE PROJECT'S SPONSORSHIP

By sponsoring your favourite project, your business is helping it thrive.

#### You get:

- Your logo on our website's project page
- Your logo on project publicity material
- Public acknowledgement at project events
- Your company branding (e.g. flags) at project events, if supplied
- The use of our logo on your materials (as appropriate)
- Invitations to events, and newsletters.

**\$5,000**

### ALL PROJECTS SPONSORSHIP

By sponsoring Energise Ōtaki as a whole, your business is helping EVERY project thrive ... and helping spark future projects.

#### You get:

- Your logo on our website's FRONT page
- Your logo on ALL Energise Ōtaki publicity materials, including all individual project promotions
- Public acknowledgement at ALL events
- Your company branding (e.g. flags) at all project events, if supplied
- The use of our logo on your materials (as appropriate)
- Invitations to events, and newsletters.

**\$10,000**

Our trustees and staff are available to provide more information on specific projects and future plans. We are open to discussing your sponsorship requirements and to finding ways of matching these with Energise Ōtaki's objectives and vision.

**Support Energise Ōtaki: help us show how one small town can power up better, brighter futures.**

