

HAZARDS IN THAMES



WHAT TO DO

- Storms and severe weather can happen at any time of the year, even in the middle of summer.
- This includes strong winds, heavy rain, and thunderstorms. Storms often bring localised flooding and they can block access to or from your home or bach.
- Charge all devices while you still have power.
- Secure anything that could cause damage in strong winds (such as outdoor furniture).
- Stay inside and bring your pets inside. If you have to leave, take them with you.
- Take measures to reduce potential flood damage and make sure your insurance policy covers you for flood damage.
- Don't drive through flood waters – your car is not a submarine.
- Don't walk through floodwaters they could be contaminated with raw sewage or contain dangerous debris.
- Check the tide times. Flooding often happens at high tide and recedes at low tide.
- Listen to the radio and follow the instructions of emergency services.
- Check metservice.com for real-time updates.
- Check TCDC's Facebook page to see what other people around the Coromandel are reporting.
- Have a household emergency plan.



WHAT TO DO

- An earthquake could cause a tsunami. Know the natural warning signs:
 - » Experience an earthquake that makes it hard to stand up or lasts longer than a minute
 - » Notice sudden tidal changes at the beach or harbour
 - » Hear loud or unusual sounds from the ocean.
- Drop, Cover, Hold - during the earthquake
- If you live in a coastal area, evacuate immediately as far up or inland as you can. Do not wait for an official warning.
- Wait for the official 'all clear'
- Have an emergency plan and go bag ready
- Listen to the local radio and follow instructions of Emergency Services
- Download the Red Cross Hazards App
- A distant source tsunami allows ample time to notify and prepare



WHAT TO DO

- Fire can start from natural causes like floods and earthquakes (causing electrical shorts), volcanic activity, lightning strikes and high wind. Low rainfall and drought can also cause an increase in the number of fires started.
- Have an escape plan.
- Decide WHEN you need to escape.
- Make sure your home has smoke alarms.
- Apply for a permit if you want to light open fires in a restricted season.
- Minimise wildfire risk by maintaining "3m" of cleared space, no trees, around your home.
- Drop to the floor and get out of the building or away from the fire.
- Call 111.



THAMES community guide to emergencies

GET READY

**WE ARE ALL
CIVIL DEFENCE**



AM I PREPARED?

Do I have an emergency plan for the hazards in my area?
getready.govt.nz

Do I have 3 days of emergency supplies? (including medicine)



Do I have an evacuation plan?

- Is my Go Bag packed?
- Do I require assistance – Identify a friend or neighbour that can help you.

Visit www.getready.govt.nz to help you get ready

BE INFORMED.

RECEIVE MOBILE ALERTS
National Emergency Management
Agency: getready.govt.nz/prepared/stay-informed/emergency-mobile-alert/

RECEIVE E-MAIL ALERTS
Visit tcdc.govt.nz/subscribe to sign up

UPDATES VIA FACEBOOK
[/thamescoromandeldistrictcouncil](https://www.facebook.com/thamescoromandeldistrictcouncil)

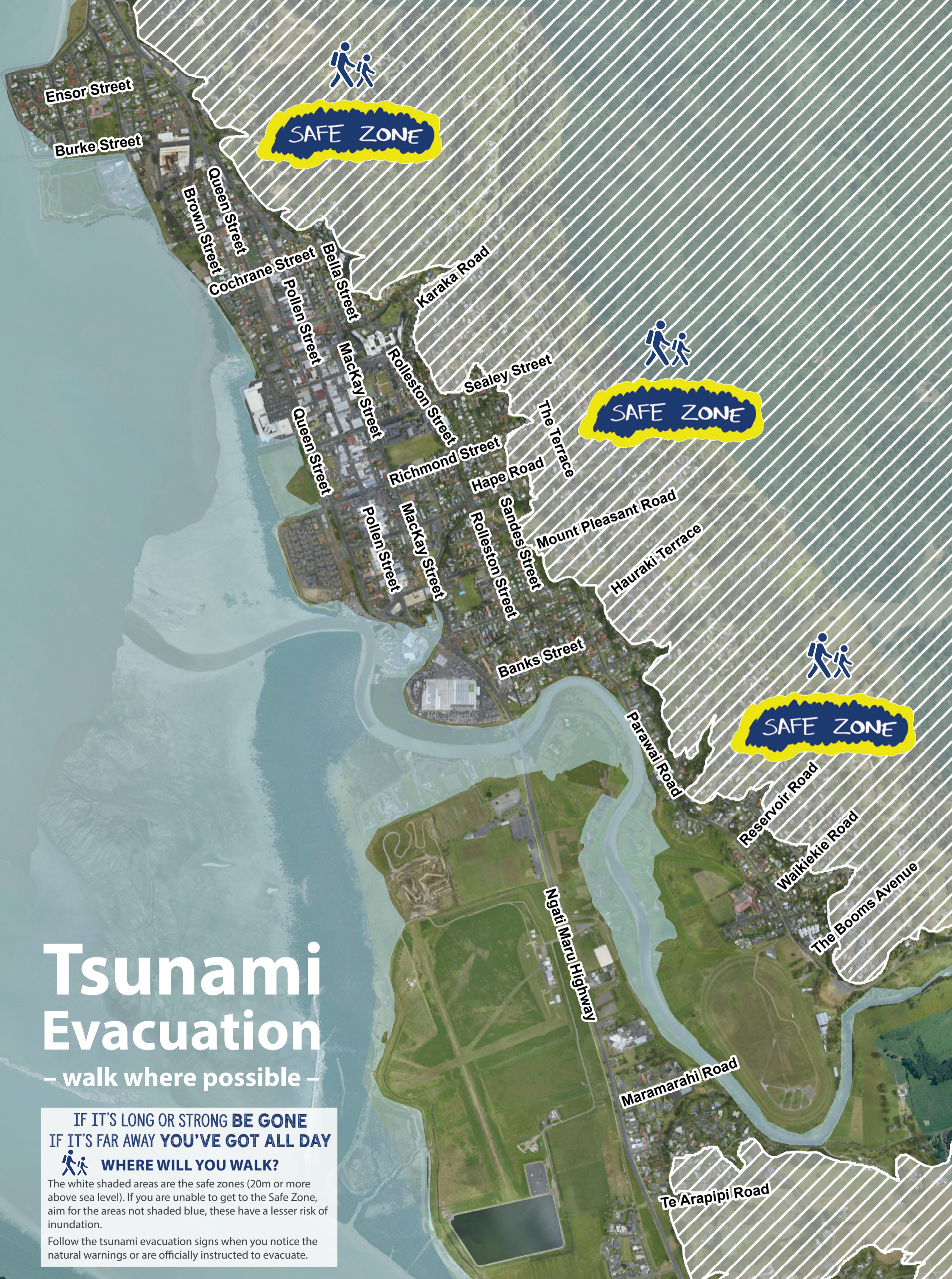
DOWNLOAD HAZARD APP
Red Cross Hazard App 
GeoNet Geological Hazard App 

RADIO STATIONS

More FM	97.2FM
The Breeze	90.8FM
Radio NZ	756AM/101.4FM
Newstalk ZB	1080AM/ 89.4 FM/97FM
C95 FM	94FM

To report issues that are non life or property threatening contact Thames-Coromandel District Council at 07 868 0200.

If at any stage you consider life or property in danger phone 111 immediately



Ensor Street
Burke Street

SAFE ZONE

Brown Street
Queen Street
Cochrane Street
Pollen Street
Bella Street

Karaka Road

SAFE ZONE

Mackay Street
Queen Street
Richmond Street
Hape Road
The Terrace
Mackay Street
Pollen Street
Rolleston Street
Sandys Street
Mount Pleasant Road
Hauraki Terrace

SAFE ZONE

Banks Street
Parawai Road
Reservoir Road
Walkiekie Road
The Booms Avenue

Ngati Maru Highway


Maramarahi Road

Te Arapipi Road

Tsunami Evacuation

– walk where possible –

IF IT'S LONG OR STRONG BE GONE
IF IT'S FAR AWAY YOU'VE GOT ALL DAY

 **WHERE WILL YOU WALK?**

The white shaded areas are the safe zones (20m or more above sea level). If you are unable to get to the Safe Zone, aim for the areas not shaded blue, these have a lesser risk of inundation.

Follow the tsunami evacuation signs when you notice the natural warnings or are officially instructed to evacuate.