



Kinloch Eastern Beach Rubbish Bins Removal Survey Results

Method:

Survey was conducted on-line using Survey Monkey.

Results are from period 2-30pm 2-12-25 to 8am 5-12-25.

Promoted links to the Survey:

KCA Facebook Page (4000+ followers)

KCA Whats Up email newsletter (900 recipients)

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Kinloch Stream Reserves FB Group Page (325 members)

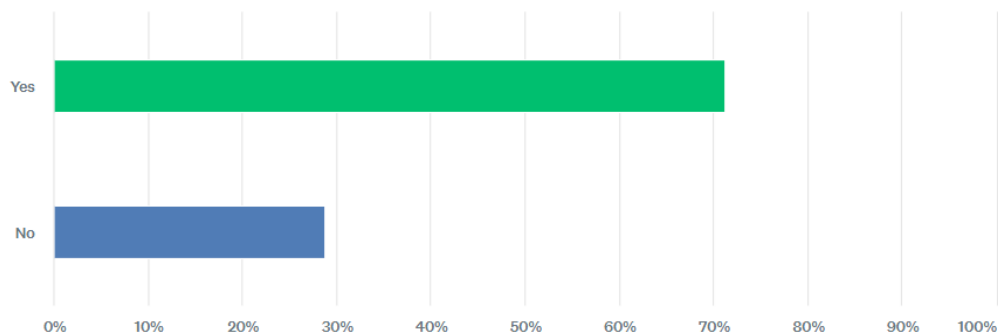
Results:

Total responses: 417

Q1: Are you aware that the Taupo District Council has removed the rubbish bins from the Kinloch Eastern Foreshore Reserve precinct?

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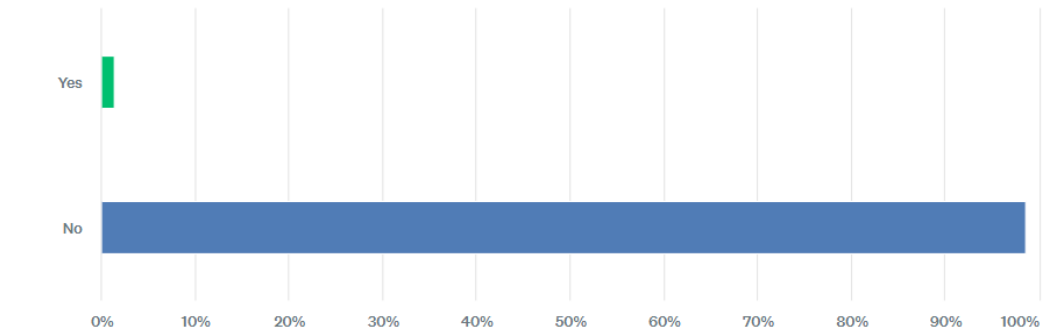


Answer Choices ↓	Percentage ↓	Responses ↓	
<div><div></div> Yes</div>	71.22%	297	...
<div><div></div> No</div>	28.78%	120	...
Total		417	

Q2: Are you aware of any public consultation from Taupo District Council prior to the removal of these bins?

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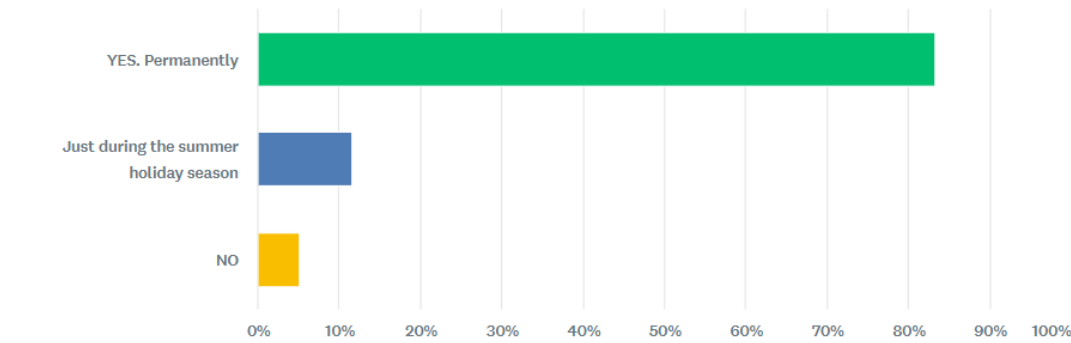


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Yes	1.44%	6
No	98.56%	410

Q3: Do you want the bins back in place?

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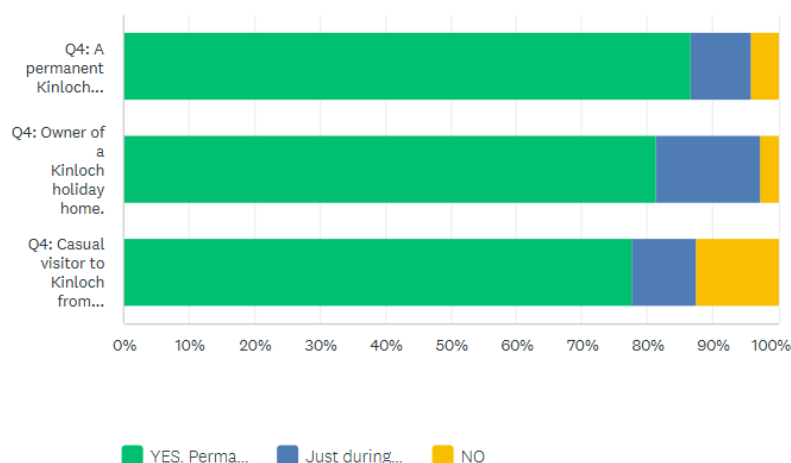
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YES. Permanently	83.29%	344
Just during the summer holiday season	11.62%	48
NO	5.08%	21

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	YES. PERMANENTLY	JUST DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAY SEASON	NO	TOTAL
Q4: A permanent Kinloch resident.	86.73% 170	9.18% 18	4.08% 8	47.46% 196
Q4: Owner of a Kinloch holiday home.	81.38% 118	15.86% 23	2.76% 4	35.11% 145
Q4: Casual visitor to Kinloch from the Taupo district or elsewhere.	77.78% 56	9.72% 7	12.50% 9	17.43% 72

Comments:

- We pay rates for a reason, if the bins are not replaced Kinloch will look like a rubbish dump by the end of Summer. Unfortunately not all of the visitors can be trusted to remove their rubbish.
- Having no bins works well. Make people take their rubbish home.
- Why would you remove them without public consultation
- Have bins in place from 1/12/25 - 31/3/26
- Another slap on the face for Kinloch ratepayers from the council. That area is used by many non residents of Kinloch who leave their rubbish. Time the association stood up a bit more to the council, who care little for Kinloch!!
- It's commonsense if you supply a point to drop off used waste. Most people will us it. Help us keep the area clean. Come on TCC. You put in doggie poo bags!! Where are the full bags going to go!!! Etc etc
- Studies show bins attract further dumping.
- It would be good to know the Councils reasons for removing them before answering this. Research shows that having rubbish bins can promote dumping of household waste and overfilling. alternatively councils are not emptying them often enough in peak season and trying to save cost?,
- We wish everyone would take their rubbish with them but not all will do so
- No need for them during winter so council can save on costs of management of them for the off season
- Permanently Just during the summer holiday season
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- I already pick up rubbish when there was bins this summer will be even worse!
- If not permanently then definitely over the Summer Holidays
- Not everyone will take their rubbish home, so it will just be dumped in bushes etc
- Since the bins have been removed, alot of rubbish has been seen floating around the lake side all year round

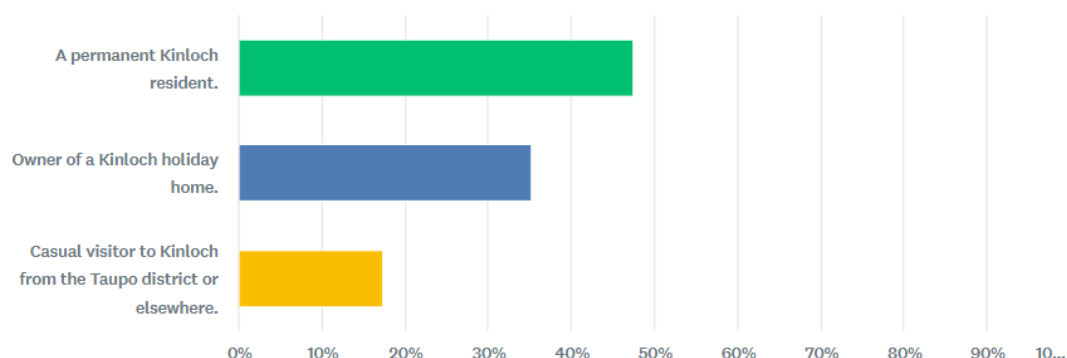
- Including dog waste bins
- I often check collect litter on my daily walks and dropped the litter in the bins. If I'm far away from home I now don't collect the litter.
- Brainless decision by the TDC
- They are essential for a tidy foreshore
- We have a block on Whangamata Road around 5k towards town from Kinloch Road. We already have a major problem with rubbish being thrown from cars and ending up on the roadside in front of our property or inside our boundary. Beer bottles on the road edge are then broken by the mowers. Inside our property they are a danger to stock and our hay mowers over the summer. My concern is that by removing the bins the council turns their problem into mine. I not in this context the huge amount of rubbish the two stella women collect each week on Poihipi Road. It's fine for the council to remove the bins but it is their responsibility to deal with it not the road residents
- Why take them away..senseless!
- The rubbish bins are frequently overflowing with rubbish. For decades the Auckland Regional Parks have had a pack it in pack it out policy. The users of the rubbish bins are leaving crap behind for someone else to clean up.
- Preferably permanently but at least in peak times, otherwise people are just going to dump their rubbish
- It is a busy public beach and there should be bins for picnickers etc. otherwise there will no doubt be litter. We all pay our rates whether permanent residents or holiday house owners and I feel strongly that this is something the council should provide with our rates money.
- There needs to be a place for people to put their litter when they're using the beach
- Only idiots would remove rubbish bins from a tourist spot
- is a popular walkway along the Eastern beach as well as a relaxing spot for many visitors and residents at all times of the year. Rubbish disposal is needed!!
- I have witnessed people jamming household refuse into these bins so take away the temptation.
- Now picking up rubbish and take home!
- As a rate payer it's the least the council could do. If they think people will remove their rubbish they are delusional. Not a cent should be spent on dinosaur vanity projects until the basic community services are provided.
- Any basic society has rubbish bins in common areas
- I found out there were no bins because I walk along there most days. I have dog poo bags and pick up other people's rubbish along the way. I HAD NO WHERE TO PUT IT ! I had to hike home with 2 dogs and the rubbish...but sad eh! I just leave it now and I guess it all goes into the Moana...
- and all others removed, ie at the entrance to the golf club
- It's not difficult to take your rubbish with you.
- So people can easily clean up after their dogs.
- Not having bins means more people will be leaving their rubbish lying around. It's bad enough when there are bins
- I think it's very important . We pay our rates and they are not cheap, as well there are many many people who will simply throw their rubbish, and / or dog excrement onto footpaths walkways.
- If really have to remove them they should definitely be in place during the summer season
- Unless the reason for removal is compelling from TDC.
- Beachgoers can take their rubbish home with them. There'll be too many people there to watch behaviour so people won't dump it.
- Council serves the Community - this is a much needed public service

- Just becomes a dumping ground. Stuff doesn't make the bins.
- Low level waste. Small bin for 10 months like there has always been. 1
- If they haven't removed them from Taupo beach areas, why Kinloch.
- Toilets also are required
- At a minimum they should be present for the holiday season.
- People need to be responsible for their own rubbish. It's not like outside the dairy/takeaway shop where lots of people have just bought food to eat, on the eastern side people go there with a purpose (generally in their car) so can easily take their rubbish that they took down with them
- If it can't be permanent at least during the summer holidays.
- Take your rubbish home with you.
- Plus the one by the golf course.
- There was always a pile of rubbish next to the bins.
- We have so many visitors that I can't see this working and I don't believe it's been thought through properly.
- This a very popular well used reserve over summer and will be very unattractive and a possible health hazard with rubbish that will undoubtedly be left scattered there.
- My decision will be based on the amount of rubbish left around during the summer season. I do like the idea of bring in, take out but not sure everyone thinks this way.
- I'd like to see what happens over the summer season before doing anything. Will not having the bins ensure people take their rubbish with them when they leave or will it create a bigger problem? Then we can make an informed decision.
- Visitors, residents & event participants enjoy the public spaces of Kinloch Village, every year the numbers of people using the Eastern Beach Foreshore increases. Kinloch is known for providing a family friendly beachfront & a safe place to bring all generations to gather. The removal of the bins without Public consultation is likely to cause a H&S concern.
- The bins could be relocated to the Eastern Beach entrance to facilitate easy servicing by TDC staff.
- Should not have been removed in the 1st place
- But would like to see a dog doo bin installed. In the same location as the bins were removed from. Also signage making users aware of fines if they litter
- Evidence indicates sites without bins, requiring people to simply take their own rubbish with them, have less residual litter than sites with bins (hence why the bins have been removed).
- Pick up rubbish daily and now need to bring home to our rubbish bag, which adds foul rubbish and expense as we go through more council bags!!!!
- Reduces rubbish being left behind when people leave the area
- we don't see a lot of rubbish apart from the deliberate dumpers and trouble making types
- They must be there during the summer holiday period when there are plenty of visitors. They will assist in keeping the area tidy.

Q4: Are you?

Are you?

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● A permanent Kinloch resident.	47.48%	198
● Owner of a Kinloch holiday home.	35.25%	147
● Casual visitor to Kinloch from the Taupo district or elsewhere.	17.27%	72
Total		417

Q5: Thank you for completing this survey. Are there any further comments you would like to make?

Comments:

- I think it will be an issue with people leaving rubbish on the beachfront in summer
- The bins at the marina need to be put back as well . Ridiculous removing them. They are overflowing in summer . Absolute laziness on the part of the council to not provide the services we pay huge rates for
- I think the bins are very necessary, considering Kinloch triples in size especially over summer months and taking away those bins was extremely short sighted of the council. Beggars belief on the rationale behind that decision!
- As someone who walks in the area most days, I regularly observed service vehicles arriving around 7:45 a.m. to empty the recycling and rubbish bins. At that time, there are very few cars present, so congestion is not a genuine barrier to collection. The explanation offered by TDC does not align with what actually occurs. Expecting visitors to take their rubbish home is unrealistic. Kinloch is one of Taupo's busiest beaches, prized for its serenity and remoteness while still being close to town. Many visitors spend the entire day there, often setting up gazebos, and most are not locals. Without accessible rubbish facilities, the likely outcome is litter left on the beach or discarded along the roadside — leaving community volunteers such as Tidy Taupo to deal with the consequences. From both a practical and environmental perspective, removing bins undermines the goal of keeping Kinloch clean and welcoming. It risks shifting responsibility onto volunteers and residents rather than addressing waste at its source. The decision appears motivated primarily by cost-cutting, rather than by genuine concern for community wellbeing or environmental stewardship.
- You can't rely on volunteers to do councils job for them. Kinloch pay rates and deserve basic services from that

- It is ridiculous that in 2025 people are expected to carry their dog bags, drink bottles and other rubbish home with them. We often take our dogs for lengthy walks, will buy a drink from a dairy or cafe and drink it while we are walking. Having no public bins anywhere is plain stupid. It's just not practical.
- Bins (& also more public toilets) are essential in a civilized society where we encourage tourists & visitors, but too mean to cater to them. Face it, they are not going to take their rubbish home with them!
- Walking along the lake daily we can see the increase in rubbish is significant already. It will be a nightmare come summer, and those of us who take the time to things pick up after the hundreds of people who leave rubbish each year are still paying huge rates in Kinloch - put the bins back!
- It's about time the toilet for the Eastern beach is erected again surely.
- Bins are generally well-used when not overflowing, and the grassed areas stay neat. Council used "lake protection" as a rationale for altering the parking a few years back.... How does a messy foreshore without bins contribute to that?
- Instead of taking the bins away how about the council move into a cheaper premises and pay themselves a bit less.
- Local residents should be fined for putting their house rubbish in there daily.
- Reality is the tourists in summer flock here and they don't take their rubbish away leaving a mess. Its not just the eastern beach, how about the west one too??
- This is absolutely a ridiculous move and by doing this you will create more rubbish dumping and also more cost to remove and not to mention it will look terrible
- A ridiculous backward step in keeping our beloved Kinloch clean and tidy and something we can continue to be proud of.
- Would appreciate TDC to have more dialog with KCA on issues
- There will always be those who don't take their rubbish away as the TDC expect - so there will be litter on the road side and blowing about the lakeside without bins.
- I would consider that Rubbish removal is number 3 off Councils purpose, behind Potable Water & Waste Water!
- I strongly disapprove of the bins being removed from the Eastern Reserve in Kinloch. These bins are well used and allow people to dispose of rubbish when visiting the beach reserve. In summer as regular visitors to the reserve we often see the bin full and it is not uncommon to see empty bottles stacked below the full bin as people do make an effort to safely dispose of them. While it is a nice idea to think all visitors will take their rubbish with the reality is that this will not be the case. This will result in leftover food scraps attracting vermin and particularly drink containers being left on the foreshore. Broken glass will mean our children are at risk of injury. A broken bottle leaves many fragments which it is just about impossible to collect. I walk on the foreshore regularly and along with many other local residents pick up rubbish. Most people do respect the beauty of what we have. If you provide people with the opportunity to do the right thing, most will. If you make it hard for them some will simply take the easy option and leave their rubbish there. I believe it will cost a lot more to deal with unwanted rubbish than the past effective system of emptying the bins. I see this as a decision where we degrade our environment based on a the false belief that bin removal will save money.
- What about the tennis courts and the golf club too silly dog poo size bins ridiculous
- Seems stupid to remove them. I feel people will end up dumping rubbish regardless and ruin the lakefront beauty. Perhaps penalties for those found to be dumping household rubbish in the bins
- I have just returned from Coolangata Gold Coast. Rubbish bins were plentiful. Very little rubbish to be seen. Us commonsense, not cost cutting to determine the outcome.

- The small dog bins that have been installed around the district require daily inspections by Parks and reserves staff. Previous the big bins served that purpose. The rubbish truck comes out here anyway to empty the marina and shop bins. What was the problem with the eastern beach bins?
- No rubbish bins available will increase littering as the average visitor looks to dump their rubbish
- Its not just these bins its also the ones outside the Marina entrance.
- I understand the reasoning behind it. Our main concerns are we love to take our dog for walks in Kinloch like many other people so will there be bins provided for dog mess as that is something we don't want to take home with us. We also enjoy take aways from the local shop and eating them on the beach, again the fish and chip paper is not something we want to have to take home. If the bins outside the local shop are staying won't they just get overloaded and a mess created in that area?
- I would like to see the rubbish bins reinstated unless there was a good reason from council to take them away
- Without bins people tend to leave Rubbish where they sit
- Casual visitor but visits Kinloch 3-4 times a week all year around for swimming and walking
- Extra bins outside the general store over summer would be good. Or more frequent emptying is needed.
- Our family has had a Bach on the lakefront for 53 years. There have always been bins there. In the old days big 44 gallon drums. Thinking large groups in the summer are going to take their rubbish with them is naive and the front will be littered with food and other waste which will smell and attract rodents.
- Common sense, Kiwis' will generally use a bin if one is present.
- We need rubbish bins for the tourist that come here and buy from the shop or the out of towners that buy fish n chips. They will ditch rubbish in the areas we want to enjoy. I know they overflow. Doesn't that mean we need more bins not less???
- I would like a full explanation from council, why? All popular beach fronts have rubbish bins
- The mess from this removal has already lead to rubbish on land and in the Lake it is an unreasonable expectation that people who visit and use the lakefront and the marina area are to take their rubbish home or to the dump, when it's not open during early evening when people depart from a day at beach. Please protect our environment by making it easy to do the right thing.
- The theory that if you remove rubbish bins, people will take their rubbish home, is nice but it doesn't work, we specially in a high turnover of holiday makers. They are are going to take their rubbish home, in their car, to Auckland, Napier, Wellington, for hours! It's just not going to happen, common sense tells us this.
- Why would Council have removed these bins????
- We always pick up rubbish on our morning walks so having no bin is very annoying.
- Historic users of this reserve have left it in a filthy state - not just rubbish, but excrement. Taking away rubbish bins wont fix this problem! And its not a reserve - Whangamataa # 3 is an ancient urupaa, gazetted as such in 1886 - so no-one should be recreating in it , locals or rock climbers.
- I visit frequently. If bins are removed it is likely that the beach will become rubbishy quickly as many people walk the beach tracks regularly, all year. Prevention is always better than cure!
- Whilst an article said it trial led OK in another location, those do not have the foot/boat volumes of Kinloch
- Why would they do that? If you want people to be tidy kiwis give them access to bins - what a god awful decision
- Rubbish has been put in the dog waste bins because of this, not everyone has dogs but everyone has rubbish. Bring the bins back!
- To think that people would be good enough to pack up all their rubbish is naive at best. We needed more bins, like other towns in NZ have, and to have them emptied more often. Who is going to clean up when this ends up a dangerous eyesore? Not fair to expect volunteers to do it.
- Bins for use of the public are a must for a clean & civilised society. Please keep the bins.

- rubbish bins are essential for the preservation of kinloch
- The response we have received to date from the council is unsatisfactory- we are not a small community any longer and we need bins in this location of the beach. We should not be compared to Kuratau
- Visitors NEED to be able to dispose of their rubbish. There is a caravan site at the marina, hundreds of daily Visitors, a shop selling things with wrapping. Prey tell where are they supposed to put their rubbish. We ALL pay about \$6k pa rates. What do we get for that??
- I have read that access to the beach is difficult during busy periods. Bins can be emptied early morning and later afternoon as they are in other areas. Get the bins back. Few people pack in and pack out - there are always families that leave rubbish. So close to the lake here - bring back the bins
- We are regular holiday makers to Kinloch, and really love the area we always remark our clean and tidy the area is especially compared to other holiday destinations. Don't change this for the sake of removing a few bins many people are just pigs and if there are no rubbish bins they will just dump their rubbish and the beautiful Kinloch will just become what a lot of other holiday spots have become. ☹ ☹
- With kinloch becoming so popular not everyone is responsible. Unfortunately we have to cater for the few.
- People do not take their rubbish home so large bins are required over the holiday period for say trippers otherwise it ends up all over the place. They also need to be emptied more than once a week
- popular beach, it needs to have regular rubbish collections, maybe less frequent during off peak seasons.
- Visitors will leave trash and dog poo everywhere if they're not offered reasonable solutions this is a general public interest matter
- If there aren't any bins then I'm sure there will be a lot more rubbish on the ground which makes more work for volunteers who already go above and beyond what anyone should have to.
- Would help if the refuse from the bins was recycled instead of going to landfill which IKNOW happens
- If council want the kinloch council land clean and rubbish free they need to have bins permanently put back in these areas.
- I think it's simply the wrong move to remove the bins from the community! How naive we are to assume our visiting lovely guests will walk home with their rubbish including pizza boxes, ice lolly wrappers and general rubbish! I promise you if we don't change this silly and naive decision the whole community will pay the price! I pay my significant rates for a reason- a beautiful Kinloch community deserves a beautiful and maintained standard of cleanliness not cheap skating on bins and whatever else! Failure to maintain and uphold the standards and expectations will I promise result in a community going backwards! How much is the council looking to save here is also a key question! Cost v Value and community wellbeing ? Safe some money here but at what price down the track! My advice to council is : get a grip and see the bigger picture! Don't ruin one of the most beautiful places in New Zealand to save a few \$\$!
- While The TDC persist using open recycling creates they create their own litter problem every Monday.I'm sick of picking up rubbish the wind has blown al over the place. 12/2/2025 8:04 PM 61 The more bins the better
- It makes me worried what will be left for locals to clean up this summer. Not everyone has the same mentality of pack in and out, just look at the rubbish along our roadsides, people who are too lazy to put it in a bin.
- The buns get full over the holiday seasons, so they are needed to save people just dumping rubbish anywhere!
- We generally visit our home twice a month and feel connected to the community. The removal of the bins is not a wise move with the vast amount of visitors that descend during the holiday period! I envisage ice lolly wrappers everywhere!
- Nope and just bring the damn bins back !

- Removing rubbish bins is crazy. Taking care of rubbish is one of the core functions of council. Get back to basics... water in, waste and rubbish out, roads and parks. Stop wasting money on other things when the basics can't be done well.
- Put them back no one removes rubbish bins from a tourist destination.
- Why not add more and get more people from the whole district since councils are merging before taking action?
- They can take their rubbish home with them.
- With rates as they are I think that is the least they can provide. Wait for the mess left by day trippers over Summer, what's next!!
- Bins are needed
- Huge mess in beach after weekend
- Councils are in place to serve the people in their communities but you wonder sometimes!!
- Need extra dog poo bin at Lisland Drive entrance to the Whangamatā stream track
- Sure take away what you bring.. but people are people and just biffing it is too easy when there is no receptacle
- Not everyone will take their rubbish with them, it's better to provide a bin to avoid littering. Keep the lake clean.
- Would like all the blackberry on the lake from growing in the grass to be sprayed
- I think the person who decided this was a good idea, should get out of their seat/office and go on rubbish duty for 3 months.
- Please...put them back!!!
- This approach has been trialled elsewhere in NZ and never appeared to work. Unsure why Council thought it would here! Not a Kinloch resident but Taupo town and enjoy the walks in Kinloch.
- People should take their rubbish home with them
- I understand why they've taken them away, people overload them and leave rubbish everywhere, it makes a much bigger mess than not having them. I've seen it at many reserves, it feels annoying but it's not that hard to take your rubbish with you.
- It would be good if boat ramp users take their rubbish home rather than dumping by overfull bins. I like idea of no bins near the marina
- WTF - why do that
- Air BnB and visitors renting holiday homes are the likely culprits. Owners of these properties should be responsible for the disposal of waste. Instead, renters are expected to remove all rubbish. Naturally the bins are easiest to access so this is where their household goes. The rentals cleaning is either contracted professionally or the owners do the inspection. SIMPLE.....make the landowners responsible or put a large bin FOR HOUSEHOLD RUBBISH only, Historically if someone misbehaves, normal course of action is to punish everyone. Hardly a business decision rather an impulsive one
- again.....and all others that have replaced by dog litter bins reinstated to their previous use. Which are dual purpose dog and human litter bins. We could start using the dog bins a dual purpose if not reinstated.
- This should never have happened in the first place!
- Yes the theory of take away what you brought in is fine but when people have had ice creams and hot food from the store etc it is not a case of popping it in your pocket. The council should be out clearing the bins daily in the summer and maybe 3 -4 times in the week the rest of the year. We pay the rates so do the job.
- While the majority of people will take their rubbish, there will be a few who don't. Why should the residents clean up after them and dispose of the rubbish at their cost
- Who's going to pick up the rubbish that WILL be left in the beach ??

- Put the bins back or bring down ya litter pickers
- Kinloch is a beautiful lake side spot. To be ruined by rubbish and dog excrement would be just criminal. We all pay out rates and we feel it is our right to expect something as basic as public rubbish bins on the eastern side . Please re-instate them. Thank you
- Stop being arrogant fuck wits, this why everyone thinks that Kinloch residents and property owners are absolute twats. They think that they are better than everyone else and deserve special treatment. This proves that.
- The wooden barriers on the south end need to go, lots of people used to park there and picnic on the beach, now there is only parking for about 6 cars
- I live up the road over summer there will be rubbish dumped everywhere if no bins.
- What a ridiculous thing of the council to do crazy if you ask me. Must want more land trashed, out the window it goes on whangamata road.
- The council references to other western beaches and removal of bins as being similar is totally ridiculous The amount of day trippers to Kinloch is of much greater numbers and these areas are highly used over the summer season There is high likelihood of rubbish being left and strewn about which will only increase labour costs of clean up required 99 There has been an increase in rubbish down there recently.
- It is essential the bins are there as otherwise there is the risk of rubbish being blown into the lake. It just makes sense to have rubbish bins available for the public!
- Will our rates be decreased due to the removal of this service? Thankyou.
- It would make economic sense to return the bins rather than council waste ratepayer revenue paying staff overtime covering the cost of cleaning the level of rubbish that will simply be left throughout all the public domains & lake front
- If the bins are not large enough to hold all the rubbish in Summer then possibly better not to have the bins vs having overflowing bins. No bins will generally mean people will take their rubbish home but of course there will be exceptions....
- Do we know why they were removed? This was done at the beach where we live and now there is rubbish left on the beach and road curb every weekend
- Rubbish is supposed to be a core council priority. Lack of bins was terrible in Sth Island last time I went there. Crazy to take them away. Provides employment too.
- If they won't put regular bins back, at least a doggy doo bin like the other ones placed around Kinloch.
- Pack in pack out - it's not hard, why should ratepayers have to pay for others rubbish
- Thanks for making this happen. Hope you can get them back. ☹ ☹
- Stick to your guns TDC. You're doing the right thing here.
- Need to look after lake and stop rubbish getting onto beaches
- We are a Tourist destination with the lake front and RV and Caravan Park at the Marina. Also a lot of the beach goer's to the summer months are from Taupo. When travelling around up and down NZ in my caravan, most Councils are providing free rubbish bins. Reefton being the most user friendly



- Stop encouraging people to throw their rubbish where it's going to ruin our beautiful lake and country.
- Whilst a pack in pack out policy is ideal the reality is that it is a small gesture and service of public bins keeps a big space looking good.
- I am strongly in favour of having rubbish bins returned especially during the holiday season and the boat and foot traffic this season will be high keep Kinloch tidy 1
- It is crazy the rubbish bins have gone and very hard to understand. The litter left lying around will be revolting. It is hard to understand
- Absolutely ridiculous movement by the Council.
- Pack in pack out make people responsible for their own rubbish it's disgraceful the abuse of public bins and recycling
- It makes no sense at all to take these bins away. During the holiday period they are full to overflowing. Where do they think visitors will put their rubbish? Certainly NOT in their cars! Residents have been picking up rubbish for years. What do we pay our rates for?
- Taking away rubbish bins is like taking away toilets. People will still piss and shit in the bush and without rubbish bins they will dump it in the bush. You and Rotorua councils need to just have rubbish bins in public area. Rates are getting stupidly high and you get less for it. So just do the regions a favour and have rubbish bins.
- Removal of these bins will likely lead to dangerous rubbish such as glass being inappropriately discarded - like left around, smashed, and will likely cause harm to visitors to the beach and reserve- ie kids running around! 121 I farm near Whakamaru and we come to Kinloch regularly. I know there will be an uproar about bins but once people get used to the idea it works well as can be. Pouched for in other locations nationwide. . Take your rubbish home is the message.
- Taupo beach areas have bins so the policy council have quoted is not district wise. Kinloch has high density use for 8 weeks of the year on this beach and pack in /out will not work. Council said they would trawl the area. They haven't done so. Plus no where for dog poop either. First we lose the temporary toilets and now the bins. Mangakino has both ...why are we so different. I think in summer our visitor numbers are greater.
- At least with bins we know where the rubbish is, rather than people dumping god knows where! We pay for rubbish collection as part of our rates and as such a core service.
- The only reason they would have been was TDC are too lazy to empty them !! In the 80s and 90 that was my job with John Western of Kinloch. All rubbish was dumped at the local dump
- Already, this last weekend, that wasn't busy by Kinloch standards, the bins that haven't been removed, were completely overflowing, and un-stickered black bags had been left around the bottom of them. Completely ridiculous!
- Seems as though Kinloch is again the poor relation.
- Ideally visitors to Kinloch would remove all of their rubbish. But from recent experience, we can see this is not happening. Please return the rubbish bins
- We pay rates for a reason and this seems like a basic service to be provided. It limits rubbish going into the lake. The amount of people in Kinloch during the holiday is massive, with a lot of outsiders who do not care about keeping the place clean. Even with the bins, there is always a lot of rubbish around. We should get more bins, not less. While I like that there are more dog waste disposal bins, this will be used by anyone and everyone and will overflow with rubbish. No need to do a PhD in human psychology to anticipate this outcome. It is just common sense. The kids (and adults) buying ice creams you just want to be able to dispose of the wrapping easily. The bins by the shop will not be enough when the place is packed over summer.
- It's a no brainer bins need to be permanent, Kinloch not just a summer holiday destination.

- This end of the beach is neglected and but well used we require permanent toilet block similar to the one at the main beach
- There should be more bins been put around the community, not taking them away.
- Bring our rubbish bins back.
- Already starting to see rubbish on beach area last weekend
- Yes Instead of wasting money on vanity projects stick to doing the basics and rubbish collection is one of the most basic needs of any community
- Already seeing an increase in dumped bags beside store rubbish bin. Current bins always full and it's not even holiday time yet. Visitors don't care for Kinloch like the residents do so TDC's plan for visitors taking rubbish with them falls on deaf ears. I notice a huge increase in general litter during holiday season.
- The council has a responsibility to be proactive in preventing permanent environmental pollution to the lake and wildlife from litter including plastic
- All rubbish must be removed.
- Coming into Xmas and Holiday time the Eastern beach is going to be covered with litter
- The current waterfront bins a completely inadequate as so as the sun shines. They are overflowing by Monday.
- It would be great to have some signs up asking people to take their rubbish away.
- On fb it is shrouded in the ' research shows if we remove the bins people take rubbish home' and don't leave it overflowing. I think this is an excuse to save money tbh.
- More bins should be placed around Kinloch as it stops people littering
- We pay rates for these council services. The bins are there as sometimes you are walking and biking or boating so it's not always suitable to take your rubbish.
- The TDCs policy is rubbish in and rubbish out but that's impractical. People will be consciously tidy if bins are present if not they dump rubbish everywhere.
- Although we dont use these bins at Eastern end, it is nice to know the rubbish isn't covering the lake shore. If the Council aren't going to replace then perhaps signs telling folk to take their rubbish with them would be appropriate
- Best way to keep the area clean and tidy
- Bins by Marina, golf course gone also ... why
- Consultation would have been appreciated
- Council are in kinloch daily to clean public toilets so no problem to empty the bins
- While it would be nice if every one took away their rubbish in practise this will not happen and the rubbish will make the foreshore very messy and the council wont be there to clean it up.
- We are also concerned to see that the rubbish bins by the marina and the domain have been removed. the presence of rubbish bins always assist with ensuring we have a clean and tidy community
- And get them to block off the Reserve properly this time so 4wd's can't just bump up and keep breaking the barriers!
- The amount of rubbish I've seen since they've been taken away is terrible. Happy to pick it up , but only when a bin is within a fair distance.
- We get heaps of visitors there. We pay rates. Council should get bins back immediately
- Crazy they have been removed

- As a growing permanent and holiday home community, it is important that we get on top of any issues sooner rather than later and make decisions in order to move forward. We have greater numbers of day visitors too, so ensuring that they (and our holiday makers) treat our community with respect and know the rules and regulations around rubbish, recycling, refuse station hours, dogs on leashes, Picking up after their dog etc.,
- As an owner of a rented holiday home close to the Eastern Foreshore we promote the quality of facilities for visitors. This may not be longer be applicable without bins available. Pack on & Pack out is a lovely concept but I doubt it is reality.
- If the bins are reinstalled, it follows that they will need to be frequently emptied. At least daily during the height of the summer
- The bin at the Marina entrance was removed during 2025 and a dog waste bin installed at the location. There are two recycling bins and one for waste outside the Kinloch General Store. There is one recycling bin and one for waste by the BBQ area and carpark on the main beach. As these bins still need to be serviced by TDC, there is no logical reason why the previous servicing on bins at the Eastern Beach cannot be continued
- Dune ass council members
- Concerned that the Xmas/New Year 3 week holiday period will see all Kinloch rubbish bins at over capacity, as other bins also removed. Eg Marina and car park by toilet block. Council empty 2x a day, but their “pack in/pack out” mantra for rubbish this year will see many day trippers leave rubbish in and beside already overfilled bins. Day trippers expect to have somewhere to put their rubbish, and we as a community should not have to put up with a mess. It is already happening at weekend times, and its not even peak visitor time yet.
- Council has limited resources which would be better allocated to areas of greater priority.
- We face the same issue in Napier with "consultation" apparently taking place yet no-one knowing anything about it!
- Concerning this decision was made without public community consultation. Kinloch a very different case to smaller southern lake communities. Potential for health and safety issues with uncleared rubbish over peak holiday periods with no facilities. Currently a huge broken gazebo sitting abandoned
- Lisland playground has also had their rubbish bin removed. would be ideal to have this re installed to prevent littering
- the bins would be okay but people learn to take their rubbish with them. TDC are just an example of Councils all over NZ they want to cut service to cut their overheads. If you put bins out they need to be serviced.
- Council should listen to the locals.