

Greater visibility of speed

The Tasman District Council is buying three driver feedback signs. The solar powered signs provide immediate and highly noticeable feedback to the driver of their speed, especially important in speed restricted areas.

The signs have been identified as a valuable tool, helping to reduce the higher than national average of speed related crashes in our District. Along with the Council's current review of the speed limit bylaw and variable speeds outside schools, and the Safer Journeys for Rural Schools programme, the focus is on creating a greater awareness amongst drivers of the speed they are doing and if it's appropriate to the location.

The highly visible new signs have been proven to work with research showing they have a direct effect on driving behaviour as most people who speed are simply unaware of the actual speed they are travelling.

The signs also have the ability to collect data. If the speed of a vehicle driving in excess of the posted limit does not decrease the incident is logged. This information identifies whether or not additional engineering and/or enforcement measures are required to modify driving behaviour in that location if continued speeding occurs.

As they are solar powered the three signs will be used in different locations around the District with the first sites being Tapawera, Mapua and Richmond.

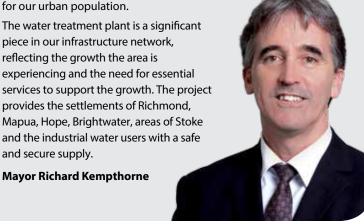


Message from the Mayor

The Council is now discussing decisions we will be making in relation to the latest Annual Plan. Prudence, long-term cost benefit, sound financial management, and delivering the services our community needs remain at the centre of our discussions as we review submissions to our Draft Annual Plan. We received a significant number of submissions, both written and verbal, to the Draft Annual Plan and we appreciate the time people have taken to let us know their thoughts, ideas and opinions. The Council has hard decisions to make in relation to future financial and economic well-being. I look forward to discussing this over the next few months.

Last week I helped turn the first sod on the site of the new water treatment plant for Richmond. The compelling reasons for this upgrade were the need to meet the Government's drinking water standard to secure an adequate supply of water for our urban population.

piece in our infrastructure network, reflecting the growth the area is experiencing and the need for essential services to support the growth. The project provides the settlements of Richmond, Mapua, Hope, Brightwater, areas of Stoke and the industrial water users with a safe and secure supply.



Feedback sought on Draft Open Space Strategy

The Council has completed the Draft Open Space Strategy. The strategy is a non-statutory document which will help improve the management and provision of our parks, reserves, natural areas and other types of open space. We are seeking your feedback so that we can properly manage these areas and determine action and priorities for spending and use for years to come.

"The strategy will assist the Council in reviewing levels of services, zoning or acquiring land, working with volunteer organisations to protect or enhance areas, and in our planning processes such as the review of Reserve Management Plans, the Long Term Plan and Tasman Resource Management Plan." said Councillor Judene Edgar, Chair of the Community Development Committee.

The draft strategy and feedback form are available online at www.tasman.govt.nz, or by completing forms located at Council Service Centres. Feedback closes on 27 June 2014. Feedback can also be sent to:

Tasman District Council Private Bag 4 Richmond Nelson 7050

All feedback will be received and considered by a Council working group (there will be no hearing). The working group will review the feedback and make necessary amendments to the document prior to bringing the final strategy back to the Community **Development Committee for adoption** in July 2014. The Council will write to all parties who have provided feedback outlining the key changes made in response to the feedback received.

Once adopted by the Council the final document will be published on the Council's website.



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Motueka Pedestrian Crossings – feedback session

A public feedback session is being held in Motueka on 29 May 2014 to discuss the proposed pedestrian crossings for Motueka High Street, their location and the best way to progress the project.

Since January 2011 there have been three reported injury crashes (pedestrian v car) associated with the existing pedestrian crossings on High Street. The zebra crossings encourage pedestrians to cross without looking and are uncontrolled. The lack of control creates confusion for pedestrians and motorists, which increases vehicle congestion along High Street.

The proposal sees the removal of the three existing zebra crossings on High Street between Pah Street and Tudor Street and install three new signalised pedestrian crossings at the following locations:

Site 1 – between the Motueka District Museum and the Red Beret Cafe

Site 2 – between Unichem Pharmacy and Cyberworld Internet Cafe

Site 3 – between The Hospice Shop and Beetees

Signalised pedestrian crossings require pedestrians to wait for a green signal prior to crossing, which is much clearer for everyone to understand and improves efficiency for both pedestrians and car users. At times of heavy traffic flows the new signals would make it easier for vehicles to enter and exit the minor roads such as Wallace Street and Tudor Street as a result of the main flow being stopped.

The feedback session will take place in the supper room of the Motueka Memorial Hall between $4.00 \, \text{pm} - 6.30 \, \text{pm}$. Everyone is welcome to attend.



Dog Registration expires 30 June 2014

Dog registrations will expire on 30 June 2014 and anyone who keeps a dog aged three months or older is required to register their dog by 31 July 2014.

Registration forms for all dogs currently on the Council's database will be posted at the end of May 2014. If you have moved from another area, or have changed address within the Tasman area, and do not receive a registration form please immediately contact the Council on Ph. 03 543 8400 to update your details so that a form can be sent to you.

Registration fees for the 2014-2015 period remain the same as last year, that is:

- Urban dogs (properties under one hectare in area) \$50.00
- Rural dogs (properties over one hectare in area) \$30.00

The fee for dogs that have not been registered by 1 August 2014 will increase by 50% on top of the standard urban or rural registration fee.

Infringement Notices and the associated fine of \$300.00 will be served on owners who fail to register their dogs prior to 1 September 2014, therefore it is essential that your invoice goes to the correct address. Any change of details, whether it is a change of dog owner or address, must be made in writing.

Registration update forms are available from all Council Service Centres, or by emailing dogcontrol@tasman.govt.nz, or as a pdf download from the Council's website www.tasman.govt.nz

Information relating to dogs and all current fees can also be found on the Council's website.

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Roadworks – State Highway 6

This month the NZ Transport Agency (NZTA) is completing road repairs on sections of State Highway 6 in Tasman and Nelson to help keep the road safe for all users.

Between 24-27 May 2014 road repairs will be taking place on Gladstone Road between Oxford Street and Three Brothers Roundabout. NZTA will be removing the asphalt that has deteriorated and replacing it with new asphalt. Crews will be working during the day from 9.30 am – 3.30 pm and at night between 6.30 pm and 11.00 pm, weather permitting. In the event of bad weather work will be postponed to the next suitable day.

During this work two lanes will be maintained where possible, otherwise traffic controllers will be in place to ensure safe passage through the road works. If you have any concerns regarding access during this period of road works please contact Phil Collins on Ph. 027 2804 332.

Residents are asked not to park their cars within the work site during working hours.



Drop-in session: Lower Queen Street Projects

Tasman District Council staff are hosting a community drop-in event on Monday 26 May 2014 to help keep residents and local businesses informed about the projects that are happening in the McShane Road / Lower Queen Street area of Richmond over the next year or so, including the new water treatment plant.

The drop-in event gives you a chance to talk to technical staff about the plans for up-coming work, to find out more about why the Council is doing the work and how it will affect the area, both in the short term while works are underway and in the longer term when the projects are complete. Staff will be on hand to talk about:

 The Richmond Water Treatment Plant, the reason it is required, benefits and associated pipe upgrades

- Borck Creek and Poutama Drain widening and future rehabilitation
- A range of minor improvements to McShane Road and Lower Queen Street

The drop-in session will take place in the Constance Barnicoat room, Richmond Library from 4.00 pm on Monday 26 May 2014. Everyone is welcome to attend.

For further information contact Chris Blythe, Project Manager, Ph. 03 543 7266, Email: projects@tasman.govt.nz

Please note: this event replaces the previously advertised 5 May 2014 session, which was cancelled due to the storm.

Join the team!

Volunteers wanted for ICC Cricket World Cup 2015 in Nelson

The ICC Cricket World Cup 2015 will be jointly hosted by Australia and New Zealand in February and March 2015, and three games will be played in Nelson.

Tournament organisers are looking for volunteers to join them and help ensure the World Cup's success in Nelson.

There are a variety of volunteer roles available, each requiring different skills and experience, so check out

www.cricketworldcup.com/volunteers for more information, or Email: cwcvolunteer@ncc.govt.nz, Ph. 03 546 0200.

You could also come along to the open days at Saxton Oval on Saturday May 24 2014, between 10.00 am – 3.00 pm and Sunday May 25 2014, between midday – 3.00 pm, to learn more about volunteering for the ICC Cricket World Cup 2015 and to be interviewed for one of the roles.

Volunteers must be 17 years or older to apply.



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Outstanding Community Service Awards

Singling out our unsung heroes

There are a huge number of volunteers who work throughout the year to make our communities better places to live. Without fuss or fanfare they undertake all manner of good work on behalf of neighbours, friends, schools, clubs, churches and service organisations. They display commitment, generosity and dedication.

Tasman District Council's Outstanding Community Service Awards are a way of giving some well-deserved recognition to these unsung heroes who add so much to our communities. The awards focus on and allow us to formally acknowledge the individuals who have volunteered on behalf of their communities for 20 years or more. It gives us an opportunity to make sure they are rewarded with the thanks they deserve for the long-term outstanding service they have given.

We need your help to find out about these wonderful people.

If you know of individuals or groups that you think deserve recognition for all their hard work, you can nominate them for an Outstanding Community Service Award.

Tasman District Council calls for nominations from the public for the community awards. Nominees must be residents of Tasman District to qualify. Nomination forms are available from all Council Service Centres, Libraries and on the Council website.

These give an outline of the type of information you need to include. Please use them when nominating someone for an award and be sure to post or deliver them to:

Tara Fifield, Executive Assistant, Tasman District Council, Private Bag 4, Richmond 7050.

Nominations must be received by 30 June 2014.

For more information go to www.tasman.govt.nz/link/ocs-awards

Tasman Creative Communities Scheme

Do you have a great community arts project that needs some funding to make it happen? The Tasman Creative Communities Scheme may be just what you're looking for. The aim of the fund is to support local projects that increase access and participation in arts activity.

Applications close 10 July 2014. Forms are available online at www.tasman.govt.nz

Warm up with Winterruption

Richmond will host big screen movies, an old time dance, cooking demonstrations, fashion parades and fitness classes to entice people to come out of winter hibernation this June.

Organised by the Tasman District Council and Richmond Unlimited, with support from Sport Tasman and the Richmond Mall, Winterruption, which runs from **23-29 June 2014** is a new initiative to draw people together in the winter months.

The Richmond Town Hall will return to its movie-theatre roots, offering a midday movie matinee – as it did back in 1939. It will also host an old-time dance, complete with live music and supper, and a series of free fitness classes.

Lunchtime shows and demonstrations will take place in the Richmond Mall during the week, and will feature local personalities strutting down the catwalk, showing off the latest in winter fashion from local fashion retailers.

The Mall also hosts a series of cooking demonstrations, featuring local chefs and food experts who will share their top tips on how to prepare and cook healthy, hearty, and nutritious winter feeds on a budget.

Sundial Square and the adjoining car park will host a winter street sports showcase, with inline hockey and roller derby exhibition matches.

Retail stores will also play a part in the festival, offering sales and discount bargains on their winter merchandise.

"People tend to go into hibernation mode over the winter months, with not a lot of reason to get out and about," says Tasman District Council Recreation and Partnerships Officer Paul McConachie. Winterruption is an opportunity to break that cycle and celebrate all the good things associated with winter. The festival offers something for everyone, with some unique activities and events not seen in Richmond before.

For more information, go to www.itson.co.nz or www.tasman.govt.zn/events





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Public Notices

Rating Information Database

The Tasman District Council gives notice under Section 28 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 that the Rating Information Database of the Tasman District Council is available for inspection (without fee) at the following locations:

Richmond Main Office:

189 Queen Street, Richmond, Monday to Friday

Motueka Service Centre:

7 Hickmott Place, Motueka, Monday to Friday

Takaka Service Centre:

14 Junction Street, Takaka, Monday to Friday

Murchison Service Centre:

92 Fairfax Street, Murchison

Tuesday to Friday 10.30am to 12.30pm, 1.10pm to 4.00pm

The Rating Information Database can also be accessed via the Council's website www.tasman.govt.nz, then enter the property street address to view the current years rating information and then click on 'Next Year – 2014/15' to view the estimated rates for 2014/15 rating year.

The Rating Information Database contains a record of all information required for the setting and assessing of rates and necessary for communicating with ratepayers. The information will not include any subdivisions/boundary adjustments/amalgamations completed after 6 May 2014.

Please note that, pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, the names of owners and ratepayers are not included in the Rating Information Database.

Water metering

The Measurement and Reporting of Water Takes Regulations 2010 requires the reporting of water use for the whole calendar year, from 1 July to 30 June each year, rather than just the historical summer season.

For consent holders who use water all year around e.g. industry and frost protection, you are required to make water meter returns each and every week.

To assist you in meeting the regulation requirement of weekly readings during winter, the Council will accept a final reading and duplicate this reading through until Spring when water use generally commences again.

Telling the Council when water use ends is very important so that the Council's discretion can work. Please also contact the Council if you commence water use prior to Spring, Ph. 03 543 8400.

For consent holders who have ceased water use please supply a final reading. For those who have already let the Council know you have ceased water use, thank you.

Public Notices

Notice of intention to grant a lease for part of Tapawera Recreation Reserve

Notice is given of the Tasman District Council's intention to grant a lease of part of the Tapawera Recreation Reserve, under Section 54(1)(b) of the Reserves Act 1977.

The lease area will be that formerly used by the local Scout Troop. The local Scout Troop has not been active for a number of years.

The Tapawera Menz Shed group has an agreement with Scouting NZ to acquire its building, subject to the Menz Shed Group obtaining a lease for the land from Council.

It is intended to grant a five-year lease to the Tapawera Menz Shed Group, to undertake various activities associated with indoor and outdoor recreation.

The lease will be for a land area of approximately 340 square metres, and essentially will be limited to the area occupied by the existing building. The lease will only cover the land.

The ownership of the building will transfer from Scouting NZ to the Tapawera Menz Shed group if the lease is granted.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Robert Cant on Ph. 03 543 8400, or via email robert.cant@tasman.govt.nz. Written submissions or objections should also be sent to Robert Cant.

Submissions or objections will be received until 4.00 pm on 11 June 2014. Please advise if you would like to be heard in relation to your submission.

A copy of this notice, together with a plan of the lease area will be available on the Council's website.

Notice of proposal to extend a lease of part of Brightwater Recreation Reserve

Tasman District Council is calling for submissions under the Reserves Act 1977, on its intention to extend a lease of part of the Brightwater Recreation Reserve.

The Wanderers Sports Club currently has a lease on Centennial Park in Brightwater. The Club has requested an extension of the lease area to accommodate building extensions. The extensions would be built behind the southern wall of the current changing rooms. The extensions will provide for extra changing facilities and a 'warm up room'. A small extension to the existing deck is also planned.

If the club is granted an extension to its lease area, it will begin the task of fundraising for the extensions. The physical improvements are likely to gradually occur as demand and money allows. Any changes to the building are likely to be some time in the future, and will require normal building consents.

The extensions will require the relocation of an existing shed. Plans of the proposed extensions and any other information can be obtained by contacting Robert Cant on 03 543 8400, or via email robert. cant@tasman.govt.nz. Written submissions or objections should also be sent to Robert Cant. **Submissions or objections will be received until 4.00 pm on 11 June 2014**. Please advise if you would like to be heard in relation to your submission if a hearing is required.

Copies of this notice, plus plans of the proposed extensions, will also be available on the Council's website

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Public Notices

Triennial Election dates for Community Hall and Reserve Committees 2014

Lake Rotoiti Community Hall Management Committee 7.30 pm, Friday 23 May, Lake Rotoiti Community Hall.

Collingwood Memorial Hall Management Committee 7.30 pm, Tuesday 27 May 2014, Collingwood Memorial Hall.

East Takaka Recreation Reserve Management Committee 7.30 pm, Wednesday 28 May 2014, East Takaka Hall.

Nelson Tasman Positive Ageing Forum

You're invited to come along to the Nelson Tasman Positive Ageing Forum meetings. Hear about what's happening locally to help make ageing a positive experience.

Next meeting is Monday 26 May 1.00 pm, Constance Barnicoat Room, Richmond Library.

Email mike.tasman-jones@tasman.govt.nz if you wish to be added to the contacts list.

Tasman Speed Control Bylaw consultation

The Council is looking to begin consultation on amendments to the current Speed Control Bylaw.

As part of the first stage of the process the Council is running a preengagement exercise. The views of Tasman communities are being sought on any areas they consider a speed limit review could be included as part of any changes put forward under the special consultative process. The Council is interested in your thoughts. **Responses are required by**

30 May 2014 as part of the first part of the community engagement process. Feedback can be made either via the online form found on the Council's website or by completing forms located at Council Service Centres and libraries.

Rates reminder

Invoices for the fourth rates instalment of the 2013/2014 year were issued on 1 May 2014 and are due for payment by 31 May 2014. Payments received after 3 June 2014 will have penalties applied. If you haven't received your invoice, or would like to speak to someone about your rates, please contact the Council on Ph. 03 543 8400.

Road Closures

Proposed Road Closure

In accordance with the Transport (Vehicle Road Closure) Regulations 1965, the public is advised that for the purpose of allowing the Nelson Car Club Inc to hold a motor sport event the following road will be closed to ordinary vehicles for the periods and times indicated below.

Proposed Road to be closed to Ordinary Vehicles and Period of Closure Riwaka-Sandy Bay Road – from 9.00 am to 4.00 pm, Sunday 1 June 2014.

Any person objecting to the proposal should lodge notice of their objection before Friday 23 May 2014 to the office of the Tasman District Council, 189 Queen Street, Richmond.

Council Meetings

Agendas and Minutes for Council meetings can be viewed on the Council's website at www.tasman.govt.nz

Commissioner Consent Hearing (CBH Ltd)

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Wednesday 28 May and Thursday 29 May 2014. No public forum

Full Council

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Friday 30 May 2014, 9.30 am. Public forum

Corporate Services Committee

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Thursday 5 June 2014, 9.30 am. Public forum

Tasman Regional Transport Committee

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Friday 6 June 2014, 9.30 am. No public forum

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Celebrating World Fish Migration Day – Removing 'road blocks' in our streams

Imagine coming home from holiday to find that there were road blocks stopping you getting back to your house. Whole sections of the town or country where people couldn't go. Well, for many of our freshwater fish species, that is the reality. It has been estimated that there are 300-500km of stream in Tasman inaccessible to fish due to structures such as culverts, dams and weirs. These fish face these barriers every year on their annual migration when they return from the sea. We are not as bad as the lower Waikato catchment where there is about 1,100km of stream cut off from fish. That's almost like having netting over a national park so the birds can't get in.

Fixing these barriers to fish passage is one of the most cost-effective things we can do for the biodiversity of our stream. Over the last 10 years the Council has fixed about 150 structures, mostly culverts under Council roads, to return fish to over 100 kilometres of stream. This programme is continuing but there are a whole lot more culverts out there on private driveways and farm tracks that need attention.

From now until the end of June we are marking the first World Fish Migration Day by offering a service to private landowners to fix these culverts at no cost. Culverts on about a dozen farms have been fixed in Golden Bay with great results. Golden Bay Federated Farmers representative, Graeme Ball, is really happy to have the natural range of fish migrating freely up and down streams on his property. He had six culverts fitted with rubber aprons and spat rope that were donated by Nelson Pine Industries, Carter Holt Harvey, the Marine Farming Assn and Sanfords. Graeme also has the good fortune of having one of the few places in Tasman where lamprey have been found to 'nest'. Even though lamprey have a big sucker around their mouth to grip with, they, like many of our native fish cannot get up an over-hang.

There is a lot of video evidence in Tasman, and throughout New Zealand, of particular situations where fish can and cannot swim or climb up. There are no situations where fish can make it up culverts that are undercut and eroded at the downstream end. Next time you are passing over a culvert, stop and listen. If you can hear gushing water plunging into the stream – you probably have a fish passage barrier right there. Better still, do something about it... take a photo and send it into the Council and register to have your culvert fixed. There are even five spot prizes of \$100 each for those who join the programme.

"Go on, show us your culvert"... do it for the fish, and so we in Tasman can live up to our reputation of working towards making our streams truly healthier.



