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Surplus up, debt down in Tasman District

A sustained focus on prudent financial management is paying off. Our Annual Report for the 2014/15 financial year shows we achieved a larger-than-expected operating surplus and lower total debt than anticipated.

We recorded an accounting surplus of \$21 million, of which \$5.8 million is directly related to operational performance, and total debt of \$145 million, down on a projected \$172 million.

Tasman Mayor Richard Kempthorne says the Council is committed to maintaining the District's finances on a sound footing. "While achieving a bigger surplus is really pleasing, we will continue to concentrate on repaying debt where we can, rebuilding our emergency fund and keeping rate increases as low as possible."

This is in keeping with the promises the Council made to the community two years ago, to manage debt and keep rate increases in check. We have introduced a 3 per cent cap on rates income increases, with a small extra allowance for growth.

Reasons for the good result

The better than forecasted result comes from a combination of operational savings and favourable external conditions, including higher than anticipated population growth and subsequent rates income, low inflation and interest rates, a revaluation of forestry assets and a larger than budgeted dividend from Port Nelson.

Other achievements include:

- New water treatment plant built on Lower Queen Street to meet drinking water standards and cater for increased water demand
- Improved stormwater drainage in Richmond
- Takaka wastewater treatment plant upgrade completed, including a floating wetland at the cutting edge of sewage treatment technology
- Desludging of Motueka wastewater treatment plant as part of larger upgrade programme
- Opening the Bogie Creek Bridge in Ngatimoti, allowing HDMV (heavy) trucks to use the Motueka Valley Highway
- Stage two of Tasman's Great Taste Trail, to Kaiteriteri, completed.

A summary of the Annual Report is provided with this copy of Newsline. A full copy of the report can be viewed on the Council's website, www.tasman.govt.nz/link/annual-report

Message from the Mayor

It gives me great pleasure to be able to celebrate local achievements and in this edition of Newsline I would like to acknowledge some very talented members of our community.

At the 2015 World of Wearable Art (WOW) awards, local man Peter Wakeman was not only recognised as the overall Supreme WOW Award Winner, but was also awarded first place in the Creative Excellence Section: Architecture for his piece 'Diva's Dreamscape'. Local ladies Doreen Helms and Susan Thumer took first place in the Children's Section with their design 'For Annie'.

If this wasn't cause enough for celebration, Nelson based educator Lisa Hearne of Little People Learning Centre was named runner up in the Early Childhood category at the 2015 Warehouse Stationary Most Inspiring Teachers Awards.

I'm sure you will join me in congratulating Peter, Doreen, Susan and Lisa on their tremendous achievements.

You will also see in this edition of Newsline that Council have recorded a larger than expected operating surplus for the 2014 / 2015 financial year. This is a testament to the Council's continued

commitment to reduce the District's reliance on debt, contain costs and reduce rates increases. Staff and Councillors have worked exceptionally hard to achieve this result for the benefit of the entire District, and I am very proud to be able to share this result with you all.

Mayor Richard Kempthorne



Bright response to energy-efficient streetlights

Initial survey results show most residents prefer the new LED streetlights we have installed to save power and reduce costs.

The survey is intended to capture the views of residents in the district's coastal settlements, where nearly 400 of the more energy-efficient LED bulbs have replaced the traditional lights. Of 22 responses so far, 77 per cent prefer the new lights, and 81 per cent think the view of the night sky is better.

Other survey results so far show:

- 95 per cent are aware the Council is upgrading streetlights to LEDs to save on energy and future maintenance costs
- 77 per cent think the LED lighting has improved safety by improving night-time visibility when walking or driving

We have received a small number of complaints about the glare of the LED lights when people are looking directly at them from their homes. The new lights are white, mimicking daylight, in comparison with the softer orange glow emitted by the old lights. Glare guards and other techniques, such as altering the angle of the light fitting, are planned in response to the concerns.

About the project

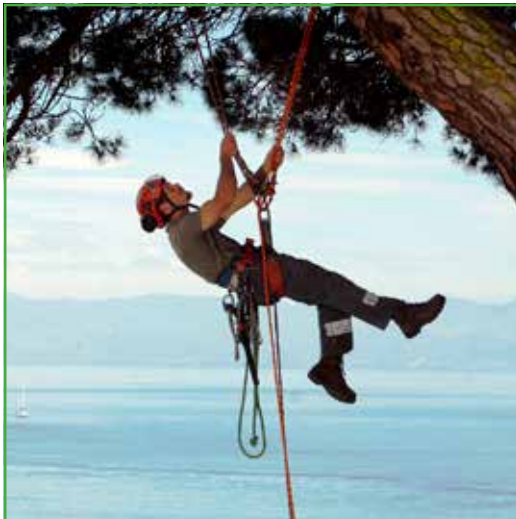
We are replacing 2400 high pressure sodium streetlights throughout the district to LEDs to save power and future maintenance costs. LED lights also give less upward light "spill", meaning they should allow people a clearer view of stars and the night sky.

Where to next?

The LED lights are set to be rolled out in the streets around Wensley Road, and in the Florence Street/Darcy Street areas of Richmond, as well as in St Arnaud this month.

Survey continues

We will continue collecting feedback about the LED light upgrade. You can complete the survey via the Council website or at www.surveymonkey.com/r/tasmanledsurvey



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Upgrade to reduce Richmond flood risk

A major stormwater upgrade for central Richmond will reduce the likelihood of flooding for properties and businesses during future large storms.

What are we doing?

We are planning a \$13.9 million upgrade of the stormwater network in central Richmond. The proposal will see a new pressure pipeline installed in Washbourn Gardens running to the Poutama Drain below Jubilee Park, upgrades to the Queen Street stormwater system and work to flatten out the surface of Queen Street itself.

The first stage of the work will be to divert stormwater away from Queen Street and to lower the road surface to stop water running towards business entrances.

Why are we doing it?

In April 2013 a one-in-500-year flood saw businesses in Queen Street and Oxford Street inundated with large volumes of water, requiring a big clean-up effort and associated costs and stress for business owners. Part of the problem was the alignment of Queen Street, which is higher in the centre of the road than the level of building entrances along its frontage, allowing water to flow towards and into the buildings.

The proposed upgrade is designed to cope with a one-in-100-year event. Once the works are complete, the system will also significantly reduce the damage a one-in-500-year flood would generate.



What happens next?

The large scale of works means there will be disruption to businesses and visitors to central Richmond, as well as users of Washbourn Gardens and Jubilee Park. To minimise any disruption, we plan to carry out the work in stages between 2016 and 2025. A staged approach also allows all planned upgrades for central Richmond to be co-ordinated so areas are not interrupted twice by different projects. We will be talking with those directly affected to discuss the proposed work and how to minimise the impact of the works.

Council staff will now prepare detailed designs for the upgrade. Those affected by the proposed works will be consulted before final decisions are made.

Check out our water allocation plans

With just over a week left to make submissions on changes to the way we manage water, now is a great time to check out the proposal online and let us know what you think.

The Waimea Water Plan proposes a two-tier system for allocating and rationing water in the event of water shortages if a dam is built. The plan allows for water permits with either low or high security of supply, depending on whether the permit-holder is affiliated with the Waimea Community Dam.

Regardless of whether the dam is built, the way water is managed and allocated affects everyone – urban households and businesses, as well as irrigators and other rural users. If you want to learn more about what the plan changes mean, check out the information on our website, www.tasman.govt.nz/link/waimea-water.

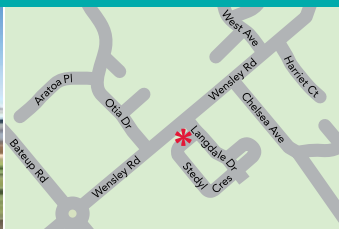
Forms for making a submission are available online or at our Queen Street, Richmond, office. **Submissions close at 4.00 pm on 19 October 2015.**

If you'd like to talk through any aspect of the changes, you can contact Mary-Anne Baker on Ph. 03 543 8486 or Email: mary-anne.baker@tasman.govt.nz

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Spring cleaning tips

It's spring cleaning time, with longer, brighter days inspiring a burst of activity to spruce up the garden, get those household DIY projects ticked off, and hose down the car.

Amidst this flurry of domestic industry, it's important to think about where the water you use for cleaning paint brushes and hosing off cleaning chemicals and sprays ends up.

Water that runs into outside drains on your property or into the gutter flows straight into our nearby streams, rivers and sea. If paint, chemicals or other pollutants get washed along with it, they can kill fish and pose a threat to public health. Think about whether the water going down the drain would be safe for a fish to drink, or for a child to swim in.

How to dispose of it safely

Paint:

Wipe your brushes with a rag or newspaper before washing them in a container. Let the paint dregs settle (12 hours for water-based paint; 24 hours for solvent-based). Decant the clear water into a bucket, which you can then use on your garden or dilute further to pour down an inside sink. The dried paint can then be wrapped in paper and put in the rubbish.

Car wash suds:

Wash your car on the lawn so suds drain on to the grass or, if that is not possible, channel the suds away from the gutter and towards a grassy area or garden. Better still, use a commercial car wash as their wash water is recycled.

Garden sprays, fertiliser and cleaning chemicals:

While products labelled "environmentally friendly" are preferable because they are less toxic than others, they are not necessarily safe for life in our waterways. Check the instructions and use sparingly. Flush out used sprayers on to garden soil and ensure any roof or driveway cleaning product washes onto the garden not into the guttering and outside drains.

Report it

If you notice discoloured or bad-smelling water in one of our rivers, streams or at the beach, or notice dead fish or eels, please report it quickly to the 24-hour spills and pollution line on Ph. 03 543 8400 (Tasman) or Ph. 03 546 0200 (Nelson).



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Over 7,000 Tasman residents registered for ShakeOut day of action

Over 7,000 Tasman residents have registered to take part in the New Zealand Shakeout on Thursday, 15 October 2015.

New Zealand ShakeOut is a national earthquake drill taking place at 9.15 am. It's a chance for everyone in New Zealand to practise the right action to take during an earthquake – Drop, Cover and Hold. There is still plenty of time to sign up at www.shakeout.govt.nz and it only takes two minutes.

ShakeOut is based on the Great Southern California ShakeOut which started in 2008 and now happens globally. New Zealand last took part in 2012 with 1.34 million people doing the drill. This year, the aim is to have 1.5 million people sign up. New Zealand will be the first country

in the world to ShakeOut on the International ShakeOut Day of Action. ShakeOut is a great opportunity for everyone to check their preparedness plans and know the right actions to take before, during and after an earthquake. Businesses can check their continuity plans, families can stock up on their emergency items and refresh their household plans and schools can remind children and their parents of their processes during an emergency.

For more information about New Zealand Shakeout or to sign up to the drill visit www.shakeout.govt.nz/

** If you cannot do the drill at 9.15 am, 15 October 2015, you can do it within two weeks (and still be counted).*

More online payment options

New internet banking and credit card payment options have made it easier to pay for a wide range of Council services, including dog registrations, building and resource consents and rates and water.

Direct debit is our preferred option for payments of rates and water. You can find a direct debit form on our website: www.tasman.govt.nz/link/direct-debit.

For those who would rather pay via internet banking, this is now possible for most types of payments. Most of the major banks have the Council's details pre-loaded for bill payments, so you don't need to know the exact bank account number. You will need to know the type of payment and have your account details handy.

What you can pay for with internet banking:

- Rates
- Water
- Dog registrations
- Various other payment types

Please see our website for the references you will need as using the right reference is the only way for us to be able to match your payment to your account. The link is www.tasman.govt.nz/pay.

Remember, if you move house you will need to update the details of your bill payment authority so you don't end up paying someone else's rates.

It is also now possible to make more payments with a credit card through our website, but please be aware these do incur an extra fee.

Credit card payments are possible for:

- Dog registrations
- Building and resource consents (once consent has been invoiced)
- Parking tickets
- Rates and water
- And for other accounts

And of course, it is still possible to pay over the counter at Council offices or send a cheque by post.

Internet payments checklist

To set up a bill payment you will need:

- The payment type
- Particulars or Reference
- Code

For example:

Payment Type: Rates

Particulars: Surname and initials of ratepayer

Code: Valuation roll number (found near the top of your rates invoice in bold).

See www.tasman.govt.nz/pay for the full table of payment types and instructions

Collingwood campground to benefit from sale

The sale of a council-owned cottage in Collingwood's William Street is planned to help pay for much-needed improvements to the Collingwood Motor Camp.

Urgent work to bring the campground's gas, electrical and water infrastructure up to standard was completed earlier this year. Future improvements planned for the campground include the construction of more cabins, a new toilet and shower block, and the replacement of stormwater, wastewater and water supply pipes.

The work is estimated to cost between \$400,000 and \$500,000. To help offset some of this cost, we have put the cottage up for sale. It is currently used as additional campground accommodation.

The building was sold to the Golden Bay County Council in 1940 for £20 to use for the benefit of the community. Before advertising the cottage for sale, we followed the necessary legal steps to offer the property back to affected parties. This offer was declined.

The cottage itself also needs some work. Rather than putting more money into upgrading this building, it was decided that allowing a new owner to give it the love it needs while also generating funds for the campground itself was the best option.



Motueka Community Board special projects

The Motueka Community Board has a fund sourced from an annual targeted rate on Motueka ward ratepayers. This budget for this year is \$48,000.

The Special Projects Fund is to enable the Community Board to identify, prioritise and action minor capital projects within the ward.

This year the Board is considering the following list of special projects and is asking the community for feedback in the prioritisation of the following list;

- Construct a footpath from No 52A Thorp Street to Fearon Street, an area frequented by many walkers along Thorp Street.
- Contribute to the maintenance/road-marking for the Whitwells car park, acknowledging its use as a public car park.
- Complete kerb/channelling and footpath along Queen Victoria Street, up to No 172 Queen Victoria Street (western side).
- Tidy up the damaged/untidy rubbish bins in central Motueka, in conjunction with the Arts Council.
- Supply more bike stands in crucial locations around town, e.g. High Street, Recreation Centre, selected sites on the cycle trail or walkways where significant interest areas are located.
- Assist financially with construction of a new footpath from the Deck's reserve toilets, alongside the Kiyosato Gardens to Wilkinson Street.

This is a heavily used section of grassed verge that would benefit from a concrete connection.

- Widen Courtney Street (west) so that extra parking can be provided, along with constructing a footpath on the southern side, from High Street to at least the entrance to the Community Hospital.
- Construct a pathway along Queen Victoria Street between Green Lane and King Edward Street.
- Erect signs (three) at the entrance/exit points to Thorp's Bush highlighting the botanical significance of the bush as a remnant of lowland podocarp forest.
- Construct a pathway along Poole Street, west of Atkins Street.
- Construct a water fountain/water drinking feature in High Street (e.g. Museum frontage).
- Resurface the stretch of shared cycleway/walkway connecting Old Wharf Road and Thorp's Bush alongside the Recreation Centre.

The prioritisation is the first step in the process from which the Board will consider the feedback in conjunction with Council staff.

It should be noted that each project would not normally exceed \$10,000.

You can have your say by visiting

www.surveymonkey.com/r/motuekaprojects and completing the survey. The consultation closes on Tuesday 27 October 2015.

Summer Irrigation Water Metering begins soon

This message is for holders of water resource consents (water permits) in the Tasman District subject to water metering.

Weekly meter readings re-commence for the summer irrigation season from Monday 26 October 2015.

For those consent holders who know they are not using any water for the entire 2015-2016 water year, you must advise the Council of this prior to 26 October 2015 to avoid any unnecessary follow ups.

The Council will send out a "pre-summer-irrigation-season" letter to all consent holders toward the middle of October 2015:

- The letter will be sent by Email for those consent holders who send returns by Email, through the Council's website or via the

new Mobile App. If your Email address has changed from last season please advise the Council as soon as possible.

- The letter will be sent by post to consent holders who use prepaid return cards.

If you wish to change your return method or you have any queries surrounding water metering requirements, please contact the Council as soon as possible.

The Council staff members responsible for the water metering project are:

Jim Trembath: Ph. 03 543 8412, Email: jim.trembath@tasman.govt.nz

Vicky Thorn: Ph. 03 543 8567, Email: vicky.thorn@tasman.govt.nz

Nelson Tasman Summer Guide – register your event now

Summer is coming, and now is the time for all event organisers to list your event's details on It's On – www.itson.co.nz

The Nelson Tasman Summer Guide 2015/16 will use information from It's On to promote the very best our region has to offer over the summer period to residents and visitors.

So if you're putting on a gig, festival, race, gala, show, dance or Christmas event make sure it's on It's On. It's free, easy and is the best way to ensure your event gets noticed.



People-powered digital enablement has landed for the Tasman District

The Tasman District now has a digital enablement plan as part of the round two funding request for UFB, Rural Broadband and mobile blackspot coverage.

The outcome of the round two funding won't be known for some months yet, but this exercise has been very worthwhile, because regardless of the final funding decision, as a region we need to make sure we're not getting left behind as technology moves into more and more parts of everyday life. The plan is a great basis from which to start, with a range of projects supporting both business and the wider community – both at a regional and a local level. It's a living document – owned by local people and organisations and it will change continuously as projects either happen or are replaced by new ideas and activities.

Digital technology is changing the way we do business. One of the projects in the plan is the creation of a toolkit to help smaller businesses get online – whether it's moving their accounting systems to the cloud or building an online presence through websites or social media. The first part of the toolkit will be some video case studies to help businesses get started. If your business is about to tackle its own digital journey, then you could be the inspiration for the next case study, and it's a great chance to build

business profile. To get involved or to find out more contact us here wearedigital.nz/contact-us/

The digital enablement plan can be found on wearedigital.nz, the new home of the digital enablement plan and its associated projects. A steering group which includes local representatives, Council and the Nelson Regional Economic Development Agency (EDA) is responsible for coordinating its content. Community feedback is very welcome – to get involved go to wearedigital.nz



Funding boost for community groups

More than 100 community organisations will benefit from \$212,503 in Council grants.

We received a record 170 applications for our Community Grants funding this year, with the requests totalling \$423,610. That amount is close to double the amount we had available to allocate. However, 138 groups were successful in gaining funding for a wide range of projects. Some of the larger grants awarded this year include:

- **\$12,000** for the Nelson Tasman Business Trust's mentoring service for small local businesses
- **\$7,500** to the Fifeshire Foundation for a hardship grant to help Tasman district residents in need

- **\$5000** to the Golden Bay Returned Services Association towards opening and blessing the Takaka and District Memorial Reserve
- **\$5000** to the Kohatu Park Trust to go towards hiring a professional fundraising company to help raise the \$26 million needed to complete the Kohatu motorsport park
- **\$5000** for the Motueka Senior Citizens' Association to install safe sliding doors and windows
- **\$4000** to the Tarrant Memorial Fund Committee towards the restoration of a 1903 memorial to a local Boer War trooper

The funding will also help projects including pest trapping, walkway developments, community planting and events, recording oral histories, public art, providing emergency services and helping at-risk youth.

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Spring into the garden

With longer, warmer days arriving it's time to get into the garden. And we have just the thing to inspire you in the new season.

Motueka and Takaka Libraries are both holding a series of garden talks throughout the week of 12 October.

Whether you're a keen gardener or you want to know more about raising plants and creating a garden at your place, you'll find something to whet your appetite in the programme each library is running.

From permaculture to plant propagation to bonsai and Japanese gardens, from garden design to cooking with seasonal foods or growing fabulous plants in pots, local experts and enthusiasts will share their knowledge and skills with you. And if you want to get more hands-on then check out the cardmaking workshop or create a floral posy. And you can visit a local Tasman Village garden for free on Saturday 17 October – just register at Motueka Library to get details.

Full details of all the spring garden talks are on the library website Featured Events page.

Get your money fighting fit

The festive season is rapidly approaching. And for many of us it brings with it the stress of trying to manage having a good time, buying the extra treats and gifts we all want to be able to share with family and friends and not breaking the bank.

If this sounds like the challenge you face each year, come along to our free money management workshop at Richmond Library on Thursday 15 October at 7.00 pm.

Get your money fighting fit is an interactive session run by Lisa Dyer of Nelson Budget Services that in a very practical way works through some principles of good money management. The aim is to free up cash in your budget for things like paying off debt quicker or saving towards your goals e.g. Christmas or an exciting holiday.

Contact Richmond Library on Ph. 03 543 8500 to book your place.

Lost Childhoods

For some time UNICEF has been running the Lost Childhoods campaign focussed around Syrian children living in refugee camps. The on-going conflict in Syria is devastating for children. After four years of conflict, 7.6 million children have been left vulnerable and traumatised. By the end of 2015 that figure will be over 8.6 million.

As part of the campaign UNICEF has produced a short film narrated and seen through the eyes of a 12 year old Syrian girl in a refugee camp in Jordan – a typical day, going to school etc.

On Saturday 17 October, UNICEF and Richmond Library are offering you the opportunity to view the film as a virtual reality experience.

This is a powerful way to get some idea of what it is like to walk in someone else's shoes. The film is eight minutes long and we'll have two virtual reality headsets available.

No bookings are necessary. Just head into Richmond Library between 10.00 am and 12.30 pm. The film is suitable for adults and young people over 12 years of age.

Alzheimers and Dementia information

Alzheimers Nelson and Richmond Library are joining forces to run monthly Alzheimers and dementia information drop in sessions.

These informal sessions run on the fourth Wednesday of the month from 9.30 am – 11.00 am, with the next one scheduled on Wednesday 28 October. Field workers from Alzheimers Nelson will be in the library to answer your questions and help you find the information you need for your particular situation.

No bookings are required – just drop in and have a chat with the friendly staff from Alzheimers Nelson. See you there.

Motueka Library closures

There are two Network Tasman power outages scheduled for Motueka in October. This means Motueka Library has to close for the day each time. The scheduled dates are Tuesday 13 October and Tuesday 27 October. Should either of these outages be cancelled for some reason, Network Tasman has advised alternate dates of Thursday 15 October and Thursday 29 October.

For opening hours check the library website – About Us – Branches. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

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Public Notices

Motueka Top 10 Holiday Park Lease Notice

The Council is seeking the public's views on its proposal to grant a longer term lease to the operators of the Motueka Top 10 Holiday Park located on Fearon Bush Recreation Reserve. The current lease still has 27 years to run. Council's proposal is to grant a new lease for 33 years.

The new lease and its conditions would enable the Council to earn greater returns on the camping ground assets. The new lease will include some planned improvements by the current lessee. The proposed new terms would also see the Council purchase a number of buildings currently onsite from the current operators. The desired result is improved returns to the ratepayer through the commercial operation on the publicly owned reserve.

If the new lease is not successful, the current lease for 27 years will be continued.

People are welcome to make a submission on the proposed new lease between the Motueka Top 10 Holiday Park and the Council. Written submissions are sought under Section 54 of the Reserves Act 1977.

Submitters may wish to comment on a range of matters including:

- the benefits and disadvantages of continuing to use the reserve for a commercial camping ground;
- the length of the proposed lease;
- any positive or negative impacts on the reserve from the camping ground activity;
- any positive or negative impacts on recreational and cultural values; and
- public access.

The Council will take account of all submissions when it decides whether to grant the lease and, if so, on what terms and conditions.

A submission form is available on the Tasman District Council website www.tasman.govt.nz or can be obtained from the Tasman District Council offices and libraries.

Submissions close at 4.00 pm on 12 October 2015 and should be sent to:

Rhonda Marshall, Administration Officer – Commercial

Tasman District Council, 189 Queen Street, Richmond 7050.

Or Email: rhonda.marshall@tasman.govt.nz

Draft Abel Tasman Foreshore Scenic Reserve Management Plan Partial Review

A partial review of the Abel Tasman Foreshore Scenic Reserve Management Plan (Foreshore Plan) is underway.

The focus of the review is on four issues only:

- a) access to the reserve for kaitiaki responsibilities and non-commercial cultural activities;
- b) recreation concessions at Watering Cove and Observation Beach bays;
- c) provision of an additional Coastal Access Point at Tonga Quarry for a trial period; and
- d) drop off/retrieval of commercial hire equipment from the reserve.

Any person or organisation may make written submissions, which must be received by 4.00 pm on Monday 12 October 2015.

View the draft Foreshore Plan partial review document and submission form online at www.tasman.govt.nz or www.doc.govt.nz.

Hard copies are available from Council Service Centres and public libraries in Richmond, Motueka and Takaka and from the Nelson public library.

Submissions should be made online at: www.tasman.govt.nz

or emailed to: atforeshore@tasman.govt.nz

or posted to: Tasman District Council, Abel Tasman Foreshore Plan Partial Review, Private Bag 4, Richmond 7050.

Public Notices

Draft Speed Limits Bylaw 2016

The Tasman District Council seeks your view on a new Speed Limits Bylaw. The draft bylaw is now available for consultation in accordance with Section 83 of the Local Government Act 2002.

The purpose of this draft bylaw is to address legacy issues from a previous 2014 bylaw review and establish the bylaw under the Land Transport Act 1998 (the Act) rather than the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA).

The draft bylaw changes the speed limit for a number of roads and these are listed in a summary of information available on the Council's website, offices, and libraries. The draft bylaw also provides the Council with the ability to change speed limits and/or set new speed limits by Council resolution in the future. Such changes are likely to be to the maps and schedules that accompany the Bylaw and will be an efficient and cost effective alternative to the full bylaw review procedure previously required under the LGA. The Council is required to consult with certain groups before making changes.

Separate to the draft bylaw and in response to community concerns, the Council intends to install speed advisory signs for several schools and some gravel roads.

A statement of proposal and summary of information is available for viewing on the Council's website www.tasman.govt.nz and at the following Council Service Centres and libraries during normal opening hours:

Main Office, 189 Queen Street, Richmond

Motueka Service Centre, 7 Hickmott Place, Motueka

Golden Bay Service Centre, Junction Street, Takaka

Murchison Service Centre, 92 Fairfax Street, Murchison

Tasman District Library, Queen Street, Richmond

Motueka Library, Pah Street Motueka

Takaka Library, Commercial Street, Takaka

Making a submission:

You are welcome to make a submission on the draft Speed Limits Bylaw 2016. A submission form is available with copies of the statement of proposal, draft bylaw, and summary of information. You can present your submission to the Council in writing and if you wish, in person at a hearing. Submissions should include your name, address, telephone number and email address and should state if you wish to speak to the Council in support of your submission.

Presenting your submission in person:

The Council will contact all submitters (who wish to be heard) in writing to advise the date, time and venue of the submissions hearing.

Submissions:

Please note that all submissions are a matter of public record and subject to the requirements of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act.

All written submissions will be acknowledged. The Council will be taking account of all submissions made when it decides on the final content of the Bylaw and an explanation of the Council's final decision on the bylaw will be sent to all submitters.

Please send and make your submission for the attention of the Executive Assistant, Engineering Services:

Online at: www.tasman.govt.nz

Posted to: Tasman District Council, Private Bag 4, Richmond 7050

Delivered to: Tasman District Council, 189 Queen Street, Richmond

Faxed to: 03 543 9524

Emailed to: info@tasman.govt.nz

Submissions close at 4.30 pm on Friday 16 October 2015.



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Public Notices

Tasman Resource Management Plan

Proposed Plan Changes 54 to 56

Waimea Water Management: Amended Security of Supply Provisions

The public is invited to make submissions on Proposed Plan Changes 54 to 56 that amend Parts I, II and V of the Tasman Resource Management Plan with regard to security of supply of water in the Waimea area.

The Council proposes amendments to the Tasman Resource Management Plan (TRMP) as a result of changes to the funding structure providing for the Waimea Community Dam in the Council's Long Term Plan 2015 – 2025 (LTP). The new Plan provisions provide two water management security of supply standards depending on whether a permit holder is affiliated to the dam or not. This will replace the allocation regime that was based on an equal access model whereby all owners of irrigable land and in the affected areas would be subject to a rate under the Local Government Act that would be used to construct the dam.

The rationing triggers for the high security permits remain unchanged and the management of dam flows will continue to be based on river flows on the Lee and the lower Waimea Rivers. The rules are amended to ensure holders of the high security permits are affiliated to the dam through a water supply agreement or other relevant agreement.

Amendments to the TRMP are now proposed to provide for:

- The water management regime for Waimea Plains water management zones to allow for two security of supply standards, depending on whether the permit is affiliated to the Waimea Community Dam or not.
- Transitional water management regimes until commencement of the construction of the dam for both affiliated and non-affiliated permits.
- Changing references from the 'Lee Valley Community Dam' to 'Waimea Community Dam'.

Provisions for managing water regime in the event there is no augmentation dam, including the new four-step rationing, have not been amended.

Availability of Proposed Amendments

The proposed amendments are available to view at Council's Richmond office or online at <http://www.tasman.govt.nz/link/trmp-pc>.

Submission forms are also available.

Submissions

Any person may make a written submission on any aspect of the proposed Changes.

Submissions must clearly indicate support or opposition to the provisions, the decision that the submitter wishes the Council to make (with reasons), whether or not the submitter wishes to be heard in support of the submission and an address for service or contact address. Submissions can be sent to the Environmental Policy Manager, Tasman District Council, Private Bag 4, Richmond 7050.

Submissions close 4.00 pm, Monday 19 October 2015.

Consideration of Proposed Amendments

After submissions have closed, the Council will publish a summary of all decisions requested by submitters. There will be a further period of 10 working days within which further submissions in support of or opposition to those submissions made may be sent to the Council. The Council will then hold hearings on all submissions and all submitters may be heard. After the Council considers the submissions and makes its decisions, any submitter who is not satisfied with the decision has the right of appeal to the Environment Court.

Update Pages to the Plan

Update No. 51 to the Plan, including all amendments to the text as a result of the proposed amendments, will be available as soon as possible. For enquiries concerning the update or availability of the Plan, please contact Pam Meadows, Ph. 03 543 8581, Email: pam.meadows@tasman.govt.nz or one of the Customer Services staff.

Contacts

For more information or advice on these amendments, please contact: Mary-Anne Baker, Ph. 03 543 8486 or Email: mary-anne.baker@tasman.govt.nz

Ground-based River Spraying Operations

Tasman District Council is about to start its annual ground-based river spraying operations.

Running from **October 2015 to April 2016** the spraying will be focused (but may include other waterways) on the following sections of rivers/waterways within the Tasman District; Waimea/Wairoa, Wai-iti, Redwood & Eves Valley Streams, Moutere River and company ditches, Pawley Creek, Upper Motueka, Motupiko, Sherry and Tadmor Rivers, Dove, Lower Motueka, Riwaka mainstem and delta waterways, Takaka, Waingarō, Anatoki, Aorere and Kaituna Rivers.

The main purpose is to control woody weedgrowth on the fairways that could impede or divert flood flows. Herbicide application will also be used to control pest plants within waterway management corridors. For any objections, queries or comments on the operation please contact Giles Griffith, Rivers and Coastal Engineer, Ph. 03 543 8400 or Email: giles.griffith@tasman.govt.nz

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Proposed Road Closures

The following roads are proposed to be closed to ordinary vehicles for the periods and times indicated below:

Westland Car Club – Rally Sprint

Saturday 5 December 2015, 9.30 am – 7.00 pm, Matakitaki Valley Road from 500m prior to 933 Matakitaki Road to 500m past Mailman Creek Bridge.

Objections can be lodged at: Tasman District Council, 189 Queen Street, Richmond. **Objections close:** Friday 23 October 2015.

Richmond Unlimited – Richmond Santa Parade

Sunday 29 November 2015 – times and locations as below.

- Cambridge Street Car Park – from 6.30 am to 4.00 pm
- Cambridge Street from Oxford Street to Queen Street – from 11.30 am to 2.00 pm
- Edward Street from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm
- Oxford Street from Crescent Street to Queen Street – from 11.30 am to 1.00 pm
- Queen Street (from Edward Street to Salisbury Road) – from 11.30 am to 1.00 pm
- Queen Street (from Salisbury Road to Cambridge Street and including Croucher Street) – from 11.30 am to 2.00 pm
- Salisbury Road from Talbot Street to Queen Street – from 11.30 am to 1.00 pm
- Warring Car Park from 6.30 am to 4.00 pm
- Wensley Road from Oxford Street to Queen Street – from 11.30 am to 2.00 pm

Some roads may reopen earlier than advised above.

Please note that the car parks on Queen Street from Cambridge Street to Salisbury Road will not be available on the day of the parade.

Objections can be lodged at: Tasman District Council, 189 Queen Street, Richmond. **Objections close:** Monday 2 November 2015.

Council Meetings

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

Resource Consent (Commissioner) Hearing (Global River Works)

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Monday 12 – Tuesday 13 October, 9.30 am start both days. No public forum

Golden Bay Community Board

Takaka Fire Station, Tuesday 13 October 2015, 9.00 am. Public forum

Corporate Services Committee

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Thursday 15 October 2015, 9.30 am. Public forum

Resource Consent Hearing (P & N Trewavas)

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Monday 19 October 2015, 9.30 am. No public forum

Full Council

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Thursday 22 October 2015, 9.30 am. Public forum

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Bylaw aims for smooth sailing

In the interests of keeping everyone safe on the water, and balancing the needs of all who enjoy the District's rivers, beaches and ocean, we have adopted a new Navigation Safety Bylaw.

This document updates the rules from the previous 2005 bylaw. A total of 212 submissions were received on the draft that went out for consultation.

Many of the submissions related to water skiing at Kaiteriteri and, as a result of this feedback, waterskiing at Kaiteriteri will continue to be allowed for two hours either side of high tide from a point

at the main Kaiteriteri Beach. A proposal to allow waterskiing from Little Kaiteriteri was dropped.

A large number of submissions were also received seeking increased speed limits for jet boaters on the Buller and Motueka Rivers, and these have been allowed under specified conditions.

Other changes to the old bylaw include speed restrictions on boats travelling to and from the beach at Anchorage, and a new wake rule requiring commercial vessels to avoid causing danger or harm to others.



More detail on these and other conditions can be found in the full bylaw on our website, at www.tasman.govt.nz/link/navigation-bylaw

Auditors give Council staff a pat on the back

Auditors reviewing our 2014/2015 Annual Report have praised Council staff for the report and their help during the audit process.

The audit manager commented that the smooth running of the audit was a credit to staff, and thanked them for their hard work and team effort. Audit NZ issued an unmodified opinion on the Annual Report, meaning the report was a fair reflection of what happened in the year.



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