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PROPOSED RICHMOND
INTENSIVE DEVELOPMENT
AREA (INDICATIVE ONLY)



Planning for medium density housing in Richmond

We're proposing rule changes to encourage medium density housing close to Richmond town centre – and we need your input.

Proposed changes to our planning rules would allow smaller section sizes and greater site coverage in parts of central Richmond. The aim is to provide greater choice and more affordable housing options, and encourage more efficient use of land and infrastructure.

Reduced household sizes, changes in lifestyles and an ageing population are resulting in increased demand for small, compact properties.

Proposed changes

New rules would allow more high-quality compact housing that is both attractive and functional to live in.

Proposals include:

- A new minimum lot size of 200 sq m – down from 350 sq m

- Increased building coverage of 50%
- Increased building height of 7.5 metres (two storeys)
- Building setbacks designed to allow for sun, light and privacy
- Requirement for a wall recess where an upper floor wall exceeds 12 metres in length
- Reduced parking requirement of one space per dwelling and one visitor park per three dwellings
- A new permitted stormwater rule

The changes also reduce the notification requirements for applications that comply with the rules. Notification is when affected parties or the general public are able to make submissions on an application.

Location

The map above shows the areas proposed as being suitable for medium density housing in central Richmond.

FIND OUT MORE: Chat to our planners about the proposed change at Richmond Mall (near the information desk):

- Wednesday 25 October, 11am – 2pm
- Thursday 26 October, 4 – 8pm
- Friday 27 October, 11am – 2pm

HAVE YOUR SAY: Submissions close on Monday 27 November. Head to our website to make a submission, www.tasman.govt.nz/link/housing-choice or pick up a form at our Queen Street office.

Mayor's Message

When you look through this edition of Newsline you will see a recurring theme – change – driven by growth, our emerging demographic and the demands that life in general place on us.

On the front page we are consulting about changes to our housing rules. The rule changes reflect the demand for greater choice and opportunities for a more compact lifestyle whilst maintaining independence. Smaller houses and sections, less reliance on private transport and having services within walking distance are all signs of the move to a more urbanised, but more accessible Richmond. The redesign of Queen Street, the greater access to broadband and the focus on accessibility will make our lives easier and help the increasing number of people coming to live in Tasman.

This change is not limited to central Richmond with a number of other zone changes proposed within Wakefield and the stormwater work and road-widening in Bateup Road being driven

by the increasing numbers coming here for the lifestyle and opportunities. It wouldn't be responsible to wait for the demands of an increasing population and the expectations of service we all have to exceed our ability to supply. We must plan now.

Over the next week we will be talking to you all about our most precious natural resource – water. The proposed solution to the scarcity issue is not only about today but 100 years out. Doing nothing is not an option.

Mayor Richard Kempthorne



In case you missed it...

Stay up to date with what we've been doing with this round-up of recent Council meetings and the decisions made.

Engineering Services Committee – 5 October 2017

- Approved changes to the roading minor improvements programme for the 2017 – 2018 financial year. There is \$1.38 million of safety improvements throughout the District planned for the coming year, which attract a 51% subsidy from NZTA.
- An assessment of the waste going to landfill in Nelson and Tasman has shown that while there has been a drop in waste to landfill per capita, there is still a large amount of material that could be recycled or diverted in other ways ending up in the landfill. The assessment will be used to inform a review of the Joint Nelson-Tasman Waste Management and Minimisation Plan.
- A review of the capital works programme for the next three to four years shows the planned works will be a challenge to deliver without engaging external project help. A greater level of pre-planning, detailed programming and seconding of external resources is planned to make sure the capital programme can be completed within the time.
- Seismic strengthening of the Brightwater and Murchison water reservoirs has been completed and work is underway on the Wakefield reservoir.
- Meetings have begun with schools on Salisbury Road, as well as Henley School, Garin College and Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Tuia te Matangi to discuss safety issues as part of the next round of school safety improvements for the District. Talks have also been held with Richmond Primary about safety and parking concerns.




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Lions celebrate double milestone

It's a double celebration for the Richmond Lions, who are celebrating their 50th birthday and the centenary of Lions International. The club this month marked the occasion with the donation of a seat to the newly upgraded streetscape outside Richmond Library.

Lions members and Tasman Mayor Richmond Kempthorne attended the unveiling of the seat and plaque on Tuesday 3 October.

Richmond Lions president Alex Robertson said: "It is with pleasure that the Richmond Lions Club and Lions International can contribute to the upgrading of Queen Street with the Tasman District Council by the installation of this seating outside the library."

Alex said the Richmond Lions club had provided community service to the area for the past 50 years. "All our members are volunteers who enjoy putting a little back into the community, which includes fundraising by selling sausages and firewood, 4WD tours etc. We also help numerous other community groups such as street collections, stalls, speech contests for young children and the Positive Ageing seminar to name a few."

Mayor Richard Kempthorne congratulated the Richmond Lions on achieving their half-century. "The Lions have contributed a huge amount to our community over that time and should be justifiably proud of their work and legacy. The contribution of this seat to the new streetscape on Queen Street will be enjoyed by many over the years to come. I have used the new seats outside the library and they look really good and give a wonderful ability to sit and chat with friends."



Soft plastics recycling available at supermarkets only

The new soft plastics recycling scheme in our region is a great initiative, but please be aware soft plastics cannot go in kerbside collection bins, and must be taken to a participating supermarket for recycling.

Since the launch of the soft plastics recycling scheme at New World, Pak'nSave and Countdown supermarkets, our recycling collection contractor Smart Environmental has noticed a big increase in soft plastics being put in kerbside bins. The most common items are plastic grocery bags and soft plastic food packaging.

Our Waste Management Asset Engineer David Stephenson says: "Soft plastics must be dropped off at a participating supermarket to be recycled, not put in your kerbside recycling bin. It seems lots of people are really keen to recycle soft

plastics – and that's great. Unfortunately though, if you put them in your kerbside bin Smart Environmental will not be able to take your recycling. We are not set up to deal with soft plastics – they are too light for our gravity-based sorting system, they can jam the machinery and we do not have the handling systems to bundle, compact and bale them.

"The great thing about the Love NZ soft plastics recycling scheme is that it is an industry-led initiative, where packaging manufacturers and retailers have taken responsibility for the full life-cycle of their products by offering a recycling option for soft plastic packaging – rather than leaving it to ratepayers to carry the costs of dealing with the plastic waste the industry generates."

More information about the Love NZ soft plastics recycling scheme can be found at www.recycling.kiwi.nz/solutions/soft-plastics.



Soft plastics must be dropped off at a participating supermarket

Growth spurs Bateup Road infrastructure upgrades

People walking, cycling or driving along Richmond's Bateup Road will notice a fair bit of work going on over the next year as we carry out important infrastructure upgrades to cater for population growth.

Richmond South Water Main

The first piece of work, which began this month, is to install a trunk water main needed to service new residential subdivisions on Paton Road. Between now and February 2018, our contractor will dig a trench along the side of Bateup and Paton roads, install the new pipe, then replace the road surface.

Traffic management will be in place along the shoulder of Bateup Road and Paton Road with stop/go instructions in place at times – thanks in advance for your patience.

Bateup Road Widening

In March 2018, we will begin widening Bateup Road from Three Brothers Corner to Wensley Road to accommodate the extra pedestrian, vehicle and cycle use that will flow from the new residential development and a new supermarket planned for the area.

The road and footpaths will be made wider, and we will also replace a roadside drain with

pipled stormwater and some stormwater storage chambers. The widening project will take until December 2018 to complete.

Find out more: More information about the projects is available on our website, www.tasman.govt.nz/link/batetup.



Film explores health of our rivers

Our Waters in Common is a movie exploring the state of our Tasman environment. The film examines the amazing things that rivers provide us, the issues they face, and how communities and agencies are working together to improve them.

You can watch the film online at www.tasman.govt.nz/link/our-waters.

Resource scientist Trevor James welcomes the opportunity to share this popular film with your group and facilitate a discussion about Tasman's water quality, freshwater ecology, estuaries and freshwater wetlands.

Over the past year we have had some very interactive, worthwhile and 'meaty' discussions with clubs and NGO's, such as Mouteka Tramping Club, Nelson Canoe Club, and Coastal Garden Group, as well as schools such as Ngatimoti School. Contact Trevor by trevor.james@tasman.govt.nz or phone (03) 543 8562.

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QUEEN STREET UPGRADE



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What you need to know

The opening of the newest completed section of Queen Street gives a real feel for the fresh street design, with a lower road centre for stormwater control, wide footpaths for an improved pedestrian experience, and no kerb and channel to make life easier for those with limited sight or mobility.

The new design means we need to get used to using Queen Street in a slightly different way. For example:


- The road carriageway is narrower, so drivers need to take it slow (the legal limit is 30kmh).
- The 1-metre wide buffer strip between the footpath and carparks is there for everyone's safety – it's not part of the parking space.
- Cyclists and cars share the road carriageway – please take it slow and be courteous to your fellow road users.
- The footpath is wide and obstacle-free. It's a pedestrian-only zone, not an extra traffic lane or manoeuvring space for vehicles.

Cars reaching the construction zone at the Richmond Library will need to perform a U-turn to exit the street until the Cambridge Street intersection reopens in late-November. There is enough room to do this without needing to drive up onto the footpath. Unfortunately there have been some potentially dangerous manoeuvres taking place in this part of the street so we would ask everyone to please use common sense and take care while the street is in this transition phase.

We appreciate parking is at a premium, but again, common sense is needed if you wish to park in this area. The photos show some of the areas that people have been seen parking their cars. These are not car parks.



Thank you to the majority of people who are being careful and sensible in this area – and we appreciate your patience. The end result is going to be a really lovely environment for everyone to enjoy.

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Kaiteriteri Waka Ama racing

The Harbourmaster has granted authorisations for the following events during the upcoming holiday period.

- 17 and 18 November 2017, Kaiteriteri: Waka Te Tasman, Waka Ama Racing

How do you want to be represented?

We're about to carry out a representation review, which looks at how many councillors should be elected, if they are to be elected by ward or the District as a whole and, if by ward, the number of wards, their boundaries and names. The review also examines whether to have community boards and how many. Further information can be found at www.tasman.govt.nz/feedback. Your survey responses will help us formulate an initial proposal for public consultation.

Moturoa/Rabbit Island front beach logging

For the next month there will be logging activity at Moturoa/Rabbit Island's front beach. There are also some closures on Rough Island. Visitors to the island are asked to keep to the marked trails and obey signage. Logging is in progress and trucks are in constant use, so please act with caution, particularly at intersections. More details at www.tasman.govt.nz/link/moturoa.

Spraying programme

Our contractor will contact adjacent landowners prior to undertaking the work. All spraying will be ground based, mostly with a gun sprayer rather than a boom. Herbicides to be used include glyphosate, metsulfuron-methyl and triclopyr-BEE. Some cutting and pasting may also be undertaken for pest vines.

Please contact River & Coastal Engineer Giles Griffith if you have any questions on Ph. 03 543 7244.

River to be sprayed:

Waimea / Wairoa (Reaches: All – Waimea East Irrigation Dam – Waimea Cycle Bridge) to control woody weeds on dry gravel areas within. Timing to be confirmed.

Wai-iti (Reaches: Belgrove to Brightwater) to control pest vines growing on banks especially chocolate vine. 12 October onwards.

Tasman Resource Management Plan Proposed Plan Changes 65 and 66

The public is invited to make submissions on the following proposed amendments to the Tasman Resource Management Plan:

1. Change 65: Wakefield Strategic Review – Stage 2

This Change proposes to rezone three specific land areas at Bird Lane, Higgins Road and Totara View Road and add an indicative walkway in Wakefield.

2. Change 66: Richmond Housing Choice

This Change proposes to increase the choice of living opportunities in Richmond to allow for:

- (a) residential intensification in central Richmond in the Richmond Intensive Development Area (RIDA) as shown on the planning maps; and
- (b) a change to the compact density provisions for Richmond South and West.

Availability of Proposed Amendments

The proposed amendments are available to view at Council's Richmond office or library 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 Environmental Policy, Tasman District Council, Private Bag 4, Richmond 7050 or emailed to tasmanrmp@tasman.govt.nz. **Submissions close 4.00pm, Monday 27 November 2017.**

Consideration of Proposed Amendments

After submissions have closed, 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 Council. 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. 58 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 (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: Maxine Day (03) 543 8531 or maxine.day@tasman.govt.nz (for Change 65) Mary Honey (03) 543 8397 or mary.honey@tasman.govt.nz (for Change 66)

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Another round of land rezoning for Wakefield

We are proposing a second round of zoning changes for Wakefield in response to community feedback.

The proposals are:

- Re-zone some land on Bird Lane from rural to residential (deferred until infrastructure is in place)
- Re-zone some land at Totara View Road from rural residential to rural
- Re-zone some land at Higgins Road from rural to rural residential (deferred)
- Specify the location for an indicative walkway between Genia Drive and Kilkenny Place.

These ideas were suggested in submissions on an earlier round of rezoning and rule changes for Wakefield, which were designed to manage likely population growth over the next 20 years. After carrying out more research and talking to those likely to be affected, we are ready to formally propose extra changes to the Tasman Resource Management Plan and invite your submissions.

Find out more: Contact Planning Consultant Shelagh Noble, by email Shelagh.Noble@tasman.govt.nz or Ph. 021 150 2391.

More information and submission forms are available on our website. Visit www.tasman.govt.nz/feedback. **Submissions will close on Monday 27 November.**

Road closures

Event: Richmond Santa Parade

Date of event: Sunday 26 November 2017

Time: Various closures will be in place from 6.30 am to approximately 4.00 pm (see details below)

Location:

- Warring Carpark, Petrie/Harkness Carpark, Papps Carpark and Sundial Square Carpark – will be closed from 6.30 am to approximately 2.00pm
- Oxford Street (from Cambridge Street to Wensley Road) – on street car parks will be closed from 6.30 am to approximately 2.00 pm; section of road will be closed from 11.00am to approximately 2.00 pm
- Cambridge Street (from Oxford Street to Queen Street) – on street car parks will be closed from 6.30 am to approx. 2.00 pm; section of road will be closed from 11.00 am to approx. 2.00 pm
- Queen Street (from Sundial Square to McIndoe Place) – on street car parks will be closed from 6.30 am to approx. 2.00 pm; section of road will be closed from 11.00 am to approximately 2.00 pm.
- McIndoe Place (for the entire length) – will be closed from 11.00 am to approximately 2.00 pm

Please note – other sections of Queen Street may be closed due to the Queen Street upgrade work.

Objections close: Saturday 28 October 2017

Council Meetings

Agendas and Minutes for Council Meetings can be viewed at www.tasman.govt.nz.

Tasman Regional Transport Committee

Venue to be confirmed. Thursday 26 October 2017, 1.30 pm. Public forum

Community Development Committee

Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond Thursday 2 November 2017, 9.30 am. Public forum

Everyone is welcome to attend our public meetings. There is a public seating area where you can observe the meeting, with many of the meetings having a 'public forum' providing an opportunity to speak to the meeting if you wish. At the beginning of ordinary meetings up to 30 minutes is set aside for public forum. Each speaker is allocated five minutes. You don't need to pre-register your intention to speak – just take your turn when invited by the chairperson. These presentations don't form part of the formal business of the meeting – a brief record will be kept of the matters raised. Any matters requiring further investigation may be referred to staff by the Chairperson.

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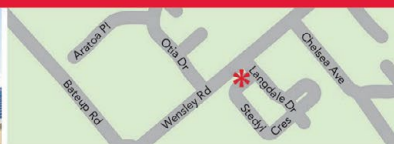
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Summer Events Guide

The Summer Events Guide returns soon, showcasing events happening across the Nelson-Tasman region.

In late November, 50,000 copies of the Summer Events Guide will be distributed across Nelson-Tasman. If you are planning an event this summer, this is a great way to promote it.

To be considered for inclusion in the guide, event organisers must ensure events are listed on It'sOn no later than Sunday 15 October. To list your event go to www.itson.co.nz



Colour Craze

Sunday 29 October, 11am – 2pm, Saxton Field, opposite Cricket Oval.

The region's brightest colour run and walk is happening this October to celebrate cultural diversity. Grab your friends and family and come spread some colour. Make sure to wear white...it's going to get messy! Don't miss out on the fun, there will be spot prizes, food carts, live cultural performances and music. All ages and fitness levels welcome. \$5 entry per person - \$20 for a family (2 adults 3 children). Pouches of paint \$3 or 2 for \$5.



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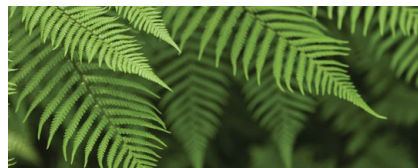
Saturday 28 October, 10am – 2pm, Branford Park, Maitai Valley.

Lots of exciting activities for all ages - including making tracking tunnels, flax weaving, nature walks, tent pitching races, scavenger hunts, giant board games and discovering what freshwater critters live in the Maitai River. We will also be launching a new Kiwi Guardians Trail which is located on the Branford Park Edible Walk. Come along, explore the trail, and earn yourself a Kiwi Guardians Medal.

Make sure you bring your lunch and make a day of it.

There is limited parking so please park on Nile Street or use your bike and cycle to Branford Park.

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History brought to Life

Sunday 19 November, 2 – 4pm, Easby Park, Richmond.

Discover the untold historic stories as you walk through Easby Park. This is not your ordinary history tour, actors will entertain you as they showcase what life was like many years ago. Come learn about your local history.

Abel Tasman Cycle Challenge

Saturday 18 November.

Nelson Tasman cyclists' favourite roads have been linked together to create the Abel Tasman Cycle Challenge event. At just under 160km, the course will reward cyclists with world-class views of mountain ranges, rivers, streams, national parks, tidal estuaries and golden sand beaches. Cyclists of all levels are welcome to enter the second edition of this event and discover the true centre of cycling in New Zealand.

It's not too late to enter. On road distances are 155km, 73km and the popular 47km "Nifty Fifty". For mountainbike riders, each lap of Silvan Park will take about 45 minutes. You can go solo or enter a two-person or four-person team.

Everyone will finish at the same point on Avery Field in Richmond.

Join the hundreds of riders already entered. Details and online entry at www.atcc.nz.

Takaka Big Bike Tune Up

Saturday 2 December, 9am – 1.30pm, Village Market, Takaka Memorial Carpark.

Motueka Big Bike Tune Up

Sunday 3 December, 9am – 1.00pm, Motueka Sunday Market, Decks Reserve.

Does a flat tyre, squeaky chain or worn out brake mean your bike has taken up residence in the shed? Now is the time to get your bike out and come to one of our Big Bike Tune Ups. Mechanics will carry out a quick maintenance check and tune up to make sure your bike is safe, road-worthy and fits you. If the work required is more than a tune up they will advise on how to fix it.

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