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Tasman rating revaluations on their way

The three-yearly revaluation of properties in Tasman District is complete and new valuation notices have been posted to property owners.

The revaluation of 25,987 properties, which Quotable Value (QV) carried out on the Council's behalf, shows the rateable value of Tasman District is now \$22.86 billion.

The average capital value increase of all property types across the District was 22%. Residential properties increased an average of 22%, but this varied quite a bit between townships and between different sections of the property market.

QV Valuer Richard Kolff explains: "Lower-value properties have seen the most competition from buyers and this has resulted in the greatest value increases. Demand from buyers coming from outside the region has helped fuel the market. This demand extends to holiday homes, although there have been lesser increases for beachfront properties with historic flooding issues, or those that are considered to be at risk of rising sea levels."

Rating valuations are carried out every three years to help local councils set rates. They reflect the likely selling price of a property (excluding chattels) at a specific moment in time – the effective revaluation date of 1 October 2020 in this case. Any changes in the market since 1 October 2020 aren't included in the new rating valuations. This means a sale price today may be different to the new rating valuation.

Any objections to your property's revaluation must be made to QV by 5 March 2021.

If you have questions about the revaluation process, please contact QV. Phone 0800 787 284, email ratingsupport@qv.co.nz or visit ratingvalues.co.nz.

Read more about Tasman's new values on page 3.

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Councillor David Ogilvie – Motueka Ward

I'm at golden Kaiteriteri, 24 degrees at 4.00 pm, meditating on the surging tide, watching children skim over tiny waves. Cappuccino was an hour ago. I fold the umbrella, roll the towel.

As my holiday mid-summer mood fades away I look forward to the coming year. It promises to be enthralling, exciting and demanding.

The main features will be development of the Long Term Plan 2021 – 2031. Other features include the continuing impact of the Tasman Environment Plan, the Government's Three Waters Reform and actioning the Council's Climate Change Plans. For Motueka, highlights will include completion of the new library, the High Street SH60 upgrade, strengthening of the river stopbanks, domestic water and stormwater improvements. All of this against a backdrop of concern around cases of any community outbreaks of Covid-19, particularly in the Nelson Tasman region.

This year indicates a heavy workload of consideration and decisions for

Tasman District Council. Extremely welcome and relevant will be the public consultation which accompanies many council actions. Councils need guidance and support in their decision-making, and input by residents is a key element in our local democracy.

Councillor David Ogilvie Motueka Ward

Do you stack up?

We're looking for people who've come up with the most ingenious ways of storing and drying their firewood, so enter our competition now to be in to win free firewood, chimney cleans and wood burner safety checks.

Summer is the best time to buy or gather wood so it's ready to burn for winter. How you store it makes a big difference to how quickly it dries, how well it will perform in your wood burner, and how much smoke it produces when burned.

In the Judges' Choice Award section, the best two examples of wood storage (e.g. woodshed, wood stack or ingenious wood storing solution) will receive a voucher for one cord of firewood from a Good Wood Supplier. In the People's Choice Award section, photo of entries will be posted on our Facebook page and the most popular wins its owner a free chimney clean and wood burner check. This is the third year we've run this competition and we've also introduced a new Innovation Award where the most innovative solution for storing and drying firewood will receive a voucher for one cord of firewood from a Good Wood Supplier.

Entries are open until 5 March 2021, and can be uploaded on the entry page on our website.







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2020 revaluation at a glance

The revaluation that took place on 1 October 2020 has resulted in a range of changes to the values of different types of property across our District. Some of the key results include:

Residential

LOCATION	AVERAGE CAPITAL VALUE	% CHANGE SINCE 1 SEPTEMBER 2017
Richmond	\$718,000	↑↑ 23%
Motueka	\$614,000	↑↑ 20%
Wakefield	\$629,000	↑↑ 26%
Brightwater	\$669,000	↑↑ 21%
Tapawera	\$408,000	↑↑ 28%
Murchison	\$315,000	↑↑↑ 38%
St Arnaud	\$523,000	↑↑↑ 31%
Māpua/Ruby Bay	\$898,000	† 18%
Tākaka	\$462,000	†† 26%

Commercial, industrial and rural

% CHANGE SINCE 1 SEPTEMBER 2017
16%
18%
↑↑↑↑↓↓↓
↑ ↑↑ 32%
↑↑ 21%
† 7%
† 14%

How do revaluations impact rates?

The 2020 revaluations will be used as a basis for distributing individual rates obligations for the next three financial years, starting from 1 July 2021.

The revaluation does not increase or decrease the total amount the Council collects in rates.

However, it does affect how rates are allocated across the District's ratepayers. If you think of the Council's rates income as a pie, the size of the pie does not increase because of the revaluation. However, your slice of pie might get bigger if your property value has increased by more than the average.

The makeup of proposed rates for 2021–2022 is influenced by a range of factors including the Council's proposed work programme, the type of rates homeowners pay (e.g. metered water) and the revaluation. Rates for 2021–2022 will not be confirmed until after public consultation on the Long Term Plan 2021–2031, in March and April.



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Champion volunteer for community sport

We're continuing our series of profiles of the winners of 2020's Outstanding Community Service Awards, paying tribute to those who work so hard to make our District richer for everyone. This week, we're celebrating Brightwater's Diane Drogemuller.

Wanderers Sports Club director of sports Marty Davis jokes that "the club would fall over for sure" without Diane Drogemuller, the club secretary, a Life Member, and its linchpin.

"I have only been here two years, but I have been involved in sports administration in various forms since the 1980s and I can promise you that I have never met anyone who provides support anywhere near what Diane does," Marty says. Diane received her Outstanding Community Service Award late last year. For many years, she has been involved in roles associated with cricket, tennis and rugby and has looked after the Centennial Park grounds and gardens. Her involvement in multiple codes at an administrative level is second to none. She has co-ordinated building projects, supervised community work, and spent 35 years on the Brightwater Recreation Reserve

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Management Committee, including four years as chairperson. She also played an active coordination role during the Pigeon Valley fires.

"She honestly should be acknowledged nationally," Marty says. "But I know that she would never have a bar of that."

Finding strength through movement

Every Tuesday morning a group of seniors meets at Brightwater's Wanderers Gym to work out and change their lives.

Under the instruction of trainer Jaimee McDonald, the attendees develop their strength, balance and community relationships at the same time.

The Council provides funding towards the Seniors Movement and

Mobility Class, and Wanderers Sports Club director of sports Marty Davis says it has exceeded all expectations.

"Since day one on July 14, when five people came, it's gotten bigger and bigger," he says.

Twenty-four people aged 68–82 now attend the class, which is based on ACC's Falls Prevention Programme. Marty says lack of mobility and fear of falls can lock people in their homes, so the programme is vital to help build seniors' mobility as well as physical and mental health. People have met new friends, recovered from injuries they thought would limit them and gained confidence.

"The isolation of Covid really made people keen to socialise and meet more people to help mental wellbeing."

A Thursday class is now planned. Visit facebook.com/ seniorsmovement for more information or phone 0274 378 101.



Tasman celebrates Children's Day

The first Sunday of March (7 March) is Children's Day/Te Rā o Ngā Tamariki, a special day to celebrate children and the joy, wonder, and liveliness they bring to our community. It's a great chance to set aside time to get the family together for some kid-friendly fun.

This year, we're organising Children's Day in partnership with the Richmond Aquatic Centre. Community partnerships officer Yulia Panfylova says there will be a huge range of different activities for kids of all ages, as well as the young at heart.

"There will be sports competitions, art and science activities, a stage with young performers, face painting, archery and family competitions such as tug of war," she says. "Singersongwriter Kath Bee will be there to perform her catchy family songs, and Faerie Lou will sprinkle her fairy dust and share a little magic."

Also on the programme is a visit from basketball stars the Nelson Giants and guided walks to nearby Reservoir Creek, where kids will learn stories about the stream and the flora and fauna that live there. The Richmond Aquatic Centre will also be open, with entry by gold coin donation. The event is also sponsored by Mitre 10's national Helping Hands programme, with profits from a Mitre 10 sausage sizzle on the day going to charity.

Don't forget you can also access the Centre from the slip road off the Richmond Deviation.



New fire station for Appleby

Construction is underway on a new purpose-built fire station for the Appleby Volunteer Fire Brigade.

Construction started on the new station just after the New Year. The current building, on the Pea Viner corner, is a converted farm shed generously provided by the O'Connor family for the past 30 years. The building is over a century old and although it has served the community well, it doesn't meet the expanding needs of the brigade.

Principal Rural Fire Officer Ian Reade says, the volunteers at the 20-strong brigade are excited about the move.

"They will be moving to a new future-proofed, purpose-built station with working space and modern facilities including a training/meeting room.

"I'm sure the community around Appleby will be excited to see its brigade get new facilities," Ian Reade says.

The new station is only 1.5km away from the current Cotterell Road site.

In 2020, the brigade attended 57 callouts. This included 13 motor vehicle accidents and 18 fires (four structure fires, six vegetation and eight other fires). Over the past three years, the brigade has attended 188 callouts.



Thinking ahead for peace of mind

There is no age limit. No matter what your age, the best time to plan is now. Pre-planning and pre-payment leaves nothing to chance and gives you and your family one less thing to worry about. We are here to help answer your questions

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Notice of intention to revoke a local purpose (road) reserve

Unformed portion of McPherson Street, Richmond

The Tasman District Council is, at the request of the adjoining landowner, contemplating the revocation of the reserve land at the end of McPherson Street, Richmond.

The Council obtained the Local Purpose (Road) Reserve as part of subdivision of land at the end of McPherson Street. The land is not formed as a road, and is not likely to be formed as road. The applicant, Sollys Freight Services Limited, owns all the private land surrounding the Local Purpose (Road) land. If the Local Purpose (Road) status is revoked, the land will be sold as freehold to Sollys Freight Services Limited.

If the land is sold to Sollys Freight Services, the Council has a conditional agreement with them to acquire land for a Local Purpose (Walkway/ Cycleway) Reserve. If this land is able to be acquired, it will provide a link between McPherson Street and Tasman's Great Taste Trail.

The purchase of the six metre wide Local Purpose (Walkway/ Cycleway) Reserve is conditional on the revocation and sale of the Local Purpose (Road) Reserve.

In simple terms, the present Local Purpose (Road) Reserve does not provide any practical public benefit. It does not lead to any other land apart from that owned by Solly's Freight Services Limited. If the land is sold, the Council will be able to acquire land that will provide a walking/cycling link to Tasman's Great Taste Trail. Staff believe the net outcome will be improved public access between McPherson Street and Tasman's Great Taste Trail. A plan of the proposal is set out below. The Local Purpose (Road) Reserve proposed to be revoked and sold to Sollys Freight Services Limited is outlined in light blue. The land intended to be acquired for Local Purpose (Walkway/Cycleway) Reserve is approximately shown outlined in green.

For further information on the proposed Local Purpose (Road) Reserve revocation please contact Robert Cant or Mark Johannsen at Tasman District Council – robert.cant@tasman.govt.nz or phone 543 8400. Plans may also be viewed at Council's Richmond office, Project 764.

Objections on the proposed reserve revocation must be made in writing (an email is sufficient, or any other written form), to the address below and must be received no later than 4.00pm on Monday 8 March 2021.

Manager Property Services, Tasman District Council: Richmond Office 189 Queen Street, Private Bag 4 Richmond 7050

Creative Communities – backing bright ideas

Our region is blessed with many talented creative people and happily, there's financial support available to help them bring their artistic ideas to life.

Tasman District Council's Creative Communities Scheme has funding available for groups and individuals to run arts projects in our area and applications are invited until 10 March 2021.

The funding is to support community involvement in all sorts of arts – whether it's music, theatre, festivals, mural painting, outdoor sculptures, art in public spaces, kapa haka, singing, art workshops or something else.

Funded by Creative New Zealand, the Creative Communities Scheme is designed to support opportunities for communities to participate in the arts. Projects that have a broad community involvement, include young people or support the diverse arts and cultural traditions of local communities should consider applying for support.

Visit tasman.govt.nz/creativecommunities for more information and to complete an application form.



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PROPOSED TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES

Tasman Stopping Distance Demonstrations

The below timetable shows locations for various demonstrations in the region. The proposed temporary closure will only be in place at each location for the duration of the demonstrations, and the location moves during each day. Residents and other traffic will have access between demonstrations, which only last around 10 – 15 minutes each. The final locations and specific times will be advised to affected residents once finalised and approved.

Objections close 5.00 pm Friday 12 February 2021. Please send any objections to megan.bell@tasman.govt.nz

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- Treeton Place, Wakefield (from Edward Street to number 23 Treeton Place): Monday 22 March 2021, 9.10 am – 2.50 pm
- Ranzau Road, Hope (from number 70 to number 164 Ranzau Road – outside Ranzau School): Monday 22 March 2021, 9.10 am – 2.50 pm
- Fairfax Street, Murchison (from number 30 Fairfax Street to the end of the road (by the Police Station): Tuesday 23 March 2021, 9.10 am – 2.50 pm
- Main Road Tapawera (from number 37 to number 59 Main Road Tapawera – outside Tapawera Area School): Tuesday 23 March 2021, 9.10 am – 2.50 pm

- Wadsworth Street, Tākaka (from number 5 to Boundary Road intersection): Wednesday 24 March 2021, 9.10 am – 2.50 pm
- Church Street, Richmond (from Gladstone Road (SH6) to Dorset Street): Thursday 25 March 2021, 9.10 am – 2.50 pm
- Herbert Street, Richmond

 (between Florence Street and D'Arcy Street) *or* Fauchelle
 Street, Richmond (between
 Florence Street and D'Arcy
 Street): Thursday 25 March 2021,
 9.10 am – 2.50 pm
- Iwa Street, Māpua (from Moreland Place to Toru Street): Friday 26 March 2021, 9.10 am – 2.50 pm
- School Road, Riwaka (from number 12 to number 26
 School Road – outside Riwaka
 School): Friday 26 March 2021,
 9.10 am – 2.50 pm

Be part of the Positive Ageing Expo

Stalls are still available for the popular Positive Ageing Expo taking place in April. It's a regional showcase of all the recreational, health and social services available that can help to make ageing a more positive experience. The expo is on Friday 16 April 2021 from 10.00 am – 3.00 pm at the Headingly Centre, Richmond. Stallholders have until 21 March to register and secure their spot for the event. Head to tasman.govt.nz/link/positive-ageing to book a stall, or contact Community Partnerships Coordinator Gary Alsop, email gary.alsop@tasman.govt.nz or call 03 543 8980.

Maritime events

Event activity: Waka Ama Racing **Date and location:** Friday 12 – Saturday 13 February 2021, Lake Rotoiti, Kerr Bay.

Event activity: Māpua Boat Club Regatta **Date and location:** Sunday 21 February 2021, Māpua

Further details and any new events may be viewed at tasman.govt.nz/ maritime-events. The Harbourmaster has granted authorisation for these events under the provisions of the Navigation Safety Bylaw 2015.

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Unless otherwise stated, all meetings will be held at Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond. Access to meetings will continue to be available via Zoom video conferencing for those who are unable to attend in person. See tasman.govt.nz/meetings-calendar for details.

Saxton Field Draft Reserve Management Plan Hearing Wednesday 10 February, 9.30 am. Saxton Field Netball Pavilion.

Saxton Field Committee Wednesday 10 February, 11.00 am. Saxton Field Netball Pavilion. Public forum.

Extraordinary Full Council Thursday 11 February, 9.30am. Public forum.

Golden Bay Community Board Tuesday 16 February, 9.30 am. Tākaka Service Centre, 78 Commercial Street, Tākaka. Public forum.

Tasman Regional Transport Committee Tuesday 16 February, 9.30 am. Public forum.

Motueka Community Board Tuesday 16 February, 4.00 pm. Motueka Service Centre, 7 Hickmott

Place, Motueka. Public forum. Operations Committee Thursday 18 February, 9.30 am.

Thursday 18 February, 9.30 am. Public forum.



WHAT'S ON IN TASMAN

Second Hand Sunday

Sunday 14 February, across Tasman District.

Do you have things to re-home after Christmas? Put Second Hand Sunday in your diary and put your unwanted items out so others can benefit! Just remember you can't put out food, dangerous goods like faulty electrical equipment, or chemicals. Find out more and register online by Friday 12 February: tasman.govt.nz/link/shs.

Remember you can take part wherever you are in the Tasman and Nelson regions. There'll be a list of all the addresses taking part available on the website from the afternoon of Friday 12 February so you can head out and pick up some free goodies for yourself.

Summer Movies al Fresco – Moana

Friday 5 February, 9.00 pm, Washbourn Gardens, Richmond. Adult \$2, child \$1.

Moana Waialiki is a sea voyaging enthusiast and the only daughter of a chief in a long line of navigators. When her island's people can't catch any fish and the crops fail, Moana sets off on an epic journey across the Pacific to seek the cause and the solution.

If it looks like rain, please text "Is it on?" to 021 776 623 after 7.30pm. If wet, this movie will screen in the Richmond Town Hall.

Tasman Asian Night Food Fair

Saturday 13 February, 4.00 pm – 9.00 pm, Washbourn Gardens, Richmond.

Celebrate cultural diversity through a fantastic evening of performances and delicious ethnic foods set in the stunning Washbourn Gardens in Richmond. This is sure to be a fun family-friendly event!

Please note, if it rains this event will be postponed to Saturday 20 February 2021.

Seniors Sit and Be Fit in the Park

Thursday 25 February, 10.00 am – 11.00 am, i-SITE Motueka, 20 Wallace Street, Motueka.

Part of an annual Summer Activities Series organised by Age Concern Nelson Tasman – an opportunity for older people to try new activities in the region's parks and reserves. No registration is required. Simply turn up on the day and enjoy!

Save water and check your restrictions

While the rainfall in November and December gave our water levels a much-needed boost, the hotter and drier conditions since then have seen them start to decline.

At the time of printing, some water restrictions were about to be introduced and more may be likely soon. The latest updates will always be available on our website so please keep an eye out for any changes in your area.

Even if restrictions aren't in place for you, now is the time when we all need to conserve water as much as possible. There's lots you can do at home and at work to reduce your water use. Check out some ideas at tasman.govt.nz/ water saving tips and remember, every drop counts!

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