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Work will be starting soon at Māpua Wharf

Improvements on the way for Māpua Wharf

Māpua's wharf precinct is already a great spot to spend time eating, shopping or enjoying a range of activities. It's now set to get even better with an upgrade starting in early May.

The work, which is due to be completed in July, will improve the look and feel of Ngāio Reserve, which is the area between the Golden Bear Brewery and the wharf. Seating and picnic tables will be added, shrubs and trees planted, a play area included, bike racks installed, and the uneven concreted areas levelled and re-sealed to tie in with existing improvements.

The upgrade has been in the planning since 2017, when the wider Māpua community and local iwi worked with us to create a master plan for the waterfront area prioritising seven of the most important actions to take. The working group gave Ngāio Reserve the highest priority for action.

Because the area is a significant archaeological site, a heritage plan is in place and ground disturbance will be kept to a minimum. The work will be carried out in stages to reduce the area closed to the public and minimise disruption for neighbouring businesses.



Concept drawing of the wharf upgrade

MEET YOUR REPRESENTATIVES



Councillor Dana Wensley – Richmond Ward

It's now been more than a year since New Zealand entered Level 4 lockdown to fight the spread of Covid-19. It has been a steep learning curve working in different ways, addressing new stresses in our community and making decisions in an environment of uncertainty. I want to thank the community, my fellow councillors, Mayor Tim King, and council staff for their commitment to this region.

As Chair of the Regulatory Committee, I have become aware of how hard our Regulatory team works dealing with resource consents, monitoring consent conditions, taking enforcement action, and dealing with complaints. While the Resource Management Act reform will amend this, it is worth noting that Tasman is punching above its weight in terms of workload. See the latest Local Government New Zealand review on the website, lgnz.co.nz.

I have once again received complaints about the poor state of Richmond's Templemore Pond. Locals report significant sediment deposits in

the pond in the past few years contributing to reduced water flows and stagnation. A few years ago, parts of the pond were two metres deep and used for kayaking and swimming. Now these areas are shallow and unsuitable for recreation.

Staff have advised me that the pond is still functioning well as part of the stormwater network and that some of the gravel build-up could be removed, but that needs to be balanced against further impacts. Gravel has been added to the creek to restore habitat and protect against the bed degradation trend, and the pond's long grass is better for ecology than a mown edge.

There are plans to enhance the inanga spawning site just upstream of SH6.

It is concerning to see that *E. coli* data shows water quality in Templemore Pond is not good enough for swimming and 25% of samples are over the guideline for "wadeability". The source is ruminant, human and wildfowl. This is something that as a Richmond ward councillor I will continue to monitor carefully. My hope is that staff and the community can work together to ensure the situation does not worsen, and that the valuable biodiversity that inhabits the pond can be protected.

Councillor Dana Wensley
Richmond Ward

Leave road signs alone

Several 60kmh speed limit signs in Tasman were recently vandalised so 60kmh appeared to read 50kmh. Members of the public alerted us to the vandalism and the signs have now been restored to their correct state.

The signs were along Aporo Road, Dicker Road, Baldwin Road and Kina Beach Road, as well as outside the Tasman Store.

This is not only dangerous, but illegal. Police say altering speed limit signs is wilful damage and asks the community to report anyone vandalising them.

Anyone with concerns over whether a speed limit is safe can seek a review through our bylaw. People can provide their feedback at any time and it will be taken into consideration when staff develop our next Draft Speed Management Plans. These plans are then workshopped internally with councillors before going out for public consultation.



Last chance to submit on our plan for Tasman's future

We need your feedback on our 10-Year Plan – consultation closes on Saturday 24 April so now is the time to have your say.

The 10-Year Plan is our most important planning tool for the future, setting out what we plan to do over the next decade (2021–2031) to nurture our community's wellbeing, and how we intend to pay for it.

To take part, go to LTP.tasman.govt.nz. Here, you can see the big choices that are ahead for us and download our consultation document so you can add your thoughts. We want to hear your feedback on a range of topics: homes for our community, figuring out how to allocate the irrigators' share of the additional costs for the Waimea Community

Dam, responses to climate change, rates remission policy and much more. The more feedback we have, the better. Every voice is important.

There are still some drop-in community meetings to come:

- Sunday 18 April, 8.00 am – 1.00 pm, Motueka Sunday Market, Decks Reserve Carpark, High Street
- Monday 19 April, 7.30 pm – 9.30 pm, Wakefield Community Association, St John's Worship Centre, 120 Edward Street
- Tuesday 20 April, 2.30 pm – 3.30 pm, drop-in session, and 5.00 pm – 7.00 pm, Motueka Community

Board Meeting, both at the Motueka Service Centre, 7 Hickmott Place

- Tuesday 20 April, 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm, Tapawera & Districts Community Council meeting, Tapawera Community Centre, 95 Main Road

Still have questions about the 10-Year Plan? Join us for an online Zoom session on Thursday 22 April at 7.00 pm, and we will answer your questions. You can send questions though to LTP@tasman.govt.nz, or ask them live during the session. See tasman.govt.nz/meetings-calendar for the Zoom details.

Duncan gives back to the Bay

We're profiling 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 Golden Bay's Duncan McKenzie.

Together with wife Ann, who also received an award, Duncan McKenzie has been a Golden Bay community stalwart for most of his life.

Duncan has been a volunteer for many organisations over many years, involving rugby, the A&P Show, Axeman and Sea Anglers clubs and the Golden Bay Pony Club. He played senior rugby for 30 years and was on the committee of the Tākaka Rugby Club for 40 years.

He started attending the A&P Show in 1967 and has been to every one since then, either riding horses or working at it. He was the horse marshall for many years, and then joined the committee and become chief steward and vice president, holding that role until he was made president in 2004

– and performed both roles at once. After standing down as president for three years he took up the role again in 2010, and is still there.

"I just do it because it needs to be done," Duncan says. "People ring up and want a hand with something – you just go and do it. If you're not careful, these organisations die."

He adds it's only right that people who have enjoyed the fruits of others' community service in the past help out now.

"I used to ride horses and play rugby, and people put on events for me and organised things. So when I finished riding, it was only right to get involved and carry it on so the next generation can have a lot of fun like I did," he says.



"You put back what you've got out of it. A lot of people play sport and as soon as they finish they give up and don't put anything back into it. But it's no good taking it all – you're part of the community, so you help the community out."

The benefits are legion, he adds. "You meet a lot of good people and you become friends for life."

Prepare for Richmond roundabout changes

The Champion/Salisbury Road roundabout upgrade is making great progress.

There are a few things you need to bear in mind as the lanes re-open and you use the roundabout as normal again:

- There are raised tables on the approach to the roundabout on Champion Road and Salisbury Road. These include zebra crossings and priority cycle lanes.
 - » Vehicles will need to give way to pedestrians and cyclists on these crossings.
 - » Pedestrians and cyclists need to

look for approaching vehicles and make sure it's safe to cross – never assume that drivers have seen you.

- There are two lanes out of Salisbury Road.
- There are two lanes out of Champion Road East.

The access lane from the Richmond Deviation to Champion Road and the temporary roundabout at Templemore Drive will be removed after the roundabout fully re-opens.

During construction you were used to driving straight through the roundabout. As it re-opens, please remember to look for traffic and give way as usual.

We'd like to say a very big thank you to everyone who has been affected by this project. We appreciate your patience while we carried out this major upgrade. We believe the new, bigger roundabout will improve safety and serve the community's needs better.

Innovating Streets for People trial well underway

There were fewer vehicles on the roads during last year's Covid-19 lockdown and that meant many of us changed how we used and thought about our streets. We liked cycling, playing, and walking safely, and got to know our neighbours and made new friends. Our streets became a part of our community space, not just a way to get around.

As a result, Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency set up a fund called Innovating Streets for People for trial projects that supported communities to shape their towns and streets to allow more people to move around safely, as well as create interesting spaces to enjoy.

We received funding for two local neighbourhoods: one in Richmond and one in Golden Bay. We've now begun trialling changes to the streets to see if they work for the community.

In Tākaka, the one-way link road between Commercial Street and Meihana Street was closed to vehicles and Golden Bay High School art students are creating a piece of road art representing what Golden Bay means to them.

In Richmond, a section of Elizabeth Street was closed at the Talbot Street intersection in early April, with Florence Street narrowed to one

lane for a short section to encourage slower speeds and road sharing. Speed humps and planter boxes were installed, as well as picnic tables and fruit trees at Burbush Park playground and reserve on Fauchelle Avenue.

Although the streets have been closed, traffic build-up has not been higher than usual and people are enjoying the free space to hang out, cycle and cross safely.

Have your say

Feedback for the Tākaka project is open until 17 May. Visit our website to complete an online survey.

Feedback for the Richmond project will be open from 1 – 31 May.

For updates on these projects and to give feedback, visit our website: tasman.govt.nz/streets-for-people



Services and parades, Sunday 25 April



Unlike this time last year, we can now come together to celebrate Anzac Day. There will be services and parades happening all across the District, so come on down with the family.

Tapawera: Service – 10.00 am at the Memorial Hall.

Richmond: Parade – 10.45 am from Sundial Square. Service – 11.00 am at War Memorial Gardens, Cambridge Street.

Brightwater: Service – 9.00 am at Brightwater Memorial Hall gates.

Wakefield: Service – 10.00 am at the Wakefield Hall.

Motueka: Parade – 6.15 am from the Motueka Bowling Club carpark, Pah Street, Motueka. Service – 6.30 am at the Cenotaph.

Murchison: Service – 11.00 am at the Memorial in Waller Street (Murchison Sports, Recreation and Cultural Centre if wet).

Māpua: Parade – 10.45 am starts adjacent to tennis courts. Service – 11.00 am at Māpua RSA Memorial Library, followed by morning tea at the Māpua Hall.

Upper Moutere: Service – 10.00 am at the Domain.

Tasman: Service – 10.00 am at the Memorial.

Riwaka: Laying of Wreath – 9.00 am at the Riwaka Memorial.

Ngatimoti: Laying of wreath and service – 10.30 am at the Ngatimoti Memorial.

Tākaka: Dawn service – 6.00 am at the Memorial Reserve, Commercial Street, Tākaka. Parade – assemble outside Golden Bay Pharmacy at 8.45 am for 9.00 am service at the Tākaka Memorial Reserve, Commercial Street.

Collingwood: Dawn parade – assemble 6.15 am at the Cenotaph. Service – 11.30 am at the Collingwood Memorial Hall.

Lake Rotoiti: Service – 9.00 am at the Lake Rotoiti Community Hall.

Protecting our special landscapes

As part of a project to safeguard our special places for future generations, we have released draft maps identifying Tasman's outstanding natural landscapes, features and the coastal environment area.

The Landscapes and Coastal Environment project responds to both the requirements of national legislation, and community feedback about how incredibly valued the landscapes in Tasman District are.

Tasman District Council Urban and Rural Development Policy Team Leader Jeremy Butler explained this project has involved a lot of work and acknowledged the valuable input of the collaborative 'small working group' in identifying outstanding natural landscapes and features across Golden Bay and the Northwest Coast.

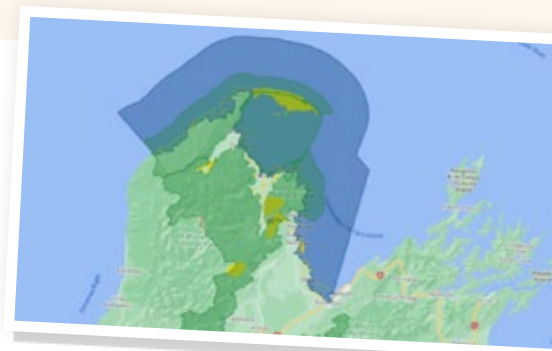
"Once the Landscapes and Coastal Environment project is completed, the areas identified will have extra protections to help preserve their unique features, their histories, and

to provide people with access to the outdoors."

Property owners within the outstanding areas have been notified, and a series of events will be held soon to work with landowners to ensure the boundaries and future protections are well-considered.

There are seven draft Outstanding Natural Landscapes and 33 Outstanding Natural Features identified. The new coastal environment landward boundary has been drawn to include areas where coastal processes, influences, or qualities are significant.

"We acknowledge that many of the special places identified through this project are also where people live, work and enjoy spending time.

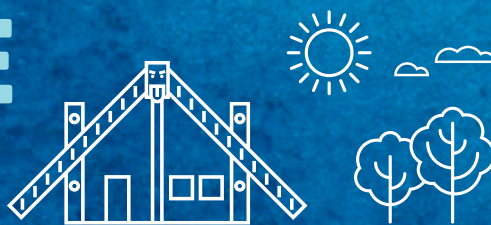


This is not about stopping existing, legally established activities – it's about safeguarding our valued landscapes and coast from specific future activities that would impact what makes them so special," Jeremy said.

The Landscapes and Coastal Environment project is part of the development of the new Aorere Ki Uta, Aorere Ki Tai – Tasman Environment Plan. The new plan will eventually replace our current resource management plans as the blueprint for how we grow as a District, and use and care for our land, air and water.

More information is available at environmentplan.tasman.govt.nz/landscapes-and-coastal-environment-projects

NEWSLINE UPDATES



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Anzac Day opening hours

All service centres will be closed for the public holiday on Monday 26 April. All our libraries will be closed on Sunday 25 April and Monday 26 April. Usual opening hours apply otherwise. We are always here to help when needed though, call 03 543 8400 for assistance in an emergency, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Rubbish and recycling on Anzac Day

There are no changes to the rubbish and recycling collections. All our Resource Recovery Centres will be open as normal.

Proposal to continue discharging biosolids to Moturoa / Rabbit Island

Publicly notified resource consent application

Nelson Regional Sewerage Business Unit has applied to Tasman District Council for replacement resource consents to continue applying biosolids to the forestry land at Moturoa / Rabbit Island. The biosolids come from their Bell Island Wastewater Treatment Plant. The activity also includes the operation

and maintenance of their biosolids application facility, and all the activities and discharges associated with applying the biosolids to land.

The biosolid application areas on Moturoa / Rabbit Island specifically avoid:

- exclusion zones identified for important ecological, recreational, archaeological, or cultural value; and
- buffer areas back from both recreation areas and the coastal margins (above mean high water springs).

This application is being publicly notified. This is a summary notice only.

On our website you will find the full public notice, the application with details of the specific resource consents applied for, the assessment of environmental effects and supporting information.

Visit tasman.govt.nz and search "NRSBU biosolids".

Have your say

Anyone can make a submission on the applications under Section 96 of the Resource Management Act 1991. You will find submission forms on our website and at Council offices. Details of how to lodge a submission are also on the website. Submissions close at 4.00 pm on Tuesday 18 May 2021.

Queen Street bus stop closure

The Queen Street bus stops will be closed on **Sunday 25 April 2021** due to a road closure in place for the Richmond Anzac Day Parade. A temporary bus stop will be set up on Talbot Street (opposite PAK'nSAVE) for the duration of the day. Alternatively, catch the bus from the Salisbury Road bus stop between Talbot and Florence Street. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Rural Travel Fund applications closing soon

Last chance to apply for the Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund. The Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund offers help with travel costs for rural sports clubs and rural school teams. The fund is to help young people aged 5 to 19 participate in local sports competitions. Sport NZ fully funds the Rural Travel Fund, which we administer locally on their behalf. This round of funding closes on 30 April 2021. See the funding guidelines and complete an application form at tasman.govt.nz/grants.



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APPROVED TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES



Applicant: Motueka RSA

Event: Anzac Day Parade

Location: Pah Street, Motueka – from number 45 to number 7.

Date and time: Sunday 25 April 2021, 6.00 am to 7.30 am

Applicant: Motueka RSA

Event: Anzac Day Parade

Location: School Road, Riwaka – from the intersection with State Highway 60 to Riwaka School

Date and time: Sunday 25 April 2021, 9.00 am to 10.00 am

Applicant: Golden Bay RSA

Event: Anzac Day Parade

Location: Commercial Street, Tākaka – from number 19 to number 81. Alternate route: Motupipi Street, Junction Street and Reilly Street

Date and time: Sunday 25 April 2021, 8.30 am to 10.30 am

Applicant: Richmond/Waimea RSA

Event: Anzac Day Parade

Location: Queen Street – from Sundial Square to Cambridge Street. Cambridge Street – from Oxford Street to Queen Street. Oxford Street – from Wensley Road to Gladstone Road (SH6)

Date and time: Sunday 25 April 2021, 10.00 am to 12.30 pm

Applicant: Nelson RSA

Event: Anzac Day Parade

Location: Aranui Road, Māpua – from Higgs Road to the tennis courts

Date and time: Sunday 25 April 2021, 10.00 am to 12.00 pm

Applicant: Richmond/Waimea RSA

Event: Anzac Day Parade

Location: Whitby Way, Wakefield – from Edward Street to Wakefield car park entrance

Date and time: Sunday 25 April 2021, 9.00 am to 12.00 pm

COUNCIL HUI



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.

Tasman Regional Transport Committee
Tuesday 20 April, 9.00 am. Public forum

Motueka Community Board
Tuesday 20 April, 4.00 pm. Motueka Service Centre, 7 Hickmott Place, Motueka. Public forum

Nelson Regional Sewerage Business Unit
Friday 23 April, 9.30 am, Nelson City Council, 110 Trafalgar Street, Nelson. Public forum

Positive Ageing Forum
Monday 3 May, 1.00 pm, Richmond Library, Constance Barnicoat Room, 280 Queen Street, Richmond. Community group

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WHAT'S ON IN TASMAN



2020 lockdown quilt

Let's discover the holidays!

**Saturday 17 April to Sunday 2 May.
Tasman District Libraries.**

As children embark upon their school holidays, parents will be thrilled to know that our libraries have a fantastic school holiday programme taking place across the district. There's something for everyone – from Techy Time for technology-keen kids, to a scavenger hunt, teen takeovers, craft sessions, storytimes and more. Check out the full programme in your local library or at tasmanlibraries.govt.nz.

Prost-FIT comes to Richmond

**Thursday 22 April, 1.00 pm – 2.00 pm
– free introductory session.
Richmond Aquatic Centre.**

Prost-FIT is a fun, manageable exercise session designed specifically

for men living with prostate cancer. Prost-FIT is accredited by the Prostate Cancer Foundation NZ and delivered by trained registered exercise professionals. Classes will be \$10 each, held every Wednesday.

2020 lockdown quilt

**Richmond Library until Thursday
29 April. Motueka Library from
Tuesday 4 May.**

Have you seen our amazing community quilt yet? It's at the Richmond library for a couple more weeks and will then move to the Motueka Library. This extraordinary community project was the result of dozens of local stitchers, from school children to octogenarians, responding to the call to stitch a piece of fabric with a word or image

relating to their experience of Level 4 lockdown. Local textile artist Christine McGuigan joined all the pieces together into a gorgeous quilt.

Creativebug

Did you know that your library card is a passport to untold creative enjoyment? Visit tasmanlibraries.govt.nz and use your library card to access dozens of expert videos and tutorials on drawing, painting, sewing, knitting, crocheting, quilting, baking and more. Creativebug is suitable for crafty types of all ages and is totally free.



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