

# NEWSLINE

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## Safer drinking water for the future

Safe drinking water for every household in Tasman is a big priority for us.

Last year a review of our water supplies identified a need for chlorination to ensure the future safety of residents.

The investigations were prompted in the wake of a report into the 2016 Havelock North water contamination incident, which claimed the lives of four people, hospitalised 45, and made a further 5,000 sick, leaving some with ongoing health complications today. The source of contamination was *Campylobacter*, which was traced to the town's water supply.

As a water supplier, we need to provide multiple barriers to prevent contamination and ensure water remains safe for the community

to drink. Residual disinfection using chlorine is one of several barriers. The main advantage chlorine provides is protection across the entire network – from treatment plant to tap. No other barrier provides this protection.

Chlorine treatment of water has been used around the world for more than a century and is proven by science as a safe and effective water disinfectant. Chlorine deactivates bacteria and some viruses that may be introduced to water as it flows through the reticulated network.

We began community consultation on the proposal to provide residual

disinfection using chlorine early last year, however in the intervening period the Government has drafted legislation that makes residual disinfection mandatory. The new legislation is expected to come into effect in the second half of 2021.

The Richmond water supply is currently chlorinated, with the Riwaka / Kaiteriteri supply to come online on 1 June. The Council water supply in Motueka will be chlorinated once the Parker Street water treatment plant is operational later this year.

Permanent chlorination will come into effect at various times for other unchlorinated water supplies when treatment plants are upgraded.

# MEET YOUR REPRESENTATIVES

## Councillor Kit Maling – Richmond Ward

We have a slightly higher average age in Tasman compared to other parts of the country and having that older age group really makes a difference. People retire here with skills and a work ethic, and the results are seen in the immense volunteer efforts people make in our community.



I recently attended the awards dinner for the Order of St John, and it was a privilege to be among those volunteers, some of whom have been working in that area for 45 years. I also recently attended the AGM of Keep Richmond Beautiful. In the last year they have planted 9,700 different plants just in the Richmond Ward. There are similar groups elsewhere in our region, and

organisations like the Waimea Inlet Forum and Tasman Environmental Trust do an amazing job.

There are just so many people who volunteer their time within our community. You've got all the people who volunteer to help kids play sport and are on school committees. It makes this country and our District a special

place to live. Whether it's a person doing something to enhance our environment or protecting birds or running a trapline to reduce predators, they are unsung heroes who do it because they're interested in it, and they want to make our place better. Thank you all.

**Councillor Kit Maling**  
**Richmond Ward**

## Harbourmaster team awarded for rescue

Tasman District's Harbourmaster team has received national recognition for their part in the high seas rescue of a stricken yacht and its crew north of Tasman Bay last March.

The 14-metre *Ocean Gem* was sailing from Hobart in Tasmania to Picton when disaster struck.

Earlier in the trip, the vessel with six people on board lost its steering and was forced to rig an emergency system, however in stormy seas that backup also failed leaving them at the mercy of the sea.

The skipper made a distress call in the early hours of the morning and Nelson Coastguard and Police Search and Rescue volunteers were scrambled.

Several hours later rescuers reached the disabled vessel in four-metre swells and close to gale force winds, and it was taken under tow.

However, problems compounded and Tasman District Harbourmaster Dan Cairney and his crew aboard '*Sentinel*' were called in to assist. They provided the Coastguard rescue vessel with additional fuel and relieved crew members who had become seasick in the rough conditions.

After more than nine hours under tow *Ocean Gem* finally made it safely to Nelson.

Rescue Coordination Centre NZ Manager Paul Craven says this was a great example of search and rescue organisations and local harbourmasters coming together to

rescue people in extremely high-pressure situations.

The rescuers received a Certificate of Achievement at a formal awards ceremony at Parliament on 18 May 2021.



Tasman District Harbourmaster Dan Cairney and Minister of Transport and Minister for Workplace Relations and Safety Michael Wood.

# Philip puts community first

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 St Arnaud's Philip Borlase.

Philip Borlase has a long history of community involvement, serving as a Justice of the Peace since 1997 and spearheading the development of community recreation and support facilities. He recently retired as chairperson of the Lake Rotoiti Hall Committee after around 25 years' involvement, having been a chair since 2004.

With a dedicated group of locals, Philip has been one of the mainstays and driving forces in the committee since its inception in approximately 1996. It is his tenacity and attention to detail that has seen the hall grow to what it is today.

When the hall was built, Tasman District Council funded 40% of its cost with the community of about 200 residents finding the balance.

"The opening was a culmination of many years of planning and work and is a testimony to the dedication of all those who have served on the Lake Rotoiti Hall Committee and everybody who supported them," say Philip's nominators, Richard and Karen Thomas and Stuart and Jo Bryant.

Over several decades, Philip has also contributed in a meaningful way with other community projects and services. He was chairperson on the Rotoiti School's Board of Trustees from 1990 – 1994, the driving force in organising and building the community tennis court in 1991 – 1992, and in organising the application and building of the swimming pool in the school grounds during 1992 – 1994. He was also a volunteer fireman from the mid 1970s, becoming fire chief



in 1982 – 2001, overseeing the extension to the fire station building.

Philip says with a father on the Council for 35 years, community work has always been "something you're brought up to do".

"You don't even think about it, you just do it," he says. "It's a really good community up here; a lot of people get in and get to work and things happen. We just get off our backsides and just do it. There's a lot of really good caring people around the country."

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## Developers and Council work together

Stormwater network upgrades through the Richmond West Development Area are nearing completion, made possible through collaboration between Tasman District Council and developers.

The work involved widening Borck Creek and Poutama Stream to cater for predicted flows from a 1-in-100-year storm event, including allowances for predicted catchment development and climate change through to 2090.

The plan was for a 70-metre wide, multi-purpose corridor that would operate as a stormwater channel in large storm events, as well as supplying a recreation and amenity

space, while also serving as an ecological and active transportation corridor at other times.

Originally, we deferred full development to the medium to long term to manage costs. However, during discussions with developers it quickly became clear that the area was progressing at a much faster rate and if construction of the channels was delayed, the work would be more expensive and disruptive for residents.

Collaboration has enabled agreements to be reached with developers to dig the channels of Borck Creek and Poutama Stream to their final 2090 profiles in the 2019 – 2021 period.



The agreements meant developers could work faster and at a lower cost as they could use the fill material from the channels directly in their projects.

Our cost of this work has been just under \$2 million, well below early estimates.

Bringing the schedule forward means grants through the Government's Provincial Growth Fund will pay for gravel pathways and bridges to further enhance the area that otherwise would have been a cost to ratepayers.



# SUSTAINABLE TASMAN

## Jobs for Nature projects improving our environment

Environmental projects in our Jobs for Nature programme are well underway and are expected to have a big impact on the biodiversity of some of our special natural areas.

Jobs for Nature is a \$1.245 billion central government programme that manages funding across multiple government agencies to benefit the environment, people and the regions.

Controlling wilding pines is one of our current targets, and during late 2020 we received approximately \$3 million in funding from the Ministry for Primary Industries for this purpose. You can see the scale of this issue in this image of wilding Douglas fir in the Hackett and Starveall area. Although we need to continue

surveying to fully understand the scope of the infestation in these areas, we have already covered 3,200 hectares of pine-infested land in and around Mt Richmond Forest Park. The programme currently employs 16 people and includes both helicopter spraying and a ground method called 'drill and fill', which involves drilling a hole in the tree to apply herbicide.

Other work underway includes fish passage projects; a gravel nourishment project in Richmond's Reservoir Creek to enhance its



health; salt marsh restoration in the Waimea Delta; and 25,000 new plants on Rough Island and Best Island for phase two of the Waimea Inlet Billion Trees project. A \$1 million Pigeon Valley fire restoration project and a weed control programme in the Waimea Inlet are still being negotiated.

## Boost for wetlands and freshwater fish in Tasman

Tasman's wetlands and freshwater fish stocks will soon benefit from an almost \$5 million partnership to rejuvenate key habitats over the next five years.

Under the Freshwater Improvement Fund (FIF) which is part of central government's Jobs for Nature programme, Tasman District Council and the Ministry for the Environment have signed off on two key projects.

\$3 million has been allocated to the Tasman Wetlands project to control

weeds, plant natives and restore natural hydrological regimes in 40 natural wetlands.

Another \$1.75 million has been approved for restoring in-stream structures to facilitate fish passage throughout the Tasman District.

Our senior resource scientist Trevor James will lead the work, which is expected to get underway in spring.

Much of the activity in the wetlands project will focus on pest plant control, prioritising areas showing relatively low numbers of transformative pests but were likely

to form willow forest which had very low value to our native wildlife.

The fish migration project will improve fish diversity and abundance by restoring fish passage in over 4,000 in-stream structures.

New regulations brought in under the National Environmental Standards for Freshwater 2020 require us to assess in-stream structures for fish passage. These include culverts, weirs, dams, and water intakes that migratory fish cannot climb or swim over.

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We have almost completed assessing and remediating our own in-stream structures, with many private landowners and forestry companies well on the way to doing the same. The next step is to recruit two project managers and an iwi liaison to deliver the projects.

Funding for this project ensures that there would be no cost to landowners, unless there is a need for culvert upsizing or significant modification, in which case a cost-sharing arrangement will be discussed.

Trevor says working in partnership with iwi and creating employment

opportunities were also important outcomes from the projects.

Manawhenua ki Mohua, representing Ngati Tama, Ngati Rārua and Te Ātiawa in Golden Bay, have developed a work plan under these projects.

MKM Pouārahi / Manager Ursula Passl says the projects will support whānau to revive and promote traditional Māori knowledge and practices associated with freshwater environments.

“It will also create opportunities for rangatahi to engage in restoring degraded habitats, which are important for taonga species.”



## Funding open for community-based Wilding Pine prevention projects

Whether it's a team building exercise or just a way of making a difference to our region's natural landscape, community groups and trusts wanting to help prevent the spread of Wilding Pines can now apply for funding of up to \$250,000 for their project.

The Wilding Pines webpage is now live and accepting expressions of interest from projects outside of Council which directly contribute to the prevention and control of wilding conifers.

As part of the national programme's 2021 Community Partnership Projects, \$2 million is available for funding in an area that is not being actively managed by central or regional government. Each project can apply for \$50,000 – \$250,000 to spend over two years.

The fund aims to empower communities, including iwi / hapū, to take a lead role in controlling and preventing the spread of wilding pines in their region, while creating additional jobs as part of the government's Jobs for Nature programme.

Wilding pines are deemed weeds which not only threaten New Zealand's natural environment but overwhelm farmland, recreational land and sites of cultural importance.

The programme is led by Biosecurity New Zealand, working with the Department of Conservation and Land Information New Zealand.

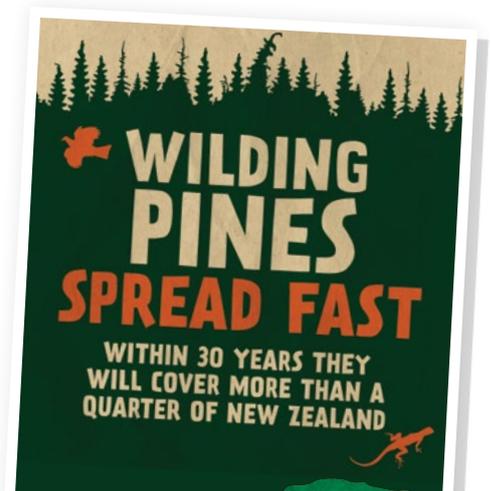
While councils, government agencies and private landowners are ineligible for this funding, they may support groups and trusts in developing their applications and/or act as fund manager for the community projects, if they are a legal entity.

We are working with MPI to confirm the regional role we will have in this process.

**Applications close 5.00 pm, Monday 14 June 2021.**

If you have any questions, please contact the national programme team on [wilding.pines@mpi.govt.nz](mailto:wilding.pines@mpi.govt.nz).

**For applications to the fund, go to [wildingpines.nz/partnership-and-funding](https://wildingpines.nz/partnership-and-funding)**



# Quick-thinking residents help target creek polluter

Thanks to the members of the public who recently noticed dirty discharge from a stormwater drain and contacted us.

We investigated the discharge and discovered it was coming from a painting contractor using a water blaster to wash down an old roof in preparation for repainting. The stormwater downpipes from the roof had not been disconnected which was allowing any contaminants in the wash-down water to enter the main stormwater system, which ultimately discharges to Jimmy Lee Creek.

Our compliance team are following up with the contractor and wider industry to try and prevent this from happening in the future.

Please remember that only rain and clean tap water should go down your outside stormwater drains. These are located around the exterior of your house and can usually be identified by the downpipes coming from your roof. Along with roadside gutters, they connect directly to our waterways, estuaries and the beach, so we need to be careful how we dispose of our run-off.

Our Richmond urban streams have many ecosystems in them, and contaminants like paint and household pesticides can poison fish, eels and in some instances dogs that have been in the stream.

These are some common ways pollution enters our streams from the things you might be doing at home:

- Detergents, oil and heavy metals from washing cars.
- Paint from people washing brushes in the street gutter or over a stormwater drain.
- Dust from cleaning down gib-stopping equipment.
- Oil from leaking vehicles.

All these pollutants end up in our streams and rivers where they reduce the quality of the water, making it unsuitable for swimming or drinking and difficult for plants and fish to survive.

## How you can help

### Cleaning or fixing cars

- Wash your car on the grass as grass acts as a natural filter. Use a bucket rather than a hose to minimise water use and runoff.
- Clean up oil spills, fix leaking cars, collect and recycle used motor oil.

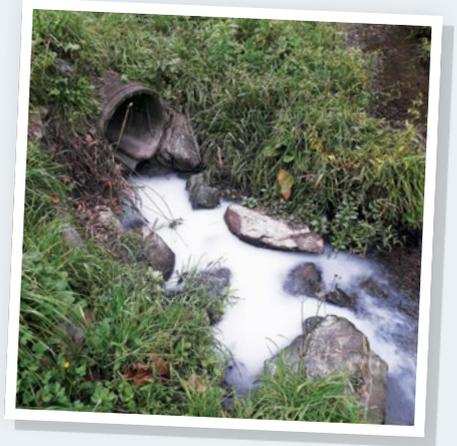
### Painting or gib-stopping

- When DIY painting or gib-stopping, be aware these products contain toxic chemicals which are harmful to the environment.
- Wash brushes over grass or in a laundry sink (inside drains go to the sewerage system for treatment).

- Small amounts of waste paint can be left to completely dry in the tin, and then be disposed of in your general rubbish.
- Save unnecessary washing by wrapping your paint brush or roller in cling wrap or a plastic bag. This will prevent them drying out for at least an hour.
- Before doing things like exterior painting or water blasting, find out where the nearest stormwater sump is, seal it off and divert wastewater onto your lawn or garden.

### What do I do if I see someone dumping stuff into a stormwater drain?

If it's someone you know, tell them that what they're dumping is going to end up in our streams and estuaries, and encourage them to do the right thing. If you see a stranger dumping into a stormwater drain, please call us as soon as possible on 03 543 8400.



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# Big calls made on big choices in Tasman 10-Year Plan deliberations

Early deliberations on Tasman's 10-Year Plan 2021 – 2031 have led to decisions on how to proceed with the Waimea Community Dam cost overruns, housing, climate change response and a new company model for Nelson Airport and Port Nelson.

Councillors deliberated on the written and verbal submissions received during the consultation and hearing periods, with four key choices included in the week-long discussions. The plan is still to be finalised on 30 June.

## Choice 1 – homes for our community

**The Council agreed to proceed with its preferred Option A to provide the necessary infrastructure to meet housing and business demand across the District.**

This means spending \$124 million over the next 10 years to meet the forecast demand for infrastructure to service development across the whole of Tasman District, based on a medium-growth scenario and in line with recent trends. This will allow both greenfield development and infill housing/intensification of our towns and suburbs.

Option A is expected to provide an increased level of service and will lead to an increase in debt of \$43 million. The cost to service new growth will be largely met by developers through development and financial contributions, so it will have a limited impact on rates. Submitter feedback received on growth and development will also be considered as part of the review of the Future Development Strategy and the development of the Tasman Environment Plan.

## Choice 2 – the Waimea Community Dam allocation of additional irrigator capacity costs

**The Council agreed to proceed with a revised version of its preferred Option A to meet the irrigators' share of the \$54.5 million needed for the project.**

The reworked version proposes that some Council and all irrigator debt associated with the overruns be held in Waimea Water Ltd (WWL), a joint venture company of the Council and Waimea Irrigators Ltd (WIL). Part of the interest on that debt would be paid via WWL water charges to the Council; the rest via WWL water charges to WIL and its water charges to its shareholders. The WWL water charges to the Council for the \$10.1 million of the irrigator advance in WWL – to be recovered through a district-wide rate – would be limited to five years.

The cost to an average residential ratepayer for the irrigators share of the cost overruns under revised Option A was estimated to be \$5 a year over this period.

After that time, the debt servicing by the Council would shift to WIL, to be covered via water charges to its shareholders. The decision is subject to the formal agreement of the other parties by June 4. If the other parties do not agree, Councillors agreed to proceed with Option D – a targeted rate on irrigators only.

## Choice 3 – a new company model for Nelson Airport and Port Nelson

**The Council opted for Option C, to establish a new company as a funding vehicle only.**

This decision was a change from the Council's preferred option in the Consultation Document. This means the Port and Airport companies could access reduced borrowing costs through the Local Government Funding Agency (LGFA). All other aspects of the entities would remain the same, meaning there would be little or no direct operational synergies. Nelson City Council will need to agree to the same option before the proposal can proceed. Both councils would prepare a 12-month transition plan for approval prior to proceeding.

## Choice 4 – our proposed response for adapting and responding to climate change

**The Council opted for its preferred Option A to provide an affordable level of investment over the next 10 years.**

In addition to business as usual expenditure we plan to invest in a number of new initiatives to implement our Climate Action Plan, including;

- Monitoring greenhouse gas emissions and reduction planning – \$0.3 million.
- Energy efficiency and renewable energy initiatives for Council buildings – \$0.6 million.
- Energy efficiency initiatives in water supply and wastewater – \$1.2 million.

### Thinking ahead for peace of mind

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## Hop helps out hall

A token of full throttle gratitude from local car enthusiasts has enabled the Moutere Hills Community Centre to give its facilities some extra mileage.

February's Moutere Hop event was a two-day classic car celebration held at the centre which welcomed 248 cars and 2,400 people to the Moutere Valley.

Among the festivities were a drive-in movie, market stalls, live entertainment as well as a cruise around Motueka and Māpua.

Grateful for the venue's part in the Hop's success, event organisers donated \$5,000 from the proceeds of the event to the Moutere Hills Community Centre this week.

Group member Shane Kemp said as residents of the local community themselves, it was an easy decision as to where the next donation would go.

The Tasman District Council-owned centre provides a hub of recreational, social and cultural services to the Moutere community.

Facility manager Katrina McLean said the donation will be used to upgrade shower facilities at the centre, to allow more multi-purpose use for the changing needs of the community.

The Moutere Hop is the main annual event for a group of like-minded motor enthusiasts to go with their three-monthly cruises around the region to fundraise for various charities, including the Child Cancer Foundation,



Whakatū Riding for the Disabled and the Upper Moutere Volunteer Fire Brigade.

Kemp said the Moutere Hop group's activities were open to all car enthusiasts – not just classics or hot rods but owners of "any car you're proud of."

The group planned to continue holding the Hop event at the centre and sportsgrounds at Upper Moutere next year and beyond.

"We're really excited to be able to host such an amazing community event run by community members," McLean said.

Motueka ward councillor Trindi Walker said the donation was a great example of support for the good of the community by the community, while the Hop itself had benefited the wider region whether attendees were fuelling up their cars or filling their bellies at local businesses.

Pictured above: Moutere Hop members (from back left) Graeme Walker, Miles Drewery, Scott Sutherland and Shane Kemp present a cheque for \$5,000 to Moutere Hills Community Centre manager Katrina McLean and Motueka Ward Councillor Trindi Walker.

## Protecting Motueka against future flooding

Our contractors have just finished refurbishing a 400 metre section of stopbank at the end of Whakarewa Street.

The work is the first stage of a \$10 million project to refurbish 10 sections of stopbank along the lower Motueka River. Built in the 1950's, some areas of the current network have settled or worn away over time, diminishing their effectiveness.

Largely funded by the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment's Provincial Development Unit, the restoration will be staged over three summers between now and 2024. Once the work is complete, the stopbanks will provide a 1-in-50-year level of flood protection to the township and surrounding horticultural land.



## Young leaders in the boardroom

The voice of young people is being heard in boardrooms across Tasman District with more organisations being encouraged to join the 'Youth into Governance' project.

Tasman District Council has joined Big Brother Big Sister (BBBS) Nelson Tasman in a partnership to provide the Youth into Governance programme.

The project gives youth an opportunity to sample life at the governance level and provides organisations with a young person's perspective at a leadership level.

A year-long trial is underway in Tasman matching a young person to the boards of each Richmond

Unlimited, Tapawera Connect, Motueka Community Board and Project Janzoon.

Youth into Governance helps young people develop the skills they need to take their position at the boardroom table while supplying support for community organisations to generate an improved youth voice.

BBBS supports the project with training, mentoring and skills



development, all with the intended result of encouraging more young people into leadership roles.

We are now looking for more community organisations to join the next phase of this innovative project. If you would like to be involved, please contact Yulia Panfylova on [yulia.panfylova@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:yulia.panfylova@tasman.govt.nz).

## Affordable housing solution progresses

The Golden Bay initiative to support affordable accommodation has reached a milestone as we have agreed to support the construction of two houses for the elderly in Tākaka.

The proposal will result in two new units built at the rear of existing community cottages on Commercial Street. The construction is being driven by the Golden Bay / Mohua Affordable Housing Trust (MAHT), who will manage the construction and rental processes.

The community group's goal is to provide a pair of architect-designed two bedroom 60-square metre houses built by local Golden Bay and Motueka

contractors, using local suppliers.

The planned houses will have external ramps for access, doors wide enough for wheelchairs and bathrooms designed for easy use. They will also be fully equipped with brand new appliances and heat pumps.

MAHT will meet all construction costs, and own and manage the properties covering all running and maintenance costs for 35 years,

before handing ownership over to us to be added to our housing stock.

The proposal was widely supported by our Operations Committee.

Committee Chair and Tasman Deputy Mayor Stuart Bryant says the approval allows the project to move forward to the next phase.

He says this kind of innovation could become a blueprint for future community housing developments across the entire Tasman District.

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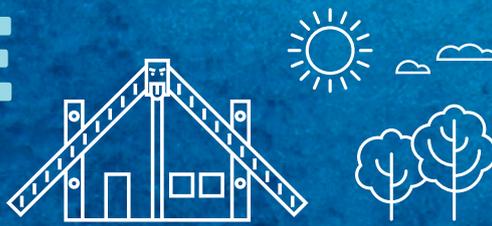
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## Holiday hours and services

For urgent or emergency issues you can contact us 24 hours a day on 03 543 8400, or via your local service centre number.

**Office and library hours:** All service centres and libraries will be closed on Queen's Birthday, Monday 7 June 2021. Usual opening hours apply otherwise.

**Rubbish and recycling:** There are no changes to the rubbish and recycling collections on Queen's Birthday weekend. You can find the recycling calendar on our website, [tasman.govt.nz](http://tasman.govt.nz). All our Resource Recovery Centres will be open as normal.

**Bus service update:** The Richmond Loop service does not operate on public holidays. Visit [nbus.co.nz](http://nbus.co.nz) for updates on other services.

## Rating information available

Rating information is now publicly available. Our rating information database includes information such as the property location, valuation number, capital and land value as at 1 July 2020, and current year's rates – remember the names of property owners and ratepayers are not listed in the database. Rating information is available for you to view at any service centre during office hours. You can also view this information online at [tasman.govt.nz/rates-search](http://tasman.govt.nz/rates-search). Notice given under section 28, Local Government (Rating) Act 2002.

## No more cheques

**From Monday 31 May 2021, we will no longer accept cheques as a method of payment.** If you need help with making the move to electronic payments, please contact your bank in the first instance. You can also speak with a member of our customer services team in person at your local service centre, by emailing [info@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:info@tasman.govt.nz), or by phoning us on 03 543 8400.

## Moturoa / Rabbit Island – Nelson Marlborough Fish & Game Pheasant Hunt

Public access to the eastern half of Moturoa / Rabbit Island will be closed on three days this winter while an organised game bird hunt takes place. Please note that the closure will include all of the beach front at the eastern end. Fish & Game organise the hunts, which are permitted under the Moturoa / Rabbit Island Reserve Management Plan. The hunts are timed to coincide with low tide to avoid any effect on shore birds. No hunting is allowed within 100 metres of the high tide mark.

This year the hunts will take place on the following dates:

- Saturday 5 June, 8.30 am – 3.00 pm (Sunday 6 June reserve day)
- Saturday 19 June, 8.30 am – 3.00 pm (Sunday 20 June reserve day)
- Saturday 17 July, 8.30 am – 3.00 pm (Sunday 18 July reserve day)

For more details contact Jacob Lucas at Nelson Marlborough Fish & Game on 03 544 6382.

Map of area closed due to hunting:



## Innovating Streets for People survey

You still have a few days left to have your say on the Innovating Streets for People trial project in the Croucher / D'Arcy neighbourhood in Richmond. Survey closes Monday 31 May. To have your say or find out more, visit [tasman.govt.nz/streets-for-people](http://tasman.govt.nz/streets-for-people).

## Landscapes and Coastal Environment feedback events

As part of the process to create the new Tasman Environment Plan, we've released draft maps identifying Tasman's Outstanding Natural Landscapes and Features, and Coastal Environment. We want to hear from landowners and affected people about their future land aspirations and views on whether our draft boundaries are in the right place.

Our next step is to meet with and learn from our communities. To do this, we have organised a series of feedback events across the District in May and June. To see the schedule of events and find out more visit the website: [environmentplan.tasman.govt.nz](http://environmentplan.tasman.govt.nz).

*We have cancelled the feedback event in Tapawera due to the small number of private land parcels affected. If you live in the area and cannot attend another event nearby, please get in touch with us.*

## 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](http://tasman.govt.nz/meetings-calendar) for details.**

**Tasman Regional Transport Committee**  
Tuesday 1 June, 1.30 pm. Public forum.

**Community Grants Committee**  
Wednesday 2 June, 9.30 am. No public forum.

**Full Council**  
Friday 4 June, 9.30 am. Public forum.

**Golden Bay Community Board**  
Tuesday 8 June, 9.30 am. Collingwood Fire Station, Elizabeth Street, Collingwood. Public forum.

**Audit and Risk Committee**  
Thursday 10 June, 1.30 pm. Public forum.

**Nelson Regional Sewerage Business Unit**  
Friday 11 June, 9.30 am. Public forum.

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## PROJECTS



### Māpua water and wastewater upgrades

The water and wastewater upgrades in Māpua and Ruby Bay will soon be finished. The last sections of the new water and wastewater mains on Aranui Road are in and the water main from Māpua Wharf down to Pine Hill Road is now live. The new wastewater main will also be operational before the end of May and all the wastewater pump station upgrades complete. A new section of footpath has been installed, connecting the footpath on Aranui Road to the existing path near the Sprig and Fern.

We are extremely grateful for the ongoing patience of the local community while this important work has taken place, and residents will be happy to know that there will be no more temporary traffic lights on Aranui Road. There will still be some traffic disruption at the Ruby Bay end of Stafford Drive, while we complete the last of our connections.

The end result will be a more resilient water and wastewater system, with capacity for growth, replacing the old fragile system that regularly failed causing constant disruptions to the local water supply and risk of overflow from the wastewater network.



Work nearly finished in Māpua



Pomona Road Reservoir

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Our contractors have finished excavating the site for the new tank and over the next few weeks will be pouring concrete for the foundations on which the new 2,500m<sup>3</sup> water tank will sit. Residents and road users may notice an increase in trucks on Pomona Road in early June.

June will also see delivery of the first of the precast wall panels that will form the walls of the new reservoir. Our contractors are working on installing a stormwater discharge line, and the stainless steel pipe work that will feed water into the new reservoir is already in place. Work is progressing well on this project, and we expect the new tank to be ready for filling by the end of the year.

This project is part-funded by the Crown Infrastructure Fund as part of central government's post-Covid shovel-ready stimulus funding.



### Work under Three Brothers Corner

We have now started work installing a new section of water main that will link Richmond West and Bateup Road. The new section of pipe will cross underneath the Three Brothers Corner intersection.

We'll be thrusting the new water pipe underground to cross the intersection, so we won't need to close traffic lanes on the roundabout. However, our contractors will be working alongside the road on both corners of the Hope-side of the roundabout, so traffic cones will restrict lane widths, and detours for pedestrians and cyclists as well as reduced speed limits will be in place.

We aim to finish the project by the end of 2021. We'll do our best to minimise the disruption and appreciate everyone's patience.

## ROAD CLOSURES



Approved closure

**Applicant:** John McIntyre Promotions Limited

**Event:** K2M – Kaiteriteri to Māpua Multisport Event

**Location:** Aranui Road – from the Tahī Street/Aranui Road intersection to the Māpua Wharf entrance

**Date and time:** Sunday 6 June 2021, 5.00 am – 7.00 pm

KEEP UP TO DATE: [TASMAN.GOV.T.NZ](https://tasman.govt.nz)

# WHAT'S ON IN TASMAN



## Plant a tree

Grab a spade and head to Dominion Flats Reserve (next to the Ruby Bay bypass off Māpua Drive) on **29 and 30 May** for a community planting bee.

From 9.00 am until midday, volunteers will be planting 2,000 native trees funded by the government's One Billion Trees Fund, helping increase biodiversity and beautify the area.

Bring a spade if you have one, sunblock, water and wear appropriate clothing. Refreshments will be provided.

## Blue Stories

The *Blue Stories Project: Sharing Stories of Getting Out of Perinatal Depression* will be showing at Richmond Library from **June 5 until July 1**. Come along to Richmond Library for the exhibition opening at 10.30 am on Saturday 5 June and meet the artist, Karolina Gorton.

## Free child restraint fitting

Do you realise that by law all children under seven years of age must use an approved child restraint appropriate for their age and size? The restraints need to be installed properly so that it keeps your precious tamariki safe.

Next month we will be working with Baby on the Move to provide free child car seat fittings for any parent in the Nelson Tasman region. Keep an eye out for more information in the coming weeks.

## This Place Is Who We Are

**Motueka Library, Tuesday 1 June, 5.30 pm.**

You are invited to a talk with award-winning writer Katherine Palmer Gordon. Katherine will be talking about her latest book, her eighth, *This Place Is Who We Are*, which features young First Nations men and women talking about their lives in Canada.

## How To Look At Art

**Richmond Library, Wednesday 9 June, 5.30 pm. Free.**

The Suter Art Gallery's Curator and Collections Manager, Sarah McClintock, brings a mystery item

from The Suter's collection for a special show-and-tell session for adult art lovers.

## Music for Minis / Kindy Gym (0–5 years)

**Tuesdays, 9.30 am onwards, Murchison Sport, Recreation & Cultural Centre Function Room.**

Music followed by Kindy Gym for the kids and a cuppa for the adults. Gold coin donation, all welcome.

## Older & Bolder (50+ years)

**Tuesdays, 1.00 pm – 2.45 pm, Murchison Sport, Recreation & Cultural Centre Function Room.**

Older & Bolder is a free group get together. Attendees are asked to bring a plate to share for afternoon tea. Coffee and tea provided. All welcome, but sessions are designed for ages 50+.

## Pilates classes

**Thursdays, 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm, Murchison Sport, Recreation & Cultural Centre Function Room.**

Suitable to all skill levels. These mat-work classes are run on a per term basis. For queries or to enrol, contact Sue Wilson on 029 281 3735 or sue@suewilson.kiwi.nz.

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