

# Easter flood event – rivers and coastal impact

The Easter weather event made the national news headlines for it's high winds, but it also brought a lot of rain to many areas across our region. Significantly elevated flood levels were recorded in the river catchments along the Western Ranges, especially between the Wangapeka catchment north through to Anatoki Rivers. The Baton River recorded the highest flow since 1972, being estimated as a 35 year flood event.

Other rivers that experienced significant flood events were the Motueka, Waingaro and Takaka Rivers, which all recorded approximately 20 year flood events. Most rivers within those areas have suffered some level of bank erosion, and some of the rivers diverted their course, such as the Dart River, which is a tributary of the Wangapeka River.

Work is presently underway carrying out flood damage repairs in the fully maintained river system, as well as in other areas where the Council has provided some financial assistance.

We have been very fortunate, considering the magnitude of the floods, that we didn't sustain a lot more damage in our main rivers systems. Most of the rivers outside the main storm zone maintained a flow consistent with annual event levels during the storm.

There was also a significant amount of coastal damage that occurred during the storm. High winds, coinciding with high tide levels, resulted

in coastal erosion from Ruby Bay to Pakawau with the worst affected area being Parapara beach in Golden Bay. The Council is exploring options with the community for future protection of this area as well as at Pakawau.



# Message from the Mayor

We are still in the process of deliberating on the major decisions within our Annual Plan for the 2014-2015 year and it has been an example of the democratic process in action. The Draft Annual Plan we issued some months ago was that, a draft. During the consultation period we received over 550 submissions, some representing the opinions of hundreds more. As a result of those submissions, and the supporting verbal presentations, a number of changes have been discussed in detail. This is as it should be – we put out the Draft Plan for the very purpose of seeking feedback or otherwise.

You will see a number of changes, particularly in the major projects, to be brought forward to the final Plan when it is adopted in June. The decisions we make will be passed on to staff for inclusion in the final Annual Plan. A more detailed account of those decisions and their impact will be notified shortly.

We have an engaged community and we look forward to increasing the numbers of residents who choose to take part. While decision-making is the responsibility of Councillors, discussion with, and submissions from, residents on any issue affecting the Council is valued and a welcomed information source. To those who took part in the Annual Planning process, thank you.

**Mayor Richard Kempthorne** 



# Council consenting performance receives Minister's approval

Tasman District Council has been congratulated by the Minister for the Environment the Hon Amy Adams, for its exceptional resource consent processing performance.

In a letter to Mayor Richard Kempthorne, the Minister notes that in the 2012/13 period the Council processed a high percentage of its resource consents within the statutory timeframe set by the Resource Management Act.

"The Government is creating a resource management system that is more certain, less costly and enables growth, while protecting core environmental standards which are critical to New Zealand. Your Council's excellent performance in processing consent applications on time, contributes to the achievement of this goal" the Minister said.

Mayor Kempthorne said he was very pleased the Council's staff have received this recognition for their good work in processing resource consents.

"Our staff always have to balance an applicant's desire to carry out some kind of development or resource use, against the requirements of the planning rules and often in the face of comments from neighbours and others. Meeting those often competing expectations can often be a challenge and I congratulate them on their ability to work with applicants to try and create a win-win for all, while also meeting their statutory obligations."

Mayor Kempthorne said the survey shows the Council processed 782 consents during 2012/13 and he and his fellow Councillors are pleased that such a positive result had been achieved, not only for the organisation, but more importantly for those making consent applications.

"The Council achieved 99% of applications being processed on time with the other 77 local authorities recording rates from 81% to 100%. We also carry out our own regular internal reviews of processing to ensure good practice and are confident we will continue to provide an effective and customer-orientated service in future."

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# **Lower Queen Street roadworks**

#### **Richmond Water Treatment Plant underway**

Motorists can expect some significant road works along Lower Queen Street as initial earthworks on the new Richmond Water Treatment Plant get underway.

Project Manager Chris Blythe says it is recommended people who do not live in the area use the route along the Gladstone Road Corner and State Highway 60.

"In a project this size there will be increased heavy truck traffic, and possible delays from time to time. We're asking road users to be patient and to use the alternative route if possible."

Signage is in place to give advance warning of the road works, which would be in place for up to six months, he said.

#### Suggested alternative route for non-residents

• Gladstone Road (State Highway 6) and Appleby Highway (State Highway 60).

#### **About the Water Treatment Plant Project**

- The construction of the new Richmond Water Treatment Plant started on 19 May 2014.
- This significant project will improve the drinking water quality for the Richmond urban area.
- The project has two main parts, the construction of the water treatment plant at McShane Road and pipework upgrades along Lower Queen Street.

# What not to put down your drain

The Council regularly receives calls about blocked wastewater pipes. Sometimes these may be caused by tree roots, damage to pipes or poor connections or bends. However, the majority of blockages are caused by people putting inappropriate items down their wastewater drains.

The wastewater reticulation system is not designed to transport:

- · Cleaning/Baby wipes
- Nappies
- · Tee shirts
- Tee towels
- Children's toys
- Tennis ballsSanitary products
- Plastic bags
- Chicken skins
- · Concrete, bricks and other building waste
- Fat

Cleaning and baby wipe type fabrics are designed to be strong and do not disintegrate in the wastewater system like toilet paper. They tend to bind together and form fibrous ropes which block pipes and pumps. A product may claim to be "flushable" but that doesn't mean it is suitable for putting down the toilet.

As a general rule, if it's not biodegradable, don't flush it down the drain.

Also important to remember is that all our treated wastewater ends up back in the environment we live in so chemicals, paints, solvents, and medicine should not be put down the drain either.

#### We suggest you follow these handy hints:

- Use a sink strainer to prevent food scraps and other household waste from going down the drain. Consider using a compost heap to dispose of food scraps.
- Pour kitchen fats and oils into a container; seal it and throw it in the bin.
- Wipe greasy pots and pans with a paper towel before washing.
- Dispose of items such as cotton buds, nappies, condoms, sanitary products and their wrappers in the household rubbish.
- Ask your local pharmacy for advice on how to dispose of medicines.
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#### Poets in the library

If poetry is your thing then we have two events you won't want to miss. First up is Sally Holmes Midgley at Takaka Library. Sally will be launching Echo Echo her first book of poetry at the library on Thursday 12 June at 1.00 pm.

Motueka Library hosts acclaimed poet Riemke Ensing on Tuesday 8 July 2014 at 5.15 pm. Riemke is a highly regarded poet of national significance who has been widely published both in New Zealand and overseas. This is a rare opportunity to meet a writer of her standing. Gold coin donation at the door.

### School holiday programme

Another round of school holidays is fast approaching. Once again your library has a great range of fun activities to while away the time.

The theme for these holidays is Whirl around the World. Enter the travel port at your local library and hear the sounds and see the sights of faraway places. Or join in the scavenger hunt to find ten great places from around the globe hidden in your library.

For full details go to the Events page at www.tasmanlibraries.govt.nz

Your library - a place of discovery and adventure

#### The Big Library Read is back

Those of you who use our e-books know that they work in the same way as borrowing our print books – only one person at a time can read the book. From 3 - 18 June, OverDrive is offering A pedigree to die for by Laurien Berenson for simultaneous use (no holds, no waitlists) for you to borrow. This means as many of you as want to can borrow and read the book. It's a bit like a big online book club where everyone is reading the same book together. Head to our e-books section after Queens' Birthday weekend and have a read.

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Have you discovered TumbleBooks yet?

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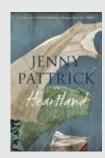
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# **Public Notices**

# Summary of Information and consultation advice – proposed Dog Control Bylaw 2014 (incorporating the Tasman District Council Dog Control Policy)

Tasman District Council proposes to review its Dog Control Bylaw and associated Dog Control Policy.

We encourage feedback from anyone with an interest in the proposed bylaw, with a consultation period over five weeks to allow plenty of time for you to make a considered submission. The submission procedure is detailed below.

This "summary of information" is made to fulfil the purposes of Sections 83(1)(a)(ii) and 89 of the Local Government Act 2002 and summarises the Statement of Proposal to review the existing Dog Control Bylaw.

The majority of the existing bylaw is carried over to the proposed replacement bylaw, however a number of new provisions have been proposed in response to issues raised with the Council. To assess these issues a workshop was held on 3 April 2014 between Council staff and Councillors to consider the viability of suggested changes/additions to the existing bylaw.

The proposed bylaw should be construed as being entirely new and submissions may be made on any element of the bylaw not just the proposed changes. However, it may be helpful to highlight the key changes proposed to the existing Dog Control Bylaw following the Council workshop:

- 1. The area covered by the dog ban in Takaka to be increased as shown in Schedule 3 of the proposed bylaw. Access to Commercial Street will be permitted for dog owners outside of normal business hours i.e. 9.00 am 5.00 pm on weekdays.
- 2. The Jimmy Lee Track (Richmond) to be made a leash control area. The area affected runs from Jimmy Lee Creek Hill Street/Milne Place entrance to Hill Street (Hart Road) entrance, see map in Schedule 1 of the proposed Bylaw.
- 3. That, due to potential "bird strike" issues at Nelson Airport, the area of Sand Island under Tasman District Council control becomes a dog prohibited area, see Schedule 3 of the proposed bylaw.
- 4. The Tasman's Great Taste Trail Bylaw 2012 has various controls on dogs at different parts of the trail. Clause 20 has been added to the existing Dog Control Bylaw and reads as follows:
  - 20.1 The Tasman Great Taste Trail Bylaw 2012 prohibits dogs from certain sections of the trail. For details of dog prohibited areas see:

www.tasman.govt.nz/policy/policies/bylaw/tasman-s-great-taste-trail-bylaw/ The Dog Control Bylaw should not be taken to contradict any of these provisions.

The full Statement of Proposal including the proposed bylaw and policy may be inspected during ordinary opening hours at the following places:

Tasman District Council, 189 Queen Street, Richmond

Tasman District Council, 7 Hickmott Place, Motueka

Tasman District Council & Library, 92 Fairfax Street, Murchison

Tasman District Council, 14 Junction Street, Takaka

District Library, 280 Queen Street, Richmond

Motueka Library, 12 Pah Street, Motueka

Takaka Memorial Library, 3 Junction Street, Takaka

A copy of the full Statement of Proposal may be viewed or downloaded from the Tasman District Council website at: www.tasman.govt.nz

All submissions on the proposal are to be in writing using the attached form and posted or delivered to Dog Control Bylaw Consultation, Tasman District Council, Private Bag 4, 189 Queen Street, Richmond 7050, or they may be Emailed to info@tasman.govt.nz or faxed to 03 543 9524.

Submissions will be received at any time from 8.00 am on 2 June 2014 to 4.30 pm on 7 July 2014.

# **Public Notices**

# **Building Inspections Unavailable July 9 2014**

Due to compulsory training requirements, building inspections will not be scheduled on Wednesday July 9. We apologise in advance for any inconvenience. A duty building control officer will be available at the Richmond Office.

Please contact the Council on Ph. 03 543 8400 to arrange an alternative inspection date.

### Collingwood Camping Ground Management Contract

Expressions of interest are invited for the management of the Collingwood Camping Ground, William Street, Collingwood. This will be a contracted position for a minimum period of two years. The commencement date is 1 October 2014. A residence is provided.

We are looking for someone with experience in hands-on management in the accommodation industry, has energy and drive, enjoys meeting people, is focused on excellence in customer service, building relationships, increasing the camp business and improving the camp facilities. If you are the right person for this position, please register your interest, in writing, before **4.00 pm Thursday 5 June 2014** to:

Valerie Gribble, Executive Assistant

Tasman District Council, Private Bag 4, Richmond 7050 Or Email info@tasman.govt.nz.

Applications should be enfaced:

"Confidential – expression of interest Collingwood Camping Ground".

You should provide a brief resume outlining relevant experience and previous work history. References or CVs are not required at this time.

#### **Notice of Road Stopping**

Pursuant to Schedule 10 of the Local Government Act 1974, notice is hereby given that the Tasman District Council notifies the road stopping described below. This follows on from public notice undertaken on 14 December 2013, and re-advertised on 11 January 2014, of the Council's intention to stop the road. No objections were received as a result of that public notification, and the Council is now formally declaring that the following land is stopped road. Section 1 S.O. 355132. 3.8198 hectares. This land will vest in fee simple in the name of Tasman District Council. Section 2 S.O. 355132, 2850 m2. This land, by virtue of Section 345(3) of the Local Government Act 1974, will become a Local Purpose (Esplanade) Reserve subject to the Reserves Act 1977 and remain vested in Tasman District Council.

Any enquiries regarding the above should be directed to Robert Cant, at the Council's Richmond Offices.

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# **Public Notices**

#### **Water metering**

The Measurement and Reporting of Water Takes Regulations 2010 requires the reporting of water use for the whole calendar year, from 1 July to 30 June each year, rather than just the historical summer season. For consent holders who use water all year around e.g. industry and frost protection, you are required to make water meter returns each and every week. To assist those of you who don't use water in winter to meet the regulation requirement of weekly readings, the Council will accept a final reading and duplicate this reading through until Spring when water use generally commences again.

Telling the Council when water use ends is very important so that the Council's discretion can work. Please also contact the Council if you commence water use prior to Spring, Ph. 03 543 8400.

For consent holders who have ceased water use please supply a final reading. For those who have already let the Council know you have ceased water use, thank you.

# **Community Notices**

#### Women's Health Evening

#### Monday 9 June 2014, 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm Muses Café Motueka.

Do you have questions about: Light Bladder Weakness – Bowel Problems – Diabetes, Heart or Stroke risks? Then join us for a fun evening and get your questions answered. Information will be delivered in a casual, informative and fun way. Spot prizes and supper provided! For more information contact Motueka Community House on Ph. 03 528 0404. Registrations would be appreciated!

#### **Festival of Craft**

# Saturday 5 & Sunday 6 July 2014, 10.00 am to 4.00 pm, Motueka Memorial Hall.

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# **Resource Consents**

The Council has received applications for resource consent, which have been publicly notified in The Nelson Mail. The applications and supporting information may be examined in any Council Office or Service Centre. The full public notice may be found online on Council's website (www.tasman.govt.nz). Any person may make a submission on the applications in accordance with Section 96 of the Resource Management Act 1991. Submission forms are available from Council Offices, Service Centres and on Council's website. Please note that the following is an abridged advisory notice only.

**Applicant:** G & S Smeaton

Location: 585 High Street, Motueka

# Consent Type, Application Number and Proposal: Subdivision Consent (Application RM140359)

To subdivide CFR NL3B/1271 (with an area of 3.0238 hectares) creating two allotments as follows:

- (a) Lot 1 having an area of 2960 square metres and containing the existing dwelling and access to High Street.
- (b) Lot 2 having an area of 2.72 hectares with frontage to High Street, a proposed building site for a future dwelling and existing shed and berry plantings.

#### Land Use Consent (Application RM140360)

To construct a dwelling on proposed Lot 2. The land has a Rural 1 zoning according to the Tasman Resource Management Plan.

Submissions due: 4.30 pm on Monday 23 June 2014.

# **Community Notices**

#### **Keep up with the Tasman District Council Lowdown**

Hear news items from the Council about current public consultations, Council and community projects, topical interviews, plus a range of notices about activities and events in the Tasman District.

Tune in to Fresh FM on Monday 11.40 am or Wednesday 5.40 pm. Nelson-Tasman 104.8, Golden Bay 95.0.



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# **Public Notices**

# Notice of intention to grant a lease for part of Tapawera Recreation Reserve

Notice is given of the Tasman District Council's intention to grant a lease of part of the Tapawera Recreation Reserve, under Section 54(1)(b) of the Reserves Act 1977.

The lease area will be that formerly used by the local Scout Troop. The local Scout Troop has not been active for a number of years.

The Tapawera Menz Shed group has an agreement with Scouting NZ to acquire its building, subject to the Menz Shed Group obtaining a lease for the land from Council.

It is intended to grant a five-year lease to the Tapawera Menz Shed Group, to undertake various activities associated with indoor and outdoor recreation.

The lease will be for a land area of approximately 340 square metres, and essentially will be limited to the area occupied by the existing building. The lease will only cover the land.

The ownership of the building will transfer from Scouting NZ to the Tapawera Menz Shed group if the lease is granted.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Robert Cant on Ph. 03 543 8400, or via email robert.cant@tasman.govt.nz. Written submissions or objections should also be sent to Robert Cant.

**Submissions or objections will be received until 4.00 pm on 11 June 2014.** Please advise if you would like to be heard in relation to your submission.

A copy of this notice, together with a plan of the lease area is available on the Council's website.

# Notice of proposal to extend a lease of part of Brightwater Recreation Reserve

Tasman District Council is calling for submissions under the Reserves Act 1977, on its intention to extend a lease of part of the Brightwater Recreation Reserve.

The Wanderers Sports Club currently has a lease on Centennial Park in Brightwater. The Club has requested an extension of the lease area to accommodate building extensions. The extensions would be built behind the southern wall of the current changing rooms. The extensions will provide for extra changing facilities and a 'warm up room'. A small extension to the existing deck is also planned.

If the club is granted an extension to its lease area, it will begin the task of fundraising for the extensions. The physical improvements are likely to gradually occur as demand and money allows. Any changes to the building are likely to be some time in the future, and will require normal building consents.

The extensions will require the relocation of an existing shed.

Plans of the proposed extensions and any other information can be obtained by contacting Robert Cant on 03 543 8400, or via email robert. cant@tasman.govt.nz. Written submissions or objections should also be sent to Robert Cant. **Submissions or objections will be received until**4.00 pm on 11 June 2014. Please advise if you would like to be heard in relation to your submission if a hearing is required.

Copies of this notice, plus plans of the proposed extensions, are available on the Council's website.

# **Council Meetings**

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

#### **Golden Bay Community Board**

Collingwood Fire Station, Tuesday 10 June 2014, 9.00 am. Public forum

#### **Motueka Community Board**

Motueka Office, 7 Hickmott Place, Motueka, Tuesday 10 June 2014, 4.00 pm. Public forum

#### **Community Development Committee**

Tasman Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond, Thursday 19 June 2014, 9.30 am. Public forum

#### **Nelson Regional Sewerage Business Unit**

Nelson City Council Chambers, Friday 20 June 2014, 1.00 pm. No public forum

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# **Second Hand Sunday is coming to Richmond**

Sunday 15 June, 9.00 am until midday.

Both Tasman District and Nelson City Councils will be running a Second Hand Sunday event as a trial to see if it's a practical way for people to pass on items which would otherwise end up going to landfill. This is a great chance to have a think about what things you don't want any more but can't sell – one person's trash is another person's treasure!

The idea is simple and is much like running a garage sale from your home, but with no money involved. All you need to do is register. Registration details can be found online at www.nelson.govt.nz/services/rubbish/secondhand-sunday or you can pick up a registration form at Tasman District Council's

The list of households taking part will be publicised in local newspapers and on both Council's websites (a full list of households taking part will be available online on 12 June 2014).

#### **How does it work?**

Richmond office.

Just like a garage sale, you put your items on your driveway on the day (from 9.00 am to midday).

When you register you will be able to download or collect a letter box poster advertising you are taking part in Second Hand Sunday.

Anyone looking for items will be able to download the list of households taking part and come out on their very own treasure hunt. If you have anything left at the end of the day (and we hope you won't), then bring it back in as it is still your responsibility.



#### What to do

- 1. Sort and collect the things you no longer want (some things are excluded such as food or dangerous goods like faulty electrical equipment, chemicals or firearms).
- 2. Register before 5.00 pm on Thursday 12 June and your address will be promoted online ready for Second Hand Sunday (if you register by 5.00 pm on Monday 9 June we can also include you in the newspaper advertisement).
- 3. Download the letterbox poster (there's a link to it provided once you register), print it out and put it up at 9.00 am on the day so people can find you easily, or collect a copy from the Council's Office.
- 4. Put your items out on your driveway, and be there to keep an eye on what is happening and meet local fossickers.
- 5. At 12 noon take down the poster and take back any items left over. Remember, you are still responsible for any left over items.

# **National Pest Plant Accord**

The National Pest Plant Accord is an agreement between the Nursery and Garden Industry Association, regional councils and Government agencies (MPI, DOC) to prevent the propagation, sale, and distribution of specific harmful pest plants. The Accord was first developed in 2001. The plants in the Accord are declared to be `unwanted organisms' under the Biosecurity Act 1993. Under the Biosecurity Act, an unwanted organism is defined as any organism that a chief technical officer believes is capable of causing harm to any natural and physical resources or human health.

The Accord is updated when there are sufficient proposals for plants to be added or removed to justify a review and was last updated in 2012.

Currently, there are over 130 pest plants in the Accord and these include aquatics, ferns, grasses, ground covers, herbs, shrubs, trees and vines.

Accord-listed plants should not be propagated, sold or distributed. As these plants are recognised as unwanted organisms, landowners are encouraged to replace them with non-weedy species. Booklets titled "Plant Me Instead" contain suggestions on native and introduced species that can be used to replace these weedy species in your garden and these free booklets are available from Council Service Centres.

Those interested in finding out more about the Accord can download the information from the Ministry for Primary Industries website at www.biosecurity.govt.nz/NPPA



Mothplant (Araujia hortorum)

An example of an Accord-listed plant of concern is Mothplant (*Araujia hortorum*), an evergreen vine that is fast-growing, shade-tolerant and long-lived. It produces copious quantities of seed and is capable of invading intact or disturbed forest. The seeds are poisonous and the sap is a skin irritant. For further information, contact a Biosecurity Officer at Tasman District Council.



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