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A new approach to water restrictions

We're planning to consult on a revised bylaw that establishes clear guidelines about how homes and businesses will be expected to reduce their water use during future droughts or emergency water shortages.

The new approach is intended to provide clear advice about what you can expect in times of water shortage – such as drought, or natural disaster that affects our water supplies – and allow you to plan for how your household or business could adapt.

The updated Public Water Supply Bylaw will include a phased approach to water restrictions for everyone on a Council-provided water supply throughout Tasman District.

Restrictions would be imposed at a low level initially, on non-essential outdoor activities such as filling pools and washing cars.

If we find water use is not dropping enough in the early restriction phases, we would then be able to escalate to more severe measures. Businesses will be encouraged to develop water shortage plans to prepare for water cuts that could be imposed in emergency conditions.

The most severe restrictions are like to occur infrequently, with the most vulnerable area being the Waimea Plains. If we do not proceed with a water augmentation solution for the Waimea Plains, we estimate the more severe restrictions (phases 5 and 6) would occur once every six to ten years. This would affect residential and business customers connected to public water supplies in Brightwater, Hope, Richmond, Redwood Valley and Mapua. Restrictions would also apply to parts of Stoke that are supplied water from Tasman.

We will consult on the revised bylaw, including a six-phase water restriction framework, in the middle of 2018, before a final decision is made by the Council before the end of the year.

Summary of proposed water restriction phases

Phases 1 and 2 – Permitted use:

Conservation required. Limits on garden watering and outdoor use such as washing cars. Filling pools not permitted.

Phases 3 and 4 – Restricted use:

Restrictions in effect for all water users. Outdoor washing of cars, house exteriors etc permitted only for safety reasons, and with a bucket only. Productive gardens may be watered with a bucket only. Businesses must implement Water Shortage Plans and reduce usage by 25% – 50%.

Phases 5 and 6 – Prohibited use:

Emergency measures. Essential health and firefighting use only. All other water use prohibited.

Next Steps

- Council consider draft bylaw for consultation (June 2018)
- Public consultation on draft bylaw (mid-2018)
- Hearings
- Final bylaw with any changes adopted (late 2018)

Mayor's message

I would like to give a big vote of thanks to the Nelson Sculpture Trust following the unveiling of the sculpture 'Form in Formation' outside the library on Queen Street. This marks a great step toward making Richmond town centre a place we can all feel at home and I invite you to come and enjoy it.

The larger project of making Queen Street itself more resilient and able to cope with heavy rainfall events is nearing its end. We are all looking forward to the fences coming down permanently in the next few weeks and getting our street back. Thank you to the Richmond businesses that have experienced a lot of disruption during these works. Some may look at the final product and ask 'what happened here?' Much like the swan gliding on the top of the water, the majority of the action is occurring beneath the surface with larger stormwater, more efficient wastewater and water pipes meeting today's standards. Resolving historic flooding, and growth, has driven investment in the project. I hope you are looking forward to the completion of this project with me and enjoying a more people friendly Richmond town centre.

The Council is working towards final decision making on the Long Term Plan (LTP) in late June. Many of the decisions we have made so far have been focused on essential infrastructure throughout the District as we deal with resiliency and growth, while living within our means. Last year's property revaluations will mean some changes to the way we allocate rates over the next few years.

While we remain below our cap of 3% increases (excluding growth) in our total rates revenue in any one year, the recent changes in capital value will alter how this year's increase is shared between individual properties across the District. This means some of you will receive rates increases well above 3% and others will receive increases well below 3%, depending on whether your property value increased more or less than the average across the District.

The pressure on resources in our stunning district is a challenge and will always see compromise in the final result, which is why the people who took the time to submit on the LTP play such a valuable role in our decision-making. Thank you again to all those who submitted.



Richard Kempthorne
Mayor



In case you missed it ...

A summary of recent Council meetings and the decisions made.

Engineering Services Committee – 10 May 2018

- Committee chairman Stuart Bryant reported the Council was working with NZTA on a proposal to lower the speed limit on State Highway 60 from Three Brothers Corner to Westdale/ Maisey roads. Stuart's report said the Council also proposes to review the speed limits on local roads that feed into the stretch of highway. His report pointed out lowering the speed limit is just a first step towards improving safety, and is not a substitute for upgrading the road in the longer term.
- The committee approved the addition of a new six-phase water restriction framework to the Public Water Supply Bylaw. In June, the committee will be asked to approve the updated bylaw for public consultation. More information is on page 1.
- Staff reported on the performance of the Council's water, wastewater and stormwater network compared with other utilities providers nationally. Our performance against other medium-sized providers is reasonably good. Fees and charges are high in comparison to others – largely because of the large geographical area our services cover and the low density of properties per kilometre of pipeline.



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Farewell from chief executive Lindsay

It seems no time since my wife Liz and I were sitting in a café off Trafalgar Street waiting to hear the outcome of my final interview for the chief executive job with the Tasman District Council.

That was nearly seven years ago but the memory is vivid. The phone call came eventually. The news was what we wanted to hear and Liz burst into tears. That caused the anxious waiter to rush over, concerned that something was wrong with the food. The food was fine but we weren't able to say why tears were shed until much later.

The prospect of living, working in and serving this region was too good to turn down and the rest, as they say, is history. My resignation ends a long period of service in local government that started out in Invercargill as a water quality laboratory

technician, involved contracts as chief executive officer for Environment Southland and Gisborne District Council, and is ending here in Tasman. Liz and I are staying in the region as it is our home now.

As for the role – it's had its challenges and its rewards. I've enjoyed tremendous political support which is actually the key to getting things done. The management team is great and we have a lot of committed, talented people on the staff who have supported me. Many of the tasks that the Council set for me and the team, especially relating to our approach to finances and infrastructure,



have been achieved. But the improvement journey is never over in organisations and communities like ours and there is a lot more to do. It time to hand those tasks on to Janine Dowding, my successor, to lead. Please make her as welcome as you have made me and offer her the support that she will also need to serve you well.

Sculpture adds vibrant touch to Richmond streetscape

A fun, colourful new sculpture named 'Form in Formation' has been installed outside the Richmond Library.

The interactive sculpture, by New Zealand-Korean artist Seung Yul Oh, was commissioned by the Nelson Sculpture Trust with support and funding from Tasman District Council, Rata Trust, Waimea Nurseries, Richmond Unlimited and local families.

In handing over ownership of the sculpture to the Council to keep and maintain for the community, Nelson Sculpture Trust's Andrew Greenhough said the sculpture was an outstanding addition to Richmond's public art.



"We hope it will be enjoyed by the people of Richmond and the wider region. The artwork is colourful, vibrant and contemporary. Like all good sculpture it invites people to walk around it, enjoy it and view it from all aspects."

Tasman Mayor Richard Kempthorne expressed his sincere thanks to the sculpture trust for their hard work and to Seung Yul Oh for his wonderful sculpture.

"The sculpture will bring enjoyment to people and brighten Richmond for years to come. My thanks to the trust and everyone who has played a part in helping make this project a reality," he said.



Nelson approves dam funding

The Nelson City Council has agreed to contribute \$5 million to the Waimea Community Dam project.

The decision this month means another piece in the jigsaw is now in place. Nelson Mayor Rachel Reese says: "As we grow as a region, security of water supply will benefit us all."

Reduce the smoke haze – clean burning tips

Keep your fire burning cleanly and limit your contribution to winter air pollution – dry wood and a good flow of air are all you need.

Domestic fires are a major contributor to winter air pollution. Luckily, all wood burners can be operated in a way that reduces the amount of smoke they produce.

- Use dry, untreated firewood
- Keep a good flow of air going

Once your fire is burning brightly, head outside the check the smoke coming out the chimney. A thin wisp of light-coloured smoke is what you're aiming for.

Please don't be tempted to bank up your fire and then turn the air flow down, as this is one of the biggest contributors to smoke haze overnight.

Look for the Good Wood tick

When you choose a Good Wood supplier, you're opting for a trusted source of dry firewood that will burn well, helping to keep your home warmer and our air cleaner.

Good Wood suppliers can provide seasoned firewood, suitable for immediate use.

Head to www.tasman.govt.nz/link/good-wood for a list of suppliers.

Clean your chimney

Finally, remember to clean your chimney annually. This is important to help prevent chimney fires and will also help your wood burner run more efficiently.



Police to focus on Salisbury Road pedestrian crossings

Police will be increasing their presence on Salisbury Road during the morning commute following concern from schools that drivers are not stopping to allow children to cross the road.

Please take extra care on your morning journey if you use this route, and make sure you stop if you can see there are people waiting to use the crossings. There are often school crossing patrols in place, but they still need drivers to slow down to provide a safe opportunity to swing out the barrier arms.

While all the signs, markings and lighting that should be present at this type of pedestrian crossing are currently in place, we'll be reviewing whether there are changes we can make to contribute to better driver behaviour.

Thanks for helping to keep children safe on their journey to school.

Entries close soon for Trustpower Community Awards

Don't miss the chance to say thank you to your local volunteers by entering them into the Trustpower Community Awards. Get in quick – **entries close 31 May!**

The Trustpower Community Awards recognise and reward voluntary and not-for-profit groups. If they're making your community a better place, we want to hear about them! Winners of Trustpower Community Awards will receive \$1,000, and Regional Supreme Winners will receive \$2,000.

It's quick and easy to enter online, and when you enter a group you'll go in the draw to win one of six \$500 Prezzy Cards.

Do your bit for your community in two minutes — enter a group today.

Trustpower Youth Community Spirit Award

The Trustpower Youth Community Spirit Award recognises and celebrates the contributions of our future community leaders.

The Award is open to all 17-18 year olds who are making a difference in their community. Anyone can enter a young person, including the young person themselves, so if you know of a deserving young person make sure you enter them!

www.trustpower.co.nz/communityawards.

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Sundial Square hosts evening of magic

Thanks for joining us at Take Two in Sundial Square this month – we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did! Our circus performers wowed the crowd, the kids had a blast trying out juggling, hula-hooping and uni-cycle riding, and the lights and bubbles created a magic atmosphere.

The highlight of the night was *The Greatest Showman* on the big screen. Families brought their deck chairs and snuggled up under blankets to enjoy the outdoor movie. Richmond food vendors kept everyone fed and happy.

A big thank you to everyone who helped make this free, fun community event a success.



QUEEN STREET UPGRADE

Construction enters its final weeks

Work on the Queen Street Upgrade is nearing completion and new sections of street will soon reopen.

From early June, the only remaining construction zone will be the area from the entrance to Warring carpark up to and including the Tasman District Council office.

The fenced-off sections on either side of this area will reopen by the start of June.



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Proposal to build a seawall at Pakawau Beach

Resource Consent Application

The Pakawau Community Residents' Association has applied to the Tasman District Council for resource consents to construct a 345 metre seawall on Council esplanade reserve land and the coastal marine area at Pakawau. The proposed seawall is intended to protect the adjacent private land from coastal erosion.

This application is being publicly notified. This is a summary notice only. You can see the full public notice, the application, assessment of environmental effects and supporting information on our website at: www.tasman.govt.nz/feedback and follow the link to "Notified Resource Consents". Alternatively, you can see a copy of the application at our offices during normal office hours.

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 and on our website. Details of how to lodge a submission are also on the website.

Submissions close at 4.00 pm on Monday 18 June 2018.

Kaiteriteri Wastewater Upgrades Move into next stage

Significant construction work is underway in Stephens Bay to upgrade sewer pump stations at the Stephens Bay Reserve and Tapu Bay Reserve. The work is the second stage of a major wastewater project to increase the capacity and efficiency of the wastewater network in the area. The first stage was the installation of a new sewer main in the Riwaka-Kaiteriteri Road from Cederman Drive to Goodall Road, replacing the existing pipe under the Tapu Bay estuary. Moving the pipe into the road means it is easier to maintain and protects the estuary from any accidental spills or overflows. The two pump stations now need to be upgraded to push wastewater in the opposite direction – to the new main in the road.

The work at the two reserves will take until July to complete and will mean some disruption to access. Some parking spaces at Stephens Bay and an area to the north of Tapu Bay reserve will be fenced off while construction is carried out. There will also be some construction traffic on the roads around Stephens Bay. People using the reserves should take care when accessing the steep access road to Tapu Bay Reserve and be aware there is construction taking place.

Rates rebate deadline reminder

The deadline for applications for a rates rebate for the 2017/2018 rating year is 30 June 2018.

Rebates are based on your household income, the amount of your rates, and the number of dependents.

You can estimate if you're eligible for a rebate using your income for the year ending 31 March 2017 at www.dia.govt.nz/web/submitforms.nsf/RatesRebateCalc?OpenForm.

Application forms and more information are available at Council offices or at www.tasman.govt.nz/property/rates/rates-rebate.

May is Kickstart Compost Month!

Have you been thinking about what to do with your food and garden scraps but not sure where to start? Kickstart Compost Month is for anyone wanting to start or get back into composting, set up a worm farm or try out a Bokashi bucket. For May only, Tasman District Council is increasing its subsidy from \$20 to \$30 for buying a compost bin, worm farm or a Bokashi bucket. The coupon, which can be downloaded from our website (search phrase: compost voucher), is available for Tasman residents from participating retailers and is for purchases in May only. Participating retailers are listed on the voucher. Let's get food waste out of the bin and put it to work growing great plants and food!

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Community Grants open

Are you planning a great community event or project – but need a little help to make it happen?

Applications for our Community Grants are open now and close on 31 July 2018. Funding is available for Tasman-based projects that meet a community need and have community support. Priority is given to projects that can show financial support from other sources as well.

Online applications: This year we've shortened the time you'll need to spend online. Visit tasman.govt.nz/link/grants to download the Community Grants from Rates Application Form. Work on the application at your own pace – and save as you go. Send the completed application back to us using a simple online form.

Find out more: Visit our website, tasman.govt.nz/link/grants or email Community Partnerships Coordinator Mike Tasman-Jones, mike.tasman-jones@tasman.govt.nz.

Cycleway Detour

Work to repair a portion of Tasman's Great Taste Trail cycleway near Whakatu Drive starts on 20 May and should be complete by 8 June.

- What – Partial closure of the cycleway along Whakatu Drive for post-storm remediation works, including the installation of rock protection and re-sealing.
- Where – Cycleway by Whakatu Drive. Detour via the Richmond Aquatic Centre underpass and Main Road, Stoke and Orphanage Creek.
- When – Sunday 20 May to Friday 8 June

Rating information is publicly available

Our rating information database includes information such as the property location, valuation number, capital and land value as at 1 July 2017, and current year's rates. Rating information is available for you to view at any service centre during office hours. You can also search online at www.tasman.govt.nz/link/rates-search. Notice given under section 28, Local Government (Rating) Act 2002.

Public planting day in Faulkner's Bush

You're invited to join the Faulkner's Bush society for their annual public planting on Saturday 9 June from 10.00 am – 12.30 pm. The planting will be at Faulkner's Bush close to the Scout Hut off Treeton Place. The society can provide some spades but please do bring your own if you have one. Recommend gloves, drinking water and good footwear. Turn up any time and plant as little or as many as you can – there are 500 native trees in total.

Planting days at Dominion Flat

Volunteers are wanted for another planting push in this fantastic reserve. The growth this year has been phenomenal – come and see for yourself.

We have 4000 more plants this year so we need all the help we can get.

- Dates: 26, 27 May
- Time: 9.00 am until midday
- Location: Dominion Flat, cnr Mapua Drive and the Coastal Highway

Wear suitable footwear and clothing and sun hat. Morning tea provided. A great social occasion and a chance to make a difference.

Battle for the Banded Rail

Lend a hand at a community planting day on the Waimea Inlet.

- Sunday 27 May, 9.00 am – 1.00 pm, Manuka Island. Follow sign to Manuka Island from Redwood Road.
- Sunday 10 June, 9.00 – 1.00 pm, Bronte Peninsula North. Park on Cardno Way (off Bronte Road East).

Please bring gloves, spade and drinking water. Wear solid footwear and clothes suitable for the weather conditions. Morning tea will be provided (coffee courtesy of Pomeroy's).

Battle for the Banded Rail is a Waimea Inlet Forum project working with local communities. It aims to increase the number of banded rail and other estuarine birds on the Waimea Inlet by restoring habitat and trapping predators.

For more information email bandedrail@gmail.com or phone Kathryn on 544 4537.

Road closures

Applicant: Nelson Car Club

Event: Tadmor-Glenhope Racing Event

Location: Tadmor-Glenhope Road. From 4.3km from intersection of SH6 to 2.7km south from intersection of Tui Road, Kereru Road and Tadmor-Glenhope Road.

Date: Saturday 14 July 2018

Time: 7.30 am to 4.00 pm

Applicant: Nelson Car Club

Event: Pigeon Valley Racing Event

Location: Pigeon Valley Road from Sharp Road intersection to 409 Dovedale Road (1km east of Dovedale Road/Brandy Creek Rd Intersection)

Date: Saturday 14 July 2018

Time: 7.00 am to 4.00 pm

Council Meetings

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

Unless otherwise stated, all meetings will be held at Council Chambers, 189 Queen Street, Richmond.

Community Grants Subcommittee

Tuesday 29 May 2018, 9.30 am.
No public forum

Community Development Committee

Thursday 31 May 2018, 9.30 am.
Public forum

Audit and Risk Committee

Thursday 7 June 2018, 1.30 pm.
No public forum

Golden Bay Community Board

Collingwood Fire Station, Elizabeth Street, Collingwood. Tuesday 12 June 2018, 9.00 am. Public forum

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HerStory – A celebration of local women

Tasman Libraries are celebrating the 125th anniversary of New Zealand women gaining the right to vote by bringing together photos and other materials that document the lives of women in Tasman District between 1893 and 1993.

If you have original photos, letters or other unique items from this period and are happy to lend them to us to copy and publish on the Kete Tasman website, please get in touch. For further information please contact us on (03) 543 8500 or email: LibraryInfoServices@tasman.govt.nz.

Author Bruce Gilkison walks with James Hogg at Motueka

Bruce Gilkison has recently published a book about James Hogg – a 19th Century Scottish writer, poet, sportsman and larger-than-life personality.

For an entertaining introduction to Hogg's life, and Gilkison's book (Walking With James Hogg: The Ettrick Shepherd's Journeys Through Scotland), join us at Motueka Library on Thursday 21 June at 2.00 pm. Koha. All welcome.

Award-winning author and playwright to speak at Richmond Library

The Richmond Writing Group is pleased to host award-winning playwright and author Michelanne Forster at its June meeting. Forster, who has written more than 20 plays for adults and children and is widely published, will share insights about the writing process and give some great tips and tricks for getting started.

Michelanne Forster will be at Richmond Library on Tuesday 19 June at 1.00 pm. It's free and everyone is welcome.

How are you sleeping?

You might be surprised to know that the way you eat affects whether or not you get a great night's sleep. Find out about the science of sleep and why it is so important with registered nutritionist Sarah La Touche. Topics such as sleep hygiene practices and how diet can influence your sleep patterns will be discussed.

Join us at Motueka Library on Thursday 28 June from 2.00 pm – 3.00 pm for this fascinating talk. All welcome. Koha.

Author Heather Holmes to speak at Richmond Library

Prudence Miller is a mildly inefficient tax clerk with the Inland Revenue. Reading about her adventures in Heather Holmes' book *What's In A Name?* will make you smile ... and laugh. It is a light hearted story written to engage, bring a smile to the reader's face and raise funds for the Cancer Society. It has been very positively received and has raised approximately \$5,000 for the Cancer Society so far – taking Holmes halfway to her goal of \$10,000.

Join us at Richmond Library on Thursday 21 June at 5.30 pm to hear Heather speak about her book. Free. All welcome. Book purchases available.

Boggle and Banagram in Takaka

Takaka Library has got you covered for Winter with Word Game mornings. Boggle, Wordspeed, Banagram, Upwords and Wordigo are guaranteed to get you out

of bed and your brain into gear for a fun morning of brain gymnastics. Takaka Library's Word Game mornings start in June, dates and times to be confirmed. Check the library website www.tasmanlibraries.govt.nz, or give us a call on 03 525 0059 for further details.

Inky Mysteries at Richmond Library

Do you have any teenagers in your life who love books, are at a loose end after school, and would like some like-minded chums? If so, send them to Richmond Library for our teen book group *Mystery Ink*. The group catches up monthly to talk about books and movies and get the first pick of the newest titles. A snack and fun diversions are included. The next meeting of *Mystery Ink* is on Thursday June 14 from 3.30 pm to 4.30 pm at Richmond Library. All welcome, ages 12 – 18. And it's free!

Scratch that!

Remember the Scratch Coding Club for Kids with Amanda Clarke? It's starting up again! Scratch is designed especially for ages 8 to 16, but is used by people of all ages. With Scratch, you can programme your own interactive stories, games, and animations — and share your creations with others in the online community. Scratch helps young people learn to think creatively, reason systematically, and work collaboratively – essential skills for life in the 21st Century. Join us at Takaka Library on Mondays at 3.45 pm for Scratch Coding Club. Limited places available, registration is required.

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