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Downer contractors



Hydrologist Brenda Clapp



The invasive Taiwan Cherry



Kay Anderson at CDEM

Working through the levels

Keeping Tasman District running has been a challenge during the Covid-19 lockdown restrictions. While it certainly hasn't been business as usual, the usual business of the Council has had to carry on.

Essential services like refuse continued, and water and wastewater infrastructure were maintained.

Although our service centres were forced to close, our customer services team continued to staff the phones remotely to ensure people had the help and information they needed. Staff from other departments were also well equipped to work remotely so the heart of the organisation could keep beating.

Out in the field our contractors were on the job ensuring critical repairs and maintenance work continued. For example, at Pohutukawa Place in Pōhara, a services trench was undermined when a stormwater drain was eroded. This work had to be

done during Level Four restrictions to protect the underground services from damage and to help prevent further damage occurring to properties.

Regular environmental monitoring continued during Levels Three and Four too.

There are multiple underground sources of water on the Waimea Plains, and our hydrologists must take regular measurements of water levels in these aquifers. This is essential for management of the resource which is used by farming and horticulture, as well as industry and town water supplies.

The lockdown coincided with the start of spring which is a critical time of year for our biosecurity team.

It's the best time to identify many unwelcome plant pest invaders that take root and potentially threaten our native species.

Other members of Council staff joined the Emergency Operations Centre which has been active throughout the lockdown levels at the Civil Defence Emergency Management Centre. Their role was to look after the welfare of anyone in the area who needed assistance at any time during lockdown.

All Council offices and facilities are now open with some restrictions. For more details check our website, tasman.govt.nz.

MEET YOUR REPRESENTATIVES

Here we are just out of lockdown again. This time, our customer services staff were able to answer your calls while working from home. That's a big step forward from the first lockdown last year.

It is gratifying to learn that the Tākaka grandstand project is going well. Next year will be the 125th A&P show, and all going to plan, the grandstand should be useable by then.

Seeing the big Scott Construction signs at the derelict looking squash courts part of the building is a sign that it is really happening. I reflect on how the Council changed its mind on demolition, which in the end was

about carparks, and in March 2020 voted to spend the money required as part of the 10-Year Plan.

We all recognise how valuable it is for local businesses to work on heritage projects such as this, so Scott Construction will be subcontracting most of the work to locals and buying materials locally too.

The importance of heritage is not always to the fore in our region. Before lockdown, I attended the AGM of Heritage Golden Bay where Bob Butts presented a fascinating account of Port Tarakohe and the cement works. Heritage is about our places and cultures of work and

industry as shown in the meticulously researched plaques in Tākaka.

A tour of the backrooms of our museums and the storage facility in Stoke surprises with the variety of items connected with our working lives and taonga of great significance in every available space. The Council will be contributing to the overdue new storage facility for our regional museum, as well as continuing support for the museums in Motueka and Tākaka.

**Councillor
Celia Butler
Golden Bay Ward**



Trash, treasure and winners

It's often said that one person's trash is another's treasure, and the popularity of our most recent Second Hand Sunday proves that.

On the Sunday before we were all confined to our bubbles and went into lockdown, dozens of households placed their reusable 'trash' out on the street where many others were able to grab some treasure.

Kiwis are some of the highest generators of waste per person in the OECD. In 2018, landfills around the country received about 750kg of waste per person, adding up to a massive 3.7 million tonnes of domestic waste.

Second Hand Sunday is a simple and effective way to rehome goods that you no longer need, and that

are too good to be sent to landfill. We run Second Hand Sunday four times a year, with consistently positive results.

In our most recent participant survey, nearly all respondents reported that more than half of the items they put out were taken away. Many participants then took leftover items to an op shop, gave to friends, or took to a Resource Recovery Centre, all helping to divert goods away from landfill.

Some of the most popular items participants found during our August event were children's toys, outdoor equipment, books and gardening equipment.

Anne Asher was the winner of the \$30 Prezzy Card lucky draw and has been part of every Second Hand Sunday since they began.



"We just had a few boxes of bits and pieces we no longer needed plus some tech items. Registration was simple and practical, and it was easy to print off a poster to advertise with."

Anne says out of five boxes of items put out, four and a half were picked up by eager treasure hunters.

The next Second Hand Sunday is 14 November. Check our website to register, download a free advertising poster and keep an eye out for our post-event survey to go in the draw to win a Prezzy Card.

Tākaka Hill wilding pine control work gets \$250,000 funding

Efforts to eradicate wilding pines from sections of the Tākaka Hill are continuing with Tākaka Hill Biodiversity Group Trust (THBGT) one of 12 community projects across New Zealand to receive a share of \$2 million to carry out wilding pine control.

Through the Ministry of Primary Industries' Community Partnership Projects Fund, THBGT has been given \$250,000 for year two and three of its wilding pine control work on Tākaka Hill. Last year, \$119,750 of funding was provided for the first year of the project, which was completed in May 2021.

Work in the next two years will look to further expand upon that initial control and also undertake significant control on public conservation land within Abel Tasman and Kahurangi National Parks. It is also expected to provide 2.25 FTE roles.

Wilding pine control is weather (and alert level) dependent but is planned to begin this month.

"Funding to continue with the THBGT wilding pine control project is an important part of our 30-year strategy to restore and protect the unique limestone / marble karst ecosystems on over 4,500 ha of the Tākaka Hill private land corridor," project manager Charmaine Petereit said.

The Tākaka Hill project is independent from our Jobs for Nature work around the Mt. Richmond Wilding Conifer Control programme. However, we are working in partnership with THBGT.



Our project manager, Jobs for Nature George Daly said the further funding is of great benefit to the biodiversity of the Tākaka Hill and surrounding areas with wilding pine control planned to take place on land with very high ecological value.

Pictured above: Our Jobs For Nature project manager George Daly (left) and THBGT's Charmaine Petereit on Tākaka Hill. Photo © Tākaka Hill Biodiversity Group Trust.

Expressions of interest accepted for Tasman's Infrastructure Acceleration Fund

There's been an important step in potentially providing up to 5,000 new homes for Tasman District. We have recommended 11 development applications for approval under the Government's Infrastructure Acceleration Fund (IAF).

The potential developments are spread between Richmond South and West, Wakefield, Tākaka, Māpua and Motueka as well as two neighbouring developments located between Tasman village and Māpua. Each project will potentially provide between 100 and 2,500 dwellings.

The IAF provides an opportunity to source significant external funding for affordable housing without a significant impact on our rate levels.

Co-operation from multiple developers and landowners in similar areas has been positive, with indications they are prepared to

provide at least 20 percent affordable housing as per our request. These would be generally higher density and / or smaller homes.

We plan to invest \$317 million in growth related infrastructure for Tasman over the next 30 years.

Housing numbers are on the increase with 633 new dwellings consented in the year to May.

However, of the approximately 11,800 new dwellings required over the next 30 years, 60 percent of these homes will need to connect to our infrastructure.

Tasman Mayor Tim King said the level of infrastructure investment required in a high growth area is a challenge, and the IAF funding provides an opportunity to help make that investment more affordable for us and our community.

The applications have now been submitted to Kāinga Ora who will notify us in October of the successful proposals.

Funding agreements are scheduled to be finalised between March and October 2022.

Join the Coastal Management conversation

Tasman's coastline spans over 700km of open coast and estuary shorelines. Like other coastal communities around New Zealand, Tasman has experienced and will continue to experience the impacts of sea level rise and coastal hazards.

While the rate and exact amount of future sea level rise is uncertain, we do know that rising sea levels will have increasing implications for development and infrastructure in coastal areas along with environmental, cultural, economic, and societal effects.

A Council report released late last year outlined that rural productive land, homes (predominately in Motueka), open space and recreation land, and key infrastructure are at risk. A number of archaeological sites, heritage

buildings, and community facilities are also vulnerable.

Later this month, we're hosting three interactive webinars that will cover what we know about future sea level rise and coastal hazards and be a place for safe conversations that explore "what can we do about it?".

These webinars will be on Tuesday 28 September, 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm; Thursday 30 September, 12.00 pm – 1.00 pm; and Thursday 30 September, 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm.

It is free to register and attend. Our Coastal Management Project Lead Diana Worthy and Natural Hazards Scientist Glenn Stevens will be joined by leading New Zealand Coastal Scientist Dr Rob Bell to talk through climate change scenarios and answer your questions about how different areas might be affected.

They'll be presenting our four broad options for responding to sea level rise and coastal hazards;



accommodate, protect, avoid and retreat. There is more on these options in the feedback form on the following pages of this Newsline.

We hope to hear a range of views and ideas over the coming weeks. Give us your feedback in hard copy through the form enclosed or online.

By coming together now to look at what we know about sea level rise and coastal hazards in Tasman, and the options we have for responding, we'll be better prepared for future decision-making.

For more information, webinar links and to give feedback visit tasman.govt.nz/coastal-management.

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Coastal Management – Responding to Climate Change

Coastal Management Options Feedback Form

Read about the four groupings of broad options for coastal management at tasman.govt.nz/coastal-management. We'd appreciate your feedback as the consideration of options requires input from landowners and residents, iwi, council staff and technical experts, and the wider community.

We are keen to understand your views on the options presented or if there are other options we've not identified. Please let us know your preferences and ideas using the form question prompts below.

What we learn from respondents will help to inform the next phases of the Coastal Management Project, particularly any future discussions of options at a more local level.

Please submit your form to Council before 15 October 2021.

To find out more about the options before giving feedback, visit our website: www.tasman.govt.nz/coastal-management

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Where do you live? (please choose your nearest centre)

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| <input type="radio"/> Coastal Tasman (Appleby to Mariri) | <input type="radio"/> Rototai – Milnthorpe |
| <input type="radio"/> Collingwood – Puponga | <input type="radio"/> St Arnaud |
| <input type="radio"/> Māpua/Ruby Bay | <input type="radio"/> Tākaka |
| <input type="radio"/> Motueka/Riwaka | <input type="radio"/> Tapawera – Upper Motueka Valley |
| <input type="radio"/> Moutere (Mahana, Upper and Lower Moutere) | <input type="radio"/> Tasman – Kina |
| <input type="radio"/> Murchison | <input type="radio"/> Wakefield |
| <input type="radio"/> Nelson District | <input type="radio"/> Waimea Plains |
| <input type="radio"/> Northwest Coast, Golden Bay | <input type="radio"/> Other |
| <input type="radio"/> Pōhara – Wainui Bay | |

KEEPING IN TOUCH

If you'd like us to keep in touch, please make sure you've entered your contact details.

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| <input type="radio"/> Yes, I would like to receive updates on the Coastal Management Project and other Tasman resource management projects. | <input type="radio"/> Yes, I would like to participate in future in-depth discussions about coastal management. |
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Coastal Management Options

We want your feedback on the four high-level options for coastal management.

Your feedback may cover:

- Which options you do or do not support
- The challenges or opportunities with an option(s)
- General feedback to inform a district-wide approach for coastal management, or specific feedback relating to a local area or site
- Other options and ideas for coastal management that we haven't identified.

You only need to fill out the parts of the survey that you are interested in.

As part of your feedback, you can attach additional pages or documents to this form.



Please return your completed feedback form to us before 15 October 2021.

- **In person:** Tasman District Council, 189 Queen Street, Richmond
- **Email:** tasmancoastalmanagement@tasman.govt.nz
- **Post:** Coastal Management Project, c/o 189 Queen Street, Private Bag 4, Richmond, 7050

ACCOMMODATE

These options enable continued use of coastal land but existing development is adjusted, or new development is designed, to anticipate the hazard risk. Examples include raising ground and/or floor levels of buildings, requiring relocatable houses, or providing alternative inundation pathways.



Question 1: What are your views on the Accommodate options?

Question 2: Are there any other Accommodate options that we've missed?

PROTECT

These options 'hold the line' and include soft and hard options to protect coastal areas from the sea. Soft protection includes dune and beach nourishment/replenishment (e.g. sand push-ups) and wetland restoration and enhancement. Hard protection includes coastal protection structures (e.g. sea walls), groynes, stopbanks, tide banks, and causeways.



Question 3: What are your views on the Protect options?

Question 4: Are there any other Protect options that we've missed?

AVOID

This option uses land-use planning measures to avoid further intensification of existing built areas or the development of new sites in low lying coastal locations. It includes measures such as policies and rules within resource management plans to control the types and densities of land uses (via zoning), subdivision and building restrictions, and coastal setbacks.



Question 5: What are your views on the Avoid options?

Question 6: Are there any other Avoid options that we've missed?

RETREAT

This option applies to existing development and involves moving people, assets and activities away from the coast. It can take place across a range of scales from individual properties (e.g. moving a building back on a property), to relocating whole communities and infrastructure, or enabling ecological migration of coastal species and habitats.



Question 7: What are your views on the Retreat options?

Question 8: Are there any other Retreat options that we've missed?

GENERAL FEEDBACK

Question 9: Any general feedback on the coastal management options and how we may respond to coastal hazards and sea level rise?

This feedback could include suggestions on what combination of options may be appropriate or the staging of options over time.

As with any feedback, suggestions, or formal submissions, what you send us becomes a public document. The Council is required to comply with the provisions of the Privacy Act 1993. Personal information is collected, held and used in accordance with the principles set out in this Act.

Fallen comrades remembered 100 years on

A frigid wind and rain showers did not deter a hearty group of about 20 representatives from the Richmond Waimea RSA marking a century since the foundation stone for the Richmond Town Hall was laid.

The original brick building on Cambridge Street was known as the YMCA War Memorial building and was erected to commemorate the people who lost their lives during the First World War. The building opened in 1922.

With various additions and modifications, it has served not only as a YMCA but also Richmond Borough Council Chambers, ladies rest room, billiards venue, town hall, picture theatre, car rental business and dance hall.

Today Richmond Town Hall is home to a myriad of community organisations, activities and businesses.

At the wreath laying ceremony on August 17, Richmond Waimea RSA

president John Lewellen paid tribute to fallen comrades before a poppy wreath was laid by Vietnam Veteran Robin Godbaz followed by the presentation of individual poppies.



Future Development Strategy's public engagement Zooms ahead

The first round of community engagement for the Nelson Tasman 2021 – 2051 Future Development Strategy (FDS) will start on 4 October and run until 26 October.

This round will be held remotely with information available online and via several Zoom information sessions.

Staff will provide an overview of the project and seek feedback on some key questions. This will also provide an opportunity for anyone to suggest sites for future housing and business development. These suggestions will be considered in the preparation of the FDS.

Developing a new FDS is a joint project between Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council.

The FDS sets out where and how residential and business growth within

Nelson and Tasman regions will occur over the next 30 years. It will replace the adopted FDS of July 2019.

The project is currently underway and will be completed in July 2022. The preparation of the updated FDS will include the following stages:

- **Stage 1** – Project initiation (July – August 2021)
- **Stage 2** – Baseline information analysis and review (July – October 2021)
- **Stage 3** – Initial stakeholder and community engagement (online) (September – October 2021)

- **Stage 4** – Drafting the FDS (October 2021 – February 2022)
- **Stage 5** – Public consultation; special consultative procedure (face to face meetings) (March – May 2022)
- **Stage 6** – Update and finalise the FDS (May – July 2022)

If you want to register for the Zoom engagement sessions in October, visit tasman.govt.nz, and search 'Future Development Strategy'.

If you have any further queries, please email futuredevelopmentstrategy@tasman.govt.nz.

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A call for Pōhara Hall local committee members

Pōhara's community hall may soon benefit from a committee of locals to oversee the running of the facility.

The majority of community halls around our region are managed by volunteer community groups. In Golden Bay, community ownership of halls at Ōnekakā and Kōtinga, in particular, has enabled residents to create and maintain these facilities as a hub for social events and meetings.

These local committees are elected on a three yearly basis, usually representatives of the groups that use the hall. However, the Pōhara Hall does not currently have a community group managing it and is overseen by the Council.

Located on Abel Tasman Drive, the Pōhara Hall is a multi-purpose facility that provides a venue for a wide range of social activities.

Our staff met with three parties prior to lockdown who are interested in creating a Pōhara Hall Committee. So far, this includes representatives from the Country Music Club and two other members of the community.

However, as the requirement is a minimum of five members, the call has gone out to rally the community for some additional support. You don't need to be a user of the hall to be part of the committee – just passionate about the hall and retaining it for community use.

Golden Bay Community Board member Averill Grant emphasised

the importance of community halls now and heading into the future.

“The Pōhara Hall is a great asset in a great location and fills a niche some other halls may not meet – overseen locally with its own committee it is more likely to ensure it has long-term retention.”

The aim is to get something up and running by the end of September.

If you are interested in being a part of the committee, please email Reserves and Facilities Administrator Jane Park, jane.park@tasman.govt.nz.



Help could be available for your rates payments

Help is available for lower income earners to meet their annual rates bill.

To be entitled to a rebate you must be the person who pays the rates on the property that you live in full time. You also must be listed as the ratepayer in our Rating Information Database (RID). This database has all the information about rates and ratepayers for every property in our area.

Most retirement village residents, including people who live under a licence to occupy agreement, can apply for a rates rebate and so can those who live in owner occupier flats such as a company share flat or apartment.

You can't claim a rates rebate for the rates payable on a property that's used mostly for business, farming, commercial or industrial purposes, or a home that isn't your usual place of residence like a holiday home.

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

If you have received a rates rebate in the past, you will automatically receive an application form and guide.

If you're not sure if you're eligible, call us and we can check your eligibility for you, or for more information head to our website, tasman.govt.nz, and search 'rates rebates'.



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NEWSLINE UPDATES



Apply for rural sports funding now

Applications are now invited for the Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund. The Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund offers help with travel costs for rural sports clubs and rural school teams. The fund is to help young people aged 5 – 19 participate in local sports competitions. Sport NZ fully funds the Rural Travel Fund, which we administer locally on their behalf. The next funding round closes on Sunday 31 October. Head to tasman.govt.nz/grants to check out the funding guidelines and complete an application form.

Bridge weight limits and speed restrictions

We manage 518 bridges across the Tasman District and each year some are earmarked for replacement or maintenance.

About 30 of these structures, often in rural or more remote areas, have special weight and speed restrictions due to their size, age or unique condition. Occasionally these special restrictions change.

These bridges are managed by the Community Infrastructure Transportation Team.

Please check our website to ensure you are up to date with the latest information about our bridges. Visit tasman.govt.nz and search 'bridges'.

Tell us your amazing art idea

Our Creative Communities Scheme has funding available to help groups and individuals running arts projects in Tasman. Creative Communities provides funding to support community involvement in the arts – whether it's music, theatre, festivals, mural painting, outdoor sculptures, art in public spaces, kapa haka, singing, art workshops or something else. Funded by Creative New Zealand, the Creative Communities Scheme is designed to support opportunities for communities to participate in the arts. There is a focus on art projects that have a broad community involvement, involve young people or support the diverse arts and cultural traditions of local communities. Applications are open until Wednesday 10 November. For more information and to complete an application form, visit tasman.govt.nz/creative-communities.

COUNCIL HUI



Under Covid-19 restrictions, meetings will take place in person and via Zoom video conferencing. Public forum presenters are encouraged to present via Zoom. Visit tasman.govt.nz/meetings-calendar for the Zoom link.

Nelson Regional Sewerage Business Unit

Friday 17 September, 2.00 pm. Public forum.

Motueka Community Board

Tuesday 21 September, 4.00 pm. Public forum.

Full Council

Thursday 23 September, 9.30 am. Public forum.

Community Awards Subcommittee

Thursday 30 September, 9.00 am.

Strategy and Policy Committee

Thursday 30 September, 9.30 am. Public forum.

Audit and Risk Committee

Thursday 30 September, 1.30 pm. Public forum.

PROPOSED TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE



Applicant: Nelson Drag Racing Association

Event: Motueka Drag Racing Series

Location: Queen Victoria Street – from Green Lane to King Edward Street including Marchwood Park Road. Controlled access will be given to Marchwood Park Road and caravan waste dump station during races due to safety reasons. Marshals will direct campervans to the College Street entrance.

Dates and times:

- Saturday 13 November 2021, 7.30 am to 4.00 pm (alternative rain date Sunday 14 November)
- Saturday 15 January 2022, 7.30 am to 4.00 pm
- Saturday 5 February 2022, 7.30 am to 4.00 pm (alternative rain date Sunday 6 February)
- Saturday 5 March 2022, 7.30 am to 4.00 pm

Objections close: 5.00 pm, Friday 8 October 2021. Please send any objections to megan.bell@tasman.govt.nz.

Thinking ahead for peace of mind

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Alphabet Soup

If it's one thing Levels Three and Four were good for, it was reading. Put all that reading to good use by taking part in our year-long epic reading challenge for adults – Alphabet Soup! Pick up your participation form from your local library and read authors A – Z in one year and win nifty prizes along the way. All you need to do is read one book by authors with surnames starting with all 26 letters of the alphabet. Any adult fiction or non-fiction books read between 1 July 2021 and 30 June 2022 can be included in the challenge.

Digi Drop-In... from home

Our popular Digi Drop-In service is now available from the comfort of your home. Fill in our online form at tasmanlibraries.govt.nz with information about the digital troubles which ail you. Having problems texting? Can't figure out Zoom? The camera won't work on your laptop? Whatever it is, we can help you out – and it's free.



Community planting days

Keep Richmond Beautiful

Wednesday 22 and 29 September.

Join in the upcoming planting days at Moturoa / Rabbit Island and Rough Island, subject to being at Alert Level One or Two. Visit the Facebook page for more information and further updates, facebook.com/KeepRichmondBeautiful.KRB or call Greg on 03 544 7085.

Battle for Banded Rail

Sunday 19 September, 9.00 am – 1.00 pm, Greenslade Park, Rough Island. Nearest address is 90 Ken Beck Drive, just over the first bridge on the way to Moturoa / Rabbit Island.

Sunday 26 September, 9.00 am – 1.00 pm, Reservoir Creek. Park at the Richmond Aquatic Centre and cross to the coast via the underpass.

Join in with the Battle for Banded Rail community planting efforts. Under Level Two everyone must sign or scan in and remain two metres from others outside their bubbles at all times. Masks are encouraged. Please stay home if unwell. Morning tea is provided. Please bring gloves, a spade if you have one, drinking water, sturdy shoes and dress for the weather. For more information email julienewell@tet.org.nz or phone Julie on 021 876 895.

Murchison Spring Flower Show

Wednesday 22 September, 11.30 am – 4.30 pm, and Thursday 23 September, 9.00 am – 1.00 pm. Murchison Rec Centre.

Come along and find beautiful flowers and floral art, stalls and plant sales, raffles, workshops and demonstrations, kids lucky dip and the scarecrow winner will be announced. Entry is \$3, cash only.

All profits are fundraising for the Nelson Marlborough Rescue Helicopter Trust. Any queries contact the Garden Club Secretary Linda Darbyshire on 022 045 2399 or lindabluetorch@gmail.com.

Please note, this will only go ahead if we are in Alert Level One or Two.

Nelson Tasman Community Transport Trust AGM

Monday 27 September, 5.00 pm – 7.00 pm, Constance Barnicoat Room, Richmond Public Library.

Come along to the Nelson Tasman Community Transport Trust AGM. If you are interested in reducing the financial and environmental costs of transport for your family, you can also hear from Zero Carbon Nelson Tasman and the Nelson Tasman Climate Forum on how to get a car and ride sharing programme for your neighbourhood. There will be a guest speaker, Jack Santa Barbara. This will be followed by reports of the year's activities and refreshments. RSVP to Elena Meredith on 027 243 3511 or email secretary@ntctt.org.nz. Please note, this will only go ahead if we are in Alert Level One or Two.

Climate change hui on Zoom

Tuesday 28 September, 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm, on Zoom.

The Nelson Tasman Climate Forum is a community-led initiative open to everyone. Their mission is to weave individuals, households, civil society organisations, businesses, councils and iwi together around urgent, strategic action on climate change in the Nelson Tasman region. Anyone is welcome to join the monthly full-forum hui. You can find more information on their website, nelsontasmanclimateforum.ning.com.