

## Māpua Community Association Update – September 2022

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### Mapua structure Plan community survey

#### Māpua Community Survey – Update for Councillors

The Māpua Community Survey is the first stage of community engagement as Council reviews and refreshes the Māpua Structure Plan.

- Information on the process: <https://environmentplan.tasman.govt.nz/mapua-structure-plan-2023>.
- Link to the survey: <https://environmentplan.tasman.govt.nz/mapua-community-survey>.

The survey has been live for a week and still has two weeks left to run with feedback closing 26 Sept.

So far, the gathering of feedback through the survey is going very well. We've had over 130 responses - a third of these are from under 45-year-olds. Most responses (75%) have been submitted through mobile or tablet. Two-thirds of respondents are from Māpua and 20% from Ruby Bay.

To promote the survey we have put up posters up across the area and reached out to the school (will be in the school newsletter), We've also advertised it through social media, local newspapers including the Coastal News, and Newsline.

Hard copy surveys are available at the Māpua library. A council planner was available there last Wednesday and over the next two Wednesdays to assist people with questions.

The Project Team have agreed to an **MDCA hosted meeting on Wednesday 14 Sept**. We would love for Councillors who are available to join. The agenda for Weds meeting is below.

#### Agenda

1. TDC project team present **scope and spatial area** for the structure plan.
2. TDC project team present **programme** (actions and timing), including the engagement steps and how to get involved.
3. TDC project team outline the purpose of the **survey** and the need for input from across the community.

4. Breakout into groups for the TDC project team to provide support with the survey, answer questions, and hear more detailed feedback on opportunities and constraints.

If you have any questions about this process or the survey, please contact Anna McKenzie [anna.mckenzie@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:anna.mckenzie@tasman.govt.nz).

## Weather event response and recovery for Tasman

A lot has happened in the Nelson Tasman region over the past few weeks, and one question you may find yourself asking is where can I find the latest information?

We have three key channels that we keep up to date with information when we have a weather event or other emergency – our website, our Facebook page and Antenno.

- Visit our website, [tasman.govt.nz](http://tasman.govt.nz).
- Follow our Facebook page, [facebook.com/TasmanDistrictCouncil](https://facebook.com/TasmanDistrictCouncil).
- Download the Antenno app from the app store on your mobile phone.

### Where to turn to for help

The Mayoral Relief Fund is open to Tasman District and Nelson City residents, ratepayers or business owners, and not-for-profit organisations who have suffered personal financial hardship because of the flood event that began on 17 August 2022.

The fund helps on a one-off basis for extraordinary circumstances, where real need can be shown and is a last resort measure when people have exhausted other appropriate sources such as Work and Income New Zealand (WINZ), the Rural Support Trust, EQC and other government agencies.

To apply, fill in the form on our website at [tasman.govt.nz/mayoral-relief-fund](http://tasman.govt.nz/mayoral-relief-fund) and return it either By email to [MayoralRelief@ncc.govt.nz](mailto:MayoralRelief@ncc.govt.nz)

By dropping it into any of our service centres

By mail to Nelson City Council, PO Box 645, Nelson 7040. Freepost 76919

Hard copies are also available at all our service centres.

Donations are welcome too! If you wish to donate money to the Relief Fund, please use the Nelson City Council bank account: 03-0703-0325055-00 with the reference 'Mayoral Relief Fund'.

All donations are eligible for a donation tax credit.

For insurance queries, call your insurance company or broker directly and take as many photos of any damage as you can.

You may be eligible for additional financial support from Ministry of Social Development, you can call 0800 559 009 for further details.

If you have concerns about farm livestock or pets, please contact MPI (Ministry of Primary Industries) on 0800 00 83 33 or the SPCA on 03 547 7171.

Most important is your own personal health and wellbeing. If you are feeling overwhelmed or stressed there is someone you can talk to confidentially, you can call or text 1737 for 24/7 for support.

Wellbeing support is also available by calling Rural Support Trust on 0800 787 254

## **Rāhui**

A rāhui placed along the entire northern coastline of Te Taihū o Te Waka-a-Māui last month following significant weather events is to be lifted.

In the Marlborough region, this will take effect on Sunday, September 11, 2022, and in Nelson Tasman, on Tuesday, September 13.

The rāhui was implemented on August 25 by the Iwi Emergency Management Rōpū, which works as part of the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) in both Nelson/Tasman and Marlborough, with the support of the eight iwi of Te Taihū.

It prevented the gathering of seafood and kai as well as swimming and entering the water and covered all coastlines, river mouths, and floodwaters from Te Parinui o Whiti (the White Bluffs) in the east, west to Kahurangi Point, including Aorere and Tai Tapu.

The main purpose of a rāhui was protecting the environment and people after the heavy rain we received late last month resulted in numerous sewage overflows and sustained runoff into the ocean and rivers.

The decision to lift the rāhui was based on a combination of scientific evidence and mātauranga Māori.

Te Whatu Ora - Nelson Marlborough advises that recreational wild shellfish should not be collected until 28 days after the last significant rainfall.

In Marlborough and Tasman, that advice expires on September 16 and in the Nelson area, on September 25. This includes mussels, oysters, tuatua, pipi, toheroa, cockles, scallops, catseyes and all other bi-valve shellfish.

Other marine species including fish, crayfish, crab, kina and paua are considered unaffected because they are not filter feeders.

Whitebaiters are encouraged to take note of public health advice and wash both their catch and their hands in fresh water or under the tap at home to avoid the risk of cross-contamination in the kitchen.

Anyone experiencing illness after contact with water or eating food should consult their GP or Healthline on 0800 611 116.

## **Roading**

Stafford Drive is closed until further notice due to a massive slip. We are currently waiting for specialist advice regarding the current slip on Stafford Drive above McKee Domain in Ruby Bay before deciding on a course of action.

Safety, costs and future liabilities are important factors that will need to be weighed up. Given current workloads, it will take time for this advice to be received and decisions made. In the

meantime, the road will remain closed and the recommended detour particularly for large vehicles, is via Te Mamaku Drive SH60.

Currently all reserve areas on Moturoa / Rabbit Island and Rough Island are open, however the front beach reserve is closed to vehicles.

A parking area has been created at the end of Ken Beck Drive. This is due to flood water covering the roading network in multiple places and is very slow to drain away. A short walk is required to access the front beach. This is likely to be the situation for several weeks.

Are you looking for specific information such as road closures? Visit Waka Kotahi for State Highway updates and [tasman.govt.nz/road-conditions](https://tasman.govt.nz/road-conditions) for other roads within the region.

## Elections

Nominations for the 2022 LG elections have now been confirmed. A final list of candidates is now available on the Council's website as well as short video bios.

Starting from 16 September, all eligible voters across Tasman will receive their voting pack for the triennial Council elections.

In Tasman, we use the First Past the Post voting system which simply means you place a tick next to the names of the candidates you wish to vote for. You can vote for as many candidates as there are positions available to be filled in your ward or community board, and the candidates with the most votes win.

This is a postal ballot so once you've made your choice just slip your papers back in the supplied pre-paid envelope and drop them into a New Zealand post box or one of the secure orange wheelie bins at our service centres and libraries.

To be counted, all completed voting documents must be in the hands of the Electoral Officer by 12 noon on election day, Saturday 8 October 2022. For some rural voters, this means returning papers a bit earlier.

There are five contenders for the role of Mayor in Tasman District and forty-nine people contesting twenty-one available seats on the Council and Community Boards.

There will not be an election for the Golden Bay Community Board with four nominations received for the four available positions.

Thirteen of the existing twenty-one Tasman District elected members have decided to stand for election again, as has the sitting mayor.

## Water Services Entities Bill Submission

On Monday 15 August, we presented Tasman District Council's oral submission on the Water Services Entities Bill to the Finance and Expenditure Select Committee.

The select committee took hearing submissions throughout provincial New Zealand and we presented in Nelson.

## Joint Committee adopts Nelson-Tasman Future Development Strategy 2022-2052

Following months of community engagement, detailed feedback, and informative deliberations, Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council have now adopted the Nelson Tasman Future Development Strategy 2022-2052 (NTFDS).

The strategy document was formally adopted at a joint council committee meeting held on August 29.

The NTFDS is a 30-year high-level strategic plan that outlines areas in our region where there is potential for future housing and business growth.

This now provides a valuable guide for decision making that will benefit current residents and those who choose to live in Nelson and Tasman in the years ahead.

The strategy also provides Councils with an evidence base to inform reviews and changes to resource management plans, and facilitate the next round of infrastructure strategies and long-term plans.

The NTFDS considers a range of population growth scenarios, so based on current estimates, we are planning for continued high growth. However, it must be flexible. If high population growth does not continue, we will not need all the sites proposed as soon as we expect and the development of those sites will slow.

There were 568 submissions from the community during the consultation period in March and April 2022.

A three-yearly review of the NTFDS and on-going monitoring of development will help both Councils evaluate how fast our urban areas are growing and whether there is a need to speed up or slow down the zoning and servicing of land in response to demand.

The NTFDS 2022-2052 will come into effect on September 19, 2022.

For more details on the FDS, go to [tasman.govt.nz/fds](https://tasman.govt.nz/fds)

## We appreciate your feedback from Resident Satisfaction Survey

Our annual Residents Satisfaction Survey measures satisfaction with our services and facilities. Your feedback shows there are areas where we are doing well and some areas for more focus and improvement.

The survey was carried out by market research company Research First, from 400 phone interviews in May 2022.

So, how did we do? Of the 23 services or facilities, 12 achieved the service target while 11 other areas received useful feedback to shape our future service levels. The results showed 64% were satisfied with our performance overall (65% in 2021), and 66% felt our reputation was good (69% in 2021).

Satisfaction was high (above 80%) for those using our libraries, recreation facilities, Aquatic Centre, water supply, wastewater, stormwater, kerbside recycling, and resource recovery centres. And 80% reported they saw, read, or heard Council information in the past 12 months.

Your feedback also highlighted areas where we need to improve. The percentage change from last year is in brackets. This included the way we consult the public in the decisions we make (-6%), pre-paid rubbish bags (-5%), community programmes and events (-6%) and the services received when contacting our offices (-7%).

Positive improvement included satisfaction with roads (+9%), the Council's Emergency Management (+2%), and the information the Council provides is enough (+2%). Information from the survey and targets will be reported in the Annual Report 2021/2022.