

News & Information from Mackenzie District Council



AF8 Earthquake Information Evening at Twizel - Wednesday 14 May

An information evening is taking place at Twizel Events Centre on Wednesday 14 May from 7:00pm for Alpine Fault magnitude 8 (AF8) earthquake preparedness and response. The information evening is a joint venture between seismologists, Civil Defence, and Ngāi Tahu iwi, and is supported by Mackenzie District Council.

While we can't predict when earthquakes will occur, scientific research has shown that the Alpine Fault has a history of generating regular, large earthquakes. The next event is likely to occur within the lifetime of most of us, or our children and young people, for whom this is likely to have major short and long-term impacts.

Find out more at af8.org.nz > Explore the Science > AF8 roadshow



We know that Tekapo has many passionate residents who are keen to make our town the best it can be. Traffic is one of the things that can define a town. In a popular area like Tekapo how traffic flow and parking can significantly change the feel of the central area.

Your Community Board wants to create a vision for traffic management for the future to guide development and help with decision-making. We want to know what you'd like in that future.

We are presenting three different scenarios for the town centre, but we want to know what your preferences are for some specific areas:

1. Maximise vehicle access and parking.
2. Balance parking with current and future land use.
3. Spaces for people while consolidating parking to one side.

Find out more and have your say at letstalk.mackenzie.govt.nz > Tekapo Traffic Master Plan

The Mackenzie Grant Finder

Mackenzie District Council has partnered with GrantGuru to develop the Mackenzie Grant Finder

The Mackenzie Grant Finder brings together available grants and funding options specific to local community groups, not-for-profits, businesses and individuals.

Organisations and individuals can use the search engine and filter grants by industry, sector, or project type, as well as benefit from expert advice and tips to strengthen their grant applications. This free resource is a comprehensive and up-to-date list of funding options for our community. It is an easy way to check out what grants are available.

You can also register for alerts about funding programs that are relevant to you when they become available, so that businesses and community groups can prepare funding applications well in advance of the closing date.

Discover more at mackenzie.govt.nz/grantfinder



Fairlie Village Green playground gets a make-over

The Village Green playground in Fairlie is getting a bit of a make over or tidy up. When Council demolished the old toilets we asked the community for their ideas and wishes for the site. The majority of people who responded said they wanted to see the playground fenced along the state highway to help keep the children safe.

Work will now start on the 28th April to install a fence along the Talbot Street and Main Road (state highway) sides of the playground. The fence will have gates to allow access and the Village Green side will remain open to allow direct access from the rest of the park. Emergency services and contractor vehicles will also be able to access the area when necessary.

The fence will be a 1.2m high 'pool type' fence allowing visibility while keeping our little people safe. The other improvement you'll see happening is the installation of shade sails over the playground. The posts are installed and the sails will be made and installed for the next summer. The community has raised funds for this work and our thanks go to all who have contributed, including the following groups and contractors:

- L & L Construction
- Plunket Society
- Cancer Society
- Felipe Silva Studio for the design of the Shades Sail
- Kotuku Saddlery for the Shade Sails

In addition, should funds allow, future development on the site of the old toilets may include seating or a BBQ.

Have your say

We have a number of upcoming consultations for which we would like to have your input.

Look out for these within the next couple of weeks at letstalk.mackenzie.govt.nz



Report an issue or problem?

Contact us on 0800 685 8514 or email info@mackenzie.govt.nz



Dates of upcoming meetings

Date	Meeting	Time	Location
Monday 5 May	Twizel Community Board Meeting Twizel Community Lounge	3:00pm - 5:00pm	Twizel
Tuesday 6 May	Council Meeting Council Chambers, Fairlie and Online	9:30am - 2:00pm	Fairlie

The public are welcome to attend meetings. Occasionally times and venues change so please call and check beforehand. There is a public forum at the beginning of each Council and Community Board meeting and members of the public are invited to address Elected Members on relevant matters.