



MDC Exercise Pandora Getting ready for an emergency

We're getting ready. Are you?

On 7 November council staff took part in a Civil Defence training exercise where staff worked through how we all might respond to a significant earthquake on the Alpine Fault. 'Exercise Pandora' also involved the rest of the Canterbury Civil Defence groups, our partner agencies and other significant stakeholders, both locally and regionally.

The Mackenzie Emergency Operations Centre was set up (activated) at the community hall in Lake Tekapo, and over 45 people participated with representatives from Te Rūnaka o Arowhenua, St John, FENZ, NZ Police and Aoraki Mt Cook Department of Conservation.

The scenario being worked on imagined it was day 3 after an 8.3 magnitude earthquake, and everyone worked through some of the practical issues we can expect to be facing, people trapped, roads cut off, issues with wastewater treatment and more.

It was also a good reminder that we all need to be prepared. Emergencies can happen any time. Do you have a Family Plan? How are your supplies of emergency food, water, medicines, pet food etc. Do you have a radio that won't need electricity? How will you contact family?

There is a lot of information out there about how to prepare, but a good place to start is the government's Get Ready website - getready.govt.nz

Mackenzie District Emergency Plan

In New Zealand emergencies can happen anytime, anywhere, often without warning, and can disrupt our lives, damage property and cause serious harm.

When an emergency does happen, Civil Defence and emergency services will be busy helping the people who need them most. It's important that you make sure your family and the people you care about know what to do, and that you all have what you need to get through on your own.

You can download a copy of the Mackenzie District Emergency Plan at www.mackenzie.govt.nz > Services > Emergency Management > Mackenzie District Emergency Plan



Current job openings

Position	Part time/Full time	Location	Applications Due
Planner	Full time	Fairlie	Thursday 21 November
Senior Planner	Full time	Fairlie	Thursday 21 November
Three Waters Manager	Full-time	Fairlie or Twizel	Thursday 21 November

Please visit careers.mackenzie.govt.nz for more details and to apply.

WASTE-ED

with Kate

Online waste courses available for Mackenzie residents

Waste-Ed with Kate has developed three online courses for effective use of waste. There is a small fee to do each course, for which a related item or pack is sent out to the participant.



Food Lovers Masterclass

Kiwi households throw out an average of over \$1,500 worth of food every year. Join Kate for her sell out Food Lovers Masterclass to uncover practical tips and tricks that not only save money, but also maximise your ingredients to reduce your food waste.

This online course is available now, for \$5, you get the educational course + a free food waste minimisation tool worth \$15.

Cloth Nappies, Parenting and More

Learn about the advantages of cloth nappies. This course is available for \$10 - you get the educational course + a cloth nappy gift pack worth \$80.



Waste-Ed with Kate

Ever wondered what actually happens to your rubbish once it leaves the kerbside? With this course, you will get the low-down on where your waste goes, how recycling works, and what you can do to cut down what you are throwing away.

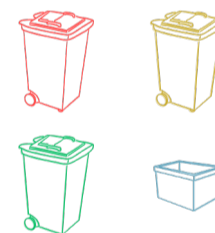


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2025 Kerbside Bin Collection Calendars

Kerbside bin collection calendars, covering Twizel (outer and inner), Tekapo, Burkes Pass, Kimbell, Fairlie and Albury are now available to download and print at mackenzie.govt.nz > Services > Rubbish and Recycling > Bin Collections

On the back of each bin collection calendar is a handy guide advising what goes into - and does not go into - each bin.



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 25 November	Twizel Community Board meeting	3:00pm - 5:00pm	Twizel
Tuesday 26 November	Council Meeting	9:00am - 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. Agendas are available on the Council website at least two working days before each meeting.