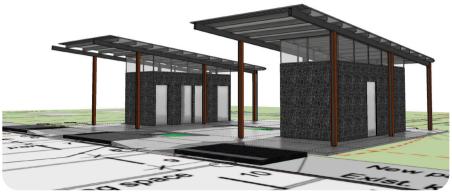
# **News & Information** from Mackenzie District Council





### **New Public Toilet blocks for Fairlie**

Work will start in mid-April on the construction of the new public toilet blocks on the Fairlie Village Green. The blocks replace the existing public toilet block on the corner of Main Street and Talbot Road.

While work is underway there will be parts of the village green fenced off for safety. While there may be reduced parking in the area, access to the Alpine Energy Electric Vehicle charging unit will be unaffected.

The work is expected to be completed by mid-year.



### **2024 Community Board Grants**

#### Do you need support for a community project?

The three community boards in the Mackenzie District have grant funding available to encourage and support not-for-profit organisations with a positive impact on the community. They can help local organisations pay for specific projects, events, or the maintenance of facilities that benefit the community.

It is preferable that the organisations applying for these grants are incorporated societies or trusts. but informal organisations and individuals may also apply.

How much are the grants?

Most grants are for less than \$500, although occasionally larger grants are approved.

More information, and an application form is available at mackenzie.govt.nz > Community > Grants and Scholarships > Community Board Grant.

## Plantation Rd 'Washover' ford, Fairlie

Construction was recently completed on the upgrade of the Plantation Rd culvert

This site has been subjected to washouts during nearly every weather event that has occurred since at least 2021, resulting in multiple road closures, detouring local residents, transport firms and affecting the school bus route.

Due to the events events our work crews and subcontractors had to repair the damage numerous times, and the on-going monitoring of this site has led to large repair costs. To mitigate potential ongoing costs of future washouts, reduce closures and disruption to the site it was decided to add a concrete 'washover' area over the culvert, to allow water to flow over the area if the flow inundates the capacity of the culverts.

Special thanks to residents of the road, and local road users, who have been supportive of the work, including the local farmer who opening his paddock up for those needing to access farmland on the other side while the culvert was closed.







#### **AF8 Earthquake Information Evening at** Tekapo - Tuesday 23 April

An information evening is taking place at Lake Tekapo Community Hall on Tuesday 23 April from 6:30pm 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



Learn more here - ngaitahu.iwi.nz > emergency-preparedness

#### **Mobile Shop and Traders License Applications**

Applications for a Mobile Shop and Traders License for the 2024 to 2025 financial year will open on 1 April 2024 and will close on 31 May 2024.

Applications can be made through Council's website: mackenzie.govt.nz > Services > Food safety

Or alternatively email compliance@mackenzie.govt.nz for an application pack or call the office on 0800 685 8514.



#### **Book a planner**

Due to staffing numbers, the planning team have introduced a booking system. To make an appointment with the planning team, call us on 0800 685 8514 or email planning@mackenzie.govt.nz

A team member will be in contact to arrange a suitable date and time.

# Dates of upcoming meetings

| Friday 19 April  | Upper Waitaki Water Zone Committee<br>Meeting                      | 10:00am - 1:00pm | Twizel |
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| Monday 29 April  | Twizel Community Board meeting                                     | 3:00pm - 5:00pm  | Twizel |
| Tuesday 30 April | Council Meeting  | 9:00am - 2:00pm  | Twizel |
|                  | Hearing of Submissions - Waste<br>Management and Minimisation Plan | 2:00pm - 4:00pm  | Twizel |

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

# **Report an issue or problem?**

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



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