



Dog Kennel Corner to Tekapo – TRAIL OPEN

The Central South cycle trail recently opened their latest new trail segment which joins Tekapo to Dog Kennel Corner.

At the opening were representatives of the Trust, Mackenzie District Council staff and elected members, including Mayor Scott Aronsen, MP Miles Anderson, and members of the community, keen cyclists and more.

The new trail is part of larger project to connect Timaru to Tekapo with a multi-use trail for cyclists, walkers and runners. Already completed are sections from Washdyke to Cave, and Fairlie to Kimbell.



Kerbside bins - what goes where?

Ever wondered what-goes-where when it comes to putting rubbish in your bins?

We have created a series of posters as a handy reminder. We will print one in each of the next four issues.

You can also find them on our website at: mackenzie.govt.nz > Services > Rubbish and Recycling > Bin Collections



ORGANICS

What goes in your green bin?

Food waste



e.g. coffee grounds, eggshells, fish, fruit and vegetable scraps, cheese, meat (raw or cooked), and bones.

Unsprayed garden waste



e.g. branches, flowers, leaves, weeds, untreated wood, and grass clippings.

The below items are not for the green organics bin - these go in the red rubbish bin



Flax, cabbage tree or rhubarb leaves



Shells and Shellfish



Animal droppings



No compostable or biodegradable bags

Easter Office Closure

Council Offices at Fairlie and Twizel will be closed on Good Friday, 3 April and Easter Monday, 6 April.

Offices will reopen Tuesday 7 April at 8:30am.



The customer services team are available throughout this time to deal with urgent matters on 0800 685 8514.

Rubbish and Recycling

- Kerbside collections for Fairlie, Albury, Burkes Pass and Kimbell will take place a day early, on Thursday 2 April.
- Fairlie, Tekapo and Twizel Resource Recovery Parks are closed on Good Friday, 3 April.



Pukaki User Pays Toilets Fencing

Council contractors will be working on site at the Pukaki toilets until mid-April.



The toilets will be open during this time, but please avoid any plant or equipment and obey all signage.

Further Notice of By-election

Tekapo Community Board

The nomination period to fill the extraordinary vacancy on the Tekapo Community Board closed at midday on Thursday 19 March 2026. No nominations were received.

The Tekapo Community Board will now consider filling the extraordinary vacancy by appointment or by a further by-election. Public notice of that decision will be given in due course.

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Mobile Shop & Traders Licenses

Applications for a Mobile Shop and Traders License for the 2026 to 2027 financial year will open on 1 April 2026 and will close on 31 May 2026.

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.



Information request responses are now available online

One of the important functions of any council is to respond to requests for information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA).

The questions that are asked cover a wide range of topics and the responses are now being proactively published on the council website. However, for privacy reasons, information that would identify an individual are not published.

New responses are published at the end of each month, at mackenzie.govt.nz > Council > Information Requests



Dates of upcoming meetings

Date	Meeting	Time*	Location
Tuesday 7 April	Extraordinary Council Meeting Council Chambers, Fairlie	9:00am	Fairlie
Thursday 9 April	Fairlie Community Board Meeting Council Chambers, Fairlie	4:00pm	Fairlie
Monday 13 April	Tekapo Community Board Meeting Lake Tekapo Community Hall	3:00pm	Tekapo
Tuesday 14 April	Council Workshop Council Chambers, Fairlie	9:00am	Fairlie
Monday 20 April	Twizel Community Board Meeting Twizel Community Lounge	4:30pm	Twizel
Tuesday 21 April	Council Workshop Council Chambers, Fairlie	9:00am	Fairlie
Tuesday 28 April	Three Waters Sub Committee Meeting Council Chambers, Fairlie	9:00am	Fairlie
Tuesday 28 April	Citizenship Ceremony Council Chambers, Fairlie	1:00pm	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 for scheduled meetings are available two days before the meeting (with the exception of late papers, which are added to the agenda when available). Agendas for extraordinary meetings are made available as soon as practicably possible. (Extraordinary meetings are meetings held outside the published meeting schedule and are called when a decision cannot wait until the next scheduled meeting).

Once published, agendas are available at mackenzie.govt.nz > Council > Meetings and Agendas

* The length of the meeting will depend on the agenda.

