



ARROWSMITH AVENUE REPAIR COMPLETED

The repair of the sinkhole on Arrowsmith Avenue has been completed, with a strong team of individuals coming together to repair the damage and return the road back to normal.

Improvements were made to the surrounding area including footpath reconstruction and stormwater gully planting and maintenance.

Network engineer Graeme Jackson is pleased with the outcome.

"It really was a great example of a variety of teams coming together to get a fantastic result," he said.

"We had teams from Council's roading, water and parks and reserves teams and external contractors all working

together to not only solve the issue, but also to improve on the area with planting, footpath and new fences constructed. A great achievement for all involved."

The sinkhole came about following a burst water main in August, with the alarm raised when two teenagers passing by noticed a water leak on the piece of road between Chesham Avenue and Weka Road.

Above left: The sinkhole in Arrowsmith Street in August.

Above right (L-R): Kevin Sears Taupō, District Council; Brad Walker, and Clive Pattersen, Downer; Ian Gray, Opus New Zealand; Graeme Jackson, Taupō District Council; Jack Dingle, Lee Kirikau, Russ Tarrant, and Andrew Trail, Tarrant Contracting.

CULTURAL PRECINCT SUBMISSIONS OPEN

Last week marked further community consultation for the Cultural Precinct Project, with a presentation from a master planner from architectural firm Warren and Mahoney, Shannon Joe.

Mr Joe took attendees through the design brief and four precinct design options for the Southern Tongariro Domain area, all of which included new or improved museum, library and council administration buildings, an increase in green space and a central plaza area.

Sessions were held for local business owners, council staff and the community, with all well attended with a lot of questions asked and feedback put forward to both council and the master planners. Further meetings are also planned for both Turangi and Mangakino. Submissions are now open and will be accepted until October 19.

HAVE YOUR SAY

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

SUBMISSIONS

Submissions are open until midday Friday, October 19 at taupo.govt.nz/cpp or you can pop into one of our offices and fill out a paper version of our online form.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

- » Turangi Service Centre
Tuesday October 16, 9am to 10am
- » Mangakino Service Centre
Tuesday October 16, 1pm to 2pm



» WHAT'S ON?

- Oct 13 Taupō Ultra Marathon, Waihaha, Kinloch Domain, Whakaipo Bay
- Oct 13-14 McCartney Invitational Ultimate Frisbee Tournament, Crown Park
- Until Nov 11 Suzhou: Faith and Life, Taupō Museum
- Until Nov 11 Rewi Alley exhibition, Taupō Museum

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COUNCILLOR PROFILE

This week in our profile of your elected representatives is Taupō-Kaingarua Councillor and Deputy Mayor, Rosie Harvey.



Rosie Harvey's involvement in Local Government began after a chance conversation with a councillor in 2013 which got her thinking about playing a more public role in the community. "I'd been involved with Town Centre Taupō from its inception (formerly Shop Taupō) and really enjoyed being a part of change in the Central Business District. I've always liked being a part of the community and I felt that sharing

my business experience would be something I could bring to the table, so I put my name forward in the 2013 election." The rest, as they say, is history, and she is now in her second term as a councillor as well as serving as Deputy Mayor.

Cr Harvey first came to Taupō in 1997 for a change of pace and lifestyle, but she soon felt the urge to take on a new challenge. The result was Harcourts Taupō (formerly Harveys), which she has been involved in from the beginning. "When you work in real estate you are in constant contact with the community, and you get a real feel for what people see as being important. We've always been involved with supporting community groups – from Hospice to the SPCA and our annual Foodbank appeal plus many other groups – so in many ways serving on council was a natural progression. If only I'd known how much time it would take up!"

Fortunately, Cr Harvey manages to find time to co-run her business and cover council business, including the community portfolio which sees her as the council liaison for Waiora House, along with sitting on the Citizens Advice Bureau committee.

"These are exciting times for our district, and it's wonderful to see that we have some genuinely visionary councillors who are looking to the future. We have to think not just about the present and ourselves, but our future generations, and in that regard I think the Taupō District is headed in the right direction."

