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GREAT LAKE TAUPŌ  
Taupō District Council

COMMUNITY NEWS WITH TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL 16 NOVEMBER 2018

## CULTURAL PRECINCT PROJECT OPTIONS DISCUSSED

This week saw Councillors deliberate on their preferred option following the public consultation and feedback received from the on-line survey.

Council met to consider 524 pieces of feedback it received on the four proposed options for the Cultural Precinct Project when it asked the community to have its say on the designs in October. Of those to indicate a preference, Option B was the most strongly favoured and is the one the council chose to be further developed.

A final masterplan will be presented to the council on December 5. In February, all options for the housing of the council's administration functions will be considered before more formal consultation with the community.

The options will be to advance the Cultural Precinct Project on Tongariro Domain, build on the former site at 72 Lake Terrace, build on the Tuwharetoa Street Carpark or remain with the status quo. Council staff currently occupy five different leased sites in the CBD.

Mayor David Trewavas said a business case was being prepared looking at all the options and any likely costs and/or benefits to better inform the council's decision-making going forward.



"This is the very start of the process and there is a long way to go," he said. "We need to make sure we do a thorough job at looking at all the options as this is not just about today, it is about setting our district up for the future. We are incredibly pleased so many people chose to have their say at this early stage, and we hope that continues as we move forward."

The design chosen as a preferred option for its proposed cultural precinct project is one designed to create strong links between the Central Business District and the lake's boat harbour.

The options, feedback received and a list of key principles and points raised during the feedback period can be viewed at [taupo.govt.nz/cpp](http://taupo.govt.nz/cpp).

## ROAD CLOSURES

All road users are advised of the following road closures for the **BDO Lake Taupo Cycle Challenge and Criterium** events next week:

- » **Tongariro Street from Tamamutu Street to Heuheu Street**  
Friday, November 23 from 12 noon to Saturday, November 24 at 8.30pm
- » **Tongariro Street from Spa Road to Lake Terrace**  
Friday, November 23 from 4pm to 8.30pm
- » **Lake Terrace from Tongariro Street to Ruapehu Street**  
Friday, November 23 from 4pm to 8.30pm
- » **Tamamutu Street from Tongariro Street to Gascoigne Street** Friday, November 23 from 4pm to 8.30pm
- » **Tongariro Street from Spa Road to Lake Terrace**  
Saturday, November 24 from 2am to 8pm
- » **Lake Terrace from Tongariro Street to Titiraupenga Street**  
Saturday, November 24 from 2am to 8pm
- » **Lake Terrace from Titiraupenga Street to Mere Road**  
Saturday, November 24 from 8.30am to 3pm
- » **Redoubt Street from Tongariro Street to Ferry Road**  
Saturday, November 24 from 5am to 10am  
(Controlled restricted access)
- » **Story Place from Tongariro Street to Redoubt Street**  
Saturday, November 24 from 5am to 10am  
(Controlled restricted access)
- » **Ferry Road from Tongariro Street to Redoubt Street**  
Saturday, November 24 from 5am to 10am  
(Controlled restricted access)
- » **Poihipi Road from Wairakei Drive to Tuhingamata Road**  
Saturday, November 24 from 6am to 10.30am
- » **Whangamata Road from Poihipi Road to SH32**  
Saturday, November 24 from 7am to 10.30am
- » **Arataha Street, Motuoapa**  
Saturday, November 24 from 8am to 1.15pm
- » **Maniapoto Street, Motuoapa**  
Saturday, November 24 from 8am to 1.15pm

## WHAT'S ON

- Nov 16-18 NZ Show Horse Council Nationals, Taupō National Equestrian Centre
- Nov 17 Run Red for Children Park Run, Tongariro Northern Domain
- Nov 23 Criterium – BDO Lake Taupo Cycle Challenge, Tongariro Street
- Nov 24 BDO Lake Taupo Cycle Challenge, Taupō District

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## WATER MAIN AND SEWER CLEANING UPDATE

When we think of a few dulcet tones, we think of the smooth vocal talents of Frank Sinatra or Michael Bublé and the like, not a way of checking sewer pipes!

Pipe checking and cleaning is continuing across the district, with many being checked using the sewer line rapid assessment tool (SL-RAT) technology. You may have heard a few tones emitting from the ground over the last week or so around your neighbourhood or across the CBD over the last week or so. Sending this audio signal is one way contractors are checking our network for blockages.

Across the month of October alone, we have accessed and surveyed 148 sewer manholes, and of these, five manholes needed additional work to locate, with three having root intrusions, fat or other blockages and have been cleared. Another three need to be raised to the surface and these will be done at a later date.

Blockages are still a key area of concern, with 'fat-burges', third-party pipes, tree root intrusions and things dumped down manholes the main culprits.

Water network engineer Graeme Jackson says blockages can be caused by all manner of things however wet wipes are still the main culprit in obstructing our sewer mains.

The message remains the same – if it isn't pee or poo, don't flush it down the loo!

### WASTEWATER BY THE NUMBERS



**1865** sewer lines have been surveyed to date with the SL-RAT

**597** sewer mains or 30.932km have been identified as needing further investigation

**91km** of checks have been completed to date, just over 45 per cent of our network

## BUILDING CONSENT DEADLINES

If you're keen to extend the shed or make a start on that dream home before Christmas, you'll need to get your plan in soon to get a consent underway.

For all who want to lodge a consent to get it issued before Christmas, November 20 will be the last day to make an application. This will ensure the consent would be issued before the break over the festive season.

The last date for an inspection booking is December 21 and a limited service will be offered from January 3, with a skeleton crew of inspectors on board then.

Any further information regarding the processing and inspection staff availability over December and January can be directed to our Customer Services team in the first instance.



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