

NEW LYNN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

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Committee Update

Hello New Lynn business community, the committee of the NLBA are pleased to see so many of our businesses in the BID now open and operating. We are mindful that this has not been an easy time for many and although so many of us plan for unforeseen circumstances, we did not expect this economic shock. New Zealand is doing well to get back on its feet. We are waiting for the government to announce level 1 and to see how that might give us more capacity and ability to get back to business in the real sense.

Our committee have continued to function during the time of lockdown and are very mindful of those businesses in our area who may be in need of assistance and trying to keep afloat. We have included the government business support link below. We ask that if you

are in need and would like to talk to one of us, the Chair, deputy or committee members, please know that we are only a call or a txt message away.

On our behalf, Amelda has been visiting businesses and reminding you that we are here to support you as much as possible.

The management team are excited about the upcoming Grab-A-Deal promotion and we were so pleased to hear that there are 56 businesses who would like to participate in this free NLBA promotional booklet. There is no cost to participants so we hope you are able to provide an offer that consumers cannot resist. More people into the town centre is better for all.

NLBA Executive Committee Sitendra Singh - Chairperson



COVID-19 update

The team at NLBA are pleased to see so many businesses now back in operation. We are mindful that as we go to print that the Government has agreed to increase the number of people who can mix & mingle to 100 so long as you are at a safe distance and recording details for contact tracing.

Welcome back to business. Here is some helpful information. Please note the cut off dates for the small business cashflow scheme.

https://covid19.govt.nz/businessesand-employees/

Wage Subsidy Extension

You can't apply for the Wage Subsidy Extension for an employee until their 12 week Wage Subsidy has finished. Applications open from 10 June 2020.

- You must have had, or expect to have, a revenue loss of at least 50% for the 30 days before you apply, compared to the closest period last year.
- It will cover 8 weeks per employee from the date you submit your application.
- It will be paid to you as a lump sum at the same weekly rate as the Wage Subsidy.

- You'll need to agree to certain obligations, such as to:
- pass the subsidy on to your employees
- retain your employees for the duration of the subsidy
- do your best to pay your employees at least 80% of their normal pay
- take active steps to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on your business.

Temporary Loss Carry-Back SchemeBusinesses expecting to make a loss in either the 2020 year or the 2021 year can use that loss to offset profits they made the year before.

Watercare Drought Response

Stage one water restrictions are now in place

Residential water users cannot:

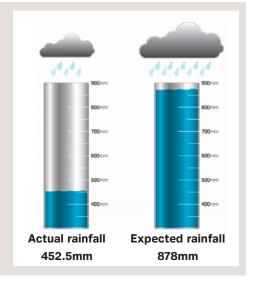
- Use an outdoor hose or water blaster. Commercial and other non-domestic water users cannot:
- Use an outdoor hose or water blaster unless it is for a health, safety, emergency or biosecurity reason
- Operate a car wash unless it uses recycled water
- Water sports fields, plants or paddocks unless they have an irrigation system that is fitted with soil moisture or rain sensors.

A couple of important points:

- If you have a rain water or grey water tank you can use that water as you wish ie: you can connect a hose to those tanks and wash your car or boat etc.
- The restrictions only apply when connected to the metropolitan water supply network.

If you're unsure whether the restrictions apply to you, check the metropolitan supply map at **watercare.co.nz**

One thing we do want you to do is keep washing your hands to combat COVID-19.



Wolverton Culverts Upgrade

Auckland Transport will begin a programme to replace two aging culverts on Wolverton Street. One culvert is located next to the St John station, and other is next to the Gull station. This is a significant project both in its scale and providing a more resilient stormwater system for West Auckland, which will reduce the risk of flooding in the area.

The main works are expected to start 3 June and AT's contractor is currently building temporary traffic lanes at the culvert sites prior to excavating the old culverts.

Once the main works begin, a tidal flow traffic management system will

operate between Portage Road and St Georges Road. While AT has developed a traffic management plan that will minimise any delays traveling along Wolverton Street, it is likely that drivers will face increased travel times during morning and afternoon peaks. Access to all businesses on Wolverton Street and Olympic Park will be maintained.

AT is encouraging commuters into the city centre to use the train or, where possible, travel outside of peak travel times

View the to project video at https://youtu.be/s-30qWqaQcc



Together we can recover stronger.

Together we are moving forward from the shock of COVID-19 to a new time with different challenges.

Moving forward, it is a time to respond to the unprecedented challenges facing our economy and to responsibly manage the recovery.

This is a time for us to work though the impact the crisis has had on our council funds. COVID-19 has caused over half a billion dollars in lost revenue this year. This means less money is available for important infrastructure and services that the council provides to our community.

It is important you have your say on the Emergency Budget 2020/2021, which is open for consultation until 19 June.

Key topics for consultation include setting general rates increases and prioritising what the council does with a reduced budget.

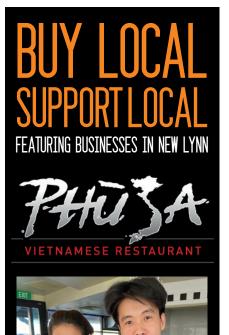
As your Whau ward councillor, I am here to listen to community opinion. Together, we can recover and ensure a positive future.



Councillor Tracy Mulholland, Whau Ward.



Call og 301 0101 or visit akhaveyoursay.nz/emergencybudget and tell us what you think.



Jayden Tran moved with his family from Vietnam to NZ 21 years ago. Jayden and his partner Tho Nhan have over 15 years experience in the restaurant industry and are the proud owners of Phusa Vietnamese Restaurant, which they opened in November 2019. Tho Nhan and her brother-in-law are qualified chefs and specialise in traditional, authentic

Vietnamese food, using fresh herbs and spices. Their signature Pho noodle dishes are very popular with diners. Phusa is a warm, friendly family restaurant serving a great selection of reasonably priced, beautifully presented and amazing

tasting Vietnamese food.

PHUSA VIETNAMESE RESTAURANT

3055 Great North Road, New Lynn **Phone** 825 0705

www.phusarestaurant.co.nz

Open 11.00am to 10:00pm Tuesday to Sunday for dine-in or takeaways.



From our management desk

What makes a great team to support business community?

When I was first involved in the New Lynn Business Association some 12 years plus ago, I worked for the Waitakere City Council. We took feedback from the business people of New Lynn and worked alongside many owners to establish the NLBA in the form it is today. Dedicated caring business community members are a very important part of the overall team to grow a business improvement district (BID).

After being involved for many years, and working for the organisation for nine years, the things you learn about are; the good people, their commitment to making an area a better place, their contribution to others, engagement with partners and how people face challenges and give voluntarily of their time and skills.

I would like to share with you some of the many (not all have been named but thank you to all) people who have and continue to care about our business area, the success of the area and the people who live, work and socialise here. It's important to acknowledge past and present committee members and others who have committed to the betterment of our business community. To mention some people who have contributed and supported the New Lynn Business Assn



Kathy Jameson (You Travel New Lynn), Jo Kiro (Kiro Management), Warren Piper (Piper Construction, Warren is now a local board member and we are proud to see him in this role for our Whau community), Dinesh Mani, Graeme Berryman (Berryman Nationwide - New Lynn), Phil Parker (Autocare New Lynn), Bruce and Ellen Wootton (Woottons Auto Accessories), Derek Battersby and Don and Christine Thomas (Thomas & Co).

We acknowledge our fabulous business owners and managers who have supported NLBA – Bobbie and Janice from New Lynn Photos, the team at Woottons Auto Accessories, Team Robbie & Vish, Noel from New Lynn Barber, our local banking community – Francene Picot (BNZ), Francis Liang (ANZ) and Kiwibank have all been good corporate citizens and supported the NLBA

We also acknowledge the New Lynn Policing team who have been great working alongside our businesses and community.

Another great local restaurant

Now to one of the many stories about great New Lynn businesses we will be sharing with you. Stephanie and the team at Lone Star are one of the favourites in New Lynn. COVID-19 has taken a toll on many businesses and we are pleased to see the them open for business again offering great meals in a really fabulous environment. The team are always so friendly, helpful and it's one of our "go to" popular restaurants. Thanks also to Stephanie and the team for always supporting our community.

Lone Star is also offering online ordering and pickup.

Eat in or out, the choice is up to you.

Check it out their new Click & Collect at www.lonestar.co.nz/order/



West Lynn Garden, Butterfly House and Function Centre

Many people have yet to discover this hidden treasure that is so close to New Lynn. Originally developed as an extensive park like garden it now boasts a fantastic butterfly house and a large function centre. With such a beautiful setting, it is an ideal location to gather for any event including weddings, corporate meetings, parties and club events.

West Lynn Garden and Butterfly House is open once again following the Covid-19 lockdown. Covering 4.5 acres, it is a beautiful environment and a space for community.

Formed in 1981 on land originally owned by the Eden Garden Society, the West Lynn Garden Society is an independent organisation. It is a space for people who love outdoors, gardening, and a relaxed environment. We are committed to the creation and maintenance of this unique environment for the enjoyment of all. It is a fabulous space for a picnic, a day's outing, a family venue or a place for people to wander through the spacious garden area.

You could be part of this wonderful place as a member or volunteer

Anyone can become a member or volunteer to help sustain the vision of this wondrous place of beauty and peace.

Please come and visit and consider joining or volunteering. As a not-for-profit organization West Lynn relies heavily on volunteers to keep our operation humming along.

Could you give some of your time to assist us? We currently have a need for people with secretarial, accounting, reception or gardening skills. Volunteering at West Lynn Garden can be a rewarding experience working with a dedicated team in a friendly natural environment.

www.westlynngarden.org.nz www.facebook.com/WestLynnGardens



SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES

Under Covid Level 2 restrictions now is the time when the small independent businesses in our community need your support more than ever!

SHOP LOCAL - EAT LOCAL - SPEND LOCAL - ENJOY LOCAL - IT'S YOUR COMMUNITY







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