

## NEW LYNN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

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## **Committee Update**

### HAVING YOUR SAY

Having a plan to stimulate the economy and tackle the growth challenge is as important to New Lynn as it is for the rest of Auckland. This month we are submitting to the Auckland Council's Long-term Plan and encourage all other members to have their say on the Council's 10-year Budget. We have been talking with our associate and Councillor Tracy about this budget and about the recovery of Aucklanders at such a challenging time.

The 10-year Budget proposes increasing total capital investment in the city to more than \$31 Billion over the next decade, helping to not only deliver crucial infrastructure but also helping to stimulate jobs and the economy.

Investing in infrastructure for housing will play a key role in that plan, says our Whau councillor Tracy Mulholland.

"Council's Economist estimates that Auckland needs 28,000 more dwellings than it does at present to catch up to Auckland's growth – that's a lot, but that estimate has come down significantly from its peak of 36,000 in 2016. "So, our current rate of building is gradually catching up and developments such as the Avanda Group's work at Crown Lynn Yards and Kainga Ora's many projects will all contribute," she says.

As your committee Chair, I am looking forward to a time when we are not faced with so much uncertainty. The COVID19 pandemic has been a trying time and we are mindful that our business community face many challenges. We are here to assist you, you will find further information in this newsletter about assistance from Government. Please contact Amelda if you need some guidance to help you at this time.

When considering our feedback on the 10 year Budget, we note that Auckland is a desirable place to live – for many reasons. Auckland will continue to grow and people will always want good housing, services, a positive community and shopping environment, the growth that we see occurring will only enhance our popular and desirable

area of New Lynn. There is no doubt that infrastructure needs to be one of the key ways of solving some issues in Auckland as does support of the economy.

During March, there are a number of NLBA activities planned, please do visit the website, contact Amelda or check your newsletter for more information. As a member of the BID you are invited to join us for an Auckland Transport update – our thanks go to the team for organising this event. Take some time to look through the newsletter and see more about our recent winners of the Valentines Day competition and find out about future plans.

Remember, you can have your say on the 10 year Budget and plans being proposed by Council. Please go to akhaveyoursay.nz and make a submission - your views make the difference when it comes to decision making. Have your say until 22 March at akhaveyoursay.nz.

Thank you, Sitendra Singh - Chairperson NLBA

## **COVID-19 update**

Auckland is at Alert Level 3. The rest of New Zealand is at Alert Level 2.

These Alert Levels came into effect from 6am on Sunday 28 February and will be in place for the next 7 days.



### Stay home if you're sick

If you're feeling unwell, isolate wherever you are and call healthline about a free COVID-19 test. By getting a test, you're helping keep your community safe.



#### Use the NZ COVID Tracer app

Scan QR codes wherever you go, and turn on Bluetooth tracing. The more we scan the safer we will be.



#### Wear a face covering

Wear face coverings on public transport, public transport and when you cannot maintain physical distance in crowded places.

For up-to-date information go to covid19.govt.nz/

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# 'We want a healthy Auckland economy'



## Have your say on Auckland Council's 10-year Budget 2021-2031

Tēnā koe.

We're preparing our 10-year Budget and more than ever before it's important we hear the views of Aucklanders like you.

Aucklanders have told us a major concern is the impact of climate change. We already have some plans and initiatives in place so, while we're not starting from scratch, we want to make faster progress. That's why we are proposing to increase spend in this area by \$150 million.

Another concern is how we are supporting the continued growth of our region and continuing to deliver the key services our communities rely on. Things like our transport network, our water supply and our community services like libraries and sports and leisure facilities. All of these are critical to the people, businesses and economy of Auckland so that is why we want to increase investment in our city to \$31 billion over the next decade.

But at a time of increasing demand

for investment, and our ability to respond has reduced.

The financial impact of COVID-19 has seen the council's revenue drop significantly and by 2024 we think the reduction could be as high as \$1 billion. So, in response, we want to continue to lock in savings, temporarily increase our borrowing and sell off surplus council property where we can. We also propose a one-off five per cent increase in average general rates for financial year 2021/2022. Combined, these actions will enable us to continue delivering essential services and investment, retaining hundreds of millions of dollars in government subsidies, and support regional recovery.

Last year's Emergency Budget was an immediate response to COVID-19, but we also need to focus on the future. That's why we're looking at the 10-year Budget 2021-2031 as our 'Recovery Budget'.

Proposals in the Recovery Budget cover a wide variety of topics that

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could impact you and your whanau.
Consultation is now open on
Auckland Council's proposed 10year Budget 2021-2031 so to find
out more go to akhaveyoursay.nz/
recoverybudget before 12pm (noon)
Monday 22 March 2021.

Ngā mihi Auckland Council

You can give us your feedback until midday on 22 March 2021. For more information visit akhaveyoursay.nz/recoverybudget, phone 09 301 0101 or visit your service centre or library. Final decisions will be made in May and June 2021 and the final 10-year Budget will be available on aucklandcouncil.govt.nz in July.



#### Golden Rules for business at Alert Level 3

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- If your business requires close physical contact it cannot operate.
- We recommend staff work from home if they can.
- Businesses need to display a QR code and have an alternative contact tracing system. We recommend you make sure that people either scan in or provide their contact details.
- Customers cannot come onto your premises — unless you are a supermarket, dairy, butcher, fishmonger, greengrocer, petrol

- station, pharmacy or permitted health service.
- Your business legally must be contactless. Your customers can pay online, over the phone or in a contactless way. Delivery or pick-up legally must also be contactless.
- Basic hygiene measures legally must be maintained. Physical distancing, handwashing and regularly cleaning surfaces. Workers legally must stay home if they're sick.
- fishmonger, greengrocer, petrol

   Staff legally must remain a minimum health and safety obligations.

- of 1 metre apart at all times where practical. We recommend other measures, such as PPE including face coverings, be used where appropriate.
- Different advice applies to essential healthcare workers, border agencies, courts and tribunal staff, first responders and corrections staff.
   You can get further advice from the Ministry of Health (external link).
- You legally must meet all other health and safety obligations.

## It's Valentine's Competition We New Lynn

Congratulations to Caity
Cole, Priya Rane Saini and
Sharz Takiari who each
received a \$100 voucher
from a New Lynn Business
Association member
business. See what
people had to say below.



Caity Cole How the community rallys when something is going on plus how caring all the businessess are towards customers they take the time to get to know you make sure you had a wonderful day and remember bits and pieces you think they'd forget with how much foot traffic goes through! New Lynn is one in a million.

**Francene Picot** New Lynn is such a great community there's everything one needs to be able to support local with some very passionate advocates and business owners that help make it the amazing community it is!!

**Benedict Bendoy** We love New Lynn because of the awesome people there. They're friendly and such a generous community (vouchers/giveaways). We love to go there too because of the one stop shop areas.

**Minuri Undugodage** I really love the amazing Lynn Mall in New Lynn. Because

there are many wonderful shops and restaurants there. I love to watch movies in the excellent Reading Cinemas as well. Visiting the Lynn Mall is very fun and enjoyable.

**Shabnam Khan** I always love shopping at new Lynn love the square they made really nice love to just sit there and relax lone star is good love there food

**Sharz Takiari** The wonderful people, the extrodinary place, the beautiful attitude that New Lynn sends off. I enjoy the out doors so having the honour of eating at there fabulous restaurants is AMAZING. GO NEW LYNN

Anita Devi I love New Lynn because when I first came to NZ that's where I stayed in one of the area in New Lynn, plus I still love doing shopping in beautiful new Lynnmall, got lots varieties of food to eat in restaurants n every time i noticed its cleaned ...

**Eileen Rosemary White** I love how New Lynn is so diverse and rich with different cultures. There is always things happening and we have everything so close we never have to travel far.

**Priya Rane Saini** New Lynn is a such a amazing place..best people and awesome community. Our little town centre has everything; place to walk, place to chill, place to celebrate. Totara triangle is the best place, it's heart of New Lynn. I have seen people exercise there, sing and dance and even have their lunch there. I love living and working here. Such a positive town

**Lesley Hodgson** I just love new Lynn's feel good vibes. Enjoying a hot coffee at the local cafes, so many great choices or a nice meal at a bar & restaurant in the weekend. Great company and atmosphere to soak up. Happy smiles and regular faces you see at the mall & say Hi to. So much to love about New Lynn

## NEW LYNN BUSINESS AFTER 5 NETWORKING EVENT

JOIN US FOR A FREE NEW LYNN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION NETWORKING EVENT



**Presentation by: Auckland Transport** 

**Topic:** Wolverton Culverts and Local Infrastructure Projects - Updates

\*NLBA Members Free - \*Non NLBA members \$30 (incl GST)

LOCATION Richie & Co Unit 3/3094 Great North Road

DATE Monday 22 March 2021

TIME 5:45pm - 7:30pm

RSVP Amelda - newlynnbid@gmail.com or txt 021 264 3188

> FOR MORE INFORMATION Email newlynnbid@gmail.com or text 021 264 3188



## High Tea in New Lynn

The Wardroom are holding a High Tea and you're invited. Tickets are limited to this popular event hosted by Nicola and the team. Enjoy a selection of delicious sweet and savoury treats served with beautiful fine china, including finger sandwiches, homemade scones and bottomless tea from our Harney & Sons Tea selection.

\$40pp - minimum 2 people. Bookings essential, 24 hours' notice required.



7 Totara Avenue, New Lynn, Auckland. Phone 09 827 6528 or 0210 267 7343 Email thewardroomnz@gmail.com www.thewardroom.co.nz





## **NEW LYNN INSTORE SALE!!**

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