



Committee Update

Welcome to this month's newsletter, after a period of time where we as Aucklanders were enjoying being out of lockdown, we now find ourselves in this unfortunate situation of a community Delta variant of COVID-19 and with that has come the situation of lockdown. This is a difficult time and a challenging situation for all of our business membership and the wider community.

We encourage our membership to seek assistance and support. The government has established a wage subsidy program and a resurgence programme, we strongly encourage you to take up the funding opportunity. Please check the covid 19 website for more information.

We understand that whilst this is a very difficult and challenging time, we call upon

you to take some time to check in with your business neighbours by phone (if you can). By supporting each other we can work through this situation.

The NLBA has established a support call program with Peter Sumunovich who has worked with the NLBA in the past on the subject of mental health will be available to help manage anxious thinking during these difficult periods and provide tools to minimise stress. In the event of feeling the need to communicate any issues you may be experiencing you are invited to register your interest to talk with Peter. There are two free half hour sessions available (via phone). Please book this with Amelda or Peter directly, the NLBA will pay for this support for its membership. Contact Peter on: 0274 830 510 or Amelda 021 264 3188

It is unfortunate however, we have had to reschedule the NLBA Business Awards and will keep you updated when a new date for the awards event is set. Alongside this change, we remind you that the AGM is proposed for 28 October, that is progressing at this stage, if there is a change, we will advise as soon as possible.

Please do stay safe and let us know if we can be of further support to you. Our aim and guidance remains steadfast at "People First, Health & Safety being paramount - Membership support".

Next is a half page or thereabouts to cover the front page on the matter of covid19 details on the website, Auckland level 4 dates and accessing information.

**Thank you,
Sitendra Singh – Chairperson NLBA**

Our Community



Everywhere south of the Auckland boundary is now at Alert Level 3 Auckland remains at Alert Level 4 for at least 2 weeks.

Northland will remain at Alert Level 4 until at least 11:59pm on Thursday 2nd September.

What we all need to do at Alert Level 4 to stay safe

We need your support to protect New Zealand and eliminate COVID-19.

- **Everyone must now stay home in their bubble.**
- **You can only leave home for essential personal movement, like to:**
 - shop for groceries
 - access necessary healthcare
 - get a COVID-19 test or vaccination
 - exercise in your local area
 - go to work if you are an Alert Level 4 worker and you cannot work from home.
- **Only make physical contact with those in your household bubble.**
 - If you live alone, you may arrange

with another person living alone or a household to be part of your household bubble. This arrangement must be exclusive between you and the other household.

- **Wear a face covering**
We encourage you to wear a face covering when leaving your home, especially if it is hard to keep 2 metres physical distance from others. At Alert Level 4, you legally must wear a face covering:
 - on public transport and at departure points — for example, train stations and bus stops, on flights, in taxi or ride-share vehicles
 - when visiting healthcare facilities
 - inside any Alert Level 4 businesses and services that are still open and

involve customer contact, including supermarkets, pharmacies and petrol stations

- in the public areas of courts and tribunals, local and central government agencies, and social service providers with customer service counters.

- **Keep track of where you have been**
 - Mandatory record keeping comes into effect from 11:59 pm on 7 September 2021.

Use the NZ COVID Tracer app if you can. This helps with rapid contact tracing if it is required.

At all Alert Levels, businesses and workplaces legally must display an NZ COVID Tracer QR code for each location. For more detailed information go to www.covid19.govt.nz

NOTICE OF THE NEW LYNN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED 2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

CERTIFICATE NUMBER 2384814

NEW LYNN
BUSINESS
ASSOCIATION

Dear Member,

This is notice of the New Lynn Business Association 2021 Annual General Meeting

Date Thursday 28th October 2021

Location New Lynn RSA, 2 Veronica Street, New Lynn

Time 5:30pm to 7:45pm

Nominations for the Executive Committee are open until until 4.00pm 18th October 2021 addressed to the Secretary, New Lynn Business Association office at 25 Veronica Street, New Lynn (above Little Treats Café) or PO Box 15456, New Lynn 0600

This notice is provided by the executive of the NLBA in accordance with the constitutional rules.

Any questions or if you would like to discuss any matters, please forward in writing to the Chairperson or the secretary of the NLBA at PO Box 15456 New Lynn or direct correspondence to the Secretary, New Lynn Business Association office at 25 Veronica Street, New Lynn (above Little Treats Café) or PO Box 15456, New Lynn 0600.

Support for NLBA membership

Mental Health and Wellbeing

NLBA is offering two free half hour phone in sessions to its membership, please use this service if you are anxious or in need of support to minimise stress.

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The Resurgence Support Payment

The Resurgence Support Payment (RSP) is a one-off payment to help support viable and ongoing businesses or organisations due to a COVID-19 alert level increase to level 2 or higher.

If your business or organisation is facing a reduction in revenue due to an alert level increase, you may be eligible for the RSP.

It's possible that the Government could decide to activate the RSP multiple times if there are multiple alert level increases from level 1. Businesses and organisations can apply for the RSP each time the it's activated, as long as they meet the eligibility criteria.

How the RSP works

- A business or organisation must have
- experienced at least a 30% drop in
- revenue or a 30% decline in capital-
- raising ability over a 7-day period, due to
- the increased COVID-19 alert level.
- Once activated any business in New
- Zealand that has experienced a 30%
- drop in revenue or capital raising ability
- over a 7 day period as a result of the
- alert level increase would be eligible
- (subject to all other criteria being met).
- How much eligible businesses and
- organisations can apply for
- When the RSP is activated, eligible
- businesses and organisations can apply

• to receive the lesser of:

- \$1,500 plus \$400 per full-time equivalent (FTE) employee, up to a maximum of 50 FTEs
- four times (4x) the actual revenue decline experienced by the applicant.

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For more information go to www.ird.govt.nz/covid-19/business-and-organisations/resurgence-support-payment

NEW LYNN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION SUPER DUTY AWARDS 2021

postponed until further notice

Conference in the New Lynn business community

For more details email Amelda Tasila - newlynnbid@gmail.com

Mayor Phil Goff: Statement on Alert Level 4 extension

Monday 30 August 2021

Auckland Mayor Phil Goff says that most Aucklanders, while not liking the extension of Alert Level 4 in the city, would understand the necessity for it.

"The delta variant is highly contagious and spreads rapidly," he says.

"We know from Sydney's experience that unless lockdowns are swiftly implemented, are strong and well supported, the pandemic quickly gets out of control.

"We all want to get back to life as normal as quickly as possible, but for that to happen the lockdown has to stay in place until the spread of the virus has been suppressed.

"The alternative is allowing huge numbers of people to become unwell, sometimes with lasting consequences,

people to die in their hundreds and our hospitals and intensive care units to be overwhelmed.

"We celebrate the fact that most of the rest of the country can move back to Level 3 on Wednesday.

"However, as the Prime Minister has acknowledged, as the gateway city to New Zealand with most of the country's quarantine facilities, Auckland has carried the burden for much of the country.

"Auckland has already over the last 18 months been at higher lockdown levels than the rest of the country, and this will continue.

"Because we live in the gateway city, Aucklanders are more vulnerable and at greater risk.

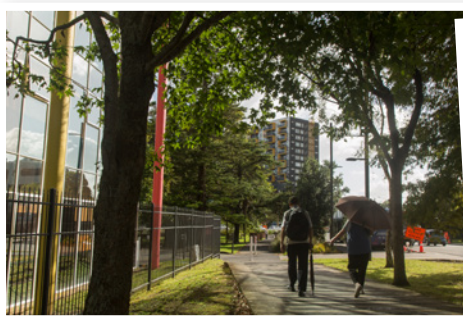
"It will be important for the government to take all the steps that it

can to help the region, one third of the country's population, to meet the costs of the lockdown.

"We acknowledge that ongoing support such as through the wage subsidy will be important. We ask the government to consider support for Auckland Transport which is losing over \$4 million a week to provide essential services with only 6 per cent of its normal fare take.

"But most important will be to ensure that maximum vaccinations are done over the next month while the city is at a high alert level.

"It is critically important that people are better protected against the virus and to reduce the risks of the disease reoccurring in the region and spreading across the country," Mayor Goff says.



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