



NEW LYNN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UPDATE

Hello everyone,

Winter has certainly struck us, the rain and wind have been constantly on our door step and that makes for a challenging retail time. However, the days pass by quickly and soon we will be basking in the sun!

The NLBA team have been making every effort to work collaboratively with the Rewarewa stream working party, we are pleased to say that our collective approach to working together is going well. An article from Auckland Council's latest *New Lynn is Open for Business* newsletter stated that:

'The Auckland Council and New Lynn Business Association working group will continue to meet regularly about the ongoing work around the New Lynn town centre, ensuring the New Lynn community have a voice.'

The working group is made up of members from the Whau Local Board, New Lynn Business Association and council staff.

If you have queries for the Auckland Council and New Lynn Business Association working group you can contact them at HWcustomerandcommunity@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

The NLBA executive recently undertook governance training, our role as an executive is to look after the interests of the organisation and to market New Lynn. We are open to feedback and comments regarding any NLBA activities. Please contact the Chair or deputy chairperson.

The NLBA AGM will be held in October this year so please keep an eye out for more information regarding this event as we do like to have members participating at the AGM.

If you would like any information about the NLBA please contact us.

Regards, Jo Kiro – Chairperson, and the Executive committee

CULVERT UPDATE – REWAREWA STREAM

WORK UNDERWAY ON THE NEW CULVERT

A plan to replace the Rewarewa Creek culvert under Great North Road has been agreed.

The existing culvert will be rehabilitated and strengthened and will continue to serve for the long term. A supplementary higher capacity culvert will be installed above the original one.

The new culvert will be a rectangular shaped four-metre wide by 2.75-metre high structure that is 50-metres long and will be constructed by excavating the road while maintaining traffic in both directions. This option will install sufficient culvert capacity to ensure that Great North Road is unlikely to be overtopped by the Rewarewa Creek during the largest foreseeable weather events.

An extra culvert is the most cost-effective, least time consuming and has the least amount of disruption to the traffic, pedestrians and the business community. Final costs of the project have not yet determined.

The other option of building a bridge or replacing the current culvert with two new pipes were ruled out as being too expensive and causing significant disruption to the community.

The agreement was reached with involvement from the local community through the Auckland Council and New Lynn Business Association working group which met to discuss the ongoing repairs to the culvert and how the work would align with the Whau Local Board's vision for the New Lynn town centre.

Whau Local Board Chair Tracy Mullholland says:

"I'm proud of the joint approach of the working group with different parts of council, community contributors, contractors and the New Lynn Business Association working collaboratively. I also look forward to continuing to work with the local business community to ensure the best result for New Lynn."

Renowned urban designer Kobus Mentz has been commissioned to lead the Rewarewa Stream redevelopment and to also look at further development opportunities that may be able to make the Rewarewa stream environment more accessible as a recreational amenity in the future.

Preliminary work has already begun on the existing culvert and is expected to be completed in July. Work on installing the new culvert will begin around August and is expected to take six months.

New Lynn is open for business with both road and pedestrian access remaining open to the town centre throughout this project.



NEW LYNN AND WHAU LOCAL BOARD

AUCKLAND COUNCIL REWAREWA STREAM UPDATE NETWORKING EVENT

The executive team of the NLBA and representatives of the New Lynn Flooding project have been working with the Whau Local Board and Auckland Council to ensure that communications related to the March flooding in New Lynn are shared with the wider community. As part of this initiative, a networking event was hosted by the NLBA on 18 July 2017 to share an update.

The information received and feedback from the Auckland Council Healthy Waters team is:

So what has been happening at the Rewarewa stream culvert?

Work began immediately on installing a second, high-level pipe across the culvert to alleviate floodwaters. Since then, the council's contractor, Fulton Hogan, has undertaken enabling works at the site to ready the existing culvert for reinforcement and the arrival of the

high-capacity permanent culvert which will sit above the existing one. We anticipate within the next few weeks the pipes for the second culvert will begin to be laid.

What is happening with the Probett Building?

The building will be completely demolished; this work is now under way. The team estimate the demolition will be completed within the next month. The building was demolished as a result of the damage it sustained from the flood over the culvert at Great North Road, not because of any prior condition.

Regarding the weather conditions and the unfortunate flooding, how did this happen?

The weather event in March was extraordinary and the rain volumes over a very short period of time were very substantial, and saw a



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significant amount of material swept downstream from a very large catchment.

Where to from here?

The Healthy Waters, Council, Auckland Transport, Whau Local Board, NLBA and other stakeholders are working to achieve a completion date of late February 2018, however weather and other conditions may effect this timeline. The proposed outcomes with the new culvert is an area that can be viewed by the public and for works in the immediate area it is hoped to be accessible via a walkway. There are other discussions and planning underway to enable the area to be 'opened up' and to become a better public space than what previously existed. The project cost is in the millions of dollars and is an important project for the team to have completed in time and with consideration to the future needs.



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NEW LYNN DEVELOPMENT

Over the many years that we have been working with numerous stakeholders to implement the New Lynn Transit and development project, we are seeing many changes in and around the town centre. It is evident that the Transit Oriented Development (TOD) plan is working for the people of New Lynn and surrounding areas. With \$400 million invested over the past 12 plus years, we are now seeing additional high rise developments, future plans for mixed use buildings and a change in the environment in New Lynn.



The NLBA have developed an investment video to promote New Lynn, we will keep this information current and remind our investors that New Lynn also offers great high speed broadband, excellent brownfield development opportunities, a great established business association and highly professional business services to support new and existing businesses, including any substantive 'start-ups'. Visit the NLBA website to see the Invest New Lynn video or visit YouTube, Invest New Lynn.

An example of some of the recent and current developments in New Lynn are the Avanda West Edge apartments on the old Crown Lynn site on Margan Ave and Rankin Ave, the Merchant Quarter apartments and the almost completed McCorquindale Lane apartments between Totara Ave and McRae Way, which have all been sold.

TOTARA AVE DEVELOPMENT (OPPOSITE HELL PIZZA)

Panuku Developments (the Auckland Council CCO) are working on a development of 'Blocks C/D' in New Lynn behind Totara Avenue. Planning and development are underway. We have limited information at this stage however, in the next few weeks we will be provided more details on this project.

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE RE COMMERCIAL CARDBOARD COLLECTIONS

As part of Auckland Council's Annual Budget process, commercial cardboard collections in selected shopping areas and town centres, including New Lynn, will cease from Friday 28th July 2017. After this date, businesses must find other ways to dispose of their cardboard.

This service was not offered anywhere else in Auckland and was subsidised by all Auckland ratepayers at a cost of \$370,000 per year.

After this date, options for disposal of cardboard include:

- Domestic quantities of cardboard and paper can go in the Auckland Council recycling bin.
- The ratepayer for the property can request to upgrade their existing 240 litre recycling bin to a 360 litre bin for no extra charge or request one additional 240 litre recycling bin at a cost of \$62.01 per year. To request an additional bin email customerenhancement@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz with 'additional 240 litre recycling bin request' in the subject line.
- Commercial quantities of cardboard and paper from trade or business activities can be recycled using a private recycling operator.
- Excess cardboard and paper can be dropped off at participating transfer stations and community recycling centres – accepted quantities and charges may vary. Visit aucklandcouncil.govt.nz and search 'transfer stations' or 'community recycling centres' to contact your nearest facility for more information.
- Businesses or organisations with innovative waste minimisation ideas they wish to get off the ground may also be eligible for Waste Minimisation Innovation Fund (WMIF) grants. To find out more search 'WMIF' at aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Thank you for your support in keeping our streets clean and tidy.



AMELDA'S DESK

Hello everyone,

The much anticipated New Lynn Food Fiesta is on again from 1 July - 18 August. What a great way to spend your lunch time or catch up with friends for dinner at one of the 23 participating New Lynn food outlets, all offering fantastic specials. This popular booklet has received positive shopper feedback. Thank you to those members who participated in this

FREE New Lynn Business Association promotion. If you have not received a booklet you can pick one up from participating food outlets or email newlynnbid@gmail.com.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SHARE SOMETHING IN OUR NEWSLETTER?

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