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Hopefully there is more positive news ahead



Kia ora tatou,

The current decline in active Omicron cases in Auckland is a positive sign which I hope will lead to more good news in time for the Easter break, when the Government announces its review of the traffic light settings across the country today at 1.00pm.

Business North Harbour (BNH), like most if not all of our members, is keen to hear that we will be moving into the Orange setting in the near future. This will enable many members to operate in a more effective manner than has been possible during long periods of the pandemic and will enable BNH to start holding in-person events for the first time in a very long time. We will keep members fully informed about our plans once any announcement to change the current setting has been made.

On another positive note, BNH is delighted to share the news that some of our members have been recognised for their business success, taking out some key awards at the recent **Westpac Auckland Business Awards** and **HSBC NZCTA China Business Awards**. Congratulations to all the finalists from our area and enjoy reading more about these businesses within this e-newsletter.

I sincerely hope that the light at the end of what for many members has been a long and dark tunnel soon becomes more than a distant flicker and the rest of the year remains positive, as we all try to adapt to the latest version of our new normal, bearing in mind that adaptability and flexibility will continue to be key elements in dealing with whatever the pandemic decides to throw at us next.

I look forward to seeing many of you online later today for our latest **Business Resilience Webinar** as we join Bronwen Newcombe from Davenports Law to look at Legal Compliance and Employment Law from an employer's perspective, in response to the ever-changing legislation and guidelines.

The Team at BNH hope you stay safe well.

Ngā mihi mahana,

Kevin O'Leary

General Manager, Business North Harbour

Latest COVID information from business.govt.nz



The following links from [business.govt.nz](#) and other Government sources provide the latest COVID related information on;

- [Changes to the traffic light system](#)
- [Personal challenges at work: how to support your staff](#)
- [Talking with your team about uncertain times](#)
- [Financial support](#)

Got questions or need support? Call the free COVID-19 Business Helpline on 0800 500 362.

Auckland Transport Proposed Parking Strategy



Auckland Transport (AT) is asking for feedback on Auckland's draft Parking Strategy. The draft Parking Strategy provides the guiding principles and policies for the planning, supply, and management of on-street and AT controlled off-street parking in Auckland.

We need this new strategy because of significant changes to central and local government policies. It will also help us respond to and guide Auckland's growth and deliver the strategic transport goals that AT and Auckland Council have agreed on for our transport system.

Some proposals in the draft Parking Strategy include:

- A tiered approach to parking management. This means that how we manage parking will depend on the land use and transport characteristics of each location. Over the next 10 years, we'll work with communities and town centres in key locations to develop and implement parking management plans.
- Repurposing kerbside space to improve safety and the movement of people, goods, and services on our most congested roads. These roads make up around 3% of Auckland's road space. Responding to increased demand for on-street parking as the city grows. In some areas, residents won't be able to rely on on-street parking to store their vehicles.
- Providing more diverse types of parking, such as spaces for taxis, motorcycle and bicycle parking, and loading zones.
- Changes to how we manage Park and Rides.

The following are the roads within the North Harbour BID that may be affected: **Albany Highway, Apollo Drive, Appian Way, Arrenway Drive, Bush Road, Civic Crescent, Coliseum Drive, Constellation Drive, Cornerstone Drive, Cowley Place, Don McKinnon Drive, Greville Road, Henry Rose Place, McClymonts Road, Munroe Lane, Oteha Valley Road, Parkway Drive, Paul Matthews Road, Ramp Road, Rosedale Road, Rothwell Avenue, Tait Place, Tawa Drive, Triton Drive and William Pickering Drive.** Click [here](#) to view the interactive map of the proposed roads affected.

BNH's role is to represent our members. Please keep an eye out for a separate email in the coming days with our parking strategy survey asking for your feedback. For more information on Auckland Transport's Parking Strategy click [here](#).

Business Resilience Webinar Series



Business North Harbour's weekly series of online webinar events continues with two final webinars to occur at 12.00pm today plus on the 4th May. Details and registration links are as follows:

• **Midday Today: [Legal Compliance & Employment Law](#) with [Bronwen Newcombe](#), Director at [Davenports Law](#). Key content to be covered will include:**

- **Withdrawing or amending vaccination policies**
- **The impact of the "hybrid" working model for businesses**
- **What obligations an employer has now, if an employee tests positive for COVID-19**
- **Global trends to take notice of in relation to recruitment and retention**

Upcoming:

• **Wednesday 4th May - [Making your marketing more efficient](#) with [Bex Taylor](#), Marketing Manager, [The Mind Lab](#)**

Past webinar sessions can be viewed online via the Members Area of the BNH website (Note: Members will require to login to gain access).

Retail NZ RISQ Online Courses



Retail NZ is proud to offer 2 free RISQ online courses for all Business North Harbour members. These online courses are available to complete until the 30th June 2022 with details and registration links below:

(i) **[Personal Safety and Conflict Management](#)**: Gain skills to assist in managing violent and aggressive behaviour (VAB) to keep yourself and others safe.

(ii) **[Robbery Prevention and Safety Skills](#)**: Gain knowledge and skills to both reduce the risk of robbery at your premises and to maximise the safety of yourself and others during an armed robbery.

Upcoming Workshops & Events



In association with [Eclipse Recruitment](#), BNH is delighted to host Hilary Barry at the next Women in Business event on Thursday 16th June. Tickets are now sold out for this event, however if you wish to join the waitlist, please email: comms@businessnh.org.nz. It is possible that a small number of additional tickets may become available when the Government increases the indoor event limit capacities.

Response from Hon. Grant Robertson



Hon. Grant Robertson, Minister of Finance has provided a response to Kevin O'Leary, GM Business North Harbour following his recent written correspondence to him around the Red traffic

Eat local, support local



Thank you for continuing to support North Harbour hospitality! We encourage you to please visit one of these wonderful establishments located across **Constellation Drive, Antares Place, Ascension Place** and **Parkway Drive**. Venues include: **[Burger King Constellation Drive](#)**; **[Cake Concepts](#)**; **[Constellation Cafe](#)**; **[Crazy Sushi](#)**; **[Farro North Shore](#)**; **[Four Candles Food Market](#)**; **[Go Deli](#)**; **[McDonalds Constellation Drive](#)**; **[Mexicali Fresh](#)**; **[Mrs Sushi](#)**; **[Pickles Cafe & Catering](#)**; **[Subway](#)**; **[The Dark Horse](#)**; **[Town Tonic](#)**; **[Wen & Yen Bakery](#)**; **[Wendy's Constellation Drive](#)**; **[Wholefood Café & Store](#)** & **[Little French Creperie Espresso](#)**.

School holiday programmes within North Harbour



With the school holidays fast approaching, here are some local school holiday programmes in the North Harbour area. Why not support local and give one of them a try! **[Art Space Studio](#)**; **[AUT Millenium Holiday Programme](#)**; **[Bricks4Kidz](#)**; **[Clip 'N Climb](#)**; **[Gameover](#)**; **[FootballFix Albany](#)**; **[Harbour Sport](#)**; **[Jump](#)**; **[Neverland Dance Studio](#)**; **[Paint the Earth](#)**; **[Pform](#)**; **[Pinot & Picasso](#)**; **[ScratchPad](#)**; **[Swish Factory](#)** and **[Wow Site Playground](#)**. If there are any other organisations offering any other school holiday programmes that we've missed, please do get in touch as we would love to know for the future.

St John Heart of Gold Annual Appeal



During the month of April, **St John** are appealing to the public to show their hearts of gold by supporting its **Annual Appeal**. This appeal is centred on raising much needed funds for the emergency ambulance service which has experienced a significant increase in demand over the past year and needs your help more than ever. Proceeds will help provide our frontline teams with ambulances and lifesaving equipment. Click [here](#) to donate today and help support St John!

Westpac Auckland Business Awards



Last Thursday night, the **Auckland Business Chamber** hosted the **Westpac Auckland Business Awards**. Standing out from a crowd of thousands of entrants and competing against an incredible group of finalists to take out an award is truly impressive! Congratulations to our 2021 North Harbour based winners!

- **[Harbour Hospice](#)** - Excellence in Marketing
- **[Unipharm Healthy Manufacturing Co. Ltd](#)** - Excellence in International Trade

Congratulations to Grin!



Congratulations to **Grin** for being announced the WINNER at the 2021 HSBC NZCTA China Business Awards for Trade between New Zealand and China (Small and Emerging Business Category). **Paul Stokes**, Marketing Manager, said "The award recognised the value we've been able to create for our community and this award would not be possible without your support, so on behalf of the

team I just wanted to reach out and say a big thank you!! We love you guys and really appreciate your support."

North Shore Pasifika Youth Sports Day



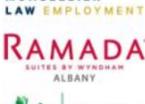
Harbour Sport Pacific team (Sports Pasifik) in association with the North Harbour Pasifika Hauora Collective are hosting a fun sports event for our North Shore Pasifika youth this coming Easter Monday, 18th April. Four sports to be played including one of our traditional village games 'Kilikiki' Samoan cricket. We look forward to hosting and providing a space for our Pasifika kids to keep active and do some physical activity. For more information, email **Asenati Tavita**, Pasifika Community Manager at Harbour Sport.

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