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At Last, Some Positive News

Kia ora tatou,

After hearing and sharing so much negative narrative for what seems like an eternity, I'm delighted to be able to share some positive news for once in this article.

Whilst the agreement to end the hostilities in the Middle East won't be fully completed until the end of the week, its initiation has restored hope for many economies around the world including ours. It will take time for supply chains to return to normal and for oil-based products to decrease in price, but at least these currently inflated prices should soon start heading in the right direction.

In further good news, thanks mainly to the sales over the King's Birthday weekend, retail spending in May increased by 2.2%, with five of the six categories measured showing an increase in sales.

Whilst BNH has a limited number of members in the retail sector, it's hoped that in time there will be similar increases in spending across other sectors, as the effects of the geopolitical issues we've been facing are reduce, giving more members some welcome relief from ongoing financial pressures.

Whilst we can't control what's happening elsewhere, fingers crossed that nobody derails what at the moment are positive steps forward.

Ngā mihi mahana,

KEVIN O'LEARY
General Manager

Upcoming Workshops & Events

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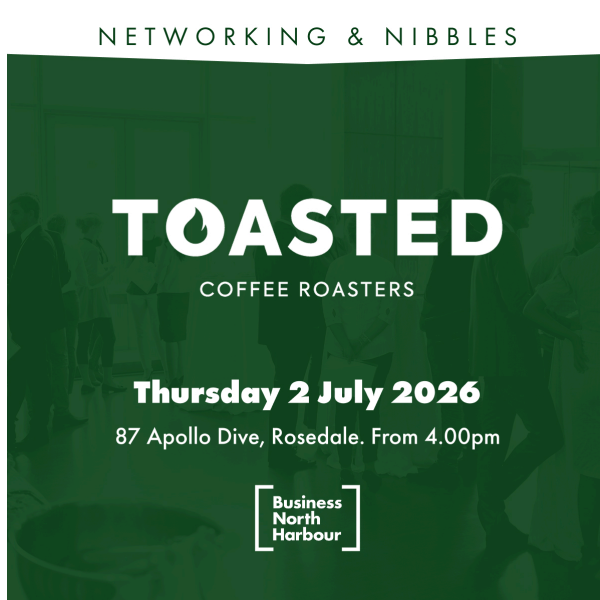
Crime Prevention & Safety Workshops



[Register Session 1 - 24th June](#)

[Register Session 2 - 30th June](#)

Networking & Nibbles – July – Toasted



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Pints Of Business With Massey



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Past Events

Networking And Nibbles Highlights Community Focus At Livewell



Business North Harbour's latest Networking and Nibbles event provided members with the opportunity to connect, learn and explore one of the North Shore's newest community-focused businesses, Livewell. Guests were welcomed by Katie Noble, who shared the story behind the

Livewell concept and how it evolved from Allied Medical, a trusted supplier of mobility and rehabilitation equipment to healthcare providers and individuals across New Zealand.

[Read More](#)

Business.govt.nz



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Construction To Start On Rosedale Bus Station



Auckland Transport (AT) have now finally confirmed that construction of the Rosedale Bus Station will commence in late July/early August 2026. This work will cause considerable disruption to traffic flow and for local businesses. BNH is working with AT to arrange an in-person meeting for those businesses affected by the project and will confirm the date and time of this as soon as we can.

In the meantime, the full announcement from AT is available [here](#).

Graduated Driver Licence Update



A new "clean driving record" requirement for restricted licence holders came into effect in May 2026.

From 7th May 2026, any demerit points received while on a restricted licence may extend your restricted period by six months per offence from 25th January 2027.

Drivers who obtain their full licence before that date will not be affected. The change aims to improve road safety and encourage compliance with licence conditions. Common offences include speeding, mobile phone use, driving an unlicensed vehicle, and breaching restricted licence conditions.

For more on demerit point change go to: [Restricted demerit points](#)

To find out about demerit point offences go to: [Demerit point offences](#)

Support The North Shore Food Drive 2026 With BNH



Join the Shore Winter Food Drive and help make a tangible difference for families facing food insecurity this winter. Bringing together organisations and communities across the North Shore, this collaborative initiative aims to "shift the dial" on local need—because together, we can do more than any one group alone.

BNH is a registered drop-off point, so you can easily contribute by bringing along non-perishable food items to support local families in need. Check out the [Approved Items List](#) and drop off your contribution any time between 8am and 4pm, Monday to Friday.

Buy Local



Don't forget to **join the Buy North Harbour Facebook group** to promote your business products and services and support your North Harbour neighbours.

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