# **News & Information** from Mackenzie District Council





When we have a dump of snow we get a lot of queries about when we will be clearing a particular road.

We thought it might be useful to let you know what the priorities are for our staff and contractors out on the roads.Clear critical emergency services

- 1. Clear commercial areas and expose fire hydrants
- 2. Clear access to urban streets and schools including bus stops
- 3. Widen intersections
- 4. Urban streets cleared approximately one lane
- 5. Clear rural roads including intersections
- 6. Move back to urban area and widen streets and clear storm water drains and grates
- 7. Widen rural roads
- 8. Remove snow piles in commercial / critical care areas if forecast dictates snow will linger for a number of weeks

The following roads within the Mackenzie District are administered by Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency (NZTA):

- State Highway 8, Cave to Twizel
- State Highway 79, Fairlie to Geraldine
- State Highway 80, Pukaki to Mount Cook

Their 24 hour contact line is 0800 444 449 and highway website is journeys.nzta.govt.nz





#### Nixons Road washover ford

Work was undertaken over June by Fulton Hogan on the building of a concrete 'washover' ford on Nixons Road, Fairlie. The ford replaced an existing ford prone to washouts, and a bridge at the end of its economic life, no longer safe to handle vehicles.

Before work was underway an ecological assessment was made of the site, the ecologist assessment team finding approximately 132 fish in the stream nearby, including the 'at risk' Canterbury galaxias, and a Long finned eel.

With work complete the ford has reopened to traffic. A special thanks to our roading contractor Fulton Hogan, High Country Earthworks for the earthworks, and Lakes Construction for the boxing and concrete work. Thanks also to the local users of Nixons Road, for your patience while the road works were undertaken.

### Book a planner

Due to staffing numbers, the planning team have introduced a booking system. To make an appointment with the planning team, call us on 0800 685 8514 or email **planning@mackenzie.govt.nz** 

A team member will be in contact to arrange a suitable date and time.

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Have your say - Mackenzie District Plan Review - Stage Four



Council is updating the Mackenzie District Plan to ensure the district can grow in a sustainable way, while protecting the things that make the place so special.

Stage Four is now well underway, and MDC is looking to notify the below Plan Changes in November 2024, subject to Council approval.

Open Space and

Plan Change 29

Noise

Signs

#### Plan Change 28

- Historic Heritage
- Notable Trees
- Hazards and Risks

#### Recreation Zones

• Pukaki Village

Special Purpose

Plan Change 30

Zones

Pukaki Downs

Glentanner

Temporary Activities

Airports

We are carrying out a quick survey which seeks to understand what people think about the proposed plan changes and using the feedback we receive to help fine tune the provisions before taking them to Council for adoption and notification.



This survey will be live at letstalk.mackenzie.govt.nz > District Plan Review - Stage Four from 8 July - 2 August.

#### Twizel - does your yellow bin blow over in the wind?

To keep recyclables within your bin before the collection truck arrives, free bin latches are available to collect from the Mackenzie District Council Twizel Office and Twizel Resource Recovery Park.

The bin latches are easy to install, and let go when the collection truck collects the bin, emptying the contents.

#### Report an issue or problem?

Contact us on 0800 685 8514 or email info@mackenzie.govt.nz



#### Dates of upcoming meetings

Tuesday, 9 July	Council Workshop	9:30am - 12:30pm	Fairlie
Thursday 25 July	Extraordinary Council Meeting to adopt Long Term Plan - To be confirmed	9:30am - 12:30pm	Fairlie

The public are welcome to attend meetings. Occasionally times and venues change so please call and check beforehand. There is a public forum at the beginning of each Council and Community Board meeting and members of the public are invited to address Elected Members on relevant matters. Agendas are available on the Council website at least two working days before each meeting.

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