

News & Information from Mackenzie District Council



Mackenzie
DISTRICT COUNCIL



Citizenship Ceremony

A Citizenship Ceremony took place on Tuesday 10 December 2024 at the Council Chambers, Fairlie.

Mayor Anne Munro (centre) welcomed nine new citizens to New Zealand and the Mackenzie District. They are (left to right):

- Steffen Ekerdt from Germany and Selina Ekerdt from Switzerland, holding their children. Steffen and Selina both work at Lakestone Lodge, Pukaki.
- Four members of the Gorospe family from the Philippines - Bea, William, Jayjim and Jamela. The Gorospe family calls Fairlie home.
- Peter Smith, originally from England but now living in Twizel.
- And Ada Chan and Cameron Siu with their baby Audrey. They are originally from Hong Kong but now live and work in Lake Tekapo.

Creative Communities Scheme

The Creative Communities Fund supports and encourages arts activities within the Mackenzie District.

Under the scheme 'the arts' are broadly defined as 'all forms of creative and interpretive expression'.

This includes creative participation in dance, performance, visual arts, music, arts education, toi Maori, literary workshops, digital storytelling and more.

The Creative Communities Scheme is a partnership between Creative New Zealand (the national arts development agency) and local councils in New Zealand. Each council takes responsibility for delivering the scheme in its area. Local decision-making is the key to the scheme: applications are considered by assessment committees with knowledge and experience of the arts in their area.

If you are interested in organising an arts event in the district, consider applying for a Creative Communities Grant. More information is available at mackenzie.govt.nz > Community > Grants and Scholarships > Creative Communities Scheme

Applications for the 2025 first round close on Wednesday 12 February.

Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund grants

Applications are now open for Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund grants. The fund is open to sports clubs and school teams with young people aged between 5-18 years who need help with transport expenses to attend regular, local sporting competitions.

Further information, guides and application form are available at mackenzie.govt.nz > Community > Grants and Scholarships > Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund.

Applications close on Wednesday 12 February.



Report an issue or problem?

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



Mackenzie District Plan Review: Proposed Plan Changes 28, 29 and 30, Variations, and Designations

Pursuant to Clause 5 of the First Schedule and section 169 of the Resource Management Act 1991, Council gives public notice of proposed Plan Changes, associated Variations, and the Designations Chapter, to the Mackenzie District Plan.

The plan changes concern:

- PC 28 – Hazards and Risks, Historic Heritage and Notable Trees
- PC 29 – Open Space and Recreation Zones, Noise, Signs and Temporary Activities
- PC 30 – Special Purpose Zones

These form Stage 4 of the review of the Mackenzie District Plan and have been drafted in accordance with the National Planning Standards.

The Plan Changes introduce new chapters to the Mackenzie District Plan.

The Plan Changes and Variations introduce zones, overlays, specific control areas and other layers and amendments to the Mackenzie District Plan EPlan Maps.

Find out more, and have your say at letstalk.mackenzie.govt.nz > District Plan Review Stage Four.



Public Health Notice

Some plumbing fittings have the potential to allow minute traces of metals to accumulate in water standing in the fittings for several hours.

Although the health risk is small, the Ministry of Health recommends that you flush a cup-full of water from your drinking water tap each morning before use to remove any metals that may have dissolved from the plumbing fittings.

We are recommending this simple precaution for all households, including those on public and private water supplies.



Dates of upcoming meetings

Date	Meeting	Time	Location
Monday 27 January	Tekapo Community Board Meeting	3:00pm - 5:00pm	Tekapo
Tuesday 28 January	Council Meeting	9:00am - 2:00pm	Fairlie
Wednesday 29 January	Twizel Community Board Meeting	4:30pm - 6:00pm	Twizel
Thursday 30 January	Fairlie Community Board meeting	4:30pm - 6:00pm	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.

0800 685 8514

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