



Greymouth CBD Renewal project

Public feedback on the Community Economic Development Strategy rated renewal of the Greymouth CBD area as the highest priority and in late 2015 Council approved the **Greymouth CBD Renewal Urban Design Framework**. Over the past few months Council has been working hard with Opus on the project and works are due to start shortly on the Town Square and Tainui Shared Street. These two projects were ranked the most important by the community during the CBD renewal consultation - here are just some of the community's comments:

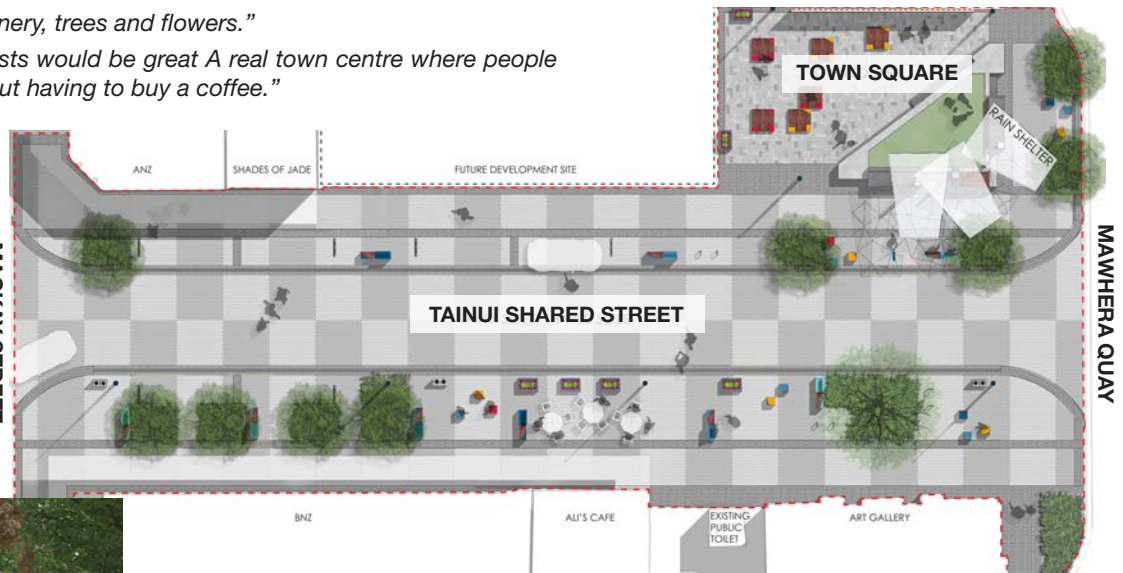
"The town lacks a clear centre, there needs to be a hub developed."

"We need a town square near the clock tower for people to gather and sit. There is nowhere for buskers, seating, shelter and people to come together."

"There needs to be more greenery, trees and flowers."

"A hub for the youth and tourists would be great. A real town centre where people can spend time and rest without having to buy a coffee."

We know there have been recent questions in the community, asking "what will this do for our town?" In short the Town Square will be supported by Tainui Shared Street to become one large shared space to support events, markets and hanging out. It will be a central place where people can eat, drink coffee, hang around longer in our CBD and spend more money in our shops.



The economic benefit from these developments is already sparking further outside investment in our town.

The tender for the first stage of this project closes in early February 2017 - we can't wait for works to begin!

Stay up to date on our website, www.greymouth.govt.nz/renewal

Mayor's comment

Update on Lake Brunner District Health Clinic

Council recently resolved to change the land use designation for Helena Dense Reserve from 'recreation' to 'special purpose reserve'. There were no objections from the public consultation process. Also the only objection to the Resource Consent application has been withdrawn, which is great news. The building and resource consents have now been issued by Council.

The estimated building cost is \$270,000, of

which \$220,000 has been generously donated by the public and residents in the area and wider region. A huge thank you to everyone; it shows that the community spirit is alive and well out there.

Generous in-kind offers of labour have been donated by Peter De Breuk Electrical, Emery Plumbing services and painting by Alan Atkinson. The balance of the rebuild will come from the area infrastructure fund held by Council after an overwhelming affirmative poll result was given to use some of the funds for construction of the Health Clinic.

The funds needed will be substantially less than first envisaged because of the great public support, so it is all good. Councillors

Becker, Gibson and myself have been organising the foundation and backfill of the site, with Craig Morgan and Paul Steegh Contracting gifting equipment and their time for the foundation preparation.

The tender for the Health Clinic construction has been awarded to John Griffin Builders. The Lake Brunner District Health Clinic Committee has been busy over the last two years but it has been worth it.

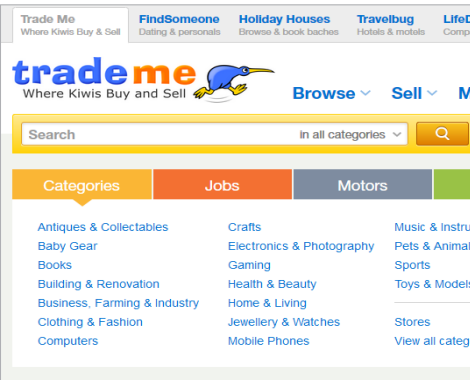
Thanks to everyone for their contribution. We will soon have a modern health facility that will serve the District well into the future.

Tony Kokshoorn

Digital literacy classes

The Grey District Library has teamed up with the 2020 Communications Trust to deliver these very popular FREE digital literacy classes to the community. Here is the class schedule for **Term 1 of 2017**.

DATE	TIME	TOPIC
Thursday 9 February	2pm to 4pm	Computer Basics
Thursday 16 February	2pm to 4pm	Introduction to Tablets (<i>for those who don't own one yet</i>)
Thursday 23 February	2pm to 4pm	Slideshows - PowerPoint
Thursday 2 March	2pm to 4pm	Google and the Internet
Thursday 9 March	2pm to 4pm	Introduction to Social Media
Thursday 16 March	2pm to 4pm	Digital Photos
Thursday 23 March	2pm to 4pm	Tablets Troubleshooting (<i>one-on-one half hour sessions</i>)
Thursday 30 March	2pm to 4pm	Computer Basics
Thursday 6 April	2pm to 4pm	Google Drive
Thursday 13 April	2pm to 4pm	Trade Me



All classes are held in the West Coast Room at the Library.

Classes are open to all ages and registering is easy - either phone the Library on 03 768 5597 or go to <https://2020.arlo.co/upcoming-courses> and select 'West Coast Region'. You need to register for each class you wish to take.

For further information about the Stepping Up programme, please visit <http://steppingup.nz/>.

Community funding

The Grey District Council administers two funding schemes that are available to groups in our community. The funding rounds for both schemes are in September and April each year.

Creative Communities Scheme

All projects eligible for funding must be arts and cultural projects that:

- Increase participation in the arts at a local level, or increase the range and diversity of the arts available to local communities;
- Take place within the Grey District and/or produce benefits that are largely experienced within the Grey District; and
- Benefit local communities.

Recent funding recipients:

- Isabella Miller Bell
- Pou Mahi A Iwi
- WestREAP
- Connected Media Charitable Trust
- Left Bank Art Gallery

Sport New Zealand Rural Travel Fund

School club teams and sport club teams are defined as:

- "A school club team participating in regular local sport competition in weekends, that excludes inter-school and intra-school competitions played during school time."

and/or

- "A sports club team participating in organised, regular sport competition through club membership outside of school time."

Recent funding recipients:

- Grey Valley Netball Club
- Suburbs Rugby League Club
- Awahono School Basketball
- Cobden Kohinoor Rugby League
- Paroa Junior Soccer

Full details can be found on our website or at Council offices when funding rounds are open.

ITO graduations

The 2016 Industry Training Organisation (ITO) Graduations were held at Council offices at the end of last year to celebrate those graduates who completed their ITO qualification in the past 12 months. Over 70 students graduated last year - we congratulate them on their achievement and also thank their employers and families for supporting them.

New year - new timetable!

The Westland Recreation Centre group fitness class timetable has been revamped for the new year and includes the following exciting changes:

- NEW class - Les Mills CXWORX. This popular short and sharp workout will strengthen and tone your core and improve functional strength for mobility and injury prevention. Mondays and Wednesdays at 6.45pm.
- TWO additional classes for the weekend: BodyAttack on Saturday at 9.30am and BodyStep on Sunday at 10.30am.
- NEW RPM class on Friday at 5.30pm.
- DISCONTINUED: Friday morning RPM class at 7.15am and Zumba classes on Mondays and Saturdays.

You can check out the complete timetable on our website, www.greydc.govt.nz/westlandrec



Christmas time BodyPump class

Refuse collection - stat days

Sometimes your refuse or recycling kerbside collection day has to change due to public holidays. This year we had to push some collections out due to two statutory days following Christmas Day and New Year's Day. All changes were published at least twice in the Grey Star, on our website and regular reminders were posted on Facebook. However we noticed that some people got a bit confused when to put their bins and bags out over the holiday break.

To make it easier for the future, here is a list of all refuse and recycling kerbside collection days affected by public holidays for the rest of 2017. Pin this list to your fridge as a handy reminder.

PUBLIC HOLIDAY	DATE	NEW COLLECTION DATE
Waitangi Day	Monday 6 February 2017	Tuesday 7 February 2017
Easter Monday	Monday 17 April 2017	Tuesday 18 April 2017
Anzac Day	Tuesday 25 April 2017	Wednesday 26 April 2017
Queen's Birthday	Monday 5 June 2017	Tuesday 6 June 2017
Labour Day	Monday 23 October 2017	Tuesday 24 October 2017
Westland Anniversary Day	Monday 4 December 2017	Tuesday 5 December 2017
Christmas period	Monday 25 December 2017	Wednesday 27 December 2017
	Tuesday 26 December 2017	Wednesday 27 December 2017
	Wednesday 27 December 2017	Thursday 28 December 2017
	Thursday 28 December 2017	Friday 29 December 2017
New Year's period	Monday 1 January 2018	Wednesday 3 January 2018
	Tuesday 2 January 2018	Wednesday 3 January 2018
	Wednesday 3 January 2018	Thursday 4 January 2018
	Thursday 4 January 2018	Friday 5 January 2018



WAITANGI DAY COMMUNITY PICNIC MONDAY 6 FEBRUARY 2017

Head on down to Dixon Park from 11am on Monday 6 February 2017 for the Waitangi Day community picnic.

This fabulous family day is made possible by the generosity of many sponsors and organisers and everyone is welcome! A bbq lunch, including a hangi, will be available for a gold coin donation.

Starting at 11am, there will be:

- A bbq and hangi for lunch, as well as tea and coffee
- Bouncy castle, face painting and a lolly scramble for the kids
- Music and lots of other entertainment throughout the day



Grey District Waitangi Day Picnic
Community Celebrations



Have your say on rates & fees

A plan is produced each year that lays out what the Council plans on doing for the next 12 months and how the activities and services will be paid for, ie rates, subsidies and user charges (ie fees).

Rates are used to fund activities and services provided by Council. These include (but are not limited to): roading, refuse/recycling collection and disposal, stormwater, parks & reserves, community services, district planning, rural fire, flood protection, sewer, water and economic development.

Fees and charges apply to Council services such as building consents, swimming pools, Port usage, liquor licence applications, resource consents, Westland Recreation Centre, dog registration and more. Some of our fees are set by Government legislation.

The next Draft Annual Plan will be for the period 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018. Public consultation on the Draft Plan will take place in March/April 2017.

We encourage all ratepayers and residents to read the Draft Plan and have their say before Council adopts the Final Plan in June.



GREYMOUTH ROTARY STREET 'FARE'

SUN 19 FEB 4PM - 7PM

TOWN SQUARE BY THE CLOCK TOWER

**FOOD & CRAFT
STALLS**

MUSIC

BRING ALONG THE FAMILY

TABLES AND CHAIRS PROVIDED

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