

# Planning Focus

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## Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

As 2019 draws to a close I wish you all a merry Christmas and trust the new year will bring you success. I also hope you get the opportunity to take a break over the holiday season.

Looking back over 2019 it has been a year of progress for the institute with a number of significant projects initiated over the last 12 months. These projects are generally still in process, but they set us up for a year of delivery in 2020.

Exciting developments currently underway within the Institute include the redevelopment of our website, the redrafting of our Constitution and Regulations, a review of the Associate membership category and the alternate membership pathway and of course the plethora of policy initiatives coming from central government including the draft NPS's, and the two tranches of the RM Reform.

The last year has also seen an increase positive media engagement, stronger central government engagement, including the appointment of a practitioner onto the RM Reform panel and stronger engagement with our international partners.

It is also pleasing to reflect on the DSA's and Fellows that were bestowed during 2019. It is great to see members of our profession being recognised for the contributions they have made over prolonged periods of time.

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## REMINDER — 2020 Award Nominations

NZPI are currently taking nominations for the 2020 Awards. We encourage you to take this opportunity to celebrate best practice within the planning profession by submitting a nomination.

Nomination deadline is 24th Jan .

See [page 3](#) for full details

## NZPI Member Profile

Keeping your personal details up to date will ensure you don't miss out on valuable information from the institute, **please remember to [update your contact details](#)** whenever you move or change jobs.

To update your place of employment, please [click here](#)



Congratulations to all the members who have been recognised with a DSA, as a Fellow or were a winner of one of our annual awards.

I hope that you can also see progress and celebrate successes as you look back over 2019.

I know that our progress and success through 2019 is dependent upon the hard work of the staff in the national office and the network of volunteers spread across the country in branches, special interest groups and representing the profession on working groups, committees, or serving in roles such as the Board, CPD presenters, membership convenor or as interview panellists. To all these people and everyone else who has given their time and energy to support the Institute and the profession through 2019, I offer my heartfelt thanks.

From all of us in the national office, I wish you a very merry Christmas, and a safe, relaxing and enjoyable holiday season. I look forward to seeing you in 2020.

David Curtis, CEO

## FINAL REMINDER | Full RMA Review

As you will be aware, the Government has commenced a review of NZ's resource management system. NZPI has been researching this matter for a while now and has developed some policy ideas which we'd like your views on. Recently, the newly formed RMA Review Panel released an issues and options paper, and we'd like your views on that as well.

This survey is in two parts:

- The first part asks your opinion about policy ideas and approaches developed by NZPI;
- The second part asks your opinion about the issues and options paper (you can skip this if you haven't read it)

There's also space under each question for qualitative responses if you'd like to make a contribution.

[Please click here to begin - \(Survey closes 20 Dec\)](#)

We look forward to your thoughts on this important initiative.



## NZPI Membership Renewals

As we move towards a New Year, NZPI will be issuing renewal invoices in January for the 2020 membership period. To ensure that all members receive their invoices in a timely manner with the correct details noted we would encourage you to update your details via your dashboard on the NZPI website.

If you would like your membership fees to be billed to your employer please ensure that the company address details are noted under ADDRESSES (and not Company Addresses) and the option 'Send any correspondence to this address' is selected.

For assistance in updating your contact details please [click here](#) and to change your company address / place of employment please [click here](#).



# 2020 Award Nominations



Nominations close:  
**24th Jan 2020**  
**5pm**

Late nominations will  
not be accepted

The New Zealand Planning Institute is now calling for nominations for the 2020 NZPI Annual Awards and Scholarships/Grants which will be presented at the 2020 NZPI Annual Conference to be held in Nelson.

There is ground breaking work happening in the planning profession all across New Zealand. From both the public and private sector and in both large and small organisations, planners are delivering projects that are innovative, creative and represent the best of our profession. NZPI celebrates the work of these planners through our Annual Awards. So, if you have a project, no matter how small or large, that is innovative and reflects best practice then please take the opportunity to celebrate and share your work and learnings throughout the planning profession by submitting a nomination to the NZPI Annual Awards.

**Registering a nomination is easy.**

Just fill in the relevant form and return with requested attachments by email to Vanessa White before 5pm, 24 January 2020 (please note there will be no acceptance of late nominations).

- [Annual Awards & Nomination form](#)
- [Scholarship/Grants & Application form](#)

**We encourage you to take this opportunity to celebrate best practice within the planning profession by submitting a nomination to the Awards.**

## Salary Survey

The NZPI Salary survey has proven a useful resource for members, providing them with a guideline on the profession's demographics, salaries and benefits. The survey's increasing robustness, thanks to the great response rate, has also meant that a growing number of recruiters and employers are using it to inform their decisions around remuneration for planners.

We encourage you to participate in this year's survey and thereby contribute to the strength and reliability of the results.

[Please click here to begin](#)

## 2020 NZPI Annual Conference

NZPI invites planners and allied professionals to the 2020 NZPI conference, 'VALUES / VOICES / VISION' in Nelson/ Whakatū, 31 March to 03 April 2020.

We've got a great line-up of speakers, including keynotes [Dr Crystal Legacy](#), [Kerensa Johnston](#), [Rod Oram](#), [Nina-Marie Lister](#), [Paul Beverley](#), [Christopher Pettit](#), [Graeme McCarrison](#), [Hera Smith](#). & [Hon Nanaia Mahuta](#)

For full speaker details & a copy of their presentation synopsis, [click here](#)

To view the full programme, [click here](#). There are **limited seats** for all [social functions](#) and [field trips](#), so get in quick to avoid missing out!



**Early bird [registration](#) closes Friday 7th February**





# JOBS

NZPI's Situations Vacant service connects you with planning opportunities available throughout the country.

## Latest Jobs In Planning

- **PLANNING CONSULTANT** | Align Ltd  
**Location:** Kingsland, Auckland **Level:** Intermediate **Closing:** 17/01/20
- **SENIOR PLANNER** | Cato Bolam Consultants Ltd  
**Location:** Manukau **Level:** Senior **Closing:** 18/01/20
- **PLANNING OFFICER** | Central Otago District Council  
**Location:** Alexandra, Central Otago **Level:** Intermediate  
**Closing:** 13/01/20
- **SENIOR PLANNER (POLICY)** | Dunedin City Council  
**Location:** Dunedin **Level:** Senior **Closing:** 07/01/20
- **POLICY & SENIOR POLICY PLANNER** | Hawke's Bay Regional Council  
**Location:** Napier, Hawke's Bay **Level:** Various **Closing:** -
- **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLANNER** | Horowhenua District Council  
**Location:** Levin **Level:** Intermediate **Closing:** 08/01/20
- **PLANNING TEAM LEADER** | Mackenzie District Council  
**Location:** Fairlie **Level:** Team Leader **Closing:** 17/01/20
- **TEAM LEADER - SCIENCE & ENVIRONMENT** | Nelson City Council  
**Location:** Nelson **Level:** Team Leader **Closing:** 19/01/20
- **POLICY ANALYST** | Northland Regional Council  
**Location:** Whangarei **Level:** Senior **Closing:** 19/01/20
- **PLANNER** | Paua Planning Ltd  
**Location:** Albany, Auckland **Level:** Intermediate / Senior  
**Closing:** 30/01/20
- **POLICY PLANNER** | Opotiki District Council  
**Location:** Opotiki **Level:** Intermediate **Closing:** 17/01/20



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# JOBS

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- **SENIOR POLICY PLANNER** | Rotorua Lakes Council  
**Location:** Rotorua **Level:** Senior **Closing:** 17/01/20
- **SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNERS** | Tauranga City Council  
**Location:** Tauranga **Level:** Senior **Closing:** 19/01/20
- **POLICY PLANNER & SENIOR POLICY PLANNER** | Whanganui District Council  
**Location:** Whanganui **Level:** Various **Closing:** 24/01/20
- **PLANNER** | Whanganui District Council  
**Location:** Whanganui **Level:** Junior - Intermediate **Closing:** 24/01/20
- **TEAM LEADER** | Whanganui District Council  
**Location:** Whanganui **Level:** Team Leader **Closing:** 24/01/20

## Last Weeks Listings

- **REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT MANAGER** | Bay of Plenty Regional Council
- **INTERMEDIATE PLANNER** | Forme Planning
- **CONSENTS PLANNER** | Waikato District Council
- **CONSENTS TEAM LEADER** | Waikato District Council
- **SENIOR POLICY PLANNER** | West Coast Regional Council

To view all current job opportunities [click here ...](#)



## NZPI Conferences

- [2020 Environmental Compliance Conference](#)  
Details will be available soon

## Branch & SIG Events

- [Summer Networking Event and RM Review Panel Workshop](#)  
14 Jan 2020, Auckland
- [Auckland Airport of the Future](#)  
20 Feb 2020, Auckland

## Industry Events

- Watch this space

# EVENTS





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## VALUES/VOICES/VISION CHAMPIONING THE PLANNING PROFESSION TO EXCEL

Join us in Nelson, the centre of New Zealand, for the NZPI 2020 Annual Conference. Explore how we promote the values, voices and vision of the planning profession, and the people we work with. We'll examine the broader role of planning in today's environment, and discuss how planners hear the voices of iwi, the community, and other professions.

You'll be inspired by thought leaders guiding the development of our communities and the management of our natural resources, and discover how planning can influence New Zealand's strategic direction. You'll also experience what the fantastic Nelson region has to offer! Nau mai, haere mai ki Whatatū i te tau ihu ō te waka a Māui.

**REGISTRATION NOW OPEN! [www.nzpiconference.org](http://www.nzpiconference.org)**

# Advertising Opportunities

## • Job Opportunities

Advertising with us means you specifically target qualified planners, we believe no one else will be able to offer you this kind of target audience.

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## • Online Consultants Directory +PQConnect

We produce an online Consultants Directory to help companies enhance their visibility at an affordable price and to help the public find a qualified Consultant in their region. Who Should Advertise? Planners, Architects, Landscape Designers, Surveyors, Engineers, Lawyers and other Professionals involved in Planning, Design and the Environment.

[Read More](#)

## • Events

Simply complete the online '[Event Advertising Request](#)' form and we'll get back to you with a quote. There is no charge for free events or events organised by NZPI Branches or the NZPI Young Planners Group. Event advertising is subject to the approval of our Events Manager.



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