

Planning Focus

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RMA: It's not broke but it needs fixing

NZPI's Resource Management Review submission was lodged a week ago. It builds on recent submissions, international literature searches, a member survey and member workshops held in January. You can get the gist in its Executive Summary by clicking the link to the submission (below).

Submission includes ... while the new Act integrated and incorporated many disparate processes and statutes, it, and related processes and interests have created an increasingly complex environment, with new pieces of Inter-related legislation (quite apart from amendments to the RMA itself), new tools and processes, and additional stakeholders and institutions. NZPI's submission illustrates this complexity, draws attention to the broader fabric of NZ's resource management system, and suggests that any proposed changes need to recognise that complexity.

NZPI recognises that while serious problems and failures have emerged with NZ's resource management system – as described in the Resource Management Review Panel "Issues and Options" paper – NZPI notes that parts of the system are functioning well – such as the management of point sources of pollution to water and air – and that NZ continues to rate very highly in international liveability rankings which in part is a reflection of the performance of our resource management systems. It's not all bad, but parts do require reworking ...

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Call for Contributions

PLANNING FOCUS is the weekly e-Newsletter of the New Zealand Planning Institute. If you have any new/info that would be of interest to members, please email melissa.hubbard@planning.org.nz

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](#)



2020 NZPI Annual Conference - New Keynotes added to the programme

We are pleased to advise Minister David Parker and Deborah Lee Sang will be joining our great line up of speakers at the 2020 NZPI Annual Conference!

Speakers at the March 31 – April 3 Conference being held in Nelson, include 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](#)

Nelson has so much to offer! Come and explore the diversity of the Nelson region by booking a Social Function and Field Trip! Seats are limited so get in quick to avoid missing out!

To view the full programme, [click here](#).

Register today and join us as we reflect on past and foreseeable future challenges and opportunities planners face in transforming voices and values into bold visions for 2020 and beyond!

Online directory + PQConnect bookings

Don't forget to get your bookings in for the 2020 Online directory + PQConnect'. Submission deadline is approaching fast!

For just \$570.00 per year your company could have a listing in the online directory and a single sized profile in 4 issues of Planning Quarterly.

If you would like to take advantage of this great advertising opportunity, please submit your booking by 14th February 2020...

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CAP Young Planners Coordinator

The Commonwealth Association of Planners (CAP) is looking for a new CAP Young Planners Coordinator.

Is this the role for you?

CAP are looking for enthusiastic leader who can network and ensure that the goals of the CAP and the CAP Young Planners' Network can be achieved across the Commonwealth.

The purpose of the CAP Young Planners' Network is to connect and mobilise planning students and young planners across the Commonwealth to help address the needs of young planners and youth more generally, and to contribute a youth perspective to the work of CAP ...

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JOBS

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

Latest Jobs In Planning

- **TECHNICAL DIRECTORS - PLANNING** | AECOM New Zealand Ltd
Location: Auckland & Hamilton **Level:** Highly Experienced **Closing:** -
- **CONSENTS PLANNER** | Aukaha (1997) Ltd
Location: Dunedin, Otago **Level:** Intermediate **Closing:** 02/03/2020
- **PRINCIPAL / SENIOR PLANNER** | Aukaha (1997) Ltd
Location: Dunedin, Otago **Level:** Snr - Highly Exp **Closing:** 02/03/20
- **REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT MANAGER** | Bay of Plenty Regional Council
Location: Tauranga **Level:** Senior **Closing:** 21/02/20
- **SENIOR PLANNER - PARKS** | Hamilton City Council
Location: Hamilton **Level:** Senior **Closing:** 16/02/20
- **SENIOR PLANNER (CONSENTS)** | Incite
Location: Christchurch **Level:** Senior **Closing:** 24/02/20
- **SENIOR PLANNER** | Kaipara District Council
Location: Mangawhai **Level:** Snr - Highly Exp **Closing:** 14/02/20
- **PLANNING TEAM LEADER** | Mackenzie District Council
Location: Fairlie, South Canterbury **Level:** Senior / Highly Experienced / Team Leader **Closing:** 28/02/20
- **LOOKING FOR EXTRAORDINARY CONSULTANTS** | Mitchell Daysh Limited
Location: Auckland **Level:** Various **Closing:** -

Last Weeks Listings

- **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT PLANNER** | Department of Conservation
- **SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNER** | GHD
- **CONSENTS MANAGER** | Gisborne District Council
- **SNR RESOURCE CONSENTS PLANNER** | Napier City Council
- **SNR CITY DEVELOPMENT PLANNER** | Nelson City Council
- **SENIOR RESOURCE CONSENTS PLANNER** | Porirua City Council



NZPI Conferences

- [2020 Environmental Compliance Conference](#)
19 – 21 October, Christchurch

Branch & SIG Events

- [Auckland Airport of the Future](#)
20 Feb 2020, Auckland

Industry Events

- Watch this space

EVENTS

“All members are strongly advised to familiarise themselves with their NZPI CPD requirements for planning their CPD in 2020 [click here](#)”

Upcoming NZPI Courses/Workshops

- [Planning for Maori Values: Advanced](#) **FULL**
11 Feb 2020, Auckland
- [Planning for Administrators](#)
12 Feb 2020, Whangarei
- [Emerging Technologies and Resource Management](#)
18 Feb 2020, Auckland
- [Planning for Administrators](#)
20 Feb 2020, Palmerston North
- [Planning for Maori Values: Introduction](#)
25 Feb 2020, Hamilton

Workshops have a minimum number requirement, PLEASE BOOK EARLY to ensure it goes ahead. Registration deadline is normally 2 - 3 weeks prior to the event, depending on the venue.



NZPI CPD Spotlight on ...

Planning for Administrators

12 Feb 2020, Whangarei | 20 Feb 2020, Palmerston North

The intention of this 3.5 hour (half day) workshop is provide council officers and people supporting planning teams in private practice with an understanding of the roles and functions in how the planning system actually works and how you can be more effective in support the team of professional planners.

It is especially designed for council officers and people in private practice would like to gain a better understanding of how the planning system actually works in practice in New Zealand. It will explain the role of planning and will demystify the planning jargon so non-planners can actively engage with the planning teams.

Aimed it staff in both the public and private practice firms and NGO who work with planners and would like to gain a better understanding of how the system works.

[Full details here](#)

03 CPD Points





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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.

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• 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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