

Planning Focus

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Major investment in infrastructure projects

Source: www.beehive.govt.nz

The COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund has set aside \$3 billion to fund infrastructure projects across the country. This is in addition to the Government's \$12b New Zealand Upgrade Programme and Provincial Growth Fund infrastructure investments.

Budget 2020 and the COVID Response and Recovery Fund (CRRF) will inject fresh capital, confidence and jobs into our economic recovery as quickly and efficiently as possible.

Ministers will soon decide which projects to progress and consider advice from the Infrastructure Industry Reference Group (IRG) which has received a total of 1924 submissions across approximately 40 sectors with a combined value of \$136b.

"In just a few short weeks, the IRG, through Crown Infrastructure Partners, has been able to collate the largest ever infrastructure and construction stocktake the nation has ever seen," Shane Jones said.

"The IRG expects to deliver its report to Ministers in the coming weeks and will advise us on potential packages in different regions across the country in the sectors we as a Government wish to prioritise the most including water, transport, housing, environment and health ...

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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](#)



Physical distancing is here for a while

The coronavirus pandemic has dramatically shifted our lives and the ways we move about our cities. Despite tight restrictions on non-essential work and outings, and on social gatherings in every state and territory, governments have listed exercise as one of four essential activities. As a result, we have seen increases in the number of people walking and ...

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Will bikes replace cars

When the country entered almost complete lockdown Kiwis were urged not to travel further than the supermarket in their cars - as a result the roads were swamped by cyclists. A Bike Auckland survey found 60 percent of the "traffic" at COVID-19 alert level 4 was people on bikes and on foot. Now, as the country prepares to ...

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Five ways to build resilience to pandemics AND a warming planet

After Covid-19, the climate emergency will not have gone away, so we must build resilience to extreme events – not only to this pandemic, but also to the impacts of climate change. However, only by adopting an integrated approach towards resilience – that considers the economic, environmental, institutional, physical, and social dimensions – it will be possible to promote adaptation to climate change. In order to reach this 'new world', society must be able to harness the benefits of current measures and promote sustainable development. Here are five ways current responses can help build resilience and protect us from climate-related events as well as pandemics ...

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NZPI Nancy Northcroft Award

The Nancy Northcroft Planning Practice Award is the Institutes supreme award for excellence in planning practice.

This award recognises:

- Creativity and innovation in the methods involved,
- The quality and innovation of presentation of any report or material,
- The extent to which best-practice planning process and practice, including sustainable management is promoted.

We are pleased to announce the winners of NZPIs 2020 Supreme Award ...

- [Te Arawa Lakes Trust](#)
- [Conroy and Donald Consultants Ltd](#)

For:

Te Arawa Cultural Values Framework and accompanying Environmental Plan

Congratulations!

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2020 ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE CONFERENCE
19 – 21 October, Christchurch.

www.environmentalcomplianceconference.org

REMINDER - Abstract submission deadline 29 May 2020, 3pm



JOBS

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

Latest Jobs In Planning

- **PRINCIPAL ADVISER ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT** | Nelson City Council
Location: Nelson **Level:** Highly Experienced, Team Leader / Manager
Closing: 24/05/20

Last Weeks Listings

- **PLANNING OFFICER** | Manawatu District Council

Job Seekers

Looking for a Short-term, Temporary or Entry Level Position? NZPI offers all Student and Recent Graduate members the opportunity to advertise their availability online - [CLICK HERE](#) if you would like to register your details



NZPI Conferences

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

Branch & SIG Events

- Watch this space

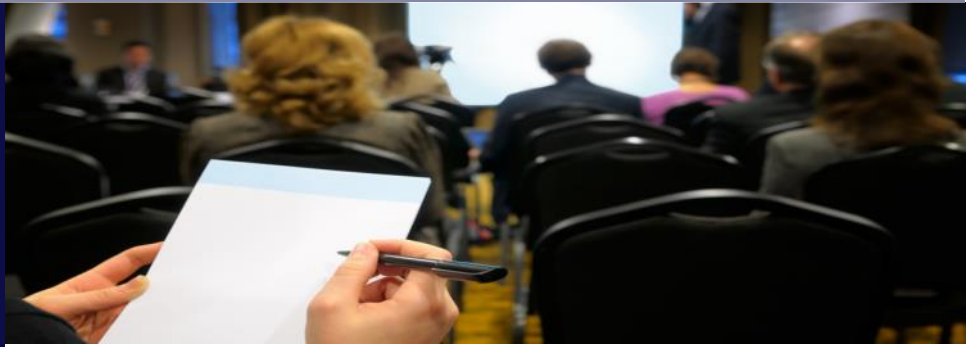
Industry Events

- [Massey Planning Seminar: Kaitiaki on the inside – a perspective from a local government practitioner.](#)
 20 May 2020, Online via zoom

EVENTS

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

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



NZPI CPD Spotlight on ...

Upcoming NZPI Courses/Workshops

- [PM2: Making Good Plans](#)
20 May 2020, Online
***3 TICKETS LEFT**
- [Understanding Noise & Effects](#)
21 May 2020, Online
- [RC2: Assessing Environmental Effects and Notification Issues](#)
21 May 2020, Online
***2 TICKETS LEFT**
- [Case Law Update](#)
26 May 2020, Online
***5 TICKETS LEFT**
- [NZPI Lunchtime Sessions](#)
Various Dates, Online ***NEW SESSIONS ADDED**

To ensure a quality learning experience we are limiting online workshop sizes; we encourage you to book early to avoid missing out. .

Understanding Noise & Effects

21 May, online

The management of noise effects is pivotal to creating liveable cities, healthy communities and ensuring the sustainable management of infrastructure and industry. Planning for population growth and intensification requires that noise effects within mixed use environments are carefully managed and reverse sensitivity effects on significant infrastructure, strategic industries and productive land use are avoided.

It is essential that planners hold a good understanding of the basic principles of the noise measurement and assessment process to aid their interpretation of acoustic assessments and to ensure good decision making. Ensuring resource consent conditions and policy contain robust noise management provisions can avoid potential complaints and enforcement proceedings. The time and cost of resolving noise issues can be significant to Council and stakeholders- a process that policy and resource consent planners are not always privy to ...

[Click here to register - tickets are limited, be quick.](#)

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• Events

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