

Planning Focus

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Cleaning up our rivers and lakes

Source: www.beehive.govt.nz

The Government is delivering on its commitment to clean up our waterways with a new package that will create jobs and benefit the value of New Zealand's agriculture export and tourism offerings.

Primary sector and other groups will be financially assisted with the implementation of the new clean water standards through a \$700 million fund that will create jobs in riparian and wetland planting, removing sediments and other initiatives to prevent farm run off entering waterways.

"Our environmental reputation is the thing that underpins our biggest export earners - tourism and agriculture. It's time for us to invest in cleaning up our water in order to protect the economic value add it brings," Environment Minister David Parker said.

"Many of our rivers, lakes and wetlands are under serious threat after years of decline and political inaction. If we don't start cleaning up our water now they will get worse, become more expensive to fix and we risk serious damage to our international clean green reputation.

"New Zealanders want to go down to their local swimming spot ...

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[Action for healthy waterways](#)

Call for Contributions

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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.

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Were post-pandemic cities best planned 100 years ago?

A housing project designed 100 years ago could today provide a blueprint for a post-Covid New Zealand, where our collective sense of urban culture and vitality will almost certainly change. One hundred years ago, American architect Frank Lloyd Wright began to design a settlement called Broadacre City during a period where he had few architectural commissions. The proposal held up a mirror to dense conurbations (skyscraper cities) such as Chicago and New York. It offered the US an alternative urban vision of the future ...

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The response to the Covid-19 pandemic Survey

Recently NZPI invited our members to consider the most important questions facing planners and planning at this unprecedented time. This was done in conjunction with our global partners, the American Planning Association, the Planning Institute of Australia, the Canadian Institute of Planning and the Royal Town Planning Institute who all asked their members the same question. Thank you to all who participated. We have reviewed the NZPI responses and a summary of the top themes, along with example questions can be found [here](#).

Our partners are all currently reviewing the answers they received and once this is complete we will report back on what they have found as well.

LUNCHTIME SESSION | Acoustic assessments – getting the right assessment for the job

ONLINE VIA ZOOM: 05 June 2020, 12:30 — 1:30pm, 1 CPD Point

Join Jon Styles and Robert Scott as they take you through a series of examples to demonstrate how an acoustic assessment should be tailored for different scenarios.

The examples are based on recent cases that have been before the Environment Court. The webinar will assist planners to brief acoustics experts efficiently, avoid requests for further information and get the right assessment in place from the start.

[Click here to register](#)

Also join us 09 June 2020, 12:30—1:30pm, for a lunchtime session on 'Legacy Placemaking through Economic Stimulus – Lessons for Planners' - register [here](#)

2020 ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE CONFERENCE
19 – 21 October, Christchurch.

www.environmentalcomplianceconference.org



JOBS

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

Latest Jobs In Planning

- **TEAM LEAD RMA, OPERATIONS GROUP** | Department of Conservation
Location: Hamilton **Level:** Team Leader **Closing:** 05/06/20
- **SENIOR POLICY PLANNER** | Kapiti Coast District Council
Location: Kapiti **Level:** Senior **Closing:** 10/06/20

Last Weeks Listings

- **ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNER** | Ernslaw One Ltd
- **SENIOR PLANNING ADVISER** | Nelson City Council
- **PLANNER / SENIOR PLANNER - POLICY** | Upper Hutt City Council
- **SENIOR POLICY ANALYST RESOURCE MANAGEMENT** | Western Bay of Plenty 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

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NZPI Conferences

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

Branch & SIG Events

- Watch this space

Industry Events

- [Massey Planning Seminar: Technological change and the future of work](#)
03 Jun 2020, Online via zoom

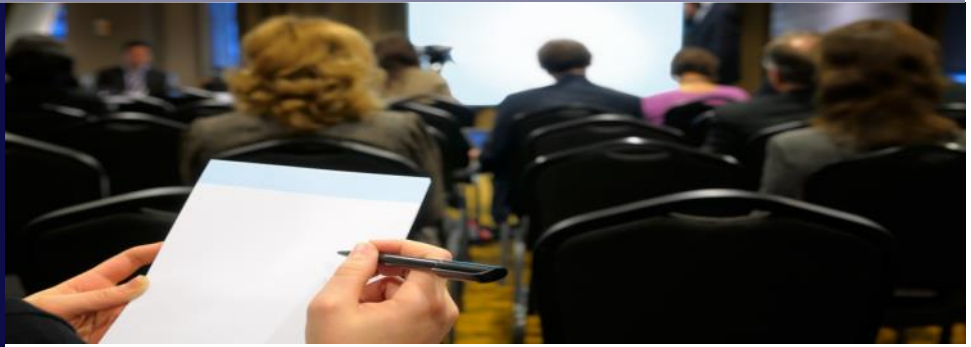
EVENTS

“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](#)
06 Jun 2020, Online
***1 TICKET LEFT, BE QUICK**
- [Expert Witness/Presenting Planning Evidence](#)
05 Jun 2020, Online
- [PM1: Plan Making - An Update](#)
09 Jun 2020, Online
- [RC2: Assessing Environmental Effects and Notification Issues](#)
09 Jun 2020, Online
- [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. .



NZPI CPD Spotlight on ...

Expert Witness/Presenting Planning Evidence

05 June, online

Presented by Dave Serjeant

This seminar is designed to be a practical guide to preparing and presenting evidence at the Environment Court. It will address what it means to be an expert witness, primarily focusing on planning experts however the seminar is of value to all expert witnesses.

It will include commentary on practices designed to assist the Court to determine technical issues where experts offer conflicting opinions. This will include the fairly standard practice of requiring technical witnesses to attend expert conferencing and produce an agreed statement of facts and/or joint statements of evidence.

The seminar also provides guidance on how to conduct one's self under cross-examination.

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

05 CPD Points



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