

Planning Focus

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Five ways we can reimagine our streets for our health

Source: cur.org.au

As families embrace the joys of walking and cycling in their neighbourhoods, how can we use the shake-up from coronavirus as an opportunity to keep this going for our own and our children's health?

Coronavirus restrictions have allowed many of us to connect more with our local neighbourhoods, while less traffic has also made family walks and bike rides much safer. Before coronavirus, there were almost 1.2 million kilometres of car trips every week-day, just for dropping off and picking up children from school. And across Australia, just three in ten children aged 5-11 years do sufficient physical activity to benefit their health, with kids at risk of becoming a backseat generation.

We have a once in a generation opportunity to change how children travel to school before traffic returns to previous levels, says Distinguished Professor Billie Giles-Corti from the RMIT Centre for Urban Research and Urban Futures Enabling Capability Platform.

In a new paper prepared for VicHealth, together with Professor Anna Timperio from Deakin University and the Institute for Physical Activity & Nutrition, Giles-Corti highlights the barriers to active transport we must address to capitalise on the opportunity to keep people of all ages ...

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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.

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NZPI Education and Publications Survey 2020

NZPI has prepared a short survey to collect your opinion about CPD courses, ZOOM Panels, and Planning Quarterly. The survey aims: to measure member satisfaction with these specific services in COVID times; and to collect your suggestions for improvement. Please spend the few minutes it will take to help us improve our services and support the profession.

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Survey of Planning Built Environment Professions Released

A survey of Planning Associations and Built Environment Professions in the Commonwealth released on 24 June. Responses from 4 disciplines across 33 Commonwealth countries were received. The key findings of the survey reveal that:

1. There is a **critical** lack of capacity in many of the Commonwealth countries which are rapidly urbanising and are among the most vulnerable.
2. There is a **lack of educational and institutional capacity** to grow the professions fast enough in many Commonwealth countries.
3. There is increasing recognition of weakness in built environment policy (ie planning policy and building code) in many Commonwealth countries in terms of standards, implementation, and enforcement.

The survey results are a critical tool to consider the capacity of many Commonwealth countries to resource the growth of their cities and are available for use by the profession [here](#)



CAP 2020 Awards Now open for submissions!

Submissions to the 2020 CAP Awards for Outstanding Planning Achievement in the Commonwealth are now open!

Building on the highly successful CAP Awards in 2018 and 2019 and the rising number of entries we have increased the number of judges and split the Awards into the following five categories.

- Planning for the Climate Emergency
- Planning for Cities and Human Settlements / Plan Making in the Commonwealth
- Planning with Limited / Scarce Resources
- Women in Planning
- Commonwealth Planning Inclusion, Diversity, and Engagement

The deadline for submissions is 24:00 (UK time) on 23 August.

Entries are welcome from all CAP member Associations as well as from individuals who are also members of a CAP member Association.

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JOBS

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

Latest Jobs In Planning

- **TRANSPORT & URBAN PLANNING MANAGER** | Bay of Plenty Regional Council
Location: Tauranga **Level:** Manager **Closing:** 19/07/20
- **PLANNER & SENIOR PLANNING POSITIONS** | Dunedin City Council
Location: Dunedin **Level:** Senior **Closing:** 19/08/20
- **REGULATORY TEAM LEADER AND SENIOR ADVISOR** | Environmental Protection Authority
Location: Wellington **Level:** Various **Closing:** 06/08/20
- **CORPORATE PLANNING & PERFORMANCE MANAGER** | Gisborne District Council
Location: Gisborne **Level:** Manager **Closing:** 28/07/20
- **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT** | Mitchell Daysh Ltd
Location: Auckland **Level:** Various **Closing:** 08/08/20
- **STRATEGY & POLICY PLANNER** | Selwyn District Council
Location: Rolleston **Level:** Senior **Closing:** 19/07/20
- **SENIOR PLANNER - POLICY** | Upper Hutt City Council
Location: Upper Hutt **Level:** Senior **Closing:** 06/08/20
- **SENIOR PLANNER** | Waitomo District Council
Location: Waitomo **Level:** Senior **Closing:** -

Last Weeks Listings

- **TEAM LEADER - RESOURCE CONSENTS** | Matamata-Paiko District Council
- **INDEPENDENT HEARING COMMISSIONER** | Auckland Council
- **PLANNING MANAGER** | Align Ltd

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



NZPI Conferences

- [2021 Environmental Compliance Conference](#)
19 – 21 October, Christchurch

Branch & SIG Events

- [2020 AGM Canterbury / Westland Branch](#)
23 Jul 2020, Canterbury

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

- [Case Law Update](#)
21 Jul 2020, Online
- [Emerging Technologies and Resource Management](#)
22 - 23 Jul 2020, Online
- [Planning for Maori Values: Introduction](#)
23 Jul 2020, Online
- [Expert Witness/Presenting Planning Evidence](#)
24 Jul 2020, Christchurch

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 ...

Auckland Breakfast Club

30 July, 7:30 - 9:00am, venue tbc

Join us for our first Breakfast Meeting for 2020.

A great time to network and hear from our Speaker, Councillor Chris Darby.

Topic - The strategic response to Covid-19, a time to reimagine rather than recover'

Chris Darby is an Auckland Councillor for the North Shore Ward who is also the chair of the Auckland Council's Planning Committee. He is focused on public transport, urban regeneration and environmental issues. He is a progressive independent who is not affiliated to any political party.

[Click here to register](#)

Registration deadline Tuesday 14th July.



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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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