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YOUR LOCAL MONTHLY BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY UPDATE

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DOVE HOSPICE 120 QUEENS ROAD 09 527 7863 MONDAY-SATURDAY 9AM-4:30PM

Dove Hospice Has a New Home in Town!

Exciting news – Dove Hospice in Panmure has moved to a fantastic new location at 120 Queens Road! The new store is not only bigger and brighter, but its spacious layout creates the perfect environment for a relaxing shopping experience. We spoke with Trixie, the store manager, who shared that customers have been thrilled with the move, and the feedback has been overwhelmingly positive.

The decision to relocate was all about increasing visibility. The old spot was

tucked away in a corner, making it harder for people to find. Now, with the store in the heart of the main street, it's much easier to discover, and the bright, welcoming space has already brought in many new customers eager to explore.

Relocating such a large store in just three days was a big job! Trixie explained that it was truly a team effort, with help from across Dove Hospice especially from the Distribution team, Operations manager, Head Office staff, Volunteers & Board of Directors. Everyone came together to make

the move as smooth as possible.

The new location has been a success for both staff and customers. The Panmure team works hard to ensure a warm and welcoming environment where genuine connections are made with every visitor. Trixie is especially proud that the most frequent feedback is about the friendly atmosphere. The staff's dedication to making everyone feel welcome is what makes Dove Hospice such a cherished part of the town centre.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

The Panmure Business Association held its 72nd annual general meeting on Monday 7th October. Approximately 40 attendees gathered at the Auckland Montessori College, taking advantage of the opportunity to network over snacks from our eateries and hear about the PBA's activities and achievements of the past financial year 2023/2024.

This year the association reported another strong financial balance sheet and proposed a clear vision for the next three years- atop of the usual business of the

evening such as approving the 2025/2026 budget which included no increases to the BID targeted rate.

While at times spirited, the members approved the new Strategic Plan 2025-2028, along with three special resolutions pertaining to the new Incorporated Societies Act 2022. Members gave permission for the PBA to pursue re-registration under the new Act 2022, accepted proposed changes to the Constitution to align with the Act, and then adopted that Constitution.

The evening capped off with the election

of the Executive Committee 2024/2025. This year, we were proud to receive 13 nominations with only 10 positions available- with many first-time nominees and a few former members looking to rejoin. Read more about the 2024 AGM online at www.popintopanmure.co.nz, access the documents from the evening and find out who your Executive Committee 2024/2025 are!

Elaine Soakai
Town Manager



Artist Te Wai adds the finishing touches to 'He Atua', the beautiful mural in the alleyway next to Unichem.

SECURITY UPDATE



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The Panmure Business Association has created a Security Group Chat for our business members. This is a closed group to allow our members to securely relay information about incidents within our town centre to our office, while also alerting other members to stay vigilant. Business members must request to join, please contact our office should you wish to be added to this group. As we approach the festive season, we ask our shopkeepers to critically assess the layout of their premises to eliminate the risk of opportunistic shoplifting. There has been a trend in recent years to place checkout counters near the back of shops, but we ask that businesses - especially those that have fallen prey to shoplifters, to consider the layout of their premises more critically. In particular,

consider placing the checkout counters near the front of the store near the main exit and making sure any high value items are kept behind, or near, the checkout counter where they can be visible.

Shopkeepers should be mindful of any personal electronic devices left on the counter while shoppers are in the store, particularly as they check out. Opportunists will seize upon the chance for a quick grab and run exit. Always report any thefts to Police and our office- and if you're unsure how to report these incidents, please request a theft and shoplifting prompt sheet from our office.

Taniela Kaivelata
Security Liaison Officer

Star Laundromat Welcomes New Owner, Bruno

STAR LAUNDROMAT
G5/22 Jellicoe Road
09 527 0611
Mon, Wed-Fri 8am-6pm
Tue, Sat-Sun 8am-5pm

Star Laundromat has a fresh face in charge! Bruno Sasaki, who recently moved to Auckland after running a restaurant in Wānaka for ten years, is

excited about his new venture. Though the laundry business is new to him, things have been going smoothly so far!

Bruno loves meeting his customers and has felt so welcomed by the community. He's had fantastic support from Joe, the previous owner, who still pops in to help occasionally.

Bruno invites everyone to stop by, say hi, and chat. And if you need a keyboard player for your rock band – Bruno's your guy!

Stop in and meet Bruno, the energetic new face at Star Laundromat!



MP Visits Active Institute

ACTIVE INSTITUTE
32-34 Queens Road
18 Clifton Court
09 278 0849
www.activeinstitute.co.nz

Active Institute recently welcomed the Minister of Social Development, Louise Upston, and Regional Commissioner Mark Goldsmith. The visit allowed staff to share valuable feedback about their programs, which they described as both productive and encouraging. Over the past year, Active Institute has made significant strides, particularly in its community coaching program aimed at helping individuals find employment. This success has resulted in the expansion of the institute's facilities, with a new building now dedicated to employment assistance.



In addition, their English classes have also been thriving. Staff expressed pride in the positive impact they've had on the community, with many participants securing jobs through the institute's efforts. The recognition from local MPs further highlights the importance of the work being done at Active Institute to support and uplift the community.



New Owners for Waipuna Hotel and Conference Centre



Waipuna Hotel and Conference Centre has been successfully sold to Prime Property Group, who will continue to operate the venue as both a hotel and conference centre. The sale was finalized for an confidential sum, with the official settlement date set for January 31, 2025.

Troy Elliott, president of the Mount Wellington Licensing Trust has expressed satisfaction with the outcome. He is pleased that the sale ensures the continued operation of the facility and secures employment for current staff members.

For further details, visit the Mt Wellington Licensing Trust website.

Panmure Bridge Update

Concerns have been raised in the community about the Panmure Bridge to Pakuranga, where unclear lane markings have created confusion and heightened the risk of collisions. In response, Auckland Transport has taken

steps to address the issue by refreshing the existing lane markings and adding new ones for greater clarity.

These improvements aim to make it easier for drivers to navigate the bridge safely and

reduce confusion on the road.

We've included some photos to showcase the changes made in the area. Please continue to remain cautious when using this intersection.

Travelling towards Pakuranga - Pakuranga Road leaving Church St Intersection



BEFORE



AFTER

Travelling towards Panmure - Pakuranga Rd passing Lagoon Drive Intersection



BEFORE



AFTER

Travelling towards Panmure - Pakuranga Rd approaching Church St Intersection



BEFORE



AFTER

Update on Parking Fines – What You Need to Know

Parking fines have increased across New Zealand, effective from October 1st. With these changes, it's more important than ever to be mindful of parking regulations to avoid any unnecessary costs.

The most significant update is the fine for parking in spaces reserved for disabled persons, which has risen from

\$150 to \$750.

For more details on the updated fines and parking guidelines, we encourage you to visit the Auckland Transport website. Staying informed will help you avoid any unexpected penalties, so please take a moment to familiarize yourself with the rules.

