

YOUR LOCAL MONTHLY BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY UPDATE







DH SUPERMARKET 159 QUEENS ROAD MONDAY-SATURDAY 8:30AM-7PM

a Hua Supermarket is now in the hands of Wilson Lan, a young entrepreneur with a hardworking spirit and a deep appreciation for community.

Since acquiring the store in December, Wilson and his family have transformed the space-refurbishing floors and walls, installing new refrigerators, and carefully restocking shelves to create a fresh, modern shopping experience for Panmure. Wilson took on this venture with a strong sense of purpose. 'We saw a real need in

the community,' he shared. 'Sylvia Park and Glen Innes are a bit far for many locals to travel for supermarket shopping, so we wanted to bring something closer to home.'

As word spreads, more locals are discovering that Da Hua Supermarket is back. Feedback has been overwhelmingly positive, with many relieved to finally have the supermarket in town again. Visitors also praise Wilson's friendly and humble nature, noting his dedication to serving the community.

The Supermarket has been thoughtfully

stocked with the neighbourhood in mind. Alongside everyday essentials, you'll find a diverse range of Chinese, Korean, Japanese, and Filipino products-ensuring there's something for everyone.

If you haven't popped in yet, now's a great time! Stop by, have a look around, and say hello to Wilson and his family. We're looking forward to everyone getting to know the friendly faces behind Panmure's newest local business.

### **TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**

t was fantastic to see those that came along to our first Power Hour & Security Chat of 2025, but we'd really love to see more of you attending! These sessions are a great way to connect with our members, receive feedback about the issues that matter to our businesses and the wider community, as well as relay useful information. Make sure to mark your calendars for May 14th, as the Mt Wellington Community Police Team will be running an information session on the current state of the Crimes Act relating to citizen's arrests and sharing some de-escalation techniques. This will be followed by a quick session on how to report incidents using 105 online. We strongly encourage our business members and their staff to not miss out on this! The location of this will be the Panmure Library, not the usual spot, so please take note of this change.

he Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local
Board Emergency Readiness and
Response Plan is now available
online- with physical copies available from
the Panmure Library, as well as a few in
our office. With many communities still
reeling from the aftermath of Cyclone
Gabrielle, and predictions of similar events
becoming more frequent, it's never been
more important for our businesses and
community to be prepared ahead of time.
This booklet provides comprehensive



information on local hazards to the Maungakiekie-Tamaki area; with emergency contact information, and potentially lifesaving tips covering emergency readiness, response and recovery. Make sure to check it out and keep it handy in your business premise, home or workplace!

rom March 20th, the business community will not hear or see much from me as I begin maternity leave. During this period, the PBA office will be in good hands under the current

team- Dannielle, Debbie, Katie & Taniela, with the PBA Executive Committee Chair, Sharon Alderson, overseeing the team until my replacement is announced. Be sure to keep an eye out for this announcement! The PBA team have things well in hand, and I trust that they will keep the office operating efficiently and continue to deliver value to our business community and town centre.

Elaine Soakai Town Manager

### SECURITY UPDATE



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Recently, the Minister of Justice announced proposed changes to the laws relating to citizens arrest within the Crimes Act. Simply put, the proposed changes would allow our business community and members of the public the choice to intervene to stop any Crimes Act offence at any time of the day. It would also require a person making an arrest to contact the police and follow their instructions- something that is ambiguous under the current Crimes Act. It would also clarify that restraints can be used, when reasonable, when making an arrest.

While no draft bill has been released yet, this is likely to occur over the next few months. In the meantime, it is important for our business community to understand what the current

Crimes Act allows citizens to do – so make sure to join the Police Community Team on May 14th in the Panmure Library, 11:30-12:30pm as they discuss the current state of the law relating to citizens arrest, as well as learn some de-escalation techniques. The PBA will be following these proposed changes quite closely and would love to hear our community's feedback on this-feel free to email your feedback to info@panmure.net. nz, and keep an eye out for future survey once a draft bill has been released, on our website and social media.

Taniela Kaivelata
Security Liaison Officer

## **Welcome, Cut Creation Barbers**

ave you spotted the new barbershop in town? Cut Creation Barbers moved into 2 Pilkington Road about five months ago and has already built a base of happy customers. They offer stylish and affordable haircuts to Panmure.

With a small, humble vibe, the barbershop has received glowing reviews from the community. Customers say they are friendly, well-priced, and provide great service. They're open seven days a week, ready to serve the community.

If you haven't tried them out yet, why not give the new barbershop in town a go?



## **A Town That Cares**

ocals have always known the close ties of support and care that hold our community together. Recently, the organizers of the Love Grace Handbag Appeal have also been moved by just how big-hearted we are.

The Café with No Name recently served as a drop-off point for the appeal, which collects handbags filled with essentials for women escaping domestic violence.

Thanks to the kindness and generosity

of our community, the café received an incredible 150 handbags—each one packed with thoughtful essentials to help women in need.

This overwhelming response highlights the strength of our community and the kindness of our people. A huge thank you to The Café with No Name for stepping up, and to everyone who donated—we're incredibly proud of the difference our community has made together.



# Mighty Easter Challenge Returns for 2025!

he Mighty Easter Challenge is back for 2025, and we're excited to bring this fun event to the town once again! It's a fantastic way for kids and families to support local businesses while enjoying some Easter fun.

This year, the challenge is even more exciting, with bigger prizes for both kids and their whānau. Keep an eye on our socials and look out for posters around town to learn how to start collecting eggs once the challenge begins.

Running during the school holidays, from Saturday, 12th April to Wednesday, 24th April, the challenge is a great way to add some excitement to the Easter break while exploring the community.

Kids and whānau can collect eggs from participating businesses, each containing a token for a chance to win prizes, including instant rewards like vouchers, giant dinosaur and unicorn chocolate eggs, and chocolate bunnies. This year, we also have a grand prize draw with a chance to win vouchers, cute pillows, hats, and other goodies. The grand prize winner will be announced on 30th April.

By participating, you'll have the chance to win fantastic prizes, and support Panmure's business community.

We can't wait to see you out there!



## **Planned Vector Works Coming to Town**



ector will be doing planned work from mid/late March through to the end of April 2025 to replace an 11kV cable that has had multiple faults over the years. The planned works are from 13 Pilkington Road (Panmure Library Carpark) to 120 Queens Road (see picture above).

During the project there will be traffic

controllers onsite to allow for safe traffic flows during the works and to assist pedestrians in the area

- ·Carparks will be opened where possible
- •Footpaths will remain open during most of the works
- •Ducting will be installed within the

northern side parking bays on Queens Road

•Ducting will be installed in the walkway between Queens Road and Te Koa Road walkway

he civil work will be completed by Stockman General Contractors Limited with cabling by Northpower Limited. If you have any questions about this work, please contact Lisa Jenkins of Stockman General Contractors Limited via email lisa@sgc.co.nz or Dean Jenkins at dean@sgc.co.nz.

#### **Emergency Readiness & Response Plan**

The Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board's Emergency Readiness and Response Plan is now available. This can be found online with physical copies available from the Panmure Library, as well as the PBA office located at 16 Clifton Court. These are an excellent resource with plenty of useful and practical information covering a number of emergency situations, and more importantly, tips on how you and your whanau can prepare ahead of time before an emergency.

# Panmure Fun Day on Hold Until 2026

Panmure Fun Day is on hold this year to allow for the completion of the much-anticipated new Panmure Basin Bridge.

As construction progresses, certain sections of the walkway will be intermittently closed to ensure the safety of both workers and pedestrians. Additionally, the Watene Road walkway will remain inaccessible for most of the project. While this may bring some temporary inconvenience, the improvements will be well worth the wait.

To ensure Panmure Fun Day remains the large-scale, inclusive, and vibrant community event that everyone loves, it will return in 2026 once the new bridge is fully completed. This pause allows both the construction project and the event to

proceed without disruption.

The bridge project marks a major milestone for the area. With improved infrastructure and revitalized surroundings, Panmure Fun Day 2026 will be a truly special occasion—a perfect way to celebrate the transformation of this beloved community space.

In the meantime, there will be plenty of other community events happening throughout the year to keep the spirit of togetherness alive. Be sure to stay connected for updates on local activities, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back for an unforgettable Panmure Fun Day in 2026!

