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From 11:59pm, Tuesday 5 October

Outdoor catch-ups

- Limit of 10 people OUTSIDE from no more than two households
- Wear a mask and keep your distance when removing them to eat and drink

Early childhood education

- Bubbles of 10
- · Parents to wear masks for drop off and pick up
- Teachers to get a test

Recreation

- Can move around the city
- · Beach, bowls, hunting etc allowed
- Stay OUTSIDE and keep it to 10 people max

Funerals, tangihanga, weddings and civil unions

• Limit of 10 people, plus staff

Kia Ora tātou,

With the changes to Level 3 announced last week there is a lot for businesses to get our heads around. We've compiled some information we hope will be helpful below, but we know your needs will be particular to your business.

We are here to help so please don't hesitate to get in touch for a chat or to discuss how we might help you approach any issue.

Town Centre Manager Rana Judge is available on 027 274 6401 and <u>manager@obaotara.org.nz</u> and is always happy to hear from you.

Top things to note this week:

AKL grants are now open.

- Auckland Regional Public Health Service are asking those working in town to get tested even if they don't have symptoms. Note that workers getting tested (who don't have symptoms) will not have to isolate. More details below.
- Be aware of the Covid scam flyer making its way around businesses with official government Covid-19 graphics and a QR code that links to a website offering vaccination cards

Please don't hesitate to let us know how we can help.

CURRENT ALERT LEVEL 3 RESTRICTIONS DO'S AND DON'TS

1. Continue to wear a mask & practice social distancing. The new announcement allows easing of some restrictions to catch up with family and close friends, but people should continue to act sensibly and responsibly.

2. Two households (max. 10 people) can meet in an outdoor space. Outdooronly exercise classes can take place, with a maximum of 10 people - and that includes the instructor. Participants do not have to be from one or two households only, but the do need to maintain 2m physical distancing and remain outside at all times. That means you cannot then use an indoor bathroom or changing facilities after doing an outdoor class.

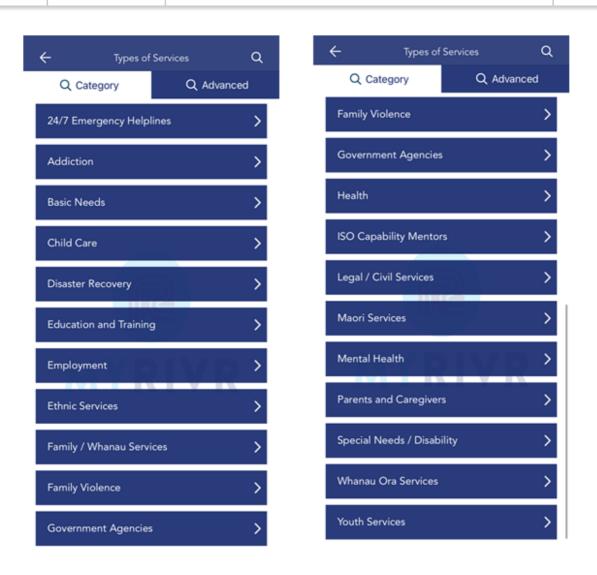
3. You can travel within the Auckland region for outdoor recreation. The maximum number of people for organised recreational activity who can gather is 10 people (from two households). The gathering must be outdoors and the bubbles must maintain physical distancing at all times (so contact sports are not allowed).

4. Early learning centres reopen with 10 kids per bubble.

5. Visitors are not allowed to go inside your house at all. But if you have visitors they can meet in your garden or in an outdoor public space - but they can't walk through your house to get to the backyard or use the bathroom. The important thing is that your gathering of 10 people is outdoors to reduce the ability of the virus to transmit.

 Hairdressers cannot operate at this time, even if outside. All businesses in alert level 3 have to provide goods and/or services in a contactless way.
Hairdressers and other close contact businesses will have to wait until step 3 of

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An application to find services available in the community.

MYRIVR — an app designed in 2017 by a former police officer that enables communities to get the help that they need, when and where they need it.

Download the app and enter your business or home address to access details either for yourself or to help someone else. The services they cover are shown above.

Read an article on the app here.

DOWNLOAD THE APP



Support for Businesses

Cultural sector emergency relief fund

The \$5 million Cultural Sector Emergency Relief Fund, which will enable Manatū Taonga to provide support for parts of the sector that are at risk of no longer operating viably but are not supported by funding from other sector agencies, is now open.

It has been noted by the cultural sector that the restrictions required to respond to the Delta outbreak are having a significant effect. The \$5 million Cultural Sector Emergency Relief Fund is part of a \$37.5 million package announced by Hon Carmel Sepuloni to help address immediate relief needs and provide confidence for the months ahead.

Who is eligible? Organisations or sole traders with an NZBN who contribute to creating, presenting, protecting and distributing arts, culture and heritage in any medium. News content and sports are not in scope for this funding. Eligibility criteria:

- Without financial support, you will not be able to operate viably within eight weeks of application.
- Other Government supports are unavailable or insufficient.

APPLY HERE

Insolvency relief for businesses

Business debt hibernation is a government initiative created in response to COVID-19. It helps companies, trusts, and other business entities affected by COVID-19 to manage their debts.

creditors cannot take legal action to enforce their debts, for example, applying for your business to be liquidated. If your creditors agree, you can get a further 6 months' protection.

Applications are open until 31 October 2021.

Find out if business debt hibernation is an option for you | business.govt.nz

If business debt hibernation is right for your business, this is how it helps you manage your debts.

- You set up an arrangement for your existing debts, e.g. paying your creditors only a percentage of what you owe them on time and delaying the rest.
- You get up to a month of protection while you set up the arrangement, meaning most creditors can't enforce their debts, e.g. applying for your business to be liquidated.
- If your creditors agree, you get a further six months of protection.

Unfortunately, sole traders aren't eligible for business debt hibernation. If you are a sole trader and seeking government support, read more on Financial support for business.

Financial support for businesses

Support for Employers

Work and Income offer a range of services for employers and can help you recruit great people.

Recruitment services: We offer no-fee recruitment services for employers to help you find the right candidate for your business.

Extra support and training for job candidates: If you're looking for someone to hire, have found a candidate or already hired someone, and they need some extra support or training, we may be able to help.

Looking for staff? Use the Online Recruitment Tool to list and self-manage a vacancy. Visit <u>https://www.jobs-during-covid.workandincome.govt.nz/hello</u>

COVID-19 Leave Support Scheme

can't work from home.

This means your employees:

- can't come into work because they are in one of the affected groups and have been told to self-isolate, and
- can't work from home.

The COVID-19 Leave Support scheme is paid at the rate of \$600 a week for each full-time worker and \$359 a week for part-time employees retained.

APPLY HERE

Elemental Akl

Applications for Elemental AKL grants are open until 19th November. Your application must clearly align with one or more of the festival's objectives, however, be aware of alert levels:

- Promote tourism.
- Varied entertainment with a focus on immersive or interactive events.
- Promote food & beverage offerings with a focus on modern Māori identity, diversity, and youthful energy.

Event organisers can apply for event funding or be included in the festival on a marketing-only basis. They must have the ability to deliver a high-quality event.

DOWNLOAD THE APPLICATION GUIDELINES



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Second vaccine timing recommendation is now 21 days after first jab. Let's get this done to protect ourselves and each other!

Get yours locally: Manurewa Marae Vaccination Centre, 81 Finlayson Avenue, Clendon Park, Manukau City; OPEN WEEKDAYS 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Ōtara Vaccination Centre, 5 Ōtara Road, Ōtara; OPEN WEEKDAYS 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM.

Pukekohe Vaccination Centre, 6 Roulston Street, Pukekohe; OPEN WEEKDAYS 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

Takanini Vaccination Centre, 8 Great South Road, Takanini; OPEN WEEKDAYS 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM.

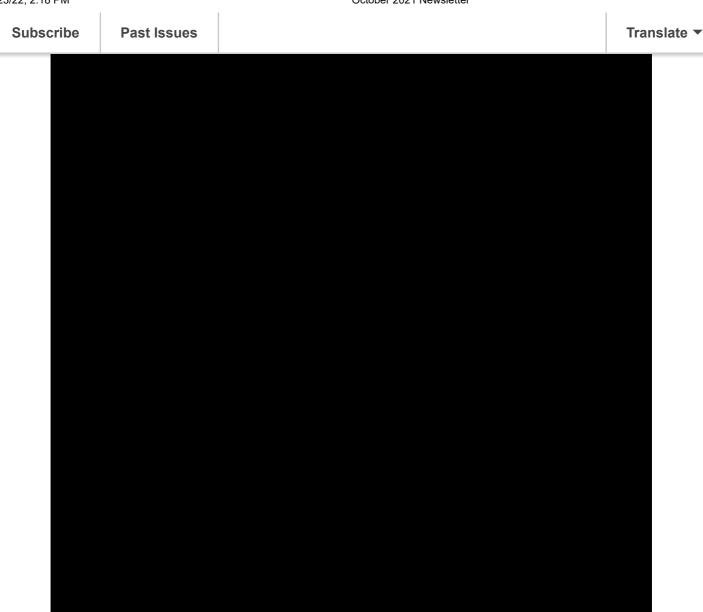
Airport Park and Ride Drive Through COVID-19 Vaccination Centre; OPEN WEEKDAYS 8:30 AM to 6:00 PM.

BOOK YOUR VACCINE HERE

Support for Pacific Peoples

Vaka Tautua provides a free call service in Samoan, Tongan, Cook Islands, Māori and English.

You can call for free on <u>0800 652 353</u> Monday to Friday 8.30am to 5pm.



PACIFIC FUSION FASHION SHOW 2021

Interlacing culture, through fashion, into our community. PFFS allows building the confidence of designers to step into the fashion industry and entrepreneurship with style.

Pacific Fusion Fashion Show is made possible by Nora's volunteer event team and sponsors including South Auckland based marketing agency Bright Sunday, Mai FM, and the Mangere Otahuhu Local Board. It needs local support to keep showcasing pacific talents.

Check out their website <u>Pacific Fusion Fashion Show 2021</u>. You'll see on their video the announcement of this year's location!

Keep an eye out for this to ensure you can grab your tickets in time.

Ticket Info: Pacific Fusion Fashion Show - Auckland - Eventfinda

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Businesses of the Month



The first business shoutout of the month goes to **Hemi's Curry Corner** keeping the community fuelled with a wide range of delights meals and making this lockdown a little more joyful. They are exceptional in their service while ensuring they follow the Governments Alert Level 3 pick and delivery restrictions. They provide delicious Indian sweets and meals that makes one feel at home when while being miles away. A special acknowledgement to their efforts of communicating with the community through their social media informing them about their timings and updates.

Visit them here: <u>https://www.hemiscurrycorner.co.nz/</u>



Another shoutout is to **Dozena Bakery Cafe & Lunchbar** for catering the community with appetizing Filipino traditional cakes and desserts. Dozena's brings diversity to the community by delivering traditional Filipino treats for everyone to enjoy and start their days with. Not only do they serve tasty treats but they also ensure to keep the community in the loop of any special and updates. This is noteworthy as it shows how social platforms help you connect with your customers, increase awareness about your brand, and boost your leads and sales.

Visit them here: https://www.facebook.com/dozenalimited/

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