

TAWA TALK

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Operating under Alert Level 2

It's great to see so many doors back open after what seems like a very long time. In the past week we've seen a lot more activity on the Main Road with people getting out and about and life returning to something resembling normal.

We hope you are all starting to see some positive signs however we know that the past number of weeks have been very difficult for many of you. There's still a long way to go, so please don't hesitate to contact Sharon on sharon@tawabusiness.co.nz or 021 971 937 if she or any of our Executive Committee team can support you in any way.

One Stop Tawa

If you haven't registered with One Stop Tawa, it only takes a minute to do so. Click on this link <u>One Stop Tawa registration form</u>, enter information about how your business is operating, hit "Submit" and you're done. Customers can then go to the <u>Live One Stop Tawa Directory</u> to see information about all the local businesses, their hours, contact details and what they will be making, cooking, serving, selling, producing, doing or providing.

Other support links

There are still many ways you can find out information about how to operate under different Alert Levels, and to get support to help get through this time. Following are some of the links we've found most useful:

https://covid19.govt.nz/

https://www.wellingtonnz.com/business/online-workshops-building-business-resilience/

https://www.facebook.com/tawabusiness/

https://www.facebook.com/groups/701254429944972/ (Tawa Community Noticeboard)

https://www.manaaki.io/

https://worksafe.govt.nz/managing-health-and-safety/novel-coronavirus-covid/alert-level-3-whats-

worksafes-approach/

https://www.wecc.org.nz/

https://www.nzte.govt.nz/search?searchterm=covid%2019&search-term=covid%2019&no-

scroll=true

"Thriving Through Crisis" - online training

Looking for support to navigate your way through our current environment?

The Tawa Business Group is offering a 50% discount to any members who wish to sign up for the above online course.

Led by Laura Humphreys from Liber8U, and a number of guest experts, this course is developed to help deal with the crisis mindset and develop and create steps and models, strategies and tactics for new post Level 4/Level 3 and potential recession future. You can work through the three modules – Confidence Through Crisis, Continuity through Crisis and Creativity through Crisis – in your own time. Check out more info via this link https://liber8academy.thinkific.com/.

The regular cost of the course is \$39, however just enter the code TAWA when signing up and the 50% subsidy will be applied to your booking.

Need signage for Alert Level 2?

We'd love to see as many "Open" signs on premises throughout Tawa, so if you're open and would like one of any of the following signs, please contact sharon@tawabusiness.co.nz and we'll get them dropped off to you.



Don't forget too that if you need any other signage, the Tawa Business Group is offering a 15% discount (to a maximum of \$40) on any other products members wish to purchase from ImagineThat. When placing an order, mention that you are a member of the Tawa Business Group and would like the discount applied. To see the full range of products available from ImagineThat, please refer to the Covid19 page on their website https://www.imaginethat.nz/.

Feedback sought on Wellington City Council Annual Plan 2020/2021

Wellington City Council are seeking community feedback on the proposed 2020/2021 Annual Plan, which includes increased funding for the water network, and projects such as the new central city library network and planning for Let's Get Wellington Moving.

Mayor Andy Foster and Councillors agreed to go to consultation on a recommended 5.07 percent increase in rates for the next financial year. Public consultation will take place between Friday 8 May and 8 June.

The Council is seeking feedback from the public on two options for rates. The preferred option is the 5.07 percent rates increase and to borrow to cover revenue lost due to Covid-19 restrictions on Council facilities. The other option is a 2.3 percent rates increase. This would result in big increases in future years.

Let Council know what you think at https://wellington.govt.nz/have-your-say/consultations

15 minute free parking sites in Tawa

On 12 May the Wellington City Council reactivated on-street parking fees.

They have put in place a number of temporary free 15-minute parking zones across the city and some larger suburbs, including Tawa, so people can visit local businesses and food outlets. The two sites in Tawa are:

- Outside 85 Main Road
- Outside 120/122 Main Road

These zones have been clearly marked.

Portfolio highlight - Business Liaison

Portfolio Manager – Kareen Holland (KD One)

Kareen's role as Portfolio Manager for Business Liaison is exactly that - to liaise with businesses.

Kareen is passionate about working in Tawa, and about promoting Tawa as a great place for businesses to operate from. She is interested in hearing your ideas on how we can make our BID area an even better place for people to visit, and in hearing what issues you face in making this happen.

Having worked extensively for 23+ years as a make-up artist in the film and television industry, Kareen identified the need for natural and organic skincare products, cosmetics and medicinal products, so in 2003 she launched KD One.

Made right here in Tawa, Kareen manufactures a range of products from locally sourced, natural ingredients that are both paraben and chemical free. In addition, she and her team provide a range of beauty treatments.

Outside of work Kareen enjoys spending time with her family, and catching up with friends. Kareen enjoys out door activities like fishing, scuba diving and has done canyoning in Wanaka – she enjoys an adventure.



Wellington City Council stickers and posters

Wellington City Council have developed stickers and posters which are now available to all WCC businesses (see photos below).

Both the stickers and the posters come in two sizes:

Stickers - 30cm circle or 40cm circle

Posters - 21cmx30cm or 29cmx42cm

If you'd like any of these please email Sharon at sharon@tawabusiness.co.nz to arrange drop-off or collection.



