



Agencies working together to reopen Picton roads

Getting the roads reopened and traffic flowing smoothly is a matter of urgency for the community, iReX Programme Director David Warburton said.

KiwiRail is working with Council, Marlborough Roads and New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) Waka Kotahi to get the roads open safely and quickly.

If you want to know more the iReX wind down and road reopenings, Doug Carter from the KiwiRail construction team will be at the Cuppa with your Councillor session at the Picton Library from 10am to midday tomorrow.

The KiwiRail team has made a good start on Dublin Street which is reopening in two phases. Work is underway to reopen west of Market Street, including Market Street and the side streets. The team is currently reinstating the kerbs and pathways; in the next two weeks a drainage pipe will be installed and then it's resurfacing and reopening which is on track for end of April.

East of Market Street will follow and includes reinstating the level crossing to current safety standards with new barrier arms and a better and safer pedestrian crossing.

Because there's more design work and equipment to source and install, KiwiRail do not have a firm date for the reopening of the East Market Street section, but is aiming for August.

KiwiRail is also working with Council, Marlborough Roads and NZTA on decisions around the rest of the transport network, including Broadway. More information about these decisions will be shared in the coming months.

In the next few months, Port Marlborough will start demolition of the old terminal building and will be undertaking work in that area of the port including tidying and reconfiguring the car parking to accommodate short and long-term vehicles.

Interislander will continue to operate from the new temporary terminal for the foreseeable future until more permanent arrangements are made.

Council services on Anzac Day – Thursday 25 April



Council's Blenheim office will be closed from 4.30pm on Wednesday 24 April and reopen on Friday 26 April at 8.30am.

Opening times for transfer stations, the Resource Recovery Centre, the Re-use Centre, Greenwaste Acceptance Facility and the landfill on Anzac Day Thursday 25 April are:

TRANSFER STATIONS

Blenheim	1pm to 4.30pm
Picton	1pm to 4pm
Havelock	1pm to 2pm
Seddon	1pm to 4pm
Rai Valley and Wairau Valley	CLOSED
Resource Recovery Centre and Greenwaste Acceptance Facility	1pm to 4.30pm
Landfill	CLOSED

KERBSIDE RUBBISH BAG AND RECYCLING COLLECTIONS

Rubbish bags and recycling crates normally collected on Thursday will be collected on Friday 26 April.	Please make sure your bag and crate are out on the kerb by 7.30am
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MARLBOROUGH LIBRARIES

Marlborough Library (Blenheim) and the Picton Library and Service Centre will be closed.

BUS SERVICES

Bus services will not operate on Thursday 25 April. Normal services resume on Friday 26 April.



📷 Youth Council members at the swearing in ceremony with Mayor Nadine Taylor and councillors Allanah Burgess and Jonathan Rosene

Youth Council sworn in

Twenty-one young Marlburians have been sworn on to Marlborough's 2024 Youth Council.

The swearing-in ceremony took place in Council Chambers, with whanau and dignitaries.

The Youth Council is made up of 21 students from local colleges, who represent the views of Marlborough's youth and have a voice into Council through Mayor Nadine Taylor and councillors Allanah Burgess and Jonathan Rosene, who all attend Youth Council meetings.

The Youth Council have delegation for budget allocation, undertake youth consultations, have input in the Long Term Plan and hold events such as those planned for Youth Week in May.

Marlborough Boys' College principal John Kendel, who attended the ceremony, praised the dedicated rangatahi for being the leaders of tomorrow.

"Mā mua ka kite a muri, mā muri ka ora a mua - those who lead give sight to those who follow, those who follow give life to those who lead," he said. "Good leaders create good communities, and it is a group of young leaders who let their actions speak for themselves."

You can keep up to date with Youth Council activities on Facebook and Instagram.