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Community Newsletter

Muriwai Beach cyclone recovery

Introducing Scott



A familiar face to many of you, Scott De Silva will be taking on a local liaison role in Muriwai for the next few months as we work towards recovery.

My home role at Auckland Council is Manager of Regional Parks and I've worked in the regional parks department for more than 20 years, based in the west and north-west for a good deal of that time. I worked with the Muriwai community on the redevelopment of the car park at the end of Motutara Road, the relocation of the surf club, and the beach vehicle access programme. As well as day to day management of the park, my team helps look after the relationship the council has with the various businesses that operate on parkland.

I will be the liaison point between Muriwai residents and interest groups, and the council's wider recovery programme. This also means coordinating the support services that the council will continue to provide – although I will need to pull in help from other parts of the council to assist with this!

Over the last week I have met with various members of the community who have put themselves forward to be a sounding board for council-led initiatives. It is helpful to be able to sense-check our approach and ideas with people who have local knowledge and different points of view, however they (and we) are very clear that no single group can represent everyone.

That's why it's important for us to keep in touch via these newsletters and why we'll be looking at a wide range of community engagement tools as we work through recovery planning for our community.

I'm also working on the best way to keep up with information and requests (I don't want to create or overload yet another inbox or voicemail box) so will let you know how to get in touch with me in the next newsletter. In the meantime, keep reaching out via muriwai@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz or rbacomms@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz (for placard inquiries). Or if you see me in the neighbourhood or at the ranger station, pop in and say hello.

Ngā mihi,
Scott De Silva

Auckland Transport update on Motutara Road slip

Auckland Transport engineers are currently undertaking geotechnical investigations and once this is completed, we will be able to provide a detailed update within 48 hours. The teams have been working hard to ensure the roads and slip sites are safe so repairs can be done as quickly as possible.

Building assessments update

Last week, our building team reassessed some properties on Domain Crescent and Motutara Road. The updated placard status was communicated to property owners via email and phone call.

Last Friday and Saturday, our team then worked with those with red placard properties to facilitate a managed temporary access. We will make more booking times available for those who were contacted but couldn't make it. If this is you and you would like to register interest you can email rbaregulatory@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz with your name, email address, property address, mobile number and availability details.

Managed temporary access enables up to four people to go back into their homes for 60 minutes to get small items that they need or value the most.

Owners with properties in Muriwai with placards that have remained yellow or white will be sent a confirmation letter this week. This will be sent via email (or to the site address if we do not have an email address on file).

Skip bins

Skip bins for communal use have been placed in agreed locations in Muriwai. These are located at:

- The car park opposite campground
- Close to temporary showers etc, near ranger station
- Junction of Waitea Road and path to gannet colony
- Pull over area close to 47 Motutara Road
- Oaia Rd (opposite #431).

Have we got your details?

If you've received this newsletter via email, then we're all good – we have your correct contact details.

If it has been passed on to you by someone else or you're reading it via a website or social media channel, we'd like you to share your contact details with us. Please email us at muriwai@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz.

There are lots of reasons we might not have your details – you might be a tenant (and we've been dealing directly with the property owner); you might not have provided an email address (just a phone number) to our inspections team; or sometimes, despite our best efforts, handwritten forms lead to mistakes.

High-level plan (roadmap) for properties in the current exclusion zone

- Apply initial F-angle analysis of slip hazard to properties in the exclusion zone
Status: *complete*
- Perform geo-technical review of each property in the exclusion zones and identify any other risk factors
Status: *complete*
- Reassess placard status based on analysis of slip hazard and site observation
Status: *complete*
- Determine if the site is still considered dangerous
Status: *complete*
- Contact property owners (in the exclusion zone only) on updated placard status
Status: *complete*
- Apply updated placard status to building and update council records
Status: *complete*
- Communicate managed temporary access to affected property owners
Status: *complete*
- Review closure of Muriwai Regional Park and cordons*
Status: *prior to 1 April*
- Additional geotechnical investigation, analysis and modelling of the slopes at Muriwai
Status: *over the next three to six months, due to complexity of the land stability*
- Review status of remaining red-placarded homes
Status: *once additional geotechnical work to assess risk has been completed, unless new geotechnical information becomes available in the meantime.*

* On 17 February, Auckland Emergency Management closed a number of regional parks including Muriwai Regional Park. As part of this, a review date of 1 April was set which does not necessarily mean the park will reopen. This will need to be considered before then, along with cordons, factoring in security issues and economic recovery.

As we work through a cordon management plan, we will engage with the community and welcome your feedback.

Need help?



Visit: aucklandemergencymanagement.org.nz/muriwai

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