



Auckland Roadmap

RESTRICTIONS EASED IN STEPS

From 11:59pm, Tuesday 5 October

STEP
1

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 manager@obaotara.org.nz and is always happy to hear from you.

Top things to note this week:

- Update on the changes to restrictions.
- New funding for creative organisations and sole traders, plus Elemental AKL grants are now open.

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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.

Key links for business and financial support can be found on our website.

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. Outdoor-only 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 they 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.
6. 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](#).

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New Zealand Government

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.

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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

The COVID-19 Business Debt Hibernation scheme allows businesses to get a month's protection while they talk to their creditors. During this period, most 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 businesses](#).

[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 <https://www.jobs-during-covid.workandincome.govt.nz/hello>

The COVID-19 Leave Support Scheme is available for employers, including self-employed people, to help pay their employees who need to self-isolate and 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.

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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](#)



HAVEN'T GOT YOR SHOT YET? HEAD TO VACCINE CENTRES NEAR YOU

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.



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 [Pacific Fusion Fashion Show 2021](#). 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.

Businesses of the Month



This month's business shoutout goes to **Supavalue** for making sure the community get the good and products they need to ensure those lockdown dinners are nothing but exciting and fresh. Their hard work is truly appreciated by the community to delivers essential food items to everyone's convenience. Not only are they serving the community by following the government's safety guidelines, but they have also been keeping the community updated with their efforts of reaching to them through social media updates and sharing special discounts in the store. By doing so they ensure that their clients are shopping local with excellent prices with quality products.

Visit them here: <https://www.facebook.com/supavalueotara/>



Another shoutout goes to **Evelina's Polynesian Food** for their constant deed of providing the community with delicious homemade Polynesian dishes. These are hard times for everyone, and our community needs the comfort of good food to ensure they do not get home sick as they are isolated in their homes, away from whānau. Evelina's efforts to make sure the community stays strong during lockdown is notable as they not only work hard to provide comfort food but also aim to stay connected with the community by interacting with them online and updating them on how to grab their Sunday fix's.

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