

# MAI TĀMAKI

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**COVID-19**

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**COMMUNITY  
SUPPORT VITAL**

**55 YEARS SERVICE**

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**COBBLER HANGS  
UP TOOLS**

**LOCAL LEGENDS**

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**STREETS NAMED  
AFTER LEADERS**



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CREATIVE CONTENT AGENCY  
28 YEARS LOCAL

# SUPPORT LOCAL GLEN INNES



ALEX & OLIVIA - BUSINESS OWNERS  
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13 YEARS LOCAL



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OF SPICELAND, PANMURE  
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OF JACOBSEN HOLDINGS  
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10 YEARS LOCAL

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# WELCOME



John Holyoake

What a tough time it's been, but isn't it incredible how a crisis can bring people together? Covid-19 has hit many Tāmaki whānau hard, and also brought out the best in our community, with kindness and resilience in bucketloads.

Local collective Te Hoe oo Taamaki did a fantastic job providing whānau with kai parcels, week after week during the first lockdown in March. And that work was picked up by community group KaiAwhi during the second lockdown in August. I'm proud our team at Tāmaki Regeneration was able to support them during this really difficult time. (story p6).

One of our major focuses at TRC

is helping those Tāmaki locals who are hurting financially because of the lockdowns. Our Jobs & Skills Hub has been working to find roles for those who've been made redundant, with some good success. And a new partnership with training organisation BCITO will boost what they're already doing even more.

It was also great to see the community come together during Matariki. While we couldn't experience the annual Te Ara Rama light trail and other events in GI town centre, it was awesome to see so many people celebrate at Ruapotaka Marae.

Finally, I'd like to wish Glen Innes cobbler John Pearce well in his

retirement (story p10). His shop was a great place to get your shoes fixed, but also acted as a spot where people would catch up and say hello if they were passing by.

We're hoping to reproduce some of that community spirit at a building we've recently bought in the heart of the GI town centre on Line Rd. It'll act as a hub for the community to meet once we've done a few renovations. It's exciting - watch this space for more information.

John Holyoake  
TRC chief executive

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### Matariki celebrations

Water was the central theme behind Matariki celebrations in Tāmaki this year.

**Cover photo** Glen Innes cobbler John Pearce has retired after more than five decades in the area.  
**Opposite** Testing out the EcoMatters Bike Hub in Glen Innes.



# TĀMAKI COMMUNITY PROVIDES VITAL SUPPORT



Food was collected and repackaged for delivery to families in the Tāmaki region

With the onset of Covid-19, everyone has been affected in some way. People have lost jobs and businesses saw their incomes reduce. But throughout this crazy time, the community of Tāmaki has showed its amazing spirit and resilience – and there is a range of new initiatives coming to support people with the many challenges posed by this pandemic.

When news of the lockdown hit in March, local groups got together to come up with a plan to support their community, with the help of Tāmaki Regeneration.

Those local groups formed the Tāmaki Whānau Collective, which took on the challenge of helping keep the community safe and healthy during lockdown.

“The community came up with some priorities, including communication, as some of the messages around staying safe and preventing the spread of Covid-19 weren’t getting through,” TRC general manager strategy and performance Shelley Katae says.

“Local leaders have taken all those messages and repackaged them

in several ways, including through videos and a locally focussed Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/TamakiWhanau/>.”

Those messages were also reinforced through Tāmaki Housing’s tenancy managers doing welfare checks on tenants.

An 0800 TAAMAKI number was

also set up by a local collective, Te Hoe oo Taamaki, during lockdown so people could access local community service providers if they needed help.

Working in partnership with a local food supplier The Produce Company and using their local knowledge and connections, they were able to provide food to thousands of whānau experiencing tough times while the country was in lockdown during March and April.

From this initial response, a community group KaiAwhi has continued the partnership with The Produce Company, working out of their warehouse several days a week to access operational support and rescued food. KaiAwhi supports around 100-200 families a week, who make contact via the 0800 TAAMAKI number.

"We continue to support in the background, working alongside community groups and the private sector to collectively design a long-term solution to food insecurity in Tāmaki," Shelley says.

## ECONOMIC EFFORTS

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And to ensure the local economy continues to be a place where whānau can thrive, TRC is doing the mahi on making sure there

are plenty of quality jobs for local people.

One of the main ways TRC is doing this is through the Tāmaki Jobs & Skills Hub.

So people get the help they need and can have that kano ki te kano wraparound support when looking for work, the Jobs & Skills Hub is expanding its team. The crew at the hub work as go-betweens for people wanting jobs and their potential employers, to make sure people are getting matched into the right roles.

Social transformation programme manager, Fleur Rabanal, says people will not only get help to find a job but also get connected where possible to something that's close to their home.

"It's all about getting opportunities for our locals and also providing businesses the support they might need," she says.

The hub will expand its ability to help people who want to upskill, or who want to get started on training or an apprenticeship.

There are currently 300 people employed doing maintenance on the 2500 state houses in Tāmaki, and so another positive step is to bring some of that work forward. This will help to keep people in work, as well as ensuring Tāmaki

whānau benefit sooner from the quality improvements made to their homes.

Another impact of Covid-19 lockdown was that many local businesses took a big hit due to fewer people being able to shop under the level 3 and 4 restrictions. With this in mind, TRC is working with these businesses on a campaign to encourage people to buy from their local shops, and to increase the number of people going to Tāmaki's town centres.

Shelley Katae says all the work being done is ultimately about ensuring locals have the opportunities they need to get through these difficult economic times.

"Our main focus over the next 12 months is ultimately about making sure Tāmaki whānau have good lives, and for Tāmaki to have a thriving economy.

"We're not letting go of any of our other priorities, but we felt we really needed to put some extra focus on relieving some of the impacts of Covid-19."

**If you're looking for work, visit us at Tāmaki Jobs & Skills Hub, at 54 Mayfair Place, Glen Innes. We're open from Monday to Friday, 9am-3pm. Email: [jobshub@Tamakiregeneration.co.nz](mailto:jobshub@Tamakiregeneration.co.nz) or phone: 0800 JOB HUB**

## COMMUNITY PROJECTS

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24 Fit Tāmaki is an initiative founded and led by Leah Sooiu, which started during the first lockdown. The group supports Tāmaki women and mums through a social media wellbeing programme, with the help of the HEART Collective and TRC Community Engagement.

It includes access to free home workouts, cooking on a budget sessions, making healthy

wholefood alternatives, keeping calm with the kids at home and how to create a safe space for everyone. Search **24 Fit Tāmaki** on Facebook for upcoming events.

Another project founded during the first lockdown was SheTalksnz - an online community created and led by Veeshayne Patuwai from Mad Ave, and co-lead by young Tāmaki women including Rosita Faavesi, Gloria Siokapesi, Janica Bayogan, Veisia Maaka, Sela Faith Taani and Nisyola Fifita.

SheTalksnz officially launched on May 11, 2020 on Facebook and is now a multi-media platform that connects local youth with international indigenous leaders and presenters to a Tāmaki, national and international audience. TRC Community Engagement worked with Veeshayne to resource and build capacity to strengthen diverse local voices. **Check them out at [facebook.com/groups/shetalksnz](https://www.facebook.com/groups/shetalksnz)**



#Shetalksnz  
member  
Delaney  
Anderson  
Laumatia

# FIRST HUB APPRENTICE HONoured AT DINNER



Zjovani Petera with his wife Makayla Fleet and their son Makoha.

Photos: BC Photography

Zjovani Petera is officially the first apprentice to graduate from a Tāmaki Jobs & Skills Hub referral.



The Jobs & Skills hub helped Zjovani gain a driver's licence, site safe passport, special vehicles licence and Level 4 qualifications in infrastructure works through his apprenticeship from HEB and training through Connexis, an industry training organisation.

To honour his achievement, the hub team, led by manager Alice Taupau, held a graduation dinner for Zjovani at the Panmure Community Hall.

Zjovani was supported at the dinner by his wife Makayla Fleet and their 18 month old son, Makoha along with his mentor from HEB construction, Julio Marti Herraiz.

Students from Tamaki College's trades academy, who the hub helps get into apprenticeships, also attended the dinner, performing an impressive haka to recognise Zjovani's achievement.

Zjovani also inspired his wife, Makayla, who has since gained

her drivers' licence and has completed her teaching qualifications.

The Tāmaki Jobs & Skills Hub is a local resource for residents of Glen Innes, Panmure and Point England to gain advice and support in getting skills and being placed into quality jobs.

**To contact the hub, visit them at 54 Mayfair Place, Monday-Friday from 9am-3pm. Phone: 0800 JOB HUB Email: [jobshub@tamakiregeneration.co.nz](mailto:jobshub@tamakiregeneration.co.nz)**

# GI COBBLER RETIRES AFTER FIVE DECADES

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John Pearce has hung up his tools  
after 55 years in Glen Innes.





John joined his father Reg as a teenage apprentice in 1965, taking over the business a decade later after Reg passed away at just 49 years old.

John has a lot of love for Glen Innes and the wider Tāmaki area and the community loves him right back, with fourth generation customers visiting the shop, following in the footsteps of their parents and grandparents.

It turns out this community connection has been one of the keys to the business' success.

"The business has always relied on a relationship with the community that works both ways," John says.

"Over the years, we kept prices down, the quality of work up and provided good service.

"My father set up in Glen Innes because it's a great area."

However, with Covid-19 enforced lockdown and the lease on his Apirana Ave shop expiring, John says 2020 is a good time to call it a day.

"I wanted to retire before I'm 70.

"I was going to retire a couple of years ago, but my customers wouldn't let me, so I stopped working Mondays.

"My wife Sandra has been my backbone over the years. She's a great woman."

Despite his absence, John believes Glen Innes will continue to go from strength to strength.

"Glen Innes has a big future ahead of it. I've always called Glen Innes a village, because that's what it is.

"Here people talk when they run into each other, whereas in shopping malls they bypass each other.

"English is a second language for many of our residents, but at the end of the day everyone answers to a smile and a wave."

John is a supporter of the Tāmaki Regeneration Programme and says with all the new housing being built, there are more people coming through the village.

That includes many people from outside the area commuting to Glen Innes to do their shopping.

"One of my customers came down from Grace Joel Retirement Village in St Heliers on his mobility scooter with a several pairs of shoes from different residents for me to fix."

He's got plenty of plans for retirement, including travelling to

Australia to see his grandchildren when the trans-Tasman bubble eventuates and using the extra time to get out on his motorbike.

And he'll continue to support The Distinguished Gentleman's Ride, where classic and vintage style motorcycle riders raise funds and awareness for prostate cancer research and men's mental health.

John will also take home his equipment and continue to offer shoe repair services to rest homes, at least until he runs out of repair materials.

"It's a dying trade. Elderly people that like getting things fixed are getting fewer and fewer."

One thing John won't miss is the sore joints that come from a lifetime of manual labour.

"Arthritis comes from a lifetime of working with your hands."

Now all he has to do is find a spot at home in Howick for the replica street sign which bears his father's name, which was gifted to him by TRC.

"I'm over the moon about the street sign. The only challenge was getting it up on the wall in the shop without drilling holes in it."

# HONOURING TĀMAKI LOCALS



Many new streets in Tāmaki are being named after people who have contributed to the area. Tāmaki Regeneration is recognising these local legends by giving them replica street signs. David Farland spoke to some of those recipients about the thrill of being recognised.

## MARSIC FAMILY – CORNERSTONE GI BUSINESS

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Marsic Fish Shop is such a Glen Innes institution, the family behind it now have a new street named after them. The original Marsic brothers - Ivan and Wally, first opened their doors on Mayfair Place in 1967. Ivan retired in 2017. Now Wally, his son Daniel and

daughter Stephanie represent two generations of the shop's operation. Daniel was kind enough to speak with Mai Tāmaki while Wally took a much-needed break after getting up in the early hours to buy fresh fish at the fish market and prepare the store. Marsics

Street is located in the new Fenchurch development.

The family got a look at the street sign in the early stages, when it was first installed.

"We really noticed [it was there] when courier drivers were making

deliveries at the shop instead of the street. I guess that's how popular we are," Daniel says with a smile.

The Marsic family were very humbled by the street sign and are proud to be a foundation establishment of the Glen Innes community.

Tāmaki Regeneration also gifted them a replica street sign, which they keep visible on a wall in the shop.

"We were all very proud because Ivan and Wally have been here a long time, and we like to think that we're part of this community," Daniel says in between serving customers.

The shop continues to bustle along with phones ringing in orders and customers whipping in and out of the doors all these years later in 2020.

"The shop is run well because we try to be the best, which means being here," says Daniel.

"We know what fish is coming in, what goes out, and what people like to buy. It's a consistency thing".

Perhaps it is that consistency that has garnered the landmark shop such a good reputation through the generations and the family is now deservedly recognised with a street named in their honour.

## **DOREEN WILLIAMS - COMMUNITY SERVICE RECOGNISED**

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Doreen Williams' volunteer work



in the community has been acknowledged, with a street named after her in Glen Innes.

To have her name included on a street sign located next to the old scout den (now Te Whare Piringa) where she spent so much time, makes Doreen feel "really honoured".

Tāmaki Regeneration presented her with the replica street sign recently, which she has proudly hanging in her living room.

"I have been in this community for so long, and just know a lot of really good people," she says.

When Alan Parker - the chairman from the Glen Innes Business Association, approached Doreen at the Glen Innes birthday celebration, she was shocked to learn the organisation had nominated her for the honour.

"I said, why?" and Alan simply replied, "You've been around forever."

He wasn't wrong - Doreen Williams and husband Raymond have been living at their property in Lyndale Place, Glen Innes for 54 years.

During that period, Doreen has been kept busy raising three generations of her family.

And she always put her hand up for the extra-curricular duties that came with it.

"It all started with volunteer work I did for the Salvation Army, and it was from another member there that I was soon asked to be a leader for the Glenbrae Scouts back in 1974."

It was during her time at Glenbrae Scouts when she started to develop a knack for fundraisers, which was required to raise money for the kids to go on camping trips.

One great way she found to raise funds for community events was holding housie nights, and she has been calling them regularly now for over 40 years.

Her talents for fundraising also extended to other ventures, including the building of the Ruapotaka Marae, and for Glenbrae School (including being on the committee) while her children Tracey and Robert were there.

"A lot of people would ask me, why do all the volunteering when you could be earning money with a job?

"And I always say, it's just something you do for the kids growing up, and of course that has always meant more."



## **HELP US NAME NEW STREETS**

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As part of the regeneration programme, we need your help to name newly constructed streets in Tāmaki.

Send us your suggestions and reasons to:  
[info@tamakiregeneration.co.nz](mailto:info@tamakiregeneration.co.nz)

Or drop into one of our offices at 244 Apirana Avenue in Glen Innes or 149 Queens Road in Panmure.



# AUCKLAND HOME OWNERSHIP DREAM COMES TRUE

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Moving into a brand-new home that his whānau will own for years to come is a “blessing”, Taaua Alefaio says.

Taaua and his wife Ane, who are originally from Tuvalu, purchased the Glen Innes property as part of Tāmaki Regeneration’s (TRC) shared ownership programme.

The whānau take on about 70% of the mortgage, while TRC owns the other third of the property.

Then the whānau can buy TRC’s share back over time.

“We were lucky to get a house of our own. It’s very expensive to buy a house in Auckland. We didn’t think we could get a house here,” Taaua says.

“The thing we are really happy about is it is a four-bedroom home. It’s big enough for us and the three kids – there’s more space for everyone.

"When the kids first came into the house, they were really excited. They all said 'this is my room.'"

It's also close to Glen Innes Primary School, which their three children Tatai (11), Sunita (9) and Alefaio (8) attend.

Before moving into their new home late last year, the whānau were Tāmaki Housing tenants after struggling for several years in the private rental market.

They saw the opportunity to buy an affordable house in the Tāmaki Housing tenants' newsletter.

"We gave them a call and said we really wanted to buy a house and it went from there.

"I'd like to thank Tāmaki Housing for accommodating us for a few years. We found ourselves in a hard situation in the private properties."

The first step was to go through TRC's Pathways to Housing Independence Programme, which offers advice on becoming mortgage ready.

"It taught us about how mortgages work. It was very helpful for us when we were looking at buying a new house."

Glen Innes is the perfect location for the family to live, as it is close to their jobs in the city.

"It's a blessing."

Taaua says some family members have already been to stay and were impressed by the new home.

"My cousin from Wellington came to visit in January. He was surprised we are in a new house.

"He asked if we were renting since we're in a new house. I said we were lucky enough to get into the TRC programme."

"He couldn't believe that we could buy a property in Auckland. Getting a house is a special thing. It's an investment for the family."

Taaua says buying the property with TRC's help should give hope to other whānau who want to get on to the housing ladder.

"Most people think it's very hard to

buy a house but there are ways. You have to look for options."

TRC strategic partnerships manager Afoa Tevita Malolo says he's thrilled with the family's purchase.

"Our shared ownership programme is designed to help first home buyers into the housing market and I can't think of a more deserving whānau than Taaua, Ane and their wonderful children.

"We look forward to helping many more families into shared ownership products in the coming years.

"We'll do this with the help of our partner – the Housing Foundation, who support whānau through the home ownership journey, from the application process to settlement – and the Commission for Financial Capability, who provide content for our PHI programme."

**To find out more about TRC's shared ownership programme, visit [www.tamakiregeneration.co.nz/affordable-homes](http://www.tamakiregeneration.co.nz/affordable-homes)**



**To watch Tagata  
Pasifika's story on the  
Alefaio whānau go to:  
[tamakiregeneration.co.nz/  
news](http://tamakiregeneration.co.nz/news)**

# BIKE HUB BRINGS RESERVE TO LIFE

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The EcoMatters Bike Hub in Glen Innes is proving a hit with locals.



EcoMatters Glen Innes Bike Hub coordinator Jackie Makasani

Located in Maybury Reserve off Taniwha St, the hub helps get more people into cycling, by teaching basic bike maintenance skills, like how to inflate tyres, repair punctures, and adjust brakes and gears.

The hub, which is funded by Tāmaki Regeneration (TRC), Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board and Auckland Transport, also rescues bikes destined for landfill, giving them a new lease of life by making them available to

the community at low cost.

Glen Innes Bike Hub coordinator Jackie Makasani says the hub has been a popular addition to the area since starting in December.

"I love that the kids have the opportunity to come down here and learn. A lot of them walk past and ask, 'what are you doing here miss?'"

"I tell them we help people maintain their own bikes - we don't do it for them.

"The kids come here and help out. I'll give them some second-hand parts and they'll come back and help set up and tidy up rubbish."

Jackie says EcoMatters' other bike hubs in west Auckland are a great model for how the Glen Innes facility will work.

"Seeing the New Lynn and Henderson hubs and the amount of people that come to them has been really good.

"The bike hub is really good for our community. The first day we opened, we were getting donations."

The hub is open Thursday to Sunday from 10am-2pm, but its busiest times are on weekends, with up to 20 people turning up throughout the day.

"It's a mix of ages and nationalities, which is really good. A lot of people show interest and get back into bike riding.

"Some haven't ridden a bike since they were kids. It makes them excited. We've got to get the neighbourhood active in a fun and safe way.

"A lot of people say they've had bike parts in the garage for a long



time and didn't know what to do with them until they brought them to us."

Jackie says it's a thrill to be able to offer bike parts for a koha and the advice for free.

"The dearest price we have is about \$8.

"A lot of our kids around here don't have helmets, so we can give them a second-hand helmet. Safety first."

Having a job so close to home is fantastic for Jackie, who is a Glen Innes resident of 19 years and found the role through the Tāmaki Jobs & Skills Hub.

"I love my job. I like playing with mechanical things – it excites me.

"I've got a background in car maintenance. Now I'm learning about bikes and how they work."

EcoMatters Bike Hub manager Brent Bielby says the organisation jumped at the chance to set up in Glen Innes, following some well attended bike maintenance workshops it held in the area last year.

"With the success we've had with our New Lynn and Henderson hubs, we thought we could do this all over Auckland if we apply



the same approach.

"We ran some bike maintenance workshops at Te Oro in Glen Innes and realised we'd love to come in here and do a fully-fledged bike hub.

TRC currently owns the piece of land at Maybury Reserve, where the hub is located.

Eventually the land will transfer to Auckland Council to expand and improve the park.

TRC regeneration and placemaking general manager Joanna Brain says it's great to get in behind such a fantastic initiative.

"We're really encouraged by the positive reaction from the community to the bike hub.

"It creates a real focal point for activity in Glen Innes and gives people a different way of enjoying some of the amazing scenery dotted around Tāmaki," she says.

**Check out the EcoMatters Bike Hub, open Thursday-Sunday 10am-2pm off Taniwha St, near the Line Rd intersection or visit [ecomatters.org.nz](http://ecomatters.org.nz) for more information. The Hub is open under Level 2 but loan bikes are unavailable.**



Esther and Alipate Fifita with their daughter Alessia

# DINNERS BRING NEIGHBOURS TOGETHER

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There's nothing that connects people like  
conversations during a great meal.

It's an idea Tāmaki Regeneration's (TRC) Neighbourhood Liaison Team ran with over summer and autumn, facilitating 12 neighbourhood dinners just prior to lockdown, in new housing developments.

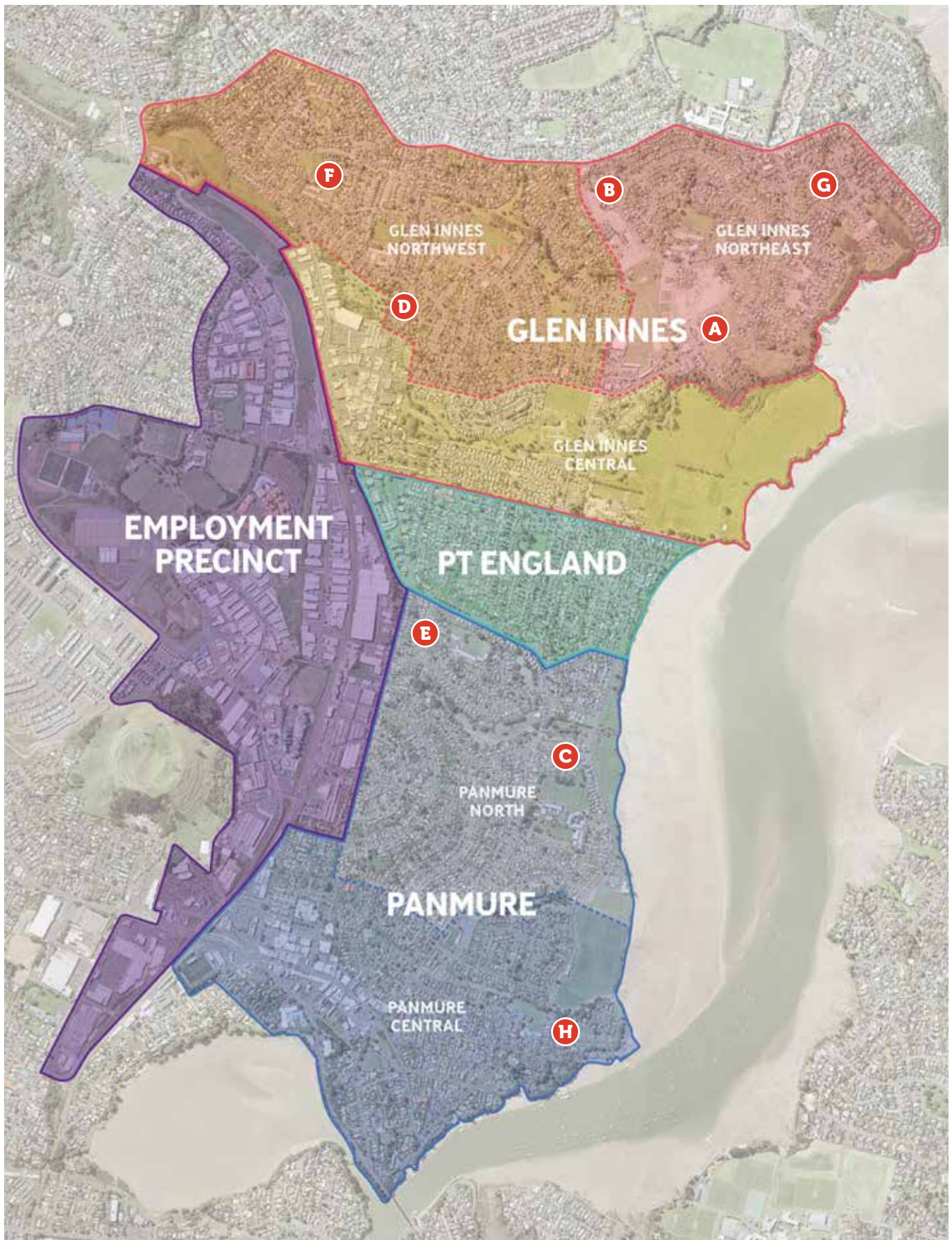
The neighbours provided the food, while TRC let people know the dinners were happening and

arranged fun activities.

As a result of the dinners, many neighbours who are both state tenants and private owners now know each other much better.

If you have any great ideas on how to help Tāmaki people connect with each other, email:  
[info@tamakiregeneration.co.nz](mailto:info@tamakiregeneration.co.nz)





# DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

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TRC takes a neighbourhood-by-neighbourhood approach to understand the specific needs, opportunities and challenges of each area and the families who live there.

We understand construction works can be very disruptive. We are committed to working with the local community and will make sure residents are informed about what's happening at each stage of the programme. Visit the neighbourhoods and developments page for more information at: [tamakiregeneration.co.nz](http://tamakiregeneration.co.nz)

## **GLEN INNES NORTHEAST**

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### **Fenchurch neighbourhood**



Over 400 new homes will be built in the Fenchurch neighbourhood, including a mix of state, affordable and private market housing. More than 250 houses, including over 100 state homes have been completed so far. The park on Aveline Place has also been built, and the new children's playground installation will open soon.

Current projects include the Fenchurch Park development, bordered by Fenchurch Street, Leybourne Circle and Sunnymead Road. TRC has partnered with RAWA and GJ Gardner to redevelop this area, which includes approximately 150 houses, with over 50 houses still to be completed. RAWA and GJ Gardner are also the development partners for the area south of Taniwha Street, around Kestrel Place and Kiano Place. This redevelopment will include 70 homes, ranging from two to five bedrooms in size. Construction has recommenced after the first Covid-19 lockdown and has seen great progress since.

The NZ Housing Foundation (NZHF) completed 40 new homes in Fenchurch recently, with another 30 to come in the next few years. The Foundation is focusing its building efforts around Sunnymead Road, Taniwha Street and Mansfield Street. An existing walkway is being upgraded into a linear park called Wākāinga Walk, between Sunnymead Road and Taniwha Street. We are currently working with the community, MADAVE and Auckland Transport to facilitate art installations in this great

space. This park is designed to provide safe passage for pedestrians and link Fenchurch with the wider Point England Reserve. House construction is also continuing on the eastern side of Tāmaki College through Classic Builders, where a total of 20 homes are being completed.

**GLEN INNES NORTHWEST**  
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**Overlea neighbourhood** B



Over 140 new homes will be built in the Overlea neighbourhood. Nine houses have been completed in Overlea Central to date. An updated plan for Overlea Central is currently being developed. Overlea South will have about 50 new homes, including 16 state houses. The Overlea North development is currently being redesigned and a total of 42 new dwellings, comprising of state, affordable and market homes will be developed.

**Line-Epping neighbourhood** D

The Line-Epping neighbourhood development includes a mixture of state, affordable and private market homes in a variety of styles. Civil works are complete and house construction is likely to begin in late 2020. The extension of Eastview Road will link the Line-Epping Neighbourhood with Glen Innes town centre.

**Castledine Crescent** F



Development partner Creating Communities' final project in Tāmaki is an enclave of 10 two and three-bedroom, architect-designed houses on Castledine Crescent in Northern Glen Innes. Five of the homes are connected by a series of walkways and boardwalks set in a landscaped native bush setting.

**PANMURE NORTH**  
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**Hinaki neighbourhood** E

Civil works have been completed, with a couple of minor civil work adjustments starting soon. Ten market homes will be developed on the site to the south of Torino Street. And 42 state and affordable homes will be built on the site to the southeast of Hinaki Street and Parata Street. We are currently finalising designs for the corner of Pilkington and Tripoli Roads, which will include 75 new market and affordable homes.

**Derna-Tobruk neighbourhood** C



Approximately 100 new houses will be built in the Derna-Tobruk area. The first 19 new homes in Stage 1 around Sollum and Tobruk Roads, which includes seven state and two affordable homes, have been completed by development partner Fletcher Living.

Stage 2 is currently underway. Demolition in Stage 3 is finished, and civil works will start later in the year. All new homes in the Derna/Tobruk neighbourhood are expected to be completed towards the end of 2023.

**PANMURE CENTRAL**

**Armein neighbourhood **

The Armein neighbourhood is expected to include approximately 60 new warm, dry homes. These will be a mixture of state, affordable and private market homes. House demolition is complete, with civil works likely to commence in late 2020. A development partner is yet to be selected. A development strategy about how the area will look in the future is currently being worked on.

**REGENERATION HIGHLIGHTS**



Whānau moved into their TRC-led shared ownership homes to August 2020.



Homes completed in Stage 1 of the Derna-Tobruk development.



EcoMatters Bike Hub in Maybury Reserve to help raise interest in cycling, was set up with help from TRC.



People were helped into work by the Jobs & Skills Hub since it began in 2013.

# BUILDING A NEW LIFE

Wilus Heka is loving being employed for the first time in 13 years.



Lisa Welsh and Wilus Heka

The Glen Innes resident is working as a labourer for Triple C Contractors, thanks to the Tāmaki Jobs & Skills Hub.

"I had no job for 13 years. A good friend of mine told me to go to the Tāmaki Jobs & Skills Hub if I wanted a job."

After putting together his work history and CV at the hub, the team found a job for Wilus within two weeks at Triple C.

Having done a NZQA recognised Level 4 construction course before visiting the hub helped him secure the job.

"The team at the hub are great. I feel very comfortable talking to them.

"They keep in touch regularly, which keeps me motivated."

Wilus, 42, has also developed close relationships with all team members within Triple C.

"The most important thing is keeping an open and honest relationship between myself and my project manager"

Wilus started off working with Triple C on a project for Tāmaki Regeneration in Pleasant Road, Panmure, which involved a lot of demolition.



Now he's expanding his skills on a new build in Ponsonby, which means building from the bottom up.

That's included reinforcing walls, working on the roof and a strong health and safety focus.

"They know they can trust me. Not many people have trusted me during my life, so that's really important to me."

He grew up in Panmure and now lives in Glen Innes.

Triple C managing director Lisa Welsh says Wilus has been a fantastic worker since joining the company about a year ago.

Wilus has shown he is willing to go the extra mile at work on several occasions, Lisa says.

"A great example of Wilus' dedication is when we were working at Pleasant Road there was some grass that we sowed over Christmas. Wilus offered to water it because he lived in the area.

"He didn't need to do that, but it's the type of stuff Wilus is willing to do."

"The thing about our team is it's not about titles or the certificates we hold. It's about making everyone successful."

## GREAT CONNECTION WITH THE HUB

During the Pleasant Road project, Triple C worked alongside the Tāmaki Jobs & Skills Hub, employing three staff.

Two of them continue to work for the company, with one being offered an apprenticeship.

"We have built a great relationship with the team and will continue to employ more staff through the hub with future projects," Lisa says.

Triple C Contractors also promotes and invests in all avenues of trade training with

over 16 apprentices, including one from the hub.

Tāmaki Jobs & Skills Hub manager Alice Taupau says it is great that Wilus is developing his skillset by working with Triple C.

"Wilus is a great example of someone who has started off working with a company that operates in Tāmaki and is now learning so much more about the building trade on other projects around the city.

"The hub team is really proud of Wilus and will continue to support him on his employment journey."

## TĀMAKI JOBS & SKILLS HUB

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- Almost 800 Tāmaki people have found work through the Tāmaki Jobs & Skills Hub. Thirty of these workers have been helped into apprenticeships.
- The Tāmaki Jobs & Skills Hub helps job seekers get work ready by offering support with writing CVs, providing career advice, applying for jobs online, driver licence training, job matching, and mentoring.
- The range of industries include construction, logistics, manufacturing, hospitality, retail and administration, among others.
- The hub placed six people into work over the first lockdown period, when many businesses were closed.
- In the last financial year, the hub supported 181 local people into work.
- Over the same period, 140 local people gained a driver's licence, 10 completed professional training and 12 entered into further education through the Tāmaki Jobs & Skills Hub.

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JOBS & SKILLS HUB

# COMMUNITY GETS BEHIND LUNAR NEW YEAR EVENT

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The 2020 Tāmaki Chinese Lunar Festival saw some impressive performances, ranging from traditional singing, to modern dance and Tibetan chanting.



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Local groups involved included the Panmure Chinese Association and Glen Innes Chinese Friendship Group, along with the Tāmaki Regeneration team. Also offering up their

talents at the show were the Grace Chinese Mission, Chao Shan Ensemble, New Zealand Chinese Comedy and Folk Art Society, Amber Dance Studio, Yingri Nichang Hanfu Dance

Group and New Zealand Karen Association. Te Oro Music & Arts Centre in Glen Innes played host to the event, which welcomed in the Year of the Rat - the first of the 12 lunar cycles.

# MATARIKI

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With the Te Ara Rama Matariki Light show cancelled, Ruapotaka marae, Te Oro, Glen Innes Business Association, the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board and Tāmaki Regeneration came up with an alternative programme to celebrate Matariki 2020 from June 22-27.



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One event held at Ruapotaka Marae featured Rongoā Māori Healing, a Mirimiri – massage demonstration and art workshops for both young and old.


The Māori philosophy behind Matariki is the remembrance of

loved ones who have passed over. And due to Covid-19, many of us have not been able to grieve in normal ways, have tangihanga and express condolences to loved ones, whānau and the community in general. With this in mind and also given the challenges

of Covid-19 and Auckland's drought, this year's Matariki 2020 theme is "Te Mauri o te Wai", which meant it focused on water, water preservation, water health, water conservation and water care and also how water symbolises renewal and refreshing.

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