

2 December 2013

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Dear Sir/Madam

### **New Year's Eve Road Closures – Vehicle Passes and Access at Mount Maunganui**

Tauranga City Council will close some Mount Maunganui peninsula roads on Tuesday, 31 December 2013. The closures affect roads from Salisbury and Banks Avenues towards Mauao, and all roads between Banks and Grove Avenues. This includes Bounty Lane, Marine Parade, Pitau, Oceanview and Te Ngaio Roads (refer map).

The closures will run from 2.00pm on Tuesday, 31 December 2013 to 6.00am on Wednesday, 1 January 2014. The aim is to reduce traffic pressure and provide a safer environment for pedestrians on New Year's Eve.

#### **Access for residents** (Please see reverse for map)

- The main entry point for residents will be at the Maunganui Road and Salisbury Avenue roundabout.
- A secondary entry point for those with passes will be at the intersection of Grove Avenue and Pitau Road.
- A one way system will be established with access up Pitau Road and exit down Oceanview Road.
- Banks Avenue will be open within the road closure area to those with passes, but not available to enter via.
- May Street will remain open to give access to the rest of the peninsula.

#### **Vehicle passes**

You and your visitors can access your property by displaying the vehicle passes included with this letter. **If your property is rented please give the vehicle passes to your tenants.**

- The passes are limited to two entries per vehicle pass.
- If you need more passes, or you will need to access the restricted zone more than twice after the road closures are in place, **please contact Penny Mitropoulos, Tauranga City Council on 577 7112.**
- An issuing station at the Kawaka Street Park n Ride will issue a limited number of passes to residents who may not have passes on them on New Year's Eve. You will be asked to show proof of address.

#### **Temporary 'No parking – tow away zones'**

- Temporary 'No parking – tow away zone' signs will be installed in some streets on New Year's Eve to help reduce the congestion in these areas for this day.
- These no parking zones will be in place on the western side of Pitau Road, the eastern side of Oceanview Road, and along both sides of Grove Avenue.
- Parking officers will be ticketing cars parked illegally and cars will be towed if not removed.

As in previous years, Marine Parade, between Adams and Pacific Avenues, will be closed between the hours of 8.00pm to 6.00am from 26 December 2013 to 6 January 2014. This portion of Marine Parade will be closed all day on 31 December 2013 to set up the New Year's Eve event.

#### **Free Park n Ride - New Year's Eve only**

A free Park n Ride will run from 11.00am on Tuesday, 31 December 2013 and will finish at 2am on Wednesday, 1 January 2014. Parking is off Kawaka Street. Drop off and pick up is at Adams Avenue. ***Please refer to map.***

#### **Bay Hopper buses**

Bay Hopper buses will not go into the road closure area after 1.00pm on Tuesday, 31 December 2013. Buses that normally service this area will drop passengers off at the free Park n Ride. The Park n Ride buses will then take passengers into the road closure area. Normal bus services will resume on Wednesday, 1 January 2014.

#### **Liquor-free zone**

Entry control points will be used to screen out intoxicated people and remind all event goers that the entire area is liquor-free and glass-free. Police will be monitoring the area to ensure the event is safe and enjoyable.

We recommend where possible that residents purchase any alcohol prior to New Year's Eve. Being a complete liquor-free area, carrying alcohol to premises is at the discretion of the Police.

On behalf of Tauranga City Council, thank you for your cooperation and understanding. I wish you a happy Christmas and a safe and enjoyable New Year.

Yours faithfully



Penny Mitropoulos  
**Team Leader: City Events**