

## Alternative transport

**ANYONE SCEPTICAL ABOUT VIABLE OPTIONS** to solve our transport woes will have been pleasantly surprised at our Alternative Transport breakfast event in May.

Presenting facts about Auckland traffic congestion and discussing constraints and potential options for transport solutions, Cynthia Gillespie, Chief Strategy Officer for Auckland Transport was a breath of fresh air.

Members present appreciated Cynthia's approach of frank honesty, practical solutions, and her willingness to listen to suggestions and feedback from industry and community. Cynthia maintains that ideas for resolving the issues come from everyone – from taxi drivers through to business owners – and she spends a great deal of her time meeting with people to seek out new concepts.

While outlining the Auckland Transport plan, Cynthia articulated that in general, we all want a plan that's right for ourselves while potentially overlooking what's right for the masses.

Auckland Transport has a vision for an Auckland that is accessible, well connected,

safe and sustainable. They acknowledge that they need to focus on safety and get people out of single person cars. They have a strategic approach to delivering a safe integrated and easy-to-use public and active transport system.

With the large projected population growth of Auckland over the next 25 years, Auckland Transport is striving to maximise the value of existing infrastructure through better optimisation, use of technology and influencing travel demand, while minimising environmental impacts.

Ultimately Auckland Transport wants to demonstrate value for money and show ratepayers return on their investment into our major transport services and infrastructure. Cynthia acknowledges that it will take time to implement solutions that will significantly impact our congestions woes.

Localised solutions such as privatised shuttle services were discussed as a possible solution for our Wiri workers.

**For anyone interested in hearing more detail about Cynthia's presentation, please contact our Wiri office on 0800 947 4249.**

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## Stopping crime in its tracks

**LATE ONE JUNE EVENING** a security officer from Conroy Security was busy patrolling our northern area when he noticed suspicious activity from a car and trailer unit with a digger on the back. After recording the details, he approached the vehicle and its occupants and attempted to speak with them. The occupants took off in their vehicle after telling the officer they were trying to fix their lights.

Further along on the patrol in a neighbouring area, the security officer was stopped by a business owner to see if he had seen a trailer

with a digger on it. The alert security officer had already reported the incident to Police and was able to supply an incident number to the business owner. The perpetrators were apprehended by Police and the digger returned rapidly to its rightful owners.

This is an example of another great result for our proactive security patrols.



# Association update

## WELCOME TO OUR SECOND WIRI LINK NEWSLETTER FOR 2018.

This is how we bring you news and updates about our region, so please take a moment to read and enjoy!

The Association has hosted two networking events in the last quarter. The first was a networking breakfast in conjunction with EmploySure to understand how the changes in employment legislation will affect our businesses. The second was the Alternative Transport breakfast with Cynthia Gillespie, Chief Strategy Officer at Auckland Transport to discuss alternative transport ideas and the issues facing our region. Both events were full of valuable information and food for thought for our members.

Our waste management project in collaboration with Wilkinson Environmental is well underway with several waste audits already conducted for businesses in our area. If your company is keen to participate in this project, please give me a call at the Wiri Office. An update of progress from Wilkinson Environmental is on page 7.

A reminder that we are still working on the submissions to review the stormwater and wastewater plans for the area. These plans have the potential to impact your business and your associated operating costs. I have a copy of the proposed Council updates here at my

office if you would like to find out more.

With new multi random patrols on our higher incident nights, our security patrols appear to be making some headway into the illegal rubbish dumping issues. However, we have encountered a spike in crime targeted at our western BID area. This increase led to us organising a meeting between our western BID members, Conroy Security and New Zealand Police to discuss the issue and talk through possible resolutions such as the use of static guards and CCTV linking. Remember, if you see suspicious activity, please report it immediately!

I'm really excited to announce our partnership with Actions for Survival to deliver their community project First Aid For All providing FREE first aid training online for everyone. With the option to complete an additional short workshop for a small fee, NZQA credits can be earned and recorded should people choose to do so. We aim to become the first Cardiac Safe BID in New Zealand through the installation of automated external defibrillator (AED) stations available for public use in our area. We will do this through the Actions For Survival 'earn and learn' partnership. We aim to earn and install a minimum of at least two new external defibrillator stations this year.



**Audrey Williams,**  
Wiri Business Association general manager

### More AED stations = more lives saved.

Sadly, despite our efforts, sales of exhibitor space for the Southern Business Market (SBM) remained very low. The decision to suspend the SBM and hold an alternative high-profile event on 1 August, has resulted in an evening function 'Dealing With Stress' with guest presenter Mike King.

We have plenty of events scheduled for 2018 – so be sure you're on our email list to receive notifications. You can do this by registering your name and email address on the front page of our website [www.wiribiz.co.nz](http://www.wiribiz.co.nz). Stay in touch!

## A great beginning...

### THE WIRI WASTE ADVISORY PROGRAMME IS OFF TO A FLYING START!

Our recycling advisors have delivered 13 free waste assessments to companies in the area. On these sites they have found opportunities to divert 234 tonnes a year of waste away from landfill. In some cases this recycling could save significantly on disposal costs.

The companies are now in the process of making recommended changes, or undertaking further investigations.

Our expert advisors are in the area over the coming months and may come knocking.

Make the most of this once-only opportunity to see if you can save on some of your waste disposal costs.

Or, for help right now, call us on 09 948 2597

**WILKINSON**  
ENVIRONMENTAL LIMITED

## Quick facts:

- **Timber makes up 15% of all waste going to landfill**
- **There are good timber recycling options available that are cheaper than regular skips**

# A greener environment

## IN 2016, THE MANUKAU BEAUTIFICATION CHARITABLE TRUST (MBCT)

organised a record attempt to clean up the Puhinui Stream. Following the clean-up, several key areas of erosion were highlighted requiring remedial action. Utilising the mayoral tree planting programme, MBCT organised a volunteer day to put native plants along a crucial part of the Puhinui Stream within our Wiri BID area.

Despite being postponed twice due to weather, the planting day on 27 June with over 50 volunteers planting 1000 native plants along the stream area was a great success.

Our thanks go to all the volunteers who helped out with this project including the team of 6 staff from Z Energy stations in our area. Special thanks to MBCT for organising the day and to ACC and Lim Brothers for offering premises and support for our volunteers on the day.



## Pass it on!

**We're always keen to hear your stories.**

**If you have news you'd like to share with our members, or hear something newsworthy to our area, please let us know.**

**Call our office on 09 262 0804.**

# Property Update



**In the Wiri Property Breakfast in February, Rob Taylor from Barfoot and Thompson advised that a large land holding in central Wiri was under contract. He suggested that this sale would substantially reduce the amount of land available for development in our area.**

Australian vertically integrated logistics property specialist Logos Property Pty Limited advised on 10 July 2018 that they have bought a 10ha site in Auckland for its first move into New Zealand.

The Australian company stated that it acquired the property at the corner of Roscommon and Wiri Station Roads from Fletcher Building Ltd subsidiary Fletcher Concrete & Infrastructure Limited.

The site has direct access to State Highway 20 (the South Western Motorway), and is directly adjacent to the Conlinx Inland Port which services the Ports of Auckland, New Zealand's largest container port by volume, handling more than 1,600 ship calls and 2.7 million tonnes of break-bulk cargo annually.

Logos joint managing director Trent Iliffe said the company would develop the site into a 55,000m<sup>2</sup> logistics estate: "The New Zealand industrial and logistics sector has experienced strong growth over the past few years on the back of the country's underlying economic fundamentals, increasing population and, importantly, the rise in e-commerce. We believe there will be many opportunities for Logos to partner with our investors and tenant customers across New Zealand over the coming years, and the Wiri site is an important and strategic first development for the group."

The company stated that they are currently in discussions with a number of existing tenant customers from their Asia Pacific portfolio to develop purpose-built opportunities on the site, including large format logistics operators, FMCG, e-commerce operators and 3PL groups. They will share more on this in due course.

## About Logos Property Pty Limited

Logos is a dynamic and growing logistics specialist with operations across Australia, China, Singapore, Indonesia and India. They manage every aspect of logistics real estate, from sourcing land or facilities to undertaking development and asset management, on behalf of some of the world's leading global real estate investors.

**At 1 January 2018, Logos had:**

- \$A4 billion of equity commitments to 14 ventures with a targeted end-value of over \$A9 billion of assets under management
- 42 projects or estates owned and under development
- Over 2.9 million m<sup>2</sup> of logistics real estate owned and under development, and
- 9 corporate offices throughout Asia & the Pacific.

# Get the app!

Know where the nearest AED is located. If you haven't already got the AED locations app from Able Technology for your mobile device, you can download it free from Google Play or iTunes.



## FREE First Aid For All

### IT MAY BE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH!

Wiri Business Association is partnering with Actions For Survival to offer access to First Aid For All - a community project delivering FREE online First Aid learning.

#### About the First Aid course

- FREE online First Aid learning
- Developed by industry experts
- Reduce time away from work
- Learn at your own pace and times
- Interactive content includes text, video, audio and quiz

- Choose to attend a four hour assessment leading to a full NZQA unit standard workplace certificate

To register or find out more about the online learning, please contact our office on 0800 947 4249.

Become a first aid hero today!



New Zealand health and safety regulations stipulate that at all times there must be at least one person on every work site who holds a current First Aid certificate.

## Cardiac Safe Wiri

THE WIRI BUSINESS ASSOCIATION is committed to creating a cardiac safe area. We intend to be the first cardiac safe BID in New Zealand.

Our goals are:

- To have one third of the Wiri working population trained in First Aid
- To install an AED station one every street in the Wiri business area accessible 24/7

We will generate the funding to achieve this through our partnership with Actions For Survival.

For every person registered with us who completes the four hour First Aid assessment, Actions For Survival will donate \$10 towards our Cardiac Safe Wiri AED fund. We will also be running events to help raise funds to purchase AED stations.



In a medical emergency the use of an AED unit can save a life.

THE CHANCE OF SURVIVAL DECREASES BY 7-10% FOR EACH MINUTE THE PERSON WAITS FOR A DEFIBRILLATOR.



# Our Board volunteer their time!

**Our thanks to our Executive Board who offer their time to work with us. If you have questions or concerns about the Wiri area, please feel free to get in touch with them.**



**Richard Mason**  
Chair,  
Mason Tool & Engineering



**Lyndsay Mason**  
Deputy Chair,  
Direct Mechanical Services



**Maureen Collins-Wright**  
Treasurer,  
Ross's Plumbing



**William Brown**  
Trimtex



**Teena Rhind**  
Adstaff Personnel



**Gregor Botha**  
Mainfeeds



**Anton Fatkin**  
Barfoot and Thompson



**Solei Paul**  
Argosy Property



**Joseph Liava'a**  
East Tamaki Healthcare



**Dave Pizzini**  
Manurewa Local Board



**Audrey Williams**  
General Manager,  
Wiri Business Association



**Karyn Spencer**  
Associate Member Advisor,  
Vodafone Events Centre



**Murray Phillips**  
Associate Member Advisor,  
Insight CA

## Call for nominations

**THE WIRI BUSINESS ASSOCIATION** is governed by an Executive Board elected by our members at our Annual General Meeting each year. Our Board voluntarily provide their time to assist us to run the Association and provide you, our members, with value.

Each year we ask for people who would be willing to offer their time on the Board to stand for election. The next election will be at our AGM on 18 October 2018. If you are interested in joining our Executive Board, we'd love to hear from you. If you would like to nominate a member to sit on our board, please contact **Audrey** on **0800 947 4249** to find out more.

# Manurewa Local Board changes

**AFTER WORKING** alongside Association for some time, Angela Dalton from Manurewa Local Board has handed over the reins of representation on our Executive Board to focus more time on her role as Chairperson. We extend our thanks for the invaluable support and guidance that Angela provided to our Board during this time.

A warm welcome to Dave Pizzini representing Manurewa Local Board who has joined our Executive. Dave and his family have lived in The Gardens in Manurewa for the past 18 years. His background in policing, predominantly in South Auckland, spanned a variety of ranks as a detective for a large part of his career.

When Simeon Brown was elected to parliament in 2017, Dave decided to stand as a candidate for the Manurewa Local Board by-election and was successfully elected in February 2018.

Having retired three and a half years earlier and running his own business in Manukau as a private investigator, Dave felt the timing was

right to invest time into the community. Seeing the work of the Local Board as a great way to contribute, Dave decided to run for office.

Chair Angela Dalton's advice was to roll up your sleeves and get into the things you're passionate about in order to make a difference. Dave is passionate about sports, leisure and recreation and is a great believer in making the most of sports and enjoying our parks.

He is also passionate about crime and community safety. He acknowledges that Wiri has crime and safety concerns and traffic congestion issues. Dave hopes his network in the local police will assist in those areas. In an effort to combat illegal dumping of rubbish, Dave proposes an amendment to the crimes act to insert a new offence for dumping so that this becomes a police issue.

Dave has been attending the Wiri BID monthly meetings since February and is enjoying getting to know other board members, working with the BID team and getting a good feel for the business district.



## Security Watch

**A REMINDER** that in May this year, Barcon Security rebranded to become Conroy Security, and updated all signage and visual media to reflect this.

Conroy Security patrols continue to deter and report illegal rubbish dumping and instances of graffiti and antisocial behaviour, and we have noted a decrease in rubbish recently.

Our Western BID members noted a spike in targeted criminal activity and were invited to attend an Association meeting to discuss the issue and explore what could be done. Members from the impacted area, along with our security providers and New Zealand Police held an open discussion on what is being done to combat this crime. Conroy Security has implemented random

mufti patrols, and this has already proven effective in pre-empting crime in the area.

Vehicle thefts, in particular, have been rising, and Conroy Security has been successful in gathering perpetrator information to assist Police in several instances.

We have recently sent two security updates to our members. The first to advise that a woman was attacked in Joval Place at 5am on July 10. The fast actions of security teams ensured critical details were captured to assist police with their investigation.

The second notified of a severe power outage at midnight on 17 July. This power cut caused automated doors, gates and entrances to jam open, alarm activations and premises left

at risk. Fortunately, Conroy Security rapidly deployed nearby patrols from other areas to assist in maintaining high-level security until power was restored. We remind all members to ensure they provide after-hours contact details for use in emergency situations such as this.

**For further security information call Dennis Conroy on 021 278 2710**



**Rapidly report rubbish or vandalism**

**Don't leave it to other people**

**Contact Audrey on 027 947 4249  
or 09 262 0804 or  
email [manager@wiribiz.org.nz](mailto:manager@wiribiz.org.nz)**

## Graffiti more visible

**WE'VE RECENTLY SEEN** an increase in the incidents of reported graffiti in our area. Please remember to let us know as soon as you discover any graffiti that is visible from the road, and we will have it removed immediately.

This is a service provided in conjunction with Manukau Beautification Charitable Trust at no cost to your business.

Colours used to remove graffiti are standard, however should you wish to use your brand colours, the MBCT staff will use your colours provided you keep a small amount on site for this purpose.

# Did you **KNOW**?

The Wiri Business Association has enjoyed a long relationship with the Second Nature Charitable Trust (SNCT) – managers of the Vodafone Events Centre (VEC) and Vector Wero Whitewater Park (VW). We're delighted to welcome David Comery, stepping into the role of CEO for the Second Nature Charitable Trust.

David's unique experience combines commercial enterprise with charitable trust work, which gave him the expertise required for the CEO position with Second Nature Charitable Trust. In his welcome speech, David said, "The most rewarding part of my career has been social enterprise work, and I feel I'm attuned to the philosophies of the trust," We look forward to working together.



David Comery,  
CEO Second Nature Charitable Trust



From a swampy paddock where cows grazed to an international destination

## Welcome Ramada

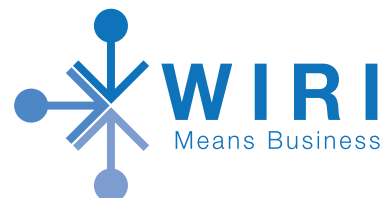
**CONSTRUCTION** on an 85-room Ramada Suites Manukau Pacific Centre began earlier this year. This is a collaboration between Wyndham Hotel Group and developer Safari Group and is due for completion mid 2019.

The NZ\$25 million development, managed by Marsden Asset Management, will offer studio, one- and two-bedroom apartments, each with a fully equipped laundry and kitchen.

Ramada Manukau will offer convenient accommodation for travellers attending events and sporting matches at the adjacent Vodafone Events Centre. Ideally located within walking distance of Manukau's growing central business district, Westfield Manukau and Vector Wero Whitewater Park, this venue provides easy access to both Auckland Airport and the Auckland CBD.



# What's On



## WBA Annual General Meeting

Thursday 18 October 2018  
5.30pm-7.30pm

Venue and guest speaker  
to be announced

## Your business

Is your business listed in our directory? Go to [www.wiribiz.co.nz/directories/](http://www.wiribiz.co.nz/directories/) and list your business. This is a great way to encourage people 'buy local' and tell other businesses about what you do.

## Your events

If you have an event happening in our area – please let us know! We are always happy to promote relevant events for our members.

## Stay in Touch!

Are you regularly receiving our email updates? If not please go to our website [www.wiribiz.co.nz](http://www.wiribiz.co.nz) and sign up at the top of the front page.

Did you know we have a Facebook page where we regularly post news and information? Be sure to go to [www.facebook.com/wiribusiness/](https://www.facebook.com/wiribusiness/) and follow us.