Bay of Plenty Regional Council Update

Demolition works on the Bay of Plenty Regional Council’s College Road site in Edgecumbe are finishing up and Waiotahi Contractors has moved onto the area to begin reconstruction works.

Project Manager, Peter Hay, says that things are still going to schedule and the team is pleased to be able to make the most of the good weather to get things started on the re-build.

“The demolition work has gone well and all the buildings and material has now been moved off site, the last of the rubble is being removed and the area given a general tidy up. We are also putting up permanent fences alongside neighbouring properties and trying to keep a few features such as a number of mature trees.

Not all the space will be needed for the stopbank so we are working with the District Council and community on how the space might be used and how it could look when works are complete. Whatever is decided, it is likely that a few mature trees will help make any new park or playground space look a bit more settled-in,” Mr Hay adds.

Within the current fenced area, the project team has been able to make a start on the services that will run along the length of road. This means the road will not have to be closed until after Easter.

Don’t forget your Welcome Home Pack...

To date, 172 families or individuals returning to their repaired homes have picked up a Welcome Home Pack... that means, currently, there are around 30 others who haven’t. Don’t be shy, if you’ve moved back in, call into either Te Tari Āwhina at Edgecumbe Library or Whakatane District Council reception, with ID, to pick up your pack. The packs are a mix of pantry food staples and bits and bobs ranging from tea-towels and coat-hangers to cups and chocolates. Thanks to The Tindall Foundation for supporting this initiative.

EDGECUMBE PLANT DAY

When: 21 April, 10am onwards
Where: next to Te Tari Āwhina – Edgecumbe Library
Activities include: Plant giveaway / Garden tour / Workshops

Contact Edgecumbe Community Plan Coordinator Vicky Richards for more information 027 309 3657

For further information, visit www.whakatane.govt.nz/recovery-project
Saturday
7 April 2018
3pm - 7.30pm

VENUE:
Park next to
Riverslea Mall,
Edgecumbe

If wet, postponed until
Sunday 8 April

Acknowledging the anniversary
of 6 April 2017

• Live music – local band Fling Teddy, main act Whenua Patuwai
• Food stalls at family-friendly prices
• Bouncy castles and face painting for children
• Foam Tent for youth
• Movie in the park

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