



New Council Chief Executive starts

Council has a new Chief Executive, John Boswell.

Mayor Nadine Taylor said she was very pleased to welcome Mr Boswell to Council.

“John joins us after a highly successful military career, reaching the position of Major General and Chief of Army, the most senior officer in the New Zealand Army. John wants to continue to serve the public in a positive values-based organisation after his impressive career in the Army,” she said.

“He brings a collaborative leadership style as well as strong strategic management and communication skills which I know will work well for Council and the Marlborough community.”

Mr Boswell said he was incredibly honoured to have the opportunity to take on a senior leadership role with Council.

“I’m really looking forward to supporting the delivery of the core services of Council, effectively and efficiently, whilst always looking to be better in all we do and keeping an eye on how to position the district to benefit from future opportunities,” he said.

“Marlborough is an area that

offers so much - it has huge potential - and it is a region my wife Vicky and I are looking forward to calling home.”

Outgoing CE Mark Wheeler wished Mr Boswell well in the role, saying it had been a great privilege to be the CE at Council for the past eight and a half years.

“Council is a ‘people business’ and the people of Marlborough are amazing. They rightly expect quality services, respectful interactions, professionalism and cost efficiency,” Mr Wheeler said. “The CE role has given me many extremely satisfying times, all of which were team efforts.”

Mayor Taylor thanked Mr Wheeler sincerely for his 26 years of service to Council and said this service was not only to Council but to the people of Marlborough. Mr Wheeler has been chief executive since 2015, and before that was deputy chief executive and assets and services manager from 1998.

“We as a Council, province and community have been very lucky to have Mark at the helm as our CE and lead public servant,” Mayor Taylor said. “We wish Mark and wife Cathy a wonderful retirement.”



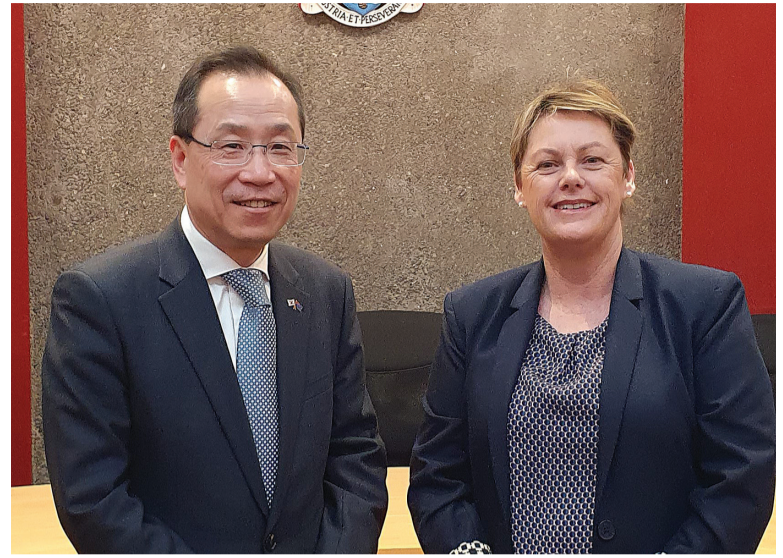
Mayor Nadine Taylor with new Council Chief Executive John Boswell

Korean delegation visits Marlborough

A delegation from South Korea was in Marlborough recently as part of a regional tour.

The group, including His Excellency Mr Changsik Kim and Consul Deokhyung (Joshua) Seo, visited local industries that export to the republic including Sanford Bioactives and Carbonscape.

Mayor Nadine Taylor met with the delegation during their time in Marlborough.



His Excellency Mr Changsik Kim with Marlborough Mayor Nadine Taylor.

Marlborough recognised at TOS Forestry Awards

Accolades flowed recently for M&R Forestland Management, managers of Marlborough’s Council-owned forests, at the Top of the South Forestry Awards in Nelson.

Gerald Hope, chairman of the ratepayer-owned Marlborough Regional Forestry asset, attended the ceremony for Council.

“It gave me tremendous pleasure to attend and celebrate the success of our women in forestry who deservedly brought home awards. It was a very successful night for our local forest management company,” he said.

M&R Forestland Management took home two awards – a trophy

for ‘Outstanding Environmental Management’ going to Anna Baty and a ‘Woman in Forestry’ certificate to Siobhan Allen.

The Top of the South Forestry Awards showcase the innovation and highly skilled workforce within the forestry industry in the Tasman and Marlborough districts.



Tasman Mayor Tim King presents the award to Anna Baty



Siobhan Allen (right) receives her award from Angela Cotton from Total Energies

Council ratifies Marlborough Regional Land Transport Plan

Marlborough’s Regional Transport Committee (RTC) has approved the Marlborough Regional Land Transport Plan 2024-2034 which has been ratified by full Council.

The RLTP underpins Marlborough’s transport planning and confirms the region’s investment priorities for both

state highways and local roads. It is required under the Land Transport Management Act and is prepared by Marlborough Roads with NZ Transport Agency (NZTA) input.

Major Marlborough Sounds road repairs, increased road maintenance and improving

freight efficiencies are Council’s key focus in the plan.

“This RLTP is dominated by the Marlborough Sounds Future Access Study and the repairs and resilience work that the study identified as needing to be done due to the storm damage. This will require significant investment

over the coming years,” RTC chair Councillor Scott Adams said.

Four written submissions were received followed by hearings on 18 and 21 June with the RTC meeting on 26 June for deliberations. No major changes were made and the committee approved the final plan on 30 July.

The RLTP was submitted to NZTA by 1 August.

For full details go to: www.marlborough.govt.nz/services/roads-and-transport/regional-land-transport-plan/regional-land-transport-plan-2024-34

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