

Together

for a thriving Porirua



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Project Director's update



Will Pennington
Project Director

It's great to be back operating as business as usual. For the Porirua Development, it also means we can get back to having more meaningful face-to-face engagements, as your thoughts and feedback are valuable to us. We have a couple of key pieces of engagement coming up this year, so keep your eyes peeled for more information.

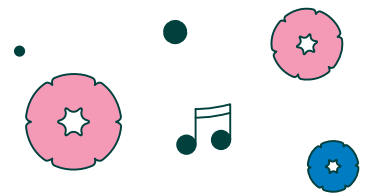
Progress on Esk Place and Niger Street is well under way. Te Aranga have been busy preparing our construction sites to help us deliver more warmer, drier and safer homes for Cannons Creek.

You may have also noticed new Porirua Development and Te Aranga fencing signage around the sites on Castor Crescent.

We also have a few smaller developments underway throughout eastern Porirua, with many more in the pipeline. We've recently submitted resource consent has to build eight new 6-Homestar rated homes on Maher Street in Rānui. These smaller development sites will play a key role in bringing more warmer, drier homes to the area.

Housing that makes a real difference

Maena and Joe were living in public housing along a steep bank in Titahi Bay.



Joe & Maeana in their garden, Titahi Bay

The land was hard to use which meant Joe couldn't do what he loved the most – gardening. When the opportunity to move to a brand new accessible home in Morere Street arose, the grandparents jumped at the opportunity.

“We are very grateful for what we have now. You've built these beautiful home that are comfortable and warm, and the best part about these is my husband is able to plant again” Maena says at the blessing at the completion of the Morere Street development.

Maena and Joe live in one of the 12 homes that have recently been completed by Kāinga Ora. “In our previous home, it was difficult to move around and it had lots of stairs” says Maena.

Their new two bedroom home, is on a flat land, making it easy to move around. They've been able their own vegetable garden and relaxation area making for more fulfilled living.

Kāinga Ora have recently completed and handed over the final three of 12 new warmer, drier homes in

Morere Street, Titahi Bay. The new homes will be managed by Te Āruhu Mōwai, local iwi group Ngāti Toa Rangatira housing agency.

These homes are part of the partnership agreement between the crown and Ngāti Toa Rangatira which sees, Te Āruhu Mōwai, local iwi group Ngāti Toa Rangatira housing agency lease and manage over 900 homes in western Porirua. This transfer of housing also enables Porirua Development to build more housing in eastern Porirua.

Following the completion of three 5-bedroom homes in the development, a small blessing was held before the new families moved in.

“My hope is that when the final tenants move it, we will be able to create community gathering every month. There are lots of children here and my mokopuna also come after school” says Maena. “Fruit trees bloom really well and families have been able to exchange fruit creating a real sense of community”.



The green box has landed



We're excited that the first part of the new community space project has been delivered to The Cage on Bedford Street.

Over the coming weeks we will be working with local rangatahi, youth workers, schools and community groups to help turn this box into a space where our rangatahi and whānau can easily access sports and play equipment.

It would be great to hear from you and your whānau about what you would like to see stored in this space. If you would like to share some of your great ideas and thoughts, send us a DM on our facebook page:

**[www.facebook.com/
PoriruaDevelopment](https://www.facebook.com/PoriruaDevelopment)**

Your feedback will help us make sure the things you'd like to see and use are in the new community space.

More homes for Maher

On top of our larger development sites off Castor Crescent, we're looking for opportunities to develop warm, dry homes on a range of sites in Ascott Park, Waitangirua, Cannons Creek and Rānui.



We currently have six small development sites underway, which is our Maher development.

For more information on Maher Development and our small development sites visit our website: <https://poriruadevelopment.co.nz/progress/small-development-sites/>

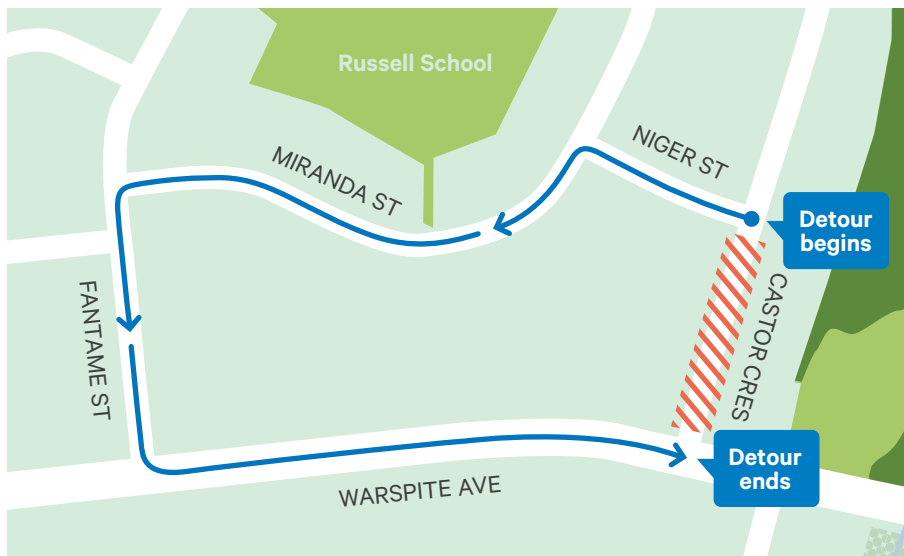
Road closure on Castor Crescent

Where:	Castor Crescent
When:	From Monday 23 May – September 2022
Hours of work:	7:00am to 7:00pm Monday to Saturday

We have closed a section of Castor Crescent between Warspite Avenue and Niger Street, work began on Monday 23 May. A road detour via Niger and Miranda Streets will be in place for the duration of the work, due to upgrading portions of the existing pipe network.

We want to do this as safely and quickly as possible.

We understand the disruption this may cause and appreciate your cooperation. If you have any queries or concerns about the road closures or site works please contact our civil and infrastructure experts Te Aranga, who will be managing the day-to-day activities on and around site: **0800 832 726** or hello@tearanga.co.nz.



Laying the foundations for a thriving Porirua



Te Aranga are our construction and infrastructure experts. They prepare the land, remove older state homes past their best and upgrade streets and infrastructure before building starts.

For any questions about civil works please contact Te Aranga on: **0800 832 726** or hello@tearanga.co.nz.

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Meet the team



Rosa Ariu, Coordinator – Community Development and Engagement

What does your role involve?

Engaging with the community and stakeholders. Reflecting the communities shared vision and values. Maximising opportunities, capabilities, and capacities. Empowering and making meaningful connections with not only resources but amongst it (the community) as well. Essentially... just making lotsa cups of tea.

What do you enjoy the most about your role?

That I get to work in my hometown and be part of the growth and development within.

What do you love the most about Porirua?

The feeling of family and the memories of what was and what could be.

What do you like to do outside of your mahi?

Spend time with my family, reading and doing 1,500 piece puzzles.

What are three words that best describe Porirua?

Sports-mad, family & turangawaewae.

Meet the Mayor

You can come and meet Anita Baker – Mayor of Porirua City at our Community Info Hub in Cannons Creek. Here are the dates for the next Mayors clinics:

13 July 2022

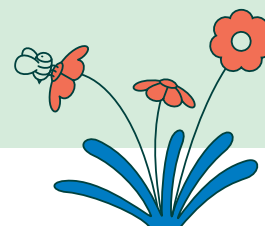
3 August

28 September

26 October

23 November

Pop in and have a chat over a hot drink, we look forward to seeing you!



Community info

**26 Warspite Ave, Cannons Creek.
Tuesday – Thursday
from 1pm to 4.30pm.**

Great news, you no longer need to book an appointment to visit our Community Info hub.

We are now open under Traffic Light Orange. Pop in, we would love to see you!

If you can't see us in person and would like to contact us, call **021 199 1953** or email **info@poriruadevelopment.co.nz**



Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities

If you are a Kāinga Ora customer and have rehousing or customer-related questions, please contact the Customer Support Centre on **0800 801 601**.

