

NZIS PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – 6 DECEMBER 2016

Dear NZIS members,

As we rush towards the end of the year my thoughts go out to the people in Kaikoura and surrounding areas and everyone affected by the recent earthquakes. I know we have members who are not only personally affected, but who are also working in the area with sophisticated technology helping to make the area safe and accessible again. My hope is that even amongst their damaged homes and lives, they can enjoy some festivities over Christmas and New Year. NZIS is a resource ready and willing to assist in the affected area. For this to occur we need to open the communication lines and to focus our involvement as is appropriate to support the immediate, short and long term needs of these affected communities. In response, we are developing an NZIS National Emergency Management Plan and have created a section on the website for sharing information. A special interest group has also been progressed. Visit the new [Kaikoura-Wellington Earthquakes Updates page](#).



Last month we welcomed new LINZ chief executive, Andrew Crisp. Andrew has been Acting Chief Executive since July 2016 on secondment from MBIE where he was Deputy Chief Executive Building, Resources and Markets. He has a broad range of experience, including in policy regulations, operations, strategy and corporate functions and has held senior roles at the Treasury, Department of Labour, and Ministry for the Environment. I am looking forward to meeting with Andrew in the new year and to developing our relationship with his executive team.

LINZ is continuing to make good progress on the Advanced Survey and Title Services (ASaTS) project. They are progressing through the procurement process and working with one supplier through the diligence phase before a decision is made to award a contract in mid-2017. An NZIS stakeholder will be announced shortly. I also wish to acknowledge the members of the stakeholder working groups and the stakeholder forum. Please visit the update from [LINZ](#).

I had the pleasure of attending another very successful NZ Spatial Excellence awards evening in November where for the third year in a row, the best of the industry received recognition and applause. The Premier Award was won by Wellington City Council's submission, Living Lab. I congratulate all this year's finalists and winners. For a full description of the submissions and winning project, visit the [NZSEA website](#) and see the article in December Surveying+Spatial magazine which is about to hit your desks as I write. As a founding partner of the awards it is very gratifying to see our support for the spatial profession contributing to the success of the awards. These awards are gaining recognition and are going from strength to strength each year.

I would like to thank all the people who took time to join our first ever Stakeholder Workshop. Nearly sixty people including representatives from branches, streams, National Office, Young Professionals, Council and Board met at the National Library in Wellington prior to the AGM in late October. The session was a great success with the following topics covered; certification, conference and awards, membership model and policy, NZIS future - 'blue sky' thinking and key membership needs. Although the sessions were conducted at a rapid pace due to time restrictions, we managed to get some excellent ideas and feedback on issues. The feedback so far has been very positive with participants finding it extremely valuable. The feedback received can be located on the Governance webpage. The feedback on the effort put into the NZIS Certification review is overwhelmingly positive from members but there is still a lot of work to be done before we can roll out a system that will meet all the expectations of both our profession and the public. The recent stakeholder workshop was especially helpful and there will be a focus on rounding out the process over the next six months as we head towards a roll out around next year's AGM. My thanks to Andrew Stirling especially for his endless hours on this project.

On the advocacy front, the Cadastral Survey Act Working Group has been working hard in recent months to ensure LINZ is aware of our frustrations and to provide some thought-leadership on any changes that may be progressed. Much has already been progressed but there will be more to report in this area in the coming year.

Events under the CPD programme offered to members have received good registration numbers in the latter part of this year - in particular, the Vertical Data Improvement seminar and the Processing UAV Data webinar.

We have recently re-launched the webinar programme using Adobe Connect which has been well received.

We are anticipating a full review of the CPD programme in 2017 to ensure the system in place is robust and can continue to meet members needs in the future.

National Office has not been without its challenges during the year with illness and departures meaning we have rarely had a full contingent on deck. Lauren McGee recently left for new opportunities and we welcomed Tara Govind as the new administration and event manager back in May. We will be advertising the Relationship Manager role shortly and hope to make an appointment in the early New Year.

Finally, I am delighted to welcome our two new Fellows; Andrew Stirling and Simon Ironside, who are both deserving of this honour.

I wish everyone a restful holiday season and a safe return to work in 2017.

Merry Xmas
Mark Allan, NZIS President

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Cadastral Law Exam 2017**
16 February 2017
- **Archaeological Seminars**
1-3 February 2017
- **National Office will be closed from**
23 December 2016
to
9th January 2017



KAIKOURA EARTHQUAKE - IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR SURVEYORS

- A new Kaikoura earthquake page has been added to the NZIS website - go to [Governance/Kaikoura Wellington Earthquake Updates](#)
- LINZ have added information to their [Kaikoura Earthquake page](#)
- LINZ [Earthquake imagery](#)

MBIE SEARCHING FOR MEMBERS FOR BUILDING ADVISORY PANEL

Applications are open for up to eight new Building Advisory Panel members. The panel provides independent strategic advice on matters relating to the current and future issues within the building sector. They are seeking sector leaders who have demonstrated sector knowledge and experience that is relevant to MBIE's interests in the building and construction sector. If you are interested, please send through your expression of interest to Hadyn Smith by 9am Monday 19 December: hadynsmith@surveyors.org.nz



NEW NZIS WEBSITE

The re-designed website is being tested and planned for launch in February 2017.

In anticipation of this, now is a good time to update your personal details if required and look at your privacy settings. The new site will have a Member directory, CSNZ directory and an RPSurv directory. Members can manage their own privacy settings to make all or just some of their contact details available to the public.

- To check and update your personal details: Log-in and go to Your Dashboard/Personal Details
- To check your privacy settings: Log-in and go to Your Dashboard/Privacy
- To add a description of your business or professional information to your public profile: Log-in and go to Your Dashboard/Edit profile



YOUNG PROFESSIONALS



The Young Professionals from around the country have been very busy over the last month. We will start by saying a massive congratulations to all those Young Professionals who recently sat their Professional Entrance Exams in Wellington. It is a great milestone in your careers and an awesome achievement.

[Read the full article.](#)

NZIS COPY DEADLINES



NEWSLINK:
20th of each preceding month

SURVEYING+SPATIAL:
For the March 2017 Issue is
1 February 2017



Landonline – Message from LINZ

LINZ has heard from NZIS that some surveyors have a concern about a lag in the time it takes for Landonline servers respond to commands for users.

We have investigated this, but are not able to identify a specific problem in our system. It is possible that the delay could be due to working with large survey plans – these can take longer in our system.

What would make a difference to us is for surveyors who are having problems with this or any other aspects of Landonline, to call our customer support team at the time. This will mean we can gather the information we need to identify and resolve the problem. The call centre will know the questions to ask to ensure we get the right information to investigate. You can contact them at:

Customer Support
customersupport@linz.govt.nz

Phone 0800 665 463

Advanced Survey and Title Services (ASaTS) Update

LINZ is making good progress on our Advanced Survey and Title Services (ASaTS) project. This will eventually replace our Landonline system, and we're keen to work with Surveyors and Lawyers to make sure it meets your needs.

[Read the full update here](#)



Events coming up

Seminar Series - Archaeology and Heritage for Surveyors

- **Auckland- 1 February 2017**
- **Wellington- 2 February 2017**
- **Christchurch – 3 February 2017**

The series are being presented by Opus International Consultants and will cover archaeological and heritage guidelines for surveyors.

UAV Industry Conference

New Zealand's third national UAV Industry Conference will be held on the 13 – 14th February 2017 at the Auckland University of Technology. 2017 NZ UAV Conference

LEARNZ – Virtual Field Trips for New Zealand Schools

A programme of free virtual field trips taking students to remote places all over New Zealand, Antarctica and beyond. <http://rata.learnz.org.nz/summary.php?vft=location162>

Futureintech Resource for Presenting to Schools

This is an excellent resource for any Branches promoting surveying or spatial as careers as an option for school leavers. Futureintech have a site and downloadable resource giving advice on working with students and teachers, presentation tips along with information on New Zealand's school system, resources and activities you can use in the classroom.

Go to: <http://industry.futureintech.org.nz/ambassador-handbook/>

Cadastral Law Exam

Registrations are open for the 2017 exam scheduled for 16 February 2017. Secure your place by registering [here](#).

SOME QUICKLINKS

RICs Future - Be prepared for the future!

The RICS Futures report is a must read. It focuses on the major touch points of change that RICS believe will have a significant impact on the surveying and related built and natural environment professions.

[Watch the video](#)

[Download the report](#)

FIG Article of the Month – November 2016

Management of Marine Rights, Restrictions and Responsibilities according to International Standards. Written by Katerina Athanasiou et al, Greece: The paper was presented and awarded "Best Paper" at the 5th International FIG Workshop on 3D Cadastres.

[Read the article here](#)

CPD CERTIFICATES

This year we have taken a sustainable approach and will be sending out electronic CPD certificates to members.



SOCIAL MEDIA!

Remember to head over to our **LinkedIn** and **Facebook** pages to keep in touch with regular NZIS news:

<https://www.facebook.com/nzsurveyors/>

<https://www.linkedin.com/company/new-zealand-institute-of-surveyors>

We look forward to seeing you over there!

Please contact
janlawrence@surveyors.org.nz
if you have a story or photo you would like to share with us online or if you need help



Recent Legislative Case-Note Summaries

From Thomson Reuter's "Your Environment" and "Alert24 –Land".

Summaries of cases from Thomson Reuter's "Your Environment".

This month we report on nine court decisions covering diverse situations associated with subdivision, development and land use activities from around the country: A possibly inconclusive case relating to zoning and prohibited activities and possible trade competition at and nearby the Paraparaumu airport; we have included more cases than usual for reading on wet days at the bach/crib.

- A successful appeal by Z Energy against refusal of Western Bay of Plenty District Council for consent to a service station at the junction of SH 2 and SH33;
- A successful appeal by owners of an existing non-residential building at Grey Lynn, Auckland against refusal of Auckland Council of consent to establish a café. The situation was made more complex by the introduction of the proposed Auckland unitary plan;
- A decision on enforcement orders relating to earthworks undertaken and construction of a dam on proposed subdivision land near Palmerston North;
- The final decision of a series of cases about continuation of quarrying activity on Saddle Hill near Dunedin;
- A case relating to proposed stopping of an unformed road and establishing part of it as esplanade reserve;
- A case interpreting terms of a mediated settlement of an appeal relating to a resource consent for establishment of a campground on coastal land near Whangarei;
- A further high court appeal relating to several enforcement cases taken by Auckland Council against a man who had undertaken developments without resource consents or building consents on several properties across the Auckland region.
- A decision of the High Court about discovery of documents relating to judicial review of a non-notified consent granted by Auckland Council.

[Read the full summaries and download the pdf.](#)



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 record the passing of
Brian Thomas Elmore
 of Hawkes Bay
 25 November 2016

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NZIS RELATIONSHIP MANAGER



NZIS National Office has a new employment opportunity for a Relationship Manager.

See [here](#) for more details.

CADASTRAL CORNER

Read this month's article by Ralph Winmill features GPS measurement, plan generation, surrendered easements, mark descriptions and NZ Cadastre. [Read online and previous articles.](#)

This month's article has been posted on the NZIS forum, so please feel to add your thoughts and opinions for further discussion or send feedback to Ralph Winmill at esurveys@xtra.co.nz

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