



## NZIS BOARD CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE – 3 JULY 2018

This message updates members on the work of the NZIS Board and CEO.

### Tēnā koutou katoa | Greetings,

The NZIS financial year has just finished and annual subscription invoices for 2018-19 membership year will be sent out this week.

The financial performance of NZIS is closely monitored by the Board, the Audit and Risk Committee and the CEO. The auditors provide another level of assurance and they will be in the office in a couple of weeks to start the annual audit. This year NZIS will be recording a loss.

The [2018-19 Budget](#) has been approved by the Board and is available on the website. The budget supports the delivery of the [2018-2019 Business Plan](#) which has also been approved by the Board.

### Membership Subscriptions

As part of the budget process subscriptions were reviewed by the Board and increases have been applied to Voting, Affiliate, Associate and Overseas membership subscriptions. These increases are necessary to support NZIS services and proposed spending on strategic projects including; the development of a Workforce Strategy to address skills shortages across the surveying and spatial sector and increased advocacy on a range of subjects including the survey and spatial roles in housing supply.

Members have told NZIS that better marketing is required and the roll out of the NZIS marketing plan is an important strategic project for the coming year.

Professional examination fees, including the Cadastral Law Exam fees will also increase for members and non-members to reflect the cost of providing these services.

Subscriptions for 2018-19:

Subscriptions	17/18 fee	18/19 fee	Variation
Affiliate	200	250	50
Associate (Introductory. offer for new Spatial/Engineering members)	100	250	150
Associate	350	400	50
Voting	566	600	34
Overseas	200	250	50
Student	0	0	0
Retired	0	0	0

<b>Certification and Exams</b>	<b>17/18 fee</b>	<b>18/19 fee</b>	<b>Variation</b>
RPsurv - New Application	475	475	0
RPsurv - Annual Renewal	250	250	0
Professional Interviews	1050	1350	200
Professional Interviews (non-members)	1450	1600	150
Cadastral Law Exam- members	250	250	0
Cadastral Law Exam – non-members	350	375	25

## **Surveying+Spatial Magazine**

The Board accepted that electronic publications are preferred by a growing number of members and that there are obvious cost savings and environmental benefits from moving to electronic publications. The Board also recognized that many long-standing members place a high value on receiving their hardcopy. In order to satisfy both groups, future editions of the magazine will be available online, with printed copies posted to members that opt in for that service.

An email will be sent to all members this month. If you wish to receive hardcopy of Surveying + Spatial magazine you will need to take action to opt in.

## **Conference**

NZIS had a successful conference in Nelson in May and received very positive feedback. The conference continues to be the most important event in the NZIS calendar. Over 200 people attended with more than 60 speakers. Next year the conference will be held in Auckland at the Cordis Hotel (previously The Langham) in the CBD, between Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup> and Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup> of May 2019. [www.nzisconference.org.nz](http://www.nzisconference.org.nz).

If you haven't been to conference for a few years, then this is your best opportunity to get along. You will be impressed at how the event is transforming and growing the opportunities for knowledge and networking.

## **Kairūri Community Trust**

An exciting recent development for the future of the surveying and spatial sector was the launch of a charitable trust, the Kairūri Community Trust. The Trust got off to a good start with a donation from Glenn Stone Insurance and the proceeds of an auction at the Nelson conference dinner. CSNZ have since also made a donation to show their support for the objectives of the trust.

The Trust is independent of NZIS but is well aligned with NZIS ambitions. It aims to advance the surveying and spatial community by investing in education, research, diversity, understanding, history, emergency or disaster management and public appreciation of Surveying and Spatial.

There are many ways that members can support the work of the trust.

Visit [www.kairuri.org](http://www.kairuri.org) to find out how to get involved in this important initiative.

If you want to leave a legacy, the trustees Bill Roberston, Jayne Perrin and David Fox would be keen to discuss how to achieve that with you.

### **NZIS Annual Report and Year Book**

The AGM and Stakeholder Workshop is scheduled for Thursday 15 November in Wellington. The timetable for preparation of the Annual Report/Yearbook will be sent out shortly; this year we will be streamlining the content and will provide contributors a template to assist with report preparation.

### **Registered Professional Certification**

The long running certification project continues to challenge everyone. President, Rebecca Strang, is driving the completion timetable now with assistance from Richard Hemi (Professional Practice Fellow at University of Otago) and myself. We are meeting regularly to fine tune previous work. A final model will be reported to Council for approval in August and prepared for roll out and testing at the Stakeholder Workshop in November. The budget provides for the roll out and marketing of Registered Professional.

### **CPD**

NZIS is developing an agreement with Engineering NZ and an MOU with the Association for Consulting and Engineering Professionals (ACENZ) to gain access to training that these organisations develop for their members.

There will also be a growing focus on developing training on demand and making that available through a webinar library store. More developments to come on that.

### **Board News**

New Board members Michelle Bain and Jordan Alexander were inducted and have contributed strongly to Board decisions this year. As part of the ongoing regeneration of the Board, I retire at the AGM. Advertising for the vacant Board position will start in August.

Daniel Williams will take over the role of Board Chair at the AGM. Daniel has broad knowledge and connections across the surveying and spatial sector and strong governance experience.

Through his role as Managing Director of Woods he is ideally placed to contribute to current Board advocacy goals and to raise the issues that affect members with government ministers and agencies.

Your feedback on any matter is welcome and can be given at [nzis@surveyors.org.nz](mailto:nzis@surveyors.org.nz).

**Ngā Mihi | Kind Regards,**

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NZIS Board Chair