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YOUR MEMBERSHIP IS IMPORTANT

Thank you to everyone who promptly paid their membership fees. Your continued support is very much valued. It is not just the voluntary effort that makes our organisation great - it also takes funds to enable us to support our members to grow and contribute, making a real difference to New Zealand and New Zealanders.

Membership invoices were sent to all members in late June for payment by the 15 July 2019.

If your fees have not been paid they are now overdue. We don't want to lose any valued members so to retain your membership privileges, you will need to pay your fees by **20** August 2019.

IN THE NEWS



There has been a lot of recent media attention in Dunedin's Baldwin Street losing the world record for the steepest street in the measurement to Fford Pen Llech, in Wales. Well done to S+SNZ member Toby Stoff who is challenging the measurement technique used to topple Baldwin Street. Toby was featured on TVNZ's Seven Sharp programme where he explained his stance and has gained the support of Dunedin's mayor, Dave Cull. S+SNZ will also be supporting Toby in his quest to get Baldwin Street back up to the top.

You can donate to the campaign to **Save Baldwin St: World's Steepest Street Title from** the Welsh Boyo's

View the Seven Sharp clip and read more on our Facebook page.

Herald news item: https://www.nzherald.co.nz/nz/...

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- & East Auckland.
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CHANGES TO THE ETHICS COMMITTEE

After many years, Jeff Needham has stepped down from the being chair of the committee but will remain as a committee member. Malcolm Hanrahan of Canterbury will be taking over as the new Chair. Another long-term committee member, Bruce Manners has resigned from the committee. We thank all the committee members and in particular, both Jeff and Bruce, for the hard work they put into this very important role.

ADVOCACY

Submission to LINZ

S+SNZ has forwarded a submission to LINZ on *Due Diligence on Storing Landonline Data in an Offshore Public Cloud.* The submission is available on the website **Advocacy page.**

Auckland Council - Engineering Updates

Auckland branch has received advice from the Council about updates to engineering processes. Please see the email from Principal Engineer, Glenn Broadbent and subscribe to the mailing list if you wish to receive future updates directly. Please also see the letter and drawing from Glenn in regards to a standard detail for shared private driveways.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT - UPCOMING S+SNZ EVENTS

Professional Exams - 11-12 November

Registration for the November professional examination is **now open**. Important dates are shown below:

• 16 September - Registration closes

- **20 September** Closing date for submission of projects to the S+SNZ Examinations Office
- 11 November Professional Examinations
- **12 November** Professional Examinations

For more details go to the S+SNZ Examinations page.

Engineering and Positioning Workshop - 4 October



This popular annual event is a joint stream initiative providing an opportunity for technical development and networking. It is being held in Christchurch this year. Check out the same day fly-in/fly-out options and register here.

Webinar: A Practical Guide to Unit Title Subdivisions for Cadastral Surveyors - 8 November, 10 -11.30 am



Read more and register for Friday 08 November, 10 am - 11:30 am

Government Announcement - The Future of Industry Training

The government announced on the 1st August major changes to the future of vocational training which includes polytechnics that offer survey and other types of training and Diploma courses. Read more at https://www.connexis.org.nz/haveyoursay/

South-East Asia Survey Congress - 15-18 August 2019



Register here for this SSSI event being held in Darwin, Australia.

CASE NOTES

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

This month we report on six court decisions covering diverse situations associated with subdivision, development and land use activities from around the country;

- An unsuccessful appeal against an authority issued by Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga to modify or destroy two middens to enable the development of an existing residential site on the north shore of Whangarei Harbour;
- A costs decision against Auckland Council's refusal to demolish an unsafe heritage building at Mt Eden;
- Two cases, involving prosecutions by Otago and Canterbury regional councils of companies which had undertaken earthworks resulting in a discharge into rivers;
- A decision on costs resulting from a controversial attempt by a neighbour to prevent the owner of a property at Titirangi, Auckland removing a kauri tree so that they could build a house on their site;
- A case involving an application for discovery of documents associated with nonnotification of an application by a company to establish a film and video production studio at Papakura adjacent to a proposed dairy processing activity.

Read the full summaries and previous case notes.

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