



Hi Website Project

I'm sure that the nation breathed a collective sigh of relief on Monday following the announcement that we would be moving to level 2 today. For us, at S+SNZ, that means phasing out remote working and transitioning back to the full team working from our Wellington office – but like most businesses, we'll stage that in a way which is respectful to our people and health and safety issues.

Last week I signalled my intention to start talking to you about broader issues that affect you as a spatial and survey professional – including the introduction of a range of changes designed to modernise what we do and the way we present ourselves in order to enhance our relevance.

An early example of this will be a new look and feel to our newsletter which we will launch soon to coincide with the end of our Covid-focused 'special edition' newsletters.

Meanwhile - general health and personal safety rules will remain under Level 2. To help you with the new changes, both CSNZ and the Construction Health and Safety (CHASNZ) groups have updated their protocols to include Level 2:

- CSNZ - [COVID-19 Protocol](#) to include Level 2
- CHASNZ- [Health and Safety Standard](#).

We have also been featuring the following information relevant to the sector:

- **Construction Sector Accord Updates**
The Accord (part of MBIE) has been releasing regular [newsletter updates](#) and feature COVID-19 information on their website www.constructionaccord.nz.
- **Shovel Ready Projects** - [Beehive press release](#); the Hon. David Parker included cabinet approval of 'shovel ready projects'. RadioNZ also featured a news item on 3 May: [Cabinet approves fast-tracking of shovel ready projects](#).

Local Government information

Minister for the Environment's letter to all councils regarding resource management responsibilities during the COVID-19 response. [Read the letter here.](#)

- Ministry for the Environment - [Frequently asked questions on COVID-19 for local government.](#)

Government Helpline for Business Support



The government COVID-19 website has a section to provide all NZ businesses with advice and to connect them with additional support. Details can be found on this [COVID19 Page.](#)

As always, your S+SNZ are on deck and ready to help – so please call on them to assist in any way. I'm also available to any member who has concerns or ideas or would simply like to talk. Feel free to email me at any time, ashley@surveyspatialnz.org – or call me on 0274

861 770.

Global COVID-19 Information of general interest

We have been featuring the John Hopkin's Coronavirus Map (see below) showing the real-time pandemic spread in each newsletter. GIM-International has published an article, [COVID-19, the Land Administration Sector and Spatial Information](#) exploring the relevance of the land administration sector, disaster risk management and spatial information in the context of the coronavirus outbreak.



Economic Analysis and Forecasts

Infometrics, a leading NZ economics consultancy, has made publicly available COVID-19 [updates](#). These webinars feature in-depth industry, regional, and general

economic analysis and forecasts. In particular, the 22 April webinar focuses on building and construction.

The Science of Numbers

The [Financial Times](#) has been tracking the pandemic with graphs.

See the spread in this [Coronavirus Map](#) developed by John Hopkins Centre for Systems Science and Engineering.

Government COVID-19 Information

[S+SNZ COVID-19](#) information page.

CPD and Events



Coming up are the following events:

22 May - Leading Your Team Through a Crisis - [Register Here](#)

• **3 July** - Speaking in Meetings - [Register here.](#)

- 4 September – Networking - [Register here.](#)

Did you miss a past event?

The following past webinars are available on YouTube:

- Developing Leadership Skills through Public Speaking - [View here](#)
- GNSS Control Surveys - Graduate Refresher for Licensing and beyond - [View here.](#)

Please continue to keep a watch on the [Tickets and Events](#) web-page as events coming up can be booked here. Also, please send any ideas for future training and events topics to Jen Houdalakis our Events Coordinator - jen@surveyspatialnz.org.

Keeping yourself and your family healthy



There continues to be a wealth of information available about staying healthy and happy during the pandemic. We have been featuring the following in this newsletter:

- [Covid19.govt.nz](https://www.covid19.govt.nz) - Health and well-being page for individuals and households.
- [Mentemia](#) - Sir John Kirwan's mental health blog and downloadable app.
- [Why Working From Home Is So Exhausting - And How to Reinvigorate - Forbes Magazine.](#)
- The [Ministry of Health](#) provides advice on caring for yourself and others who have or may have, COVID-19.
- The [NZ Mental Health Foundation](#) and [Wellplace.nz](#) offer good resources on how to protect your mental health and well-being.
- [Health Anxiety Fact Sheet](#) (compiled by Benestar).

Please continue to stay safe and well under Level 2.

Regards

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