



Kia Ora, Ne Sa Bula and Dàjiā haǎ!

Welcome to the October 139 Greys Ave community newsletter.

Since our last newsletter, we have had many opportunities to reflect and grow with World Homeless Day, Mental Health Awareness Week, Fijian, Chinese and Māori Language Week. All this while Auckland moved to various stages of COVID levels.

Included in this edition: Visitors, MATES Accredited Site, Meet Taylor Norman, Online Newsletter 2022, What's happening on site and Digital Platform.

Visitors | Ngā Manuhiri

We were excited to have Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern and the Minister of Housing, Hon. Dr. Megan Woods, visit our 139 Greys Ave construction site before lockdown in August. They got a chance to see the site, view the building plans as well as learn about the approach being taken to operationalise the building that includes 24/7 wraparound services available onsite.

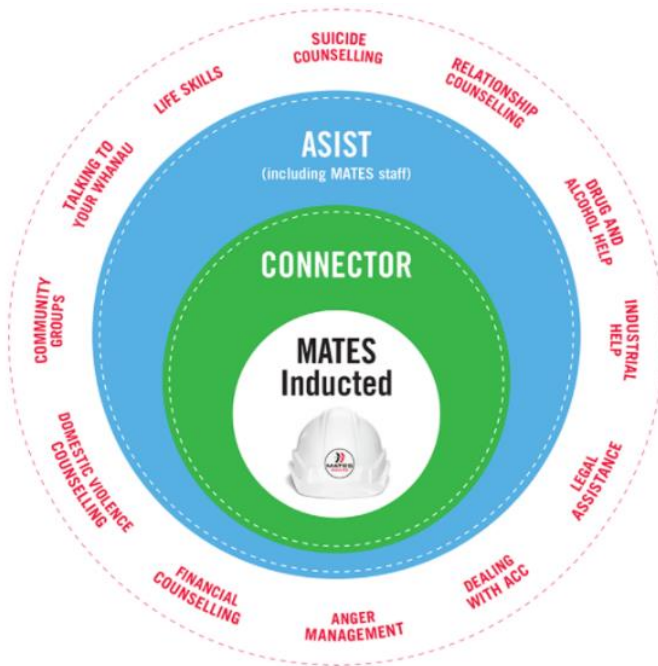


MATES Accredited Site

We're excited ICON gained accreditation status for the MATES in Construction programme for our 139 Greys Ave site.

The MATES programme is a combination of awareness training and support.

Figure 1: Three Levels of Programme Delivery



1. General Awareness Training (GAT) with at least 80% of workers onsite participating. Workers will engage in: raising suicide awareness; encouraging workers to seek help when dealing with difficult situations; helping workers recognise the signs of suicidal thoughts in themselves and in their mates; and learning how to get help both for themselves and for their mates.
2. Connectors are workers who volunteer to take up a further level of specialised training. Connectors can: identify workers who may be at risk; ask relevant and appropriate questions about suicide; and connect the 'at-risk' person to professional help while keeping them safe.
3. Applied Suicide Intervention Skills (ASIST) give a worker the ability to work with a person at risk, listening to their concerns and being able to respond appropriately with the objective of developing a 'safe plan'.

A key theme of the programme aligns with this year's theme for Mental Health Awareness: 'Mā te kōrero, ka ora - Take time to kōrero'. It emphasises a little chat really can go a long way and you might just make a big difference to someone's day. Wananavu!

Online Newsletter 2022

Kāinga Ora are aware that our business operations play a part in reducing our carbon emissions. For that reason, we are pleased to announce this newsletter will be going online in 2022. If you would like to continue receiving information from us throughout construction and as we continue to build our plans for the community, please email Connie at greys@kaingaora.govt.nz, so we can add you to our newsletter online distribution list. Xié xié 谢谢

Meet the team



Nau mai! Haere mai! Taylor Norman

He joins our Greys Ave whānau as the new Hapori Kaitiaki Design Lead.

Hapori Kaitiaki is a 24/7 service, responsible for providing guardianship to the community, customers and our assets.

The Hapori Kaitiaki role will balance a welcoming and proactive concierge service while also supporting a safe community in and around the building. The Hapori Kaitiaki team will be on site 24/7 working alongside Kāinga Ora and the support services to support people, who live, work and play in and around Greys Ave. Taylor joined Kāinga Ora in 2018 and was the Social Outcome Lead Maori/Pacific. He brings a wealth of experience, energy and enthusiasm and his passion and drive to make Hapori Kaitiaki a success is inspiring!

What's happening on site



The Covid-19 Level 4 lockdown halted the great momentum ICON had going on the construction site. When Auckland moved down to Alert Level 3, ICON restarted onsite and are trying to gain back lost time. Following the Covid-19 guidance to ensure everyone remains safe has meant we can stagger start back to delivering warmer, dry homes.

The team have completed the precast panel installation and structural steel frames

throughout the basement and ground floor levels. ICON have now completed the podium structure and are now well underway with the super structure (3 towers) building A, B and C. The three towers form the apartment levels; it is good to see the next phase of the project underway.



Digital Platform



139 Greys Ave has a real focus on building a great, connected and thriving community. Being connected is an integral part of wellbeing, so expanding opportunities to facilitate connection and providing tools to assist in developing a community aligns with our goal to improve people's hauora.

Communication today is no longer limited to word of mouth, flyers, messages and very small, connected groups. Digital technology can create opportunities and harness proactive efforts so that connections can grow or cohesion can develop in community from the motivation of individuals or strong community leaders.

For Greys Ave, Kāinga Ora wants to harness this technology challenge. Our Community Development Team will be trialling two different digital platforms with some of our existing communities. These trials will occur between October 2021 – January 2022:

- TRIAL 1: Time Banking
- TRIAL 2: Resident's Portal

We will be providing digital kiosks in shared spaces, with full training, support and trouble-shooting on hand throughout the trials too. We look forward to providing an update on this work and informing how it will influence our community. Karawhiua!

Ngā mihinui ki a koutou. Thank you for your continued understanding and support.

Contact us

We always love to hear from our community to get your feedback while we build at 139 Greys Ave. If you would like to connect, please drop a line to Connie at:

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