

# NEWS

## December 2008

1	<b>Government should go with the emissions trading scheme</b> (New Zealand Herald) This is the opinion of three writers; Peter Nelson chief executive of the New Zealand business Council for sustainable development, Gary Taylor chairman of the environmental defence society and Peter Clark chief executive of P. F. Olsen Ltd.
1	<b>Iwi resort could create core of major coastal Park at Pakiri and Te Arai</b> (New Zealand Herald Wayne Thompson)
2	<b>United Arab Emirates money recharges ex-Lion Brewery 5.2 ha development site prospects</b> (New Zealand Herald Anne Gibson) A \$1 billion-dollar shop and apartment project was planned by AMP on this huge Newmarket development site, but financial woes cause it to sell a half interest for \$126 million.
2	<b>Te Aurere double hull Waka to circumnavigate North Island and teach traditional navigation skills</b> (New Zealand Herald Yvonne Tahana)
2	<b>Review by Salmond Reed instigated to consider demolition controls in residential 2</b> (New Zealand Herald Bernard Orsman)
2	<b>Local government must prune wish lists and focus on core services - Rodney hide</b> (New Zealand Herald)
3	<b>Mayor John Banks uses 90 tonne crane to begin demolition of Khyber pass Bridge</b> (New Zealand Herald Heather McCracken)
3	<b>Gold award by International Council of shopping Centres for Sylvia Park</b> (East and Bays courier)
3	<b>Canada has outlawed dangerous BPA plastic in babies bottles - why not New Zealand?</b> (New Zealand Herald Tracey Barnett)
3	<b>Economic destruction flattening naive visions for a green economy</b> (New Zealand Herald; David Victor, professor at Stanford Law School and director of the program on energy and sustainable development)
3	<b>Buyback plan to save Long Bay from developers</b> (New Zealand Herald Wayne Thompson) \$5 million is sought from North shore City Council to kick start a land purchase campaign. Previously a Landco development, the 4.7 ha site is now being developed by Todd capital.
4	<b>Privatisation of assets never cut and dry - sensible freshwater management will soon become vital</b> (New Zealand Herald Veronica Strang)
	<b>New book on famous Parnell artist, soldier, politician resident - Heaphy by Iain Sharp</b> (The Darling, December)
	<b>\$5 million Judges Bay upgrade deferred till 2010 says Cr Aaron Bhatnagar</b> (The Darling, December)
5	<b>Blacksmith a hit with Motat visitors</b> (East and Bays courier Melanie Verran)
5	<b>Bring back trams for waterfront say Campaign for Better Transport campaigners</b> (New Zealand Herald Matthew Dearnaley)
5	<b>\$6 million Wiri inland port development for mid-2009</b> (East and Bays courier)
5	<b>On course for change - multimillion-dollar development by Auckland racing club at Ellerslie proposed</b> (East and Bays courier Justine Glucina)
7	<b>Wynyard quarter (tank farm) plan changes endorsed</b> (city scene)
8	<b>Promoting human rights part of our national identity</b> (New Zealand Herald Rosslyn Noonan New Zealand's human rights Commissioner)
8	<b>Survey indicates many popular beaches unsafe due to high bacterial levels</b> (New Zealand Herald Eloise Gibson)
15	<b>Eco-flation - the latest price rise for business</b> (New Zealand Herald/Reuters)
15	<b>Maori perspectives on water resources</b> (New Zealand Herald, Pita Sharples co-leader of the Maori Party)
15	<b>160 jobs lost after neighbours raise stink</b> (New Zealand Herald Martin Johnson) Morrinsville mushroom factory workers lose out to high RMA induced premises upgrade requirements.
16	<b>Possible sports field closures blamed on pesticide ban</b> (New Zealand Herald Brooke Donovan)

16	<b>Suburban rail passengers say they are missed by ticket collectors</b> (New Zealand Herald Matthew Dearnaley)
17	<b>Key likens his climate goals to those of Rudd</b> (New Zealand Herald Audrey Young)
17	<b>Banks wants rethink on big complex at Orakei</b> (New Zealand Herald Bernard Orsman)
17	<b>Genesis wins 13 consents for Rodney power plant plan - 240 MW, expandable to 480 MW</b> (New Zealand Herald Wayne Thompson) <b>Civic Trust Auckland</b> notes that the plant is to be gas-fired, although no gas is available within hundreds of kilometres. The plant is to be well below the normal 1000 MW rating considered minimal for reasonable efficiency.
17	<b>Housing for all? Not on my (Hobsonville) yard</b> (New Zealand Herald)
17	<b>Healing touch for ex-Centrepoint site at Albany</b> (New Zealand Herald Anne Gibson) The Wellpark College of Natural Therapies has purchased the controversial 7.6 ha Mills Lane site from the Public Trust.
18	<b>St Patrick's Square redevelopment - public unable to object to non-notified Saffron apartment complex</b> (The Aucklander Joanna Davies)
18	<b>Ellerslie Race Course Rezone Opposition Society set up by Daniel McLaren</b> (The Aucklander Joanna Davies)
18	<b>Green politics seem a luxury in recession</b> (New Zealand Herald editorial)
18	<b>North shore city agrees \$5 million to kick start purchase of additional land at Long Bay</b> (New Zealand Herald)
18	<b>Law change encourages councils to borrow. Auckland city to borrow \$200 million in bond issue</b> (New Zealand Herald Bernard Orsman)
19	<b>Treasury tips higher unemployment as recession deepens - Brian Fallow blames debt mountain</b> (New Zealand Herald Audrey Young)
20	<b>Greenpeace objection to gas-fired power station near Helensville dismissed in Supreme Court majority decision.</b> (New Zealand Herald Yvonne Tahana) Auckland Regional Council has given its consent. Rodney district Council has yet to decide.
22	<b>Silver lining to financial storms saves history from the bulldozer</b> (New Zealand Herald Rudmans city) Brian Rudman refers to the Fitzroy Hotel in Wakefield Street, the outrage of proposed high-rise hotel in the Britomart heritage precinct and the Orakei basin's volcanic tuff ring. Whether any actual saving takes place only time will tell.
22	<b>Prices go up in private run city</b> (New Zealand Herald Bernard Orsman)
24	<b>Threatened ferry links to half Moon Bay and Bayswater reprieved after talks</b> (New Zealand Herald Matthew Dearnaley)
27	<b>British Heritage in grave danger</b> (New Zealand Herald Andrew Grice London)
27	<b>Firth of Thames muddy water blues</b> 9 New Zealand Herald Rex Smith and Keith Woodley
31	<b>Planning disasters-there's been a few</b> (New Zealand Herald Grant McLachlan) Grant submits the opinion of 10 planning disasters including the resource management act 1991, the Department of conservation and various planning shambles, all outside Auckland. It seems that all it 10 planning disasters could have been chosen merely from within the Auckland region. Perhaps there will be a follow-on article.