

Welcome to the first edition of Digi Talk - brought to you by Waitomo District Council and Otorohanga District Council. This publication is aimed at keeping you informed about digital activity and events taking place across the King Country.

Both Councils have adopted Digital Enablement plans that identify ways to achieve economic and social benefits from improved telecommunication infrastructure and to increase digital awareness and engagement of residents.

## Assessing your digital knowledge and skills

Technology and the digital environment is changing constantly. It can seem overwhelming to keep up with what you 'don't know'.

Take advantage of the following free online tool. Complete a quick online assessment and you will receive an action plan to help improve your digital knowledge and skills either in your business or personally.

Visit www.digitaljourney.org

## Digital webpage now live

WDC's website now includes information about new telecommunication infrastructure developments, types of internet connections available in the district and details of internet service providers to connect with.

#### **New telecommunications**

Vodafone are building new telecommunication towers in Aria and Benneydale enabling broadband and mobile coverage to these areas.

An upgrade of the Vodafone tower in Kawhia will see the arrival of broadband services and 4G network. Some parts of the Taharoa area should see improvements in service.

Read about the new and upgraded infrastructure in Aria, Benneydale and Kawhia on our website:

www.waitomo.govt.nz/digitaljourney

### Google Maps - business tip

Google Maps is the most well-known map service on the net. If you are a business owner, check that your business location is recorded correctly on google maps. If the location is incorrect or you would like to update any of the details about your business as it appears on google maps, then simply 'request an edit' and submit.

If your business doesn't appear you will get the opportunity to 'add a missing place'. Visit www.google.co.nz/maps

SeniorNet Te Kuiti has a group of volunteer coaches and offers computer training for people aged 40 years and over.

### Tablets, Digital Imaging, Skype, mobile phones, laptops and more!

Annual membership \$20.00 Each 2-hour session \$3.00

SeniorNet are always looking for more volunteers to join the team.



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# Accessing the internet and WiFi in your community

Do you need to check your emails, update your facebook status, access research resources or google the latest trends?

## **Book a FREE 30-minute time** slot on our computers.

You can access the library website to find books, DVDs, e-books and e-audio books. Computers are equipped with DVD / CD drives, USB ports, memory card slots, webcam and a headset.

Our library environment is perfect for studying. Find a quiet spot and plug in your laptop or sit in the sun outside enjoying free WiFi access.

### **Waitomo District Library**

28 Taupiri Street, Te Kuiti Phone: (07) 878 1028

## **Otorohanga District Library**

27 Turongo Street, Otorohanga Phone: (07) 873 7175

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