

# New location for information hub

THE new and improved Te Kuiti i-SITE has opened for business.

Situated in the railway station building in Rora St, the revamped i-SITE, which is part of the Waitomo District Council's railway building restoration project, officially opened its doors last Tuesday.

Waitomo District Council group manager customer services Helen Beever says the refurbished building is more "open, light and bright" than the previous building.

During the refurbishment the information centre was relocated to the former post office building.

"We're very happy with the result and it was all finished on time," says Mrs Beever.

"We've put in new carpet, the walls were all painted and refreshed, and there is now a passageway connecting the i-SITE to building one.

There's also a new side entrance which works really well." Feedback from i-SITE staff and visitors has been positive, says Mrs Beever.

i-SITE staff's main responsibilities are district promotion, as well as ticketing for attractions, activities, accommodation and transport services.

"It's often the first place visitors will go to when they arrive in town so it's important that it is open and welcoming," says Mrs Beever.

"It's centrally located and very visible from the main street. An i-SITE is a service that I think visitors look for, it's very well regarded in New Zealand."



WAITOMO District Council group manager customer services Helen Beever (right) with i-SITE staff member Jo Barnett, says visitor feedback about the revamped building has been positive.



THE freshly refurbished Te Kuiti i-SITE opened its doors last Tuesday. PHOTO SUPPLIED

## In brief

### Top lamb sought

THE search for the nation's top tasting lamb is in full swing with entries open for the special 10th anniversary Beef + Lamb New Zealand Glammies competition. The contest aims to find the tastiest and most tender lamb in New Zealand and this year the Producer of the Decade will also be announced. Farmers and retailers are invited to enter with entries scientifically assessed by Carne

Technologies in Cambridge for tenderness, yield, succulence and colour. From here, the top four entries from five categories will make it through to the final stage of the competition, a taste test, held at the Wanaka A&P Show on March 10. Farmer competition entries close on December 2, with retailer competition entries closing on January 13, 2017. For more information and entry forms, visit the website - [beeflambnz.co.nz](http://beeflambnz.co.nz)

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