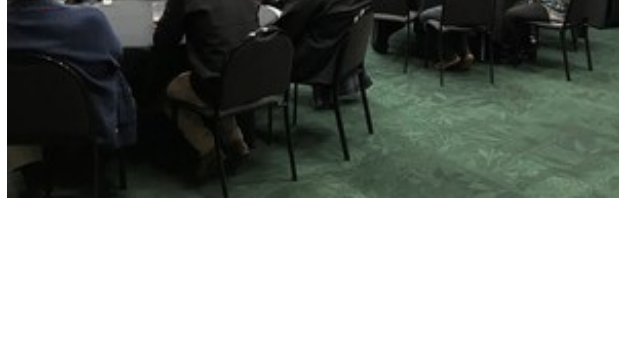


Tēnā koutou i tēnei ata,
Welcome to Friday and your fortnightly issue of Forum. There's a lot on offer event-wise as we make up for weeks of not being able to gather in person. Hopefully you've managed to attend an event or two in your region and are enjoying reconnecting with colleagues. Don't forget to log in to the member portal on the website to apply for CPD points for any non-FMANZ learning you have completed. Find out more [here](#).
Kia pai tō rā whakatā.

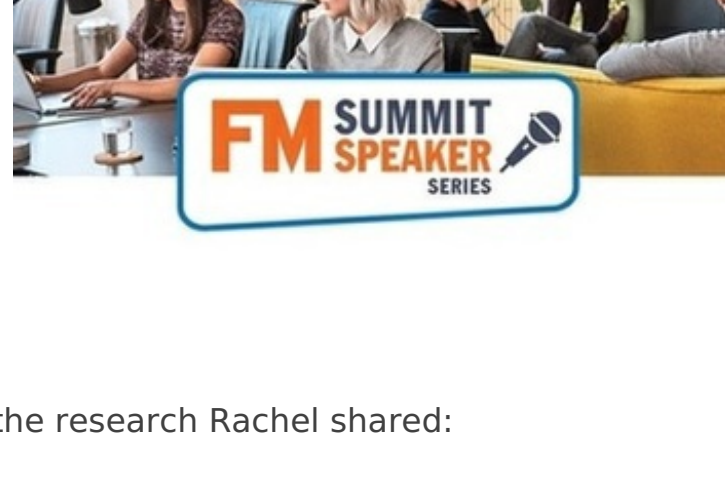
Strong Turnout in Manawatu



A big thank you to everyone who turned out for the inaugural FMANZ gathering in Palmerston North on Wednesday evening. There was unanimous support for establishing a Manawatu branch (our sixth) so watch this space! A special thank you to Johnny Tito for his support in making this event a success.

Work in a Post-Pandemic World

Did you get to see the second of our six-part Summit Speaker Series this week? Associate Professor Rachel Morrison's presentation explored how the physical work environment impacts employee well-being and productivity, and how the pandemic has forced the adoption of new ways of working.



Here is a small taste of some of the research Rachel shared:

- Although proximity = more/better friendships, too much proximity may have the opposite effect. Open plan offices have been found to not only increase distraction and reduce privacy, but also to reduce friendliness and increase employees' use of coping strategies such as withdrawal.
- A study has found that women working in an open plan work environment engaged in "detailed self-scrutiny and self-management", altering both their behaviour and style of dress in response to being more visible.
- Remote working is here to stay. Even before Covid-19 there was a trend towards flexible work both in NZ and internationally with 70% of professionals worldwide working remotely (telecommuting) at least once a week and 53% working remotely at least half the time.
- The pandemic has forced the adoption of new ways of working. According to McKinsey Research, 80% of workers report they enjoy working from home, 41% say they are more productive than they had been before lockdown and 28% that they are as productive.

Rachel had many more interesting insights and research to share. If you missed out on registering for this session and would like to 'pay and view', please contact Lynda at membership@fmanz.org. More details on the Summit Speaker Series page [here](#). For those of you who registered and paid, Rachel's presentation notes and a recording of the session are available on the website in our member-only resources. If you didn't receive a password via email to access this material, please contact Marjolein at events@fmanz.org.

Thanks to Forsite for their sponsorship of this session. For more about Forsite, click [here](#) or watch this [short video](#) to find out how Forsite can work for you.

Improving Mental Health in the Workplace



Next up in our Summit Speaker Series, Massey University doctoral student Andy Walmsley explores the state of mental health in New Zealand and looks at strategies for improving mental health in the workplace. Register [here](#) to join Andy online on Tuesday 25 August at 8.00am. If you're an individual or corporate staff

member you'll pay just \$30 + GST.

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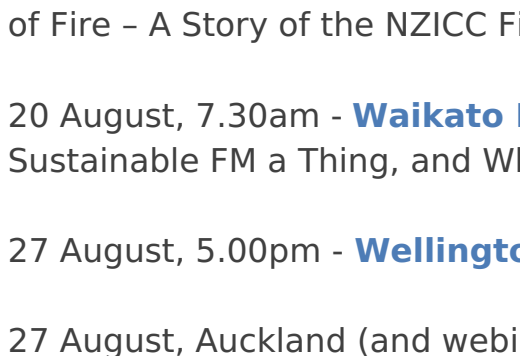


Celebrating Excellence in FM



We look forward to celebrating excellence in FM at the FMANZ Awards Celebration on 12 August. Congratulations to the **finalists** and thank you to **Programmed** for their generous support. Come along ready to bid for the special 2020 Rod Emmerson cartoon, which promises to be a collectors' item. All money raised will go to the FMANZ Foundation. See you there!

More Dates for Your Diary



6 August, 5.30am - Christchurch After-5 Event: **Riverside Market Tour**, kindly sponsored by **FFP**.

12-13 August, all day - Auckland: **Facilities Integrate** at ASB Showgrounds.

13 August, 8.30am - **Auckland Regional Breakfast Seminar**: In the Line of Fire - A Story of the NZICC Fire & Lessons Learnt.

20 August, 7.30am - **Waikato Regional Breakfast Seminar**: Is Sustainable FM a Thing, and Why Should We Care?

27 August, 5.00pm - **Wellington Quiz Night**, kindly sponsored by **Resene**.

27 August, Auckland (and webinar) - The Asset Management Council is running a technical and networking **session**.

10 September, 7.00am - Wellington Regional Breakfast Seminar: **The A to Z of Asbestos**.

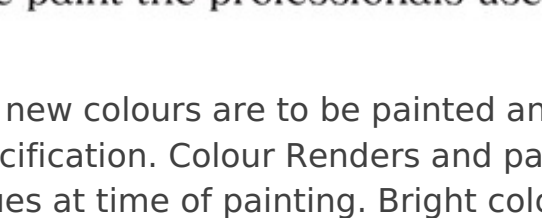
Critical Infrastructure Keeps Hospitals Running

In the News: This week Health Minister Chris Hipkins announced that Auckland Hospital's ageing infrastructure will be given a \$262 million boost to get it up to scratch. This money will go towards a six-storey central plant building - full of engineering equipment, tanks, pumps and air systems needed to keep the hospital running. "Reliable infrastructure improves safety for patients and staff," he said. "It ensures better responsiveness and fewer operational issues ...While often behind the scenes, away from patients and whānau, it's the critical infrastructure that keeps hospitals running." Read the full story [here](#).



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Colour Schemes - Colour advice from Resene Commercial Colour Consultants can provide an efficient way of reaching a decision on new colours. For larger sites, digital Colour Renders of the new colour scheme will provide clarity on where the new colours are to be painted and will link with the site specific specification. Colour Renders and paint specifications reduce the chances of issues at time of painting. Bright colours selections should be communicated to all parties as often tinted undercoats and/or an additional topcoat is required - and bright colours will cost more for the painting contractor to purchase.

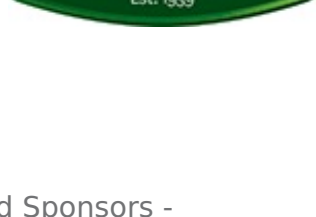
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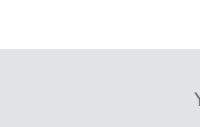
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