

This is a short guide to assist you with planning your trip to Taranaki, and more specifically, New Plymouth! It will be updated continuously so please check back for more details. Also, information specific to the conference will be provided in the delegate materials.

Accommodation Options

From freedom camping, beach baches and airbnbs to luxury accommodation, New Plymouth has a range of options for attendees:

- General Information: http://www.visitnewplymouth.nz/accommodation
- Special Rates for Conference Attendees from Novotel (https://novotelnewplymouth.com):

Pre-paid:

Studio King Room	\$170 room only
Executive King	\$190 room only
Executive Queen Twin	\$190 room only
Superior King	\$200 room only
One Bedroom Suite	\$220 room only
Two Bedroom Suite	\$290 room only

- These accommodation rates must pre paid at time of booking and are non refundable. Special conditions apply.
- Rates are available up to 7 days prior (13.10.20)
- Discounted full buffet breakfast \$20per person (usually \$25 per person) available, must be added at time of booking
- Bookings must come direct to reservations team on reservations@hobsonhotel.co.nz or 06 7699579 and are non-commissionable.

Flexible:

Studio King Room	\$189 room only
Executive King	\$214 room only
Executive Queen Twin	\$229 room only
Superior King	\$239 room only
One Bedroom Suite	\$259 room only
Two Bedroom Suite	\$339 room only

- Rates have a 24hr cancellation policy. Special conditions apply.
- Discounted full buffet breakfast \$20per person (usually \$25 per person) must be added at time of booking
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Food and Beverage Options

*More details will be provided in the conference delegate materials.

Vegetarian and Vegan Options

https://www.happycow.net/oceania/new zealand/new plymouth/

Breakfast Options

https://www.theurbanlist.com/a-list/new-plymouth-cafes

Shopping

Centre City: https://www.centre-city.co.nz

-Hosting all of the major stores and amenities that a large shopping complex can offer with Farmers as the central retailer. Located right in the heart of the CBD near Puke Ariki and the waterfront.

CBD:

-There are hundreds of boutique and franchise retailers for clothing, food, and services along the two main streets of the CBD on Devon Street and Gill Street. Don't miss out on the side streets though. There is lots to see, eat and buy anywhere you turn!

Outdoor Adventures

Why not consider staying a little longer or enjoying the natural environment of Taranaki during your stay? There are options for every itinerary. Here are some highlights:

Climb Taranaki:

For the adventurous among us, Taranaki is an incredibly accessible mountain (but that doesn't mean easy!). Even if you don't plan to make a summit, just the drive to the tramping starting points and day walk options are truly beautiful and endless.

DOC maps: https://www.doc.govt.nz/parks-and-recreation/places-to-go/taranaki/places/egmont-national-park/

NZ Mountain Safety Council Summit Video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UVqQE9p0i5E&feature=emb logo

Parks and Gardens:

New Plymouth is home to the most beautiful public gardens in Taranaki (well, we think so anyway). Come and decide for yourself at one of our beautiful parks.

Pukeiti: https://www.trc.govt.nz/gardens/pukeiti/

-In addition to the super cozy café, there are award winning gardens with walks for all ages and stages. Only accessible by car unless you arrange a taxi.

Pukekura Park: https://www.newzealand.com/int/feature/pukekura-park/

-Home to WOMAD and the Brooklands Zoo, Pukekura Park is just outside of the CBD by 3-4 blocks. Come see this award winning 128 acre garden! The Fernery and Display Houses are not to be missed even for those who 'aren't into gardening'.

Coastal Environment:

Coastal Walkway: https://www.newplymouthnz.com/Residents/Attractions-and-Recreation/Coastal-Walkway

-No trip to New Plymouth is complete without at least a view of the coastal walkway. This is the local commuter space of 12.7km connecting the Port area almost to the airport. Dotted with numerous playgrounds and walkways that connect the residential areas to the south towards the mountain. This is an easy 5 block walk from the Novotel with numerous options for renting bikes and mobility scooters.

Surf Highway: https://www.newzealand.com/int/feature/surf-highway-45/

-You don't have to be a surfer to appreciate the beauty of the surf breaking on the coastline. In addition to all of the cafes, shops and artists you can encounter along the way, there are numerous areas to pull off and enjoy the view. Where else can you photograph cows in front of the mountain and in front of the sea?!

Other Resources to View:

http://www.visitnewplymouth.nz/activities/categoryid/166

Getting Around

The brand new New Plymouth airport (NPL) is serviced by Air New Zealand. Attendees will need to organise transportation from the airport to their accommodation or CBD by taxi or shuttle. There is also a bus that connects the residential areas with the CBD and region. Once you are in town, most residential and commercial areas are within a 20 minute walk of the CBD.

Taxis:

New Plymouth Taxis: https://www.newplymouthtaxis.co.nz

Energy City Cabs: http://www.energycabs.co.nz

Airport Shuttle:

Scott's Airport Shuttle: https://www.npairportshuttle.co.nz

Bus Routes (No airport stops, intercity travel only):

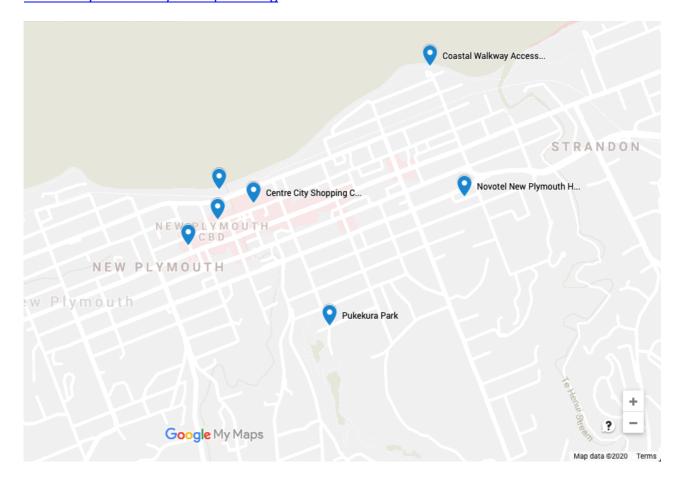
https://www.trc.govt.nz/buses-transport/routes/route-maps/

Rental Cars: https://www.nplairport.co.nz/rental-cars/

-With such a spread out and diverse landscape, rental cars can be a great way to see all of the historic and artistic sights! There are numerous agencies at the airport and around town.

Map with Points of Interest:

https://www.google.com/maps/d/edit?mid=1CFtg2hK8zW-9F5hrRBdyvA95zC6acy19&usp=sharing



If you have any questions about the local layout, please don't hesitate to contact the local organiser of the Wellington Conference Committee, Susanne Grieve at 022 033 7455 or HPFSSolutions@gmail.com.