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The August Landwrap has an update on this weekend's Landonline outage, news from the Valuer-General about Auckland rating valuations, a call for consultation on the Rules for Cadastral Survey, and some tips on the new OCTN instruments.

Landonline outage 11 August

All Landonline

Please note that Landonline will be unavailable on Saturday 11 August 2018 for Landonline release 3.18.

This release updates the software used by Landonline Workspace so that it is running on the latest available version. You won't notice much of a difference, however, the release is necessary to ensure our software remains fully supported.

There will be a slight change to Uniprint which you may notice, if you use the Uniprint preview. [More information about this change is available in our KnowledgeBase \(/www.linz.govt.nz/kb/906\)](http://www.linz.govt.nz/kb/906). The changes are only cosmetic everywhere else.

Valuer-General vigilant on Auckland rating valuations

All Landonline

You may have seen [recent media reports \(https://i.stuff.co.nz/auckland/105527774/auckland-council-and-gv-in-stoush-thousands-of-property-rates-valuations-affected\)](https://i.stuff.co.nz/auckland/105527774/auckland-council-and-gv-in-stoush-thousands-of-property-rates-valuations-affected) about the Auckland Council suspending revaluation objection reviews until a compliant process was put in place.

In June this year, the Valuer-General Neill Sullivan advised the Council of some concerns he had regarding the way valuation objections were being dealt with by its contractor QV.

“There were issues here about the extent to which properties with a valuation objection lodged had received a proper on-site inspection in accordance with the Rating Valuations Rules 2008,” Neill says.

“This is the first time I have had to recommend that a council suspend the revaluation objection process and get formal advice to ensure compliance of their contractors approach with the Rules.”

“New Zealanders deserve a rating valuation system that is robust and should be able to have confidence in their property rights, which is why I regularly audit councils and their contractors that undertake rating valuations.”

“I will be conducting further audits of the revaluation objection review process to test that the general level of compliance is satisfactory and will remain in regular contact with the Council as the revaluation objection reviews are progressed.”

[Read more about property valuation in New Zealand.](#)

<http://www.linz.govt.nz/regulatory/valuation/property-valuation-new-zealand>

Consultation on proposed changes to the Rules for Cadastral Survey

Surveyors

The Surveyor-General is now consulting on an initial set of proposals for changes to the Rules for Cadastral Survey.

This consultation gives surveyors and other interested parties the opportunity to comment on proposed changes to the requirements relating to the surveying of land.

Consultation closes on Tuesday 4 September 2018.

Read the [consultation document \(http://www.linz.govt.nz/land/surveying/rules-standards-and-guidelines/review-rules-for-cadastral-survey/stage-two-%E2%80%93-consultation-proposed-changes-rules\)](http://www.linz.govt.nz/land/surveying/rules-standards-and-guidelines/review-rules-for-cadastral-survey/stage-two-%E2%80%93-consultation-proposed-changes-rules) and other [background information. \(http://www.linz.govt.nz/land/surveying/rules-standards-and-guidelines/review-rules-for-cadastral-survey\)](http://www.linz.govt.nz/land/surveying/rules-standards-and-guidelines/review-rules-for-cadastral-survey)

New OCTN instrument hints and tips

Titles

LINZ staff have noticed a number of the new OCTN instruments are having to be returned to the lodging firm for correction.

Linking the LT plan to the dealing is strongly encouraged as this copies relevant information directly into the instrument. If you do not link the plan you will need to manually edit the OCTN instrument to indicate which titles are to issue, and if you forget to do this the whole dealing will be returned to you as incomplete.

Some customers are also attaching images of the paper OCT form. This is no longer required when completing the OCTN instrument. Often the structured data completed in the OCTN does not match with the information in the paper OCT image so the dealing is returned for the differences to be reconciled.

The new OCTN instrument is described as a template instrument but it does NOT require A&I's as it is simply a request to issue new titles which you are able to sign on your clients behalf.

For detailed information about the new OCTN instrument please read [Release notes for conveyancers \(//www.linz.govt.nz/land/landonline/landonline-releases-and-system-updates/release-notes-for-conveyancers\)](https://www.linz.govt.nz/land/landonline/landonline-releases-and-system-updates/release-notes-for-conveyancers).

Related Content

- [Saving A&I and Tax forms following the 3.18 Landonline release \(/kb/906\)](#)
- [Property valuation in New Zealand \(/regulatory/valuation/property-valuation-new-zealand\)](#)
- [Stage two – Consultation on proposed changes to the Rules \(/land/surveying/cadastral-survey-rules-2021-csr-2021-implementation/review-consultation-process/stage-two-%E2%80%93-consultation-proposed-changes-rules\)](#)
- [Release Notes for e-Dealing Users \(/land/landonline/landonline-releases-and-system-updates/release-notes-for-e-dealing-users\)](#)

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