

Kokomea Village Centre Case Study



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Situated at 470 Lake Terrace, Taupō, the Kokomea Village Centre development is a single-story building comprising 12 retail units. The Kokomea Village Centre holds a prime location at the entrance of Kokomea Park, an emerging master-planned community slated to accommodate 900 permanent residents.

Serving as the gateway to the future urban expansion of Taupō East, this centre, anchored by Woolworths, stands as the sole approved commercial hub beyond Taupō's Central Business District. The units offer a diverse array of services, food, and beverage options.

After successfully tendering for the Kokomea Village Centre project, Off-Grid Electrical commenced electrical works for the development in March 2023. Having collaborated previously with the head contractor, Watts & Hughes on the Woolworths Taupō South project, the two teams were thrilled to work together again. Alan Benjamin, Project Manager at Watts & Hughes reflects on his strong working relationship with Off-Grid Electrical.

"They're experienced, they understand contract documentation and how to run their sites and the speed that we operate at to build them."

The Kokomea Village Centre project involved the installation of new mains, including a main switchboard, vital for the base build of the shop and installation of emergency and external lighting. Additionally, Off-Grid Electrical extended their services during this time to tenants such as Liquorland, BodyFit Gym, and Lakecrest. Sharon Wiggins, representing Liquorland, expressed her contentment with Off-Grid Electrical's work saying,

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The Off-Grid Electrical team worked closely with the mechanical contractors, builders, and planners, ensuring a timely and budget-conscious project completion.

Matt Pilkington, Project Manager at Off-Grid Electrical said "It was a great project to work on, the tenants and other contractors were easy to work with and having these great working relationships contributed to being able to meet budget, time and compliance targets."

Sharon further emphasised the calibre of Off-Grid Electricals' service stating, "They found a solution for things we weren't sure were possible and tailor-made their service to provide what we really wanted."

The efficiency, professionalism, and comprehensive expertise demonstrated by Off-Grid Electrical throughout the project has solidified their reputation as commercial electrical specialists in Taupō, according to Alan Benjamin, who ranks them among the best nationwide.

"Off-Grid sit up there with the top electrical guys that I have worked with around the country".



Sharon reaffirms this perspective, "Keep up the good work Off-Grid, it's a standard that a lot of people should adhere to, and you're leading the charge."

Matt and the Off-Grid Electrical team played a pivotal role in the successful completion of the Kokomea Village Centre which is positioned to benefit from a growing Taupō District. Off-Grid Electrical are proud to be a part of helping shape Taupō's growing commercial landscape and are looking forward to working on more commercial projects in the Taupō region.



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