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New Wanganui ANZ “new look” branch a first

ANZ’s new branch opened in Wanganui today - ANZ’s first branch in New Zealand that offers customers more ways to do their banking in a 24/7 ‘accessible’ zone.

ANZ General Manager Branch Distribution Craig Bruce said the bank’s investment in the new branch demonstrated its commitment to Wanganui.

“Wanganui is very important to ANZ, underlined by the investment of \$1.4 million in this new branch which is the first ANZ branch in New Zealand with a new technology banking zone that is accessible 24/7.

“The new branch is designed to make banking easier and a lot more convenient for customers, offering them several new ways to bank,” Craig Bruce said.

The secure 24/7 zone enables customers to do their banking any time they want. It contains four “intelligent” ATMs which can take cash and cheque deposits without the need for envelopes, coin deposit facilities, Phone Direct access, and two ANZ internet banking kiosks.

“As well as the new 24/7 zone, our experienced personal and business banking team will continue to be available to assist our customers during normal banking hours.

“Our staff are really looking forward to welcoming the people of Wanganui into our new branch, and demonstrating how they can make the best use of our new 24/7 zone and our other technology.”

Craig Bruce said Wanganui had been chosen for the “new look” branch because it had one of the busiest ANZ branches in the country and ANZ had a long and proud history in the city dating back to 1870.

“When we celebrated our centenary in Wanganui on March 14 1970, the Wanganui Chronicle noted at the time how banks had moved into the “jet age” with the introduction of savings bank facilities, the creation of travellers’ cheques and the promotion of export and import opportunities for local businesses.

“Now, some 40 years later, ANZ can give our export business customers the benefits of our significant expertise and on-ground experience in 32 countries. And ANZ has one of the strongest presences of any international bank in New Zealand’s key export markets, operating in 14 markets in Asia.

“We have automated coin machines, intelligent ATMs, internet and phone banking, electronic brochures, and a wide range of banking services and products for our customers, including the ANZ Travel Card. In short banking with the ANZ has become easier and even more convenient for our customers,” Craig Bruce concluded.

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