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The Punakaiki Resort – Change of Ownership

Today, a Qualmark 4 star hotel, the largest in the Buller district, has changed hands.

The iconic 63 bedroom Punakaiki Resort has today been sold by The Williams Hotel Group - back to the original owner and developer of the property.

Located directly on the shores of the wild and rugged Tasman Ocean, the Punakaiki Resort boasts comfortable, warm and modern rooms, with incredible ocean views and a warm and friendly bar and dining room area where an evening meal and drink await by the fire.

The property also offers terrific conference and meeting facilities, a broad range of room types, and wonderful fresh foods and dining options.

The Resort will re-open on Monday 27th December. It will continue to offer an exceptional, friendly west coast welcome to guests from all around New Zealand, with rooms available to be booked throughout the holidays.

Owners representative Richard Benton says, “ We are incredibly proud to be the operator and owner of The Punakaiki Resort.”

“ Our thanks go to The Williams Hotel Group for their hard work in developing a very famous and unique West Coast iconic property.”

“It’s an extraordinary place to visit, relax, unwind and explore.” Including the pancake rocks and blowholes at Dolomite Point, located less than a 350m walk away from the hotel.

Walking and cycling abound with remote and spectacular access to the wilderness of the Paparoa National Park, which includes New Zealand’s newest Great Walk that “coordinates with convenient access provided to the walk from The Punakaiki Resort Hotel car park “, says Benton.

The property management will now be led by experienced General Manager Alexander Tschampel, who ran the Scenic group of properties in Franz Josef and Fox Glacier and will head up a team with a wealth of hotel experience.

“ We have an outstanding and dedicated team of staff at The Punakaiki Resort, and I’m looking forward to working with them as soon as possible - to deliver exceptional customer experiences, “ says Tschampel.

Mark Williams from The Williams Hotels wishes the new owners the very best for the future.

For bookings, opening specials & availability head to <https://www.punakaikiresort.co.nz> or
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