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New Riverside Youth Pop-up Park opens

A vibrant addition to Nelson's city centre has opened on the banks of the Maitai/Mahitahi River.

The Riverside Youth Pop-up Park in Halifax Street, opened on Saturday 12 September, is a place for Nelson's young and young at heart, with a pump track for skaters, bicycles and scooters, a solar-lit basketball half-court, an imagination playground for younger children, planters, picnic tables, a ping pong table and colourful seatina.

The park is the result of a collaboration between Nelson City Council and Wakatū Incorporation, which owns the space.

During Alert Level 2, additional sanitation of the play equipment will take place. A sanitising station is provided and a QR code is on display for checking in with the NZ COVID Tracer app. Park users are asked to practice physical distancing wherever practicable.

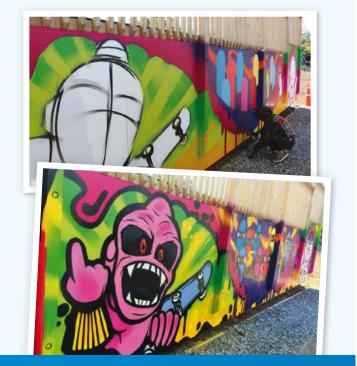
The park will remain at the Halifax Street site for at least two years. All of the elements are relocatable, and can be repositioned to reflect the community's needs in future.

Tahunanui's **Skate Ramp** revamp

The Tahunanui Skate Ramp has been transformed with eye-catching murals painted by New Zealand street artist Smeagol.

Nelson City Council is working with Arts Council Nelson to brighten up alternative spaces around our Smart Little City, with new artworks commissioned from Nelson City Council's Arts Programme Funding.

Now that spring has arrived, it is an excellent time to go and take a look.





A brand new dog park for Nelson

Nelsonians' canine friends will soon have a dedicated space to just hang out and be dogs, with the Marsden Valley Dog Park due to open in early October.

Situated north of the Marsden Valley Cemetery and accessed via Marsden Valley Road, the new park will have dedicated space for small and large dogs, water fountains and benches, doggy doo bag dispensers and rubbish bins, a dog wash down area and space for 10 car parks.

Agility equipment for dogs will be added to the park a few weeks after the initial opening.

The perimeter of the park will be fenced, but pedestrian access will be maintained via two double-gated access points. The park is well removed from residential areas, minimising nuisance issues such as noise.

There have been numerous submissions to recent Annual and Long Term plans from people asking for a dog park. A 2019 survey of stakeholders that received 1,456 responses indicated that the park would be a popular amenity – 88% of respondents said they would use the park either frequently or occasionally.

Sue Walsh, dog trainer and behaviour consultant at Dog Almighty, provided Council with advice on how best to set up the dog park.

Ms Walsh, who owns a 9 year old Jack Russell Terrier X called Rosie and a two year old Fox Terrier X called Sprocket (both rescues), said shade, fresh water and interesting things to sniff or interact with would be on a dog's wishlist for a great dog park.

"It's important that little dogs and their owners have their own space to use, exclusive of bigger dogs. If big dogs stick to the big dog area they can rough and tumble and have fun without fear of hurting the little ones."

Ms Walsh said dogs would benefit from spending

time socialising at the new park.

"A dog park provides an additional safe place to play and socialise for dogs in our community. Not only will it provide an opportunity for dog-dog social interactions, it will also allow for more dog-person social interactions which is just as important.

Dog owners in Nelson and Stoke will be able to enjoy a space where they can train their dogs in an outdoor environment, according to Ms Walsh.

"When you go to a dog park you are more likely to encounter people who enjoy dogs, and less likely to encounter bikes, skateboards or joggers all of which can be a challenge for some dog owners in public.

"A dog park is a great place for dog oriented people to interact and doggy play dates can be arranged."

Sports and Recreation Chair Tim Skinner said he expected the new park to be very popular.

"We have had a huge amount of feedback from the community about providing a dog park. This is an area where dogs can be dogs, and run free without their owners worrying about other park users. It's a fantastic new amenity for dog owners in Stoke and Nelson and, of course, pretty great news for their dogs as well."

The new dog park will not result in any changes to where dogs can be walked on Nelson's parks and reserves. Dogs can be walked off lead in any areas where dogs are not prohibited unless the area is designated as on-lead. A full list of prohibited and on-lead areas can be found at:

nelson.govt.nz/dog-owner-responsibilities



Years of research has resulted in a further 1200 names added to the World War I Wall of Remembrance at Founders Heritage Park.

The Wall, originally a project by the Nelson Provincial Museum to commemorate the WWI centenary in 2014, spent three years at the museum before it was moved to Founders Heritage Park in 2017.

Peter Millward, who was director of the museum when the wall went up, said at that time, people were encouraged to mark the names of their relatives who served, and note any names missing from the Wall. That led to hundreds of new names being added and a project for Mr Millward, who retired from the museum in 2015.

Mr Millward and historian Mike Carnahan, have spent the past five years checking all the additional names, and after a final full cross check during the COVID-19 lockdown, another 1200 were confirmed for the Wall, bringing the total number to 3700 names.

With the help of Murray Sturgeon and Nelson Pine Industries, the Wall of Remembrance has now been reprinted, with the additional names added. The reprinted Wall will be unveiled in an invitation-only ceremony at Founders Heritage Park later this month.

At the same time, the former plaque from the cenotaph in Anzac Park will also be unveiled. The plaque on the cenotaph was replaced in 2018 when, as part of the work Peter and Mike were doing, they discovered it was missing a further 80 names. The addition of the missing names reunited six sets of brothers, who were not commemorated together because they had enlisted from different towns, Peter said.

"Imagine how that would have been for their families, to have one son remembered and not the other."

To preserve the original plaque, it has been mounted beside the Wall of Remembrance with an information panel.

Councillor and Community Services Committee Chair Matt Lawrey said Peter, Mike and the other historians who worked on the project have done something special for the city.

"It's vital that we remember our war dead but it's also important we honour all those who served alongside them and supported them. They all made huge sacrifices and it's certain that they all suffered in one way or another.

"The wall and all the work that's gone into it recalls for me that great quote by George Santayana; 'Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it.' Thank you Peter, Mike and others for all your years of work checking and recording the names of Nelsonians who served. Thank you for keeping the tragedy of WWI in our memories. May we never be a part of anything like it ever again."





Linking the Railway Reserve to the Maitai Shared Pathway

Nelsonians will soon be able to cycle and walk safely all the way from the Railway Reserve Shared Path to the Maitai Riverside Precinct once work to fill a missing gap in our cycling/pedestrian network is completed.

Starting on 14 September and lasting until mid-December, the ANZAC Park to Maitai Cycle Link will connect the Great Taste Trail to the Maitai Shared Pathway by creating an off-road connection along Paru Paru Road and Rutherford Street to ANZAC Park, to link to the St Vincent Street end of the Railway Reserve Shared Path.

The first week will involve works at Haven Road/Vanguard Street/Rutherford Street to accommodate a bus detour. This will involve the modification of the intersection at each end of the section of Haven Road that borders ANZAC Park and the temporary removal of the carpooling parks situated there, so buses have enough room to pass each other. Alternative carpooling parks can be found at: nelson.govt.nz/carpool-free-carpark-locations.

The main construction work starts on 21 September and is expected to last for 12 weeks, weather dependent. Part of this work includes changes to the Halifax Street/Rutherford Street/Paru Paru Road intersection, including modifying traffic signals. To do this work in the safest and most efficient way, there will be a temporary closure of Halifax Street between the Haven Road roundabout and Rutherford Street from 21 September for the duration of the works.

As well as the bus detour, there will be a separate sign-posted detour in place for cars.

Group Manager Infrastructure Alec Louverdis thanked people for their patience while this work was carried out.

"We want to make it easy for people to choose to walk or cycle in Nelson. Every person who walks or cycles represents a reduction in congestion and greenhouse gas emissions. Safe shared pathways make cycling an option for less experienced riders, and provide walkers with a more pleasant way to navigate their city."

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Lucy's long term vision for Nelson

By Lucy Daughtrey, aged 10

Have you ever wondered what Nelson might be like in 10 years? Have you ever wished it could be like a nature paradise? I do!

These are some things I think Nelson should have in 10 years:

- · More playgrounds! If the council built more playgrounds, maybe even one in the centre of town it might attract more people to Nelson.
- · Cool events for kids. I googled 'kid friendly events around Nelson' and it came up with Founders, ProKarts, Nelson Hydroslide and Flip Out and then it started coming up with pubs and bars. Is that kid friendly? An action centre with activities like rock climbing and a VR room would be really cool.
- We have loads of events, but most of them are not family friendly. How about more scavenger hunts (personally, I enjoy the activities Founders Park does in the holidays), more popup markets, and circus or craft workshops.
- A room in the Suter dedicated to kids' art. Once every two months they could have a competition and a topic for the art. Then kids would be more enthusiastic about visiting the Suter and seeing their art!

I asked my friends and family about this and they came up with:

- A permanent indoor market. For small businesses that can then trade seven days a week instead of
- · More seating for older adults. My grandma said this is one thing we could improve, since older people get tired and want a rest more often.
- Touch screen stations in the middle of town that you can search on. For example, type: 'jewellery shops' and then have it pop up with the shops so you can go and find them.

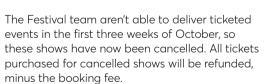
I hope these ideas happen in Nelson, and that we get a better representation of nature and the arts. Lucy is a member of the Media Club, which meets every Wednesday at Elma Turner Library after school. At COVID-19 Alert Level 2, the club meets on Zoom, contact the library on 546 8100 if you would like to take part.

Every three years Nelson City Council produces a Long Term Plan for the future of our City. This 10-year document outlines everything we plan to do over the next decade to make Nelson a great place to live. Work is underway for the 2021 plan now and public consultation will be sought next year.



Nelson Arts Festival Ngā Toi Huatau programme

The continuation of COVID-19 Alert Level 2 has led to some Nelson Arts Festival event cancellations, but there will be some exciting Labour Weekend events if the COVID Alert Level allows.



However, the Festival's special Ngā Toi Huatau community programme will still bring colour and vibrancy to public spaces in Nelson, Richmond and Motueka and all ticketed shows happening from Labour Weekend on, including the full Pukapuka Talks literary programme, will go ahead.

The 2020 Nelson Arts Festival Ngā Toi Huatau programme begins on Thursday 1 October with Night Vision, a one-night extravaganza that encourages art lovers and newbies to engage in arts and experience central Nelson with a different lens. Inspired by the international phenomenon



White Night (Nuit Blanc), this is a free and whānaufriendly event involving more than 15 galleries.

Pukapuka Talks opens on Friday 23 October with award-winning Kurdish-Iranian journalist and author Behrouz Boochani, alongside fellow Iranian refugee Golriz Ghahraman, in conversation with investigative journalist Anke Richter. Another six sessions, including internationally renowned Nelson-based authors, take place at the Suter on Saturday 24 October and Sunday 25 October.

Over at Pic's Peanut Butter World, superstar food writer Annabel Langbein, appears in conversation with Nelson food writer Nicola Galloway on Monday

For more on these events and others, visit:

Councillor's **Comment**

Bringing your voices to the Council table

One of the things I love about Aotearoa is at the end of the day we're a small country, and that means our politicians are as accessible as they come. Kiwis get the opportunity to have a say on just about every decision, both at parliament and at councils.

That accessibility isn't just great for democracy, it also helps us make better decisions. Who knows an area better than the people that spend every day there? When we hear from a wide range of people, we get a better understanding of how to deliver great outcomes, and often discover things that may have never crossed our minds

And yet all too often it's a familiar story of which voices don't come to us through consultation. Indeed, it's one of the very reasons I chose to run for council, after feeling the concerns and views of my communities weren't being heard at the council table. For years certain voices, like young people and minorities, have been locked out or ignored in decision making and as elected representatives we have a big job to engage, build trust, and bring more of those voices into the fold.

Luckily, technology has made engaging quicker and easier. Council launched Shape Nelson at the start of this year, putting our consultations in one place and making it easier to feed into our decisionmaking. Want an even more direct line? Pop onto our website and you'll find councillors' contact details or find us on social media. But it's not enough to simply have you come to us - that's why more and more we're coming to you.

So, if you've got that great idea – get in touch or keep your eyes out, we'll be out there seeking your views.

Councillor Rohan ONeill-Stevens



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Mayor's Message

City Streets for People – balancing momentum with building relationships in a time of uncertainty

Reading the responses to our City Streets for People Project survey confirmed three things – Nelsonians are passionate about our city centre, you want to see further investment in public spaces, and many of you are understandably anxious about streetscape change given the economic stress that has resulted from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Long Term Plan 2018-2028 makes the city centre one of Council's top four priorities. It's the ticking heart of our Smart Little City, and plays an important role in the wellbeing and prosperity of our region. Economic projections on recessionary impacts, including much longer delays in building back international tourism, underscores the importance of investing in our city centre to ensure it remains an enticing place for Nelsonians to live, work and play and for New Zealanders to visit.

In September 2019, after extensive engagement and input from the community, Council adopted the City Centre Programme Plan, focussing on 'Six Key Move' objectives and a Spatial Plan refresh to the Heart of Nelson Central City Strategy.

The City Streets for People project supports the pedestrian and place making objectives of the City Centre Programme Plan. Council considered the opportunity to bring the project forward to align with Innovative Streets funding from Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency but the timeframes for this fund were considered too short and would have limited the ability to engage the community on the selection, design and delivery of a preferred project. Staff are having follow up discussions to see if funding from Waka Kotahi can be allocated to other Innovative Streets projects in Nelson.

What we've settled on is a process that allows the refreshed Spatial Plan and the development of the Parking Strategy to better inform the City Streets for People project. Crucially, engagement can continue with city centre

citizens, especially the business community, who are critical to the success of our commercial heart. Engagement and design will commence this year and delivery and implementation will begin next year, with work to be completed by the end of 2022. Council allocated funding for this work as part of the 2020/21 Annual Plan (\$3.1 million), an additional \$400,000 of operational funding has been provided to advance the Spatial Plan and to support strong engagement to maintain momentum and strengthen city centre relationships to ensure the delivery of this project is a success – this is critically important in a time of uncertainty.

Council is always very conscious that undertaking physical works of scale in the central city can create disruption to businesses and the public. Projects need to be carefully planned, properly resourced, and well communicated. With the additional challenges and uncertainty of COVID-19 level restrictions, extra care needs to be taken when undertaking change to our city. I'm looking forward to continuing momentum on this exciting project for the future of our city centre, working together as a community remains critical to our success.

He waka eke noa.

Nelson Mayor Rachel Reese



Adopt a Spot – which birdlife abounds at Pipers Reserve

The Pipers Reserve trapping group was formed in late 2018 by a group of locals keen to bring more birdlife such as tuis, bellbirds, and kererū back into the Toi Toi/Tahunanui Hills area.

Initially focusing on rats, possums and mustelids (stoats and weasels) with the support of Council's Nelson Nature programme, the group placed about 50 traps in the 20 hectare Council Reserve, and has since extended trapping into Murphy Street North and South, Te Manu, and Tosswill Council Reserves.

In 2019, they received a Predator Free New Zealand Kiwibank grant to subsidise funding for backyard trapping. Group coordinator Stu Hanchet says the local community have been really supportive, with around 80 households coming on board with 120 traps. These activities on Council and private land form the 'Pipers Halo', with a total of 200 traps across 250 hectares extending from Tahunanui Drive in the west. to the Railway Reserve in the east. Over 200 rats, 50 possums, and 400 other pest species have been caught in the Pipers Halo in the past 18 months. The project is part of the Nelson Halo, where Council and the community are working together to reduce pest numbers and enhance habitat for wildlife outside the Brook Waimarama Sanctuary.

Stu's group has a well-rounded approach to increasing biodiversity. "Although it is important to trap

predators, it is also necessary to provide habitat for birds to feed and nest. So a subset of the group has turned its attention to vine control and tree planting. After spending the last eight months battling old man's beard, banana passionfruit, blackberry, and other noxious plants in a small patch of mahoe, the group planted 100 rimu, miro, lemonwood, and titoki provided by Council. Since then there have been two more plantings of over 1000 native trees donated to the group."

Feedback from members of the public has been positive, with chance encounters resulting in several new recruits to the group, now with over 30 members.

The group's goal is for the entire reserve to be cleared and planted in native trees by 2030 and increase the numbers of small, perching birds visiting and nesting.

Adopt a Spot is a programme where community groups, businesses, schools, and individuals agree to enhance and take care of an area of Council land. For more information please visit nelson.govt.nz/adopt-a-spot.

For more on the Nelson Halo go to nelson.govt.nz/environment/nelson-nature/natural-environment/the-nelson-halo.



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Native forest will benefit from annual pest control operation

Nelson Nature's annual pest control operation to protect the forests in the Maitai and Roding water reserves will take place from 28 September – 9 October this year.

Goats and deer graze on young native seedlings, which can damage or kill them and prevent the forest regenerating naturally.

The pest operation is carried out by professional hunters working from the land as well as via helicopter with infrared equipment. The operation is designed to maintain deer and goat numbers at low levels over a long time-frame so the forest has a chance to recover. More than 4,200 ha of the reserve will be covered.

The areas covered by the programme need special protection as they are home to threatened plants associated with the limestone geology in the area, and to plants found only in the Dun Mountain Mineral Belt ecosystem.

"This programme aims to control the grazing animals so that the young trees in the native forest regenerate naturally," says Nelson City Council Group Manager Environmental Management Clare Barton. "It's an important part of caring for and restoring the largest intact forest ecosystem in the Nelson region."

Ms Barton says that the 2018 and

2019 pest control operations removed approximately 310 deer and goats. "The professional hunters are time and cost-effective, and very efficient."

"While recreational hunters do assist with controlling the pest animal populations, a more systematic annual control is needed to achieve a significant reduction in pest numbers and support the long-term survival of our forests.

"Access to the area is closed for everyone, including recreational hunters, during the control period because of health and safety requirements while the professional hunters are at work."

Track closures

Please note all tracks in the Maitai and Roding catchments will be closed between 28 September – 9 October (inclusive), this is to allow contractors to carry out the pest animal hunting operations safely. Warning signage will be in place at trail entrances to give advance notice of the closures.

Additional information is available on Council's website. Council apologises for any inconvenience and recommends people follow all signage and respect restrictions.



has now been completed - making cycling and walking safer and more appealing for people living in Tahunanui.

The new pathway stretches from the Annesbrook Roundabout to Parkers Road, then along Muritai Street and Waikare Street. At the southern end of Annesbrook Drive the existing footpath has been widened to become a shared pathway, whereas at Parkers Road, Muritai and Waikare Streets, a two-way separated cycle lane has

At the intersection of Waikare Street and Beach Road, cyclists and pedestrians will be able to cross the road safely on a new raised table constructed with the help of money granted from the Provincial Growth Fund. Final line marking work is being carried out, but the route is now ready for people to use. A map is available on the Our Nelson website.

Group Manager Infrastructure Alec Louverdis thanked local community groups who were instrumental to the completion of the

"Tahunanui Community Centre, Bicycle Nelson Bays, Tahunanui School and the Tahunanui Business Association all provided support for the new shared pathway. It's a great new asset for this area, that will make it easier for people to choose to leave their car at home when making journeys in their local area.

"We know there is a wide variety of cyclists in Nelson, and not all of them are confident on the open road. Pathways like this make cycling a safe option for a wider number of people, especially younger people on their way to school, and will reduce the number of short journeys taken by car in Tahunanui."

Once the pathway is fully completed, cars should not park on the two-way cycle lane or shared pathway. Drivers living along the route are asked to take particular care as they exit their driveways and keep an eye out for cyclists and pedestrians.

A Go By Bike Day involving participants from Tahunanui School, the Community Centre, Tahunanui Business Association and contractor Downer (who constructed the pathway) has been postponed due to the current COVID-19 alert level. The day will go ahead once New Zealand returns to Alert Level 1.

First year of no breaches for Nelson's air quality

Nelson City Council has recorded its first 12-month period with no air quality standard breaches since monitoring began in 2001.

Council measures air quality by monitoring PM₁₀ – a particulate matter that is found in dust and in smoke from wood burners.

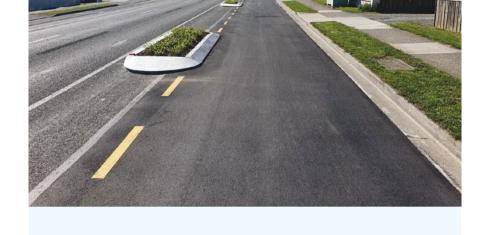
"This is a great milestone," says Chair of the Environment Committee Kate Fulton. "We know that smoky chimneys have a direct impact on air quality so this is a great outcome for our whole community."

Councillor Fulton says that the improvements are unlikely to be due to the COVID-19 lockdown, but could have been due to the changing weather patterns of climate change.

"Historically most exceedances occurred during the winter months -June, July – when we were largely back to normal at Alert Level 1, however this winter has been exceptionally mild."

Air quality has been slowly improving in Nelson since monitoring began. Council banned open fires and older wood burners in 2008, and has rules about new woodburner installations in some areas. New technology such as Ultra Low Emission Burners is constantly evolving, making the options more affordable for our community.

It has also encouraged better wood burning practices through its Burn Bright community education programme. It monitors and reports on air quality in Nelson and carries out smoke patrols on the city streets during the colder months to help educate people about safe and efficient wood burning.



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Join the Great Kererū Count and boost your wellbeing!

Our native pigeons or kererū are almost as Kiwi as kiwi! You can help this iconic bird by taking part in the Great Kererū Count between 18 and 27 September – and research shows that by spending time out in nature, you'll boost your own health and wellbeing too.

The annual Great Kererū Count is when we ask the public to get outside, observe and count any kererū they see and record them on the Great Kererū Count website.

Whether you love their classic white singlets, their whooping wing-beats, or their awesome aerial acrobatics, kererū are a beloved part of our landscape. Despite being protected birds, their numbers have fallen in the last century. The Great Kererū Count is the only way we can keep track of how this significant bird is doing. This is the 7th year of the Great Kererū Count, and your observations play an important role in building an accurate picture of where kererū are doing well, and where they are struggling.

The kererū is one of the native bird species that will

benefit from community efforts to restore habitat and trap predators as part of the Nelson Halo project. They also play a key role in keeping our forests alive as they spread the seed of many of our larger native trees.

To take part, spend between five and 30 minutes kererū-spotting anywhere in Nelson, and record any kererū you see (including if you see none, as we need that information as well). Then go to the Great Kererū Count website to get your observations into us. You can do as many observations as you want through the week, in one spot or at different sites, and also record any casual sightings of these birds, when you are out and about, in the same way.

greatkererucount.nz/how-to-count

Second Hand Sunday a downsizer's delight for Tony Pearson

For Tony Pearson, who took part in Second Hand Sunday in July, which is a collaboration between Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council, this event is an easy way to declutter the house now that his family has left the nest.

Our Nelson caught up with Tony, to find out if he had any tips for those interested in participating in the auarterly event.

Tony not only put things out for the most recent Second Hand Sunday, but also completed our post event survey, and was the winner of the \$30 book voucher for taking part.

Our Nelson: Thanks for making time to catch up with us Tony – tell us why you took part in Second Hand Sunday?

Tony: This is actually our second time. We are downsizing now that the family has grown up, and this is a really convenient way to dispose of things, particularly when you're time poor and not sure it's worth selling them. Also it makes us feel good that someone else is getting use out of items we don't need.

Our Nelson: So do you find it easy to participate? We're always interested to hear if it works for everyone.

Tony: Absolutely – the registration process is easy, and it feels organised, which is reassuring.

Our Nelson: What were the most popular items?

Tony: Most stuff went; the kids' toys and household fittings like lampshades were very popular.

The first time we took part we had a box of leftover household light fittings, and they went straightaway too.

Our Nelson: It sounds like it worked really well for you Tony – have you got any tips for people thinking about taking part in Second Hand Sunday in the future?

Tony: My advice would be, make a small space somewhere to keep things for the next event – that way if you have something you don't have a use for, you won't be tempted to just throw it away.

Further details

The next Second Hand Sunday is on Sunday 18 October from 10am. Register on the Nelson City Council website. It is open to Nelson and Tasman residents and is free to take part – it's a great way to pass on unwanted items to others who may find them useful. A list of participant addresses will be available on our website and from our Customer Service Centre from midday on Friday 16 October.

If you are thinking of participating in Second Hand Sunday, please keep an eye on Nelson City Council's Facebook page for updates in case the details of this event change due to COVID-19.



Help our birds with a Nelson Nature subsidised predator trap

Nelson City Council's biodiversity programme, Nelson Nature, is offering subsidised pest traps for sale at Nelson i-SITE's Department of Conservation desk. The trap project is part of Nelson Nature's work to reduce pests and protect native wildlife in the Nelson Halo, an area outside the Brook Waimarama Sanctuary.

The traps, which can be used to control predatory pests like rats, stoats and possums, have been mainly built for Nelson Nature by the Menzshed. They can be used for backyard trapping in and around Nelson to help reduce the numbers of pests in the Nelson Halo and provide our native birds with safe areas to fly, feed and nest.

"As we come into spring, our native birds will be nesting and feeding their young," says Clare Barton, Group Manager Environmental Management. "Backyard trapping can help widen the areas that are safe for our birds by reducing the numbers of pests threatening them. Native nestlings are very vulnerable to rats, stoats and possums, so anything we can do to protect them is worthwhile."

Tunnel traps for rats are \$15, DOC200 traps in tunnels are \$60 and possum traps are \$30. Traps are limited to one of each type per household, and will be on sale at the i-SITE from 16 September until sold out.

Traps come with instructions and links to further information online. You can also download the Nelson Halo Predator Trapping Guide from Nelson City Council's website.

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Gracefield Sewer Diversion to improve wastewater resilience

Work to create a new wastewater diversion system from Whakatu Drive (between Annesbrook and Beatson Road) through to Annesbrook Drive will start at the end of September.

This is a major project that will improve the capacity of the sewerage network and take pressure off the Parkers Road trunk sewer system. With an increased number of houses connected to the existing system and with future development in mind there is a need to increase the resilience of the sewer pipe network, especially during heavy rainfall.

Upgrading the wastewater system in this area will minimise the impact of future sewer overflows in wet weather events. The new pipe will connect into the Quarantine Road network via Annesbrook Drive south. Construction will take place in two stages to minimise traffic disruption over the Christmas and New Year period.

Stage 1, which commences end of September, will involve the closure of the southbound lane on Annesbrook Drive to thru traffic. This will divert the bus from Annesbrook roundabout via Beatson Road roundabout to Waimea Road – picking up the normal bus route on Main Road Stoke. One bus stop will be affected with a short walk up to an alternative bus stop on Waimea Road. The northbound bus route is not affected.

Stage 2, starting after Christmas, will see the upgrade extend from the section of Railway Reserve that intersects Quarantine Road and up along Annesbrook Drive to eventually connect with the pipe laid down during the Stage 1 work.

Council will take advantage of the wastewater construction works to simultaneously upgrade a section of footpath along Annesbrook Drive from Stafford Ave.

Group Manager Infrastructure Alec Louverdis said there would be disruption to traffic while the work took place and thanked the community for their patience.

"The work we are doing here will provide the City with enhanced resilience to sewer overflows from heavy rainfall events. The impact of climate change means we will see major storms more frequently, and we must make sure Nelson's wastewater system is designed to cope with this."



The following meetings of the Nelson City Council have been scheduled.

Audit and Risk Subcommittee

9am 17 Sep

Sports and Recreation Committee

10am 17 Sep

Saxton Field Committee – Tasman District Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond

10am 18 Sep

Council meeting

9am 22 Sep

Hearings Panel – Other – Rūma Waimārama

9am 25 Sep

Chief Executive Employment Committee – Rūma Whakatū

1pm 29 Sep

Forestry Advisory Group – Rūma Waimārama

3pm 29 Sep

Infrastructure Committee – to deliberate on submissions to Speed Limit Bylaw 2011 (210)

1.30pm 30 Sep

For a full list of meetings go to:

nelson.govt.nz/meetings

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ROAD CLOSURES

Applicant: Safe Traffic Limited **Event:** Bay Dreams South 2021

Location: Trafalgar Street from SH6 Street to Bridge Street, Wainui Street, Elliott Street, Grove Street from Trafalgar Street to Collingwood Street, Achillies Ave, Wakatu Lane, Paru Paru Road, Hathaway Terrace, Halifax Street from Paru Paru Road to Collingwood Street, Hathaway Carpark and Wakatu Carpark. Private Roads that will be affected include Monro Way, Hathaway Court, Highgrove Way, Helena Way.

Date and time: Sunday 3 January – Wednesday 6 January 2021, 6am–6am. Residents will have access when it is safe and there will be delays. All other vehicles will have no access at this time. Detour routes will be available.

Applicant: Higgins

Event: Road resealing and asphalting. Notice will be given five days before the closure. **Location:** Tasman Street – from Nile Street to Bridge Street.

Date and time: The closure will occur on a Sunday between the dates of Monday 12 October and Friday 13 November 2020 and the hours of 7am and 5pm. Access for residents during the day will be maintained when it is safe to do so, there may be delays.

Applicant: Higgins

Event: Road resealing and asphalting. Notice will be given five days before the closure. **Location:** Russell Street – Stanley Crescent

to Retone Street.

Date and time when the two day closure may occur: Monday 12 October – Friday 13 November 2020, closed between 7am–5pm. Access to Valley Heights will be maintained during the closure for residents only via Rentone Street and the road will be open to residents outside of these hours.

Applicant: Higgins

Event: Road resealing and asphalting. Notice will be given five days before the closure. **Location:** Mount Street – from Wellington

Street to Konini Street

Street to Konini Street.

Date and time when the two day closure may occur: Monday 12 October – Friday 13 November 2020, Closed between 7am–5pm. Access will be given to residents during the day when it is safe to do so, there may be delays.

Feedback for proposed closures to be

given by: Wednesday 30 September 2020

Email: enquiries@ncc.govt.nz

Post: Nelson City Council, PO Box 645, Nelson 7040, Attention: Gillian Dancey

For all road closure information visit:

nelson.govt.nz/road-closures

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From the Libraries

A special mask-making and sewing project has been launched at the Nelson Public Libraries Ngā Whare Mātauranga o Whakatū.

Sewing machines are available at the Elma Turner Library for people to make their own masks and for other sewing projects. They will supply the scissors, pins and needles, tape measure, seam ripper, bobbins and thread, all you need to bring is your fabric. For anyone confident using a machine who is over the age of 16. Please book by filling out the form on the Nelson Pubic Libraries Ngā Whare Mātauranga o Whakatū website, phoning (03) 546 8100 or asking one of the friendly librarians.



Languages at your Library

Celebrate Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori, Chinese Language Week and NZ Sign Language Week at the Elma Turner Library.

- Te Reo Māori Storytime
 Tuesday 22 September at 10.30am
- NZ Sign Language Taster Session Learn the basics at this free class held by Deaf Aotearoa. Tuesday 22 September at 3pm
- Clifton Terrace performs the music of Kath Bee in NZ Sign Language
 Wednesday 23 September at
- Traditional music made by Māori instruments
 Wednesday 23 September at 12pm
- Sign Language Storytime
 Thursday 24 September at 1.30pm
- Mandarin Storytime
 Friday 25 September at 10.30am
- Singing and Dancing with Nelson's Chinese Community Monday 28 September at 11am.

School holiday fun

Broadgreen Historic House Textile Kids: Make a juggling chook

Monday 28 September, 10.30am–12pm.

Have a go on a sewing machine, and make your own little animal! Come along and join our popular children's textile workshops teaching traditional crafts and sewing to children. Ages 5 to 12. Children must bring a parent or caregiver. Bookings required. Please call 03 547 0403 or email broadgreen@ncc.govt.nz. Free school holiday activity.

Spring Open Day

Tuesday 29 September, 12.30–3pm.

Come along and have some old fashioned fun at Broadgreen House Open Day, with games and activities, hands on! Dress up in old fashioned clothes, play the big dice game, make a cob clay brick, do the washing Victorian style, and much more. Mr Buxton is in residence. No bookings required. Children must bring a parent or caregiver. Free school holiday activity.

Textile Kids: Make a woolcraft octopus

Thursday 8 October, 10.30am–12pm.

Learn how to craft your own woollen octopus, practicing your plaiting skills. Join our popular children's textile workshops teaching traditional crafts and sewing to children. Ages 5 to 12. Children must bring a parent or caregiver. Bookings required. Please call 03 547 0403 or email broadgreen@ncc.govt.nz. Free school holiday activity.

Founders Heritage Park Free school holiday treasure hunt activity

Train railcar runs every day during the holidays and café is open from Tuesday – Sunday.



Due to the uncertainty around COVID-19 alert levels please ensure you check itson.co.nz regularly for event updates.

WHAT'S ON... at a Council venue near you





Kirby Lane

Nelson Farmers Market. 8.30am–1.30pm, every Wednesday.

Cycle-in Flix. 7.30pm, every Thursday in October.

Street Karaoke. 5.30pm, every Friday in October.

Trafalgar Centre

Blindspott with special guest City of Souls. 8pm, Friday 9 October.

Trafalgar Park

Celebrating 150 years of rugby and fellowship. 6pm, Friday 25 September – 12pm, Sunday 27 September.

Tasman Mako v Waikato. 2.05pm, Saturday 26 September. Tasman Mako v Bay of Plenty. 2.05pm, Saturday 11 October.

Founders Heritage Park

Che Fu. 7pm, Friday 2 October.

Broadgreen Historic House

A passage to Nelson – Exhibition at Broadgreen House. 11am–3pm, Wednesday 1 July – Saturday 31 October.

Textile Kids: Make a Juggling Chook. 10.30am–12pm, Monday 28 September. Textile Kids: Make a woolcraft Octopus. 10.30am–12pm, Thursday 8 October.

Waahi Takaaro Golf Course

Junior Gold Programme. 3.45–4.45pm, every Thursday, 6 August – 24 September.

Nelson Public Libraries

Elma Turner Library

Open Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 9.30am–6.00pm Wednesday 10am–6pm Saturday 10.00am–4.00pm Sunday 1.00pm–4.00pm

Small Time at the Library. 10.30am, every Monday and Wednesday.

Device Advice. 2pm, every Tuesday and Thursday.

Junior Book Club. 3.30pm, every Tuesday. Library Knitters. 10am–12pm, every Thursday. Story Time at the Library. 10.30am, every Tuesday.

Te Reo Māori Storytime. 10.30am, Tuesday 22 September

Tea & Talk. 10am, every Friday. Justices of the Peace. 10am – 12pm, every Saturday.

Learn at the Library – Research Tools. 9.30–11am, Thursday 17 September.

STEM Writers. 1pm, Tuesday 22 September and Tuesday 13 October.

NZ Sign Language Performance. 10.30am, Wednesday 23 September.

Traditional music made by Māori instruments. 12pm, Wednesday 23 September. Sign Language Storytime with Deaf

Aotearoa Tangata Turi. 1.30pm, Thursday 24 September. LEGO at the Library. 3.30pm, Thursday 24

Mandarin Storytime for Chinese Language Week. 10.30am, Friday 25 September. Friends of the Library Book Sale. 10am, Saturday 26 September and Saturday 3 October.

Live music Series – Kodaly Duo. 2pm, Sunday 27 September.

Siniging and Dancing with Nelson's Chinese Community. 11am, Monday 28 September.

New Zealand Transport Agency. 3pm, Monday 21 September and Monday 5 October.

Nelson Libraries BookChat. 10.30am, Tuesday 13 October.

Nightingale Memorial Library

Open Monday, Wednesday, Friday 1.30–4.30pm Tuesday, Thursday, Sunday 10am–2pm Nellie Knitters. 1.30 – 3.30pm, every Monday. Story Time at the Library. 10.30am, every Thursday

Stoke Library

Open Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 9.30–5.30pm Wednesday 10am–5.30pm Saturday 10.00am–2.00pm

Small Time at the Library. 10.30am, every

Story Time at the Library. 10.30am, every Wednesday.

Device Advice. 2pm, every Tuesday and Thursday.

Internet for Beginners 2. 8.15am, Friday 18 September.

Museums and Galleries:

The Suter Art Gallery & Theatre

Open daily 9.30am-4.30pm

Michael Dell: Endless Days. Saturday 23 May – Sunday 4 October

Ben Pearce: Life Will Go On Long After Money. Saturday 11 July – Sunday 22 November.

Elizabeth Thomson: Cellular Memory. Saturday 12 September – Sunday 15 November.

Ledlenser Trails In Motion 8 Film Tour – Nelson. 6.30pm, Sunday 20 September.

Refinery ArtSpace

Open Monday to Friday 10am-5pm Saturday 10am-2pm

Children of the Poor – Piece of Work Productions. Saturday 12 – Friday 18 September.

WMC: Unrefined. Tuesday 13 October – Saturday 7 November.

A Conversation about art, activism and WMC with Chris McBride, Mary Ellen O'Connor and Katherine Baxter. 5.30pm, Tuesday 13 October.

Nelson Provincial Museum

Open Monday to Friday 10am-5pm Weekends and public holidays 10am-4.30pm ENIGMA Friday 14 August - Monday 11

ENIGMA. Friday 14 August – Monday 11 October 2021.

Through The Lens. Thursday 20 August – Saturday 3 October.

Online Exhibition: Everything Was Noise and Movement. Saturday 15 August – Monday 7 December.

Museum display and Online Exhibition: Rugby 150 Years. Saturday 15 August – Sunday 14 November 2021.

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