

OUR NELSON

TŌ TĀTOU WHAKATŪ

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the latest news from
Nelson City Council

TUKU|21
HERITAGE MONTH
WHAKATŪ

Telling the stories of Nelson Whakatū

The Tuku 21 Whakatū Heritage
Month programme is out now.

Containing a range of interesting, exciting
and intriguing events and activities with a
heritage flair, there is sure to be something for
everyone this April. See the full programme
online and look out for the printed copies in
libraries and heritage facilities soon.
Detailed listings are also available on
nelson.govt.nz now.

nelson.govt.nz/tuku-21-whakatu-heritage-month

ROAD CLOSURES

Applicant: Light Nelson Trust

Location: Trafalgar Square – between
Church Street and Trafalgar Square
East, including the Church Steps.

Event: The closure is Te Ramaroa (Light
Nelson) event

Date and time of closure: Friday 9
July 2021 – Tuesday 13 July 2021, 5pm –
10pm daily.

Access for pedestrians will be available.

**Feedback for proposed closures to be
given by:** Wednesday 7 April 2021

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



Your wellbeing, Nelson's future – we want your feedback!

Every three years we develop a
Long Term Plan for our City.
The Plan looks at the next 10-year
period (with a more detailed
focus on the first three years),
and outlines what Council will be
aiming to achieve, how much it
will cost and how that activity
will be paid for.

Consultation helps us make sure we have
considered the things that are important to you,
and that you are aware of the impact Council's
proposed activities will have on your rates.

There are eight key issues we've identified as priorities.

- **Climate Change**
- **COVID-19 and Economic Recovery and Regeneration**
- **Debt vs. Rates**
- **Nelson City Centre**
- **Community Facilities and Partnerships**
- **Housing Affordability and Intensification**
- **The Environment**
- **Infrastructure Projects**

The Long Term Plan Consultation Document explains
what they are, the impact they will have and what we
are proposing to do about them. We then ask for your
feedback. Whether you agree, disagree or have an
alternative suggestion, we really want to hear your views.
To make a submission visit:

shape.nelson.govt.nz/long-term-plan-2021-2031

Library Precinct Redevelopment

A new library will be a place of opportunity for Nelson. The books are of course important – Nelson’s collection is the most borrowed per capita in New Zealand – but a modern library offers much more; access to technology, community spaces for gathering or performance, archiving and genealogy, a café for socialising, and educational programmes for children.

Delivering on our vision for Nelson as A Smart Little City, the new library will use innovation and clever design to deliver a climate change-resilient building, and a vibrant, functional place for the community to gather together, learn, and enjoy. It will also be a significant construction project for our City, providing jobs.

A modern library is not a nice-to-have, it is a need-to-have. At their best, libraries offer people the chance to expand their horizons. They are a gateway to opportunity and a great equaliser for our community. Council plans to build an iconic Nelson library that:

- Has a Green Star rating of five, and demonstrates a range of sustainable and climate resilient features. For example: Low embodied carbon design, passive heating/ventilation, and solar power generation. For more information on Green Star ratings see: nzgbc.org.nz/greenstar
- Is adaptable to sea level rise and river flooding for more than 100 years
- Is resilient to earthquakes
- Reflects the importance of the location to mana whenua.

Our proposal is to build a new, expanded library on the corner of Halifax Street and Trafalgar Street, which includes a plaza connection to the Maitai/ Mahitahi River from the Halifax/Trafalgar Street intersection.

Other options considered for the library redevelopment included refurbishing the existing building, rebuilding on the current site to a lower specification, and moving the library to another part of town. However, these options would not deliver all the outcomes desired by our community.

More information about our proposal is available online at shape.nelson.govt.nz/long-term-plan-2021-2031. There is also a physical display at Elma Turner Library.

Where to find out more

Consultation documents are available from:

- Our Customer Service Centre at the corner of Trafalgar and Halifax Streets
- The public libraries in Nelson, Tāhunanui and Stoke
- Online at shape.nelson.govt.nz/long-term-plan-2021-2031

Look out for a special edition of Our Nelson next week that will have a full summary of the Long Term Plan Consultation Document.

shape.nelson.govt.nz/long-term-plan-2021-2031

Council is also seeking your views on the following:

- A new company model for Nelson Airport and Port Nelson – these important assets are proposed to transfer into a single new company which will be 50% owned by Nelson City Council and 50% by Tasman District Council.
- Financial Strategy – shows how Council will ensure the level of rates and borrowing are financially sustainable.
- Development contributions – these ensure those who create a need for new or additional assets such as wastewater and other infrastructure meet the costs of providing these assets. Council is looking to incentivise inner-city living and proposes changes to waivers for development contributions to assist this outcome.
- York Valley Landfill fees and charges are proposed to increase by 20% to address increased capital expenditure to undertake works at the landfill,

including gas management improvements to reduce carbon emissions, improvements to address stormwater control, increases to government’s Waste Minimisation Levy and NZ Emissions Trading Scheme costs, and funding for waste minimisation activities by the two councils.

- Fees and charges relating to environmental health, food services, building services and resource management activities – are proposed to increase to meet Council’s obligations as a regulatory authority and recover the costs of services provided. These fees and charges are met by those that directly benefit rather than the general ratepayer having to meet these costs.
- Rates remission policy – a number of changes are proposed to provide consistency for ratepayers and reduce administrative burdens.

More information can be found at shape.nelson.govt.nz

MEETINGS

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

Strategic Development and Property Subcommittee	9am	1 Apr
Regional Transport Committee – to hear submissions to Regional Land Transport Plan (Day 1) – if required	9am	6 Apr
Joint Shareholders Committee – Tasman District Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond	1.30pm	6 Apr
Regional Transport Committee – to hear submissions to Regional Land Transport Plan (Day 2) – if required	1pm	7 Apr
Infrastructure Committee	9am	8 Apr
Joint Nelson City and Tasman District Councils Regional Transport Committees – to hear submissions to Regional Public Transport Plan – if required	9.30am	9 Apr
Environment and Climate Committee	9am	13 Apr
Urban Development Subcommittee	9am	20 Apr
Hearings Panel – Other	9am	21 Apr
Regional Transport Committee – to deliberate on submissions to Regional Land Transport Plan	1pm	21 Apr
Community and Recreation Committee	9am	22 Apr
Nelson Regional Sewerage Business Unit	9.30am	23 Apr

Changes to meetings

Civil Defence Emergency Management Group
9.30am 30 Mar
Previously advertised to be held via Zoom, will now be held at Nelson City Council Chamber, 110 Trafalgar Street, Nelson

For a full list of Council meetings go to:

nelson.govt.nz/meetings



To read the latest updates or sign up for Our Nelson by email go to:
our.nelson.govt.nz

Rocks Road stormwater renewal

Nelson City Council will be undertaking improvements to stormwater assets along Rocks Road, from 6 April, for approximately 6 – 7 weeks.

Council is scheduling this work ahead of Waka Kotahi’s road resurfacing in late 2021, to minimise overall disruption to all users.

Stage one and three of the project, which last 2.5 weeks and 1.5 weeks respectively, will have minimal disruption on traffic.

Stage two of the project, which starts after ANZAC

weekend, is expected to last two weeks.

During this stage, Rocks Road, between Bisley Avenue and the Basin Reserve, will be closed between 7pm and 6am to all traffic except pedestrians, cyclists, buses and heavy transport.

We thank all users in advance for their patience while we carry out this work to improve our City.