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## Smart Little City, Smart Nelson Plan – have your say



From late February to the end of May 2020, we'll be asking the community for feedback on the Draft Nelson Plan, and on our Coastal Hazards maps and information.

The Draft Whakamahere Whakatū Nelson Plan is a resource management plan for managing how Nelson grows and develops, and for protecting our natural environment, over the next decade and beyond. It brings together all our resource management plans into one integrated plan.

This is your chance to let us know what you think about the draft rules it contains, which will influence what is permitted on your property – whether, for example, that's extending your house, subdividing or carrying out earthworks – so that Council can consider our community's hopes and aspirations for the city in the final Plan.

The Draft Nelson Plan is different to Council's Long Term Plan, which decides how Council's budget will be spent for the next ten years.

Make the most of this opportunity to have your say – look out for more information about engagement dates, activities and websites in Our Nelson next month.



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## Nelson Buskers Festival, 30 January – 2 February

Street buskers from Canada, Hungary, Mexico, USA and Hawaii are coming to amaze and entrance with acrobatics, contortion, clowning, juggling and, of course, humour at this year's Nelson Buskers Festival.

The return of Mapua Wharf as a performance location means four different performance areas this year!

- **Buskers on Trafalgar** – Koha  
Top of Trafalgar Street, Nelson. Thu 30 Jan & Fri 31 Jan, 11am–2.30pm and Sat 1 Feb, 10.30am–2pm.
- **Buskers on the Church Steps** – Koha  
Church Steps, Top of Trafalgar Street, Nelson. Sat 1 & Sun 2 Feb, 6pm.
- **Buskers at Mapua Wharf** – Koha  
Mapua Wharf, Mapua, Tasman. Sun 2 Feb, 11am–2.30pm.

- **Buskers at The Boathouse** – R16 (content can be unpredictable). The Boathouse, 326 Wakefield Quay, Nelson. Thu 30 Jan, 8pm and Fri 31 Jan, 8.30pm. Tickets available through Theatre Royal Nelson, Nelson Centre of Musical Arts, Richmond Mall, Nelson, Motueka and Blenheim i-SITEs, online at ticketrocket.co.nz or phone 0800 224 224.

The line-up includes:

- **Sara Kunz (Hawaii)** – acrobatic hula-hoop and contortionist
- **Quatour Stomp (Canada)** – four-man creative powerhouse of energy
- **Imre Bernath (Hungary)** – preeminent street clown
- **Pancho Libre (Mexico)** – explosive acrobat and circus artist
- **Martika Daniels (USA)** – one-woman stunt show

Follow and like the 'Nelson Buskers Festival' Facebook page for the latest updates on acts, alternative wet weather venues, etc.

## Nelson's plastic recycling set to change

We know Nelsonians have an excellent recycling ethos. Since the introduction of yellow bins in 2016, recycling in our Smart Little City has increased by 40%. But it's really important we care about where our waste ends up.

With that in mind, from 1 July 2020 Council is changing the way it deals with plastic recycling. From that date, Council will only collect plastic types 1, 2 and 5. These plastics are processed in New Zealand and we are confident that they are able to be recycled locally, responsibly and ethically.

We will no longer collect plastics 3, 4 and 7 as they are shipped overseas and most global markets now refuse to accept our waste. We have no way of knowing where our waste ends up, we don't know enough about overseas

working conditions and the shipping adds to our carbon footprint.

Infrastructure Chair Councillor Brian McGurk says collecting types 3, 4 and 7 falls short of our responsibility to deal with waste we create and is inconsistent with the Council's commitment to the climate. Nelson was the first city council in New Zealand to declare a climate emergency.

"We simply cannot pass responsibility for dealing with our waste by sending it to other countries."

We're encouraging people to seriously think about the packaging of the products they buy and consider avoiding these plastic types where possible.

Over the next six months we will be explaining what this will mean for you so we are all ready for change on 1 July 2020.

[nelson.govt.nz/recycling](https://nelson.govt.nz/recycling)



## Feedback invited on changes to the Dog Control Policy and Bylaw

The Dog Control Policy and Bylaw are being reviewed, and Council welcomes your feedback.

You can find out more about the proposed changes on the Council website, and paper copies of all documents can be collected at Council's Customer Service Centre and the Nelson libraries. Submissions can be made online at [nelson.govt.nz/consultations](https://nelson.govt.nz/consultations) or on the paper submission form from 27 January to 28 February 2020. The proposed changes are outlined below.

- **Grazed reserves** – on-leash at all times on grazed land owned by Council, excluding the grazed area at Paremata Flats Reserve.
- **Monaco Reserve** – off-leash (excluding the playground, where dogs remain prohibited).
- **Titoki Reserve** – on-leash.

- **Whakatū Drive Foreshore Reserve** – on-leash.
- **Paremata Flats Reserve and Delaware Estuary** – change to dogs prohibited for the Paremata Flats planted area and the Delaware Estuary margins and islands.
- **Boulder Bank** – on-leash at all times (in addition to dogs continuing to be prohibited from the Cut towards Boulder Bank Drive for 4 kilometres, from October to February each year).
- **Multiple dogs** – remove the 'Number of Dogs' section of the Dog Control Policy and instead enable a Dog Control Officer to reduce the number of dogs on a premises where dogs have become a nuisance or are likely to cause injury.
- **Good Dog Owner Policy** – remove and replace with a reduction in fees for all dog owners.

[nelson.govt.nz/consultations](https://nelson.govt.nz/consultations)

## Work on Montebello walkway starts

Construction starts this week on a new concrete walkway in Ngawhatu Valley that will connect Stage 5 of the Montebello Village subdivision with the intersection of Montebello Ave and Sunningdale Drive.

The walkway will pass through moderately steep reserve land located at 31 Montebello Ave and earthworks excavation machinery will be on site during construction.

We are aware the undeveloped reserve has been a popular informal walking route of late, but should now be considered a construction site with multiple hazards.

Please stay clear of the site until the works are completed towards the end of February.



## MEETINGS

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

Tenders Subcommittee – Rūma Waimārama  
8.30am 11 Feb

Council meeting  
9am 13 Feb

Saxton Field Committee – Netball Pavilion, Saxton Field  
9.30am 18 Feb

Audit and Risk Subcommittee  
2pm 18 Feb

Hearings Panel – Other  
9am 19 Feb

Infrastructure Committee  
10am 20 Feb

Governance and Finance Committee  
10am 27 Feb

Chief Executive Employment Committee – Rūma Whakatū  
2pm 28 Feb

For a full list of Council meetings go to:

[nelson.govt.nz/meetings](https://nelson.govt.nz/meetings)

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## NELSON PLAN TIMELINE

Draft Regional Policy Statement development  
Public workshops Feedback

Drafting Nelson Plan

Testing and review of  
Draft Plan  
Scenario testing  
Legal and peer review  
Management approval  
Elected member working group  
Iwi working group

Compiling the Draft Plan for Engagement

Public feedback on Draft Plan

Public notification of Proposed Plan