

Keep up to date with the latest news from Nelson City Council

Bay Dreams exceeds sustainable goals two years running

Bay Dreams Nelson is one of the biggest events of the summer and has always aimed to be a sustainable, eco-friendly festival. For the 2020 event, organisers enlisted Closed Loop, a company that specialises in sustainable waste management.

"The industry average for landfill diversion at music festivals is only about 30%," says Greg Schicker, NZ Director for Closed Loop. "Just over 60% landfill diversion was achieved at Bay Dreams Nelson in both 2019 and 2020."

Sports and Recreation Committee Chair Tim Skinner says Nelson City Council had aimed to create a festival with a social conscience.

"We are fully behind the organiser's goal to reduce the amount of waste created at this type of event, including the move to compostable products."

New tree surrounds trialled

Five trees in Nelson's central city are getting a minor makeover as part of a new tree surround product.

The surrounds, made of recycled materials, help support drainage and root growth and have a soft-impact, stabilised surface to minimise slip hazards. The surrounds are red to match the pavers of the footpath.

The surrounds will be monitored for 12 months before a decision is made on whether to install more.



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Rebekah Malthus, Jeanie Hicks and Mayor Rachel Reese.

Art Flags Project rollout begins with a taste of summer

Jeanie Hicks' artwork, depicting a little girl with a huge ice cream, is the first of 88 unique art flags designed by locals to fly along Nelson's central city streets as part of the Art Flags Project.

Designs submitted by Ngāti Kuia and Ngāti Koata, two of Te Tau Ihu's eight iwi also feature among the chosen flags, which range in subject matter from depictions of native birds to cats with laser eyes.

"The project has showcased what an outstanding array of creative talent we have in this community," Mayor Rachel Reese said.

"From the mahi toi submitted by iwi through to children's drawings, fine art and abstract pieces, the Arts Flag Project is a celebration of Nelson's diverse community

and local arts scene."

Ice cream aficionado Jeanie, who was the youngest person to submit a design, had a confession to make about her drawing – "I didn't draw this for the competition, I drew it because I like ice cream."

It was her mother, Rebekah Malthus, who entered it into the Arts Flag Project, saying she knew Jeanie's drawing would be a perfect fit.

"It really symbolises happy childhood memories of summer holidays."

Annual Plan consultation: we want your feedback

The Annual Plan 2020/21 Consultation Document will be published on 17 March. It outlines proposed changes to Council's plans and budgets for the next year. After public engagement, Council will adopt the Annual Plan in June 2020.

Consultation closes on 17 April. We welcome your submissions.

Go to shape.nelson.govt.nz during the consultation period to view the document and supporting information, and to make an online submission.

Hard copies will be available to view at our Customer Service Centre on Trafalgar Street, and all Nelson Public Libraries.

Views sought on Dog Control Policy and Bylaw

There is still time to have your say in Nelson City Council's review of its Dog Control Policy and Bylaw.

Submissions on the Policy and Bylaw are open now and we'd like feedback on a list of proposed changes, but submissions on any aspect of the Policy and Bylaw are also welcome.

A list of the proposed changes, maps, the current Policy and Bylaw and an online tool for submissions is available online at nelson.govt.nz/consultations.

Submissions close 4pm 28 February 2020. Written submissions can be dropped off to Civic House, 110 Trafalgar Street, Nelson. Submissions must be received by 4pm 28 February 2020.



nelson.govt.nz/consultations

Learn about Nelson's native natural environment

Nelson Nature is running a series of three workshops from 29 February through to April, covering a range of restoration themes.

These include native seed collection and propagation, controlling ecological weeds and maintaining native plantings and the importance of trapping and weeding in an urban environment.

Nelson City Council is kicking off the series with a Native Seed Collection and Propagation workshop at 10am on Saturday 29 February at Glenduan Reserve, Hira.

Want to learn more about urban restoration in our region? Come along to the Nelson Tasman Urban Restoration Workshop on Friday 13 March and hear the latest national science research and updates from local projects.

For further details on the upcoming workshops, please contact the Customer Service Centre on 03 546 0200.



Making Nelson a City for All Ages

Imagine a city that works for everyone, no matter their age, physical or mental health. A city full of cosy, sheltered places to sit and chat, with thriving public transport, and pedestrianised areas, and work that values the differing perspectives of both young and old.

That's the vision for "City for All Ages", a new Council initiative to help Nelson thrive as its population ages.

Twenty percent of people in Nelson are over 65, and by 2043 that figure will rise to a third. This change affects us all, so everyone has a stake in making Nelson a great place to live at any age.

Piloted by a community steering group chaired by Nelson businessman Paul Steere, A City for All Ages launches on 24 February with a presentation by the Co-Director for Active Ageing at AUT, Professor Stephen Neville.

Professor Neville says Nelson has a high internal migration of older people, who come to the city to retire, but stresses there is a smart way to accommodate these demographic changes.

"If Nelson can get this right, it can become a city for all people.

"This can involve really simple changes to the city's physical environment – like having seats appropriately placed so people can stop and rest, or by making libraries central meeting places."

We want to hear from you, so the first stage of that project will be a questionnaire that everyone in our community is welcome to fill out. Once we know your vision for an age-friendly city, we can start to act to make it happen.

The launch takes place in the council chamber on 24 February at 1pm. It's open to all and free to attend.

Child car seat recycling

Did you know that when your child car seat expires or is damaged, it doesn't have to go to landfill?

Keep kids safe and help the environment by recycling expired car seats at Baby on the Move at 4 Akersten Street, Port Nelson.

The materials will be re-purposed and all you will have to pay is \$10 per seat thanks to a Council subsidy.

This not only means recyclable materials like metal and plastic avoid landfill, but also helps employ people with disabilities or who are disadvantaged.

For more information on the Seat Smart Programme subsidy visit:

nelson.govt.nz/childrens-car-seat-recycling-subsidy



ROAD CLOSURES

Proposed closures

Applicant: Higgins
Event: Road maintenance
Location: St John Street
Date and time: Wednesday 11 March–Wednesday 8 April 2020, from 8am–6pm

Applicant: Nelmac
Event: Pole replacement
Location: Beachville Crescent – between #32 to end of street
Date and time: Tuesday 10–Wednesday 11 March 2020, from 7.30am–4pm

Applicant: Nelmac
Event: Pole replacement
Location: Poynters Crescent – between Albert Road and #35
Date and time: Monday 17–Tuesday 18 March 2020, from 7.30am–4pm

Feedback date for proposed closures: Wednesday 4 March 2020

Email: enquiries@ncc.govt.nz
Post: Nelson City Council, PO Box 645, Nelson, 7040. Attn: Gillian Dancy.

For all road closure information visit:

nelson.govt.nz/road-closures

Now's the best time to save water

Continuing hot and dry weather is putting pressure on our water supplies, and although Nelson does not currently have water restrictions in place (as of 12 February), they may be introduced before the end of the month.

It's never too early to conserve water and Council asks everyone to play their part and use water wisely. For tips on how to save water and the latest on water restrictions go to:

nelson.govt.nz/water

MEETINGS

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

Environment Committee 10am	5 Mar
Nelson Regional Sewerage Business Unit – Rūma Waimārama 1pm	6 Mar
Classification of Greenmeadows Hearings Panel – to hear feedback (if required) 9am	10 Mar
Joint Committee of Tasman District and Nelson City Councils – Tasman District Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond 1.30pm	10 Mar
Council meeting 9am	12 Mar
Community Services Committee 2pm	12 Mar
Nelson Tasman Regional Landfill Business Unit – Rūma Waimārama 9.30am	13 Mar
Hearings Panel – Other 9am	18 Mar
Sports and Recreation Committee 10am	19 Mar
Council meeting – to hear submissions to Dog Control Bylaw Review 9am	24 Mar
Council meeting 9am	26 Mar
Regional Transport Committee 1.30pm	30 Mar
Forestry Advisory Group – Rūma Waimārama 3pm	31 Mar

For a full list of Council meetings go to:

nelson.govt.nz/meetings

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