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Nelson City Council appoints new Chief Executive

Māpua resident and Primary ITO Chief Executive Nigel Philpott has been appointed to lead Nelson City Council for a term of five years starting on 3 April, Nelson Mayor Nick Smith has announced.

"Nigel comes with strong leadership and management skills following an extensive career in the Royal Navy in the UK and the Royal New Zealand Navy, roles in the Ministry of Social Development, the Ministry of Education and most recently the Primary ITO," Mayor Nick says.

"Nigel has been appointed because of his strong people skills and a track record of improving staff engagement. He has strong business acumen that will help Council get good value for money for ratepayers. He has a natural affinity with our region and the social and environmental issues facing it. His knowledge of the marine sector will also support my vision of Nelson capitalising on our links with the ocean."

Nigel's appointment follows a thorough recruitment process that started last November and ended when elected members resolved last Thursday to appoint him in the top job. His recruitment comes as Council works on a governance reset following a particularly challenging year in 2022 with COVID-19 disruptions, the devastating storm in August, the local elections and big changes around the Council table. Former Chief Executive Pat Dougherty concluded his contract in December after more than 20 years' service at Council.

Nigel says he is looking forward to starting work at Civic House.

"I fell in love with the Nelson-Tasman region in the 1990s, saw the opportunities for an unparalleled lifestyle and later bought a home at Māpua," he says. "Taking on the Chief Executive role and having the opportunity to help shape the future alongside a highly talented senior management team and staff was too hard to resist.

"During these challenging times, with issues such as the high cost of living and raft of local government reforms, I see my role as empowering staff and having a laser-like focus on delivering good value-for-money services to the ratepayers of Nelson."

Nigel holds a BA in Economic and Political Geography, a Master's in Strategic Studies and a Master's in Human Resources. He is also a voluntary Chair of Birthright Wellington. His interests include flying, paragliding, mountain biking and boating.

Mayor Nick says he looks forward to working with Nigel to provide the combination of leadership and teamwork to ensure Council delivers for its community.

"I want to acknowledge interim Chief Executive Lindsay McKenzie and his support through the appointment process," Mayor Nick says. "Lindsay has been leading staff since Pat's departure, is keeping Council's work on track and will finish as CEO on 2 April."

The road to Recovery

It's been six months since a state of emergency was declared on 17 August 2022, after continuous heavy rain caused severe landslips and flooding in the region.

The Nelson City Council Recovery effort remains front of mind, and for affected homeowners the ongoing impacts of the rain are still very visible. We are now at 16 red and 74 yellow placarded properties after seeing another drop over the last three weeks. At the peak (24 August 2022) we had 104 red and 82 yellow.

For the remainder of our city's population, it's easy to forget that there's a lot of 'unseen' work happening all the time, and lots more to be done to repair damage, both in the short- and long-term.

Here's an update on Council's to-do list to give you an idea of work we've done and what is coming up:

Rivers

- Four Maitai river swimming holes reopened
- I8,000m3 of gravel removed

Debris removal, gravel extraction and bank protection planned this year for the Maitai River, Hillwood Stream, and Jenkins Creek

Parks

- Around 200 slips on Council reserves remediated
- 98% of tracks open to the public
- Tamaki steps cleared and open
- Sir Stanley Whitehead track reopened
- Waahi Taakaro golf course temporary footbridge installed
- S Waahi Taakaro irrigation system repair/upgrade progressing
- Cycle track base course has been laid
- Pump track working with contractor as to when repairs can be made
- Grampians Summit Road main access track slip and culvert damage completed
- Maitai cricket ground reopened following removal of debris and replacement of artificial turf

Swork is underway on: Maitai Walkway behind Nile Street to golf course, Pipers Track Emano Street and Princes Drive, Kokopu Track (Pipers Reserve), Botanical Hill East Ridge Track, Koata Whetu Track Atmore Reserve, Eureka Park Track, Coppermine Track

So Work planned to repair bridges: Betsy Eyre bridge (Brook Stream) Esplanade), Piwakawaka track bridge (Marsden Valley Reserve), Waahi Taakaro golf course bridge, Groom Creek bridge

Utilities

- Stormwater and sewer pipes cleared of debris and gravel
- Maitai raw water pipeline repaired
- Marsden Valley Pipeline slips removed, protection installed for the duplicate pipeline
- Slip over Aniseed Valley Road repaired and open to 4WD
- Material removed from Walters Bluff Reserve slip behind reservoir
- Leaks from the event across network resolved
- All stormwater intakes checked and cleared
- All gravel traps checked and cleared

Realignment of 130m wastewater main adjacent to Riverside Pool will start in March

Roads

- Devenish Place temporary reinstatement done
- Miyazu clean fill stockpile removed
- More than 40 slips affecting Council roads have been attended to clearing, road repairs and slip remediation
- Solution Moana Ave remediation works will be in place towards end of April allowing two-way access to all road users
- Work on Glenduan clean fill stockpile begins early March

S From July 2023: Devenish Place – entire road reconstruction. Engineering optioneering, design and costings underway for Kokorua Road, Ross Road, Todd Valley, Little Todd Valley, Atmore Terrace, Maori Road, Tamaki Steps, Arrow Street, Zeehan Walkway, Days Track, Maitai valley Road under slip and over slip at Nile Street intersection, Brook Street and Cable Bay

Opera fans pay-it-forward

One-hundred tickets to New Zealand Sotheby's International Realty Nelson Opera in the Park were able to be donated thanks to the generosity of those who chose to pay-it-forward at the checkout.

As part of the ticket purchasing process for the 18 February concert, buyers could opt to donate \$5, \$10 or \$25 to go toward purchasing a ticket for someone who would otherwise not be able to attend. Pay-it-forward was added to the ticket purchasing system for the biennial concert in 2016 to promote inclusivity.

Nelson City Council Community Services Group Manager Andrew White said it was wonderful to see so many people use the pay-if-forward system, resulting in over \$2,500 being raised.

"New Zealand Sotheby's International Realty Nelson Opera in the Park was a fantastic event, and thanks to the generosity of our community, even more Nelsonians got to experience it first-hand – ka pai."

The tickets were given to Victory Community Centre to donate.

Victory Community Centre Community Coordinator Steve McLuckie said the tickets were given to Victory School whānau, former refugee whānau who access services and support at the centre, and some of the centre's volunteers, all of whom were very thankful.

"We were stoked to be able to distribute the pay-it-forward tickets to local Victory community members. We've had awesome feedback from people who were able to attend, some of the children who attended described it as the best night ever. Stan Walker's performance was a particular highlight."

Overall, 7,300 tickets were sold to the concert, the biggest crowd in 10 years.





Mayor's Message

Our hearts go out to the many North Island communities hammered by Cyclone Gabrielle. We know all too well the devastation caused by such weather events from our storm six months ago. We still have 31 families displaced from their homes and years of recovery work ahead of us. Thankfully, we had no loss of life. Homes and roads can be fixed but lives are lost forever.

There are some important lessons to learn in the wake of these extreme weather events. The Deputy Mayor and I have undertaken specific training at our Civil Defence Emergency **Operations Centre to ensure we** are well briefed on our role and equipped to handle such an emergency. We need to better understand the vulnerability of our power, communications and other infrastructure and, where possible, reduce the risks of failure. We need people to take Civil Defence warnings seriously. Floods and landslides can be unpredictable, causing loss of life, and we need the public to back Civil Defence and police in their precautionary approach during an emergency. We also need to take action on climate change, reduce our emissions and invest in improved resilience.

I am keen for Nelsonians to do our bit to help our North Island whānau, particularly those in Hawke's Bay and Gisborne who have been hardest hit. I encourage those able to make donations to do so through the Stuff Givealittle page (givealittle.co.nz/cause/ cyclone-gabrielle-communitysupport) which will distribute the funds evenly between the Red Cross and the Mayoral Relief Funds. We have provided some Nelson City Council emergency management support staff, but our engineering and recovery teams are so committed to our own flood recovery that we are not in a position to spare them. I am exploring other ways we can be of assistance, including sharing experiences of our own recovery plan.

Finally, I ask Nelsonians to give their strong support to the 2023 Census on 7 March. The Statistics NZ team has learnt from the mistakes of 2018 when they excessively relied on "digital first" responses and cut neighbourhood Census workers. You should have your Census packs by 1 March. If not, please call the helpline (0800 236 787), go online to census.govt. nz or seek help from our libraries. We need good data for Nelson to get our fair share of Government funding and to help us plan for Nelson's future.



i-Site pop-up at the Customer Service Centre

In response to the very welcome increase in numbers of visitors in the region, the Nelson Regional Development Agency, with the support of Nelson City Council, have opened up a pop-up Visitor Information point in Nelson City.

Both visitors and locals can visit in person to seek information, travel tips, advice and booking support from 10 am to 4 pm on weekdays at the customer service area of Nelson City Council (corner Trafalgar and Halifax Street)

This is a temporary solution through to mid-April as we look for a longerterm solution to how we welcome visitors to the region.

Outside of these hours, the team at YHA Nelson are open to assist (seven days a week, 8:30 am to 6 pm), and the Motueka i-SITE is open seven days a week. Our website **nelsontasman.nz**, also provides a "visit" section with FAQs, top things to do in the region and advice on planning your trip.



Recently, Council voted unanimously to pause replanting plantation forests in our reserves and support the establishment of the Right Tree Right Place Taskforce. The taskforce will undertake a review of Council's current approach to its commercial forestry in our public reserves and water catchments.

We need to acknowledge this is not the end point – it is simply a pause, a review of where we're going, and a chance to change course. The outcome is not predetermined. However, it is a significant step, and I am relieved we're finally at this point. A focus of my work on Council last term was questioning the economic benefit and environmental sustainability of our current approach.

We have a once-in-a generation (or forestry life cycle) opportunity to consider doing things differently. We have an intelligent, insightful and deeply experienced Chair leading the taskforce, Dr Morgan Williams, alongside Councillor Matthew Benge and myself. We have a robust process and a clear way forward – a path to navigate that I'm hopeful will result in an outcome both Council and the wider community can embrace. The community will have an opportunity to comment on the way forward, through the Long Term Plan process, after the taskforce makes its recommendations to Council.

I am very appreciative of Mayor Nick and the new Council, for taking such a commonsense approach to this matter, and I think this Council should be congratulated for listening to the people!



Parks Week 2023 – Celebrating what's been restored

When Parks Week begins this Saturday, 4 March, almost all of our tracks and reserves that were damaged by the severe weather in August will have been fully repaired and reopened.

So, to celebrate Parks Week this year, we'll be highlighting these reserves and acknowledging the months of hard work put in by staff and contractors to restore access to them for our community.

We'll be posting stories on Our Nelson, Facebook, and Antenno throughout Parks Week (4 – 12 March).

And to kick things off, here are the latest track updates:

Sir Stanley Whitehead Track

Thanks to recent work by Kūmānu staff, Sir Stanley Whitehead Walkway from Walters Bluff through to the Centre of New Zealand is now open.

Work to fix a 30-metre-long slip that occurred during the severe weather event in August at the northern end of this trail was completed on 17 February.

Further up the track towards the Centre of New Zealand, contractors were able to protect properties from falling rock debris.

A large boulder above Grove Street that dislodged during the severe weather was split into fragments using a jackhammer and removed away from properties.

Maungatapu Track

The Maungatapu Track is now open for walkers and mountain bikers only following works to protect exposed fibre optic cabling.

Further significant works are required to make the track suitable for vehicles and motorbikes.

A further full closure will be required in the future to allow these works to take place.

Ronaki Track

Work on the popular Ronaki Track on the Grampians will soon be complete. The track is being updated with new steps, drainage improvements, and path resealing.





The Rutherford Street stormwater upgrade is done!



The pipes are in, the road is sealed and all the finishing touches are done on the massive Rutherford Street stormwater upgrade. Here's a look in pictures at all of the work that went into getting this key project to make our city's infrastructure more resilient off...well, under...the ground.



July 2022: Crew start to place the massive 1.8m stormwater pipes along Rutherford Street and Waimea Road, digging up to 7 metres deep to install some of the pipes. We also built a massive stormwater chamber, which connects the new pipes to the existing pipes along with future proofing for the next phases of this upgrade.



September 2022: We lifted a 30-tonne lid on top of the Then we got on with installing the rest of the stormwater pipes and upgrading the sewer and watermains along with reconstructing the get Waimea Road open before Christmas 2022! Then from mid-January it was the final touches asphalt re-surfacing, safety improvements, linemarking and putting all the pedestrian refuges and islands back in place.









Stormwater upgrade completed ahead of time and on budget

Stormwater resilience in Nelson took a huge leap over

the past six months, with work to upgrade pipes running under Waimea Road and Rutherford Street completed ahead of the April 2023 schedule and on budget.

The project, run by Nelson City Council and Fulton Hogan with subcontractors Ching's Contracting and Donaldson Civil Ltd, saw 1.8-metrediameter stormwater pipes installed from Snows Hill to Examiner Street, with wastewater and water pipes renewed at the same time.

"This project is a massive investment in the resilience of the main access route into our city from the south," says Nelson Mayor Nick Smith. "The work has been expensive, at nearly \$10 million, and we are grateful to the thousands of commuters, hundreds of households and dozens of businesses who were affected by the detour, but it was absolutely necessary if we are to make our city safer and more resilient to intense storms and climate change.

"I congratulate our Council infrastructure team and our contractors on getting this major job done within budget and ahead of time."

Deputy Mayor Rohan O'Neill-Stevens says the network here is now able to withstand a 1-in-100-year flood event.

"Given the flooding our region experienced in August, and now the devastation of Cyclone Gabrielle, it's part of the climate change adaptation work that I expect to see happening right across New Zealand and Nelson in the coming years. We're making progress, but as you will see in our upcoming Annual Plan, there is much more to do as we look to build even more resilience into Nelson's infrastructure."

And a big thanks to all businesses in the area for their cooperation and patience as we completed this project:





From left: Nelson City Council Project Manager Cameron Ford, Fulton Hogan Project Manager Josh Turner, CGW Director - Land and Infrastructure Rowan Puklowski, Fulton Hogan Executive Divisional Manager Eamon Powick, Nelson Mayor Nick Smith, Nelson Deputy Mayor Rohan O'Neill-Stevens



Building in-house emissions measurement capability for iwi



Collaboration and partnerships play an important role in addressing climate change.

Through the Climate Action Plan, Nelson City Council has committed to working with central government, other councils, iwi, businesses, scientists and the broader community to maximise collective action to achieve climate change objectives.

Collaboration with iwi is critical to driving sustainable climate change solutions in Te Tauihu. A recent example of collaboration is Council's work to support iwi groups to measure and monitor their own operational carbon footprint through monthly training sessions. By measuring greenhouse gas emissions, iwi will be able to identify the highest sources of emissions and prioritise initiatives to reduce them.

Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō (Ngāti Apa) was the first iwi to be involved in this initiative. The following topics have been covered in training sessions: reporting requirements, scope, sources of emissions, data collection, emission factors and potential reduction initiatives.

"Our taiao team at Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō has been fortunate to be mentored by climate experts from Nelson City Council who have methodically and patiently stepped us through the process of calculating our organisation's carbon emissions," says Jen Skilton, Ngāti Apa Environmental Manager. "This is an important step for us as an iwi organisation in ultimately reducing our carbon emissions and passing on this knowledge to our iwi members. Daniela and her team have been fantastic to work with and we appreciate this collaborative opportunity between Ngāti Apa and Nelson City Council."

Council is expecting to finalise the first stage of this scheme in February 2023 upon completion of a carbon footprint report from Ngāti Apa. The project will be delivered with a "pay it forward" scheme, where support is extended to other Te Tauihu iwi with the assistance of staff from Ngāti Apa, who will share the knowledge and lessons learnt during the training.

If you are interested in measuring your organisation's greenhouse gas emissions and finding out how to reduce your footprint, there are excellent free tools available to help you:

- carbonassess.toitu.co.nz
- tools.business.govt.nz/climate
- environment.govt.nz/guides/measuring-and-reportinggreenhouse-gas-emissions-guide-for-organisations
- tools.business.govt.nz/climate/footprint

New Climate Change Advisory Group

A new advisory group has been established to help to address the pressing issue of climate change and its impact on our Whakatū Nelson community.

The Nelson flooding in August last year and catastrophic impacts of Cyclone Gabrielle in the last couple of weeks have highlighted the urgent need to both rapidly reduce greenhouse gas emissions and prepare for the impacts of climate change.

Nelson City Council is making good progress on climate change. For example, last year Council released 2D and 3D maps showing the effects of coastal and river flooding on Nelson, which won an excellence award for community impact. Data shows Nelson's and Council's emissions have decreased in the last few years, in part due to Council initiatives such as improved waste management.

However, there is need for a clear vision and long-term objectives to ensure investment is targeted towards projects that will have the greatest impact. To address this, Council is preparing a climate change strategy.

The Climate Change Advisory Group will work closely with Nelson City Council and community organisations to set the direction for this strategy, guiding priority areas for action and investment by the Council and community. The development of the strategy will not pause other climate change work, and Council staff will continue to implement the projects in the Climate Action Plan.

Comprised of six members, the group is chaired by The Nature Conservancy Programme Manager for the Kotahitanga mō te Taiao Alliance, Debs Martin.

"As a community - from businesses to whānau - it is our responsibility to contribute to action on climate change," says Martin. "I am honoured to lead this group of dedicated individuals who share my passion for creating a more liveable and sustainable future. Together, we will work to identify meaningful solutions that will have a positive impact on our natural world and ensure the future wellbeing of all who live within it."

The remaining members are Clare Scott, Sustainable Transport Team Leader at WSP; Dr Anna Berthelsen, Marine Ecologist and Climate Change Team Leader at Cawthron Institute; David Ayre, Member of the Nelson Tasman Climate Forum; Astrid Sayer, Member of the Youth Council and Nelson Tasman Climate Forum; and Karen Driver, Coordinator of the Nelson Tasman Climate Forum waste group. The group will be supported by Council climate change staff Rachel Pemberton, Daniela Ramirez and Maggie Fellowes. Johny O'Donnell will support the group to engage with iwi.



Back row – Daniela Ramirez, Clare Scott, Debs Martin (Chair), Karen Driver, David Ayre, Dr Anna Berthelsen Front row – Johny O'Donnell, Rachel Pemberton, Astrid Sayer

Celebrating and exploring the stories of Whakatū Nelson

Whakatū Nelson's treasure trove of stories is set to be explored through Tuku 23 Whakatū, a collection of events, shows and activities that canvas the unique cultures, people, art and tales of our region.

The word "Tuku" was gifted to Council in 2021 and means "to share" or "exchange" in Te Reo Māori. It is an expression of our unique stories, histories and heritage, and reflects the value of biculturalism.

This year, Tuku 23 includes more than 50 events and takes place over six weeks, starting 19 March.

Andrew White, Manager Community Services, says Tuku 23 is an opportunity for learning.

"Tuku 23 gives our community a chance to experience the diverse stories" that weave together to form Nelson's past and, in doing so, offers a chance for us all to deepen our understanding of our city, our community and our heritage."

Tuku 23 begins with a celebration of the many cultures that call Whakatū Nelson home – the Multicultural Festival. Taking place on 19 March at Founders Heritage Park, visitors will be treated to an around-theworld trip by way of food, musical performances, dance and activities.

From there, a range of choices await. From harakeke flax weaving, through to vintage machinery displays, scavenger hunts and cemetery tours, there is something for everyone.

Events in the Tuku 23 calendar include:

- The Histrionics at Melrose: Enjoy a fabulous Melrose Cafe two-course meal and be entertained by Melrose House stories brought to life by popular drama group, Histrionics.
- Sri Lankan New Year (Avurudu) Celebration: Sri Lankan New Year is the time for a range of festivities, with unique customs and rituals to seek blessings for the year ahead. Share in the traditions, sweet delicacies, songs, performances and take the opportunity to participate in traditional New Year games.
- Maungatapu/Moketapu Hīkoi Ngāti Kuia He iwi Karakia, he Iwi Pakohe: Walk with Ngāti Kuia Kaitiaki Taiao and Pakohe carver Ruihana Smith up to the Rush Pools as he shares korero about Ngati Kuia and our connection to Pakohe found in the area.

To learn more and see the full programme of events, visit:





An imposter in disguise

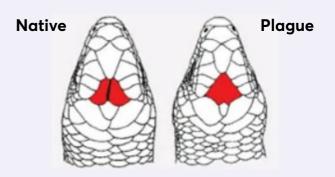
While you are out in the garden enjoying the warm days, keep your eyes out for skinks foraging and basking in the sun.

There are a couple of native skink species in Nelson - the native grass skink is common in urban areas – but it's another variety of skink that our biosecurity team is interested in hearing about. The catch is that they look very similar!

The plague skink (Lampropholis delicata), sometimes known as the rainbow skink, is a small lizard introduced to New Zealand from Australia.

First recorded in Auckland during the 1960s, probably arriving accidentally in cargo, plague skinks have steadily expanded their range through the North Island and have recently been discovered in Marlborough.

Those with a keen eye may be able to spot that native skinks have two smaller scales on top of their heads, whereas the plague skink has a single large scale.



Plague skinks are about 3–4 cm long from head to back feet (excluding the long, thin tail). They prefer moist areas and are commonly found under vegetation, litter, rocks and logs. They also thrive in urban areas, gardens, commercial areas, industrial sites, garden centres and waste ground.

This skink could already be present somewhere in Nelson Tasman, but because they look so similar to our common native skink, they may not have been reported.

Plague skinks can reach high numbers in a relatively short time, threatening our declining native lizard populations by competing for food, habitat and space.

How do you tell them apart?

The plague skink is brown or greybrown with a dark brown stripe down each side, and an iridescent rainbow/metallic sheen when seen in bright light.

Our native northern grass skink (Oligosoma polychroma) superficially looks very similar to a plague skink but doesn't have the rainbow sheen.

Our native skinks give birth to live young once a year, whereas the plague skink lays clutches of eggs several times a year.

What to do if you spot one

Our native skinks are also common in suburban gardens and parks in Nelson Tasman, as well as in native shrublands and grasslands, so it's important to check for things that set them apart before reporting a sighting.

If you have seen a skink matching the description of a plague skink, lots of skinks in the same area, or have discovered a cluster of small white reptile eggs anywhere in the Nelson Tasman region, please report it to Nelson City Council's Biosecurity team on 03 546 0200 biosecurity@ncc.govt. nz or MPI Biosecurity 0800 809 966 immediately. If possible, take some clear photos to help with identification.

Night works on our roads for essential maintenance

As we undertake essential work on our roads, we appreciate it can be very disruptive for road users, especially during periods of heavy traffic.

To minimise any inconvenience to all users, Council has obtained a Resource Consent that allows us to work during the evenings (RM205196). While night work will be less disruptive, we understand it might still be noisy for some residents and businesses.

The following are the areas planned for resealing summer/autumn 2023, weather dependent:

Echodale Place / Fuji Court

Thursday 30 March to Friday 31 March

Bisley Avenue Wednesday April 5 to Thursday April 6

Trafalgar Street Tuesday March 28 to Thursday 30 March

Hardy Street Sunday 26 March to Tuesday 28 March

Wildman Avenue Roundabout Sunday 2 April to Wednesday 5 April

Riverside Monday 1 May to Friday 5 May

If you have any concerns, queries or complaints regarding the works, please feel free to call the Nelson City Council Customer Service Centre (03 546 0200). Each complaint will then be assessed, and where possible, actions or additional monitoring undertaken to control noise.

More information is available on Shape Nelson:





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

Council	
9am	9 Mar
Nelson Regional Sewerage Business Unit 9:30am	10 Mar
Nelson Tasman Regional Landfill Business Unit 9:30am	17 Mar
Council 1pm	23 Mar
Hearing Panel 9am	24 Mar
Joint Committee of Tasman District and Nelson City Councils	

28 Mar

For a full list of meetings go to:

nelson.govt.nz/meetings



Ongoing



Project name	Likely end date	Location	Benefit
Saxton Creek Upgrade Stage 4	End of Oct 2023	Main Rd, Stoke	Flood mitigation
Washington Valley Infrastructure Upgrade – Stage 1 (Hastings Street)	May 2023	Hasting Street	Improve stormwater network and reduce flooding risk
Awatea Place Wastewater Pump Station	August 2023	Awatea Place & Parkers Road	Improve wastewater network capacity and protect environment from overflows
Wastney Terrace Stormwater Upgrade	March 2023	Atawhai Crescent (Corder Pond) via private property to Wastney Terrace	Improve stormwater network capacity and reduce flooding risk
NRSBU Sewer Renewal Section 10	Feb 2023	Road reserve Whakatu Drive	Improve the wastewater network

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



Saxton Stadium

Table Tennis Free Saturday -Saturday 4 March, 1:30pm – 4pm

Saxton Oval

Museums and **Galleries:**

Positive Settlement Expo – Sunday 26 March, 2pm – 5pm

Trafalgar Centre

Nelson NZ House & Garden Tours – Friday 10 – Saturday 11 March, 10am – 4pm

Founders Heritage Park

Hours: 10am – 4:30pm daily Marchfest – Saturday 4 March, 12pm - 9:30pm Jazz on the Village Green - The Moonlighters Trio – Sunday 12 March, 12:30pm – 2:30pm

Stoke Memorial Hall – **Temporarily Closed**

Trafalgar Street

Seafood Saturday – Saturday 25 March, 12pm – 4pm

Isel House and Park

Hours: Tuesday – Friday: 10am – 3pm Thursday: market hours (see below) Saturday: 12pm – 4pm Sunday, Monday and Public Holidays: Closed

Pūtangitangi Greenmeadows **Community Centre**

Community Open Day – Saturday 25 March, 9:30am – 1:30pm

Nelson Public Libraries:

Elma Turner Library – Open as the Pop-up Library

Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:30am – 6pm Wednesday: 10am - 6pm Saturday: 10am – 4pm Sunday: 1pm – 4pm Bushline – Sunday 5 March, 2pm – 3:30pm Pop-up Pukapuka – Wednesday 8 March, 5:45pm – 6:30pm Sunday Craft Club, Punch Needle Embroidery – Sunday 12 March, 1pm Book Sale - Saturday 25 March, 10am – 4pm and Sunday 26 March, 1pm – 4pm Live Music Series – Solo Guitar – Sunday 26 March, 2pm Poetry Reading – Sunday 26 March, 2:30pm

Broadgreen House and Samuels Rose Gardens

Hours: 10:30am - 4:30pm daily Langbein Time – Thursday 16 February – Saturday 30 September, 10am – 4:30pm Design and Weave Your Own Mobius – Sunday 5 March, 10am – 4pm Workshop – Embroidered Art – Transfer Stitch – Sunday 5 March, 10am – 4pm

The Suter Art Gallery & Theatre

Hours: 9:30am – 4:30pm daily Exhibition: Place Holder – Saturday 5 November – Sunday 26 March 2023 Exhibition: Darryl Frost: Inner Peace - Sunday 11 December - Sunday 5 March

Exhibition: Nelson Suter Art Society Autumn Exhibition – Wednesday 29 March – Sunday 16 April

Refinery ArtSpace

Hours: Monday - Friday from 10am -5pm, Saturday from 10am – 2pm Exhibition: COAST by Melissa Davidson, Lois Morgan and Michael Potter – Monday 13 February – Saturday 11 March, during opening hours Exhibition: 5 plus 2 Works in Glass – Monday 13 February – Saturday 11 March, during opening hours Exhibition: Tied – An interactive, collaborative installation by 3rd Element Collective – Monday 13 February – Saturday 11 March, during opening hours Skate Art Sesh – Thursday 9 March Nelson Fringe Festival – Cynthia & Gertie Ride Again! – Thursday 23 – Saturday 25 March, 6:05pm – 7:05pm Nelson Fringe Festival – Sajeela Kershi: Free Speech and Rah Rah Skirts! – Thursday 23 – Saturday 25 March, 7:35pm – 8:35pm Nelson Fringe Festival – Charmian Hughes: She! - Thursday 23 -Saturday 25 March, 9:05pm -10:05pm Nelson Fringe Festival – The Latin Black Sheep Tour – Sunday 26 March, 9:05pm – 10:05pm Nelson Fringe Festival – The Book Addict – Sunday 26 – Tuesday 28 March, 6:05pm – 7:05pm Nelson Fringe Festival – Silent Spring Revisited – Sunday 26 – Tuesday 28 March, 7:35pm – 8:35pm Nelson Fringe Festival – Dancing with Debra – Monday 27 March, 9:05pm – 10:05pm and Wednesday 29 March, 7:35pm – 8:35pm Nelson Fringe Festival – The Departure Lounge – Wednesday 29 – Thursday 30 March, 6:05pm – 7:05pm

Nightingale Library Memorial

Hours: Monday – Friday: 12pm – 4pm Saturday: Closed Sunday: 1pm - 4pm Census Support - Thursday 2 March, 2:30pm – 4pm Wellby Talking Café – Thursday 9 March, 1:30pm - 3pm

Stoke Library

Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:30am – 5:30 pm Wednesday: 10:00am – 5:30pm Saturday: 10am – 1pm Sunday: Closed

Nelson Provincial Museum

Hours: Weekdays from 10am – 5pm, Weekends & Public Holidays from 10am – 4:30pm