

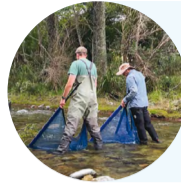
# Tō Tātou Whakatū Our Nelson



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Rutherford Park playspace location

## Have your say on new

## Whakatū playspace

The Whakatū Nelson community is being asked to share ideas that will shape a playground planned for the city centre.

Playspace Whakatū is a project being led by Ngā Iwi o te Taihū in partnership with Nelson City Council to help revitalise the city centre and create an intergenerational playspace in Rutherford Park. It is expected to take around 18 months to design and build.

Te Ātiawa o te Waka-a-Māui chief executive Justin Carter said one of the main objectives of the project was to create a public space that celebrates the unique culture and identity of Whakatū and reflects the mana of the region.

"We also want the space to be attractive for all whānau, somewhere they can connect, explore and play, and a place they want to keep coming back to.

"We're asking the community to let us know what they do and don't like to see in a playground, what would keep them coming back, and to share their ideas around what would make it an iconic destination for Whakatū," he said.

Engagement on the playspace is now open, and just under 200 students have already had their say via school visits. A website has been created with a feedback form, which will remain open until the end of March. It is open to anyone and can be found at [playspacewhakatu.nz](https://playspacewhakatu.nz)

People are also welcome to have their say in person, which they can do at all three of the region's libraries or at the Council Customer Service Centre from next week. City Centre Playspace Taskforce Chair,

Councillor James Hodgson says iwi have stepped up to lead this project and deliver the playspace as quickly as possible.

"This important playspace project is part of Kōpū, a programme of iwi-led initiatives to support the revitalisation of the Nelson City Centre through cultural expression and identity. Rutherford Park is a high-profile destination site, and it's exciting to see the project unfold."

The goal with the playspace is to create an iconic, inclusive and place-inspired destination that is appealing to all ages and will attract families to the city centre.

Planning and procurement are underway, with a design and build partner expected to be announced in April.

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Playspace | Whakatū

Tukuna tō kōrero mō te papa tākarō hōu o Whakatū Nelson.

Have your say on Whakatū Nelson's newest playspace.





# Whakatū Nelson events in the spotlight

## NELSON Opera IN THE PARK

What a lovely weekend we had celebrating the 20th anniversary of this hugely popular event! Thanks to the massive efforts of everyone involved to make this one of the many reasons why we love living here.

A crowd of 6,000 enjoyed a fantastic evening under the Stars at Trafalgar Park, ending with a stunning fireworks display.

The event wasn't just about great music – it was also about giving back. Youth Nelson collected \$640 in donations at the gate (and five new basketballs), and the Pay it Forward initiative provided 100 tickets for English Language Partners New Zealand.

Environmental initiatives saw 41% of waste diverted from landfill, bike racks full, e-vehicle parking well utilised, and two additional sold-out eBus services.

Carbon neutral event



# Waitangi Day Whakatū Nelson 2025

Ngā mihi nui to everyone who came together to make Waitangi Day 2025 at Whakatū Marae and Founders Heritage Park so special! The day began with a pōwhiri hosted by Ngāti Rārua and other iwi

of Te Taihu o Te Waka-a-Māui followed by heartfelt kōrero. Guests enjoyed powerful performances, delicious kai, and arts and crafts. The day was one of unity, culture, and history.



# Council completes buyouts of red-stickered properties

Council has completed buyout negotiations with the homeowners of properties that were damaged by slips during the August 2022 weather event and can now announce the future of these properties.

Nelson Mayor Nick Smith says settling all of the buyout negotiations for the worst-affected properties from the August 2022 storm is a significant milestone.

"This pragmatic solution, with the support of 50% funding from central government, has seen Council buy 16 properties. It enables the affected families to move on with their lives and the slip-prone land will no longer be used for housing, reducing the risks for the city from future events."

Council's Group Manager Infrastructure Alec Louverdis says Council's recovery team worked hard to get to this stage in the process.

"It's been a long yet very rewarding process with many challenges, but we're pleased that we could



Recovery Taskforce - Cr Trudie Brand, Mayor Nick Smith and Cr Matty Anderson with one of the Rocks Road houses that will be deconstructed.

arrive at a place that will allow these residents to leave a difficult chapter of their lives behind them."

The buyout of properties damaged by slips from private land was made possible due to a \$6 million contribution (as part of the wider \$12.3 million package) from central government that Councillors voted to accept during the 2024 Long Term Plan.

Eleven of the properties were in the Brook, four in Tāhunanui and one in Bishopdale. Negotiations for the properties damaged by slips that originated on private land began in July 2024 after the LTP was adopted and the final property on Rocks Road was settled this month.

Alec says the homes are to be sold for relocation where possible or deconstructed.

"This process has already occurred with properties on Brook Street. Three of the houses in this second tranche have been identified as being suitable for relocation, these are currently listed for sale. The tender for the deconstruction of two homes on Rocks Road and one on Seymour Avenue is underway and the work will occur in the

coming months.

"This is a significant milestone for the recovery project following the August 2022 weather event. Council is in this for the long haul and committed to a full recovery. The buyouts, and what we do with the land to make it safe, is a big part of that and I'm pleased that the team working on this project have managed to reach this point so efficiently."

Mayor Nick says two changes are needed to better manage the risks in the future.

"We are changing our natural hazard management rules through Plan Change 29 so we are more careful in future about where we allow homes to be built. We also need reform of our insurance and EQC coverage, so Councils and ratepayers are not having to fill the gaps in coverage. The system is flawed when a homeowner pays their insurance and EQC levy and their home cannot be lived in after a storm event due to increased landslip risk but they cannot get their property fixed or compensation for it."

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## COMPATIBLE BIKE WHEEL SIZES FOR EBUS BIKE RACKS

Reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

	MAXIMUM TYRE WIDTH	MAXIMUM WHEEL HUB DISTANCE
29 INCH WHEEL SIZE	2.6 INCHES	1115 MM
27.5 INCH WHEEL SIZE	2.6 INCHES	1155 MM

CHILDREN'S BIKE WHEELS NEED TO BE AT LEAST 24 INCHES  
 WHEEL & TYRE INFORMATION IS ON THE SIDEWALL OF YOUR TYRE

## Bike racks are back eBus first to receive exemption

Nelson Tasman's eBus is the first in New Zealand to receive an exemption to the obstruction rule, which will mean a 24/7 bike rack service will return in Nelson Tasman from Friday 21 February.

"This is fantastic news for our region," says Acting Mayor Rohan O'Neill-Stevens.

"Nelson has the highest volume of residents cycling to mahi and kura, and a high percentage of recreational cyclists. The removal of the bike racks was frustrating so I am pleased to see this development. I thank Council officers and SBL who have worked towards this result since the initial announcement in December 2024."

Bike racks were removed from buses across New Zealand on Friday 8 November as a precautionary

measure implemented following concerns that the racks may partially obstruct bus headlights.

A working group comprised of Councils, public transport operators (PTO) and NZTA officers was set up to reach an agreed pathway to return the use of bike racks to buses. In mid-January 2025 this working group released a set of agreed conditions and steps.

Group Manager Infrastructure Alec Louverdis says eBus fleet meets the new conditions.

"A diagram was issued to PTOs with a reference line. If the centre of the headlight is below the reference line then it's determined that the illumination is effective. eBus mechanics drew the reference line across headlights on our buses, which revealed that we would not be required to change our racks or buses. SBL mechanics worked through Thursday night so bikes could be back on board on Friday 21 February."

PROGRAMME 23 MARCH – 4 MAY 2025

# TUKU|25 WHAKATŪ

Six weeks of events to tuku (share) Nelson's unique stories of people and place.

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## Mayor's Message

Council at its first meeting of the year resolved to register with UNESCO Nelson's interest in being recognised as a Creative City of Craft.

It's an exciting opportunity to build our identity as a city that values and nurtures the arts.

This idea came from the City Revitalisation Summit last year and the What If Whakatū Nelson initiative. It has been further investigated by the Nelson Tasman Chamber of Commerce, Arts Council Nelson and Council's City Revitalisation Taskforce, Chaired by Deputy Mayor Rohan O'Neill-Stevens.

The benefits of Nelson gaining this international recognition include enhancing our creative sectors, helping retain and attract talent and growing our visitor industry. We are a popular visitor destination due to our stunning scenery and climate, but we need to extend our brand, so we attract more visitors out of the peak summer season.

A total of 350 cities worldwide are part of the UNESCO Creative Cities network. Auckland has gained UNESCO recognition for its Music, Wellington for its Film, Whanganui for Design and Dunedin for its Literature.

Craft is a natural fit for Nelson. Māori used the unique resources available in Te Taihū to craft valuable taonga such as pakohe/argillite. We have long had a diverse range of talented

craftspeople in ceramics, costume design, jewellery, glassware, boat building, fine woodwork and craft brewing.

Registering our interest is the first step. We will be working with the creative sector to build our application, which we will lodge next year. We need to maintain successful events such as Pottery Week, Jewellery Week, the Fringe Festival, Marchfest, the Arts Festival and the light festival of Te Ramaroa. I also think there is an opportunity to further develop Founders Park as a centre for our craftspeople.

I also must take this opportunity to congratulate the Council team behind the recent very successful 20th Opera in the Park, particular its creator and Artistic Director Pete Rainey. We need such community events to bring our city together and it give a timely lift in spirits.

It is my view that Council's top priority should be the provision of basic infrastructure such as water, roads and pathways but we also have an important role in enhancing Nelson's identity and lifestyle. The arts will always need private funding, sponsorship and volunteers, particularly in these difficult times when rates are under pressure.

Partnerships with others will be pivotal to acquiring this UN recognition for our creative sector and helping it grow.

Mayor  
Nick Smith



## Nelson Airport runway extension

Private Plan Change 30 (PPC30) and Nelson Airport's runway extension are a step closer to being incorporated into the Nelson Resource Management Plan, with Council's decision on 19 December 2024 to approve PPC 30, and to recommend to Nelson Airport Limited (NAL) that it confirms the Notice of Requirement (NoR).

### The private plan change was requested by NAL and as lodged with Council, proposed to:

- provide a clear planning framework regarding activities anticipated within the area covered by Airport designations, through a specific airport zone;
- ensure the contemporary role and function of the airport is recognised; and
- provide a consistent approach to managing activities sensitive to airport noise.

Any person who made a submission, as well as NAL, may appeal the decision on Private Plan Change 30 to the Environment Court by no later than 5pm on Monday 10 March 2025.

### PPC30 was accompanied by a NoR in which NAL proposed to alter the Airport's existing designations to:

- extend the length of the operational runway;
- enable an efficient, flexible and sustainable approach to developing Airport infrastructure, facilities and services; and
- minimise the effects of aircraft noise impacts on the surrounding community as far as practicable whilst also minimising adverse environmental and cultural effects.

Once NAL has made its decision the NoR, Council will notify that decision and there will be a appeal period of 15 working days.

## Proposed lease of the Maitai Valley Campground

**Public notice date:** 17 February 2025

**Closing date and time:** 17 March 2025 at 17:00

Notice is given pursuant to Section 119 of the Reserves Act 1977 of a proposal to grant a lease of the Maitai Valley Campground to Kiwi Cash Limited (trading as Penny).

- The proposed lease has an initial term of five years with one right of renewal of five years. If approved, it is anticipated that the lease will commence on or about 01 July 2025.
- The annual rent will comprise a base fee of \$40,000 + GST (subject to review) or 9.75% of gross income, whichever is the higher amount.

Existing improvements located at the Campground will remain in the ownership of Council.

**The area proposed to be leased is highlighted blue as per the map below.**



For more information on the proposal please see the Shape Nelson Page at [shape.nelson.govt.nz](https://shape.nelson.govt.nz) or visit the Customer Service Centre at the Council Office.

Any person wishing to make a submission or objection on this proposal should do so in writing to Nelson City Council, PO Box 645, Nelson, 7040 or through the Shape Nelson page at [shape.nelson.govt.nz](https://shape.nelson.govt.nz)

Submissions or objections must be received no later than 5pm on Monday 17 March 2025.

The Council's Hearings Panel will convene on **Wednesday 2 April 2025** to hear any submitters and objectors who wish to present oral submissions or objections. Please confirm in your written submission or objection if you wish to be heard.



# Bridge Street East watermain works



The Bridge St East Watermain upgrade project will begin 7 March from the Collingwood Street end and will move in sections down Bridge Street. The upgrade of this watermain will provide a direct benefit to the CBD and wider network by supplying larger volumes of water than is currently possible.

The watermain is responsible for water that we drink, clean with and bathe in. As with the larger Bridge to Better project, the upgrade of this watermain will

allow for future growth in the inner city and surrounding areas. As each section of work is underway, there will be a minimal loss of parking to allow traffic to continue to flow in each direction. All businesses in the area will remain open.

Visit the Shape page for more information:

[shape.nelson.govt.nz/bridge-better/bridge-st-east-watermain-starts](https://shape.nelson.govt.nz/bridge-better/bridge-st-east-watermain-starts)

## Our Waste Plan in a nutshell

### Why does this Plan matter to you?

We are preparing a new Nelson Tasman Waste Management and Minimisation Plan which affects something we all deal with every day – waste!

The direction of this plan could make a difference to you – it looks at areas like recycling; supporting everyone to reduce waste (and greenhouse gas emissions); how we use our landfill, recovering more resources like construction waste, what to do with waste during a natural disaster, and many other things.

We're excited about the opportunities to do more!

Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council share this plan, and this summary will give you an overview of what the new plan is all about, how you can help us become 'Waste free together' and how you can have a say.

### Our Vision: Waste Free Together

By 2050, Nelson Tasman is a low waste, low emissions society, built upon a circular economy and a resilient waste system. Being good ancestors, we cherish our inseparable connection with the natural environment and look after the planet's finite resources with care and responsibility.

### Our Goals and Objectives

#### Goal 1



Reduce resource consumption and prevent waste being generated in the first place

#### Goal 2



Keep resources in use as long as possible and recover value

#### Goal 3



Protect people and the natural environment from the harmful impacts of waste

### Our Targets We are proposing three targets to measure our progress:

#### Target #1



#### Avoid waste generation

- Reduce waste generation by 10% per person by 2035 from current levels.

#### Target #2



#### Reduce waste disposal

- Reduce waste disposed to landfill by 30% per person by 2035 from 2017/18 levels.

#### Target #3



#### Minimise waste emissions

- Reduce landfill biogenic methane gas emissions (greater than 85% on 2017 baseline); and utilise at least 75% of the captured landfill gas for beneficial use by 2035.

#### Focus area one:



Strengthen partnerships and collaborative efforts

#### Focus area two:



Prioritise waste prevention, reuse, repair and repurpose activities

#### Focus area three:



Address the impacts of climate change and natural hazards on the region's waste and resource recovery systems

#### Focus area four:



Enhance efforts to recover and divert resources from being disposed to landfill

#### Focus area five:



Enable waste solutions that take care of people and the environment



Submit and read more here:  
[shape.nelson.govt.nz/rethink-waste](https://shape.nelson.govt.nz/rethink-waste)



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## Councillor's Comment

Everyone wins when we have a common goal.

When I rode into my role as the Atawhai Liaison Councillor nine months ago, two local priorities became quickly apparent. The first was the need for community facilities in the area, and the second was the requested safety improvements for children making their way to Clifton Terrace School.

Council delivers such a broad range of services meeting countless priorities, that it can be easy for the needs within smaller communities to become overlooked. It is also impossible to fully deliver on every need, with even our scaled-back budgets resulting in often unpalatable rates increases. The most effective advocacy often requires compromise, and I've seen some excellent examples where that has been achieved.

The first is the recent installation of a public toilet adjacent to the playcentre at Corder Park. This isn't a fully-fledged community centre, and it's not even a gold-plated architecturally designed toileting experience. It's just a humble place to go for a wee, and it's that fact that enabled us to get on and do it, unlocking the area as a destination for families, senior citizens, runners, cyclists, and more.

The second was the incredible community advocacy to the Minister of Transport to pause planned speed limit increases adjacent to Clifton Terrace School

and instead consult with the local community. I know that some would have liked to see speeds decrease further, or to see urgent investment in safety upgrades, but these additional priorities may have been a barrier to being heard by the Government.

Instead, the community organised itself around a shared goal. This case was communicated so effectively, that when I finally sat down with the Minister of Transport to discuss the issue, there was nothing more to be added. The Government has now committed to changing their approach, and while it may seem like a small win, the community now has a chance to have its say.

None of this is to say that we shouldn't dream big. We absolutely should. I would love to see a community hub develop in Atawhai, and to see a safe cycle path extend to Todd's Valley and The Glen. The challenge with change is to find a way to bring everyone along for the journey, and sometimes that requires small steps, compromise, and conversation.

However you view it, the past two weeks are proof that little wins can make all the difference.



Councillor James Hodgson at the newly installed public toilet at Corder Park.

## Meetings

Council meeting 9am	6 Mar
Joint Nelson Tasman Regional Transport Committee - Tasman District Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond 3pm	10 Mar
Nelson Tasman Regional Landfill Business Unit 9:30am	12 Mar
Council meeting to hear submissions to Local Water Done Well Service Delivery Options for Nelson City (if required) 1:30pm	12 Mar
Joint Committee of Tasman District and Nelson City Councils 9:30am	13 Mar
Nelson Tasman Joint Waste Review Working Party to hear Submissions to Review of Joint Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (if required) 9:30am	25 Mar
Council meeting to deliberate on submissions to Local Water Done Well Service Delivery Options for Nelson City 9am	26 Mar
Hearing Panel 9am	27 Mar



## Maitai BioBlitz reveals rich biodiversity

Nelson City Council is celebrating the success of its recent Maitai BioBlitz, held at the end of January.

The 24-hour event saw an impressive 350+ species recorded, highlighting the rich biodiversity within our local environment.

The BioBlitz, centered around Branford Park, involved a variety of survey methods. Teams explored the native bush, conducted stream surveys using macroinvertebrate sampling and electric fishing, and deployed wildlife cameras and moth traps overnight.

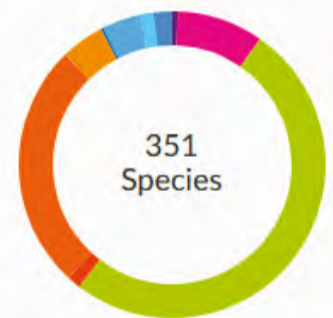
The community played a crucial role in the event, with 89 people contributing to the identification and verification of findings on the iNaturalist platform. In total, 677 individual observations were logged, showcasing the power of citizen science.

The diverse range of species identified included plants, fungi, insects, spiders, arthropods (like freshwater shrimp, koura, and centipedes), molluscs (snails and slugs), mammals (possums, rabbits, cats, and hedgehogs), fish, birds, and even protozoans such as slime moulds.

Of the recorded species, 200 were native to New Zealand, while 153 were classified as 'introduced'. Council notes that many introduced species, such as vine-weeds, possums, and rats, pose a significant threat to our native biodiversity. Understanding the distribution of these introduced species is crucial for effective management strategies aimed at protecting our native plants and wildlife. The data collected during the BioBlitz will be invaluable in informing these efforts.

An eDNA survey of the stream detected 280 taxa - the vast majority being aquatic organisms that were too hard to detect or identify on the day, along with more recognisable animals that are present in the area but were not recorded - revealing that our biodiversity is wider than we realize.

Council extends a huge thank you to everyone who participated in the Maitai BioBlitz, contributing to this valuable snapshot of our local ecosystem. If you would like to see how diverse your backyard is, download the iNaturalist app and get recording!



- Unknown
- Protozoans
- Fungi
- Plants
- Chromista
- Mollusks
- Insects
- Arachnids
- Ray-Finned F...
- Amphibians
- Reptiles
- Birds
- Mammals
- Other Animals

Preserving biodiversity is essential for mitigating climate change, and enhancing ecosystem resilience.



# Roadside vegetation and berms – your responsibilities

If you own a property with frontage next to a footpath or if the property has a berm in front it's important to understand that it's your responsibility to maintain it to a satisfactory level so it does not restrict access or line of sight for traffic or users of the footpath.

## Here's what you need to know:

### Berms

- Berms can be divided into two areas:
- Inside berm – The area between the property boundary (often a fence) and the footpath.
- Outside berm – The space between the footpath and the kerb/road.

### Inside berm maintenance options

The most common option is a grass frontage, which homeowners are responsible for mowing.

### However homeowners can landscape the inside berm, but there are a few rules:

- Vegetation must not encroach on the footpath, including overhanging tree branches.
- Landscaping must not obstruct visibility for driveways, corners or pedestrians.
- Decorative boulders and rocks are subject to size restrictions.
- Homeowners must maintain any landscaping they install.

You can see all the restrictions here: [nelson.govt.nz/building-and-property/property-land-use/property-ownership/residential-berm-planting/](https://nelson.govt.nz/building-and-property/property-land-use/property-ownership/residential-berm-planting/)

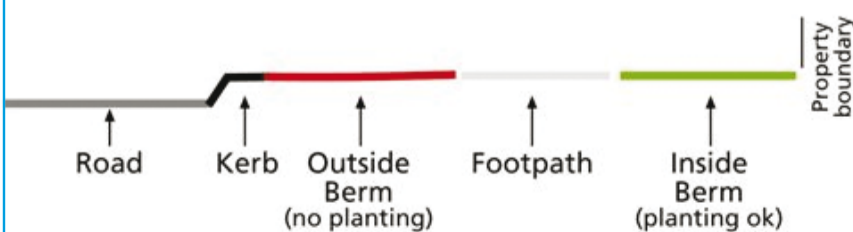
### No footpath

If no footpath exists, you may plant to the road edge, following the same rules and information as the inside berm guidelines.

### Outside berm guidelines

The outside berm is again typically grass and maintenance of this area is again the responsibility of the homeowner. Homeowners can if they wish plant low ground cover plants—keeping in mind that public foot traffic, visitors and contractors may step on them. Crushed stone is also an option, but boulders and rocks are not allowed.

If your outside berm is wider than 1.5 metres, you may be eligible for street planting. Contact the Council's Parks and Recreation team on 03 546 0200 for more information.



## Proposed Parking Changes in Upper Trafalgar Street

Go to [shape.nelson.govt.nz](https://shape.nelson.govt.nz) and select Road and Parking Changes

# We want to hear from you in the 2024/25 residents' survey!

It's that time again, where Nelson City Council is asking the community for feedback about our organisation's current services, activities, and overall direction.

The results of these surveys give us a valuable overview of public opinion and help Council improve how it delivers the services that impact you – everything from Nelson's transportation network to sporting and cultural events and how we look after the natural environment.

An independent research company will survey at least 400 Nelson residents at random, across four periods between July 2024 and June 2025 to maximise opportunities for people to participate. We'll make the survey results public once the survey is completed, but individual responses will be completely anonymous.

If you've been chosen to participate, you'll get a letter in the mail with a QR code you can scan to complete the survey online. You'll also be able to request a paper copy if that is easier for you. Either way, the survey should only take about 10–15 minutes to complete. As thanks for taking the time to respond, you'll go in a draw to win one of four Prezzy Cards valued at \$100 each, so make sure you check your mailbox!

Even if you aren't selected to complete the survey, there are always plenty of ways to share your feedback with Council. Projects open for consultation are regularly updated online at [shape.nelson.govt.nz](https://shape.nelson.govt.nz) and you can report any problems or issues through the Antenna App or by contacting our Customer Service Centre on **03 546 0200**.

## DRAGONS' DEN

### Climate Change Edition

**Are you willing to enter the Dragons' Den and pitch your emissions reduction idea for business?**

In this local edition of Dragons' Den, Nelson businesses have the opportunity to receive up to \$25,000 in funding from Nelson City Council's Climate Business Grant. The catch? They'll be pitching their projects to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to a panel of three judges and a live audience. The three dragons assessing the projects will be Miriana Stephens (Director, Wakatū Incorporation & General Manager, AuOra), Eric Swale (Commercial Development Manager, Cawthron Institute) and Sally Gepp KC (Environmental Lawyer). If you're a business looking for a spark to kickstart your emissions-reduction project while inspiring the Whakatū business community, you can find out more about the grant application process here: [buff.ly/4htJZxX](https://buff.ly/4htJZxX).

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE 2 MARCH**



## Conewatch: Ongoing Projects

**6 Chings Road – Flood Recovery Repair**  
**End date:** February 2025  
**Location:** On the bank across the road from 6 Chings Road  
**Benefit:** Retaining wall repair of scouring below the carriageway

**Slip 13 – Cleveland Terrace**  
**End date:** February 2025  
**Location:** Dorothy Annie Way off Cleveland Terrace  
**Benefit:** Property protection



**Stoke Library Roofing Replacement**  
**End date:** April 2025  
**Location:** Stoke Library  
**Benefit:** Replace roof to prevent leaks

**Slip 7 – 9A Miro Street**  
**End date:** April 2025  
**Location:** 9A Miro Street  
**Benefit:** Property protection

**Slip 16 – Grampians Reserve**  
**End date:** April 2025  
**Location:** Trafalgar Street South, Van Diemen Street  
**Benefit:** Property protection

**Cambria Street to Stanley Whitehead Park Path**  
**End date:** May 2025  
**Location:** Cambria Street to Stanley Whitehead Park  
**Benefit:** New link between Cambria Street and the existing Stanley Whitehead reserve track to improve access in and out of the reserve

**Atawhai Trunk Main**  
**End date:** June 2025  
**Location:** 12 Wakapuaka Road (SH6)  
**Benefit:** Improve water supply

## Get involved and help us shape Nelson



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## It's on... at a Council venue near you

**Kirby Lane**  
 Kirby Fridays  
 Friday 28 February, 4.30pm – 8.30pm

**Saxton Field**  
 Forever Active, Ages 55+ – Wednesdays, 10am – 11am (at the outdoor gym)  
 International Walking Football Festival  
 Saturday 22 March, 9am – 5pm (at Nelson Hockey)

**Saxton Pavilion**  
 Yoga for Healthy Backs  
 Tuesdays, 10am – 11.30am

**Saxton Oval**  
 New Zealand's White Ferns V Sri Lanka Odi  
 Friday 7 & Tuesday 11 March, 11am – 6.30pm

**Trafalgar Centre**  
 NBS Nelson Giants vs Wellington Saints  
 Thursday 20 March, 7pm – 9.30pm

**1903 Square**  
 Nelson Fringe Outdoors  
 Saturday 8 & 15 March, 11am – 1pm

**Founders Heritage Park**  
 Hours: 10am – 4:30pm Daily  
 Food Truck Fridays – Fridays, 4pm – late  
 Sunday Sesh: Decks on the Deck  
 Sundays, 3pm – 6pm  
 Jazz on the Village Green: Nelson Jazz Club Big Band – Sunday 2 March, 1pm – 3pm  
 Nelson Yoga Festival  
 Saturday 8 & Sunday 9 February, from 9am  
 Jazz on the Village Green: Tessa Q Jazz Set  
 Sunday 16 March, 1pm – 3pm  
 Multicultural Festival  
 Sunday 23 March, 11am – 4pm

**Trafalgar Street Hall**  
 Chair Yoga  
 Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 4.15pm – 5pm

**Trafalgar Street**  
 Nelson Italian Festival  
 Sunday 2 March, 10am – 4pm

**Melrose House**  
 Hours: Monday: 9am – 3.30pm, Tuesday to Sunday: 9am – 4pm, closed public holidays

**Isel House and Park**  
 Sunday, Monday and Public Holidays: Closed  
 Tuesday – Friday: 10am – 3pm  
 Thursday Market: 4.30pm – 7.30pm  
 Saturday: 12pm – 4pm

**Pūtangitangi Greenmeadows Community Centre**  
 All On Board  
 Thursday 27 February, 10am – 12pm

**Nelson Public Libraries:**

**Elma Turner Library**  
 Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9.30am – 6pm  
 Wednesday: 10am – 6pm  
 Saturday: 10am – 4pm  
 Sunday: 1pm – 4pm  
 Quiet Hour – Tuesdays, 9.30am – 10.30am  
 Young Library Guild  
 Tuesdays, 3.30pm – 4.30pm  
 Small Time – Wednesdays, 10.30am – 11am  
 Library Knitters – Thursdays, 10am – 12pm  
 Device Advice – Thursdays, 2pm – 3pm

Tea and Talk – Fridays, 10am – 11:30am  
 Community Corner with Ancestors Attic  
 Wednesday 26 February and 26 March, 10:30am – 12pm  
 Frank Baby the Therapy Dog  
 Saturday 1 & 15 March, 11:30am – 12:30am  
 Dementia Friendly Reading Group  
 Wednesday 5 March, 10am – 11am  
 Kōrero Te Reo Māori  
 Saturday 8 & 22 March, 10am – 11am  
 Nelson Fringe: Zine Making Workshop  
 Saturday 8 & 15 March, 11.15am – 1.15pm  
 Ruru the Therapy Dog  
 Saturday 8 & 22 March, 1pm – 2pm  
 Bookchat  
 Tuesday 11 March, 10:30am – 12pm  
 STEM Writers  
 Tuesday 11 & 25 March, 1pm – 3pm  
 LEGO Robotics  
 Friday 14, & 21 March, 3.30pm – 4.30pm  
 Community Kōrero – HomeShare For Her  
 Sunday 16 March, 2pm – 3pm  
 Alzheimers Nelson Tasman Drop-In  
 Thursday 20 March, 10am – 11am

**Nightingale Library Memorial**  
 New Temporary Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:30am – 4pm  
 Wednesday: 10am – 4pm  
 Saturday: Closed  
 Sunday: 1pm – 4pm  
 Device Advice – Mondays, 2pm – 3pm  
 Small Time – Fridays, 10.30am – 11am  
 Nellie Knitters – 26 February, 3, 12, 17 & 26 March, 1pm – 3pm

**Stoke Library**  
 New Temporary Hours:  
 Monday – Friday: 1pm – 5:30pm  
 Saturday: 10am – 1pm  
 Sunday: Closed  
 Construction Corner  
 Thursdays, 3.30pm – 4.30pm  
 Franky Baby the Therapy Dog  
 Saturday 8 & 22 March, 11:30am – 12:30pm  
 Bookchat  
 Wednesday 19 March, 5.30pm – 6.30pm

**Museums and Galleries:**

**Broadgreen House and Samuels Rose Gardens**  
 Summer hours 1 October to 30 April:  
 Sunday – Friday 11am – 4:30pm,  
 Sunday 1:30pm – 4pm  
 Assertiveness Training Course  
 Wednesdays, 6:30pm – 7:30pm

**The Suter Art Gallery & Theatre**  
 Hours: 9:30am – 4:30pm Daily  
 Unpacking the End of Life Choice Act  
 Sunday 2 March, 2pm – 3.30pm

**Refinery ArtSpace**  
 Hours: Monday – Friday from 10am – 5pm,  
 Saturday from 10am – 2pm  
 Nelson Fringe Festival  
 Thursday 6 March – Saturday 15 March

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



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 6 - 15 March 2025  
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 Most shows are about an hour.  
 Tickets \$18 + bf  
 Kids/Youth shows \$10/\$14 + bf