

# Community Link

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## New pound build ahead of schedule

Construction of Whanganui District Council's new animal pound at Airport Road is proceeding ahead of schedule after work began in mid-June following the move down in national COVID-19 alert levels.

The council's Compliance Operations Manager, Warrick Zander, says, "The new pound is designed to comply with the national codes of animal welfare, and continues the proactive approach we've been taking to animal compliance and education."

Upgraded kennels and secure treatment cages at the new facility will provide a safer and kinder working environment for both the council's Animal Management Officers and the animals being cared for.

Each of the pound's 47 dog kennels will have auto-fed water stations and raised fold-out beds, and two large run areas – one grassed – will be available for exercise. The kennel area also features a UV-resistant roof with acoustic properties designed to mitigate noise. A modern food preparation and laundry area will complete the new kennels.



Whanganui District Council's new animal pound at Airport Road is nearing completion

A notable feature of the new pound is a dedicated education room in the main building. This area will allow the council to continue its promotion of responsible dog ownership to the Whanganui community with in-person and video presentations.

The new animal pound is expected to be completed and operational in late November 2020.

## Be prepared to ShakeOut!

ShakeOut is New Zealand's annual nationwide earthquake drill and tsunami hikoi (evacuation) – this year's event takes place tomorrow, **Thursday, 15 October 2020 at 9.30am**. The event is intended to remind and educate people about the right action to take – "Drop, Cover and Hold" and "Long or Strong, Get Gone" – in the event of an earthquake and/or tsunami. To sign-up your household, school or organisation for ShakeOut 2020, visit: [www.shakeout.govt.nz](http://www.shakeout.govt.nz)



## Input sought on Gambling Venues Policy review

Whanganui District Council is seeking feedback on a review of its Gambling Venues Policy. The council is proposing to retain the existing sinking lid policy with minor changes to the wording to improve its clarity and consistency.

Submit your feedback via an online form at: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say) or email your thoughts to: [policysubmissions@whanganui.govt.nz](mailto:policysubmissions@whanganui.govt.nz) Hard copies of the proposed policy, statement of proposal, and submission form are available from Council Customer Services, 101 Guyton Street, or the Davis or Gonville libraries. All consultation information is available at: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say)

Submissions close at **5.00pm on Friday, 20 November 2020**.

## Heritage Survey is open to all Whanganui residents

Whanganui District Council wants your thoughts and opinions on actions to support Whanganui District's heritage.

The council's Heritage Advisor, Scott Flutey, says, "We're interested in understanding your views on heritage, what you consider to be of heritage value in Whanganui, and how the preservation of heritage can be better supported."

This survey is open to all Whanganui residents. Your feedback will inform the council's Heritage Strategy, which is currently being drafted. Share your views online at: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/heritage-survey](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/heritage-survey)

Meanwhile, Whanganui Heritage Month continues apace. For a listing of council-related events during October, please visit: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/heritage-month](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/heritage-month)

For more information about Heritage Month and a full list of events, please visit: [www.whanganuiheritagetrust.org.nz](http://www.whanganuiheritagetrust.org.nz)

### WHANGANUI DISTRICT COUNCIL PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS

Whanganui District Council invites you to have your say on the following topics:

- Review of Gambling Venues Policy
- Whanganui District Heritage Survey
- Long-Term Plan 2021-2031

For more information, please visit: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say)



## Request for tender

### Contract 1897 – Wastewater Treatment Plant generator purchase

Whanganui District Council invites tenders from suitably experienced contractors for the provision of two new generators that will allow critical equipment (not the whole site) to run in times of reticulated electricity supply failure.

The tender documents are available at: [www.tenderlink.com/whanganui](http://www.tenderlink.com/whanganui)  
TenderLink Reference: **WANGDC-940000**  
Tenders for this contract must be submitted no later than **4.00pm on Thursday, 5 November 2020**.

To register with TenderLink, please visit: [www.tenderlink.com/whanganui](http://www.tenderlink.com/whanganui)  
For any other tendering assistance, contact the council's Senior Procurement Officer, Lana Treen, between 10.00am-3.00pm weekdays at: [lana.treen@whanganui.govt.nz](mailto:lana.treen@whanganui.govt.nz) or call direct on (06) 349 3105.

## Hazardous Waste Day

### Register your household waste now!

Whanganui District Council is holding a Household Hazardous Waste Day on **Saturday, 7 November 2020**. The event gives households the chance to register hazardous waste with the council and drop it off at a designated location.

Please register your hazardous waste by **Monday, 2 November** so its safe disposal can be planned. To register and for more information, visit: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/household-hazardous-waste-day](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/household-hazardous-waste-day)

## Tree trimming work

### Heads Rd one lane next Thursday

Heads Road between Liffiton Street and Carlton Avenue will be restricted to one lane next **Thursday, 22 October 2020, from 8.00am-12 noon**, to enable contractors to trim trees above the road. During the work traffic will be diverted into Carlton Avenue and back into Liffiton Street.

Traffic control will be operating at the Carlton Avenue-Liffiton Street intersection – delays are possible. This work will only affect the north-bound lane. Traffic from the roundabout will still be able to use Heads Road.

## Council meetings

### You are welcome at our meetings

#### Additional October meeting

Council Meeting	9.30am Thursday 22 October	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street
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- Hearings and deliberations for Land Purchase at Durie Hill
- Review of Psychoactive Substances – Local Approved Products Policy

Agendas are available at: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas)  
Full Council meetings are livestreamed at:  
• [www.facebook.com/whanganuidistrictcouncil](https://www.facebook.com/whanganuidistrictcouncil)  
• [www.whanganui.govt.nz/live-council-meetings](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/live-council-meetings)

## Long-Term Plan 2021-2031

Whanganui District Council is holding community conversations about its Long-Term Plan 2021-2031 and wants to hear your ideas and aspirations for Whanganui for the next 10 years. Look out for the council's pop-up stall and have a chat with our friendly council officers at these places and times:

- **Majestic Square, Victoria Avenue**  
– Saturday, 17 October from 10.00am-3.00pm
- **Gonville Library, 44 Abbot Street**  
– Wednesday, 21 October from 10.00am-2.00pm
- **Whanganui Home & Lifestyle Show, Jubilee Stadium** – Saturday, 31 October from 10.00am-5.00pm

For more information, please visit: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/long-term-plan](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/long-term-plan)

