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Lanterns on the Awa set to launch

Lanterns on the Awa 2022 is a community event to celebrate Whanganui's continual support of Chinese and other Asian cultures. This year's event – on **Saturday, 3 September 2022 from 5.00pm** – will once again be held alongside the Whanganui River near the Whanganui River Markets area in Taupo Quay. Whanganui District Council is helping to support this event as part of Whanganui's sister-city relationship with Lijiang in China.



Lanterns on the Awa 2022 will include a stage for performers of traditional dance, music and martial arts, along with traditional Chinese hanging lanterns and the culturally significant gesture of releasing wax-coated floating lanterns (candles) over the Whanganui River. Food and non-alcoholic beverages will also be on sale. For more information, visit: www.lanternsontheawa.nz



IMAGE: Milton Lister

Creative Communities

Funding applications are now open

Applications are now open for Whanganui Creative Communities Scheme funding. The scheme is a partnership between Whanganui District Council and Creative New Zealand, and supports local arts projects focused on diversity, accessibility and youth participation in the arts. Funding applications close at **12 noon on Friday, 2 September 2022**. To find out if your project is eligible to apply for funding, please email: anique.jayasinghe@whanganui.govt.nz More details at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/creative-communities-scheme

Pukenamu Queen's Park

Road closure outside Sarjeant Gallery

Pukenamu Drive immediately in front of the Sarjeant Gallery Te Whare o Rehua Whanganui will be closed to all through traffic from **6.00am this Thursday, 18 August until 6.00pm on Monday, 29 August 2022**. The temporary road closure is to allow a crane to undertake work on the Sarjeant Gallery redevelopment in Pukenamu Queen's Park. For more details, please visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/public-notice

Hylton's Park operation

Pest control work from 22-27 August

A pest control operation will take place at night at Hylton's Park in Aramoho for one week beginning on Monday, 22 August 2022. The operation is needed to prevent ongoing damage to recent community plantings in this area, and is scheduled to take place **overnight from Monday evening, 22 August, until Saturday morning, 27 August 2022 inclusive between 6.00pm-8.00am**. The park will reopen to the public during the day throughout the control period. More details at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/public-notice

Council meetings

Upcoming meetings

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| Whanganui Rural Community Board | 2.30pm Wednesday 17 August | Nagaizumi-cho Room, 101 Guyton Street |
| Extraordinary Council meeting | 2.00pm Tuesday 23 August | Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street |
| Policy and Bylaw Committee | 11.00am Tuesday 30 August | Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street |

Open Space and Physical Activity deliberations

Meetings in September 2022

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| Audit and Risk Committee | 1.00pm Thursday 1 September | Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street |
| Council meeting | 1.00pm Tuesday 13 September | Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street |

Agendas: www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas
 Livestreamed council meetings:
www.facebook.com/whanganuidistrictcouncil
www.whanganui.govt.nz/live-council-meetings

Make your cabinet art mark Election candidates named

Chorus has partnered with Whanganui District Council to promote the Chorus Cabinet Art Programme in Whanganui. Two cabinets – in Carlton Avenue and Hakeke Street – have been chosen. Full details at: www.chorus.co.nz/community/cabinet-art-programme



Candidate nominations for the 2022 local elections in Whanganui officially closed at 12 noon last Friday, 12 August, with 27 nominations received for council, seven nominations for the Whanganui Rural Community Board and three contenders for the mayoral seat.



The number of nominations for Whanganui District Council has declined from 29 received in the previous local election in 2019, and 33 in 2016. All election information including a full list of candidates for the 2022 local elections in Whanganui is available at: votewhanganui.nz

Parking in metered areas

Whanganui District Council's chief executive David Langford says parking fines have not been increased by the council since the introduction of new parking meters in March this year. The fines have always been \$40.00 for parking in metered areas and not paying at all, and they have always been between \$12.00 and \$57.00 for paying for parking and then exceeding the time limit.

"I think a lot of people may not realise that parking infringement fines are set in legislation under the Land Transport (Offences and Penalties) Regulations. The council can't just increase the fines," David Langford says.

"Lately, people have been caught out with a \$40.00 fine when they haven't paid to park because our parking meters are a bit smarter than the older versions. In the past the mixture of old parking meter models made it difficult to properly enforce the \$40.00 infringement fine for failing to pay when they park."

To read more, please visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/Your-Council/News-Events/News

Urban Angels taking flight at the Sarjeant this Sunday

The Urban Angels return to the Sarjeant on the Quay at 38 Taupo Quay from **5.00pm this Sunday, 21 August 2022**, with new songs and an expanded line-up. Along with John Scudder on double bass and Terry Sarten on guitar and vocals, they'll be joined by Chester Nevil on drums and Liz Anderson on violin. Loosely described as Neu Folk, the set will include new material written by Terry Sarten alongside his more well-known songs. Tickets are \$18.00 general admission or \$12.00 for Gallery Friends & Stars. Make your booking at: shop.sarjeant.org.nz/collections/events – alternatively, please call 06 349 0506 or email: info@sarjeant.org.nz



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Pay your dog rego fee on or by WEDNESDAY, 31 AUGUST to go into the draw to win a \$200 doggie gift bag!

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