

# Community Link

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## Whanganui Port project progresses

Whanganui District Council's portion of the Te Pūwaha port revitalisation work is 53 percent completed, with plans to lodge consent before Christmas and go to market for contractors for the port build in early 2022.



The Victory Shed demolition (pictured), part of the Te Pūwaha Whanganui Port revitalisation, is on track to be completed by Christmas.

Asbestos from the shed roof was carefully removed during September and October and the area received WorkSafe clearance before demolition continued. As part of work to rebuild and revitalise the port, demolition materials will be salvaged and considered for future reuse where possible.

At the Victory Shed site, concrete walls will be broken down and the concrete crushed for reuse as part of the site rehabilitation throughout the project. The area that is being cleared at the site will receive full land remediation so that it can house future tenanted buildings and facilities within the new marine precinct.



Although the area is a pre-1900 site, and there have been no archaeological finds at the site to date, the Victory Shed has had a rich history. Before demolition began a photographic record was created to preserve the Victory Shed's iconic contribution to Whanganui's local history.

Read a detailed update on the demolition of the Victory Shed at: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/port](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/port)

## Council holiday hours

Whanganui District Council closes at **12 noon this Friday, 24 December 2021** and reopens at **8.30am on Wednesday, 5 January 2022**.

For a list of opening hours for council facilities over the Christmas and New Year period, visit: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/holiday-hours-2021](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/holiday-hours-2021)

## Requests for tender

### Contract 1973 – Streetlight maintenance 2022

Whanganui District Council invites tenders from suitably experienced contractors to maintain approximately 6500 streetlights and poles on the council's roading network.

TenderLink reference: **WANGDC-1002273**  
The tender deadline is **4.00pm on Thursday, 20 January 2022**.

### Contract 1972 – Pavement marking 2022

Whanganui District Council invites tenders from suitably experienced contractors to maintain road markings and raised reflective pavement markers on Whanganui District roads.

TenderLink reference: **WANGDC-1001913**  
The tender deadline is **4.00pm on Thursday, 20 January 2022**.

### Contract 1938 – Whanganui Youth Places & Spaces feasibility study

Whanganui District Council invites quotes from suitably experienced contractors to conduct a feasibility study to determine the viability of a Youth Places & Spaces (or a central hub / youth hub) in the Whanganui District.

TenderLink reference: **WANGDC-1000724**  
The tender deadline has been extended to **4.00pm on Thursday, 3 February 2022**.

Access all tender documents and TenderLink registration information for these contracts at: [portal.tenderlink.com/whanganui](http://portal.tenderlink.com/whanganui)  
For TenderLink enquiries, call 0800 698 363. For any other tendering assistance contact the council's senior procurement officer, Lana Treen, on 06 349 3105 between 10.00am-4.00pm weekdays or email: [lane.treen@whanganui.govt.nz](mailto:lane.treen@whanganui.govt.nz)

## Drews Ave project lauded



The Drews Avenue streetscape project (shown) that was put in place by Whanganui District Council's town centre regeneration team has been hailed as "ingenious" by Government funders Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency.

Waka Kotahi's urban mobility manager, Kathryn King, says the Drews Avenue project is an excellent example of how to open up street space to meet the needs of the community.

Through the project, Drews Avenue has been made more people-friendly with communal seating, bike racks and greenery and more attractive with road art and installations such as lightboxes showing UCOL student art.

Town Centre Regeneration project manager, Ellen Young, thanked the generous input of the Drews Avenue and creative community who made the project what it is. "This acknowledgement from Waka Kotahi really belongs to the community of people who helped develop the vision and had faith in the project to see it to fruition."

## Prizes up for grabs with the Summer Reading Challenge!

Registrations are now open to enter Whanganui District Library's Summer Reading Challenge! The purpose of the challenge is to get the Whanganui community engaging with library staff, services and of course the library's great collection of reading and other material.

The challenge is open to every library member in the Whanganui district aged 13 years and older, and there are five \$50.00 book vouchers from Paige's Book Gallery up for grabs. The prizes will be drawn on Library Lovers' Day (14 February 2022) with winners contacted then announced on the district library's Facebook page.

Register for the Summer Reading Challenge and collect your guide at either the Davis, Gonville or mobile libraries. If you're not a library member, bring your ID with you and the friendly library staff will sign you up.

For more information, please visit: [www.facebook.com/pg/WhanganuiDistrictLibrary/posts/](https://www.facebook.com/pg/WhanganuiDistrictLibrary/posts/)

## WHANGANUI DISTRICT COUNCIL PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS

Whanganui District Council invites you to have your say on this topic:

- Cemeteries and Crematoria Bylaw review – initial survey

More details at: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say)



## Heritage Grant Fund

### Apply for funding by 31 January 2022

Whanganui District Council has increased its Heritage Grant Fund and widened the scope of funding criteria. Owners of heritage buildings can now apply for Heritage Grant Fund support for professional services relating to seismic design and fire upgrades. Funding applications for the current funding round can be made until **31 January 2022**. More details at: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/heritage-fund](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/heritage-fund)

## Council meetings

### Meeting not previously notified

An extraordinary full Council meeting was held on **Monday, 20 December 2021**. This meeting considered public-excluded business only. Please note that publishing schedules precluded earlier notification.

Agendas: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas)  
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[www.whanganui.govt.nz/live-council-meetings](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/live-council-meetings)

## Stay in the know with Antenno!

Whanganui District Council has a smartphone app available to the community. Antenno allows you to receive alerts and notifications about topics like water shut-offs, or important information in the event of an emergency or natural disaster. Install Antenno now – it's free to download.

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