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New Sarjeant wing to shimmer light

Whanganui district councillors have endorsed a change of design and material for the façade of the Sarjeant Gallery's new extension wing, Te Pātaka o Sir Te Atawhai Archie John Taiaroa, and given the green light for new materials to be ordered.

Project director, Gaye Batty, says Oamaru stone was originally specified for the façade of the building. "However, when the current supply of stone was tested, it did not meet the required specification for the building. The project team was then charged with finding an acceptable alternative for the façade.



"The result is an inspirational new concept for the façade which will be constructed from dark stone panels, highlighted by splashes of shiny steel Tioata inserts to create the effect of light shimmering on the water.

"This light effect that can be seen under certain conditions on the Whanganui River is referred to as Kāpanapa and it is the key design narrative for the building chosen through a series of workshops with the architect Warren and Mahoney and Te Kāhui Toi, the artist group appointed by Te Rūnanga o Tūpoho."

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

Learn a mobile app a day!

Whanganui District Library is celebrating the Festival of Adult Learning from 5-11 September 2022 with a selection of FREE events, including the App A Day series of one-hour sessions to build confidence in using mobile apps. For more information, pick up a leaflet from one of our libraries or check out our Facebook pages:

- www.facebook.com/WhanganuiDistrictLibrary
- www.facebook.com/GonvilleLibrary



New real-time bus tracking

You can now see how far away the bus is from your stop with Horizons Regional Council's introduction of real-time tracking on most bus services across the region, including Whanganui. The new real-time service is available via Horizon's website for users to track their bus – free-text and app options are planned for later this year. Scan the QR code for real-time bus service tracking and to take a real-time survey that includes a draw to win \$20 Beecard credits.



Mayoral Forum and Meet the Candidates next month

With voting papers arriving in letterboxes from mid-September, now is a great time to get to know who you'll be voting for in this year's local elections.



Whanganui District Council is hosting two information sessions in September. Mayoral candidates will discuss the critical issues for Whanganui in a public **Mayoral Forum from 5.30pm on Wednesday, 14 September 2022** at the Whanganui War Memorial Centre, hosted by Local Democracy reporter Moana Ellis and former editor of the *Whanganui Chronicle*, Mark Dawson.

And a **Meet the Candidates evening from 5.30pm on Thursday, 15 September 2022** at the War Memorial Centre will feature a Q&A session hosted by Jay Rerekura and Christina Emery. Each session will be livestreamed on the council's Facebook page for those unable to attend in person.

All election information, including a full list of candidates for the 2022 local elections in Whanganui, is available at: votewhanganui.nz

Creative Communities

Funding applications close on Friday

There's only a couple of days left to get your application in to Whanganui's Creative Communities Scheme! Any projects that involve access and participation in an artform – such as theatre, dance, music, visual arts, crafts or design – can be eligible for funding. Funding applications close at **12 noon this Friday, 2 September 2022**. To find out if your project is eligible to apply for funding, please email: anique.jayasinghe@whanganui.govt.nz More information at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/creative-communities-scheme

Tākaro Play Trailer

Come and join the after-school fun!

The Tākaro Play Trailer will be at two locations after school during Term 3 (weather permitting) – join in the fun at:

- **Lundon Park** – Thatcher Street, Castlecliff, every Tuesday from 3.00pm-4.30pm
 - **Williams Domain** – Patapu Street, Whanganui East, every Wednesday from 3.00pm-4.30pm.
- Bookings can also be made at: bit.ly/3CyWwi6

River project funding

Whanganui River Enhancement Trust

Applications are now open for a special funding round from the Whanganui River Enhancement Trust. For this special funding round the trust will give priority consideration to innovative environmental projects that help contribute to the health and wellbeing of the Whanganui River catchment. Applications close at **midnight on Friday, 9 September 2022**. Download an application form at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/WRET-fund-2022 Forms are also available from Whanganui District Council at 101 Guyton Street.

Request for tender

Contract 1995 – Pukenui Queen's Park landscaping design

Whanganui District Council invites tenders from suitably experienced contractors for the services of a landscape designer who can understand and honour the unique landscape and history of Pukenui Queen's Park.

- TenderLink reference – **WANGDC-1029909**
- Tender deadline is **4.00pm on Thursday, 22 September 2022**.

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

Council meetings

Meeting this week

Audit and Risk Committee	1.00pm Thursday 1 September	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street
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Agendas: www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas
Livestreamed council meetings: www.facebook.com/whanganuidistrictcouncil www.whanganui.govt.nz/live-council-meetings

BE IN TO WIN ... AND STAY OUT OF THE DOGHOUSE!

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

www.whanganui.govt.nz/pay-dog-rego