

# Have your say on heritage strategy

Whanganui District Council is asking the community for feedback on its draft 10-year heritage strategy.

The council's heritage advisor, Scott Flutey, says the strategy acknowledges a wide-ranging presence of heritage values in Whanganui. Its action plan is oriented towards historic heritage assets like buildings, structures and features.

"It's vital we create the strategy together to set a vision for Whanganui as a district that values, protects and promotes its historic heritage and to map the action we are going to take to achieve Whanganui's heritage goals over the next decade."

Earthquake-prone buildings are a major issue for the regions, particularly in Whanganui where so much of the historical fabric has survived and is still in use. The action plan will allow the council and owners to work through this issue more effectively.

"There are challenges but also lots of exciting opportunities, particularly for making local stories more visible," Scott Flutey says.

"We're mindful that there are multiple layers of history in Whanganui and we've been working with hapū and other stakeholder groups to identify stories that are appropriate to share in the public realm."



Maria Place, taken between 1929 and 1934 by an unknown photographer.

It's envisaged that in the near future augmented reality technology will be used to engage people with local stories by using an app to tour Whanganui's heritage sites.

For all information including a printable submission form, please visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/draft-heritage-strategy

Submissions close at **5.00pm this Sunday, 12 September 2021**. Late submissions delayed by the COVID-19 lockdowns may be received – email: scott.flutey@whanganui.govt.nz

### Celebrate Te Wiki o te Reo Māori 2021 with the council

Te Wiki o te Reo Māori – Māori Language Week – takes place next week from **Monday, 13 Mahuru** (**September**) **until Sunday, 19 Mahuru 2021**. This year the Whanganui community is invited to celebrate Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori 2021 with Whanganui District Council by showing everyone how you're using this beautiful language.

Under COVID-19 alert levels, we want you to focus on activities around your home so that everyone stays safe. Activities could include cooking a meal, playing a game or just relaxing with your whānau. Add a photo, drawing or even your kōrero in a video to the comments section of the council's Facebook page to show us how you like to use te reo!





Post your contribution in the comments section at: www.facebook.com/whanganuidistrictcouncil

Sarjeant Gallery Te Whare o Rehua Whanganui education officer Sietske Jansma (pictured, with te reo example) will co-ordinate submissions and two \$50.00 New World supermarket vouchers will be awarded as prizes. Ka rawe!

The Te Wiki o te Reo Māori team at Whanganui District Library Te Whare Pukapuka o Whanganui will also be helping council staff with the opportunity to practise their te reo.

More information, resources and ideas for Te Wiki o te Reo Māori 2021 can be found at: www.tetaurawhiri.govt.nz

## Stay in the know with Antenno!



Whanganui District Council has a new mobile app available to the community. Antenno allows you to receive alerts and notifications about places and topics important to you such as water shut-offs near your home or closures at your local sportsground. Install Antenno now – it's free to download.







www.whanganui.govt.nz/antenno

#### **COVID-19 information**

# Unite against COVID-19

For all Whanganui District Council facilities under COVID-19 Alert Level 2, please visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/covid-19

For urgent queries, please call 06 349 0001 - this number is available 24/7.

#### **Draft Waste Plan 2021**

#### **Submissions close on 27 September**

Whanganui District Council is calling for community feedback on its draft Waste Plan 2021, which outlines a new way to deal with rubbish and recycling in our district.

The draft plan focuses on services that will make the biggest difference environmentally. It proposes two new rates-funded kerbside collection services for urban households: recycling in 2023 and food waste in 2024.

The rates increase - per household per year - would be about \$70.00 for kerbside recycling and about \$40.00 for kerbside food waste. The proposed recycling service would operate weekly with glass collected one week and other recyclables - paper, cardboard, cans and tins - collected the next week.

The second big proposal is a weekly kerbside food waste collection. It is proposed a small, closed container would be issued to each household for food waste.

For all draft Waste Plan 2021 consultation information, please visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say

Submissions close at **5.00pm on Monday, 27 September 2021**.

#### Whanganui & Partners

#### Revised dates for upcoming events

Dates for Whanganui & Partners' upcoming public forum and Innovate Whanganui event have been revised (these dates also subject to change under COVID-19 restrictions):

- The public forum at The Treasury, 98 Victoria Avenue, has been rescheduled to **Tuesday, 28 September 2021**, starting at 5.30pm. RSVP: www.addevent.com/event/Sw8275947
- The Innovate Whanganui 2021 finals night will now take place on **Thursday, 7 October 2021** details at: www.innovatewhanganui.kiwi

#### **Council meetings**

Upcoming meetings		
Council Meeting	1.00pm Tuesday 14 September	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street
Strategy and Finance Committee	1.00pm Tuesday 21 September	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton

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