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Be Bright Be Seen during winter!

The Be Bright Be Seen campaign is kicking off for 2023. This winter Whanganui District Council, Green Bikes and Horizons Regional Council are collaborating to bring the Whanganui community safety messages on using cycle ways, shared pathways and roads during the darker months.

Everyone is welcome **this Saturday, 20 May 2023, from 9.00am** at the Whanganui River Markets on Taupo Quay to join representatives from the council, Horizons, Whanganui Police and Green Bikes, who will be chatting to the community about Be Bright Be Seen.

Free bike lights, backpack covers, reflective vests and other safety swag will be available for people to take away with them, and Green Bikes will be organising a lucky draw to give away a free bike.

Be Bright Be Seen is an annual campaign that educates and encourages people to stay visible when cycling, running and walking at night.



Helping promote the Be Bright Be Seen campaign this winter, from left: Sergeant Craig Yorston (Whanganui Police Youth Services co-ordinator), Val Overweel (Horizons' road safety co-ordinator), and Norman Gruebsch (Whanganui District Council's active transport facilitator)

The campaign runs from May to August when mornings and evenings are darker, with key community partners collaborating to remind people about visibility to ensure all road and shared pathway users stay safe.

Voting opens on 15 June for Kai Iwi subdivision vacancy

Nominations have closed to fill the extraordinary vacancy for a Kai Iwi subdivision representative on the Whanganui Rural Community Board.



Nominations have been received from **Brian Doughty, Quentin Handley, and Robert (Bob) Walker** (Independent).

As the number of nominations received exceeds the number of vacancies, a voting process is required and will be conducted by postal voting using the first-past-the-post (FPP) electoral system. Voting will open on **Thursday, 15 June 2023** and close at **12 noon on Friday, 7 July 2023**.

Enrolments and special voting arrangements

Residential electors within the Kai Iwi subdivision of the Whanganui Rural Community Board who are not listed on the final electoral roll for this by-election can enrol or amend their enrolment details on the electoral roll on or before Thursday, 6 July 2023, by these methods:

- online at: www.vote.nz
- text your name and address to **3676** to request a form
- call **0800 36 76 56** to ask for a form to be sent to you
- email your request to: enquiries@elections.govt.nz

Special voting facilities for the by-election will be available at Whanganui District Council, 101 Guyton Street, Whanganui, during normal office hours between Thursday, 15 June 2023 and 12 noon on Friday, 7 July 2023. For more information, please visit: buff.ly/44Srs8o

Sarjeant cafe opportunity



Whanganui District Council is seeking expressions of interest for suitable cafe operators for the Sarjeant Gallery Te Whare o Rehua Whanganui redevelopment. As part of this project, a new cafe is proposed that will be located within Te Pātaka o Sir Te Atawhai Archie John Taiaroa (artist's impression pictured above).

The cafe is intended to be a welcoming space where gallery visitors can relax, socialise, and enjoy a range of food and beverages. It will be light, airy, fully glazed and located in a prime position on the ground floor. Expressions of interest are open until **5.00pm on Friday, 2 June 2023**. For more information, please read the full media release at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/news

Celebrate Youth Week 2023!

Whanganui Youth Week 2023 runs through to **this Sunday, 21 May**. The week has been organised by Whanganui District Council's Youth Council with events across Whanganui. More details at: www.facebook.com/WDCYouthCouncil



Rating information

View the Rating Information Database

Whanganui District Council's Rating Information Database (RID) is available for public inspection as per section 28 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002. The RID contains a record of all information required for setting and assessing rates and allows for the calculation of rates liability for each rating unit.

The database is available for viewing between 8.30am and 5.00pm, Monday to Friday, at council customer services, 101 Guyton Street, or by visiting the council's website at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/rating-information-database

Durie Hill elevator

Closed for maintenance until Saturday

The Durie Hill elevator is closed this week for scheduled annual maintenance, with lift operator Whanganui Connection running an on-demand replacement shuttle during the closure. The elevator will reopen as usual **this Saturday, 20 May**. For more information including shuttle operating times, please visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/public-notice

Temporary closure

Regional Museum closed 24-25 May

Whanganui Regional Museum will be closed **next Wednesday, 24 May and Thursday, 25 May 2023** for the installation of the taonga, Te Koanga o Rehua, which is being returned to Whanganui. The museum will reopen as usual from 10.00am on Friday, 26 May.

Planned works

May 2023

Flood damage recovery (2021, 2022, 2023 storm events - slip clearances): Kauarapaoa Road, Mangamahu Road, Papaiti Road, Richardsons Road

Pavement road maintenance: Francis Road, Longacre Road, Mosston Road, No 2 Line, Okoia Road, Somme Parade

Road remodelling: Fields Track area, Kaukatea Valley Road, Parihau Road, Rangitatau East Road

Unsealed road grading: Fields Track, Brunswick, Mangamahu and Okoia areas

Pavement renewal: Heads Road (SH3 to Whanganui Hospital entrance)

Water table / culvert maintenance / high shoulder removal: No 2 Line

Shared pathway work: Fitzherbert Avenue

Council meetings

Upcoming meetings

Operations and Performance Committee	9.30am Thursday 18 May	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street
Council-Controlled Organisations Committee	9.30am Tuesday 23 May	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

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