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New services at Whanganui's i-SITE visitor centre



Locals and visitors alike will benefit from new services available at Whanganui's visitor centre.

The Whanganui i-SITE Visitor Information Centre has become a ticketing agent for Eventfinda, the guide to events around New Zealand. It has also partnered with Fastway Couriers to offer a parcel pick-up and drop-off service through Parcel Connect. Customers can purchase their labels online and drop in their parcels to the i-SITE.

Whanganui District Council's Team Leader for Venues and Events, Rachel O'Connor, encourages locals to make the most of the new services and other i-SITE facilities.

"We are thrilled that we can now issue tickets for events throughout the country for locals and visitors alike, while the parcel service is adding value to what we already offer," says Ms O'Connor.

With summer on its way, Whanganui residents may also be gearing up for visitors over the holiday period. The Whanganui i-SITE can help with all travel and visit information and will give locals another excuse to pop into the Taupo Quay site and make holiday bookings, Ms O'Connor says.

"Whanganui is a magic place. We have our beautiful Whanganui River, contemporary and historical museums and art galleries, attractive heritage buildings and stunning parks and reserves and we know Whanganui people love to make the most of it all and share it with friends and family who come to visit."

During the summer months (November 1-April 30), the i-SITE is open Monday-Friday 9.00am-5.00pm, and Saturday and Sunday 9.00am-5.00pm. During public holidays, the i-SITE is open from 9.00am to 3.00pm. It is closed only on Christmas Day.

For more information visit:

www.visitwhanganui.nz
www.eventfinda.co.nz
www.parcelconnect.co.nz

Welcome to our new citizens

At a ceremony in the Council Chamber on 10 October 2017, Mayor Hamish McDouall and Chief Executive Kym Fell welcomed a group of new citizens.

Mayor McDouall said that it didn't matter whether new citizens have lived in Whanganui for a short or long time, the ceremonies are always meaningful and a time to celebrate.

"It was the first time I welcomed a new citizen originally from Egypt, which was a privilege. It was also the first time I saw the citizenship oath conducted in New Zealand Sign Language by a new citizen with a hearing impairment, which was special."



The new citizens and their original nationalities are: Mr Isireli Baleitavuki (Fijian), Mr Turgut Bayat (Turkish), Mr Smith Amit Chand (Fijian), Ms Temukisa Cole (Samoan), Ms Susan Lynn Cooke (Australian British), Mr Yogendra Narayan Lal (Fijian), Mrs Mohini Lata Narayan (Fijian), Mr Gladwin Benjamin Mendez (Indian), Mr Egelani Pinati Taito (Samoan), Mr Rishi Sharma (Indian), Mr David Gavin Sinclair (South African), Mrs Leslie Anne Sinclair (South African), Mr David Brian Tastard (British), Mr Carl Bond (British), Mr Anthony Edwards (British), Mrs Andrea Christine Edwards (British), Ms Diane Harries (Australian), Mr Filipe Paulo Maragfoo (Fijian), Mr Mohamed Abdelsalam Mahmoud Osman (Egyptian), Mr Edvaldo Santos Santana (Brazilian) and Mrs Anna Keren Todd (Australian).

Labour Day holiday

On Labour Day, Monday, 23 October 2017, the Council's Municipal building, 101 Guyton Street, will be closed. For a list of Council services that are open on Labour Day, please visit www.whanganui.govt.nz

Virginia Lake update on pest management

Last week rabbit bait pellets were found at Virginia Lake, which caused some concern for members of the public. The pellets had been placed under a tree stump by a Council contractor to manage pest control and were not in an approved bait station. We accept responsibility and apologise for the way the baiting programme was carried out.

We have now removed all rabbit bait stations and are undertaking a thorough review of our pest control programme with our contractor. This will include improvements to signage and public information, as well as the timing of any pest control operations in future.

Durie Hill Elevator temporary closure

The Durie Hill Elevator will be shut for maintenance from Wednesday, October 18 and will open again on Saturday, October 21. Please note that it was originally advertised as being re-opened on Sunday, October 22. The armature (rotating coil) in the main motor will be replaced and the waiting area at the top of the elevator will be painted.

Notice of grazing licence

The Council intends to issue a grazing licence for approximately 52705 square metres of land at Sections 26 and 27 at Kohanga Village, Mangamahua.

If anyone objects to the licence, please send your submission to the Property Team, Whanganui District Council, PO Box 637, Whanganui by 4.00pm on 17 November 2017.

For further information about this notice, please contact Elana Macdonald on 349 3096 or email elana.macdonald@whanganui.govt.nz

This notice is advertised pursuant to Section 74(3) of the Reserves Act 1977.

Council meetings

We welcome members of the public to attend our meetings.

Wanganui Rural Community Board	3.30pm, Wednesday, October 25	Committee Room 2
Strategy and Finance Committee	1.00pm, Thursday, October 26	Council Chamber
Council meeting	1.00pm, Tuesday, October 31	Council Chamber
Infrastructure and Special Projects Committee	1.00pm, Tuesday, November 7	Council Chamber

Agendas are available at the Customer Services Counter, Municipal Office Building, 101 Guyton Street and the District Library two working days prior to the meeting.

Pensioner housing

\$105.00/week
for one person

\$132.00/week
for couples

For more information about pensioner housing in Whanganui visit our website www.whanganui.govt.nz
Our District > Facilities > Pensioner Housing

Or contact Cary Barton, Whanganui District Council Property Group, phone (06) 349 3183 or email cary.barton@whanganui.govt.nz