

Heritage nominations a new chapter

Whanganui District Council is seeking nominations for buildings, sites and structures that the community values for heritage significance.

The council's heritage advisor, Scott Flutey, says, "This nomination process will help direct our work reviewing the District Plan's historic heritage chapter and highlight community perspectives and priorities for better protecting, supporting and celebrating Whanganui heritage places."

Nominated sites that meet the initial criteria for scheduling will be assessed for their heritage significance. Those found to hold heritage significance will be held on file for the next plan change to the **historic heritage chapter** of the Whanganui District Plan – you can find this information at: **bit.ly/3KjR2dU**

Any person or group may nominate a site if they consider it holds significant heritage value. Nominations do not result in automatic site protection, or guarantee a full evaluation of significance, but they serve as a first step in the assessment process. The nominations highlight the community's perspectives for how local heritage can be better protected and supported.



Te Toka Tū o Pukenamu rests in the entranceway to Te Rerenga mai o te Kāuru Alexander Library – as guardian of Pukenamu, it connects the historic building with its immediate surroundings, and with the wider Whanganui district

Heritage advisor Scott Flutey will be at the Whanganui Home & Lifestyle Show at Jubilee Stadium, Springvale Park, **next**Saturday, 12 August, and Sunday, 13 August 2023 to take nominations and answer questions – he's also available for appointments by emailing: scott.flutey@whanganui.govt.nz or calling 06 349 3168.

Nominations close at **5.00pm on Sunday, 27 August 2023** – full details at: **www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say**

World music band with bite! Rangatahi explore careers



Describing themselves as a "psychedelic world music band", Auckland collective Carnivorous Plant Society (above) coax life from trumpets, violin, vibraphone, tuba, guitar, synthesizers, keyboards, bass, drums, the odd vocal and even some whistling. Playing at the Gonville Town Hall at 37a Tawa Street next Thursday, 10 August 2023, at 7.00pm, tickets cost \$25 plus a small booking fee. Purchase from the Whanganui isite Visitor Information Centre at 31 Taupo Quay, or by visiting: www.iticket.co.nz

WHANGANUI DISTRICT COUNCIL PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS

Whanganui District Council invites you to have your say on these topics:

- Community nominations for heritage places
- Vision for Whanganu

More details at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say



A group of motivated young rangatahi recently completed the first half of the Port Employment



Precinct's Pre-Trade Programme, visiting Q-West Boat Builders (pictured above) and observing their team in action first-hand.

The pilot Pre-Trade Training Programme has been formed to provide qualifications and work experience in the civil infrastructure industry for year 12 and 13 students. The aim is to support rangatahi as they explore career options in Whanganui, with a particular focus on the port revitalisation project – Te Pūwaha. The course is funded by the Port Employment Precinct and is specifically for rangatahi based in Castlecliff aged over 16, with students from Te Kura o Kokohuia, Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Tupoho, Whanganui City College and Cullinane College currently attending.

For more details, please visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/news

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Rates rebates

Applications for 2023-24 rating year

The rates rebate scheme administered by Whanganui District Council provides a rebate of up to \$750 for low income earners who were paying rates for the home in which they were living on 1 July 2023.

Your rebate is calculated based on your income, rates and the number of dependants living with you. The income eligibility for a rebate is \$30,100. However, if your income exceeds this amount you could still be entitled to a rebate depending on the total costs of your rates and the number of dependants.

For more information including eligibility criteria and a downloadable application form, please visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/rates-rebate-scheme

If you'd like to make an application in person, you can book an appointment time by also visiting: www.whanganui.govt.nz/rates-rebate-scheme

Rates rebate applications for the 2023-24 rating year close on 30 June 2024.

Duncan St single lane

Tree removal work from 7-10 August

Duncan Street will be reduced to one lane from 8.00am to 4.00pm over four days from next Monday, 7 August until Thursday, 10 August 2023 for tree removal work by Whanganui District Council contractors. Access to Duncan Street will be via Moana Street, and both lanes of Duncan Street will reopen daily from 4.00pm. Detours will be available via Jones or Boydfield streets – resident and emergency vehicle access will not be affected during the work times.

Tea and Topics

Tamariki education theme next week

Tea and Topics at Gonville Library, 44 Abbot Street, next Thursday, 10 August, features the presentation, Play is our mahi – It's the way we learn, with Vivian Neale. Vivian is the Whanganui co-ordinator for HIPPY (Home Interaction Programme for Parents and Youngsters), a free programme that helps parents prepare younger tamariki for success in education. Light refreshments will be on offer from 10.00am, with the talk starting at 10.30am. There will also be opportunities to ask questions or share stories after the presentation – Nau mai!

Council meetings

Upcoming meetings

Council meeting	10.00am Thursday 3 August	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton St
Strategy and Policy Committee	9.30am Tuesday 8 August	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton St
Aspirations and Policy Committee	9.30am Wednesday 9 August	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton St

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

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