

Brightest parade in town this Friday!

Are you ready to light up the night at the Lights on Bikes x Drews Street Party this Friday, 25 June?

This year Lights on Bikes is happening in conjunction with the opening of the new streetscape design in Drews Avenue. Celebrations will include live music, face painting, food stalls and more.

This year's parade will follow a shorter route, heading down Drews Avenue to the river, along the river boardwalk and Taupo Quay to Bates Street then looping back through Pākaitore Moutoa Gardens and Rutland Street to Drews

People are asked to assemble for the parade at 6.00pm at the corner of Drews Avenue and Rutland Street, and the parade will leave around 6.30pm. Live music will kick off in Drews Avenue around 7.00pm with Hot Potato.

Please be aware a number of road closures will be in place around Drews Avenue and Rutland Street to keep parade-goers safe. More information at: www.facebook.com/LightsOnBikes

Workshops have been held at Sarjeant on the Quay and other venues to create illuminated art for the parade. Pictured is Sarjeant Gallery education officer, Sietske Jansma, with workshop participant Beth Taylor at a recent

Aramoho community library to open in July



Hiwaiterangi Poutini-Manley Green (foreground) checking out the new library

Renovation work is well underway for Whanganui's newest library, and everyone is welcome to come to the opening which has been rescheduled for Friday, 2 July at 1.00pm.

The new Aramoho Library Te Whare Pukapuka o Aramoho is a partnership with the Pasifika Vision Forum Trust, which runs the Born & Raised Pasifika early learning centre on the site where the library will be based.

Located at 2 Mitchell Street, the library will have a selfservice machine for checking books in and out and paying overdue charges. A touchscreen computer will be available for searching for books and reserving them and there will be free wifi internet access.

It will be Whanganui's third self-service library, after Whanganui East and Castlecliff.

Parks, reserves and walkways survey underway

Whanganui District Council wants to know how the community uses the many parks, reserves and connecting walkways in the district.

Public input – which can be provided via an online survey – will form part of early consultation work to help the council update its strategy for how these public spaces are managed and developed.

Council policy advisor Sandy Lee says the current Parks and Open Spaces strategy was developed in 2007 to cover a 20year period.

"It is now necessary for the strategy to be updated so that it is informed by the current issues and interests of the community, " says Sandy Lee.

The survey closes at 5.00pm on Friday, 30 July 2021.

Alongside this consultation, Sport Whanganui will conduct a review into the use of sporting facilities at Springvale Park.

For more information, visit:

www.whanganui.govt.nz/parks-reserves-survey

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Whanganui District Council invites you to have your say on this topic:

Parks, reserves, pathways and

activities survey

For more information, please visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say





Rates rebate reminder

Apply by 30 June 2021

Ratepayers who may qualify for a rates rebate must apply by Wednesday, 30 June **2021** for the 2020-21 rating year.

If your income is low to moderate (maximum \$26,150) you may be eligible for a rates rebate of up to \$655.

For more information, please contact Whanganui District Council on 06 349 0001.

Dog registration fees

Pay by 31 July 2021 for a discount

Dog registration fees for all dog owners are now due. Pay your fees on or by Saturday, 31 July 2021 to receive a prompt payment discount of 10 percent.

Whanganui District Council is also introducing new responsible dog owner criteria from 31 July 2021.

If you're a current responsible dog owner and pay your dog registration fees by 31 July, your responsible dog owner status will continue and you'll qualify for the annual dog registration discount.

Pay your dog registration fees by visiting: www.whanganui.govt.nz/pay-dog-registration

NZ Glassworks hours

Temporary closure

NZ Glassworks will be closed from Friday, 2 July to Saturday, 10 July 2021 for scheduled maintenance of its hot shop

Council meetings

You are welcome at our meetings

Upcoming June meetings

10.00am Policy Council and Bylaw Thursday Chamber. Committee 24 June 101 Guyton Street

Hearings and deliberations for Review of Pensioner Housing Policy / Proposed Changes to Otamatea Speed Limits

Strategy 1.00pm Council Chamber, and Finance Tuesday 101 Guyton Street

Council meetings in July 2021

Property and Community Services Committee	1.00pm Tuesday 6 July	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street
Whanganui Rural Community Board	3.30pm Wednesday 7 July	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street
Council Meeting	1.00pm Monday 12 July	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street
Note - this me	eting is to strik	ke rates

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