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Whanganui East pool closes after summer season

Despite a cooler-than-usual season, the Whanganui East Pool was well-used this summer.

While the complex is closed for autumn and winter, the Council will begin refurbishing the pool complex, starting with repairs to the main pool. This work will be completed in time for the next summer season.

The Wanganui East Trust will build a new shade structure and install barbeque tables.

Trust member Cr Charlie Anderson says the Trust has been delighted with the financial support from the Four Regions Trust, as well as ongoing support from the Council and the Splash Centre during the summer.

“We want to thank everyone who used the pool over the summer. It’s such a fantastic community facility and we are glad swimmers enjoyed the new diving board which arrived late in the season, adding to the fun. I also really want to thank Maureen Doyle and Evan Walpole from the Trust for their hard work.

“In total, 7895 people used the pool over the summer months,

which is lower than the 11340 people who used it the previous season, although we’re not surprised considering it hasn’t been the greatest summer on record.

“We’re really excited about the upgraded facilities and we are looking forward to next summer when the community can enjoy it again,” Cr Anderson says.



The pool closed on Friday, March 24.

The Splash Centre is open for fun and fitness all year round. To find out more, visit www.splashcentre.co.nz

Planned works April 2017

- Pavement maintenance:** Whanganui River Road, Mangamahu Road, Rangitatau East Road, Rangitatau West Road, Kauangaroa Road
 - Pavement renewal:** Rangitikei Street/Kitchener Street intersection, Eastown Road (Wilkie Street to Benefield Street)
 - Kerb and channel renewal:** Wilson Street (Ridgway Street to Maria Place), Liverpool Street (Keith Street to Harrison Street)
 - Footpath renewal:** Wilson Street (Ridgway Street to Maria Place), Liverpool Street (Keith Street to Harrison Street), Parsons Street (SH3 Great North Road to Tregarth Street), Kauri Street
 - Pavement reinstatement:** Wilson Street (Ridgway Street to Maria Place), Liverpool Street (Keith Street to Harrison Street)
 - Grass mowing:** Areas of Fordell, Okoia and Kaitoke
 - Overhanging vegetation treatment:** Rangitatau East Road, Watershed Road
 - Whanganui River Road:** Six heavy machinery crews fixing damage from the June 2015 floods will be on the following roads and bridges: Whanganui River Road (three retaining walls), Mangamahu Road, Rapanui Road, Tokomaru West Road, Somme Parade (Cumbrae Street to Roberts Avenue), Bridge 10 (Tokomaru West Road Bridge abutment), Bridge 45 (Longacre Road Bridge abutment), Bridge 49 (Heao Road Bridge Abutment)
- For a full list of works planned in the Whanganui District during April 2017, please visit www.whanganui.govt.nz/plannedworks

Funding and workshops



The next round of the Whanganui Creative Communities Scheme closes at 12.00 noon on Friday 21 April for projects starting on or after 22 May 2017.

Drop-in sessions to support applicants with applying for funding and completing the application form will be held at the Gonville Café Library on Saturday, April 8 and Saturday, April 15, from 12.00 noon to 1.30pm.

The application form and guide are available from www.whanganui.govt.nz/funding

Please contact cath@cathwatson.com if you have any questions about the form or the application process. One-on-one sessions can be arranged if required.

Creative Communities Scheme is a partnership between the Council and Creative New Zealand to promote local arts.

Proposed Local Alcohol Policy 2017

- The Council is developing a policy to reduce alcohol-related harm in our district. The draft policy proposes the following:
- a district-wide limit on the number of off-licensed premises (with the exclusion of supermarkets and grocery stores)
 - rules about the proximity of off-licensed premises to sensitive sites
 - a ‘one-way’ door restriction in effect from one hour prior to license closing hours for all taverns, bars, pubs, and nightclubs
 - maximum trading hours for licensed premises
- To submit your feedback, please complete the submission form online at www.whanganui.govt.nz/haveyoursay or email polycysubmissions@whanganui.govt.nz
- Hard copies are available from the Council’s Municipal Building, 101 Guyton Street, at the Davis Library, or Gonville Café Library.
- Submissions close at 4.00pm on Monday 15 May 2017.**

Community Views Survey

The Community Views Survey identifies what people in the Whanganui District think about a wide range of issues, including the services and facilities provided by the Council. The survey began in late March and will continue to 10 April 2017.

The survey is conducted with approximately 500 randomly-selected people throughout the Whanganui District by phone and online interviewing. The results of the survey are used to identify areas where we can improve services and measure and develop our strategies and policies.

Thanks to the people who completed the survey and we will keep you up-to-date about the results of the survey in an upcoming edition of Community Link.

Council meetings

We welcome members of the public to attend our meetings.

Youth Committee	4.00pm, Monday, April 10	Council Chamber
Strategy and Finance Committee	1.00pm, Tuesday, April 11	Council Chamber
Statutory Management Committee	9.00am, Thursday, April 13	Council Chamber
Infrastructure and Special Projects Committee	1.00pm, Wednesday, April 26	Council Chamber

Agendas are available at the Customer Services Counter, Municipal Office Building, 101 Guyton Street, the Whanganui District Library, or at www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas, two working days prior to the meeting.

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Whanganui District Emergency Management

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