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## Sarjeant redevelopment underway

Whanganui District Council has accepted a tender from Palmerston North construction company, McMillan & Lockwood Ltd, to build the first stage of the Sarjeant Gallery Te Whare o Rehua Whanganui redevelopment project.

The Council voted last Friday, 1 November 2019, to award the \$20 million contract to McMillan & Lockwood to construct the extension wing component of the redevelopment.

This wing – to be named Te Pātaka o Sir Archie John Te Atawhai Taiaroa – will house new galleries, a retail shop, café, education facilities and a state-of-the-art storage space for the gallery’s extensive art collection, now and into the future.

Sarjeant Gallery Redevelopment Project Director, Gaye Batty, says, “This contract will be offered on a Fixed Price Lump Sum Basis with a construction contingency.

“As part of contract negotiations, McMillan & Lockwood have been working with the project design team on value-engineering opportunities to reduce procurement costs on the new extension that will ensure the design achieves the Council’s budget requirements.



“The second stage of construction – the upgrade of the 100-year-old Sarjeant building, including seismic strengthening – is intended to be awarded at a later date as a variation to this contract,” Ms Batty says.

Whanganui Mayor Hamish McDouall says this was an exciting proposal for the new Council to consider. “After the astounding fundraising efforts it will be so rewarding to the community, the donors and all the Sarjeant supporters to see the ongoing build.”

## Celebrating PS Waimarie



PS Waimarie: 20th Anniversary of the Relaunch is the theme for a series of talks this month in support of the Sarjeant Gallery’s redevelopment. Each talk will be held at Sarjeant on the Quay, 38 Taupō Quay, on consecutive Sundays during November from 4.30pm. Topics and speakers are:

- 10 November – The Raising of PS Waimarie and its Restoration, David McDermid
- 17 November – Māori Tourism on the River, Hayden Potaka
- 24 November – The Competition to Hatricks - The Nixon Boats, Murray Crawford.

Tickets cost \$12 – Gallery Friends and Stars \$10 – and are available from Sarjeant on the Quay or by calling (06) 349 0506. Combined tickets to all three talks are also available for \$20. For more information please visit: sarjeant.org.nz

## New Castlecliff bus shelter

A new bus shelter is scheduled to be installed outside the Rangiora Street Library in Castlecliff. Local glass artist Claire Bell will engrave the glass bus shelter with images of plant and insect life from the Castlecliff sand dunes.

Whanganui District Council’s Active Transport Facilitator, Norman Gruebsch, says the support for the shelter and its engraving from the Castlecliff community has been phenomenal. “As well as making bus travel a more comfortable option for our Castlecliff residents, the new bus shelter will also be an attractive feature in the suburb.”

Bus shelters are a collaboration between Horizons Regional Council and Whanganui District Council. Horizons advises on location and funds installation, while Whanganui District Council funds ongoing maintenance.

## Testing times at the airport



Whanganui emergency services – including Whanganui Fire and Emergency and St John – were in action at an exercise at Whanganui Airport on Saturday, 2 November 2019. The exercise is carried out every two years to test the airport’s emergency response plan.

## Fix it with Snap Send Solve

The Snap Send Solve smartphone app is a fast and easy way for members of the public to report issues or incidents to Whanganui District Council using photos. The app works by identifying where an image was taken using your smartphone’s GPS location. It then allows you to choose the incident type and select the Council’s email address to send your photo in. Scan the QR code to download the Snap Send Solve app.



### WHANGANUI DISTRICT COUNCIL PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS

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

- Keeping of Animals, Poultry and Bees Bylaw review

An online survey on this topic closes at 5.00pm on Friday, 15 November 2019. For more information please visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/haveyoursay



## Request for tender

### Contract 1871: Animal Pound Project – Revised

Whanganui District Council invites tenders from suitably experienced contractors for the construction of a new animal pound facility to be located on a greenfield site at 7 Airport Road.

The tender documents are available at: www.tenderlink.com/whanganui  
TenderLink Reference: **WANGDC-891696**  
Tenders for this contract must be submitted no later than **4.00pm on Thursday, 21 November 2019.**

To register with TenderLink, please go to www.tenderlink.com/whanganui – it is free and easy to register. For Tender Link enquiries, please call 0800 698 363. For any other tendering assistance, contact Council Procurement Officer, Lana Treen, between 10.00am and 3.00pm weekdays at: lana.treen@whanganui.govt.nz or call (06) 349 3105.

## Proposed road closure

### 3 Bridges Marathon

Under the Transport (Vehicular Traffic Road Closure) Regulations 1965, Whanganui District Council proposes to close Taupō Quay, from Bates Street to Market Place, for the 3 Bridges Marathon. The proposed period of closure is from **4.30am to 3.00pm on Saturday, 14 December 2019.**

During the proposed closure, directional signs will be in place to show alternative routes. Any person objecting to the proposal should lodge written notice of their objection and reasons **before Saturday, 16 November 2019** at Council Customer Services, 101 Guyton Street, Whanganui.

## Skate park maintenance

### Castlecliff Domain

The Castlecliff Domain skate park is closed for essential maintenance and repairs, and is scheduled to reopen on **Friday, 29 November 2019.**

## Planned works

### November 2019

For a full listing of Whanganui District Council’s planned works for November 2019, please visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/planned-works-November-2019

## Council meetings

### You are welcome at our meetings

#### Meetings for November 2019

Council Meeting	1.00pm Tuesday 19 November	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street
Youth Committee	4.00pm Monday 25 November	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street

Agendas are available at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas or view hard copies at 101 Guyton Street or the Davis Library.