



# Community Link



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## Have your say on the long-term plan

Public consultation on Whanganui District Council’s Long-Term Plan 2021-2031 is now underway.

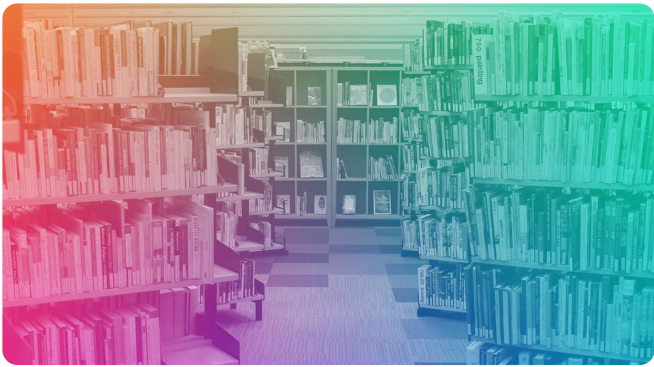
A public meeting about the future of the Whanganui Velodrome was held on 31 March at the Whanganui War Memorial Centre and a council team set up a base at the Trafalgar Square shopping centre yesterday (6 April), introducing people to the consultation document that summarises the long-term plan and encouraging submissions.

Policy team leader, Jasmine Hessel, says the council wants to connect with people throughout April.

“We still have a number of community events planned [see right]. We’re looking forward to talking with people about the draft plan and hearing their views on options for Whanganui for the next 10 years.”

All information including the consultation document, an events schedule, submission forms and supporting documentation is available at: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/long-term-plan](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/long-term-plan)

Submissions on the long-term plan close at **5.00pm on Friday, 30 April, 2021.**



**Proposal to extend the Davis Library – come and find out more!**

Come to the Davis Library on **Tuesday, 13 April, 2021 between 10.00am and 2.00pm** to chat about the future of this library. We’re proposing to extend this wonderful facility and we’re keen to hear your feedback. Let’s connect!

**Giant games at the Extravaganza Fair, Kowhai Park – let’s talk about youth spaces and places!**

Join us at The Extravaganza Fair at Kowhai Park on **Saturday, 17 April 2021** and let us know what you think about developing more youth places and spaces for rangatahi / young people in Whanganui. We’ll be there throughout the day with super-sized games and activities.

## Call for Drews Ave input

Whanganui District Council is asking the community for feedback on the concept design for a transformative new streetscape planned for Drews Avenue.

Town Centre Regeneration project manager, Ellen Young, says it’s been an inspiring process to work with key stakeholders on a vision for the area – now it’s time to hear from the wider community. A “feedback letterbox” for hard copy comments has been placed outside Article cafe on Drews Avenue and an online survey is available at: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/drews-ave](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/drews-ave)

The Drews Avenue survey closes **this Friday, 9 April 2021.**

## Rabbit control operations

Whanganui District Council contractors will conduct rabbit control operations at **Heads Road Cemetery** and **Bason Botanic Gardens** from today, **Wednesday, 7 April to Thursday, 15 April 2021**, weather permitting.

These control operations were originally scheduled to take place in March but were postponed because of poor weather.

The control operation at **Heads Road Cemetery** is required because rabbits are undermining graves and headstones with their burrowing. Rabbit control is also needed at **Bason Botanic Gardens** to reduce damage to lawns and planted areas. The operations will take place at night between 10.00pm and dawn the next morning to minimise any disruption to nearby residents and businesses.

The entrances to Heads Road Cemetery and Bason Botanic Gardens will be staffed during the control operations to ensure no one enters the sites. Signs will be in place during this time advising the areas are closed.

Whanganui Police have been required to approve these operations due to the use of firearms in an urban and peri-urban area. Thermal imaging equipment will be used and firearms will use .22 calibre segmented bullets and be fitted with silencers.

## Durie Hill elevator contract



If you are passionate about Whanganui’s heritage and have great customer service then Whanganui District Council is looking for you. Requests for proposals to operate the Durie Hill elevator (pictured) are now open.

The council is seeking a contractor who is passionate about Whanganui and has a genuine interest in the heritage of the Durie Hill elevator.

For more information and to submit a proposal, contact the council’s senior procurement officer, Lana Treen, on 06 349 3105 or email: [lane.treen@whanganui.govt.nz](mailto:lane.treen@whanganui.govt.nz)

Proposals close at **4.00pm on Tuesday, 20 April 2021.**

### WHANGANUI DISTRICT COUNCIL PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS

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

- Drews Avenue Innovating Streets consultation
- Long-Term Plan 2021-2031
- Proposed Changes to Otamatea Speed Limits 2021

For more information, please visit: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say)

## Planned works

- April 2021**
- Flood damage recovery (2017 storm event):** Whangaehu Valley Road
  - Pavement road maintenance:** Portal Street, Denlair Road, Longacre Road, Rapanui Road, Taupo Quay
  - Road remetting:** Ahu Ahu Valley Road, Watershed Road
  - Unsealed road grading:** Kauarapaoa Road, Brunswick area, Okoia area
  - Road resealing:** Somme Parade / Brunswick Road intersection
  - Cyclepath works:** Kowhai Park stopbank (Nile Street to Georgetti Road)
  - Water table / culvert maintenance / high shoulder removal:** Denlair Road
  - Mowing and vegetation treatment:** Kaiwhaiki Road, Waikupa Road
  - Pavement renewal:** Heads Road

## Otamatea speed limits

**Consultation on proposed changes**

Whanganui District Council is consulting on changes to the speed limits on **Pickwick Road, Dickens Lane, Mannington Road and Kingston Way.**

Proposed changes to speed limits include:

- reducing the speed limits on Pickwick Road and Dickens Lane from 100km/h to 50km/h
- reducing the speed limits on Mannington Road and Kingston Way from 70km/h to 50km/h.

All consultation information is available at: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say)

Submissions close at **5.00pm on Friday, 14 May 2021.**

## Request for tender

**Contract 1905 – Whanganui wastewater treatment plant scum baffles**

Whanganui District Council is inviting tenders from suitably experienced contractors to construct two scum baffles and their related pumps, valves and electrical systems at the Whanganui wastewater treatment plant.

TenderLink reference – **WANGDC-962983**

The tender deadline is **4.00pm on Thursday, 29 April 2021.**

For more information, please visit: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/request-for-tender](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/request-for-tender)

## Council meetings

**You are welcome at our meetings**

**Meeting this week**

Policy and Bylaw Committee	10.00am Thursday 8 April	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street
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*Hearings and deliberations for:*

- Dog Control Policy and Bylaw 2021
- Further Review of Gambling Venues Policy 2020

Agendas: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas)

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