

# Community Link

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## Cyclone street appeal on this Friday

The Whanganui Mayoral Relief Fund is raising money locally to support the regions most impacted by Cyclone Gabrielle – 100 percent of the money raised will go directly to support relief efforts in the areas that need it most. Whether big or small, every donation will help.

So far the Whanganui community has raised nearly \$60,000 through the fund. You can donate via internet banking to account number 01-0790-0157888-00, using the reference number CG23, or by visiting [cg23.whanganui.govt.nz](http://cg23.whanganui.govt.nz) to make an online payment.

This **Friday, 10 March 2023**, collectors with buckets will be in Victoria Avenue for a **street appeal from 10.00am until 2.00pm** so you can make a cash donation. There will also be a Cyclone Gabrielle appeal station in Majestic Square with eftpos as a donation option.



Lynne Vinsen collects Whanganui Mayoral Relief Fund donations in aid of Cyclone Gabrielle recovery at the Whanganui River Markets on Saturday, 5 March

## Help with Census forms

### Pop-up clinics at Alexander Library

Whanganui District Library is offering help for people to complete their Census 2023 forms. Drop in to one of the pop-up census clinics at the Alexander Heritage & Research Library Te Rerenga Mai o Te Kāuru in Pukenua Queen's Park **from 10.00am-4.00pm on Friday 10 March; Wednesday 15 March; Wednesday 22 March; and Wednesday 29 March.**



Trained census staff will be available to: answer your questions about the census; provide you internet access and a device to complete your forms online; help you order paper census forms and understand them; and support you to answer the questions in your forms. Please note that all staff will treat your census information and privacy with care and respect.

## Bee in for a discount riding with your SuperGold card

SuperGold card holders – people aged 65 years or older – travel free on Whanganui's urban buses on weekends and public holidays, as well as weekdays between 9.00am-3.00pm and after 6.30pm. Just use a Bee Card on the bus with the SuperGold concession loaded onto it.



You can buy a Bee Card by giving \$10.00 to the bus driver (\$5.00 for the card and \$5.00 minimum credit) or visiting Horizons Regional Council at 181 Guyton Street. You can also order a card online at: [beecard.co.nz/Pages/GetACard](http://beecard.co.nz/Pages/GetACard)

How do you get the SuperGold concession set up on your Bee Card? You pick up a form from either the bus driver or Horizons at 181 Guyton Street. You'll need to fill the form in and give it to the bus driver or send it to Horizons to get the concession loaded.

Once you're all sorted it's a simple matter of scanning on (and off!) the bus with your Bee Card – the card reader will recognise you're a SuperGold customer and apply the concession.

Whanganui's new frequent bus, Te Ngaru The Tide, runs between Castlecliff and Aramoho every 20 minutes Monday-Saturday, and hourly on Friday nights, connecting Gonville, Whanganui Hospital, the city centre and upper Victoria Avenue shops. For timetables and more details, visit: [www.horizons.govt.nz/buses-transport/the-tide](http://www.horizons.govt.nz/buses-transport/the-tide)

## Review of cemeteries bylaw



Whanganui District Council is comprehensively reviewing its Cemeteries and Crematoria Bylaw – which is due for review – and associated policies and guidelines. These set out the council's rules for and the approach to cemeteries, burials, cremations and monuments within the district.

Cemeteries are important spaces for the community. They're places people go to find peace and quiet, to mourn and remember friends and family members. They can represent both how we respect and commemorate the past, and how we interact with and relate to it.

This bylaw and the associated rules ensure that human remains are laid to rest appropriately, and that land and structures in cemeteries are protected.

For more information and to make a submission, please visit: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say) Submissions close at 5.00pm on Sunday, 16 April 2023.

## Whanganui East Pool

### Open to the public on weekends only

With the end of the swimming season approaching, the Whanganui East Pool is now open to the public on **weekends only from 10.00am until 5.00pm**. The final day at the Whanganui East Pool for this season is **Saturday, 1 April 2023**. More details at: [www.facebook.com/SplashcentreWhanganui](http://www.facebook.com/SplashcentreWhanganui)

## ROAD CLOSURE NOTICES

### Smithfield Road work until 28 July

A part of Smithfield Road from Carlton Avenue to Moore Avenue will be closed to all through traffic for the installation of underground infrastructure **from 7.00am on Monday, 13 March until 5.00pm on Friday, 28 July 2023.**

Traffic will be diverted during the closure with detour signs displayed. Residents will have access to their properties at all times during the work period. The installation of this infrastructure follows initial scoping work by Whanganui District Council contractors.

### Ingestre Street work this weekend

A section of Ingestre Street from Churton Street to Purnell Street – and a part of College Street near the intersection with Ingestre Street – will be closed to all through traffic this weekend for pre-seal roading repairs by Whanganui District Council contractors **from 6.00am until 6.00pm on Saturday, 11 March and Sunday, 12 March 2023.**

During the work, there will be resident-only access to properties in College and Grey streets. Traffic will be diverted during the closure with detour signs displayed.

For more information about both closures, visit: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/public-notice](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/public-notice)

## Gonville Town Hall hosts the Tattletale Saints this Friday

As part of their tour of New Zealand this month, the Tattletale Saints (pictured) perform in Whanganui at the historic Gonville Town Hall at 37a Tawa Street **this Friday, 10 March 2023, from 7.30pm-9.30pm.**

New Zealand-born and Nashville-based, Cy Winstanley (vocals / guitar) and Vanessa McGowan (vocals / bass) have played to Whanganui audiences several times since 2010 with Sarjeant Gallery Te Whare o Rehua Whanganui support.

The show also marks an important landmark in the rebirth of the Gonville Town Hall, built in 1911 and for a long time one of Whanganui's leading venues for music and ballroom dancing. It will be the first concert in the hall for at least 20 years.

Tickets are \$20.00 pre-sales or \$25.00 at the door – buy online at: [shop.sarjeant.org.nz/collections/events](http://shop.sarjeant.org.nz/collections/events) or from Sarjeant on the Quay at 38 Taupo Quay, or call 06 349 0506, or email: [info@sarjeant.org.nz](mailto:info@sarjeant.org.nz)



Americana duo the Tattletale Saints play the Gonville Town Hall this Friday, 10 March, in support of their new album, *In The Summertime*

## WHANGANUI DISTRICT COUNCIL PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS

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

- Cemeteries and Crematoria Bylaw review

More details at: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say)



## Council meetings

### Meeting this week

Risk and Assurance Committee	1.30pm (note updated time) Thursday 9 March	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street
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Agendas: [www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas)  
 Livestreamed council meetings: [www.facebook.com/whanganuidistrictcouncil](http://www.facebook.com/whanganuidistrictcouncil)  
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