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Wall-to-wall art set for the Sarjeant

Sarjeant Gallery Te Whare o Rehua Whanganui is inviting the Whanganui community to take part in the decoration of the enclosure wall that now surrounds the gallery's redevelopment site at Pukenui Queen's Park.

The site is ringed by a two-metre high, 200m-long wooden perimeter wall that is scheduled to be in place for the next two-and-a-half years until the redevelopment's completion.

During August, the gallery will host a series of painting workshops in the education room at Sarjeant on the Quay, 38 Taupo Quay, to create the community artworks. The workshops are free of charge, no previous experience is necessary and all materials will be provided. Bookings are essential for each workshop.

The community contribution to the wall will take up about 35m and be a massive patchwork of colourful paintings on boards by the adults and children of Whanganui. To help link the works together a colour palette and a theme of birds, insects, flowers and plants has been selected by Sarjeant staff. The painted boards will then be attached to the perimeter wall.

Information about the redevelopment project and images from the Sarjeant's nationally-significant permanent collection will also feature on the wall.

Rates postponements

Whanganui District Council has adopted a Rates Postponement Policy that allows individuals and businesses facing financial hardship as a result of COVID-19 additional flexibility to make payments. Those who meet the policy's criteria will be able to postpone the 2019/20 fourth-quarter rates due on 27 May 2020 to 25 November 2020. All 2020/21 rates will also be able to be postponed to 30 June 2021.

To apply, you must be the ratepayer of the property as per the Rating Information Database or their authorised agent. Apply online at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/rates-postponement For further information and assistance, call (06) 349 0001 or email: rates@whanganui.govt.nz

Are you interested in gaining skills in cycling and Arthritis self-management?

We are currently looking for expressions of interest to join our 6 week Arthritis New Zealand **CYCLE FORWARD** programme starting in September 2020. Qualified coaches to assist and bikes to help you get started.

Contact: Lori Davis: lori.davis@arthritis.org.nz or Michelle Mackenzie: michelle_row@hotmail.com





For a full listing of painting workshop dates and times for the perimeter wall artworks, please visit: www.facebook.com/pg/SarjeantGallery/events

To book a place, please call (06) 349 0506 or email: info@sarjeant.org.nz with name, age, contact number, number of participants, preferred session date and time.

For any further information, please contact the Sarjeant Gallery's Relationships Officer, Jaki Arthur, by emailing: jaki.arthur@sarjeant.org.nz or call her on 027 577 4923.

City landmark honoured



BSM Group Architects have won the Heritage category of the 2020 Western Architecture Awards for its strengthening and refurbishment of the Whanganui War Memorial Centre, a Whanganui District Council project.

Judges for the award said the remedial work on the Heritage New Zealand Category 1-listed landmark "had retained the building's architectural integrity and famous form". They also commented the strengthening work had "given the War Memorial Centre a new chapter in its life, not only preserving the building for its community but also retaining an icon of New Zealand architecture". For more information, visit: www.architecturenow.co.nz/awards

WHANGANUI DISTRICT COUNCIL PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS

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

- Upokongaro War Memorial Hall Survey

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



Rail crossing closure

The rail crossing on Somme Parade between Kaikokopu Road and George Street will be closed to all traffic from **7.00am this Saturday, 8 August until 6.00pm on Sunday, 9 August 2020** for KiwiRail to make track and sleeper repairs, and prepare the road for sealing.

A temporary unsealed road in the Aramoho railway yard will operate during the closure to allow traffic to bypass the worksite. All vehicles will need to follow the bypass route via Kaikokopu Road, Kelvin Street and George Street or vice versa. Once this work is completed the road will reopen with a temporary surface until final sealing takes place from 15-17 August 2020.

One lane in operation

Temporary traffic signals and a one-lane operation will be in place in Glasgow Street near the Gloucester Street intersection until **Friday, 21 August 2020** to allow inground services work to be completed. This work was originally scheduled to be completed this week. During the work, Gloucester Street between London Street and Somme Parade, will be closed to all traffic except residents.

The project - to upgrade service levels and to reduce the risk of flooding to properties in nearby low-lying areas - began in March this year but was stopped during the COVID-19 lockdown. It is now expected to be completed in early October 2020.

Harper St tree removal

Three flowering gum trees will be removed later this month from Harper Street between Abbot Street and Duigan Street. The pohutukawa trees in this area of Harper Street will not be affected. The trees are being removed for kerb and channel work to improve drainage and widen the road.

Council meetings

You are welcome at our meetings

Upcoming meetings		
Policy and Bylaw Committee	9.30am Thursday 6 August	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street
• Review of Street Infrastructure Bylaw 2015		
Youth Committee	4.00pm Monday 10 August	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street
Property and Community Services Committee	1.00pm Tuesday 11 August	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street
• This meeting will begin with public-excluded items - it is anticipated that public business will resume at 1.30pm		
Whanganui Rural Community Board	3.30pm Wednesday 12 August	Nagaizumi-cho Room, 101 Guyton Street

Agendas are available at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas
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• www.facebook.com/whanganuidistrictcouncil
• www.whanganui.govt.nz/live-council-meetings