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Mayors Taskforce for Jobs successes

Whanganui’s Mayors Taskforce for Jobs has exceeded expectations with 18 young people in the Whanganui district placed into work since February.

The nationwide central government-funded initiative is targeted primarily at young people aged 16-25 years old who are not in employment, education or training and are facing barriers in finding employment.

Whanganui Mayor, Andrew Tripe, signed up for Mayors Taskforce for Jobs in the first month of his mayoralty and is proud to support an initiative that is delivering great outcomes for locals.

“I regularly meet up for a conversation with young people who have been placed into employment through the Mayors Taskforce for Jobs and it’s something I thoroughly enjoy,” Mayor Andrew says. “It’s heart-warming to hear how this programme is making such a positive impact in their lives and giving them a leg-up towards a better future. In addition, it is helping our local businesses in a tight job market.”



Mayor Andrew Tripe congratulates Mania Mason, one of Whanganui’s first Mayors Taskforce for Jobs employment placements – on left and right, Rose Stokes (programme facilitator) and Sally Ross (Whanganui District Employment Training Trust chief executive)

Mayors Taskforce for Jobs programme facilitator at the Whanganui District Employment Training Trust, Rose Stokes, says, “The great thing about this programme is it’s tailored to the individual. Everyone’s different so when we’re working with someone, we look at the person and think about their goals and the best step for them – it’s case-by-case.”

Find Mayors Taskforce for Jobs details at: bit.ly/46WLFv2

Ministry of Health notice

Whanganui’s drinking water is classified as plumbosolvent, which means some plumbing fittings have the potential to allow minute traces of metals to accumulate in water standing in the fittings for several hours. Although the health risk is small, the Ministry of Health recommends that you flush a mugful of water from your drinking water tap each morning before use to remove any metals that may have dissolved from the plumbing fittings. The Ministry of Health recommends this simple precaution for all households, including those on public and private water supplies.

Director-General of Health

Road closures next week

Section of Plymouth Street

A section of Plymouth Street between Harrison Street and Bell Street will be closed to all through traffic for three days **from 7.00am on Monday, 31 July until 5.00pm on Wednesday, 2 August 2023** to allow Whanganui District Council contractors to install services to 40 Plymouth Street. Access for residents and emergency vehicles will not be affected, and detour signs will be displayed during the work period.

Kauarapaoa Road restricted access

A part of Kauarapaoa Road on either side of the Erni’s Bridge site (also referred to as Bridge 15) will be temporarily closed over three days **from 9.00am to 3.00pm on Monday, 31 July until Wednesday, 2 August 2023** for exploratory drilling work by council contractors in preparation for the design of a replacement bridge.

For more information on both closures, visit: www.whanganui.govt.nz/public-notice

Council meetings

Meetings in August

Strategy and Policy Committee	9.30am Wednesday 2 August	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton St
• <i>Hearing and deliberations for Public Places, Parks and Reserves Bylaw review</i>		
Council meeting	10.00am Thursday 3 August	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton St
Strategy and Policy Committee	9.30am Tuesday 8 August	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton St
Aspirations and Policy Committee	9.30am Wednesday 9 August	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton St
Operations and Performance Committee	9.30am Thursday 10 August	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton St
Council-Controlled Organisations Committee	9.30am Tuesday 15 August	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton St
Whanganui Rural Community Board	2.00pm Wednesday 16 August	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton St

Agendas: www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas
Livestreamed council meetings:
www.facebook.com/whanganuidistrictcouncil
www.whanganui.govt.nz/live-council-meetings

In tune with upcoming Musicians for the Sarjeant events

Thank you, Whanganui! A Celebration of Music

Thank you, Whanganui! A Celebration of Music with Sid Chand (pictured) and Ben Kubiak is being held in the Whanganui Memorial Centre’s Concert Chamber **this Saturday, 29 July 2023, from 1.00pm until 2.00pm.**



An all-ages Musicians for the Sarjeant event and a fundraiser to further their international careers, tenor Sid Chand will sing a special selection of art songs and operatic arias accompanied by virtuoso pianist Ben Kubiak. This concert is also a tribute to the support they’ve received from the Whanganui community during their years of development at the New Zealand Opera School.

Tickets cost \$25.00 plus a small booking fee – purchase from the Whanganui isite Visitor Information Centre at 31 Taupo Quay or buy online at: www.iticket.co.nz (please note door sales are limited.)

Carnivorous Plant Society at the Gonville Town Hall



Describing themselves as a “psychedelic world music band”, Carnivorous Plant Society performs at the Gonville Town Hall, 37a Tawa Street, on **Thursday, 10 August 2023 – doors open at 6.30pm.** Led by musician and animator Finn Scholes, the band coaxes life from trumpets, violin, vibraphone, tuba, guitar, synthesizers, keyboards, bass, drums, the odd vocal and even some whistling. This is an all-ages Musicians for the Sarjeant event. Tickets cost \$25.00 plus a small booking fee – purchase from the Whanganui isite Visitor Information Centre at 31 Taupo Quay or buy online at: www.iticket.co.nz (please note door sales are limited.)

Road naming survey closing

Whanganui District Council’s survey on how road names in our district are decided and whether the current council policy should also be applied to parks, reserves and open spaces closes at **12 noon next Tuesday, 1 August 2023.** More information and the survey link are available at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say

**WHANGANUI DISTRICT COUNCIL
PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS**

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

- Road Naming and Numbering survey
- Community nominations for heritage places

More details at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say

IT’S DOG REGO TIME!

Pay your dog registration by MONDAY, 31 JULY to receive a discount!

www.whanganui.govt.nz/pay-dog-rego

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Te Kaunhera a Rohe o Whanganui