



# Community Link

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## Lessons on liveability from the 'big smoke'

How we can preserve Whanganui's heritage buildings and get people enthused about the central city area?



More than 55 people turned up to Heritage House on Tuesday 21 August to hear Darren Davis from Auckland City Centre Design Team speak about how Auckland's regeneration has sparked ideas in the town centre for projects which have enhanced the liveability and economy of the city.

Cr Helen Craig also talked to the audience about Whanganui's Town Centre strategy and what's next, which includes alleyway art walks with a heritage element and better seating and lighting for heritage building facades.

The talk was part of Whanganui & Partners' Biz Buzz Month.

"There was a great vibe at the meeting. Both speakers were very engaging and the event received hugely positive feedback from the crowd," says Strategic Lead – Business Development Rhonda Morris.

"It was fantastic to learn from Darren about what Auckland has put into place to make its city centre more liveable and to encourage people to come back into town.

"Cities and towns all over the world have to think of new ways to encourage people to spend time in their central area and learning lessons and sharing knowledge from the big smoke is great for us."



Whanganui locals chat as part of the 'Conversation Station' project at the Little Park on Victoria Avenue



Watch this space...Something exciting is happening in the alleyway next to George's Fisheries in the bridge block of Victoria Avenue

## Sports Hall of Fame

Nominations are open for the Whanganui Sports Hall of Fame.

The Sports Hall of Fame recognises sporting achievement by athletes and coaches who have made a significant impact on Whanganui's sporting heritage. It is a joint initiative between Whanganui District Council and Sport Whanganui.

To be eligible, nominees must be from the Whanganui District, by birth or adoption, have been retired at least five years from top competition, represented New Zealand at senior level and/or contributed positively to and brought credit to sport in our district.

Among those who have been inducted into the Sports Hall of Fame are cyclist Gary Anderson, who won New Zealand's first ever Olympic cycling medal (Bronze) at the 1992 Olympic Games and athlete Bev Shingles, considered one of New Zealand's top women distance runners.

The most recent inductees (2017) are Peter Henderson (rugby) and the Lints family (Alan Bruce and Alan Brodie) for hockey.

A full list of the 28 previous winners, as well as an online nomination form, can be found at [www.whanganui.govt.nz/sportshall](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/sportshall)

The successful nominee(s) will be announced at the Whanganui Sports Awards on Friday, 16 November 2018 at the Wanganui Function Centre.

Nominations close on Friday, 21 September 2018.

For more information, contact Nicky Malipaard at Sport Whanganui, phone 349 2880, 021 2466184 or email [nicky@sportwhanganui.co.nz](mailto:nicky@sportwhanganui.co.nz)

## Learn something new Festival of Adult Learning

As part of the Festival of Adult Learning (formerly Adult Learners' Week), Adult and Community Education invites people to learn something new during 3-9 September.

During the week, Gonville Café Library is running events including Community Circles with Restorative City Whanganui Trust, Zumba Gold, job hunting skills, stop smoking tips, knitting and sewing tutorials and how to take better smartphone pics.

For full details, check out the Gonville Café Library Facebook page or email [gonville@whanganuilibrary.com](mailto:gonville@whanganuilibrary.com)

## What's on at the Sarjeant

### In the Hand

This is a group exhibition in the Sarjeant's object-based gallery above the i-SITE featuring small ceramic, jewellery and mixed media works linked by their intimate scale.

It includes works by Madeleine Child, Octavia Cook, Tessa Laird, Martin Poppelwell, Richard Parker, Lauren Lysaght, Robert McLeod and Joe Sheehan.

To 11 November.



Octavia Cook, *Mosapien*, 2017. Photo Sam Hartnett, courtesy of the artist and Anna Miles Gallery

## Registrations of Interest

### Pensioner Housing Welfare Services

We invite registrations of interest from suitably experienced providers for the provision of welfare services for aged tenants occupying 275 pensioner housing units owned by Whanganui District Council (Contract 1800).

Tenders must be submitted no later than **1.00pm Thursday, 13 September 2018.**

A copy of the full tender document is available at [www.tenderlink.com/whanganui](http://www.tenderlink.com/whanganui)  
 Tender Link Reference: **'WANGDC-820851'**.

## No charge for fiction!

### And other changes to fees and services at the Library

From Monday 10 September, our libraries are making changes to the way we charge for and deliver services. Adult fiction and standard magazines, which were once 50 cents each to borrow, are now free. Requests and holds (previously \$1.00), will also be free.

Requests will be available for pick up from a designated self-service zone and no longer held at the help desk. Library users will be informed about requests via email, rather than phone call. Please update your information on the Library website to make sure we have your email address.

While some services are now free, overdue fees for books and magazines will increase from 20 cents per day overdue to 50 cents per day. For a full list of changes, visit [www.whanganuilibrary.com](http://www.whanganuilibrary.com)

## Council meetings

We welcome the public to our meetings.

Youth	4.00pm, Monday, 3 September	Council Chamber
Council	1.00pm, Wednesday, 5 September	Council Chamber

2018/19 Community Contracts (public likely be excluded)

Council	1.00pm, Tuesday, 11 September	Council Chamber
Wanganui Rural Community Board	3.30pm, Wednesday, 12 September	Committee Room 2
Statutory Management Committee	9.00am, Tuesday, 18 September	Council Chamber

Deliberations on the Pukenu/Queen's Park Reserve Management Plan

Agendas are available at [www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas) or view hard copies at the Council office at 101 Guyton Street or the District Library.

Full Council meetings are live-streamed at [www.facebook.com/whanganuidistrictcouncil](http://www.facebook.com/whanganuidistrictcouncil) and [www.whanganui.govt.nz/live-council-meetings](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/live-council-meetings)