

# Central Link

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WHAKAAHURANGI  
**STRATFORD**  
DISTRICT COUNCIL

## Introducing Wai o Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre

**We're excited to share with you the name gifted to Stratford's new pool complex, due to open later this year.**

'Wai O Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre' was born out of collaboration between local iwi Ngāti Ruanui, Ngāruahine, and Ngāti Maru, who have been working with Council on a wide range of features for the new community facility.

When developing the name, iwi representatives drew inspiration from two local tupuna (ancestors), acknowledging Ruaputuhanga and Rua Taranaki (Taranaki Mouna), along with elements from the environment including the local awa (rivers).

Director Community Services, Kate Whareaitu says, "Wai o Rua directly translates to "Water of Rua," referring to the two tupuna, however along with telling a local story, it also celebrates the energetic nature of the new facility, a welcoming space that will cater to all members of our community."

"The short playful title was thought to be most appropriate for a facility that is designed to deliver education, competition and health in a fun way."

"From Wai Play babies to rehabilitation patients and competitive swimmers, this facility is for everyone and we hope our community will love everything about Wai O Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre when it opens later this year," says Ms Whareaitu.

The name was considered at a Policy and Services Committee meeting on Tuesday 28 June 2022, and received support from the majority of elected members. It will be formally adopted at the next Ordinary Meeting on Tuesday 12 July 2022.

Prior to Tuesday's meeting elected members were given a tour of the new facility and provided with an update on construction. The project is tracking well and our community will be set to make a splash well in advance of the summer holidays.

For updates on the project, including video footage, visit [stratford.govt.nz](http://stratford.govt.nz)



## Thinking about standing for council?

Come along to our **Candidates Information Day** this month!

**Saturday 16 July 2022**  
12noon - 1pm  
Council Chambers, 63 Miranda Street, Stratford



## Public Notices

### Meeting Schedule - July 2022

**Ordinary Meeting**  
Tuesday 12 July at 3.30pm

**Audit & Risk Committee**  
Tuesday 19 July at 2.00pm

**Policy & Services Committee**  
Tuesday 26 July at 3.00pm

All meetings will be held in the Council Chambers, Miranda Street, Stratford. Meetings will be held by audio visual link if required due to COVID-19 public health measures.

**S Hanne**  
Chief Executive

### Temporary Road Closure - Street Sprints

Council proposes to close the following roads on Sunday 14 August 2022 between the hours of 7.30am and 5.30pm for the purpose of the Westend Hire Stratford Street Sprint 2022:

- Romeo Street from Orlando Street to Cordelia Street
- Cordelia Street from Romeo Street to Warwick Road
- Warwick Road from Cordelia Street to Orlando Street
- Orlando Street from Warwick Road to Celia Street

Detours will be available for the duration of these road closures.

If you would like to object to this proposal please provide your reason in writing before FRIDAY 22 JULY 2022 by emailing [stratforddc@stratford.govt.nz](mailto:stratforddc@stratford.govt.nz) or by visiting Council's Service Centre at 63 Miranda Street, Stratford.

**V Araba**  
Director Assets

## Changes to our Fees and Charges

**Last week Council adopted the Annual Plan for 2022/23 and this included some changes to our fees and charges.**

Visit [stratford.govt.nz](http://stratford.govt.nz) or pop in to Council's Service Centre or the Stratford Library and Visitor Information Centre to see the latest updates.

Key changes made are across Waste Management (Transfer Station), Swimming Pool, Building and Pensioner Housing.

## School holidays start this weekend!

Check out our calendar of activities at the TSB Pool Complex and Library and Visitor Information Centre by visiting our website [stratford.govt.nz](http://stratford.govt.nz)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
11 Library Toddler Book Management Pool Party Infusions at TSB Pool Complex Lifeguard Course	12 Free Aqua Tubula TSB Pool Complex 4.30pm-5.30pm	13 Library Craft Activity Pool Party Infusions at TSB Pool Complex	14 Pool Party Infusions at TSB Pool Complex	15 Pool Party Infusions at TSB Pool Complex	16 Pool Party Infusions at TSB Pool Complex	17 Pool Party Infusions at TSB Pool Complex
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## Did you know?

**It is reported that over 90% of existing plastic in the world has never been recycled.**

Soft plastics can be unsustainable and harmful to the environment if they are not recycled correctly.

Due to their lightweight components, they can be blown out of landfills easily and pollute the environment. When breaking down in the environment, they can further inflict damage on our waterways, soil and animals.

If you use soft-plastics, please recycle them appropriately OR if you're up for the challenge, try and avoid soft plastics altogether as part of Plastic Free July. Visit [plasticfreejuly.org](http://plasticfreejuly.org)

### Can you CRACK THE CODE?

2 3 2 18 23 17 4 2 16 2 5 25 17 1 6 7 14 4 15 2 3 2 18  
9 6 20 2 7 14 4 1 1 2 8 4 7 14 7 14 5 20 6 23

Each number above represents a letter. Can you tell us what it says? Hint: On average we have to wait 500 years to say our farewells - born in 1862.

Email [pmcnamara@stratford.govt.nz](mailto:pmcnamara@stratford.govt.nz) with your answer!

## Quiz and Tips Hour at the Library

**TODAY! 6 July 2022, 2-3pm**

Join Jane for a fun quiz and tips that will help you stay up to date with using your mobile device!

## Dog regos due

**Make sure your dog is wearing a green registration tag for 2022/23**



**Library and Visitor Information**  
Phone 06 765 5403  
Monday - Friday 8.30am - 5.00pm  
Saturday 9.00am - 12.00pm  
Sundays & Public Holidays Closed

**Transfer Station**  
Phone 06 765 8500  
Monday - Friday 2.00pm - 5.00pm  
Wednesday 10.00am - 1.00pm  
Saturday & Sunday 1.00pm - 5.00pm

**TSB Pool Complex**  
Phone 06 765 6275  
Weekdays 6.00am - 7.30pm  
Wednesday 6.00am - 6.30pm  
Saturday 7.00am - 5.30pm  
Sunday 11.00am - 5.30pm  
Public Holidays Closed

**Glockenspiel**  
Performs Daily at 10.00am, 1.00pm,  
3.00pm and 7.00pm  
6 July 2022