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Public Notices

Council meetings - December 2023

- **Workshop:** Tuesday 12 December at 9am
- **Public Forum:** Tuesday 12 December at 3pm
- **Ordinary Meeting:** Tuesday 12 December at 3:30pm

Meetings and Workshops will be held in the Council Chambers on Miranda Street. Changes to meeting times will be published in the Public Notice section of [Stratford.govt.nz](https://stratford.govt.nz)

S Hanne | Chief Executive

Urban Kerb and Channel Spray Round

Stratford District Council will carry out moss spraying on footpaths at night in the following areas from **Sunday 10 December to Tuesday 12 December 2023:**

- Broadway from the Northern to Southern Dairy
- Fenton Street from the Broadway roundabout through to Malone Gate
- Miranda and Portia Streets from Fenton Street to Regan Street
- Regan Street from Broadway to Portia Street

Weather permitting, we expect this will take two nights to complete. If the weather will inhibit spraying, we will complete the work the following week.

Any areas that are defined as a "No Spray Zone" by the property owner will not be sprayed. Anyone in the area that does not want their road frontage sprayed should contact Council on 06 765 6099.

V Araba | Director - Assets

Kerbside collection consultation results in status quo recommendation

On Tuesday 27 November, Stratford District Council's (SDC) Policy and Services Committee discussed four options for proposed changes to the rubbish and recycling collection service in Stratford. Options were based around the introduction of a food waste collection service by 2027 and how best to balance this against cost and bin collection frequency.

In a 7 - 4 vote, the Committee has recommended that Council continue the status quo of weekly general waste collection, fortnightly recycling collection, and to not introduce food waste collection until the government's mandate comes into effect in 2027. This recommendation now goes to the full meeting of Council to be considered on 12 December.

The Committee's recommendation follows SDC's community consultation on the district's draft Waste Minimisation and Management Plan (WMMP) and proposed changes to kerbside waste collection earlier this year.

There were 78 submissions received as part of the consultation. Most respondents were interested in the early introduction of food waste collection, but not at the expense of their weekly general rubbish collection. Elected members in favour of the status quo highlighted the feedback received as being an important factor in their decision.

Council recently adopted the district's new **Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2023**, which became operational on 1 December 2023.

The new plan provides a foundation to empower the community to eliminate waste, reduce the amount of waste going to landfill, and to promote a circular economy where materials are used and re-used for as long as possible.



Lots of fun was had at the Stratford Christmas Parade. Thanks for celebrating with us, Whakaahurangi!

Stratford district's
**Mayoral
Christmas
Gift Appeal**

Place your donations under our Christmas trees at council's Service Centre or the Library & Information Centre from Friday 1 to 15 December

Property revaluation letters are on their way

Every three years, our valuation service provider Quotable Value (QV) does an assessment of property values in the district. To determine the value of a property, QV looks at the selling prices of similar properties in the area. We use these valuations as a guide for setting rates.

The latest round of rating revaluations is complete and if you own a property in Stratford district, you'll receive your revaluation letter soon.

If you don't agree with the revaluation, or you have questions, please contact QV direct. You have until **19 January 2024** to lodge an objection to your valuation.

- Phone: 0800 787 284
- Email: ObjectionSupport@QV.co.nz
- Online: [QV.co.nz/Services/Rating-Valuations/Object-Rating](https://qv.co.nz/Services/Rating-Valuations/Object-Rating)



What happens next?

Changes in the valuation of your property can result in changes to rates, but that's not always the case.

A property's new value will help determine the share of the total rate revenue a property owner will pay. We'll share sample rates as part of the Long Term Plan process, but changes to rates won't come into effect until 1 July 2024.

Visit [Stratford.govt.nz/RatesAndPropertyFAQs](https://stratford.govt.nz/RatesAndPropertyFAQs) to find out more.

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Saturday 9.00am – 1.00pm

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Transfer Station

Phone 06 765 8500

Monday – Friday 2.00pm – 5.00pm

Wednesday 10.00am – 1.00pm

Saturday & Sunday 1.00pm – 5.00pm

Wai O Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre

Phone 06 765 6275

Monday – Friday 6.00am – 6.30pm

Saturday 7.00am – 5.00pm

Sunday and Public Holidays

10.00am – 5.00pm

Glockenspiel

Performs Daily at 10.00am, 1.00pm, 3.00pm and 7.00pm

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