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TE KAUNIHERA Ā ROHE O
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DISTRICT COUNCIL



It's not too late to enrol!

Did you know you can enrol to vote in our local elections right up to and including Friday 10 October?

If you're enrolling now, your voting pack won't come to you in the mail (unfortunately you've missed the cut-off). But don't worry, you can cast a special vote when voting opens on 9 September. It's easy!

Enrol now at Vote.nz or call 0800 36 76 56.

If you need some extra reasons to enrol and vote:

- ✓ There's a mayoral race on!
- ✓ Referendum to remove or keep our Māori Ward
- ✓ Hot elections in our Urban and Māori wards

Meet the candidate events

We're a big fan of opportunities to get to know your candidates, especially in person.

If you're interested in learning more about Stratford district's Māori Ward candidates, head to Hāwera for a regional Meet the Māori candidates event hosted by Ngā Iwi o Taranaki.

Meet the Māori candidates

6pm - 7.30pm, Thursday 21 August

Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Ruanui, 74 Princes Street, Hāwera

This is a public meeting and attendees can RSVP at communications@niot.org.nz

Save the dates

Mark your calendars for 8 and 10 September for meet the candidate events, including a mayoral debate, organised by the Stratford & South paper.



Apply for funding from our Creative Communities Scheme before 5 Sept 2025.

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Prospero Place Project Update

Thank you to everyone who shared feedback on the draft designs for Prospero Place.

We received input from 120 people, and the key themes identified were:

- Accessibility
- Weather protection
- Cultural identity
- Community use
- Cost prioritisation
- Broadway improvements

Based on this feedback, we've proposed changes to the draft plans, which were presented to Council at last week's Ordinary Meeting. The main changes following feedback include relocating the raised platform and including covered areas (shelters/canopies). You can view the updated designs and a summary of the feedback at YourSay.Stratford.govt.nz/Prospero-Place

What's Next?

Originally, we aimed to finalise the design at the recent Council meeting, followed by contractor

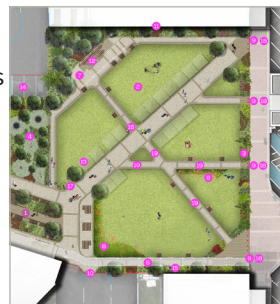
tendering and physical works starting over summer.

However, the Project Team has requested more time to:

- Further scope design elements, specifically covered areas
- Explore a staged approach to construction and how budget is allocated
- Allow the incoming Council to contribute to the project's final direction

We are still full steam ahead in finalising the designs. Once this is complete, we will break the work into individual packages and start conversations with elected members (after the election), donors and other contributors to identify what comes first and the different ways individual parts will be funded and delivered. We'll continue to keep you updated as the project progresses.

Follow the project on YourSay.Stratford.govt.nz or download the free Antenna App to keep up-to-date.



Stratford's kicking recycling contamination to the kerb

Recycling contaminants are items in your recycling bin that we can't recycle, like fabrics, household goods, polystyrene, and food scraps.

Stratford has already caught the attention of waste minimisation teams in other districts, thanks to your impressively low rate of recycling contamination.

But even we were surprised with the results of home recycling bin audits during July:

- ✓ Two weeks with **zero** recycling contamination
- ✓ Just 3% total recycling contamination for the month
- ✓ A big reduction in red tags handed out for significantly contaminated recycling

If your street is listed below, you contributed towards last month's incredible results, putting you amongst the best in New Zealand when it comes to recycling!

Keep it going!

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| • Adrian Street | • Juliet Street (1-50) |
| • Ariel Street (1-50) | • Miranda Street (1-50) |
| • Broadway (1-50) | • Montague Grove |
| • Brecon Road (1-50) | • Oberon Street |
| • Caesar Street | • Olivia Street |
| • Capulet Place | • Orlando Street (1-50) |
| • Cassandra Street | • Portia Street (1-50) |
| • Craig Street | • Regan Street (140-225) |
| • Fairbank Avenue | • Titania Street |
| • Flint Road West | • Ulysses Street |
| • Glanville Road | |
| • Hunt Road | |

Find your people!

Are you looking for community organisations, or local clubs or groups to join?

Head to our online Community Directory to find your new crew and learn more about the organisations doing awesome mahi in our community.

Start your search at:

Stratford.govt.nz/CommunityDirectory

If your club, group, or community organisation isn't listed, please email ACrane@stratford.govt.nz so we can see the Community Directory grow!



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Stratford Transfer Station

Phone 06 765 8500

Monday: 12pm - 5pm

Thursday: 10am - 1pm

Friday - Sunday: 12pm - 5pm

Wai o Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre

Phone 06 765 6275

Monday - Friday: 6am - 6.30pm

Saturday: 7am - 5pm

Sunday & Public Holidays:
10am - 5pm

Glockenspiel

Performs daily at 10am, 1pm, 3pm, and 7pm

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