

Central Link

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News from the Stratford District Council

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Community help needed for heritage collection

SDC holds a large collection of photos of Stratford District places, people, and events, and is seeking the help of locals to correctly identify them.

SDC was recently successful in a funding application through the National Library Partnership Programme to digitise archived photos so that they can be easily accessed by family historians, researchers and anyone else interested in the history of Stratford.

Our Library and Visitor Information Centre staff are undertaking the large project and are looking for additional help from community members.

Team Leader, Visitor Information and Library Services Bridget Roper says, "We are looking for helpers to identify and provide metadata for the photos online. Metadata is information that provides a definition or summarises basic information about each photo we have."

"The photos are stored safely but many of the details, like their age and origin are unknown, and that's what we need help with," she says.

People already following Stratford Library on Facebook would have noticed that digital copies of these community archives are being shared regularly to help gather this data, using the hashtag #stratfordheritagecollection



Photo: Check out these dancers! Do you recognise any of these faces? Who is taking the class and where it's being held? What year it is?

People are encouraged to comment on the posts with any information or knowledge they have on the photo shared, or they can email library@stratford.govt.nz

Bridget says they're also interested in hearing from people who might want to help with the project on a longer term basis.

People can contact her on 06 765 5493 or by emailing library@stratford.govt.nz

Have you recently completed a trade certificate?

This November SDC is celebrating local people who have recently completed their chosen training.

The annual Trade Graduation celebrations are part of the Mayors Task Force for Jobs initiative and are a chance to recognise members within the community who have recently finished their trade certificates.

Mayor Neil Volzke says, "Local people succeeding in their chosen field is a positive for the whole community and it's important to take the time to acknowledge them." A Trade Graduation Ceremony in the Council chambers would normally be held to celebrate these achievements, but with the uncertainty of COVID-19

alert levels, SDC will be shining a light on graduates in a different way this year.

Mayor Volzke says, "Community safety is at the forefront of our decision to move away from the ceremony event. Instead we'd like to take a more personalised approach and will be organising individual presentations with our graduates and their employers."

"We'll also be recognising our graduates on Council channels throughout the month of November," he says.

If you have recently completed a trade and have not yet heard from Council, please get in contact with Rhonda Vanstone at rvanstone@stratford.govt.nz or on 06 765 6099 by Friday 29 October.



Last day to register your scarecrow!

Today is the last day to enter your scarecrow in this year's Stratford Scarecrow Trail.

You can do so online at stratford.govt.nz or by filling out a form at our Service Centre or the Library and Visitor Information Centre.

The trail kicks off on 29 October and runs until 14 November. Visit stratford.govt.nz for more information.

Public Notices

Meeting Schedule - October

Extraordinary Meeting

To adopt the minutes from the Representation Review Hearing and adopt the final proposal.
Tuesday 26 October 2021 at 2.00pm

Policy & Services Committee

Tuesday 26 October 2021 at 2.30pm

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

S Hanne
Chief Executive

Rural Travel Fund

Applications for the Sport New Zealand Rural Travel Fund close next week!

Applications are available from stratford.govt.nz, our Service Centre and the Library and Visitor Information Centre i-SITE.

Applications close at 4.30pm Friday 29 October 2021. If you have any questions or need help with your application contact Rhonda Vanstone on 06 765 6099.

Artists sought for new Aquatic Centre artwork



Expressions of Interest are invited from artists to design and produce artwork for the new Stratford Aquatic Centre.

SDC has partnered with local iwi, Ngāti Ruanui, Ngāruahine, and Ngāti Maru to identify a cultural narrative to be reflected through the new community facility.

This project seeks to enhance the aesthetic appeal of the facility across four priority areas. A number of key art pieces have also been identified as part of the wider overall design scope.

SDC invites all artists that would like to be considered for, or are interested in this work, to read the full design brief and submit an Expressions of Interest form.

The Expressions of Interest brief and application form are available on our website stratford.govt.nz

Expressions of Interest close 14 November 2021.

Visit stratford.govt.nz for a full list of Council services at Alert Level 2.

For more information on COVID-19, alert levels and vaccinations visit covid19.govt.nz

Library and Visitor Information
Phone 06 765 5403
Monday – Friday 8.30am – 5.00pm
Saturday 9.00am – 1.00pm
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
Saturdays 7.00am – 5.30 pm
Sunday 11.00am – 5.30 pm

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

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