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DISTRICT COUNCIL



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Public Notices

Inaugural Meeting of Council

A pōwhiri for Elected Members, followed by the first meeting of council (including Declarations from Elected Members) will be held on:

Tuesday 25 October 2022 at 1.00pm

The pōwhiri for Elected Members will begin at 1.00pm. Please gather at the front of Stratford District Council.

This notice is in accordance with Standing Order 4.5.

All meetings are held in the Council Chambers, Miranda Street, Stratford, unless advertised otherwise.

S Hanne
Chief Executive

Wai O Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre is open!

On Thursday 13 October 2022 District Mayor Neil Volzke officially opened Wai o Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre. Over 150 people came out to be part of history and make a splash in the new complex for opening day!



Local arts projects receive 12k in funding

The arts are thriving in the Stratford District, with six art and cultural projects being awarded funding in the latest round of the Creative Communities Scheme (CSS).

Sheila Boyes, Stratford Creative Communities Assessment Committee Chair, says the scheme plays an important role in increasing community participation in the arts, something that's especially welcome as local arts practitioners come together again after COVID-19 restrictions.

"We're funding a school production, community choir, art and cultural group meet-ups and workshops, amongst other projects. There's a real sense of enthusiasm and optimism in our local arts community as we come together to watch, take part, and create," says Sheila.

The Creative Communities Scheme is a partnership between Stratford District Council and Creative New Zealand (CNZ). The CNZ Creative Communities Scheme (CCS) helps to fund local arts projects.

The next round for the Stratford district will open on Monday 6 March 2023.

Stratford District's successful applicants from the latest funding round:

Midhirst School, \$180

School Production 'Aotearoa Spectacular'

Stratford Singers, \$3,800

Community choir aiming to take the audience on a journey to the 1940s Big Band era

Central Taranaki Embroidery Guild, \$230

Embroiderers Guild monthly meetings and practice

Taranaki Quilt Festival 2023 (TPQ), \$2,000

An exhibition of patchwork, quilting and quilt art for TPQ members, the public, and young people to showcase their craft

Stratford & District Scottish Society, \$1,000

Weekly workshops tutoring & practicing piping and drumming

Shakespeare Festival, \$5,650

Workshops for young people and the wider community to engage with Shakespeare in a fun way

For more information about the Creative Communities scheme, visit Stratford.govt.nz

Thanks given for service to Stratford District

At the last Council meeting, we farewelled Councillor Gloria Webby, Councillor Peter Dalziel, Deputy Mayor Alan Jamieson and Councillor Rick Coplestone, who was unable to attend the meeting.

These Councillors opted not to stand for re-election for their roles as elected members of the Stratford District Council.

Cr Webby, Cr Dalziel and Cr Coplestone spent two terms on Council. Deputy Mayor Jamieson spent four terms with us, three of those terms as Deputy Mayor.

Mayor Neil Volzke thanked each of them for their contribution. He touched on their expertise around the table and shared his appreciation for their hard work.

Addressing all councillors, he paid special thanks to their efforts over the last three years, which he described as being a term full of many challenges and big decisions.

Apply for the Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

The Rural Travel Fund is available to rural sports clubs and school teams. It supports young people aged between 5 and 19 years, who need financial help with transport to local sporting competitions.

Download application forms from Stratford.govt.nz, or pick one up from Council's Service Center or the Stratford Library and Visitor Information Center.

Applications close at 4.30pm Friday 28 October 2022.

For assistance, please contact Carissa Reynolds on 06 765 6099 or creynolds@stratford.govt.nz

Plastic product ban

Some hard-to-recycle and single-use plastic products can no longer be provided, sold or made in NZ. These bans particularly affect plastic containers used in food businesses, and include:

- PVC food trays and containers, and plastic drink stirrers
- Polystyrene and expanded polystyrene food and drink packaging
- Plastic with pro-degradant additives, e.g. oxo and photo-degradable plastics

There are plenty of great packaging alternatives available. Visit Stratford.govt.nz to find out more.

Library and Visitor Information

Phone 06 765 5403

Monday – Friday 8.30am – 5.00pm

Saturday 9.00am – 12.00pm

Sunday & 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

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

19 October 2022