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STRATFORD
DISTRICT COUNCIL

Chunuk Bair commemorations next Monday

The annual ceremony to honour the anniversary of the battle of Chunuk Bair will be held at the Malone Memorial Gates on Monday 8 August 2022 from 9.00am.

Members of the public are invited to attend the wreath laying at the Malone Memorial Gates and then join us for tea, coffee and scones at the Centennial Rest Rooms.

Please ensure you gather in front of the gates and away from the road.

The Malone Gates are the largest war memorial to an individual soldier in New Zealand. They were erected in 1923 to recognise the outstanding bravery and leadership of Lieutenant Colonel W C Malone of Stratford who died at the battle of Chunuk Bair at Gallipoli.

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Council facilities come out on top in survey

Stratford Library and Visitor Information Centre users are some of the happiest in the country with the service they've received, according to our annual residents' survey.

Survey results were presented to elected members last week showing 97% of users satisfied with the library activities and 96% satisfied with visitor information services.

Chief Executive Sven Hanne says, "Despite the interruptions to our community over the last year, and in particular to our facilities while public health measures have been in place, we're really pleased to see residents happy with the services we're providing at our Library and Visitor Information Centre."

Parks and walkways were also perceived well by residents, with 92% satisfied with these facilities.

"Our team puts a lot of effort into providing both beautiful and practical outdoor spaces for our

residents and visitors to enjoy and be proud of, and this is a testament to that," says Mr Hanne.

"Our customer service team were the next highest with 85% of respondents happy with the way staff handle a request or enquiry, matching results from a recent survey by ALGIM, which placed SDC 9th out of 78 councils," he says.

Key Research who carried out the annual residents' survey on behalf of SDC told elected members that these were some of the best scores for services they've seen this year.

"This is the first year we've used an external research agency to conduct the survey and it's a step forward in Council's commitment to using good customer data to measure and improve service delivery. We're really excited to see how we can build on these results year on year," says Mr Hanne.

Read the full survey report online at stratford.govt.nz

Public Notices

Meeting Schedule - August 2022

Ordinary Meeting
Tuesday 9 August at 3.30pm

Policy & Services Committee
Tuesday 23 August 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

Creative Communities Funding Round One

Applications for financial assistance under the Creative Communities Scheme are now invited.

Application criteria, forms & guidelines are available from Council's website, stratford.govt.nz, Service Centre, or the Stratford Library & Visitor Information Centre.

Applications close at 4.30pm on Friday 2 September 2022.

Projects or activities must:

- increase participation in the local arts;
- increase the range and diversity of the arts available to the Stratford community;
- enable young people (under 18 years) to engage with and participate in the arts;
- not commence before your application has been assessed and approved;
- not already received funding from Creative NZ for the same project;
- be completed within 12 months of funding approval.

Any group, organisation, or individual may apply for support under this scheme, so long as the project for which funding is required conforms to the above criteria.

Applicants are encouraged to contact Erin Bishop at Council on 06 765 6099 or ebishop@stratford.govt.nz to ensure eligibility and receive assistance with application information.

K Whareaitu
Director Community Services

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VOTE 2022
LOCAL ELECTIONS

We're looking for leaders

Nominations for standing in the local elections close at 12noon sharp on Friday 12 August 2022 - don't leave it too late!

If you're interested in making your mark on your community, now's your time.

Get in touch with our electoral officers to learn more about the nomination process or book a time to complete your form with them. This can take up to 20 minutes, so it's best to give yourself plenty of time. Phone 06 765 6099 or email the team on stratforddc@stratford.govt.nz

You don't need any specific qualifications. Elected members come from a variety of backgrounds and experience. But to be effective it helps to have skills in:

- Decision-making and strategic thinking
- Community engagement
- Relationship building and collaboration

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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
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