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News from the Stratford District Council

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TE KAUNIHERA Ā ROHE O
WHAKAAHURANGI
STRATFORD
DISTRICT COUNCIL



Graffiti on public property?

Download the FREE Antenno app to quickly report community issues.

Public Notices

Meeting schedule - December 2022

Workshop for Councillors
Tuesday 13 December at 1.30 pm

Public Forum
Tuesday 13 December at 3.00 pm

Ordinary Council Meeting
Tuesday 13 December at 3.30 pm

All meetings are held in the Council Chambers, Miranda Street, Stratford. Meetings will be held by audio visual link if required due to public health measures.

S Hanne
Chief Executive

Step up! Our Youth Council is recruiting

Stratford District Youth Council (SDYC) is asking local young people to step up for their community and apply to become Youth Councillors for 2023.

SDYC Co-Chair Keisya Gunawan says becoming part of the youth council is a great opportunity to contribute to the lives of young people in the region.

"We're young and we're able to come at things from a different perspective. The youth council gives feedback on district annual plans and community strategies. These really affect young people and it's awesome that we help their voices be heard around the council chambers," she says.

Co-Chair Achim Hanne says putting on community events has been a highlight of his time in the youth council.

"We get to dream up and help deliver fun events that young people actually want to go to. We've delivered On the Bus trips, Colour in the Park, and events like A Scary Night," he says.

"It's not just about the events we put on, though. We can get the opportunity to go to things like Youth Parliament and Model UN, which is a whole lot more fun than it sounds," Achim jokes.

Applications are open now and close at 12pm on Tuesday 31 January 2023. Young people aged between 12 and 24, and who live, work, or go to school in Stratford district, are eligible to apply.

Apply online at Stratford.govt.nz/YouthCouncil



Youth Councillors attend two meetings a month; one formal meeting and a project meeting.

Visit SDYC on Instagram and Facebook for more information on becoming a Youth Councillor. Vanessa, Stratford District Council Community Development Officer, is also on hand to answer questions. Vanessa can be contacted at VFischer@stratford.govt.nz or 06 765 6099.



Who wore the hat better? Mayor Neil Volzke with Santa at last week's Christmas Parade.



Our School Holiday Programme is out!

Visit Stratford.govt.nz/SchoolHolidays to see the fun activities we've got planned for tamariki these summer holidays.

Heaps of the activities are free, but you may need to book your spot!



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Funding to improve local travel choices

A potential funding boost of \$7.8 million is available to Stratford District Council to support projects that will improve the way people can travel within Stratford.

The Transport Choices Programme was announced by Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency on 4 December and SDC has been successful in receiving funding towards it's School Safety Improvement application. This includes projects that will be carried out in two phases to better connect our community to schools and facilities.

Read the full announcement for more information on our website Stratford.govt.nz

Mayoral Christmas Gift Appeal on now

It has been exciting to see the festive gifts being delivered by generous members of the community for the annual Mayoral Gift Appeal.

The appeal is one of our favourite traditions. Locals donate new or pre-loved gifts in good condition, which get delivered to deserving people in the community.

Drop your donations off under the Christmas tree at Council's Service Centre, or at the Stratford Library and Visitor Information Centre **before Wednesday 14 December 2022.**

For more information, visit Stratford.govt.nz

Check before you swim in the Pātea River

There have been high levels of harmful bacteria in the Pātea River lately. Make sure you check the water quality before you or your four-legged friend go for a splash.

We put signs next to local swimming spots within King Edward Park when bacteria levels are not safe for swimming. Look around and if you see one of the signs, please keep out of the water.

You can also visit trc.govt.nz to check the water quality of popular Taranaki swimming spots before you jump in.



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Library and Visitor Information

Phone 06 765 5403

Monday – Friday 8.30am – 5.00pm

Saturday 9.00am – 1.00pm

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

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