

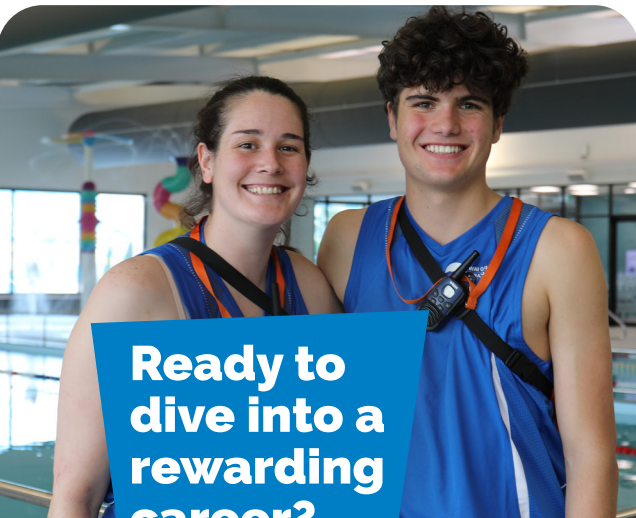
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News from the Stratford District Council

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## Public Notices

### Meeting schedule - February 2023

Policy & Services Committee  
Tuesday 28 February at 3.00 pm

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

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Chief Executive

## Applications open for new fund to reduce Stratford's landfill waste

We've created a \$25,000 Waste Levy Fund to support new initiatives that reduce the amount of waste going into landfill. Funding applications are now open, and we're encouraging individuals, community organisations, and not-for-profits to submit their projects.

Victoria Araba, Director Assets, says she's excited to hear about the creative waste minimisation projects being planned by community members and organisations.

"We know there are people out there who are passionate about reducing waste, and have the skills to develop their ideas into projects that will deliver great results," says Victoria.

Stratford District's Waste Levy Fund was created using money distributed to us through the Government's national waste disposal levy. The national levy raises funds to achieve and promote waste minimisation in New Zealand.

"We may be a small council, but by working together with our community through initiatives like the Waste Levy fund, we're able to do our part towards a zero-waste future for Aotearoa," says Victoria.



To be eligible for support, projects have to avoid, reduce, recycle, recover, or reuse waste in the Stratford district.

Applications opened on Monday 13 February and close on Friday 10 March. For information about the fund, eligibility criteria, and how to apply, please visit [Stratford.govt.nz/WasteFund](http://Stratford.govt.nz/WasteFund)

## What you need to know about paying rates

We've issued invoices for the third instalment of rates, due on 22 February 2023. These went out with copies of our Quarterly Update newsletter.

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## Your ideas needed for our Waste Management and Minimisation Plan



Have your say on the district's Waste Management and Minimisation Plan.

**PUBLIC MEETING TONIGHT - 5.30pm Wednesday 15 February 2023**

**Stratford War Memorial Centre**

We're reviewing the district's Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (WMMP) and we want your input.

The WMMP identifies the district's vision, objectives and targets for waste management and minimisation, and a review is required every 6 years.

Director Assets, Victoria Araba says, "There are legislative changes happening nationally in the waste management space and these changes will be reflected in our new WMMP, impacting some areas of our community more than others."

"In particular, our farmers, construction trades and businesses will see change as we work towards new national targets."

We're encouraging people in these industries to contribute to the planning process and share any views or suggestions they have.

"All our residents have a role to play in reducing the waste we produce, so we want to hear from anyone who has an interest in helping the Stratford district achieve our zero waste goals," says Victoria.

Any ideas and feedback received through this process will be used to shape the final draft plan, which will be shared with the public for consultation later this year.

To share your views, attend one of the meetings listed on [Stratford.govt.nz/HaveYourSay](http://Stratford.govt.nz/HaveYourSay) or email us at [wasteminimisation@stratford.govt.nz](mailto:wasteminimisation@stratford.govt.nz)

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15 February 2023