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TE KAUNIHERA Ā ROHE O
WHAKAAHURANGI
STRATFORD
DISTRICT COUNCIL



**FRIDAY
29 SEPT**

**FREE event for
International Day of
the Older Person**

RSVP by 25 September. Phone 06 765 6099.

Public Notices

Upcoming Council Meetings - September 2023

- **Workshop:** Tuesday 26 September at 2pm
- **Policy & Services Committee:** Tuesday 26 September at 3pm

Meetings and Workshops will be held in the Council Chambers on Miranda Street.

Changes to meeting times will be published in the Public Notice section of Stratford.govt.nz

S Hanne

Chief Executive

Notice of Council Resolution on Electoral System and Right to Demand a Poll

Notice is given under section 28 of the Local Electoral Act 2001, that the Stratford District Council has resolved to retain the First Past the Post electoral system for its 2025 triennial general election.

Electors of the Stratford District Council have a right to demand a poll at any time to countermand the resolution to use the First Past the Post electoral system.

Should a valid demand for a poll be received by 11 December 2023, a poll will be held by 14 March 2024 on whether the First Past the Post or the Single Transferable Voting electoral system will be used for the next two triennial elections (2025 and 2028) of the Stratford District Council.

If a valid demand for a poll is received after 11 December 2023, a poll will be held after 14 March 2024 with the outcome applicable for the 2028 and 2031 triennial elections.

A valid demand must be –

- made in writing;
- signed by at least 5 percent of eligible electors of the Stratford District Council. This equates to 344 elector signatures;
- delivered to the Stratford District Council, 63 Miranda Street, Stratford;
- by 4:30pm, Monday 11 December 2023 (for the outcome of the poll to apply for the 2025 and 2028 triennial elections of the Stratford District Council).

Every elector who signs a demand must also set out in it their full name and the address for which they are qualified as an elector of the Stratford District Council.

Dated at Stratford 13 September 2023

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Chief Executive

East and West added to Stratford's Pembroke Road to address numbering inconsistencies

Council has approved dividing Pembroke Road into Pembroke Road East and Pembroke Road West and renumbering both streets to allow for the correction of historic street numbering inconsistencies and errors identified by Toitu Te Whenua Land Information NZ (LINZ).

Correct street numbering helps emergency services, and organisations like New Zealand Post, and utility providers to find the right address quickly. The inconsistencies in street numbers occurred over time when historic subdivisions and additional housing extended across boundaries between the old Stratford Borough and County Council. The Surveyor General identified the issues and asked us to correct the numbering to meet the required standards.

LINZ have agreed that renaming and renumbering Pembroke Road is the right approach to take. Pembroke Road East and Pembroke Road West are separated by State Highway 3 Broadway. The letter R currently used for rural properties on Pembroke Road will no longer be needed.

The changes come into effect straight away. Residents of Pembroke Road have been advised of their new addresses and asked to change their details with their utility providers, and any other organisation that they have their address with, as if they were moving house.

We have notified emergency services, NZ Post, and Powerco of the change, and new street signs will be erected soon.

Rachael Otter, Environmental Health Manger, says Pembroke Road residents have been fantastic during the process.

"I want to personally thank the residents for their time and patience while we worked through the options. We know changing addresses can be annoying and they'll have to go through that process too, but we've got a solution in place that corrects the issues, while retaining the history around the Pembroke Road name," says Rachael.



Scarecrow Trail registrations now open

Will your scarecrow be the best in their field? Registration is now open for Stratford district's famous Scarecrow Trail.

Registration for the unique and much-loved Scarecrow Trail is open until Wednesday 18 October. There are four categories with prizes up for grabs - Pre-school, School, Business, and Open, with an additional prize across all categories for the best use of recycled materials.

The trail will officially begin on 27 October and runs until 12 November 2023, alongside the Taranaki Garden Festival, Fringe Garden Festival, and Taranaki Arts Trail.

Registration forms are available online from our website Stratford.govt.nz/Scarecrow or you can pick one up at the Stratford Visitor Information Centre, and Wai o Rua – Stratford Aquatic Centre.



Welcome to our latest New Zealand Citizens

On Wednesday 13 September we held a Citizenship Ceremony to formally acknowledge our Stratford residents who have gained New Zealand Citizenship.

Pictured from left to right: Sothea Ly, Juliano Schmeling, Clarileah Latayada, Miriëlle Van Wyk, Johannes Van Wyk, Sonja Van Wyk and Kaitlyn Anne with District Mayor Neil Volzke.

**September
holidays
in Stratford?**

**Check out our
low-cost and free
activities!**

Stratford.govt.nz/Holidays



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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

20 September 2023