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### Public Notices

#### Meeting schedule - March 2023

**Workshop**  
Tuesday 28 March at 1.30pm

**Policy & Services Committee**  
Tuesday 28 March at 3pm

All meetings will be held in the Council Chambers on Miranda Street. For more information including agendas, minutes and workshop topics, visit [Stratford.govt.nz](http://Stratford.govt.nz)

**S Hanne**  
Chief Executive

#### Temporary Road Closure Mangaoapa Road

Improvement works are being carried out on Mangaoapa Road and at Kiore Tunnel for approximately 10 weeks (weather permitting) from 3 April 2023.

During this time a road closure will be in place on:

- Mangaoapa Road between Mohakau Road and Matau Road.

Work will occur Monday to Saturday. Access will be made available for the school bus, rural post and residents. If you have any questions, please contact us on 06 765 6099.

**V Araba**  
Director Assets

#### Temporary Road Closure Opunake Road

Improvement works are being carried out on Opunake Road at the Dunn's Stream Bridge for approximately 10 weeks from 20 March 2023, weather permitting.

During this time a section of Opunake Road will be closed and detours will be in place.

The date and time of the works and road closure will be:

- Road closed 24 hours a day from 20 March to 21 April.
- Road closed between 8am and 5pm from 24 April to 19 May.

Affected residents will have access to their properties at all times.

**V Araba**  
Director Assets

**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

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22 March 2023

## Meet your 2023 Stratford District Youth Councillors



On Tuesday 7 March 2023 five new Stratford District Youth Councillors were officially sworn in by District Mayor Neil Volzke.

Ellie Brady, Justin Salisbury, Marcus Mottram, Tatjana Hanne, and Emily Orr have joined Zoe Pitcher, Lara Abraham, Lucas Jacobson, Cady Webb, Georgia Payne, Connor Giblin, Achim Hanne, Brooke Hereora, Ciara Staines-Hurley and Victoria Payne to make up the full 15 members of the Stratford District Youth Council for the 2023 year.

District Mayor Neil Volzke highlights the important role of the Stratford District Youth Council and the commitment they're giving to their district.

"Being involved in the youth council is a great personal development journey and I congratulate everyone who applied," he says. "It opens doors to many opportunities, both locally and further afield."

"As elected members we have a really important relationship with the youth council, we like hearing their ideas and viewpoints and encourage them to get out and about in our community to foster feedback and get a good understanding of what our young people want and need in our district."

From left to right: Emily Orr, Ellie Brady, Tatjana Hanne, Justin Salisbury, and Marcus Mottram.

"We want to create a place that our young people are proud to call home, and the youth council has a role to play in ensuring we're doing the right thing for the future of our district."

In the coming month the youth council will get to know each other more through their team building camp in Te Wera.

They'll jump straight into planning mode for their first community event together, On The Bus, being held on Wednesday 19 April – keep an eye on their social media pages for more information.

At their AGM on 5 April 2023, specific roles within the youth council will be decided on. This includes Chairpersons, Secretary and other positions which may come available.

## Visit Prospero Markets on Saturday 25 March from 9am - 12pm



## Craft a poppy to add to our Anzac Day wall of remembrance

Stratford Library and Visitor Information Centre invites you to create your own poppy to add to their "Wall of Poppies" in commemoration of Anzac Day.

Kate Fairhurst, Youth and Children's Librarian, says your handmade poppies can be crafted of any material and there's no limit on size.

"Hand crafting a poppy is a really special act. It can be a lovely time to reflect, remember, and create," says Kate.

"We loved the gorgeous poppies that were gifted to us last year, and the stories that went with them. This year we want to add even more and make our wall of poppies grow."



If you need inspiration, the library has a limited number of poppy craft packs available.

Please bring your finished poppies to the library before Friday 7 April.