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News from the Stratford District Council

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TE KAUNIHERA Ā ROHE O
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STRATFORD
DISTRICT COUNCIL

The next instalment of rates is due Wednesday 28 February. Visit Stratford.govt.nz/Rates to find out more about paying your rates, set up a direct debit, or sign up to receive your invoices by email. Easy!

Public Notices

Meeting schedule - February 2024

- Hearing (Easter Sunday Trading):** Tuesday 27 February at 2pm
- Policy & Services Committee:** Tuesday 27 February at 3pm

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

Changes to meeting times will be published in the meeting schedule at Stratford.govt.nz/PublicNotices

S Hanne | Chief Executive

Proposed Road Closure - Anzac Day 2024

Stratford District Council is proposing to close the following roads from **5.30am to 10am Thursday 25 April 2024** for the purpose of Anzac Day 2024:

- Miranda Street between Fenton Street and Regan Street
- Fenton Street from Broadway to the Malone Gates, and Portia Street from the Malone Gates to the TET Multi-Sports Centre carpark

Detours will be signed and available for the duration of these proposed road closures.

Any person objecting to the proposal should give notice of their objection, including the grounds for the objection, in writing before **Friday 15 March 2024** at the Stratford District Council offices at 63 Miranda Street or by emailing StratfordDC@Stratford.govt.nz

V Araba | Director - Assets

Temporary Road Closure - Mangaotuku Road

The Stratford District Council will close the following roads from **7.30am to 5.30pm** for the purposes of the National Hill Climb event being run by the South Taranaki Car Club

- Mangaotuku Road between SH43 and 306 Mangaotuku Road (Baldock's Corner) on **Saturday 23 March 2024**.
- Junction Road between 551 Junction Road and Tawhiwhi Road on **Sunday 24 March 2024**.

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Water restrictions in force

Stratford District Council has imposed a ban on the use of sprinklers, irrigation systems and unattended hoses until further notice. This applies to all water supply users in the Stratford, Midhirst and Toko townships.

The following hose restrictions apply:

- Houses with even numbers can use a hand-held hose only on even numbered days; and
- Houses with odd numbers can use a hand-held hose only on odd numbered days.

This notice is in accordance with Council's Water Supply Bylaw. View the full bylaw at Stratford.govt.nz/Bylaws

To learn more about water restrictions and why we need them, visit Stratford.govt.nz/WaterRestrictions

V Araba | Director - Assets

Minor repairs are underway at Wai o Rua – Stratford Aquatic Centre

Building contractors for Wai o Rua – Stratford Aquatic Centre have been undertaking some minor repairs at the facility, with the mahi set to continue over the next few months.

Victoria Araba, SDC Director - Assets, says it's common for new buildings, like the aquatic centre, to settle down slightly after construction which can cause small cosmetic flaws, like hairline cracks in some tiles or surfaces. Contractors are also investigating discoloration of flooring in one of the changing rooms.

"Our community will notice our contractors working to fix minor issues at Wai o Rua, and some areas may be off limits while the repairs are being done. We really appreciate people's patience during this time, and we'll do everything we can to limit the inconvenience to pool users," says Victoria.



"It's normal to remedy small issues after a new facility settles and the work is being done at no extra cost to us or our ratepayers, as it's covered by the facility's defects liability period."

For more information about Wai o Rua, and updates on the work being done, visit WaiORua.govt.nz or call the pool team at 06 765 6275.

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- Finance Officer - part time (22.5 hours per week) - applications close Sunday 24 February**
- Gallery Assistant at the Percy Thomson Gallery - fixed term (20 hours min per week)**

Draft Significance & Engagement Policy

Council's Significance and Engagement Policy has been reviewed and submissions on the draft policy are now open.

This policy outlines the framework used to determine the level of significance attached to specific Council decisions, and whether the community should be directly engaged.

It covers:

- How Council will assess the significance of decisions.
- When and how Council will engage with the community.
- Council's strategic assets and their relation to this policy

How to make a submission

Visit Stratford.govt.nz/HaveYourSay for further information and to complete an online submission form or email Submissions@stratford.govt.nz. The draft policy and paper forms are also available from Council's Service Centre.

Submissions close **4pm Friday 15 March 2024**.



Draft Communications & Engagement Strategy

Council's Communications and Engagement Strategy has been reviewed and community feedback on the draft strategy is now open.

The purpose of the strategy is to provide a framework that will support Council's commitment to communicate and engage in a way that encourages an open, transparent relationship between the community and Council.

How to give your feedback

Visit Stratford.govt.nz/HaveYourSay for further information and to complete an online feedback form or email Feedback@stratford.govt.nz. Hard copies of the draft Strategy are available on request at Council's Service Centre.

Feedback closes **4pm Friday 15 March 2024**.

Visit Prospero Markets for locally made goodies!
9am - 12pm on Saturday 24 February, Prospero Place



Americarna revving into town Friday 23 February!

From hot dogs to hot rods, there'll be plenty for the whole family to enjoy at the Americarna Carnival along Broadway and Miranda Street in Stratford from 10.30am - 12.30pm on Friday 23 February.

Please note, some roads will be closed and there'll be limited parking available between 7am and 3pm on event day, so plan ahead if you're travelling. Visit Stratford.govt.nz/PublicNotices or scan the QR code for more info about the closures.



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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