

Te Hononga a Hapori Community Link

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North Mole improvements funding

The area around Whanganui's North Mole is one step closer to completion with the Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment's Tourism Infrastructure Fund recently announcing \$876,250 towards the delivery of aspirations and improvements surrounding the mole itself.



Over the past two years, a critical characteristic of Te Pūwaha has been operating under the Te Awa Tupua status. This world-first status granted to the Whanganui River in 2017 has ensured that a true community-led approach is possible. This has seen vast improvement in terms of community, including hapū and iwi, involvement.

Under the leadership of Te Mata Pūau, hapū have been working closely with the Castlecliff community to advance the work Horizons Regional Council, and previously Progress Castlecliff, has gathered aspirations for the area surrounding the North Mole, developing a concept design in conjunction with community groups, hapū, councils and stakeholders.

Although many of these aspirations sit out of Te Pūwaha's budget and scope, Te Mata Pūau introduced an abundant mindset, and formed a working party with the community humbly named Ngā Ringaringa Waewae.



Ngā Ringaringa Waewae is a term used by Whanganui iwi to celebrate the many hands and legs that contribute to kaupapa in multiple ways that lead to success. This work has been supported by Whanganui District Council, which has already allocated just over \$1 million in funding in its 2021-31 Long-Term Plan, and secured another \$300,000 of external funding for the project.

For more information, please read Te Pūwaha's media release at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/news

Planned works

Hepetema / September 2023

Flood damage recovery (2021, 2022, 2023 storm events – slip clearances): Somme Parade, Waikupa Road

Pavement road maintenance: Kaimatira Road, Kaukatea Valley Road, Mangamahu Road, No 3 Line

Road remetting: Kaiwhaiki Road, Parihauhau Road, Rangitatau East Road

Unsealed road grading: Kaiwhaiki Road, Okoia area, Parihauhau Road, Rangitatau East Road

Water table / culvert maintenance / shoulder removal: Kaukatea Valley Road, Mangamahu Road

Roadside mowing: Mangamahu Road

Service lid adjustment: Hackett Street, Hadfield Crescent, Ikitara Road, Tanguru Street, Tawhero Street, Walter Nash Place

Shared pathway work: Rapanui Road, Wharf Street.

Literary Festival events to be hosted by the Sarjeant

As part of the 10th Whanganui Literary Festival, Sarjeant Gallery Te Whare o Rehua Whanganui is hosting three separate events at the Davis Lecture Theatre, Watt Street, on **Saturday, 23 September 2023**:



- **New Moon in the Old Moon's Arms, 11.00am-12 noon** – poet Michele Leggott will share her story of unearthing her father's award-winning painting in the Sarjeant Collection 50 years after the family holiday that inspired it.
- **Celebrating Robin Hyde, 2.00pm-3.30pm** – features the short film on Robin Hyde, *A Home in this World*, and a talk from author Paula Morris, followed by a discussion with Hyde enthusiasts Michele Leggott and Juanita Deely.
- **Robin Hyde: An Unconventional Woman, 4.30pm-5.30pm** – join author Philippa Werry and film director Juanita Deely as they discuss Robin Hyde's life.

Tickets for each event are \$12 plus booking fee – purchase from Whanganui site or online at: iticket.co.nz
 For more details, please visit: www.literaryfestival.co.nz

Te Wiki o te Reo Māori 2023

Te Wiki o te Reo Māori / Māori Language Week 2023 is happening this week from 11-17 Hepetema / September. Whanganui District Council staff are this event with a range of activities, and this week's *Community Link* masthead is also in te reo.



As part of national activities this year, Te Wā Tuku Reo Māori / Māori Language Moment invites all of Aotearoa New Zealand to stop what you're doing at **12 noon this Thursday, 14 September** and celebrate te reo Māori. You can kōrero (speak), waiata (sing), pānui (read) and more – whatever you do, do it in te reo Māori. This date marks the moment the Māori Language Petition was presented to Parliament in 1972 on the first Māori Language Day.

For more information about Te Wiki o te Reo Māori and Te Wā Tuku Reo Māori, please visit: reomaori.co.nz

Celebrate NZ Glassworks' birthday with your design!

New Zealand Glassworks Te Whare Tūhua O Te Ao is celebrating its seventh birthday with a design competition open to all ages. The winning design will be made into glass by the skilled team of artists at NZG.



To enter, send your glass design drawing to NZG by **4.00pm on Friday, 22 September 2023** – drop off or post to: New Zealand Glassworks, 2 Rutland Street, Whanganui 4500 or email your design to: info@nzglassworks.com
 For more details, including previous birthday competition entries, please visit: www.facebook.com/nzglassworks

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Seventh Birthday DESIGN COMP

ONE DESIGN made in HOT GLASS

Entries close 4pm on 22nd

SAT 23 SEPT 10AM-2PM

OPEN TO ALL AGES

Full details via: www.nzglassworks.com

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Whanganui District Council invites you to have your say on this topic:

- Vision for Whanganui

More details at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say

HAVE YOUR SAY KŌRERO MAI

Ranana Bridge repairs

Whanganui River Road will close to all through traffic **from 8.00am until 4.00pm on Monday, 25 September and Tuesday, 26 September 2023** for Whanganui District Council's Rooding Alliance partner Downer to make repairs to the Ranana Bridge. The Ranana Bridge is about 600m before Ranana and just over 44km from the SH4-Whanganui River Road intersection – road closure signs will be displayed at this intersection and at the Raetihi end of Whanganui River Road.

Suffrage event at Alex

To celebrate 130 years since the suffrage movement's success in achieving the right for women to vote in New Zealand, the Whanganui branch of the National Council of Women of New Zealand is holding an afternoon tea in the Alexander Library on **Tuesday, 19 September at 2.30pm** – senior Newshub reporter Isobel Ewing will be the guest speaker. There will also be a display of books and information panels relating to women's suffrage, as well as the chance to view the Women's Suffrage Petition online to see which of your ancestors signed it. Spaces are limited – to book your place, please RSVP to: jennysaywood@gmail.com

Council meetings

Upcoming meetings

Meeting	Time	Location
Community Funding Grant Subcommittee	1.00pm Thursday 14 September	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street
Extraordinary meeting of Aspirations and Projects Committee	1.30pm Tuesday 19 September	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street
Whanganui Rural Community Board	2.00pm Wednesday 20 September	Council Chamber, 101 Guyton Street

Agendas: www.whanganui.govt.nz/agendas
 Livestreamed council meetings: www.facebook.com/whanganuidistrictcouncil
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