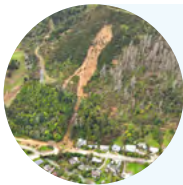
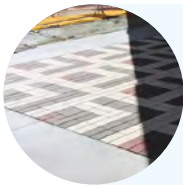


Tō Tātou Whakatū Our Nelson



Nelson's slip recovery programme complete
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Aramoana paving installation begins
Bridge Street's new streetscape is starting to take shape, with work underway to lay the first of 15 aramoana paving nodes.
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Help shape the Haven waterfront's future

A place to swim and gather, where heritage buildings that have stood empty are open and busy again, and where getting to the water is easy for all ages and abilities — this is Nelson City Council's draft Haven Waterfront Masterplan.

"This exciting project is about connecting our city to the sea and creating an iconic waterfront precinct for people to enjoy," says Nelson Mayor Nick Smith.

The masterplan does not make any decisions but sets the direction of travel for the waterfront and will inform future design decisions and budgets. It's built around four pillars: the pathway, Council-owned buildings, access to the water, and public spaces and businesses.

"Imagine stepping off the eBus and immediately being directed away from the State Highway, walking your way down a slow, family-paced footpath, down the already developed Friendship Walk towards the large Aotearoa mural," says Waterfront Taskforce Chair Mel Courtney.

"You grab a coffee from the café that now sits within the old NCC Electricity Building, then sit down on concrete steps leading to the water as your children swim and kayak — that feeling is what this masterplan is trying to capture." The pathway is the plan's first priority, built first and cost-effectively. A wide, shared path runs the full length of the waterfront, designed for slow, family-paced visits rather than commuting, moving people away from the highway's trucks and adding safer crossings to the water.

"Getting to the waterfront matters," says

Courtney. "The plan reshapes carparking with no loss overall, in fact, we're looking at adding around 50 extra parks, more accessible parking, and EV and bike charging."

Council owns the three heritage buildings within the masterplan area, and each one raises a different question: the Anchor Building is earthquake-prone and stands where the path needs to go; Custom House is Nelson's last surviving port hotel and has multiple possible futures; and the NCC Electricity Building is the single biggest project in the plan with the potential to become the heart of the waterfront.

Stage 1 considers repairs and strengthening the Anchor Building. The question being put to the public is; how far to go? Simply open the path, or bring the whole building back into use?

Four options are on the table for Custom House, from maintaining the building so it cannot deteriorate further through to a full restoration or removal. Again, no decision has been made.

The NCC Electricity Building is centrally placed and could include toilets, changing rooms, a café or restaurant, maybe office space above. Its mural and substation are set to stay. Step outside the building, and you're at the new steps into the sea.

"These buildings have sat empty for too long," says Mayor Nick. "This is our chance to bring them back to life."

Right now, getting into the sea at the waterfront means picking your way over rocks, but the plan proposes to change that with new

steps straight into the water, and buoy markers to keep the swimming area safe. The boat ramp is refreshed too, launching kayaks, waka and other non-powered craft. The old wharf, too deteriorated to save, gets a new life of its own — reshaped into a home for birds and sea life.

"Picture a plaza between Custom House and the Anchor Building," says Courtney. "Markets on the weekend, events in summer, or just somewhere to grab an ice-cream and sit in the sun."

Small, low-cost tenancies are proposed for galleries, artisan retailers and cafés, alongside food trucks and concessions. Council also wants to hear from anyone who might want to lease, run or invest in space on the waterfront.

Together, these changes are what "unlocking the Haven Waterfront" means: a path that gets people there, buildings that give them a reason to stay, and a sea that's easy to reach. None of it happens at once, and none of it is decided — that's why Council wants to hear from Nelson before it goes any further.

"This is a once-in-a-generation chance to get our waterfront right," says Mayor Nick. "We've got proposals and now we want Nelsonians to have their say and help us shape how we develop this stunning natural feature for everyone to enjoy."

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These buildings have sat empty for too long. This is our chance to bring them back to life.
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Mayor Nick Smith

Consultation on the draft Haven Waterfront Masterplan opened on Monday 5 October. Nelsonians can have their say at shape.nelson.govt.nz/haven-waterfront-masterplan

Haven waterfront: what we're asking you

Three buildings. Three different futures.

The Anchor building, Custom House and the old NCC Electricity building all sit empty. This masterplan asks what happens next for each of them.

Anchor Building
Heritage listed, earthquake prone and with adjoining structures where the new path would go in future development. The plan repairs it enough to open the path. Should we stop there, or go further and bring it fully back into use?

Custom House
Nelson's last surviving port hotel. The hardest question in the plan. Four options on the table — from keeping it dry and secure, through to a full restoration, or removal.

NCC Electricity building
This building could become the heart of the waterfront, toilets, changing rooms, maybe a café, while keeping the mural. The single biggest project in the plan.



Getting into the sea, made easier.

This stretch is already a popular swimming spot. The master plan puts in proper steps. The question is: how far do we go?

Three sizes on the table



Option 1: NCC Electricity building renovated with one set of steps and the path and boat ramp reworked.



Option 2: NCC Electricity building renovated with two sets of steps and the path and boat ramp reworked.



Option 3: NCC Electricity building renovated with steps linking to an accessible platform that extends to the reworked boat ramp.

One path, along the Haven waterfront.

A wide, shared path, slow and family-paced, not a commuter bikeway. Walk it, scoot it, ride it.

Why here, why first

Right now, this path runs beside the highway, with trucks heading to the port. The new path moves people away from the road, and it's built first because it's the most affordable part of the plan, opening up everything that follows.

What it could feel like

Room for planting and shade. Or art and storytelling, developed with our iwi partners. Maybe both.

Getting here matters too

The masterplan increases and reshapes the parking, with new surfaces, planting and better bus stops. Crossing the highway gets safer too.



What would bring you down to the waterfront, and where?

Find out more by scanning the QR code or at shape.nelson.govt.nz/haven-waterfront-masterplan

Aramoana paving begins in Bridge Street

Bridge Street’s new streetscape is starting to take shape, with work underway to lay the first of 15 aramoana paving nodes planned along the street as part of the Bridge to Better project.



The first have been installed at the Rutherford Street end of Bridge Street, beginning a surface design that will feature throughout the street.

Aramoana means “pathway to the sea”. Its distinctive zig-zag form speaks to the natural patterns created through Tai Timu, Tai Pari – the ebb and flow of the tide. The pattern forms part of an overarching design that traces a pathway from Te Ngāhere (The Wood) at the eastern end of the street to Te Paruparu (Nelson Haven) in the west.

Bridge to Better iwi co-design lead Johnny O’Donnell says the aramoana reconnects the street with its coastal story, shaping everything from the overall spatial layout to finer details.

“Before this project, you could walk along Bridge Street with little sense that this was once an estuarine environment. We’re bringing that coastal identity back into the streetscape.”

“Everything that has been done throughout the street has been this really deliberate process of trying to remember and reconnect with our coastal identity as a city.”

Within each of the triangular nodes that make up the aramoana pattern, pavers are arranged to form raranga (weaving) patterns, designed by local weaver Hamuera Manihera.

Hamuera says the two patterns draw on the Tai Timu, Tai Pari narrative, reflecting the changing landscape from the estuary to the forest.

At the western Rutherford Street end, the Tai Timu pattern draws from the estuarine environment, referencing pātiki and ngā manu moana – flounder and seabirds associated with the shallow waters and outgoing tide.

Further east, the Taipari pattern reflects the whenua and ideas of abundance and growth, with references to kūmara tipu (growing kūmara), ngā manu (birds) and ngā maunga (mountains).

“It’s exciting to see our cultural identity becoming part of everyday life in the city. For a long time, we haven’t had a presence in the city centre, so it means a lot to see it taking shape,” Hamuera says.

Kōwhaihai designed by toi Māori artist Fayne Robinson will be vapour-blasted into concrete bands framing the rāranga paving. The patterns were developed in response to the Tai Timu, Tai Pari narrative, reflecting the movement and flow of water.

The rāranga designs are laid using Waipave, a permeable paver that allows rainwater to pass through the surface. Together with the

introduction of rain gardens along Bridge Street, these areas will help absorb and filter stormwater before it enters the stormwater system.

Johnny says the project has looked for ways to bring cultural expression and practical benefits together.

“We’re making the design work harder for the city - creating a better place for people, strengthening our green infrastructure and reflecting our unique cultural identity.”

“These paving areas will add colour, texture and character to the street. That makes it a more inviting place to spend time, with an identity people can recognise as distinctly Whakatū.”

As more of the paving zones are laid, the wider aramoana pattern will become increasingly visible along Bridge Street.

“The aramoana has been deliberately applied at different scales, connecting the spatial layout with the smaller details you experience up close. Everything feels like it belongs together.”



From left: Councillor Trudie Brand, Emma Phillips and Mayor Nick Smith.

A Nelson toy story

The Toy Library in Stoke has given families access to more than just toys over the years. It’s a community space where families can connect and children can learn through play. The Toy Library would not be where it is today without the volunteers that give their time to keep the children smiling and playing. Emma Phillips has made an outstanding contribution to community wellbeing in Nelson through her voluntary service to the Stoke Toy

Library. Her service was acknowledged with a Nelsonian Civic Award on 1 October 2026.

The Nelsonian Civic Award is a Nelson City Council award to honour people who have selflessly contributed to the city to advance community wellbeing, culture, heritage, sport, education, environment, the arts, industry or commerce. The focus is on recognising people who have contributed voluntarily; made exceptional contributions through their length of service, leadership or impact; and who have enhanced the city and lives of others.

The Toy Library provides families with affordable access to high-quality toys, games and educational resources, and plays an important role in supporting early learning and reducing financial pressure on households.

Councillor Trudie Brand, who nominated Emma for the award, praised her dedication to the role.

“As a mum to a young family, Emma’s values strongly align with the Toy Library and she quickly became someone the committee relies on. Despite working full time and raising two young children she’s had a tremendous impact on the

Toy Library. Her practical approach, her skill with numbers and her willingness to quietly get things done have strengthened an organisation that supports families across Stoke and Nelson.

“Emma leads the Toy Library’s grants and funding work, drawing on her professional background as a quantity surveyor. This has helped secure support for wages, new educational toys and essential resources, directly improving what the Toy Library can offer local families.”

Her time has also been spent encouraging the committee to think differently about smaller funding needs, helping them find simple, community-based solutions that save time and stretch resources further. She played a key role in the Toy Library’s recent redesign and rebranding, refreshing the logo, signage, flags, gazebo and sponsors’ board. This work has given the organisation a modern and welcoming presence that reflects its importance to the community.

“Emma often says that if you want something done, you ask a busy person and she really embodies that spirit,” says Trudie.

Nelson Aquatics celebrates awards as membership grows

Nelson Aquatics has won three major honours at the 2026 CLM Awards, recognising excellence across CLM Managed aquatic and recreation facilities nationwide.



The team, which operates both Riverside Swimming Pool and Nayland Park Pool, received the Griffin Latimer Trophy for Facility of the Year, while Riverside Swimming Pool was named SwimMagic Swim School of the Year in the Under-800-Students' category. Completing the successful evening, SwimMagic Coordinator Odette Watson was awarded Staff Member of the Year.

The Griffin Latimer Cup is the highest facility honour within CLM and recognises outstanding performance across all areas of operation from customer service to team culture.

Nelson Aquatics Facility Manager Dave McKenzie said the awards reflected the commitment displayed by staff every day.

"This is an incredibly proud moment for Nelson Aquatics. Every member of our team works hard to keep our facilities clean, safe, welcoming and enjoyable for our community," McKenzie said.

"Whether they work as a lifeguard, swim teacher, fitness instructor or at reception, everyone has contributed to this achievement. These awards belong to the entire team."

The recognition comes amid significant growth for Nelson Aquatics, with participation across its pools, fitness centres and swim school increasing by approximately 25 percent over the past year. The Riverside Swim School now teaches more than 650 students.

The Facility of the Year award also carries personal significance for McKenzie. "When I first heard there was a Facility of the Year award, I decided one day I wanted to bring it home. For years I went to the annual awards with a speech just in case," he laughed.

"It's particularly special because I first set my sights on this award around the time my son Maika was born. Today he's part of our team as a lifeguard, so to achieve this now is incredibly meaningful."

During the summer season, Nayland Pool attracts thousands of visitors and hosts school swimming sports, community events and swimming carnivals. Family Fun Days and Manu World Champs qualifier events remain major attractions.

A key initiative is the NPV volunteer programme, which focuses on creating a safe and welcoming environment by building positive relationships with youth, offering guidance, encouragement and Kai for full tummies.

To wrap up a strong evening, Saxton Stadium took home the CLM Stadium of the Year award, recognising the team's effort in working with a range of stakeholders.

Mayor's Message

The worm has turned

I am more confident about Nelson's economic outlook than I have been in years due to the latest economic data and the strong pipeline of public and private investment planned for our city. The optimism is shared by independent economist Benje Patterson, who said of Nelson last month: "The worm has turned." It has been a difficult four years of post-Covid inflation, major storms, industry closures and fuel hikes. It will take time to blossom, but the green shoots of recovery are clear.

Key economic statistics tell part of the recovery story. Nelson-Tasman's GDP was up 2.7% compared with 1.7% nationally for April-May-June. Consumer spending was up 2.2% compared with 0.6% nationally for the same months. Our employment data has picked up and unemployment for Nelson-Tasman is at 4.1%, less than the national average of 5.4%. Nelson building consents for new homes were up 35% in June 2026 compared with June 2025. Nelson traffic flows were up 9.2% in June 2026 compared with June 2025.

The NZ recovery is following a similar pattern to previous economic downturns. It is stronger in the South Island and driven by the export and tourism sectors. The regional economies of Southland, Otago and Canterbury are running hot, and the positive mood is moving up the country. Primary industries are doing well, with strong beef, lamb, fish, dairy and fruit prices.

International visitor numbers have recovered to above pre-Covid numbers nationally, albeit we need to lift our Nelson share. I welcome our Nelson Regional Development Agency partnering with others for a spring tourism promotion of the upper South Island and bookings for summer are looking positive.

Nelson also has the strongest pipeline of major projects ahead that I can recall in decades. The Morrison Square and Bridge to Better redevelopments are due for completion next August. Council has played an important role in securing investments in a new Connings Food Market in Rutherford Street and the Safari Group hotel-apartments in Bridge Street. The fast-tracked Maitahi and Oakland housing developments in the Maitai Valley and Stoke involve hundreds of millions of dollars in investment. Council has just granted resource consents for the new six-storey inpatient building. Construction is due to start next year on this and a new parking building at Nelson Hospital. There are also six significant multi-storey housing developments underway in the central city.

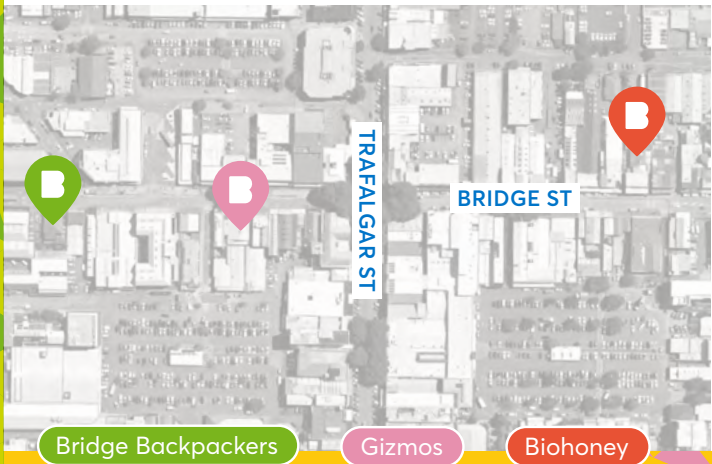
These are good reasons for Nelson to be optimistic.

Mayor
Nick
Smith



Shop the Street

WORTH A LOOK



After years of traveling and working in some of the world's best hotels and restaurants, Mike and Nani have started on a journey to create the best backpackers in New Zealand. A relaxed central Nelson hostel with spacious common areas, outdoor spaces and free unlimited wifi.



Gizmos, founded in 2002 went under new ownership with Izzy and Gray in 2023. They strive to provide a sterile, safe and hygienic body piercing service and to provide the best quality jewelry. Gizmos is Nelson's number one spot for piercings and offer a wide range of different piercings to suit everyone and anyone's needs and wants.

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Four years on: Nelson’s slip recovery programme complete

Nelson City Council has completed its post-storm significant landslide recovery programme two years ahead of schedule and four years after the August 2022 weather event that damaged 570 properties, triggered 550 landslips, red-stickered 109 homes, and triggered 18 significant slips on Council-owned land within the Nelson urban area.

Since the event, Council has completed more than 45 resilience and recovery projects, from flood repairs and retaining walls to intake and culvert upgrades, all contributing to a more resilient Nelson.

"The completion of the slip recovery work is a major milestone," says Mayor Nick Smith. "This was the worst storm to hit our region in 50 years and the most complex work was the slip remediation programme. I applaud the Council staff, engineering consultants and contractors on getting these fixed ahead of schedule and under budget."

Council received \$12.3M from central government towards the recovery, including \$6M towards betterment (building back better) of a number of landslips, \$6M towards property buy-outs and \$300,000 towards monitoring of the Tāhunanui slip. Council, with this funding from central government, spent close to \$10 million purchasing 20 properties damaged in the event, including 13 properties in The Brook.

"This milestone moment would not have been possible without Government support. The cost-sharing package totalling \$12.3 million made the work affordable for the ratepayer. There are no easy answers when property owners are affected by such disasters and their homes are uneconomic to

repair. Our pragmatic approach, with support from Government, enabled people to get on with their lives," says Mayor Nick.

The decision by Council to purchase the Brook Street properties followed geotechnical investigations in November 2023 that indicated that the Council-owned land above the properties posed an unacceptable risk.

Attending to the slip (following removal of the properties), known as "slip zero", this work was the last of the slip sites to be remedied, with four years of work culminating in construction of a protective bund and robust, resilient stormwater infrastructure.

"We're extremely lucky that the weather has allowed us to complete our recovery programme before our region experiences another significant weather event," says Executive Director Delivery Alec Louverdis.

A different fix for every site

Each slip site required its own unique approach. On Brook Street, Council built a debris fence never before used in Nelson, similar to barriers on SH1 near Kaikōura, constructing a mesh debris catch fence secured with ground anchors drilled six metres into the hillside. A smaller version of this was also used at the Miro Street slip site beneath the Grampians Reserve.

"We've undertaken remediation approaches that have never been done in Nelson before," says Louverdis. "While the underlying cause was the same at every site, a slip triggered by heavy rain, the remediation approach and methodology for each was significantly different."

Elsewhere, a flying-fox rig carted materials across a steep gorge section of the river in the Maitai Valley to repair a 12-metre damaged section of Nelson's above-ground raw water pipeline from the Maitai Dams, a complex operation that involved Council staff working with an array of private contractors.

On Atmore Terrace, a spider-drill rig, a specialised machine built for steep, hard-to-reach sites, drilled 40mm-diameter ground anchors seven metres

into the hillside to secure a concrete ground beam and concrete reinforced geomat mesh across the affected slope.

Recovery complete, resilience work continues

While the slip recovery programme has finished, Council's wider resilience work continues. The first four stages of Regional Infrastructure Fund work in the Maitai are complete, with the final stage due to start in early 2027. Council is also in the planning stages of mitigation works in Little Todd Valley and Glenduan, alongside several smaller intake, culvert and rock-armouring projects already finished.

Council has been the recipient of \$9M of central government funding via the Regional Infrastructural Fund.

"The potential for flooding is always a consideration, but our mindset has shifted from a 'when it happens' mentality to preparedness, planning and resilience," says Louverdis.

Marking the milestone

To mark the milestone, Mayor Nick, Nelson MP Rachel Boyack, contractors and Council staff gathered on Brook Street for a community barbecue and public art project. On a cold September morning, kaumātua and iwi blessed the site, returning it to the maunga it sits on. That afternoon, residents walked part of the new bund and stood side by side painting the concrete blocks that will now stand on Brook Street as storm protection.

Mayor Nick says that the work undertaken reflects a city that has come through the storm stronger than before.

"Nelson is a stronger, more resilient city than it was four years ago," he says.

"We've rebuilt smarter and better, we've looked after the people it hit hardest, leveraged funds from central government and we're better prepared for whatever comes next. That's something every Nelsonian can be proud of."

Councillor's Comment

From forgotten heritage to a living waterfront

Nelson is a seaside city with a beautiful waterfront, and we have a wonderful opportunity to make the most of this stunning natural feature. Council has released its Draft Haven Waterfront Masterplan for public consultation, giving you the chance to help shape the long-term future of this important area.

Our vision is for an attractive, active and accessible waterfront that reflects Nelson's unique maritime character. This is about more than physical improvements. It is also about economic activation, celebrating our heritage and bringing life back to a magical but underused part of the city.

For many years, the community and Council have wanted to strengthen the connection between the city centre and the maritime precinct. This draft masterplan is an important building block towards achieving that ambition. It brings together transport, water access, business and heritage through a series of options for the long-term, coordinated development of the precinct.

The stretch of Haven Road and Wakefield Quay has historically been one of Nelson's centres of activity, with wharves, jetties, boathouses, the Custom House, the Anchor Building and an early rail line. The draft masterplan honours that story. It does not erase our past; it brings it forward through proposals to reuse heritage buildings and improve public access.

The plan outlines how people could move through the area on

foot, by bike, bus and car. Access to the sea is a key feature, with options for new steps and a renewed boat ramp. It also supports business growth and sets out genuine choices for the future of the precinct's heritage buildings.

Owned by Council, the Anchor Building, NCC Electricity Building and Custom House have been empty or underused for too long. The draft plan identifies opportunities to bring them back into productive use, preserving their character while creating new commercial, community and cultural spaces.

Nothing is locked in. Public feedback will help determine what proceeds. We want a whole-of-community approach, involving individuals, community groups, iwi, businesses and investors.

You are very welcome to attend the public meeting on 9 October at the Nelson Yacht Club or visit a pop-up consultation session. Submissions close on 2 November. Please have your say and help us take this important step towards transforming our waterfront into a vibrant, welcoming place for everyone to enjoy.

To give your feedback visit
shape.nelson.govt.nz



Councillor Mel Courtney

Download Antenno for updates on water, roading, weather, eBus and recycling in your area.



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Free parking extended

Council has decided to reinstate **TWO HOUR FREE PARKING** in Nelson's city centre car parks (Buxton, Montgomery, Wakatu and Millers Acre) to support businesses while the Bridge Street/Trafalgar Street intersection is closed for the Bridge to Better project.

Free parking on side streets will remain limited to one hour, and all standard parking rules still apply.

The extension runs from Monday 5 October to Monday 30 November, when free parking in the four major carparks will return to one hour.



Read more:
shape.nelson.govt.nz/parking-strategy



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Proposed road closure

New Years Eve Countdown Event 2026

Applicant: Nelson Events
Event date and time: Thursday 31 December 2026 – Friday 1 January 2027

Proposed Road Closures – streets, dates and times:

The following roads will be closed with access unavailable during these times.

Trafalgar Square – from Trafalgar Square East to Trafalgar Square West.
Thursday 31 December 2026 - Friday 1 January 2027
Time closed: 5am **Time open: 12pm**

The eBus will be detoured for the duration of the closure – please see ebus.nz for further information.
For more information and map details of proposed road closures – please visit nelson.govt.nz



All feedback on the proposed road closures for the New Years Eve Countdown Event 2026 is due by **12pm Wednesday 21 October**. Email: road.enquiries@ncc.govt.nz.

Meetings

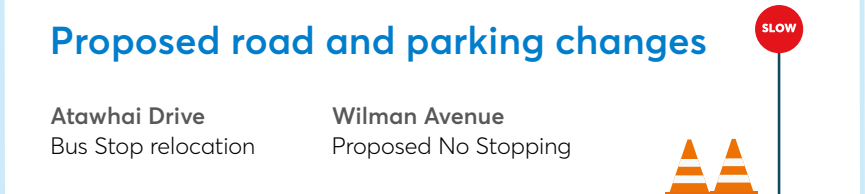
Council meeting 1pm	29 Oct
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Note: All meetings are held in the Nelson City Council Chamber, Floor 2A, Civic House, 110 Trafalgar Street, Nelson unless stated otherwise.

A full list of meetings for 2026 are available on the Council's website: nelson.govt.nz/1your-council/4meetings-and-agendas

Proposed road and parking changes

Atawhai Drive Bus Stop relocation	Wilman Avenue Proposed No Stopping
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For more details and to provide feedback, visit Road and Parking Changes at shape.nelson.govt.nz/road-and-parking-changes. Feedback closes 12pm Wednesday 21 October.

CONEWATCH: ONGOING PROJECTS

Paru Paru Road Wastewater Pumping Main Renewal
End date // October 2026
Location // Paru Paru Road
Benefit // Replace old sewer pipe and realignment

250 Haven Road (Old 4 Seasons) Deconstruction
End date // October 2026
Location // 250 Haven Road
Benefit // Waterfront masterplan – Future planning

Rutherford Street / Haven Road
End date // November 2026
Location // Haven Road / Rutherford Street
Benefit // Infrastructure upgrade

Playspace Whakatū / Rutherford Playspace
End date // November 2026
Location // Rutherford Park
Benefit // Destination Playground

St Vincent Street Infrastructure Upgrade
End date // November 2026
Location // St Vincent Street (from Hastings Street to Halifax Street)
Benefit // Improve stormwater, water supply and sewer network

Haven & Halifax Street Intersection – Traffic Signals
End date // November 2026
Location // Haven Road & Halifax Street intersection
Benefit // Improved road safety

Maitahi Development Sewer and Water, Stage 1
End date // Early 2027
Location // Maitai Valley Road
Benefit // Improve the sewer and water supply network capacity

Maitai Development Shared Path
End date // Early 2027
Location // Maitai Valley Road
Benefit // New Shared Path to connect the development site to the city centre

Tāhunanui Catchment 2
End date // February 2027
Location // Moncrieff Avenue
Benefit // Stormwater Upgrade / Geotech improvements

Nelson East Sewer Upgrade
End date // June 2027
Location // Nile Street to Tory to Milton Street
Benefit // Improve the sewer network capacity

Bridge Street
End date // August 2027
Location // Bridge Street between Collingwood and Rutherford Street
Benefit // Infrastructure upgrade



WHAT'S ON AT NELSON PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Ngā whare mātauranga o Whakatū

ELMA TURNER LIBRARY

Hours // Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday // 9.30am – 6pm
Wednesday // 10am – 6pm
Saturday // 10am – 4pm
Sunday // 1pm – 4pm

Pixel Art // Wednesday 7 October // 11am – 12.30pm

Riverside Reads Book Club – Seascraper by Benjamin Wood // Wednesday 7 October // 5.30pm – 6.30pm

LEGO Mystery Builds // Thursday 8 October // 2pm – 4pm

Library Knitters // Thursday 8, 15, 22 & 29 October // 10am – 12pm

Device Advice // Thursday 8, 15, 22 & 29 October // 2pm – 3pm

Tea and Talk // Friday 9, 16, 23 & 30 October // 10am – 11.30am

Community Corner – Heart Foundation // Friday 9 October // 10.30am – 11.30am

Justices of the Peace // Saturday 10, 17, 24 & 31 October // 10am – 12pm

Kōrero te reo Māori // Saturday 10 & 24 October // 10am – 11am

Author Talk: Julia Neumann on Her Conscious Anger // Saturday 10 October // 1pm – 2.30pm

Citizen Advice Bureau – Drop-in Advice Session // Monday 12, 19 October & 2 November // 9.30am – 6pm

Bookchat at Elma Turner Library // Tuesday 13 October // 10.30am – 12pm

Belonging Matters: Building Community and Wellbeing in the Workplace // Tuesday 13 October // 12pm – 12.45pm

STEM Writers // Tuesday 13, 27 October // 12.30pm – 3pm

Brick by Brick // Tuesday 13, 20, 27 October & 3 November // 3.30pm – 4.30pm

NIGHTINGALE LIBRARY MEMORIAL

Hours // Monday – Friday // 12pm – 4pm
Saturday // Closed
Sunday // 1pm – 4pm

Justices of the Peace // Friday 9, 16, 23, 30 October // 12pm – 2pm

Nellie Knitters // Wednesday 14, 28, Monday 19 October, Monday 2 November // 1pm – 3pm

Small Time // Wednesday 14, 21, 28 October & 4 November // 10.30am – 10.50am

Sew-Along Drop-in Sewing Help // Wednesday 14 October // 10.30am – 12.30pm

Mindful Moments // Wednesday 14, 21, 28 October & 4 November // 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Whakatū Wellness by Green Prescription // Thursday 15, 22 & 29 October // 1pm – 2pm

Belonging Matters: Building Strong Relationships Outside of Work // Thursday 15 October // 12pm – 12.45pm

Puzzling Problems // Thursday 15, 22 & 29 October // 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Live Music Series: Adrian King // Sunday 25 October // 2pm – 2.30pm

Community Corner – Employable // Tuesday 3 November // 12.30pm – 2.30pm

STOKE LIBRARY

Hours // Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday // 9.30am – 5.30pm
Wednesday // 10am – 5.30pm
Saturday // 10am – 1pm
Sunday // Closed

Community Corner – Volunteering Drop-ins // Wednesday 7, 14, 21, 28 October & 4 November // 10am – 1pm

Pixel Art // Wednesday 7 October // 2pm – 3.30pm

Device Advice // Wednesday 7, 14, 21, 28, Tuesday 13, 20, 27 October, Tuesday 3 & Wednesday 4 November // 2pm – 3pm

Lego Mystery Builds // Thursday 8 October // 2pm – 4pm

Justices of the Peace // Saturday 10, 17, 24 & 31 October // 10am – 12pm

Community Corner: Employable // Tuesday 13 October // 10am – 12pm

Paper Play // Wednesday 14, 21, 28 October & 4 November // 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Brick by Brick // Thursday 15, 22, 29 October // 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Small Time // Friday 16, 23, 30 October // 10.30am – 10.50am

Stoke Bookchat // Wednesday 21 October // 5.30pm – 6.30pm

SPOTLIGHT ON WHAKATŪ EVENTS

IT'S ON AT A COUNCIL VENUE

Saxton Oval

Ford Trophy Cricket: Central Stags v Northern Districts One-day // Wednesday 28 October // 10.30am – 6pm

Ford Trophy Cricket: Central Stags v Auckland Aces One-day // Wednesday 4 November // 10.30am – 6pm

Saxton Field

The Nelson Half //

Sunday 1 November // 7.30am – 1.30pm

Trafalgar Centre

Wine Nelson Tasting Event // Thursday 8 October // 5pm – 7pm

Che – Fu and the Krates // Saturday 10 October // 7pm

NZ Fishing, Hunting & 4x4 Expo // Friday 16 October // 3pm – 7pm

Saturday 17 October // 9am – 4.30pm

Sunday 18 October // 9am – 4pm

Inspiring Women Business Conference // Thursday 22 // 10am – 5pm

Friday 23 October // 8.30am – 5pm

Machine de Cirque – Nelson Arts Festival // Friday 30 October // 7pm

Saturday 31 October // 2pm & 7pm

1903 Square

Potters Square // Saturday 3 - Friday 9 October // 11am

Shared Communities Pop-Up Multicultural Market // Saturday 10 October // 4pm – 8pm

Founders Heritage Park

Hours // 10am – 4.30pm daily

Bouncy Land at Founders Heritage Park // Thursday 8 - Saturday 10 October // 10am – 4pm

ZineFest Nelson 2026 // Saturday 10 October // 10am – 4pm

Sunday Sesh: Chill Liquid DnB // Sunday 11 October // 3pm – 6pm

Nelson Tasman Pasefika Festival 2026 // Saturday 17 October // 10am – 3pm

Trafalgar Street Hall

Tai Chi and Qi Gong Fundamentals for Beginners // Wednesday 7 October // 9.20am – 10.20am

Tai Chi Kung Fu Fan: Balance, Grace & Flow (8-week course) // Wednesday 2 September - Wednesday 21 October // 10.30am – 11.30am

Melrose House

Hours // Monday & public holidays // closed

Tuesday – Friday // 9am – 3pm

Saturday & Sunday // 9am – 4pm

Isel House and Park

Summer Hours // 16 October - 25 April

Sunday, Monday & public holidays // closed

Tuesday – Saturday // 10am – 3pm

Isel Market // Thursdays 8, 15, 22 & 29 October // 4.30pm – 8pm

Isel in Spring // Thursday 15 October // 4.30pm – 7.30pm

Pūtangitangi Greenmeadows Community Centre

Tai Chi for Beginners – 8 Week Course (Oct - Nov) // Thursdays 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 October, 5, 12 & 19 November // 6pm – 7pm

MUSEUMS AND GALLERIES

Broadgreen House and Samuels Rose Gardens

Hours // Monday - Saturday // 11.30am – 3pm (last entry 2.30pm)
Sunday // 10.30am – 4pm (last entry 3.30pm)

Beyond the Canvas: Art in all its forms // Wednesday 29 April - Thursday 31 December // during opening hours

The Suter Art Gallery & Theatre

Hours // 9.30am – 4.30pm daily

Fired Forward // Saturday 9 May - Sunday 11 October // during opening hours

Stuart & Kate Newby: What song is this? // Saturday 17 June - Sunday 25 October // during opening hours

Ian Scott: Painting New Zealand // Saturday 12 September - Sunday 6 December // during opening hours

Ā mua // Saturday 24 October // 7.30pm – 9.30pm

Nelson Clay Week: Demonstrations Rick Rudd // Wednesday 7 October // 10am – 11am

Nelson Clay Week: Demonstrations Greg Barron & Jin Ling //

Wednesday 7 October // 1pm – 2pm

The Post War Textile Visionaries of Modern Art: An Introduction // Wednesday 7 October // 6.30pm – 7.30pm

Nelson Clay Week: Demonstrations Gregory Hamilton Millar // Thursday 8 October // 10am – 11am

Nelson Clay Week: Demonstrations Joanne Rail // Thursday 8 October // 1pm – 2pm

Nelson Clay Week: Demonstrations Royce McGlashen // Friday 9 October // 10am – 11am

Nelson Clay Week: Demonstrations Aaron Scythe & Shinsuke Iwami // Friday 9 October // 1pm – 2pm

Nelson Clay Week: Clay Dreams // Saturday 10 October // 9.30am – 4.30pm

Tāwera – The new Nelson Arts Hub

Hours // Monday – Friday // 10am – 5pm

Saturday // 10am – 2pm

Pushing Clay Forsyth Barr Contemporary Ceramic Award // Saturday 3 - 24 October, during opening hours

Nelson Clay Week Exhibition

COLLECTED: Creations in Clay from West Germany, England, New Zealand 1980–2000 – David Wheeler // Saturday 3 to Friday 9 October // during opening hours

Nelson Clay Week Exhibition Echoes of Opishni: Voices in the Clay – Elena Fletcher-Carter // Saturday 3 - Friday 9 October // during opening hours

Nelson Clay Week Exhibition Ngāro Ngā tikanga tuku iho Stevei Houkāmāu // Saturday 3 - Friday 9 October // during opening hours

Nelson Provincial Museum

Hours // Weekdays // 10am – 5pm

Weekends & public holidays // 10am – 4.30pm

Unravelling the Saree // Friday 28 August - Sunday 15 November // during opening hours

Get Things Moving Motor Magic with Mr Science // Saturday 10 October // 11am – 12pm & 2pm – 3pm

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Saturday 3 - Friday 9 October 2026