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Tō Tātou Whakatū Our Nelson

A homecoming for four cherished Catholic statues



Nelson City Council Curatorial Specialist Ari Edgecombe (from left), St. John Paul II Parish Archivist Bernadette King-Turner, Mayor Nick Smith and Councillor Mel Courtney with the returned statues.

Four Catholic statues have been returned to the Nelson communities where they hold a deep and enduring connection, bringing a piece of the city's religious and educational heritage home after more than 40 years.



The statues of St Thérèse of Lisieux, Jesus of the Sacred Heart, St Joseph and Child, and an Altar Angel were familiar features at Sacred Heart College, later known as Redwood College, on Manuka Street. St Thérèse of Lisieux and St Joseph and Child were displayed within the College.

After the College closed in 1982 and the Catholic Convent was dismantled in 1983, some Parish items were transferred to Founders Heritage Park to be cared for and stored safely. More than 40 years later, the statues were identified and verified by former students of Sacred Heart College/Redwood College and members of associated community networks. This led to a request from the Catholic community for them to be returned to their original home.

A handover ceremony at St Joseph's School was held on Tuesday 20 October 2026, attended by students, teachers, Nelson City Council representatives and members of the Catholic community. The Altar Angel has a new home in the Liturgy Prayer Room at Garin College. St Thérèse of Lisieux, St Joseph and Child, and Jesus of the Sacred Heart have returned to St Joseph's School on Manuka Street, close to their former home.

Nelson Mayor Nick Smith and Councillor Mel Courtney attended the handover ceremony. Mayor Nick says Council was happy to return the treasured statues to the Catholic community.

"I'm particularly delighted that the Altar Angel, which was one of a pair, has been reunited with its companion at Garin College. These four statues are closely connected with the Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions, which dates back to 1871 in Nelson – they are rich taonga for the Catholic community.

"I want to thank the St John Paul II Parish and Catholic school communities for rehoming these statues and enabling students and parishioners to enjoy their heritage and beauty."

St Joseph's School Principal Chris Bascand says the return of the statues brings a responsibility to share their story with future students.

"It has been a privilege to work alongside Bernadette King-Turner (Parish Archivist) and John McQuire (Garin College) to bring these treasured statues back to St Joseph's, where they once stood. I now feel a real sense of responsibility to ensure their story is shared with our students and future generations, keeping this special part of our history alive."

Nelson City Council Curatorial Specialist Ari Edgecombe who works at Founders Heritage Park says the return reflects the Council's role in caring for community heritage.

"The return of these statues recognises that heritage is not only about preserving objects, but also about preserving the connections, memories and stories that give them meaning. Returning these statues to Catholic community settings honours their longstanding place in Nelson's Catholic history".

For the Catholic community of Nelson, the statues represent decades of devotion, education and service. Their return gives students a chance to reconnect with that history, not simply by preserving the past, but by allowing these familiar figures to become part of community life once again.

After decades at Founders Heritage Park, four cherished pieces of Nelson's Catholic heritage are finally home.

THE BIG SPRING STREET PARTY

Upper Trafalgar Street was packed on Saturday 24 October as The Big Spring Street Party brought music, dance and entertainment to the city centre. Part of the Nelson Arts Festival, the free event featured circus acts, live music, roving performers and plenty of dancing, with everything from kapa haka and marimba to DJs keeping the crowds entertained well into the evening.



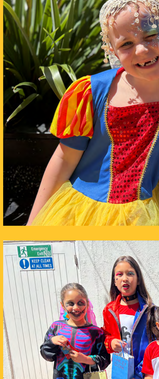


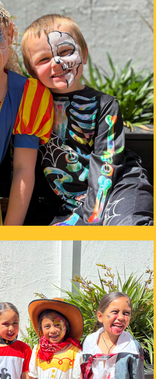












Halloween came to Bridge Street

Over a hundred skeletons, princesses, Pokémon and vampires took over Bridge Street for Halloween!

Kids enjoyed free face painting, lollies, and a Bridge Street dance party, thanks to a speaker kindly provided by Noel Leeming.
Thank you to all the families who joined us. Happy Halloween!





A step closer to UNESCO city of Crafts and Folk Art

The New Zealand National Commission for UNESCO has endorsed Nelson's Expression of Interest and invited Nelson to proceed with the development of a full application.

The endorsement is a significant milestone for Nelson, recognising the city's creative community and its long-standing reputation for craft and folk art.

Mayor Nick Smith says endorsement of Nelson's Expression of Interest by the New Zealand National Commission for UNESCO is great news.

"Nelson has a strong arts heritage, from early Māori creativity to institutions such as the Suter, Theatre Royal and NCMA. The creation of the World of Wearable Art in Nelson and events such as our jewellery and clay weeks and Adam Chamber Music Festival reinforce our credentials.

"We also host New Zealand's longest-running annual regional arts festival – the Nelson Arts Festival. Hiwa, our new arts development agency, shows continued commitment to crafts and folk art as does progress on the delivery of He Tātai Whetū, Whakatū Nelson's Arts and Creativity Strategy 2022-32."

He Tātai Whetū Arts and Creativity Taskforce Chair Councillor Matty Anderson says the inaugural Nelson Tasman Pasefika Festival held at Founders Heritage Park on Saturday, 17 October 2026, was an example of delivering the strategy, which calls on the people of Whakatū Nelson to work together, in new and innovative ways, to realise the full potential of creativity as a force for our city, our community and our economy.

"The festival celebrated Pacific cultures, customs, languages and heritage. It helped members of the Pasefika community feel visible and expanded the experiences of members of wider public who got to learn about the rich cultures and stories of the Pasefika community in a fun, vibrant celebration."

Council will work with the New Zealand National Commission for UNESCO to draft an application and share any updates with the community as they happen.

No timeline has been set by UNESCO for when the final decision will be made.

Council to weigh costs, risks and community views in Civic Hub location decision

Redeveloping Civic House or building a new facility on Collingwood Street or Church Street – three very different options are on the table for Nelson's new Community Hub, Library and Civic Space.

Elected members will select a preferred location at the full Council meeting on Thursday 5 November, weighing cost, functionality, risk and effects on the city centre alongside public feedback.

The Council report does not recommend a preferred location, and the options are not directly comparable. Civic House involves a minimum viable redevelopment of existing buildings, while Collingwood Street and Church Street involve new builds with different design flexibility, ownership, costs and functionality.

No single option comes out ahead in every area.

The options presented for consultation were indicative concepts, with designs and costs subject to change. Selecting a location will allow Council to focus further investigations and detailed design on one site and develop more accurate cost estimates ahead of the Long Term Plan 2027–2037.

The report outlines the results of public consultation, including the 1,417 submissions received and the reasons behind submitters' preferences. It also provides an assessment of each option, including upfront and long-term costs, rates impacts, building functionality, construction disruption, risks and effects on the city centre. The report also outlines a potential alternative Church Street option raised during the submission hearings, which requires further investigation to confirm its feasibility and cost.

Following the decision, further investigations and design work will be undertaken on the selected site, with more opportunities for the community to have a say on what goes inside the building and how the spaces will operate.

Local elections - what are your views?

Do you think Nelson's current Council representation arrangements are working well?

Nelson City Council is asking residents to share their views as it begins a representation review ahead of the 2028 local elections.

The review will look at how many councillors Nelson has, how they are elected, ward boundaries and whether community boards are needed.

For now, Council wants to know what people think of the current arrangements. This feedback will help inform the review, with formal public consultation taking place in 2027.

Have your say by completing the short survey at **shape.nelson.govt.nz**

We want to hear from you in the residents' survey 2026/27!

It's that time again, where Nelson City Council is asking the community for feedback about our organisation's current services, activities, and overall direction.

The results of these surveys give us a valuable overview of public opinion and help Council improve how it delivers the services that impact you – everything from Nelson's transportation network to sporting and cultural events and how we look after the natural environment.

An independent research company will survey at least 400 Nelson residents at random, across four periods between July 2026 and June 2027 to maximise opportunities for people to participate. We'll make the survey results public once the survey is completed, but individual responses will be completely anonymous.

If you've been chosen to participate, you'll get a letter in the mail with a QR code you can scan to complete the survey online. You'll also be able to request a paper copy if that is easier for you. Either way, the survey should only take about 10–15 minutes to complete. As thanks for taking the time to respond, you'll go in a draw to win one of four Prezzy cards valued at $100 each, so make sure you check your mailbox!

Even if you aren't selected to complete the survey, there are always plenty of ways to share your feedback with Council. Projects open for consultation are regularly updated online at **shape.nelson.govt.nz** and you can report any problems or issues through the Antenno App or by contacting our Customer Service Centre on **03 546 0200.**

Mayor's Message

Council last week adopted its Annual Report for 2025/26. It shows what we delivered, where we spent the $118 million collected in rates and the state of Council's finances.

Council's most important role is core infrastructure. We spent $44.2m on transport, $27.5m on stormwater and flood protection, $29.2m on wastewater and $20.8m on water supply with much of those totals on maintenance and renewals. Major projects advanced include the Maitai Flood Protection, Bridge to Better and St Vincent Street infrastructure upgrade funded by rates, loans and government grants.

A key priority is revitalising the city and attracting new private sector investment. We concluded deals with Safari Group for an eight-storey hotel and apartment complex in Bridge St and with Connings for a new food market on Achilles Ave. We have also helped facilitate the Morrison Square redevelopment.

A key milestone for our city was completing the new Bus Hub in Millers Acre. It's helped us further grow the use of our eBus service to 954,495 passenger journeys – up 36,102 on the previous year. Good public transport is a hallmark of a successful city.

We made two important community investments during the year to support sports and the arts in securing ownership of the central 7.1ha area of Saxton Field from Radio NZ and completing Tāwera, the new arts hub at Millers Acre.

Our economic development goals include Nelson being the go-to place for repair and maintenance of vessels. Progress was achieved with the opening of the Blue House, promoting our marine industries and the new 550-tonne and 110-tonne travel lifts at the port and marina.

We made practical progress for our environment. Solar panels were installed on council and community buildings with battery storage systems to provide backup power for their use during civil defence emergencies. Council planted 118,000 trees in the year, a record number, to stabilise hillsides, improve water quality and support biodiversity.

Council is also improving its customer services. A good example is in the timely processing of resource consents, with 87.3% on time in 25/26 compared with 76.6% in 24/25, 62% in 23/24 and 57% in 22/23.

These are difficult economic times with the cost of living, including rates, putting everyone under financial pressure. We welcome scrutiny of this report, available on our website and at our libraries, as we work to keep rates affordable, improve our city's infrastructure and invest in our city's future.



Mayor
Nick Smith

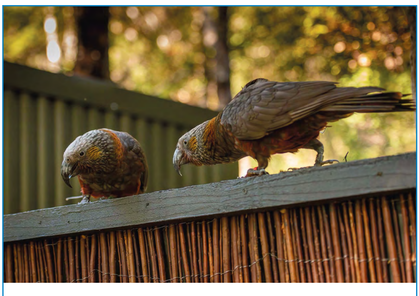
Founders Park is turning 40!

We want to see your memories

We're putting together an exhibition celebrating four decades of the park, and we're looking for your historical photos. Weddings, birthdays, picnics, family days out, or any other celebration, we'd love to see them.

Scan the QR code to share your photos. Please include the approximate year and a line or two about the occasion.

By submitting, you give permission for your photo to be displayed in the exhibition.



Keep an eye out for kākā

In April 2026, the first three kākā were released into the forest at Brook Waimārama Sanctuary, followed by another three in late May. These releases marked the beginning of a long-term vision to restore a thriving wild kākā population to Whakatū Nelson.

These birds are true forest parrots, evolved for large natural forest ecosystems. The sanctuary is surrounded by extensive pristine beech forest, ideal kākā habitat. Unlike the urban populations elsewhere in Aotearoa, our kākā have the chance to reclaim their natural forest home.

As neighbours within flying distance, you play an important role in this. Since being released, the kākā have been exploring their surroundings, including the bush around the sanctuary and reserves and gardens in town. It can be a thrilling experience, but it's crucial the birds remain wild and independent.

If kākā visit your property:

- Watch and enjoy from a distance
- Let them continue exploring naturally
- Tell your neighbours and report the sighting.

Please don't:

- Offer food or water
- Encourage interaction or tameness
- Approach, chase or handle them.

Feeding kākā unintentionally encourages them to leave the forest and become dependent on people. This leads to nuisance behaviour, poor bird health, conflict with residents, and reduced survival in the wild. The best outcome for both the birds and the community is for kākā to remain forest-dwelling, wild parrots — not suburban birds reliant on human interaction.

Spotted one? Please call. Look for a numbered metal band on one leg and a single-coloured band on the other. Some birds also carry a small transmitter - usually only a fine silver antenna is visible. Let us know via Council's number: **03 546 0200**, or email the Biodiversity team **nelson.nature@ncc.govt.nz**

Proposed road and parking changes

Quarantine Road and Bolt Road – Proposed 48-hour Time Restricted Parking

For more information and to provide feedback, visit: **shape.nelson.govt.nz** and select 'Road and Parking Changes'. Feedback closes 12pm Friday 20 November.



Marsden forestry harvest to begin

Crews have finished setting up for harvest operations on Glider Road in the Marsden Valley.

Council contractor Stand Forestry will start harvesting pine trees at the southern end of the Marsden forestry block in mid-November. The work will take about six months, with a break over summer (weather dependent).

When will the trucks be running?

Crews will arrive on site from 6am. The first truck leaves the site and heads down Marsden Valley at 7am.

Trucks will take logs to Port Nelson along this route:

- Marsden Valley Road
- Songer Street
- Main Road Stoke
- Annesbrook Drive
- Tāhunanui Drive
- Rocks Road (State Highway 6)
- Vickerman Street, Port Nelson.

Please take care on these roads and allow extra time for your trip.

How will we keep disruption low?

Every logging truck carries a GPS unit, so we can check its speed and route. Security staff and cameras watch the site around the clock.

Trucks will keep to the signed speed limits on Marsden Valley Road. They will drive at 30km/h down Marsden Valley and past Nelson Christian Academy.

Every logging company using the route must also:

- tie down chains so they do not rattle
- slow down on residential streets
- not use engine brakes
- stow or secure trailers on empty trucks
- not idle or wait on residential streets
- secure and cover loads, with no debris on the road
- take extra care near schools, driveways, parked cars, people walking and people on bikes.

What about the speed humps?

The speed humps on Marsden Valley Road are staying. These are essential to slow cars down near the school and homes.

Can I still use the tracks?

The harvest area is closed to everyone, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This keeps people safe from falling trees and machinery. Glider Road is closed. Please do not go around the fencing, even on foot.

These stay open:

- Involution mountain bike track (up and back only, Widershins and Ridgeline closed)
- Scout track
- Piwakawaka track
- Gecko Ridge access for paragliders.

Please follow all onsite signs.

Is there a break over summer?

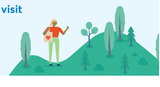
Yes. There will be no harvesting and no logging trucks from 18 December to 15 January.

What happens to the land afterwards?

Crews will harvest one section of the block at a time. As soon as each section is done, it will be sprayed with a ryegrass seed mix. The grass grows fast and holds the soil in place.

New trees will be planted in autumn 2027, once the harvest is finished and the soil is cool and damp.

For maps and updates, visit shape.nelson.govt.nz/right-tree-right-place





Songer Street: Permanent route change

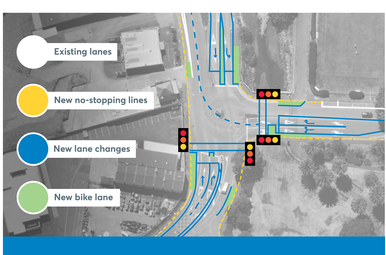
A permanent change has been made to the eBus R2 route through Stoke, following changes to the road layout at the Songer Street/Main Road Stoke intersection made in early October.

The intersection was modified to make it easier for large vehicles, including eBuses, to navigate. This means R2 buses can now travel directly between Songer Street and Main Road Stoke, rather than using Neale Avenue and Putaitai Street.

Outbound R2 buses will now travel from Songer Street onto Main Road Stoke, while inbound buses will turn left from Main Road Stoke into Songer Street.

As a result, outbound buses will no longer stop at Stoke Interchange Southbound. The new timed stop is Songer Street at Railway Reserve (stop 2305). There are no changes to inbound bus stops.

Drivers travelling through the intersection are asked to take note of the new road layout and be aware that buses will now also be using it.



St Vincent Street to reopen

St Vincent Street is expected to reopen in mid-November as work on a significant upgrade to underground infrastructure in the area nears completion.

When the road reopens, drivers will notice a major change to the road layout, with traffic lights replacing the existing roundabout.

This is a busy intersection, and a safety audit found that traffic lights would improve safety for people travelling through the area.

We'll confirm the exact reopening date through Council channels once it's finalised.

Councillor's Comment

Imagining a better future for Nelson Whakatū.

Over the next nine months, as Council develops its 2027–2037 Long Term Plan, Councillors and the community alike have the challenge and opportunity of reimagining our city to ensure a high quality of life, financial sustainability, and resilience in a rapidly changing world that is prone to shock events such as the ongoing energy crisis.

Change is inevitable. Our systems of transport, tourism, and energy were developed during an era of cheap and abundant energy that will never be replicated. Human activity, supercharged by fossil fuels, has exceeded many planetary boundaries (i.e., scientifically assessed safe limits for life on Earth), threatening climate stability, biodiversity and the natural systems that sustain us and our economy. Nelson must respond locally by changing how we move around our city and carefully planning our communities to ensure future generations have the prospects of a good life.

In this context, we can consider what Nelson could look like in 2037 if we make thoughtful choices today. Imagine a city where children and commuters can safely walk or cycle to school or work, public transport is the most convenient and affordable form of road transport, we live close to the places we work and play, we limit our demands on the environment, and we take responsibility for our waste and pollution. We currently score poorly in these areas, but we know what is needed to change that.

Our existing car-dominated transport system is expensive, inefficient and harmful to human and environmental health. The provision of safe and affordable transport choices, which lies within Council's powers yet has never been fully achieved, would ease congestion, reduce costs for families, improve air quality, reduce emissions, and create more liveable streets. Nelson could be greener, healthier and better prepared for ongoing energy shocks.

With smarter urban planning, we could have compact, higher-density urban areas with homes, shops, schools, workplaces, and community facilities being located close together, enabling people to meet their daily needs without high costs and ensuring connected communities. Combined with thoughtful transport design, we could create a city built around people rather than traffic.

We are making some progress, including plans for the East–West cycleway, intensification in central Nelson, the excellent eBus service, and transitioning away from clear-fell forestry on Council reserve land, but we need to go further and faster.

A smart Long Term Plan that prioritises resilience, energy independence, intensification, healthy nature, and safe transport choices will help us address the environmental and economic challenges over the coming decade. Let's use this opportunity to invest wisely, respect planetary limits, and build a future in which our community can thrive.



Councillor Aaron Stallard

Proposed road closures

The Nelson Cathedral Christmas Carols
Applicant: Christ Church Cathedral
Event date and time: Thursday 24 December 2026

Proposed Road Closures – streets, dates and times:

The following roads will be closed, access will be unavailable during these times, except in emergencies.

Selwyn Place – from Trafalgar Square East to Trafalgar Square West (including intersection with Park Street).

Date closed: Thursday 24 December 2026
Time closed: 7pm **Time open: 11pm**

The eBus route 1 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**

New Years Eve Safety Closure 2026/27
Applicant: Nelson City Council
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, access will be unavailable during these times, except in emergencies.

Buxton Square Carpark
Date closed: Thursday 31 December 2026 - Friday 1 January 2027
Time closed: Closed to inward vehicles from **12pm,** vehicles will be able to exit until **8pm** when the carpark will be closed **to all vehicles.** **Time open: 6am**

Park Street, Hardy Street (between Trafalgar Street and Collingwood Street) and Trafalgar Street (between Hardy Street and Bridge Street).

Date closed: Thursday 31 December 2026 - Friday 1 January 2027
Time closed: 6pm **Time open: 6am**

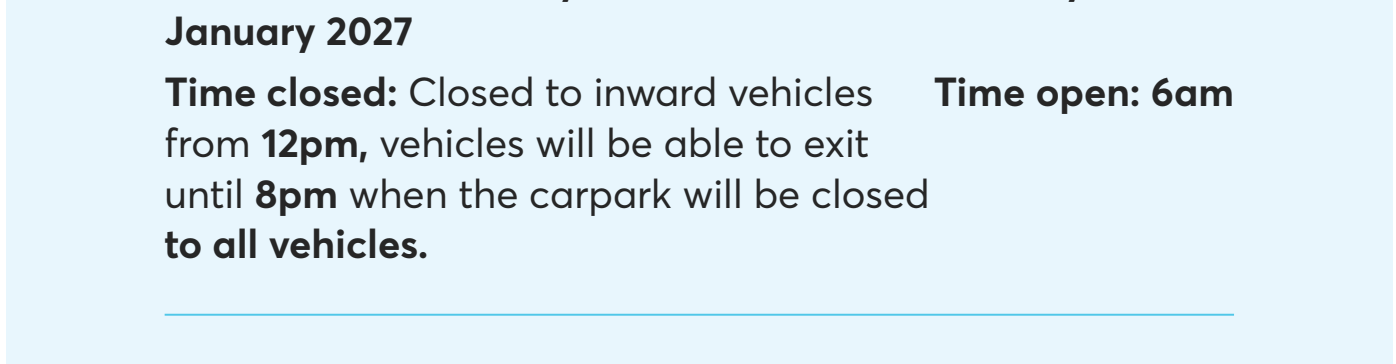
Please note:

Bridge Street (between Collingwood Street and Trafalgar Street), Alma Lane and Morrison Street will be closed due to project works.

Selwyn Place (between Trafalgar Street East and Trafalgar Street West) will be closed for the New Year's Eve Countdown Event.

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 above proposed road closures is due by **12pm Friday 20 November 2026.** Email: road.enquiries@ncc.govt.nz.

Meetings

Council meeting
9am **5 Nov**

Joint Saxton Field Committee - Tasman District Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond
9.30am **10 Nov**

Joint Regional Transport Committee – *being held fully online*
12.30pm **10 Nov**

Regulatory Process Panel
9am **12 Nov**

Council meeting - to hear submissions to Draft Reserves General Policies Management Plan *(if required)*
12.45pm **12 Nov**

Community Funding Committee
2pm **17 Nov**

Council meeting - to hear feedback to Draft Haven Waterfront Masterplan *(if required)*
9am **18 Nov**

Audit, Risk and Finance Committee
9am **19 Nov**

Chief Executive Employment Committee - Mayor's Office, Floor 2B, Civic House, 110 Trafalgar Street, Nelson
1.30pm **19 Nov**

Civil Defence Emergency Management Group - Emergency Operations Centre, 28 Oxford Street, Richmond
9.30am **24 Nov**

Joint Regional Landfill Committee
11am **24 Nov**

Joint Regional Sewerage Committee
1pm **24 Nov**

Customer Experience Oversight Committee
9am **26 Nov**

Delivery Oversight Committee
11am **26 Nov**

Strategy and Planning Oversight Committee
1.30pm **26 Nov**

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**

CONEWATCH: ONGOING PROJECTS



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

Paru Paru Road Wastewater Pumping Main Renewal
End date // End of November 2026
Location // Paru Paru Road
Benefit // Replace old sewer pipe & realignment

Maitahi Development Sewer & Water: Stage 1
End date // Early 2027
Location // Maitai Valley Road
Benefit // Improve the sewer & 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

Tahuna Catchment 2
End date // February 2027
Location // Moncrieff Avenue
Benefit // Stormwater upgrade / Geotech improvements

Maitai Flood Improvement - Clouston Terrace Investigation
End date // June 2027
Location // Between 3 & 5 Clouston Terrace
Benefit // Flood protection

Nelson East Sewer Upgrade
End date // June 2027
Location // Nile Street - Tory Street – 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

Small Time //
Wednesday 4, 11, 18, 25 November & 2 December // 10.30am – 10.50am

Riverside Reads Book Club – The Land in Winter by Andrew Millar //
Wednesday 4 November //
5.30pm – 6.30pm

Library Knitters //
Thursday 5, 12, 19 & 26 November //
10am – 12pm

Device Advice //
Thursday 5, 12, 19 & 26 November //
2pm – 3pm

Puzzling Problems //
Thursday 5, 12 & 19 November //
3.30pm – 4.30pm

Justices of the Peace //
Saturday 7, 14, 21 & 28 November //
10am – 12pm

Kōrero te reo Māori //
Saturday 7 & 21 November //
10am - 11am

Author Talk: Ramzi Mowjood //
Sunday 8 November // 2pm – 3pm

Citizen Advice Bureau – Drop-in Advice Session //
Monday 9, 16, 23 & 30 November //
9.30am – 5.30pm

Bookchat at Elma Turner Library //
Tuesday 10 November //
10.30am – 12pm

STEM Writers //
Tuesday 10 & 24 November //
12.30pm – 3pm

Brick by Brick //
Tuesday 10, 17, 24 November & 1 December //
3.30pm – 4.30pm

Sew-Along Drop-in Sewing Help //
Wednesday 11 November //
10.30am – 12.30pm

Tea and Talk //
Friday 13, 20 & 27 November //
10am – 11.30am

Alzheimers Nelson Tasman Drop-in //
Thursday 19 November //
10am – 11am

Vegan Livign Talk //
Saturday 21 November //
1.30pm – 3pm

Live Music Series: Tasmonics //
Sunday 29 November //
2pm – 2.30pm

Community Corner – Employable //
Tuesday 1 December //
12.30pm – 2.30pm

Riverside Reads Book Club – House of Liars by Jenny Williams //
Wednesday 2 December //
5.30pm – 6.30pm

NIGHTINGALE LIBRARY MEMORIAL

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

Justices of the Peace //
Friday 6, 13, 20& 27 November //
12pm – 2pm

Nellie Knitters //
Wednesday 11, 25, Monday 16 & 30 November // 1pm – 3pm

STOKE LIBRARY

Hours // Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday //
9.30am – 5.30pm
Wednesday // 10.00am – 5.30pm
Saturday // 10am – 1pm
Sunday // Closed

Community Corner – Volunteering Drop-Ins // Wednesday 4 November // 10am – 1pm

Device Advice //
Wednesday 4, 11, 18, 25, Tuesday 10, 17, 24 November, Tuesday 1 & Wednesday 2 December //
2pm – 3pm

Paper Play //
Wednesday 4, 11, 18, 25 November & 2 December // 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Brick by Brick //
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SPOTLIGHT ON WHAKATŪ EVENTS

IT'S ON AT A COUNCIL VENUE

Saxton Oval

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

Founders Heritage Park

Hours // 10am – 4.30pm daily

The New Zealand Cider Festival //
Saturday 14 November, 12pm – 7pm

The Great Christmas Market //
Sunday 22 November, 9am – 4pm

Gintastic //
Saturday 28 November, 12pm – 6pm

Melrose House

Hours // Monday & public holidays // closed
Tuesday – Friday // 9am – 3pm
Saturday & Sunday // 9am – 4pm

Isel House and Park

Hours // Sunday, Monday & public holidays // closed
Tuesday – Saturday // 10am – 3pm

Isel Market //
Thursdays 5, 12, 19, 26 November //
4.30pm – 8pm

Pūtangitangi Greenmeadows Community Centre

Tai Chi for Beginners – 8 Week Course (final 3 weeks) // Thursdays 5, 12, 19, November

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

Seen Anew: Te Arahou //
Saturday 29 August 2026 - Tuesday 29 August 2028 // during opening hours

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

Tāwera – Your Art Space

Hours // Monday – Friday //10am – 5pm,
Saturday // 10am – 2pm

Tāhae: Stolen from the Museum //
Monday 26 October - Wednesday 18 November // during opening hours

Aotearoa Jewellery: Whakakore & Whakahou – Unmapping and Remarking //
Tuesday 1 December - Saturday 9 January // during opening hours

Janet Mazenier: Cold Wax //
Tuesday 1 December - Saturday 9 January // during opening hours

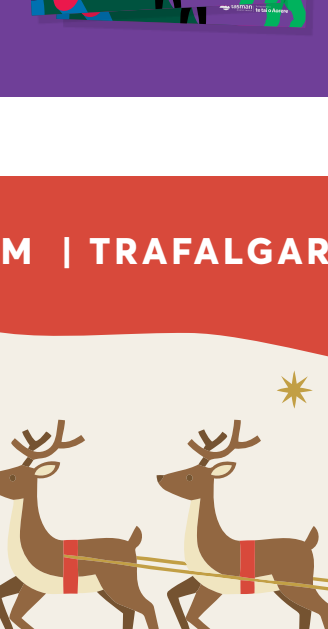
Nelson Provincial Museum

Hours // Weekdays // 10am – 5pm
Weekends & public holidays // 10am – 4.30pm

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

Historic Homes Tour // Sunday 8 November //
10am – 4pm

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