

# Tō Tātou Whakatū Our Nelson



**Three locations. One Decision.**

Have your say and help us decide the best location for a new Community Hub, Library and Civic Space.

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**New Nelson Arts Hub Tāwera**

A home for creativity in the heart of the city, now officially open!

[Read more on page 5](#)



**Connings Food Market expansion**  
**a fresh vote of confidence**  
**for Nelson city centre**

Ben Conning (from left), Simon Conning, Nelson Mayor Nick Smith, Deputy Mayor and City Revitalisation Taskforce Chair Pete Rainey and Nelson City Council Chief Executive Nigel Philpott outside the Connings Food Market in Achilles Ave, which is set to grow.



View of the new Connings Food Market from Wakatu Square.

An extra helping of Connings' signature locally grown produce will soon be available to Nelsonians as the pop-up store on Achilles Avenue expands into a full Connings Food Market.

Nelson City Council agreed in principle in March 2024 to Connings leasing the Achilles Avenue site for the pop-up, with the option to buy 69-101 Achilles Avenue for the construction of a new, permanent Connings Food Market.

The final details of the agreement were signed last week, marking an important milestone for the project. Further information will be shared as plans progress. The current store will continue trading in the meantime.

Concept plans for the new store include the addition of a café and significantly expanded market produce areas, bringing the full Connings Food Market experience to central Nelson for the first time.

Council Chief Executive Nigel Philpott said the project reflected Council's ongoing work to reduce barriers to investment in the central city.

"Council is open for business. We want to

work together with our business community to make Nelson vibrant and an easy place to do business. Working alongside businesses like Connings to help make it happen is one example where Council is actively working to create an environment where enterprise can thrive here.

"The pop-up on Achilles Avenue has obviously been incredibly popular with Nelsonians, and we're really pleased to see Connings decide to expand into a permanent store as a result.

I'm confident this store will be just as popular with our community as the Appleby Food Market has been."

Nelson Mayor Nick Smith said Connings' commitment to building a permanent store in the central city was a huge win for Nelson that would bring multiple benefits.

"This new Connings Food market will help Council's goal of revitalising the central city. They have proved in Appleby and through the trial pop up store that the public wants local fresh produce.

"I love that this new Connings Food Market will enable us to showcase the region as a centre of excellence for fresh produce and food innovation. The further benefit is providing more choice and competition for consumers for their groceries when there is concern about the duopoly of the two supermarket chains."

Simon Conning says they've been blown away by the support for the Nelson Pop Up.

"We're really happy to make a long-term commitment to our customers and to Nelson City. Our farm is only 18 kilometres away from the store, which means we can continue to deliver fresh produce directly to our customers at great value. Being able to do that is important to us as a family."

The Conning family has been growing fresh produce on the Waimea Plains for more than 40 years, just 4 kilometres from their first Connings Food Market store in Appleby. The family business has now expanded with a second site on Nelson's Achilles Avenue.

**We want to work together with our business community to make Nelson vibrant and an easy place to do business.**

- Council Chief Executive Nigel Philpott



## Rates deferment approved for Bridge Street businesses

Nelson City Council has approved a rates deferment for Bridge Street businesses affected by the Bridge to Better construction project.

In a full Council meeting on Thursday, 6 August, elected members approved a rates deferment to allow eligible businesses on Bridge Street to defer their 2026/27 rates. The deferred amount will be repaid evenly over the 2027/28, 2028/29 and 2029/30 rating years.

Bridge to Better is a \$78 million project to renew and upgrade essential underground infrastructure, some of it over 100 years old. Work started in late 2025 and is expected to be completed by August 2027. The majority of the work is concentrated on Bridge Street, in Nelson's city centre.

Mayor Nick Smith said the deferment reflected Council's commitment to both the project and the businesses affected by it.

"I'm an unapologetic advocate for the Bridge to Better project. I acknowledge this project is incredibly disruptive, but if you're going to rip up a street, you do it once, you do it properly, and you do it all.

"Council staff and contractors have been working incredibly hard to minimise the disruption, and they're doing as much as they can to encourage people to continue to frequent the businesses on Bridge Street, but the work is of a scale that the impacts are significant.

"I was worried about setting a precedent, because engineering disruption is a practical part of life for everyone, but the scale of disruption on Bridge Street, coming at a time when businesses and households are already under immense economic pressure, means this deferment gives them room to get through this year and pay their rates once the project is finished."

Applicants from eligible businesses – those along Bridge Street itself, within the boundaries of Collingwood and Rutherford Streets – must show a reduction in turnover for the quarter ending 30 June 2026 against the same quarter in 2025 to qualify for the deferral.

As rates are levied on property owners, the property owner must apply on behalf of an affected tenant and confirm the tenant will receive equivalent relief from the property owner such as a rent reduction. Eligible tenants are encouraged to get in touch with their landlords to discuss taking part in the deferral. Liability for the rates repayment sits with the property owner.

If every eligible business qualifies, the total rates deferred for 2026/27 are estimated to be \$1.3 million.



For more information about the rates deferral, including the conditions and criteria and application form, see: [nelson.govt.nz/3rates/rates-relief-and-rebates](https://nelson.govt.nz/3rates/rates-relief-and-rebates)



## Help shape the future of eBus!

**eBus has been connecting our communities for three years, and we'd love to hear from you.**

**Whether you catch the bus every day, occasionally, or not at all, your feedback will help shape the next Regional Public Transport Plan, which will guide public transport in our region over the next three years.**

**We're exploring ways to improve the service, but with limited budgets, some improvements may involve trade-offs.**

**That's why your input is so important.**

**Take a few minutes to complete our survey and help us make the best decisions for the future of public transport in our region.**



**Find out more here**  
**[ebus.nz/news/3-year-survey/](https://ebus.nz/news/3-year-survey/)**



## Shop the Street



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A mobile nursing service specialising in workplace health monitoring. Offering pre-employment medicals, work station assessments, flu vaccinations, health education and so much more. Available to provide occupational health physician input either at your workplace, or at their Bridge Street office.



For over 30 years, Gentle Dental have offered ethical, caring dentistry to the Nelson community. They pride themselves on creating a kind and caring experience alongside first class dental treatment. The home of the magic wand, a revolutionary system that can give pain free injections, one of a few practices in New Zealand that are trained to use it.



Flamingo Nails offer a wide range of professional nail and beauty services. Dedicated to providing a friendly and professional service in a relaxing and welcoming atmosphere, striving for beauty and elegance in everything they do.



# Three locations. One decision.



Elma Turner Library and Civic House are reaching the end of their useful lives. Both buildings have ageing systems and increasing maintenance requirements, and continuing to rely on repairs and short-term fixes is not viable over the long term. Council is asking Nelson residents to help choose the location for a new Community Hub, Library and Civic Space, from three shortlisted options. Submissions are open now and close on **6 September 2026**.

## Got questions?

Come along to the public meeting on Wednesday 12 August, 6–7pm, at the Trafalgar Centre (Northern End). You can also catch elected members at the Saturday Market every Saturday up to 5 September 9am–12pm, for an informal chat about the options.

See page 4 for the commonly asked questions we've received so far.

## The questions we're asking you

When you have your say, we want your answers to three questions. Your answers will help the Council choose which location to take forward to the design stage.

**Which of the three locations do you like best?**

Each location has a different budget. So telling us your favourite also tells us which level of investment you support. Please think about all the points: cost, design, build time, where it is, and how it affects the city centre.

**What are the main reasons for your choice?**

Tell us what matters most to you. That might be easy access, parking, being close to other services, the look of the city, or something else.

**Is there anything else we should know?**

This is your chance to tell us anything we have not covered. That could be things you have noticed, worries, ideas, or local knowledge.

## Ways to share your views

Submissions are open from 27 July 2026 to 6 September 2026. Pick whichever way suits you. They all count the same.

**ONLINE Submit through Shape Nelson**

Go to [shape.nelson.govt.nz](https://shape.nelson.govt.nz) and fill in the form. You can save it and come back to it later.

**IN PERSON Drop in to a session**

Drop in at any Nelson library, public meetings, and at the Saturday markets. Find dates and venues at [shape.nelson.govt.nz](https://shape.nelson.govt.nz).

**IN WRITING Post or email us**

Post to Nelson City Council, PO Box 645, Nelson 7040, or email [submissions@ncc.govt.nz](mailto:submissions@ncc.govt.nz). You can pick up a paper form at any Nelson library or the Customer Service Centre.

**AT A HEARING Speak to your submission**

If you want to talk about your submission in person, then please email [engage@ncc.govt.nz](mailto:engage@ncc.govt.nz). Hearing dates will be on [shape.nelson.govt.nz](https://shape.nelson.govt.nz).

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## The most commonly asked questions we've received so far

### Why is this consultation happening now?

We recognise that cost of living pressures are weighing on our community and this is something Council is very aware of. This project is a long-term investment, funded over 30 years, and construction will be timed to take advantage of competitive pricing and get the best deal for ratepayers.

Council has considered carrying out minimum repairs, and doing nothing at all, but neither is sustainable long term. Even the bare minimum would still require earthquake strengthening and roof work and running costs on both the library and Civic House buildings would keep rising every year regardless of what is chosen.

If nothing is done, the library risks being lost altogether. This is an essential community space that would be a significant loss for Nelson. The library was closed for more than a year after its ceiling tiles were found to pose an earthquake risk. The repairs that followed only bought another 5 to 10 years and were only ever intended as a short-term solution.

Civic House hasn't had significant investment in 35 years. The building leaks, black mould has been found in some areas, key systems such as the diesel tank need replacing, and its condition is only getting worse the longer it's left. The top floor has been closed since 2022 because the roof of the building is earthquake-prone.

These buildings cannot continue in their current state for much longer. The best option is to commit to a proper fix, one that brings both buildings together in a way that will better serve the community for generations to come.

### What happens if there is a Council amalgamation in the future?

There is currently no formal proposal or decision to amalgamate Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council. Both Councils are already unitary authorities, the structure the Government wants other regions to move toward, and no proposal was put forward to amalgamate further under the Government's Head Start pathway.

The Government is discussing possible changes to local government, but Nelson would still need library, community and civic spaces, no matter how councils are set up in future.

Any major governance change would take years to work through, and is a possibility that shouldn't stop this project from moving forward. The problems with Civic House and Elma Turner Library are real now, and waiting longer would increase costs and the risk of sudden closures.

The detailed design will come later, and there will be time to make adjustments if there is a change. That phase will consider how the building can adapt over time as community needs and services change.

### How accurate are the cost estimates, and what happens if they change?

The cost estimates are early, high-level estimates independently prepared by Rider Levett Bucknall and Willis Bond.

They allow for design and building risks, but they do not include future inflation. The final price will not be known until the chosen option has been designed and a builder contracted.

All project costs exclude GST. All rates figures include GST.

The rates impact figures cover interest, funded depreciation and land rent for the project. They do not include other running costs, which are expected to stay much the same whichever option is chosen.

Refurbishing existing buildings can carry greater uncertainty than a new build because hidden issues may only be found once building work begins. Once a preferred location is chosen, the detailed design process will refine the costs further.

If costs change, those changes would need to be managed through Council's normal planning, budgeting and decision-making processes. Rising prices would be considered through future plans.

### Will parking be available nearby?

Parking availability differs between the three options.

The consultation material includes a map showing nearby parking areas, bus routes and the Nelson Bus Hub. The option pages also include information about nearby off-street parking and walking distances, so people can compare accessibility and convenience as part of their feedback.

Wakatū Square is about 100 metres from Civic House, Buxton carpark is about 200 metres from the Collingwood Street site, and Montgomery Square is about 230 metres from the Church Street site.

### What happens to the buildings on the proposed sites on Collingwood and Church Streets?

For the Collingwood Street option, Council would enter a ground lease of up to 150 years for the Wakatū-owned land and would own the new building. The existing buildings would need to be moved or demolished.

For the Church Street option, Council would purchase the land and the existing buildings would need to be moved or demolished.

In both cases, existing tenants would need to move before building work could start. How that happens would be worked through with the current landowners and affected tenants.

## Mayor's Message

### Revitalising our city

Council's top priority this term is creating a more vibrant and attractive central city where people want to shop, work, eat, drink, play and live.

Realising this ambition requires Council to invest in modern infrastructure, update our planning rules, attract private investment and support events that bring life to the city. Council also needs to invest in quality civic and cultural facilities.

The \$78 million Bridge to Better project, of which we have secured \$36 million from central government, is on budget and on schedule for completion in August 2027. We are doing all we can to support the affected businesses. This infrastructure upgrade is essential to help enable development.

In June, we announced the deal between Council and Safari Group for a new eight-storey hotel and apartment complex containing 54 hotel rooms and 54 residential apartments on the

Council-owned site of the former Bridge Street bus hub.

This month, we have secured agreement with Connings to develop a new Food Market, similar to its Appleby complex, on the Achilles Ave-Rutherford St site previously owned by Council. We leased part of this site in 2024 to Connings for a pop-up store to test the market. Connings has now bought the site and committed to the new complex.

Council has also been working closely with the developers of Morrison Square including changing Morrison Street to one-way. This exciting development will have new commercial tenants in early 2027, new eateries and a rooftop bar by next August. The first concrete was poured last week for the new hotel to be completed at the end of 2027.

I am also optimistic about new residential developments in the city. There are 18 units for Habitat for Humanity and 39 units for The Salvation Army under construction on Rutherford

Street. Others are to be announced soon.

It is important that Council also invests in public facilities that help bring people into the city. We opened the new Bus Hub in December and opened last Friday the new Arts Hub in Millers Acre. The new playground in Rutherford Park will open later this year. The next step is resolving, in consultation with the public, which of the three site options for the Community Hub, Library and Civic Space is best for city.

Revitalisation of central Nelson is gaining momentum and bodes well for 2027.

Mayor  
Nick Smith







The first exhibition at the Arts Hub will be on 14 August



Nelson Mayor Nick Smith and Transition Director Hiwa Rohan O'Neill-Stevens

# New Nelson Arts Hub a home for creativity in the heart of the city

A new chapter for Whakatū Nelson’s creative community began on Friday with the official opening of the Nelson Arts Hub at Millers Acre, Tāwera.

Tāwera provides artists, makers and creative organisations with a dedicated home in one of the city’s most prominent locations. It will also be the home of the arts development agency, an independent organisation with the goal of providing strong pou for the local and regional arts community, delivering funding advice and community arts engagement.

Located at the gateway to Nelson’s city centre alongside the Bus Hub and River Kitchen, Tāwera will be bringing together exhibitions, workshops, a studio and collaborative spaces designed to support the region’s creative sector.

The project delivers on the vision set out in He Tātāi Whetū (Whakatū Nelson’s Arts and Creativity Strategy), which identified the need for a central place where artists can create, connect and collaborate.

Mayor Nick Smith says the Arts Hub is an investment in both Nelson’s creative identity and the city’s future. “The arts are a key part of Nelson’s identity and this new hub will help us nurture the

growing and diverse range of talented craftspeople and artists in the region and support cultural events such as the Arts Festival, Jewellery Week, Te Ramaroa and the Adam Chamber Music Festival. This investment will also help in our bid to be recognised by UNESCO as a Creative City of Crafts and Folk Art.

“Council’s He Tātāi Whetū Strategy was developed in partnership with the wider community and the iwi of Te Taihū. We supported it with investment in our Long Term Plan 2024-34. This new Arts Hub and the new arts development agency that will share this space, confirms Council’s commitment to Nelson’s important arts sector.”

He Tātāi Whetū (Arts and Creativity) Taskforce Chair Councillor Matty Anderson says Tāwera provides a visible home in the heart of the city for Nelson’s arts community, creating opportunities for collaboration, creativity and innovation while helping attract more people into the city centre.

“This is more than just a building. It’s a place

where artists can grow their skills, where visitors and audiences can experience the incredible talent we have in Whakatū and where creativity will continue to shape the future of our city.”

Redevelopment of the northern end of the Millers Acre building has transformed a vacant Council-owned space and complements recent investment in the surrounding area and the ongoing revitalisation of the city centre.

Hiwa (formerly known as Arts Council Nelson) will rent the space under a community lease, paying peppercorn rent until 30 June 2028, while sub-leases are established. Sub-leasing revenue will help offset costs for Hiwa, with income shared with Council. This arrangement supports both community use and financial sustainability.

The Arts Hub will open to the public with its first exhibition on 14 August. Residents and visitors are encouraged to explore the new space and discover the creativity that makes Whakatū Nelson unique.

## Council digest – noteworthy decisions from our last meeting

Elected members met on Thursday 6 August for a full Council meeting. The main item on the agenda was deferral of rates for impacted Bridge Street businesses, but several other decisions were made.

### Community Action Nelson leasing Stoke Memorial Hall

Earlier this year, long running youth service Whanake Youth, based behind Stoke Memorial Hall, closed its doors after nine years of supporting young people.

Council has worked with interested stakeholders in the community to fill the gap left

by Whanake Youth and we are pleased to say the building will be leased to Community Action Nelson Trust (CAN).

CAN has operated since 2008 and has a strong track record as an incubator for projects which meet community needs. The space will retain a focus on supporting youth and being used by groups across the community.

### Draft Reserves General Policies consultation

Elected members gave the go ahead for staff to consult the community on its Draft Reserves General Policies, which are intended to provide a consistent approach to management, use and development of all Council parks and reserves (excluding Saxton).

Council administers approximately 260 parks and reserves covering 11,280 hectares.

Council opens consultation on the Draft Reserves General Policies to the general public for a two-month period from Monday 17 August. Feedback is due to be considered at a Council meeting in November.

### Restoration of Days Track

During the August 2022 weather event the section of Days Track between Grenville Terrace and Moncrieff Avenue was subject to severe landslip damage.

Elected members have approved \$700,000 of unbudgeted expenditure to reinstate this portion of track and install signage recommending people do not use it during prolonged or moderate to severe weather events.

Alongside the track reconstruction, council is also replacing temporary stormwater and wastewater services with more resilient permanent infrastructure, conducting weed clearance and replanting the council-owned land corridor in natives.

### Tosswill Reserve lease

Elected members approved new leases for Tosswill Reserve to the Tahunanui bowls and tennis clubs lasting 20 years.

The Bowls and Tennis Clubs have operated from the reserve since the 1920s.

# Councillor's Comment

Over the past few years, many households have become experts at making every dollar stretch a little further.

Rising fuel costs have affected far more than what we pay at the pump. They influence the price of groceries, getting children to school and sport, travelling to work, accessing healthcare, and the ability of community organisations to keep their doors open.

Recent reports to Council from our officers have reinforced what many people have been telling me for some time. The cost of living is placing real pressure on families across Nelson. Community organisations are seeing more people needing support, food insecurity has increased, and demand for emergency food parcels continues to grow. At the same time, the volunteers who keep many of these services running are facing higher demands and transport costs themselves, while affordable community spaces are becoming increasingly difficult for organisations to maintain.

Many of the biggest drivers of household costs sit beyond the responsibilities and resources of local government. That doesn't mean we stand on the sidelines. Our role is to make thoughtful decisions with every rates dollar and invest in the essential infrastructure and services that support our community, not just today, but for decades to come.

That is why I'm pleased the proposed Community Hub, Library and Civic Space is now out for consultation. Good public facilities are essential infrastructure that support

learning, connection, access to services and community resilience. Like any major investment, it deserves careful public discussion and scrutiny, and I encourage everyone to have their say on which location we should take to the design stage. I look forward to reviewing the community's feedback as part of that process. One thing I do know is that delaying major projects rarely makes them more affordable. Construction costs continue to rise, and the infrastructure our community needs will only become more expensive to deliver over time.

It also means being disciplined with spending. Every dollar Council saves through smarter procurement, careful budgeting and focusing on what matters most, is a dollar that doesn't need to come from ratepayers. At a time when many households are making difficult choices, we have a responsibility to do the same.

The pressures facing our community are real, and they won't disappear overnight. As your Council, we will continue listening, making careful decisions and focusing on the things we can control – because even in difficult times, every practical step towards easing the burden on local families matters.



Councillor Sarah Kerby





Te Kaitiaki o Whakatū



## Bird Flu (H5N1): Protecting Nelson's Wildlife

01 · IDENTIFYING THE THREAT

### A global strain, spreading

H5N1 is a highly contagious strain of avian influenza that has spread widely overseas among wild, birds and mammals.

It has not yet reached Nelson - public vigilance is our best defence.

02 · IDENTIFYING THE THREAT

### Who's most at risk

Colony birds (gulls, gannets, shags) an marine mammals (seals) are most vulnerable to infection.

Pets and predators can also be infected by eating sick or dead wildlife - keep dogs on a leash near beaches and colonies.

03 · HOW TO RESPOND SAFELY

### Do not approach

See 3 or more sick or dead birds?  
Call the MPI Hotline immediately: 00800 80 99 66

Leave sick birds alone  
Approaching adds stress and risks spreading illness.

Avoid direct contact  
Dead wildlife can carry disease. Keep children and pets away.

See sick or dead wildlife? Call now

0800 80 99 66

MPI Exotic Pest and Disease Hotline - available 24/7.



Broadgreen in Bloom

# A Garden Party

Celebrate the recently restored glasshouse with our Father's Day Garden Party!



Sunday 6 September 2026 ✂ 12pm - 3pm

Free entry ✂ Broadgreen House, 276 Nayland Road, Stoke

GARDEN GAMES WITH PRIZES ✂ TREASURE HUNT

HIGH TEA ✂ LIVE MUSIC ✂ & MORE



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Te Kaitiaki o Whakatū







# CONEWATCH: ONGOING PROJECTS

**Van Diemen Access Track Remediation**  
**End date //** August 2026  
**Location //** Van Diemen Street  
**Benefit //** Improve stormwater network

**Pūtangitangi Greenmeadows - Solar Panel and Battery Installations**  
**End date //** August 2026  
**Location //** Pūtangitangi Greenmeadows - Cnr Main Road Stoke & Songer Street, Stoke  
**Benefit //** Power back up for Community Centres in an emergency situation

**Toilet Renewals – Victory Reserve**  
**End date //** August 2026  
**Location //** Toi Toi Street, Victory Square  
**Benefit //** Deconstruction of old toilet and installation of new toilet

**250 Haven Road (Old 4 Seasons) Deconstruction**  
**End date //** September 2026  
**Location //** 250 Haven Road  
**Benefit //** Waterfront masterplan – future planning

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

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

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

**Maitai Flood Improvements**  
**End date //** November 2026  
**Location //** Hanby Park to Clouston Terrace  
**Benefit //** Flood protection

**Tahuna Catchment 2**  
**End date //** December 2026  
**Location //** Moncrieff Avenue  
**Benefit //** Stormwater upgrade / geotech improvements

**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

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

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

## Road closures

**Nelson Italian Festival**  
**Applicant:** Club Italia Nelson Incorporated  
**Event date and time:** Sunday 7 March 2027

**Proposed Road Closures – streets, dates and times:**  
The following roads will be closed, access will be unavailable during these times, except in emergencies.

Trafalgar Street – between Wainui Street and Elliot Street  
**Sunday 7 March 2027**  
**Time closed:** 6am **Time open:** 7pm

The eBus route 3 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 Nelson Italian Festival 2027 is due by **12pm Wednesday 26 August 2026**. Email: [road.enquiries@ncc.govt.nz](mailto:road.enquiries@ncc.govt.nz)

## Meetings

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|------------------------------------------|--------|
| Regulatory Process Panel<br>9am          | 13 Aug |
| Joint Regional Landfill Committee<br>1pm | 25 Aug |

*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/your-council/4meetings-and-agendas](#)



## 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 12, 19, 26 August, 2, 9 September // 10.30am – 10.50am**

**Sew-Along Drop-in Sewing Help // Wednesday 12 August & 9 September // 10.30am – 12.30pm**

**Stacy Gregg Author Visit // Wednesday 12 August // 3.30pm – 5pm**

**Rising Scientist // Wednesday 12, 19 & 26 August // 4pm – 5pm**

**Device Advice // Thursday 13, 20, 27 August & 3 September // 2pm – 3pm**

**Library Knitters // Thursday 13, 20, 27 August & 3 September // 10am – 12pm**

**Dungeons & Dragons for beginners // Thursday 13, 20, 27 August & 3 September // 3.30pm – 5pm**

**Tea and Talk // Friday 14, 21, 28, August & 4 September // 10am – 11.30am**

**Justices of the Peace // Saturday 15, 22, 29 August // 5 September, 10am – 12pm**

**Kōrero te reo Māori // Saturday 15 & 29 August // 10am – 11am**

**Author Talk: Iain B Campbell // Sunday 16 August // 1.30pm – 2.30pm**

**Citizen Advice Bureau – Drop-in Advice Session // Monday 17, 24, 31 August & 7 September // 9.30am – 5.30pm**

**Community Corner: Electoral Support // Tuesday 18 & 25 August // 9.30am – 12pm**

**Starting Out with Family Research // Tuesday 18 August // 2pm – 2.45pm**

**Hands on Stem // Tuesday 18, 25 August, 1 & 8 September // 3.30pm – 4.30pm**

**Alzheimer's Nelson Tasman Drop-in // Thursday 20 August // 10am – 11am**

**Discover Tonga: Make, Create, Explore! // Saturday 22 August // 11am**

**Live Music Series: Mosaic World Choir // Sunday 30 August // 2pm – 2.30pm**

**Community Corner – Employable // Tuesday 1 September // 12.30pm – 2.30pm**

#### NIGHTINGALE LIBRARY MEMORIAL

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

**Nellie Knitters // Wednesday 12, 26, Monday 17, 31 August & 7 September // 1pm – 3pm**

**Justices of the Peace // Friday 14, 21, 28 August & 4 September // 12pm – 2pm**



**Community Corner with Advance Care Planning // Monday 7 September // 2pm – 3pm**

**Bookchat // Tuesday 8 September // 10.30am – 12pm**

**STEM Writers // Tuesday 8 September // 12.30pm – 3pm**

#### ADULT LEARNERS' WEEK

**The Seed Library Welcomes the new Seeds back and Seeds Savers**  
**Saturday 5 September // 1pm – 3pm**

**Beginner Sewing**  
**Monday 7 September // 12.30pm – 2.30pm**

**Ink Play**  
**Tuesday 8 September // 1.30pm – 3pm**

**PaperPlay a Mindful Collage**  
**Wednesday 9 September // 1pm – 2.30pm**

**Cricut Basics for Beginners**  
**Thursday 10 September // 12.30pm – 2.30pm**

**3D Printing Demo**  
**Friday 11 September // 2.30pm – 3.30pm**

**Dungeons & Dragons for Adults**  
**Saturday 12 September // 1pm – 3.30pm**

**Japanese Calligraphy with Akiko Crowther**  
**Sunday 13 September // 1.30pm – 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 at Stoke // Wednesday 12, 19, 26 August, 2 & 9 September // 10am – 1pm**

**Device Advice // Wednesday 12, 19, 26 August, 2, 9 September, Tuesday 18, 25 August, 1 & 8 September // 2pm – 3pm**

**Paper Play // Wednesday 12, 19, 26 August, 2 & 9 September // 3.30pm – 4.30pm**

**Community Textile Workshop // Wednesday 12 August // 5.30pm**

**Brick by Brick // Thursday 13, 20, 27 August & 3 September // 3.30pm – 4.30pm**

**Small Time // Friday 14, 21, 28 August & 4 September // 10.30am – 10.50am**

**Justices of the Peace // Saturday 15, 22, 29 August & 5 September // 10am – 12pm**

**Stoke Bookchat // Wednesday 19 August // 5.30pm – 6.30pm**

**Community Corner: Employable // Tuesday 8 September // 10am – 12pm**

## SPOTLIGHT ON WHAKATŪ EVENTS

### IT'S ON AT A COUNCIL VENUE

#### Saxton Netball Pavillion

**Shanti Yoga Sessions // Monday 17, 24, 31 August // 10am – 11.30am**

#### Trafalgar Park

**Tasman Mako v Southland // Saturday 22 August // 1.05pm**

**Farah Palmer Cup - Tasman Mako v Northland Kauri // Saturday 29 August // 1.05pm**

#### Founders Heritage Park

**Hours // 10am – 4.30pm daily**

**My Time My Life // Saturday 15 August // 10.30am – 3pm**

#### Trafalgar Street Hall

**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 // 9am – 3pm**  
**Tuesday - Sunday // 9am – 4pm**  
**Public holidays // closed**

#### Isel House and Park

**Isel House closed for the winter season.**  
**Summer Hours // 1 October - 25 April**  
**Sunday, Monday & public holidays // closed**  
**Tuesday – Saturday // 10am – 3pm**

#### MUSEUMS AND GALLERIES

##### Broadgreen House and Samuels Rose Gardens

**Hours // Monday to 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**

**Broadgreen in Bloom: A Garden Party // Sunday 6 September // 12pm – 3pm**

##### The Suter Art Gallery & Theatre

**Hours // 9.30am – 4.30pm daily**

**Christopher Ulutupu: Multiples // Saturday 21 March - Sunday 16 August // during opening hours**

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

**We Are Young: Childhood in Photography // Saturday 16 May - Sunday 30 August // during opening hours**

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

**NZ's Top Dog Film Festival // Friday 14 August // 6pm**

**HERstory Voices of Courage // Thursday 27 August // 6pm**

**The Blunderstudy // Thursday 3 September // 7pm**

##### Tāwera – The new Nelson Arts Hub

**Hours // Monday – Friday // 10am – 5pm**  
**Saturday // 10am – 2pm**  
**Sunday // closed**

**Ordinary Wonders // Friday 14 August - Wednesday 16 September // during opening hours**

##### Nelson Provincial Museum

**Hours // Monday – Friday // 10am – 5pm**  
**Weekends & public holidays // 10am – 4.30pm**

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

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