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Our Wellington

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Kia ora koutou

Welcome to the autumn edition of *Our Wellington - Tō Tātou Pōneke*.

Autumn is a time to enjoy the beauty of the natural environment, and to reflect on its fragility and the need to protect it.

That's why this edition focuses on how we can respond to the climate and ecological emergency. It is a timely insight into work Wellington City Council is doing together with many partners to ensure a sustainable and equitable future for all.

Wellington city is in a strong position as we seek to become a net zero carbon capital by 2050. Our compact city supports New Zealand's highest levels of walking, biking and public transport use. Over the last 30 years Wellington has been on a world-leading environmental restoration journey built on creating a comprehensive protected green belt.

We're working hard to improve the resilience of our three waters network and our buildings, and to reduce waste to landfill. We will build on these strengths as we go forward.

Prior to Christmas, public submissions were received on an ambitious integrated plan; Let's Get Wellington Moving, the District Plan, and citywide Bike Network. The collective effect of these plans will create a city where it's even easier for us all to live and have convenient zero or low carbon transport options.

We are proud of our Council for its progressive environmental work and congratulate the team who worked hard to secure Wellington as the only Australasian city to be awarded a \$US1million grand prize in the Bloomberg Global Mayors' Challenge to further develop our 'digital twin city' model.

The 'digital twin' uses real-time data to create a virtual 3D city that can show different sea level rise scenarios and mitigation options. It will also be a powerful tool to allow all of us to see transport and environmental data, and proposed transport, housing, development, and city safety projects.

We hope you are inspired by this edition of *Our Wellington*.

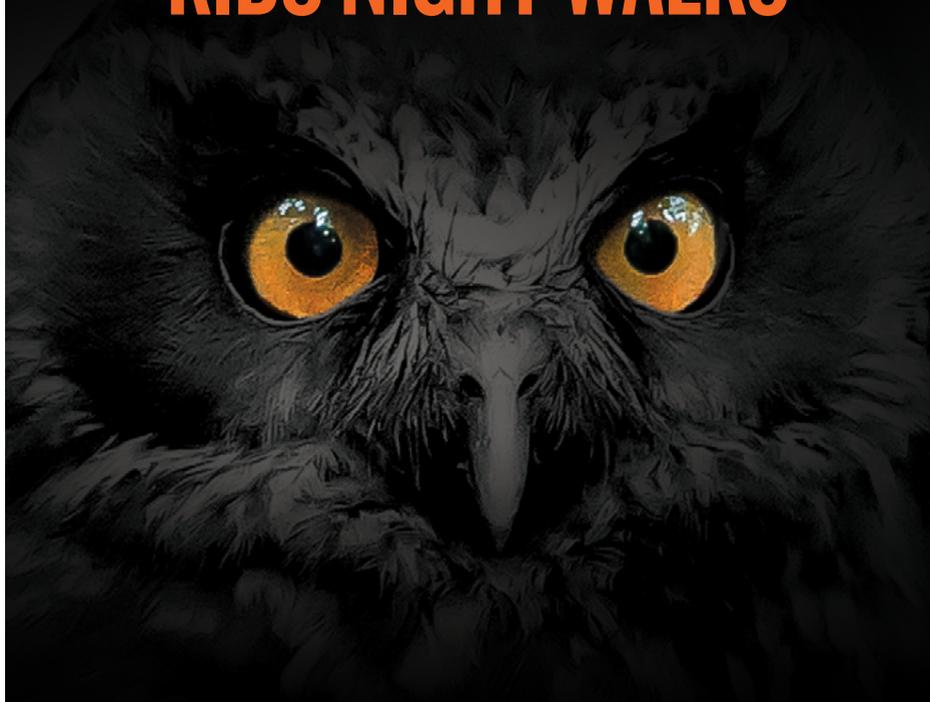
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You can take Mevo or Cityhop vehicles away for the weekend or longer, not just an hour here or there. Find out more about car share options that let you venture beyond the capital. mevo.co.nz/wellington and cityhop.co.nz

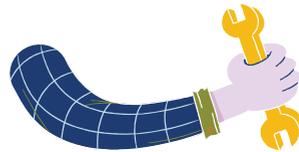
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On our way to a fairer, fitter, low-carbon future

Changing times shape places and how we use them, and that includes how we share city streets.

Our goal is to be a city where it's easy for people of all ages and abilities to choose low or zero carbon transport options. Where young people can get themselves to school in ways that are great for their health and the environment, and where people who want to can easily choose to live without a car.

Mass transit, bus improvements, and Paneke Pōneke, our 10-year plan to create a citywide network of bike and scooter routes and safer places to walk, will make this possible. They will lay the foundations for future generations who will likely face new challenges, make different choices and live their lives in ways that will differ from the way we live now.

The citywide bike and scooter network will connect suburbs to the city centre and destinations like the hospital and waterfront. It will help people of all ages and abilities safely get from where they live to where they work, study, shop and spend time.

We'll be finishing Tahitai, the walking and biking connection around Evans Bay between Miramar and the central city, improving routes in development like Brooklyn Hill, and getting on with numerous other routes and connections.

Expect to see interim changes made to busy routes where safer connections are needed quickly, or in places where more extensive transport and urban development changes are on the horizon. We will be testing the designs in real life to help us transition more quickly and get richer feedback and data on how well they're working.

We're getting started straight away!

There are a few obvious gaps in Wellington's bike network, and we are working to join them up. We are starting with two interim bike routes: one from Newtown to the city and one from the Botanic Garden ki Paekākā to the city. These routes will be safer connections for people on bikes and scooters coming from the south and west, and they will improve the experience for people on buses by giving them more priority along the routes.

We're getting ready to install these routes this year using adaptable materials. Once these are in, we will be gathering feedback and collecting data on how they are going so we can adapt and improve them if required.

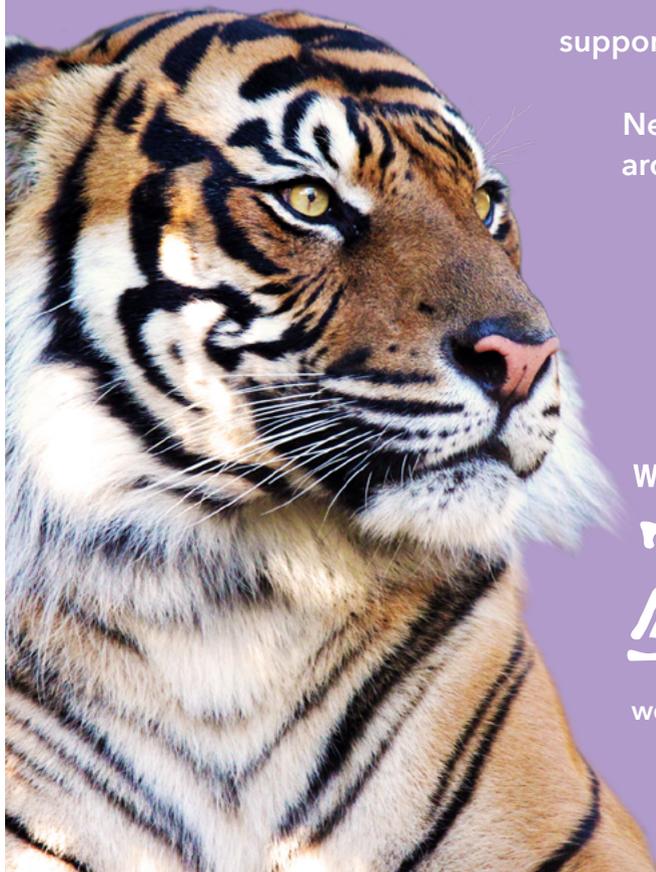
For the most up-to-date information on these routes, or to sign up to receive regular email updates, please visit: transportprojects.org.nz/newtown and transportprojects.org.nz/botanic

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We're going electric

We're accelerating our plan to replace all Council's fossil-fuel powered passenger vehicles with zero emission electric alternatives by 2025. Electrification of our fleet reduces emissions as well as operational costs long term, so it's good news financially and for the planet. The capital's EV infrastructure is also being super-charged to support more electric vehicles. From this year more than 60 fast charger locations will be created at community sites around the city, as part of a broader plan to create a network of chargers throughout the Wellington region.

Draft Economic Wellbeing Strategy

Our vision is that Wellington is a dynamic city with a resilient, innovative, and low carbon economy that provides opportunities for all and protects our environment. The draft strategy focuses on recovery from the pandemic, and a future city building on Wellington's unique economic advantages including a knowledgeable and creative workforce, a strong economy with strengths in technology, banking, and public sector, and a good quality of life with easy access to natural amenities. This draft economic strategy will guide a more sustainable and inclusive economy. To have your say complete our short survey online by 25 April. letstalk.wellington.govt.nz

Te Matapihi is taking shape

Stage two of prepping Te Matapihi ki te Ao Nui (Central Library) is well underway! We took out and stored many of the fixtures and fittings last December. Now we're removing the building services (like air-conditioning and lighting) and interior walls. We expect construction works will start in the final three months of 2022, dependent on the Resource Consent process. As well as strengthening the library we're taking this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to modernise Te Matapihi to serve our growing city for generations to come. As well as extending levels three and four, people will be able to connect with the libraries' collection and services alongside City Archives, the Council Service Centre, and Capital E. We are working with these groups on the best way to design the interior around the strengthening beams. We will share the high-level construction and design plans by the middle of this year.

Kaupapa Pūtea - Funding

We have a range of funding programmes available for community, arts, environmental, climate action, and waste minimisation groups who help make our city a better place. Contact our funding team to find out more about how to apply and to talk through your ideas. Check our calendar for closing dates. wellington.govt.nz/funding

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Enhancing public safety with CCTV

We recently expanded our City Safety CCTV Control Room, housed at our office on The Terrace. Our highly trained, well-informed operators proactively monitor our public spaces day and night to help reduce harm and public disorder, ensure efficient responses, and increase public safety. Council's approach is innovative in the way we use it as a tool for harm reduction and work in partnership across the city's network of capable guardians, including NZ Police, Hāpai Ake and Wellington Free Ambulance to contribute to a safer, more vibrant and welcoming Pōneke.

wellington.govt.nz/cctv

Future living skills

Watch out for our future living skills aligned programme later this year. The programme is designed to support behaviour change and consumer choices so that Pōneke residents are able to reduce their personal climate impact while promoting a lower carbon, more financially and environmentally sustainable lifestyle. **wellington.govt.nz/sustainability**

Te Anamata ā-Kai o Tō Tātou Tāone | Our City's Food Future

Wellington is the first city in Aotearoa to sign on to the Milan Urban Food Policy Pact, an international network of 217 cities working to create sustainable food systems. This is the first action in the Council's upcoming Te Anamata ā-Kai o Tō Tātou Tāone | Our City's Food Future, our action plan for an equitable, sustainable and resilient food system. We want a Wellington where no one goes hungry, everyone can eat what is right for their bodies and culture, we minimise waste, we protect the environment, and we reduce our carbon footprint. Find out more and get involved.

wellington.govt.nz/sustainable-food



Community gardens near you

Visit one of the 20 community gardens dotted throughout Pōneke as volunteers harvest and enjoy the fruits of their labour over the past warm months. Find your local garden at **wellington.govt.nz/local-community-gardens**

Tō tātou hāpori Our community

We SKATE Pōneke

For Melissa Warner, the world is brighter, friendlier, and happier when she's on her skateboard.

The 22-year-old got serious about skating five years ago and says the traditionally male-dominated sport has benefited her in many ways.

“It's given me a sense of belonging, and so many new friends of all ages and genders. It's also a great form of exercise, as I strongly dislike the gym!

“I live and work in the CBD, so skating has helped me reduce my carbon emissions by driving less, which is great.

“It's also benefited me mentally. It's a great distraction when things just get a little too much. My confidence has also grown stronger through learning to skate.”

Mel became a skateboarding instructor with OnBoard Skate, offering free skating lessons across the city, and has since set up her own skate school, Skate Ed.

Mel is passionate about teaching tamariki, and especially wāhine, to master the skateboard.

“I think my biggest challenge when I started skating was the lack of diversity within the community. I never really saw any other wāhine or LGBTQI+ skating in Pōneke or in any local magazines, so for a while I felt quite intimidated by most skaters. But life is full of challenges, right? So, I wasn’t going to let that stop me.”

She loves the creative aspect of skating – where everyone has their own unique style and flare, and can just be themselves.

And as well as benefitting her own life, Mel has witnessed others gain countless advantages through taking up the sport.

“Everywhere I go I can see how skating benefits other people. It has provided a safe community and rich culture for so many of us.

“Running skate lessons in Pōneke, I am lucky enough to see how tamariki and rangatahi are able to grow their confidence and patience through active play.”

Wellington City Council’s Play and Active Recreation Partnership Lead, Alexi Trenouth, says it’s great to see how skating has made a positive difference for Mel, and she is excited to see the faces of other local skaters fronting a new campaign, We Skate Pōneke.

“It aims to challenge negative public perceptions and break down barriers of

skating stereotypes by celebrating the many benefits of skating - like growing confidence, inspiring new connections, enhancing physical and mental health, and being a sustainable way to get around.”

Mel is on the Wellington Skateboarding Association committee and was part of the focus group for the We Skate Pōneke campaign.

Alexi says Mel and others have been working with the Council to see better skate facilities in the city as well as see skateboarders represented across transport and urban design projects.

“It’s awesome to support our young wāhine to be heard at Wellington City Council and influence the future of the city,” Alexi says.

Mel encourages everyone to give skateboarding a go. “Even if you just feel a bit intimidated, I suggest you come along to a skate lesson.”

Skate Ed ([instagram.com/skatedinc](https://www.instagram.com/skatedinc)) is now up and running, focusing mainly on tamariki and rangatahi. If you are interested in private lessons or a job as a skate coach, Mel invites you to get in touch at skate.ed.inc@gmail.com

Waa Hine Skate ([instagram.com/waa_hine_skate](https://www.instagram.com/waa_hine_skate)) also has a variety of lessons for all ages running in Pōneke during 2022.

Find out more about We Skate Pōneke at [wellington.govt.nz/skate](https://www.wellington.govt.nz/skate)

Autumn 2022

School Holiday Programme



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To find out what's on and to book, visit
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Tips for an eco Easter

Kiwis buy over 40 million Easter eggs every year. Almost all of these are wrapped in non-recyclable foil and plastic destined for landfill.

If you're aiming to lighten your footprint this year, here are a few tips to embrace the goodness of Easter while keeping the rubbish bin empty.

Avoid gift baskets and novelty eggs with plastic toys and trinkets. Instead, gift edibles and create memories with experiences and traditions that encourage spending time together. Here are some ideas to get you started.

- Throw an Easter potluck dinner and use the event as an excuse to celebrate the holiday with friends and family. Get the kids involved by making themed food like hard boiled eggs coloured with food dye or a bunny shaped platter.
- Rather than an Easter egg hunt, have a treasure hunt. Follow the clues, use the map, crack a secret code, and find the buried treasure at the end. Maybe a chocolate treat, goodies from the Tip Shop, or vouchers for a dessert date or to be boss for an hour.
- Over Easter weekend, get crafting and use eggshells to make a cute microgreens garden.
- Simply light a candle at dinner to make the moment together special.

Ideas to reduce single-use Easter packaging, including soft plastics, paper bags and foil.

- Swap out Easter eggs for chocolate or lollies from package free stores or supermarket bulk bins. Pop them in jars or reuseable bags when you get home.
- Try making your own chocolates. Keep an eye open for moulds at your local second-hand shop.
- Bake your own Easter buns. Fill a few jars with premixed dry ingredients to save time or to gift to a friend.
- If you are set on store-bought, aim for local, quality over quantity, and where possible choose bulk over individually wrapped.



Ngā mahi whakangahau

Put it on the calendar

Check out some of the exciting events the Council is supporting over the autumn months. For more info, visit wellington.govt.nz/events

Kids Night Walks

Apr-Oct | Zealandia Te Māra a Tāne

Experience the sights and sounds of Zealandia at night! Kids Night Walks are a fun and adventurous experience for families with younger children to witness the species that only come out to play at night. See tuatara and glow worms, and maybe even kiwi! Book now. visitzealandia.com/kidsnightwalks

Music at the Begonia

11am-12noon, Sun 3 Apr, Sun 1 May,
Sun 5 Jun | Botanic Garden ki Paekākā | Free

Join the Friends of Wellington Botanic Garden for music in the Begonia House Foyer. wellingtongardens.nz

Easter at Zealandia

Fri 15-Mon 18 Apr | Zealandia Te Māra a Tāne

Visit Zealandia Te Māra a Tāne this Easter for a long weekend full of fun activities for all ages. visitzealandia.com/events

RSA Poppy Day Collection

Thu 21 Apr | Various locations

The Wellington RSA 2022 Poppy Day will cover central Wellington, Karori, Seatoun, Miramar and the Wellington Airport. Poppy Day proceeds provide welfare support to veterans and their families.

Make sure to check online

Events and festivals in Pōneke may have been impacted by the current COVID-19 situation. Please check the Wellington City Council events webpage, wellington.govt.nz/events, or individual event websites and social media pages to see whether an event is on, has moved online, and for up-to-date venue and entry information.



Hihi at Zealandia. Photo by Janice McKenna.

Glow in the Dark Titiwai Tours

7.30pm & 8.30pm, Fri 29 Apr, Fri 27 May
Botanic Garden ki Paekākā

Join the Friends of Wellington Botanic Garden ki Paekākā for a fascinating tour into the world of titiwai, New Zealand's glow worms! Space is limited so bookings required. Tickets \$10. wellingtongardens.nz

Zealandia at Dawn

May-Aug | Zealandia Te Māra a Tāne

Experience the awakening of the sanctuary – guided dawn tours are back! Hear the dawn chorus, as tūi, tieke and hihi herald the start of a new day. Ticket price includes breakfast and an espresso coffee at our onsite Rātā Café. Book now. visitzealandia.com/zealandiaatdawn

NZSO presents Passione

6.30pm, Fri 13 May | Michael Fowler Centre

Renowned New Zealand violinist Amalia Hall performs from John Corigliano's Oscar-winning music *The Red Violin*, with the Orchestra led by NZSO Music Director Emeritus James Judd also performing Richard Strauss' magnificent *Don Juan* and Prokofiev's unforgettable *Romeo & Juliet*.

Gallery Babes

11am & 1pm, Tue 17 May, Tue 14 Jun
City Gallery | Free

Bring the baby and enjoy a tour of City Gallery's exhibitions. Best suited to those with babies up to 12 months. Spaces are limited, so booking is essential. citygallery.org.nz

Gallery Seniors

11am, Wed 18 May, Wed 15 Jun
City Gallery | Free

Join City Gallery for a free guided tour for visitors aged 65+, followed by complimentary morning tea. citygallery.org.nz



Violinist Amalia Hall.

Botanic Encounters

9am-4pm, Fri 27 May-Thu 2 Jun
Botanic Garden ki Paekākā | Free

An exhibition inspired by plant collections at Botanic Garden ki Paekākā. The works have been designed and produced by Textile Design students from Massey University. Find the exhibition in the Begonia House Foyer. wellingtongardens.nz

Matariki ki Te Māra a Tāne

Jun-Jul | Zealandia Te Māra a Tāne

Celebrate Matariki at Te Māra a Tāne Zealandia. visitzealandia.com/events

Tuatara Open Late

5pm-10pm, Thu 2 Jun | City Gallery
Entry by donation

Art, music, film, talks, beer, wine, and food. Enjoy this ever-changing programme of late-night events on the first Thursday of the month. citygallery.org.nz

Wā tākaro Playtime



New Frank Kitts playground, and a trip down memory lane

The exciting redevelopment of Frank Kitts playground is well underway, and the new playground is going to be epic.

All things going well, we're hoping to open it in October 2022. In the meantime, we wanted to give you a sneak peek of what it's going to look like and share a little bit of history of the area before it became the park that we know and love today.

Frank Kitts through the years

Prior to land reclamation which took place 1970–1973, the site of Franks Kitts Park (as we know it today) was underwater and right on the doorstep of Te Aro Pā, a rich food gathering area for mana whenua.

Fast forward a few years and it became a popular spot for play and recreation, following the opening of the playground in the late 1980s. Since then, it's become a well-loved green space in the city and a popular venue for a number of events.

Believe it or not, the original design of the park was heavily influenced by the annual street car race that ran through the area during the 1980s and 1990s. The circuit used to run along the waterfront, hence why the seaside promenade is flanked by a high wall on the city side, to keep spectators safe.

The park was named after the city's longest-serving Mayor, Sir Francis Joseph Kitts who held office from 1956 to 1974. The playground was built in 1989 and has been a special place to play for over 32 years, providing many fond childhood memories over that time.

However, the time has come for a refresh and we're using that opportunity to completely redevelop the site to make it even more awesome for the generations to come. Which brings us to the exciting part...

The new playground

As you can see from the render, the new playground is set to be pretty neat. It's going to have a maritime theme, featuring an abstract waka, a tug boat and a brand new lighthouse tower.

Other cool features include:

- Five new swings
- Rope climbing
- A big twisty slide
- A dual flying fox
- Semaphore flag play
- A range of spots for caregivers to sit, observe and engage with children as they play
- Some accessible and inclusive play equipment, and easy routes for getting around with a pram or a wheelchair.

Other places to play

The new playground is expected to be completed by October this year, but in the meantime while it's closed you can check out a couple of our other play spots nearby.

- Freyberg Beach Play Area
- Waitangi Park Play Area

Other upgrades

We're continuing to work through our busy programme of play area renewals.

Recently completed:

- Elizabeth Street in Mount Victoria completed in December
- Nuku Street in Strathmore completed in December
- Shorland Park in Island Bay completed in February

Upcoming works:

- Pirie Street in Mount Victoria
- Wadestown Play Area
- Waipapa Play Area in Hataitai
- Harrison Street in Brooklyn

We have worked the design around many of the existing pōhutukawa trees so they can remain, while others were transplanted to different spots in the park back in November 2021 to make space. Some of these trees will be transplanted back into the playground to provide shade, as can be seen in the render.

Meet some of our **Climate action superstars**



Anna Blomquist
Behaviour Change Lead

Leading the Behaviour Change team is Anna Blomquist, who's worked at the Council for over 12 years in various roles with City Planning, Transport and City Design. Her background is in education and health promotion and now she works across both road safety and mode shift - getting people out of their cars and on to public transport, bikes, scooters or travelling on foot. Many barriers to active and sustainable transport are related to perceptions of safety, so it's Anna's job to challenge and change these perceptions. She's looking forward to the mahi that focuses on achieving strategic outcomes for the city and delivering on programmes of work like Let's Get Wellington Moving.





Bree Graczyk
Zero Carbon Advisor

The common theme running through Bree's six years at Council is improving the resilience of people and places. Having started in Community Services, Bree then joined the Resilience team to work on earthquake-prone buildings, and she's now focused on climate change. Bree says her work helps Council understand its full impact on carbon emissions "from what we spend our money on, how we build, and how we operate our services". The goal is to identify where the Council can reduce emissions, and influence others to do the same. Bree's role also supports climate-conscious building around the city, work that aligns to her background in social work and holistic systems. Her career has spanned many areas, including mental and physical wellbeing, teaching and nature-related projects. Bree loves learning new things and right now she's enjoying crafting items from recycled leather.



Peter Jones
Zero Carbon Advisor

Peter is part of the growing team tasked with implementing the Council's climate action plan, Te Atakura - First to Zero. It's his job as a Zero Carbon Advisor to ensure the vision of a net zero carbon future is embedded in the organisation's culture, and that Council staff have the knowledge and skills to achieve climate action in their roles. The bulk of Peter's career to date has been working in sustainability policy and skills development in the UK. This involved working with leaders across industry, private sector, government and academia to develop thought leadership across environmental, social, and governance issues in the pursuit of a Green Economy. Peter is fully embracing life in the capital, making the most of the vibrant social, art and food culture.

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Food waste accounts for a staggering 409,000 tonnes of carbon emissions in New Zealand annually.

This is because organic waste going to landfill produces methane, which makes a massive contribution to climate change, many times more than carbon dioxide. In addition to rotting, there are other emissions related to production, distribution, and transportation of food that goes to waste when food ends up in landfill.

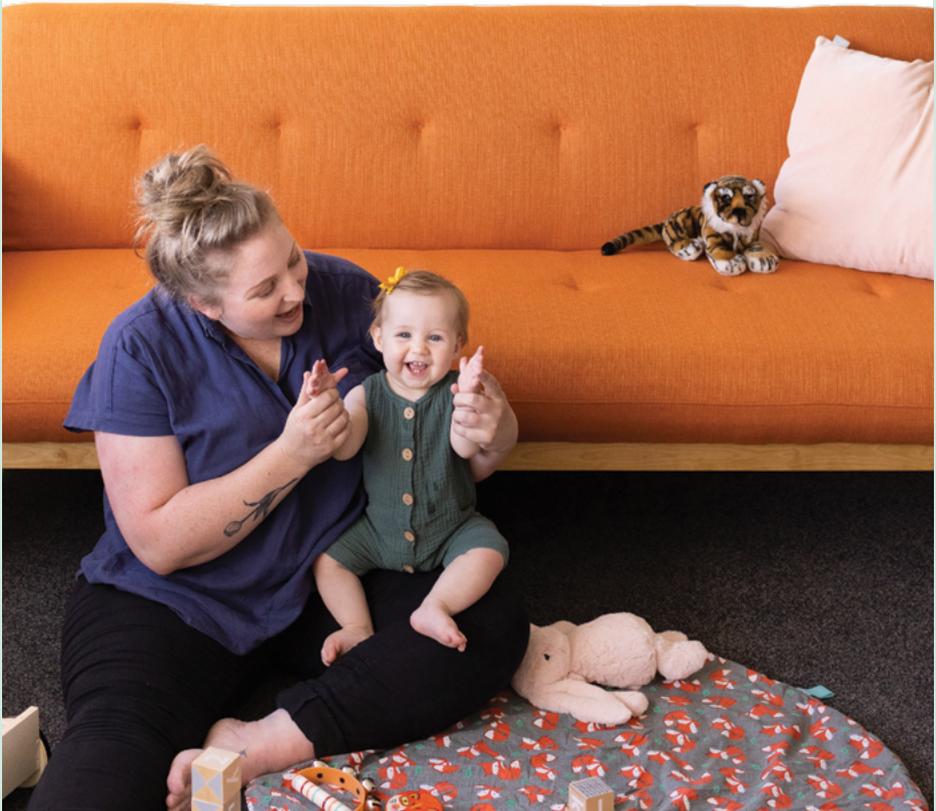
To put it in a local context, close to 60 percent of Wellington's household waste to landfill is organic! And on average, Wellingtonians spend almost \$600 a year per household on uneaten food that goes to landfill. Based on this, there is a significant potential to curb our environmental footprint (and save money and resources) from our homes. Research shows that consumer decisions and habits rank high when it comes to food waste. In other words, each one of us can make a difference by being more conscious about our food waste.

To make that happen, limit avoidable food waste as much as you can and divert the rest. Avoidable food waste is food that was once edible, which we've allowed to go to waste. To improve on reduction, become a food-conscious household by planning ahead for shopping, reusing leftovers, sharing extra food with friends or neighbours, storing and freezing well to prevent spoilage, and regularly checking your pantry and fridge for forgotten food. You can make it a family or a group mission to reduce as much food waste as possible at gatherings and events. To find loads more ideas, and recipes, check out lovefoodhatewaste.co.nz

To divert unavoidable food waste such as fruit and veggie cores and peels, compost or bokashi at home if you can. Check out wellington.govt.nz/composting for advice to get you started. Alternatively, you can use the ShareWaste app to connect with local composters, or contact Kaicycle to explore their options for taking food scraps. kaicycle.org.nz

More housing for essential public service workers

As many Wellingtonians feel the strain of rising house prices and rents, Wellington City Council's Te Kāinga programme is creating more affordable apartments for Pōneke's essential workers.



Te Kāinga is a partnership between the Council and building owners, to convert underutilised commercial buildings in the central city into quality one, two, and three-bedroom rental apartments.

Building owners are responsible for construction and maintenance work, with the Council managing the tenancies.

These family friendly apartments offer long-term tenancies below market rates, which include new whiteware, free Wi-Fi, recycling, refuse collection, and bike parking, with the city’s many attractions right on your doorstep. Applications are prioritised to people in essential public service roles, such as teachers, nurses etc.

There are currently three buildings in the programme – 197 Willis Street and two opening soon at 203 Willis Street and 53 Boulcott Street, creating 191 new rentals in the city. We have committed to creating 1,000 new homes under the programme in the next five years.

Two more buildings are due to come online in 2023 and more projects will be announced soon.

Sign up to our Te Kāinga mailing list

Learn when apartments become available by signing up at wellington.govt.nz/tekainga



What do Te Kāinga residents love about their apartments?

Comments from our tenant survey:

“I am very happy with the apartment, especially being secure, tidy, modern, affordable, and close to work... Love the concept.”

“It’s great for inner city living.”

“Compared to the mainstream market, the standard of apartment is lovely.”

“It’s great no longer spending money on gas for the car.”

“Overall, Te Kāinga is excellent value for money.”

Wellington’s Housing Strategy and Action Plan

Te Kāinga is part of the Council’s Housing Action Plan to help address housing supply and affordability in Pōneke. Learn what other actions we are taking at wellington.govt.nz/housing-strategy

Mahi toi Capital arts

Coming up at Toi Pōneke Gallery

Here & Out

26 March-22 April

Here & Out sees nine female street artists from five different countries present new work in response to the impacts of COVID-19.

Artists include: Dreamgirls Collective (Wellington, NZ), Janine Williams (Aotearoa), Gleo (Colombia), and Caratoes (Hong Kong - Belgium).

Here & Out expands beyond the gallery to include performances, workshops, talks, a mural and an online exhibition.

Rosa Allison and Oliver Dorman

Journey to Kilbirnie

30 April-27 May

Rosa and Oliver emigrated to Wellington from London in 2020. They have produced art in response to these uncertain times and to their hopes and dreams.

This will be their debut exhibition in Wellington - bringing together a selection of abstract and figurative paintings and drawings.

Both artists make paintings with an expansive use of colour and pattern that are driven by emotion, a relation to the body and movement.



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Hā

4 June-1 July

Rest as a form of resistance. An exhibition of new works upon single fitted bed sheets by 12 wāhine Māori artists, acknowledging how our tipuna would have spent this time of Matariki.

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Around the city

Keri-Mei Zagrobelna *Te whakapapa o aku whare / The whakapapa of our buildings*
2022-2023

The stunning new artwork by local artist Keri-Mei, which adorns the façade of the prominent SAVICA heritage building at 86 Customhouse Quay, reflects the history of the area and complements the local sculptural walk. The design depicts a carved koruru (figure head) and maihi (representing the arms), as seen on marae (Māori meeting house), transitioning into a 1920's architect's compass. In this depiction the transition of traditional Māori techniques and architecture into European materials and design can be likened to the building of relationships between indigenous tangata whenua and European colonial settlers to the area.

Top to bottom

Fluro, *Tuhia Ki Te Rangi/Write in the sky*.

Rosa Allison and Oliver Dorman, *The Migration*, gouache and pencil on paper.

Keri-Mei Zagrobelna, *Te whakapapa o aku whare/ The whakapapa of our buildings*, digital print on canvas.



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Council, Committee and Community Board meetings

Council and Committee meetings are livestreamed via our YouTube page, so please tune in at [youtube.com/WgtnCC](https://www.youtube.com/WgtnCC). You are also welcome to attend any meeting listed here, depending on the COVID-19 restrictions.

Meeting dates and locations sometimes need to change, so please check final details at [wellington.govt.nz/meetings](https://www.wellington.govt.nz/meetings) or phone **04 499 4444**.

5 April

7pm - Tawa
Community Board
Grants Subcommittee

6 April

4pm - Youth Council

7 April

9.30am - Social,
Cultural and Economic
Committee

11 April

5pm - Environmental
Reference Group

12 April

7pm - Tawa
Community Board

13 April

9.30am - Regulatory
Processes Committee
6pm - Pacific Advisory
Group

14 April

9.30am - Planning and
Environment Committee

20 April

9.30am - CEO
Performance Review
Committee
6pm - Takatāpui
Rainbow Advisory
Council

26 April

5.30pm - Accessibility
Advisory Group

27 April

9.30am - Infrastructure
Committee

28 April

9.30am - Council

3 May

1.30pm - Kāwai
Māhirahira | Audit and
Risk Subcommittee

4 May

9.30am - Regulatory
Processes Committee
1.30pm - Community
Hearings Panel
6pm - Pacific
Advisory Group

5 May

9.30am - Social,
Cultural and Economic
Committee
7pm - Makara/Ohariu
Community Board

9 May

5pm - Environmental
Reference Group

10 May

9.30am - Annual
Plan/Long Term Plan
Committee
7pm - Tawa
Community Board

11 May

1.30pm - Annual
Plan/Long Term Plan
Committee

12 May

9.30am - Planning and
Environment Committee

17 May

9.30am - Grants
Subcommittee
5.30pm - Annual
Plan/Long Term Plan
Committee

18 May

4pm - Youth Council
6pm - Takatāpui
Rainbow Advisory
Council

19 May

9.30am - Finance and
Performance Committee

25 May

9.30am - Annual
Plan/Long Term Plan
Committee

26 May

9.30am - Council

31 May

5.30pm - Accessibility
Advisory Group

1 June

4pm - Youth Council

2 June

9.30am - Social,
Cultural and Economic
Committee

8 June

9.30am - Regulatory
Processes Committee
6pm - Pacific Advisory
Group

9 June

9.30am - Planning and
Environment Committee

13 June

9.30am - Wellington
Region Waste
Management and
Minimisation Plan
Joint Committee
5pm - Environmental
Reference Group

14 June

7pm - Tawa
Community Board

15 June

9.30am - CEO
Performance Review
Committee
4pm - Youth Council
6pm - Takatāpui
Rainbow Advisory
Council

All meetings take place at Council headquarters, 113 The Terrace, or in the suburbs for Community Board meetings.

Te Koromatua me ngā Kaikaunihera

The Mayor and Councillors

The people who represent you

Wellington City Councillors are elected by Wellington residents every three years. Their role is to represent the views of residents and help the Council make the best decisions for the city. Not sure which ward you're in?

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