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Our Wellington

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life in the capital

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Kia ora koutou

Ka nui taku aroha ki a Pōneke hei wāhi mahi, hei kāinga anō hoki mōku. E hia kē nei ōna āhuatanga me whakahihī. Heoi, e muia ana anō hoki tātou e te hia wero me uaua hoki ka kitea e te tangata.

Ko tēnei mea te whakahou i te tāone he oma roa, ehara kau i te oma poto noa.

Kei te whakapau moni mātou kia whakahou i ngā tūmomo ara wai e toru kua koroua haere nei, me te whakahou anō i ngā ratonga kawē pāhihi. Kei te whakamahere anō kia tipu haere tonu te tāone, kia whakawhanake ai ia, kia māmā ai te utu i ngā whare, kia tere tonu mai anō te rangi ka haukino kore, ka para kore anō hoki a Pōneke.

Kei te whakapau kaha anō mātou ki ētahi āhuatanga motuhake rawa o Pōneke nei - kei te whakakaha i te honohono atu ki ngā mana whenua o konei, kei te whai hoki kia maha atu anō ngā wāhi, ngā hōtaka hiki ahurea/ hāpori, kia puta anō ai a Pōneke hei tāone e hau ai te rongō o tōna auaha.

Ko ēnei mea katoa kei te kawea, tae atu anō ki ngā ratonga 400 nei e tautokohia ana e mātou, mō ngā tāngata o konei te take, me te hāpai ake anō i te tāone me e whakaputa nei i tētahi urutā nui i pāngia ai te ao.

Ko te whakahou i te tāone he kaupapa wā roa, he kaupapa me manawa kiore, me manawa roa, i tēnei ao o te Kowheori-19, kāore nei he rawa hei hanga whare, kei te whakapiki anō hoki ngā utu. He wero nui kei te haere, engari he āheinga anō hoki kei tua i te pae. Ka rite tonu tā mātou whakapau kaha kia tū tō tātou tāone matua hei tāone atawhai i te tangata, mauri ora, auaha anō hoki - hei kāinga, hei wāhi mahi, hei wāhi whakangahau rānei.

Barbara McKerrow
Tumu Whakarae

Wellington is a city I love living and working in. We have much to be proud of and optimistic about. We are also in the middle of a once-in-a-generation transformation in how we live, work and play.

Transforming cities is a marathon, not a sprint.

We are investing in Wellington's aging three waters infrastructure and a modernised transport network. We are planning for growth and smart urban development while working to increase affordable housing and speed up Pōneke's transition to a net zero carbon and waste-free city.

And we are also investing in what makes Wellington special - building stronger relationships with mana whenua and upgrading and increasing our cultural/community places and programmes to evolve Wellington's place as a leading creative city.

All while we continue to deliver 400-plus services to Wellingtonians every day and support our city's recovery from the ongoing effects of a global pandemic.

Change at a city level takes time, determination and perseverance, especially in today's environment of COVID-19, construction shortages and inflation. There are big challenges ahead, but even bigger opportunities, and we will work through them to continue to provide an inclusive, sustainable and creative capital for you to live, work and play in.

Barbara McKerrow
Chief Executive



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Schools, early childhood centres and not-for-profits can apply for assistance with the cost of recycling. Based on eligibility, you can apply to use the Council's kerbside collection or for a grant to cover costs. Learn more and make an application.

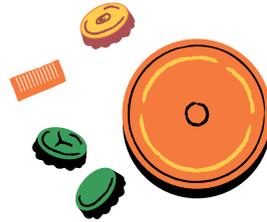
wellington.govt.nz/recycling-support



Pick up pre-loved electronics

Buy working, tested and tagged electrical goods for a bargain from the Tip Shop. Catch the deals and get up-to-date information by following the Tip Shop on social media.

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instagram.com/tipshopwellington



Recycle your plastic bottles caps

Bring your plastic lids with a number 2 or 5 to the Tip Shop for recycling. We are partnering with Aotearoa NZ Made who use these caps to create a range of products. wellington.govt.nz/tipshop



Explore what's on at our community centres

We have 28 community centres across Wellington, including the new Te Pokapū Hapori on Manners Street. Check out events, classes and programmes hosted at the centres or look at booking spaces for your own activities.

wellington.govt.nz/community-centres

Find out about changes due to COVID-19

Find out about changes to our services and facilities in different COVID-19 settings at wellington.govt.nz/covid-19

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Wā tākaro Playtime

Pōneke play hot spots to explore

It goes without saying Frank Kitts Park play space has been a Wellington favourite for decades. But while it's under wraps undergoing a facelift, why not explore these other outdoor hot spots?

Waitangi Park, play space and skate zone

A local favourite and a jewel in the waterfront's crown, Waitangi Park attracts users from all over the region. It's a hub of action for all ages, and conveniently, it's next to the Sunday Harbourside Market.

Matairangi Nature Trail

The trail is now a complete circuit perfect for family activities. Check out the cool new trail guide to encourage play, discovery and learning along the way.

wellington.govt.nz/

matairangi-nature-trail

Jack Ilott Green, Jervois Quay

Vivita Aotearoa kids group designed four play games around the inner city. We really enjoyed 'Sign Tag' at Jack Ilott Green. Check out the games. Visit vivita.kiwi/event/wellington-play-race

Freyberg Beach

The play space and neighbouring sandy beach sanctuaries are a hive of recreation all year round. Head to where the wild ocean meets the city. The beach is regularly replenished with fresh sand.

Inner city laneways

We may have been conditioned to believe play belongs in a park or playground - but we think some of the best spots in our city can be hunting art in the nooks and crannies of quirky laneways such as Opera House Lane, Eva Street and Left Bank Cuba Mall.





Māori Roll

When first enrolling, people of Māori descent choose whether to be on the General Roll or the Māori Roll. There's an option to change rolls after each census - the next opportunity will be in 2024. If you're on the Māori Roll, you'll vote in our new Māori ward - Te Whanganui-a-Tara. Ka rawe!

Pōti mai! | Vote!

VOTE

Voting is done by post.

If you're enrolled, check your mailbox for voting forms between 16 and 21 September 2022. Complete your forms and return them:

- in the freepost envelope via any NZ Post box (we recommend posting before Tuesday 4 October) - Find your nearest NZ Post box at nzpost.co.nz/tools
- to any of our specially marked ballot boxes
- to the voting hub at Te Pokapū Hapori Community Centre at 107 Manners Street.

If you need help filling in your voting document

If you're physically impaired, unable to read or write, or are unfamiliar with the language on the form, you can authorise someone you trust to mark the voting document for you, following your instructions. Help from trained advisors will be available at the Te Pokapū Hapori Community Centre at 107 Manners Street.

Special voting

Sometimes you might need to cast what's called a 'special vote', for example if you:

- didn't receive your voting forms by mail
- lost or damaged your forms
- you enrolled after 12 August 2022
- you're on the unpublished (confidential) electoral roll
- your enrolled address is out of date, and you've been living at a new address for a month or more.

Casting a special vote is easy. Come see the team at Te Pokapū Hapori Community Centre at 107 Manners Street. It takes less than five minutes to issue a special vote, and you can vote on-site or take it away to vote later. If you can't come into the voting hub, we can send the forms out to you. Email election@wcc.govt.nz or call **04 499 4444**.

STV voting

Voting for the Wellington City Council elections is done via the STV method, where voters rank candidates in order of preference. On your voting paper, put a '1' next to your favourite candidate, '2' next to your second favourite, and so on. You can rank as many or as few candidates as you wish.

More information about the Wellington local body elections is available at wcc.govt.nz/elections

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Standing together to prevent sexual violence

Eighteen months ago, PhD student Jahla Lawrence (pictured right) spearheaded a rally against sexual violence - something which would influence the start of the Pōneke Promise, a joint commitment to improving city safety. Jahla has now come on board to lead the Sexual Violence Prevention Action Plan as part of the Pōneke Promise. Much like the wider programme, the key to the success of this plan is the strong partnerships and community voices involved.

The plan is still in development, but there are a number of initiatives already underway including the harm reduction programme 'Safer Venues' designed to train

hospitality staff to recognise, respond, and prevent sexual violence on their premises. Read more wellington.govt.nz/ponekepromise



Breathing life back into Dixon Street

The urban design upgrades to Dixon Street are complete and the newly refreshed area is buzzing with activity. The changes were put in place to improve the safety and vibrancy of the area. The footpath along the northern side of Te Aro Park has been widened with wooden decking,

and planters have been installed to create 'parklets' for outdoor dining and create boundaries between the street and pedestrian space. Two additional speed cushions have also been installed to slow traffic and improve pedestrian safety. Read more wellington.govt.nz/dixon-street-changes

Refresh for Begonia House

The much-loved Lady Norwood Begonia House in the Botanic Garden ki Paekākā is set to be refurbished. Built in 1962, the glazing system has reached the end of its life. Its replacement provides an opportunity for a major refresh of the building, its infrastructure, and the plant displays.

We'll freshen up the café, improve accessibility, see the return of the Botanic Garden Shop, and upgrade the toilets. The upgrade is estimated to cost \$8m, beginning in May 2024, with reopening expected to be July 2026.



Pitopito kōrero News



St James Theatre restored to its former glory

Wellingtonians have celebrated the re-opening of the iconic St James Theatre following the completion of \$42m earthquake-strengthening and restoration work.

Designed and built in 1912 by Henry Eli White, the Category 1 Heritage status building on Courtney Place is home of the Royal New Zealand Ballet, and is one of Wellington's favourite theatres.

Returned to its full 1912-glory, the Theatre's opening performance saw Kiwi singer-songwriter TEEKS perform with the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra, followed by a weekend of celebrations.

Following reopening, the St James will host Cinderella by the Royal New Zealand Ballet, and Les Misérables by the Capital Theatre Trust.

A treasure trove of history online

Want to know more about your ancestors or the area you live in? Wellington City Archives may hold the answers. They now have a handy new user guide to help you navigate the collection, with instructions on how to search, share, order and download already digitised items that are publicly available. Who knows what you may stumble upon! A link to the Archives Online User Guide can be found at archivesonline.wcc.govt.nz



Brothers Henry, William and James Mitchell (19th century). Mitchelltown (around Holloway Road) was named after Henry Mitchell, who built cottages there. Wellington City Council Archives, 00138-8597.

New beginnings with Tūpiki Ora Māori Strategy

In May, we adopted our Tūpiki Ora Māori Strategy, developed together by the Council, mana whenua, and Māori. It's a 10 year strategy that employs a traditional ocean voyaging narrative - te hekenga waka - to tell the strategy's story of migrating towards new beginnings. Its vision, te pae rangi, steers the Council towards ensuring the vitality of our environment is nourished, the wellbeing of our whānau is fostered, and te ao Māori is embraced and celebrated.

The strategy provides the framework for the Council, mana whenua and Māori to achieve this vision collaboratively. The aim is that the decisions we make over the next 10 years will uplift the lives of our mokopuna in 50 years' time.

Ngā Pae Hekenga | Priority waypoints

Te whakatairanga i te ao Māori |
Enhancing and promoting te ao Māori
Tiakina te taiao | Caring for our environment
Te whakapakari pūmanawa |
Building capability
He whānau toiora | Thriving and
vibrant communities
Find out more about our Tūpiki Ora at
wellington.govt.nz/tupikioramaori



Tākina set to boost economy

Tākina, the Wellington Convention and Exhibition Centre, is less than a year away from opening. With more than 78 new events on the books Tākina is poised to boost the city's economy by \$70.4m between 2023-26, with \$44m of this in the first year.

Tākina will open in June 2023 and confirmed conferences and events include: Festival for the Future 2023, The NZ Vet Association Conference 2023, New Zealand Game Developers Association Annual Conference, Australasian Society for Infectious Diseases Annual Scientific Meeting, International Conference on Digital Preservation (iPRES) and Congress of the International Association of Sedimentologists (IAS).

Tākina's iconic and unique design has changed the look of the Wellington skyline. Taranaki Whānui gifted the name Tākina, which means to encounter and invoke the winds. Visit **takina.co.nz**

Pitopito kōrero News

Omāroro water reservoir update

Wellington is on track to have its new 35-million-litre Omāroro water reservoir operating by the end of the year. With the second half of the roof now installed, crews are completing the final pipe and system works ahead of commissioning the reservoir in Prince of Wales Park. The aim is to make it fully operational before Christmas. Work will then focus on burying the reservoir using excavated material that has been stored on the upper and lower fields and reinstating and revegetating the fields. This phase of the project is expected to take much of 2023. Visit wellington.govt.nz/omaroro

Update on Te Atakura - First to Zero

The capital's climate action plan has just been updated. Te Atakura - First to Zero is the city's blueprint for reaching our emissions reduction goals by 2050 and beyond. The 2022 update provides a snapshot of progress towards these city-wide and council goals. New initiatives like the Environmental and Accessibility Performance Fund for commercial and residential developments and the Climate and Sustainability Fund support the community and business to be part of the urgent, collective action needed. wellington.govt.nz/climate-change-sustainability-environment

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Everyday actions for a better future

Most New Zealanders want to help reduce climate change through lifestyle changes, however it can be hard to know where to start and how to be most effective. Zero Together - Kia kotahi mai, kia kore ai - is a series of practical, interactive workshops to help Wellingtonians understand and reduce the climate impact of their daily life. Supported by the Council and community experts, participants will explore a range of actions around transport, energy use, waste, food, shopping habits and more. We are also looking for potential programme facilitators. Together, our actions add up! Visit wellington.govt.nz/sustainable-living

New name for ASB Sports Centre

Later this year the ASB Sports Centre will be officially renamed the Ākau Tangi Sports Centre. Developed alongside representatives from Taranaki Whānui and Te Ātiawa, the name Ākau Tangi speaks to the sound and energy of the wind and waves crashing along the rocky coastline. Like the coastline of Te Whanganui-a-Tara, the centre is a place of constant sound, energy and movement. Look out for more information on this exciting change and the story behind this beautiful name.



Say goodbye to library fines

Wellington City Libraries will no longer be issuing fines for overdue books. The decision was approved as part of the 2022/2023 Annual Plan. For a long time, it was assumed that fines encouraged people to return library books on time, but what libraries were finding was quite different - fines were stopping people from using the libraries at all.

Overdue fines significantly affect those who cannot afford to pay. There were families who had stopped borrowing items at all due to the fear of running up even small fines. The core of the Council’s library vision is access for everyone and removing fines will increase the number of customers who are able to use our libraries. Visit wellington.govt.nz/arts-and-culture/libraries

New and improved rubbish bags

You might notice our new rubbish bags look different. They’re a slightly darker yellow and that’s because they’re made of 30 percent recycled plastic which will reduce the amount of virgin plastic going to landfill. The bags meet the same quality and rating tests as the old bags, have the same feel and durability and are the same size. Visit wellington.govt.nz/reducing-waste-at-home



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Tō tātou hapori

Our community

Planting for Pōneke's future



On any given day, you'll see Council staff and volunteers weeding, mowing and planting around Pōneke, to restore our wild and beautiful city. But did you know a newly planted native patch can take up to 10 years to establish?

There are three phases in the restoration process. Let's dig into the planning, planting and maintenance.

Planning (up to 10 years ahead)

Once an area is identified, our team starts the process of getting a site ready to plant. This involves clearing the weeds or storm damaged trees, and controlling weeds and animal pests, to give the new vegetation the best chance of survival. This stage might take several years before even thinking about planting.

While the section is cleared, we research which native plants call that area home, will survive our weather, and attract wildlife when they're established. Then, our Berhampore Nursery sources the right seeds and germinates the seedlings, a process that alone can take 2-3 years.

Planting (up to a year)

In comparison, planting happens mostly in a few months each year, over hōtoke (winter) when the rain gives the best start to the 100,000 seedlings we plant every year.

Plants are carefully matched to the area and conditions they'll be planted in, such as our coastal areas or town belt.

Maintenance (4 years or more)

Revegetation isn't finished when planting is completed. Our windy weather, the ongoing threat of weeds like Old Man's Beard, and seedlings not surviving mean after-plant maintenance is essential for several years.

Maintenance is a planned process. Our staff and volunteers follow the schedules drawn up back in the planning stage to weed, replace plants that have died, and monitor plant growth and bird numbers.

As the plants establish themselves, less maintenance is needed, and the ecosystem starts its own restoration process with birds feeding on the maturing plants and spreading seeds throughout their travels.

Keen on becoming a revegetation volunteer? You can find restoration planting guides at wellington.govt.nz/planting-guides and outdoor volunteer opportunities at wellington.govt.nz/volunteer-outdoors



Wellington Gardens

Celebrate the season of new beginnings...

where fresh buds bloom
and life starts anew.

Te Wā o te Kōanga Spring Festival 2022

1-30 September

Join us for a series of springtime events where we enjoy a new season with friends, whānau, and visitors. For more information, visit wellintongardens.nz/events

Te Whare Ako o Akoranga - Rangi Tūwhera Akoranga Learning Pavilion - Open Day

10am-2pm, Sat 3 Sept | Botanic Garden
ki Paekākā | Free

Drop into the Akoranga Learning Pavilion to see honeybees close-up in our Apiscope (viewing hive), meet beekeepers, learn fun facts about bees, and taste some delicious honey.



Kaiwhakaata Āmiomio Roaming Performers

10am-2pm, Sat 10 Sept | Ōtari-Wilton's
Bush & Botanic Garden ki Paekākā | Free

Keep an eye out for pop-up performers around Ōtari-Wilton's Bush and Botanic Garden ki Paekākā.

Rā Tūwhera ki Ōtari Ōtari Open Day

10am-2pm, Sat 17 Sept
Ōtari-Wilton's Bush | Free

Discover and celebrate New Zealand's only native botanic garden at Ōtari Open Day. Get to know our unique collections of native plants, learn more about what goes on behind the scenes of our nursery and get a peek into the Lions Ōtari Conservation Laboratory. There will be guided tours and informational talks in addition to hands-on activities.



Tulip Sunday

10am-2pm, Sun 25 Sept
Botanic Garden ki Paekākā | Free

Join the Wellington Dutch Club and Netherlands Embassy to welcome in spring through a day of culture, food and fun. Bring the whole whānau and enjoy a day out among the tulips on the Soundshell lawn and around the seasonal flower beds.

Ngā mahi whakangahau

Put it on the calendar

Check out some of the exciting events we're supporting over the spring months. For more, visit wellington.govt.nz/events

Bee Aware Month

Thurs 1-Fri 30 Sept | Various locations

Did you know a honeybee must visit 4 million flowers to produce 1kg of honey? Support these vital pollinators on their quest for nectar and help raise awareness about the importance of bees with this month-long series of events. Visit wellington.govt.nz/bee-aware-month

Wellington Museum Low-Sensory Hour

4pm-5pm, Thurs 1 Sept, 6 Oct & 3 Nov
Wellington Museum

Featuring low light and sound throughout the museum on the first Thursday of the month. Visit wellingtonmuseum.nz



I Will Not Speak Māori.

Make sure to check online

For all events, go online and check the event website, or social media page for up-to-date venue and entry information.

I Will Not Speak Māori

1-17 Sept | Wellington Waterfront

Tuhoe artist and Māori rights icon Tame Iti delivers a confrontational, multi-media installation to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Māori language petition. Join a conversation about who we are, where we have come from and where we are going. Visit tameiti.co.nz

Opening Weekend: *At Thresholds & Josh Azzarella: Triple Feature*

Sat 3 Sept | City Gallery

Join us on opening day for insights and to explore our new exhibitions on the first floor. Visit citygallery.org.nz

Forage & Grow

10am-12pm, Sun 4 Sept | Nairn Street Cottage

Learn to cultivate mushrooms, forage locally and how to use native spices with Mike King of Finders Eaters Foraging and Nairn Street Preservation Society. Visit nairnstcottage.nz

Conservation Week at Zealandia

Mon 5-Sun 11 Sept | Zealandia Te Māra a Tāne

Connect with taiao/nature during Te Wiki Tiaki Ao Tūroa/Conservation Week, with many events to inspire you to get involved in your own community. Find out more at visitzealandia.com/events

Astronomy on Tap

8pm-10pm, Tues 6 Sept, 4 Oct & 1 Nov
Space Place

Fly first-class through the galaxy with a drink and in-flight snacks in Space Place's full-dome planetarium. Visit spaceplace.nz

Te Wiki o te Reo Māori Māori Language Week

Tues 13-Mon 19 Sept

As a celebration of Aotearoa New Zealand's Indigenous language, Te Wiki o te Reo Māori holds great significance. This year sees the 50th anniversary of the Māori Language petition, which asked for active recognition of te reo Māori in Aotearoa, and for the language to be taught in schools. Visit wellington.govt.nz/maorilanguageweek

Te Wiki Kaumātua - Seniors' Week

Sat 24 Sept-Sat 1 Oct | Various locations

A series of community events and activities not just for older people but for everyone, centred around building connections and reducing social isolation in later life. Visit wellington.govt.nz/seniorsweek

Mental Health Awareness Week at Zealandia

Mon 26 Sept-Sun 2 Oct | Zealandia
Te Māra a Tāne

Immerse your senses in the ambiance of the ngahere while taking time to reflect your te whare tapa whā (wellbeing). Find out more at visitzealandia.com

Mohamed Hassan:

How to Be a Bad Muslim

6pm, Thurs 29 Sept | National Library
of New Zealand

Join award-winning writer Mohamed Hassan for conversations about life, loss, Islamophobia, and hope, with his collection of essays, *How to Be a Bad Muslim*. Visit verbwellington.nz

Best Foods Comedy Gala

Fri 30 Sept | Michael Fowler Centre

Dubbed Aotearoa's biggest night of comedy, the gala event will fill the Michael Fowler Centre with laughs and antics and showcase the best of the best. Visit wellingtonnz.com/comedy

World of WearableArt Awards Show

Thurs 29 Sept-Sun 16 Oct | TSB Arena

This spring, escape to another world where incredible works of wearable art come to life in a spectacular and unmissable stage show. Visit worldofwearableart.com



The Lady Warrior, Rinaldy Yunardi, Indonesia.
Image courtesy of World of WearableArt Ltd.

Opening Weekend: Joanna Margaret Paul: *Imagined in the context of a room*

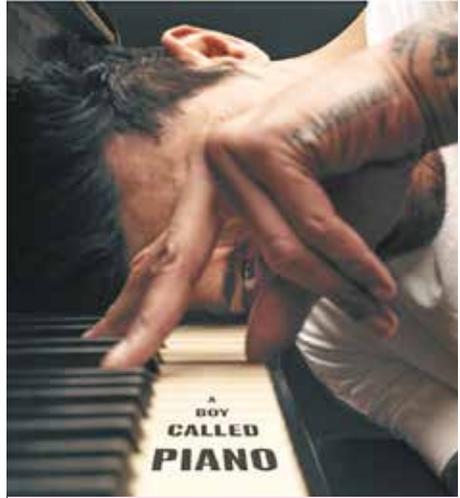
Sat 1st Oct | City Gallery

A major retrospective celebrating the career of Joanna Margaret Paul (1945-2003). Join us on opening day for insights and to explore our new exhibitions on the ground floor. Visit citygallery.org.nz

A Boy Called Piano

8.30pm, Tue 4-Sat 8 Oct | BATS Theatre

The story of Fa'amoana John Luafutu: shining a light on the experiences of thousands of Pasifika and Maori children in state care. Book online. Visit bats.co.nz



A Boy Called Piano.

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Food Lovers Masterclass

6pm-8pm, Tue 18 Oct | Sustainability Trust

Learn the ‘what, why, and how’ of food waste from waste-free warrior Kate Meads. Spaces are limited so booking is essential. Visit katemeads.co.nz/products/wellingtoncity

Celebrate International Repair Day!

11am-4pm, Sat 15 Oct | Hopper Refill, 11 Hopper Street | Koha

Hopper Refill and Sustainability Trust invite you and your whānau to the family-friendly RepairED café! With hot coffee, expert volunteer repairers, and a place for children to get confident with tools.

Visit sustaintrust.org.nz/our-events

Family Day

11am-4pm, Sat 15 Oct | City Gallery

There will be heaps of fun, free, family-friendly activities happening at City Gallery Wellington’s Family Day. Visit familyday.citygallery.org.nz

Semi Permanent

Wed 19-Fri 21 Oct | St James Theatre

Semi Permanent, a festival of creativity and design, is coming to Wellington. Visit semipermanent.com

Wellington Jazz Festival

Wed 19-Sun 23 Oct | Various locations

The Wellington Jazz Festival will be back with an international headline programme at the Wellington Opera House. Visit jazzfestival.nz

Board gaming at Wellycon

10am-10pm, Sat 22 & Sun 23 Oct | Wellington Indian Association Hall, Kilbirnie

Wellycon is New Zealand’s largest board gaming event, with a board game library of over 1100 games. Visit wellycon.org.nz

Heritage Week with Wellington Gardens

Mon 24 Oct-Sun 6 Nov | Various venues

Events across Wellington Gardens sites include guided tours, behind-the-scenes looks, and a wealth of stories behind our spaces and places. Visit wellingtongardens.nz

SIX60 Saturdays

Sat 29 Oct | Sky Stadium

Kiwi icons SIX60 are bringing their Saturdays tour to the capital. Visit wellingtonnz.com/experience/events

Verb Readers & Writers Festival

Wed 2-Sun 6 Nov | Various venues

Celebrate books, writers, stories and ideas with some of Aotearoa and the World’s great writers coming together over the theme of ‘Radical Possibility’. Visit verbwellington.nz



Semi Permanent.

Tautaiiao Eco City



We're rolling out the green carpet

Wellingtonians have asked for better transport choices, action on climate change and accessible housing, so we're getting on with it.

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 to move around the city.

Our population is expected to grow by up to 80,000 people over the next 30 years, which will dramatically affect the way our city looks, feels, and operates. If we continue at our current rate of car use, more people and more vehicles will grind the city to a halt.

No one wants that, so we're preparing for the future by rebalancing how we use our existing street space to give people better options for how they get around. It's vital we provide this choice now so we can support growing neighbourhoods and create healthy, liveable streets for future generations. Better transport options mean we can move more



people with fewer vehicles and get the best use out of the limited space in our compact city. Providing better sustainable transport options means we can attract and enable urban development and housing closer to where people like to live, work, and play.

Council has agreed how to prioritise our street space, putting people walking, riding and using public transport at the top. Following public consultation, the routes for Paneke Pōneke, our citywide bike network were approved by the Council in March 2022. Over the next 10 to 15 years, improvements will be delivered across these approved routes to connect the whole city with a complete sustainable transport network.

But 10 years is a long time, and we know we need to move faster. So we can get things on the ground sooner for everyone, including our tamariki, we'll be working with the community to make interim changes as our first step. These initial improvements won't be perfect or include much landscaping but will make it safer and easier for more people to go by bike, e-scooter, or bus.

It'll be a collective effort to understand how people currently experience these routes and get public input into designs. We will be taking a more agile approach, using adaptable materials so we can quickly install changes once the designs are ready to go and then adapt based on feedback once people can experience the changes on the ground.

With the feedback and data we gather on how it's going, we can improve things such as signs, street markings, parking allocation, and the position of dividers between the bike lanes and traffic. We can also recommend future changes when more permanent upgrades follow in the next 5 to 10 years. Working in this way will help to get a bike network built together with the community as quickly as possible so more people can benefit.

To learn more about the programme, and to find out when and where changes are planned for your area, visit transportprojects.org.nz



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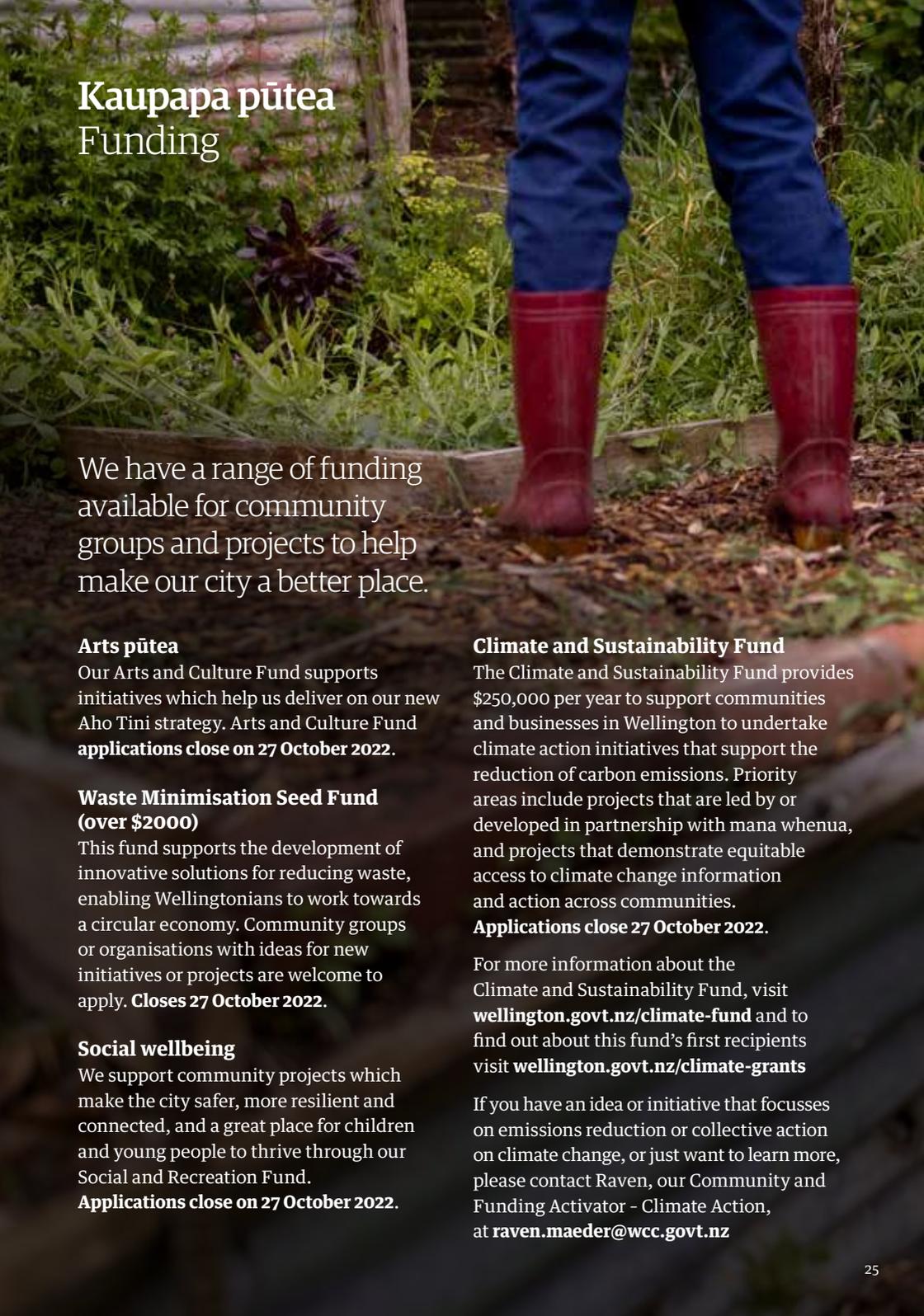
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Kaupapa pūtea Funding

We have a range of funding available for community groups and projects to help make our city a better place.

Arts pūtea

Our Arts and Culture Fund supports initiatives which help us deliver on our new Aho Tini strategy. Arts and Culture Fund **applications close on 27 October 2022.**

Waste Minimisation Seed Fund (over \$2000)

This fund supports the development of innovative solutions for reducing waste, enabling Wellingtonians to work towards a circular economy. Community groups or organisations with ideas for new initiatives or projects are welcome to apply. **Closes 27 October 2022.**

Social wellbeing

We support community projects which make the city safer, more resilient and connected, and a great place for children and young people to thrive through our Social and Recreation Fund.

Applications close on 27 October 2022.

Climate and Sustainability Fund

The Climate and Sustainability Fund provides \$250,000 per year to support communities and businesses in Wellington to undertake climate action initiatives that support the reduction of carbon emissions. Priority areas include projects that are led by or developed in partnership with mana whenua, and projects that demonstrate equitable access to climate change information and action across communities.

Applications close 27 October 2022.

For more information about the Climate and Sustainability Fund, visit wellington.govt.nz/climate-fund and to find out about this fund's first recipients visit wellington.govt.nz/climate-grants

If you have an idea or initiative that focusses on emissions reduction or collective action on climate change, or just want to learn more, please contact Raven, our Community and Funding Activator - Climate Action, at raven.maeder@wcc.govt.nz



Jessie cycles to work

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Has anyone sent for an ambulance?



In 1927, while out driving in his mayoral car, Sir Charles Norwood came across a man injured and cold lying on the footpath in Lambton Quay.

“Has anyone sent for an ambulance?” he called to the crowd standing around the injured man. The answer came that none can be found, so Sir Charles took off his coat and laid it over the man while waiting for an ambulance from the Harbour Board. This first act of kindness is what inspired the beginnings of Wellington’s uniquely free ambulance service.

Today, 95 years later, Wellington Free Ambulance is the only free emergency ambulance service in New Zealand and the only ambulance service for Greater Wellington and Wairarapa. It employs around 400 people and provides a regional patient transfer service, a 24/7 on-call rescue squad, specially trained tactical



emergency medical support team as well as providing the clinical expertise to the regional rescue helicopter. A team of over 80 volunteers work as event medics across the region. The Wellington based 111 clinical communications centre is the hub for all emergency calls, answering over 151,000 calls each year.

As an essential health service Wellington Free receives most of its funding from Government and ACC, but must raise over \$7 million from the community each year to ensure services remain free of charge.

Claire Carruthers General Manager of Fundraising and Communications explained, “we are fortunate to have the full support of our community. Each year we are humbled by the generosity of local businesses, grant makers and individuals who donate to keep services free.”

There are many ways to support your ambulance service in its 95th year - with their biggest fundraiser running in September. To find out how, visit onesieday.co.nz or wfa.org.nz



Mahi toi Capital arts

Coming up at Toi Pōneke Gallery

Toi Pōneke Residents Exhibition

17 Sept-14 Oct

Experience the vibrant work of Toi Pōneke artists in this unique Residents Exhibition. Meet the artists and designers at our open studio day. Check out our website for more information on workshops and events!

Holly Walker *Mahi Toi*

22 Oct-18 Nov

Holly Walker's *Mahi Toi* reveals fragments of her cultural experience of being Pākehā.

Identifying as Pākehā and as Tangata Tiriti comes with responsibilities to the landscape, environment, to people and the past. Holly's practice re-connects to her identity through performance, sculptural works and kōrero with the whānau.

Ane Nanasi Pahulu *Making Monomono*

Until 9 Sept

An exhibition that celebrates Tongan koloa (treasures and wealth) through monomono (bedspreads) made by heritage artist Ane Pahulu of Strathmore Wellington.

Visit toiponeke.nz | 61/69 Abel Smith Street

Coming up at City Gallery Wellington

Josh Azzarella *Triple Feature*

3 Sept-27 Nov

US artist Josh Azzarella extracts all signs of human presence from classic movies through a frame-by-frame process of digital collage, questioning how and why we consume films.

At Thresholds

3 Sept-4 Dec

At a time of ecological crisis, this group exhibition of contemporary artists from Aotearoa explores humanity's place within the multispecies and how art might renew our awareness to living with our more-than-human cohabitants.

Joanna Margaret Paul

Imagined in the Context of a Room

1 Oct-5 Feb 2023

A major retrospective celebrating the career and legacy of Joanna Margaret Paul (1945-2003), who is known for her intimate meditations on domestic life, explored through photography, film, painting and poetry.

Visit citygallery.org.nz | Te Ngākau Civic Square

Courtenay Place Park light boxes

Jane Wilcox *Māhina*

24 Sept-23 Jan 2023

Photographer Jane Wilcox captures the mystery and magic of twilight in her light box exhibition *Māhina*. Her evocative images of trees, birds and plant life found throughout Pōneke's narrow walkways and gardens have been photographed during māhina (dusk), imbuing our everyday surroundings with a new sense of wonder and connection to Te Taio.



Clockwise from left:
Jane Wilcox, *Māhina*.
Holly Walker, *Mahi Toi*.
Joanna Margaret Paul,
*Imagined in the Context
of a Room*.

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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 settings.

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**.

Thursday 1 September

9.30am - Pūroro Rangaranga | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee

Monday 5 September

9.30am - Wellington Region Waste Management and Minimisation Plan Joint Committee

Wednesday 7 September

9.30am - Pūroro Hātepe | Regulatory Processes Committee
4pm - Youth Council

Thursday 8 September

9.30am - Pūroro Āmua | Planning and Environment Committee

Monday 12 September

5pm - Environmental Reference Group

Tuesday 13 September

7pm - Tawa Community Board
Tawa Community Centre

Wednesday 14 September

9.30am - Kāwai Māhirahira | Audit and Risk Subcommittee
6pm - Pacific Advisory Group

Wednesday 21 September

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

Thursday 22 September

7pm - Mākara/Ohāriu Community Board
Ohāriu Village Hall

Tuesday 27 September

5.30pm - Accessibility Advisory Group

Thursday 29 September

9.30am - Pūroro Tahua | Finance and Performance Committee
1.30pm - Te Kaunihera o Pōneke | Council

Wednesday 5 October

4pm - Youth Council

Monday 10 October

5pm - Environmental Reference Group

Wednesday 12 October

6pm - Pacific Advisory Group

Wednesday 19 October

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

Tuesday 25 October

5.30pm - Accessibility Advisory Group

Wednesday 2 November

4pm - Youth Council

Wednesday 9 November

6pm - Pacific Advisory Group

Monday 14 November

5pm - Environmental Reference Group

Wednesday 16 November

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

Tuesday 29 November

5.30pm - Accessibility Advisory Group

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



A precinct, re-imagined

Swan Lane & Garrett Street

Our Urban Design team are working hard to improve many areas of Wellington that are often over-looked, making it an even better place to live.

Their latest project has been creating a laneway that runs across Cuba Street, connecting Swan Lane and Garrett Street to improve walking, increase safety and bring vibrancy to the area. The team used a design-led approach to unlock the potential of this space.

Making the city cleaner and greener with rain gardens

The very first pair of rain gardens - a natural way of removing pollution from stormwater run-off before it enters our culverted streams and reaches our harbour - now sit in Garrett Street.

At first glance, a rain garden may look like a regular garden-bed, but it's actually a complex system where water run-off from the street is channelled into a garden layered with specific soil material, that filters out pollutants from the water before it enters our stormwater system.

These gardens are not only special because they're the first-of-their-kind in Pōneke, but also because they reconnect us to the awa of the Waimapihi Stream, which has been flowing through the city for over 100 years and runs directly beneath Garrett Street.



Changing the streetscape

Pōneke artist Andrew Beck's work *Shadow Window*, has been embedded into the streetscape of the precinct. His inspiration came from the heritage architecture of the surrounding areas and the diverse history of the site, from settlement and establishment by Te Ati Awa, Ngati Tupaia and Ngati Haumia, to mid-19th century colonial settlement, to street meetings and social unionist movements, to Lewis Glover's gift of Glover Park to the city on his death.

In developing this work, the layering of building styles inspired the idea to make visible fragments of unseen histories onto today's streetscape, collapsing histories, creating ambiguity and disrupting people's experience of the street through time.

When you visit the precinct, take a moment to see everything that is new while acknowledging the absence of buildings and times now past.

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Meet our team

Our Urban Design team at Wellington City Council are some of the creative minds behind the city's look and feel.

The team all have backgrounds in design and use their extensive knowledge to transform public places to be more accessible, user-friendly, safe and vibrant for all. The Swan Lane and Garrett Street work is an example of their recent mahi in making a public space fit for the future for the community, businesses and residents.

Left to right: Liam Farrell, Stephanie O'Shea, Caroline Sollerhed, Brennan Baxley, Patrick Gregory, Paige Boyd.

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