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Don't be bored these holidays

"I'm Bored" are not the words you want to hear over school holidays, so, from Saturday 17 December until Christmas Eve the Library will have children's activities and crafts available every day. While you're in the library, from 12 December, sign up for our famous Summer Reading Programme and get a free book, incentives, activities, challenges and more! So, remember Nelson Public Libraries over summer and you won't hear "I'm bored"!



Lantern Celebration to light up festive season

The annual Lantern Celebration will be back again on Saturday 17 December, to help kick off Nelson's festive season.

With last year's event rained off, the theme is again 'Journey to the Stars' with all kinds of creations, installations and music waiting to surprise and enchant walkers as they make their way up to the Centre of New Zealand.

Participants are encouraged to add a little star-inspired sparkle to their attire – think *Star Trek*, *Star Wars*, *Avatar*, *E.T.*, and *NASA*. Once at the top, there will be further entertainment for the whole family.

Heading back down the hill, it's time to light up the lanterns, and organisers are encouraging everyone to get creative and bring along their homemade lantern creations.

A lantern making workshop will be held on Saturday 17 December from 10am–12pm at the Community Art Works at 18 Achilles Avenue (the old Hunting and Fishing building) where, for just \$2, people can create their own star-inspired lantern to bring to the celebration.

Council's Community Services Committee Chair, Gaile Noonan, says the Lantern Celebration is a chance to enjoy the magic of summer in a beautiful Nelson spot.

"As the first event in our Summer Events programme, the Lantern Celebration is a great, family-friendly event to get us in the festive spirit and kick off the summer season."

The Summer Events 2016/17 guide has now been delivered to households. Copies can also be grabbed from Council's customer service centre, libraries and retail outlets throughout Nelson and Tasman now, or head online to nelsonsummer.nz.

The Summer Events programme is brought to you by Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council, as a celebration for locals and an added attraction for visitors.

Please note: Due to the fire risk, organisers ask people to use a battery or solar powered light for their lantern. Warm clothing is advised and children under 13 must be supervised by an adult.

If wet, the event will be rescheduled to Sunday 18 December. Check the 'summerinelson' Facebook page for updates.

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Event details

What: Lantern Celebration
When: Saturday 17 December, 7–10pm
Where: Centre of New Zealand, Botanical Reserve
Cost: Free, family-friendly event



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WELCOME TO SUMMER



Summer in Nelson and Tasman is a special time – our sparkling sea, blue skies, golden beaches and bustling towns and city, mean the region is at its best for all to enjoy.

This year's Summer Events programme is full of fun and entertainment for all ages, with something for both visitors and locals to love. The Summer Events 2016/17 programme wouldn't be possible without the generous support of our sponsors. Here is a snippet of what's on offer over the summer season. We look forward to seeing you out there.



NEW YEAR'S EVE COUNTDOWN

Sat 31 Dec, 8pm – 12.30am // Upper Trafalgar Street, Nelson // **FREE**

Come along with family and friends to the Church Steps at the top of Trafalgar Street, where there will be bands and DJs supplying funky, fun dance music to help you welcome in 2017.

Add to that surprise performances, local restaurants and great food stalls, plus fireworks to start 2017 off with a bang!

PLEASE NOTE: Public streets are alcohol free. There will be zero tolerance to alcohol and underage drinking.



SUMMER MOVIES AL FRESCO

Tue 3 – Mon 23 Jan (not every day, check schedule carefully), 9 – 11pm (movie starts at dusk) // **Adults \$2, Children \$1**

Join us for a moonlit film in one of our open-air venues across Nelson and Tasman. Pack a picnic (BYO welcome), bring a rug or your couch, wear warm clothes and pocket a torch to light your way home.

Movies will not screen if it is raining. If the weather is marginal, please text 'Is it on?' to 021 776 623 after 7.30pm on the night.

Movies include:

- **Niagara**
Starring Marilyn Monroe, 1953, 92 min, PG
- **From Russia with Love**
Starring Sean Connery as James Bond, 1963, 115 min, PG
- **Anne of Green Gables**
1934, 78 min, G
- **The Hustler**
Starring Paul Newman as Fast Eddie, 1961, 134 min, PG
- **HELP!**
A musical comedy, 1965, 92 min, G

Check nelsonsummer.nz for the full schedule and locations.



TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC

Sun 8 Jan, 11am – 1.30pm // Isele Park, Stoke // **FREE**

The Teddy Bears are getting excited about lunch in the park! There will be unbearably funny games, colourful characters, teddy school, and a teddy parade. Teddies young and old are welcome.

Cancelled if wet. Check the 'summerinnelson' Facebook page for updates.



TAHUNA SUMMER SOUNDS

Fri 13, Fri 20 & Fri 27 Jan, 6 – 9pm // Tahunanui Reserve, Bisley Walk, Tahunanui Beach // **FREE**

Live music returns to Tahunanui Beach with local musicians performing on two different stages in a series of family-friendly events.

The Youth Zone, showcasing up and coming youth performers, will also include beach themed activities, rides and attractions.

If wet, the events will be rescheduled to the next day.



NELSON BUSKERS FESTIVAL

Thu 2 – Sun 5 Feb

Nelson Buskers Festival brings street performers from around the world to our beautiful city for four days of action-packed shows.

Buskers from the USA, Britain, Canada, along with some of New Zealand's best, will amaze with feats of strength, escapology, acrobatics and juggling fire high above the streets on a specially constructed giant frame!

This year, the Buskers also go on the road! For the full schedule at the four locations – top of Trafalgar Street, the Boathouse cabaret night, Fairfield Park and Mapua Wharf – head to nelsonsummer.nz.



TO SEE THE FULL PROGRAMME OF EVENTS, PICK UP A COPY AT ANY COUNCIL SERVICE CENTRE OR LIBRARY, OR VISIT THE WEBSITE.

nelsonsummer.nz



Street ambassadors back for summer

Over summer, the street ambassadors will once again be supporting a safer environment at our popular night spots and events across the Nelson/Tasman region.

Youth workers from Youth and Community Works will be present at events and working within the CBD areas.

Street ambassadors all receive training in youth work, de-escalation of aggression and first aid. They work in pairs throughout the weekend nights, delivering safety messages, offering advice and assistance when needed and intervening when they spot potentially dangerous situations.

Funded by Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council, the teams also work closely with the Police, Nelson Community Patrol and Māori Wardens.

The work will include 33 nights across Nelson including most Friday and Saturday nights, New Year's Eve and other events.

Nelson City Council's Chair of Community Services, Gaile Noonan, says the street ambassadors are an important part of creating a friendly, safe environment in our city.

"I'm pleased to see Council bringing this initiative back to Nelson this summer. Council has been involved in delivering this service since 2004 and our street ambassadors help to make Nelson a safer, more friendly place to be."

In Tasman, the ambassadors will be at the Motueka Starlight Parade and also Kaiteriteri on New Year's Eve, as well as some Friday and Saturday evenings across the Motueka / Richmond areas.

"It's about having a friendly face on the streets and helping visitors and residents," says Tasman Mayor Richard Kempthorne.

"They also engage with the public and provide information on Council bylaws and regulations, facilities and services, as well as events taking place across the district. Essentially it's about community helping community."

The aim is to ensure an energetic, vibrant and safe summer for everyone, and encourage more people to get out and enjoy our great region.



Street ambassadors from L-R: Ruth Barrett, Jen Hooligan, Sally Wood, Elliot Le Page, Paul McConachie.

Love Food Hate Waste competition winner

The winner of the Love Food Hate Waste food saving tips competition was Sharon Sloane, with her recipe for Grape and Apple Chutney.

Sharon said that she adjusted a recipe to make this chutney, to use up apples and grapes that were past their best for eating. This chutney would be perfect to accompany cold meats left over from your Christmas Dinner.

Recipes and tips were judged by Guy McCracken and Kate Neame of Oxford Street Kitchen and Roastery. Guy says: 'I chose this recipe because it's a great use of food that might otherwise head for the bin, and as an added bonus preserves and chutneys can be used over the longer term'.

Grape and Apple Chutney

1kg combined grapes and peeled and cored apples
500g chopped onions
500g sultanas
1C brown sugar
3C white vinegar
1/2 tsp dry mustard
1/2 tsp ground ginger
1/2 tsp salt
Pinch cayenne pepper

Cook everything together in a large saucepan. Bring to the boil gently, then cover and cook for one hour or until mixture is tender and thickened. Add a little more vinegar if necessary. Pour into hot clean jars and seal. Delicious with cold meats.

Holiday hours

Council Customer Service Centre

The Customer Service Centre will be closing at 3pm on Friday 23 December and will reopen at 8.30am on Wednesday 4 January. They will be available by phone 24/7 over the holiday period on 03 546 0200.

Elma Turner Library

On Christmas Eve, Saturday 24 December, the library will be closing early, at 2pm. The library will then be closed from Sunday 25 – Tuesday 27 December and again from Sunday 1 – Tuesday 3 January.

Stoke Library

Stoke Library will be closed from Sunday 25 – Tuesday 27 December and again from Sunday 1 – Tuesday 3 January.

Nightingale Library Memorial

Nellie Nightingale Library will be closed from Saturday 24 – Tuesday 27 December and again on Saturday 31 December – Tuesday 3 January.

Pascoe Street Transfer Station

24 Dec, 8am–4.30pm. Christmas Day, closed.
26 and 27 Dec, 10am–4.30pm. 31 Dec, 8am–4.30pm. New Year's Day, closed.
2 and 3 Jan, 10am–4.30pm.

York Valley Landfill

Open 10 am–2pm 26 and 27 December and 2 and 3 January.

Rubbish and recycling

Rubbish and recycling collections will continue as normal over the Christmas/New Year break. Remember to have your bins at the kerb by 7am.

Road closures

Several road closures will be in place to allow for Christmas/Summer events to take place. You can see all the planned closures on Council's website, nelson.govt.nz (search = road closures).

New exhibitions at heritage houses

Isel House

Council has collaborated with the Nelson Provincial Museum to create a new exhibition at Isel House.

Come in and see the new "Marsden Ceramics" exhibition in the "China Room".

The exhibition showcases a stunning Chinese and European ceramics dating from the 18th and 19th centuries from the Marsden family's collection, the original owners of Isel House.

The Marsden collection was inherited by James and Frances Marsden in 1904 and, along with the beautiful ceramics, includes antique furniture, paintings and books.

In 2001, the Cawthron Institute donated their part of the Marsden Collection to the Museum,

and the Anglican Diocese of Nelson agreed to the acquisition of their part of the Marsden Collection by the Museum.

This new exhibition is an opportunity to see a snapshot of this rare collection.

Open 11am–4pm, Tuesday–Sunday, entry by donation.

Broadgreen House

A summer exhibition is on offer at Broadgreen House. "Glad Rags" launches on 14 December and is a chance to admire glamorous ladies' fashion from 1880s to 1950s.

Open 10.30am–4.30pm, seven days, free for locals with ID, visitors \$5.

What would you do?

With the recent earthquake and after-shocks, now is a good time to check your plan to ensure you and your family can get through in an emergency.

Think about the things you need every day and work out what you would do if you didn't have them.

Make a plan; know where to go, who can help you and who you might help. You can find a worksheet that you can fill out and stick on your fridge here: happens.nz/make-a-plan.

Another good idea is to work with your near neighbours, especially those more vulnerable in your street. Create a plan together, and in the event of a tsunami alert be prepared to pass the message along and help where needed.

Come along to a community awareness meeting this Thursday 15 December at 6pm at Tahuna Holiday Park Function Centre. The meeting, planned in the aftermath of the Kaikoura earthquake last month, will explain the current tsunami maps, what people should do, what to expect in the way of a warning and what is the best preparation.

Learn more about your hazards

All of New Zealand is at risk of earthquakes and all of our coastline is at risk of tsunami. We can't predict when earthquakes and tsunami will happen, but you can help protect yourself and your family.

Earthquakes

As we have recently been reminded, a large damaging earthquake could happen any time and can be followed by

aftershocks that continue for a long time.

Most earthquake-related injuries and deaths result from falling debris, flying glass and collapsing structures such as buildings and bridges.

In a major earthquake, masonry and glass can fall off buildings and into the streets.

During an earthquake:

- If you are inside, drop, cover and hold – do not run outside or you risk getting hit by falling masonry and glass
- If you are outside, move away from buildings, trees, streetlights, and power lines, then drop, cover and hold
- Stay there until the shaking stops
- If you feel an earthquake that rolls for more than a minute OR makes it hard to stand up and you are near the coast, don't wait for a tsunami warning. Move to higher ground or as far inland as you can. Walk if you can. Stay there until you get the all clear.

For more information on what to do before, during and after an earthquake, visit getthru.govt.nz.

Tsunami

A tsunami is a series of waves caused by large earthquakes. All of New Zealand's coast line is at risk of tsunami. A tsunami wave can grow to become a fast moving wall of water.

Event details

What: Nelson Tasman CDEM community awareness meeting
When: Thursday 15 December, 6pm
Where: Tahuna Holiday Park Function Centre

If you are at the coast and experience any of the following:

- Feel a strong earthquake that makes it hard to stand up, or a weak rolling earthquake that lasts a minute or more
- See a sudden rise or fall in sea level
- Hear loud and unusual noises from the sea

Move immediately to the nearest high ground, or as far inland as you can.

During a tsunami warning:

- Move immediately to the nearest higher ground, or as far inland as you can. Walk or bike if possible
- If you do not have time to move to higher ground or inland, go to an upper storey of a sturdy building, climb onto a roof or up a tree
- Do not go sightseeing. Never go to the shore to watch for a tsunami
- Listen to the radio and follow the instructions of emergency services
- Stay away from at-risk areas until the official all-clear is given.

For more information on what to do before, during and after a tsunami, visit getthru.govt.nz.

happens.nz/make-a-plan

getthru.govt.nz



Lend a hand to the Big Beach Clean

Organisations and individuals are invited to register now for the Nelson Tasman Big Beach Clean, on Saturday 4 March 2017, during Seaweed Week.

Registrations will be open until 21 December, on the Department of Conservation website, doc.govt.nz/big-beach.

In the event of bad weather, the event will be postponed to the following day, Sunday 5 March.

At the last Big Beach Clean in November 2014, over 350 volunteers collected almost 4 tonnes of rubbish from approximately 300 kilometres of coastline between Tonga Island and Pepin Island.

The event is organised by the Department of Conservation in partnership with Nelson City Council, Tasman District Council

and Nelmac Ltd.

Further information and registration forms will be available online at doc.govt.nz/big-beach.



doc.govt.nz/big-beach

Be safe on the water with Old4New lifejackets

Coastguard New Zealand's Old4New Lifejacket Upgrade truck will be at the Akerston Street Boat Ramp in Port Nelson on Saturday 21 January from 2–5pm.

Coastguard New Zealand's Old4New Lifejacket Upgrade is simple and effective: bring your old or damaged lifejacket to the Old4New team and receive a discount on a quality, modern and fit-for-purpose lifejacket.

Boaties and members of the public are encouraged to visit the van and trade in their old lifejackets. They'll also get advice about boating and water safety from the friendly team on site at each location.

Only 70% of boaties say they wear a lifejacket at all times on the water. This rate is highest for kayakers and canoeists (83%), and falls to just over 60% for people in power boats and 55% for people in sail boats. The majority of boating fatalities could

have been prevented had the person been wearing a lifejacket.

Council's Navigation Safety bylaw requires the skipper of any vessel to ensure that their vessel carries the appropriate number and size of lifejackets for each person on board. A lifejacket only works when it is worn.

For more information contact the Port Nelson Harbourmaster, email harbourmaster@portnelson.co.nz or phone 027 443 6165.

Further safety information can be found via the Marine Mate App, maritimenz.govt.nz/public/mobile-apps/.

maritimenz.govt.nz/public/mobile-apps/



Toxic algae alerts available on Council's website

Toxic algae alerts for the Maitai River are now available on Council's website, allowing dog walkers and river users to be aware of algae levels on a weekly basis.

Toxic algae (also known as Cyanobacteria) is a naturally occurring algae that can be harmful to dogs and people if it is eaten. Toxic algae levels are monitored weekly and the website is updated every Wednesday over summer.

The three alert levels, Surveillance, Alert and Action, give a good indication of the risk to health from toxic algae exposure at any one time.

Toxic algae mats grow on the riverbed and are brown or black in colour. Mats can wash up on the river bank or form floating 'rafts' in shallow areas. Where exposed, the mats can dry out and turn a light brown colour. They produce a strong musty odour, which may attract dogs to eat the mat.

If monitoring shows a moderate or high level of algae present in the river, Council recommends keeping your dog on a lead, or using the Back Beach at Tahunanui as an alternative exercise area. Please note that Council monitors three sites in the Maitai River, however, toxic algae can be found in other streams and rivers, so it is important that dog owners know what to look out for.

If you suspect your dog has eaten toxic algae, see veterinary assistance as soon as possible.



Toxic algae forms dark brown mats that give off a strong odour which can attract dogs to eat it.



nelson.govt.nz/toxic-algae

Footbridge replaced

The footbridge from the Woodstock Reserve over Covent Drive in Stoke was replaced last week, reopening the popular walking route.

The bridge was damaged when a truck struck it in 2015 and insurance issues delayed its replacement until now.

Local residents will be happy to have the footbridge back in working order.



Will you have the Best Little Woodshed in town?



Need a summer project? Now is the best time to buy and store your firewood, so that you have dry, efficient-burning wood for next winter.

Council will be holding a 'Best Little Woodshed' competition in the New Year, (with great prizes like free firewood), but you'll need to get started now on building your shed and/or stacking your wood.

How to keep warm

Modern wood burners need dry wood to burn efficiently. Even slightly damp wood can burn inefficiently, wasting fuel and giving off less heat. Making sure you have plenty of dry wood at the beginning of winter is key to getting good heat from your burner.

Buy now from a Good Wood supplier, and stack and cover so it is dry and ready to burn when you need it.

How to stack your wood

- Stack firewood loosely enough so that air can blow through it.
- Secure your stack, as wood pieces will shrink and shift as they dry.
- Split your wood – smaller pieces dry faster.
- Soft woods like Pine, Fir and Macrocarpa normally take 6–12 months to dry.
- Hard woods like Gum and Manuka can take 18+ months to dry.
- Firewood needs to have less than 25% moisture content to burn efficiently.

How to keep your wood pile dry

- Use a tarpaulin, corrugated iron, or any kind of water proof cover over the top of the wood, but make sure it is tied down so it doesn't blow off.
- Allow air flow to the sides, so that moisture can escape.
- Keep the wood off the ground using bricks, wood slats or pallets to prevent damp seeping up, and allow air flow under the wood.

How to build a shed

You can build a shed without a Building Consent if it is:

- Less than 10m² in floor area.
- One storey high – floor max 1 metre above ground, max height of shed 3.5 metres above floor level.
- Not positioned closer than the sheds own height to a boundary or any residential building.

If you're unsure ask your friendly Council building control officer on 03 265 6983 or email duty.buildingofficer@ncc.govt.nz.

For further information about firewood or wood burners contact Environmental Programmes Adviser Richard Popenhagen on 03 546 0251.



Mayor's Christmas Dinner

Generous locals have put their hands up to help out with the Mayor's Christmas Dinner, continuing a 30 year tradition.

A call for volunteers came from Nelson Mayor Rachel Reese for anyone looking to help organise the Christmas dinner. The event is aimed at ensuring senior citizens share in the Christmas cheer, instead of spending the day alone.

"Christmas is a special time, and this event is a long standing tradition which relies on donated time and food," says Mayor Rachel Reese.

As a result, Chef Harry Morris from Harrys Restaurant in Trafalgar Street and Nelson woman Katrina Kidson have stepped forward to help organise the dinner. Mr Morris will be responsible for the catering side of things, while Ms Kidson will co-ordinate the event.

The venue will be The Granary at Founders.

Plenty of volunteers have also come forward along with offers of food and beverages – thanks to Pomeroy's, Bengé and Co, Trailways, Giesen wine and Bidfood.

Council is still keen to hear from anyone who can help decorate the venue, with food preparation, with driving people to and from The Granary on the day, and set up and pack down.

Last year, more than 50 volunteers helped out with the event.

Anyone who could donate food or volunteer for the Mayor's Christmas Dinner can contact the council by phoning 03 546 0200 or emailing christmas@ncc.govt.nz. Alternatively, donations of cash or in kind may be sent to the Mayor's office, Nelson City Council, PO Box 645, Nelson 7045.

Please indicate "For Mayor's Christmas Dinner" on the envelope, and whether a receipt is required.

Tickets are now available for \$15 at the Nelson City Council office and Stoke Library.



Nelson City Council credit rating affirmed at 'AA / A-1+' outlook remains stable

Credit rating agency, Standard and Poor's, has just released its updated credit rating for the Nelson City Council, affirmed at 'AA (long term) / A-1+ (short term)' with a stable outlook.

The credit rating reflects Standard and Poor's view of the Council's very strong budgetary flexibility, strong financial management and liquidity, and its low contingent liabilities.

Standard and Poor's report said:

The outlook on the rating remains stable, reflecting our expectations that Nelson would continue to prudently manage its financial metrics in line with our forecasts over the next two years, with financial management and liquidity coverage remaining strong, and debt burden to peak in 2017 and steadily decline over our forecast years.

Chair of Council's Governance Committee, Councillor Ian Barker, says the rating confirms Council's long term financial approach.

"The report highlights our strong financial management and forward-thinking approach."

Mayor's Message



As we look forward to another Christmas and New Year break it is a good time to reflect on the year that has passed, take a breath and look forward to all the promise that 2017 brings.

The past year has brought challenges, most especially the November 14 earthquake and our thoughts are with the Kaikoura community as they work through all the difficulties their sudden isolation brings. I am encouraged by the huge amount of work that is being done by the New Zealand Transport Agency to reconnect to the town and have every confidence that it will be done as safely and efficiently as possible.

In our own city there has been some very positive news. Nelson has been the fastest growing region for tourist spend in the country for three months in a row, possibly assisted by the extra flights Jetstar has brought to the region. We have just claimed the second spot on the ASB Regional Economic Scoreboard for economic growth and house prices in the city and in Tasman have continued to rise strongly. All great indicators that Nelson is economically strong, a trend we can look forward to continuing in the New Year.

The amazing and hugely successful Light Nelson Festival, celebrating the achievements of Nelson's most awarded Paralympian Liam Malone, the reopening of the beautifully renovated Suter Gallery and recognising our community heroes through the Eelco Boswijk Awards have all been stand out occasions for our city in 2016.

For me personally, being re-elected to serve as Mayor of Nelson for another term with such a strong majority was both humbling and inspiring. I consider it an honour and a privilege to serve as your Mayor and am determined to do everything I can to continue to make Nelson an even better place to live over the next three years.

On behalf of all Councillors I want to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season. I hope you all have the chance to relax and spend time with family, as we all reflect on what is really important to us and prepare for another exciting year together in 2017.

Season's Greetings to all!
Mayor Rachel Reese

Work on Elms Street intersection in January

A new layout has been designed to address safety concerns at Elms Street intersection with Main Road Stoke.

The new layout will include:

- Left turn lane from Main Road Stoke into Elms Street
- Narrower through lanes on Main Road Stoke
- Traffic islands at Elms Street

- A stop sign at Elms Street (change from Give Way)
- On road cycle lane into the city
- Connection for the cycle lane heading out of the city to use the off road path past the intersection
- Landscaping

This has been designed to suit the 60km/h speed limit which will be posted on Main Road Stoke once the work is complete.

Downer will begin work on site in late January 2017 and hope to complete it by mid-February.

WHAT'S ON... at a Council venue near you?

For a full list of Nelson events go to itson.co.nz





Date extension – Proposed Reserve Revocation of Emano East Reserve

The date for feedback on this proposal has been extended until Friday 27 January 2017.

Nelson City Council proposes to ask the Minister of Conservation to remove the reserve status of the Emano East Reserve.

The property consists of 7,664m² with steep contours, rising from the Emano Street frontage.

The steep contour of the property limits its ability to be utilised as a park and there are already a number of alternatives located within close proximity – Pipers Reserve, Emano St West and Murphy North Reserve.

Get more details on the Council website nelson.govt.nz (search = Emano East) and give your feedback by Friday 27 January 2017.

nelson.govt.nz

Search = Emano East

2016 Annual Residents' Survey results

The annual residents' survey has been completed for 2016.

Each year, Council undertakes a survey to elicit resident feedback on Council performance, with a major survey being completed every three years. This is an interim year, and as such the survey is shorter.

The main results are as follows:

- 98 per cent of library users were satisfied with Council library service.
- 86 per cent of residents were satisfied with parks and recreation activities – including gardens, sports grounds, sports venues, pools and reserves.
- 65 per cent of residents were satisfied with the provision of recreation opportunities for people of all ages and abilities
- 44 per cent of residents were satisfied with transport in Nelson, with a further 41 per cent of

residents neither satisfied nor dissatisfied.

- 37 per cent of residents were satisfied with opportunities to provide feedback and take part in Council's decision-making. Similarly, 37 per cent felt informed about Council and its services.

The most positive feedback was received about Council's good recreation facilities, while the main areas for dissatisfaction include congestion, access to information and ability to provide feedback.

The survey was conducted by an independent research company, with the margin of error +/- 4.8 per cent at the 95 per cent confidence interval.

Council would like to thank those residents who took part in the survey.

For more information go to nelson.govt.nz (search = residents survey).

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Tahunanui cycleway project

In February 2017, the community will be invited to provide their views as part of the Tahunanui cycleway project.

Nelson City Council has been investigating how to improve cycling facilities through Tahunanui. The Tahunanui cycleway project aims to provide a safe and enjoyable cycling alternative between the existing shared paths from the airport to the Tahunanui Beach area.

Initial public consultation for the project has been done and analysed. During the first project phase in 2014, three routes, including a preferred route, were identified for further investigation. Since that time, Council has completed the required analysis on the three routes. The initial preferred route has now been amended, making it shorter, more direct, safer and more enjoyable for cyclists.

In February 2017, the community will be invited to provide their

views on this preferred route, and potential cycleway designs of how it will look and function if built.

Two open days will be held in February, providing an opportunity for the Tahunanui community to ask questions about the route and designs.

Open days

- Tuesday 7 February, 3.30–6.30pm at Tahunanui Primary School Hall, Muritai Road.
- Sunday 12 February, 1–4.30pm at Tahunanui Community Centre, Muritai Road.

At the Sunday open day, Council will also hold a ride-through, so that people can experience the route first-hand.

For more information please go to nelson.govt.nz/tahunanui-cycleway.

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New traffic signal outside fire station

A new traffic signal is being installed outside the Nelson Fire Station on St Vincent Street.

The traffic signal will flash red to stop traffic in the southbound direction only (heading towards Victory Square), when activated by the Fire Service. This is to reduce the risk of a crash when emergency vehicles exit the station.

The signal will only hold the traffic for around 45 seconds to give emergency vehicles time to exit safely.

Northbound traffic (heading into the CBD) will not be stopped by the traffic signals. However, they must show courtesy and let emergency vehicles into the northbound traffic stream when required, as usual.

Expected driver behaviour at emergency vehicle traffic signals (also referred to as red flashing

signal) is given in the Road Code as follows: "Red flashing signals outside a fire station or airport mean you must stop and remain stopped until the lights stop flashing".

Drivers are asked to be aware of the new signal and be patient with drivers as this will be new to Nelson so some adjustment will be required.

The New Zealand Fire Service (NZFS) is pleased to be working with Nelson City Council on road safety improvements.

Des Irving, Assistant Area Commander for Tasman-Marlborough says "The intersection of St Vincent/ Gloucester Streets and Washington Road has a high volume of cyclists and vehicles. Adding to this traffic volume, the NZFS and St Johns emergency vehicles exit the station to attend emergencies under lights and siren seven days a week/24 hours a day.

"The new flashing lights will greatly aid in making it safer for our appliances leaving the station to respond to emergency situations," Des says.

MEETINGS

The following meetings of the Nelson City Council have been scheduled.

Council meeting – the meeting schedule for 2017–2019 will be agreed to at this meeting
9am 15 Dec

Notes:

1. Unless otherwise shown, the meetings will be held in the Council Chamber, Civic House, Trafalgar Street, Nelson.
2. A public forum is held during the initial period of the Committee/Council meeting. Anyone wishing to speak at this public forum is asked to give prior advice to an Administration Adviser on 546 0200.
3. Agendas will be available for perusal at the Customer Service Centre in Civic House, or at Nelson Public Libraries, two days prior to the meeting.
4. Agendas and minutes for Council meetings can be viewed on Council's website nelson.govt.nz.

nelson.govt.nz/meetings



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Most Sundays Jan - Mar
\$2 entry • 1.30pm to 4pm

January 8 - Barry Korcheski and Friends

January 15 - Not Too Dry

January 29 - Dixie Doctors

February 5 - Just Friends

February 12 - Bourbon Street Beat

February 19 - Mr Music and Friends

February 26 - Django Junkies

March 5 - Nelson Jazz Club Big Band

March 12 - Captain and Crew

March 19 - Nelson Youth Jazz Collective

May be subject to change, check Its On for details

www.itson.co.nz

CUT OUT & KEEP



WINDMILL GIFT SHOP

Browse the selection of arts & crafts
handmade by artisans in the park
and retro inspired toys and gifts

SUMMER READS BOOK FAIR

Sat 10 December - Sun 15 January

Free, in the windmill, 10am - 4.30pm.

Fiction for the beach, bach or boat.



Founders Heritage Park
Nelson City Council

Open 10am - 4.30pm every day • Admission \$7 Adults, under 12 free, \$15 family, locals free with ID
87 Atawhai Drive, Nelson • 03 548 2649 • www.founderspark.co.nz



RIDE THE TRAIN

RIDES AVAILABLE EVERY DAY DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
11am - 4pm • \$5 Adults \$3 children \$15 Families

NELSON NZ FOUNDERS

BREWERY, BAR & CAFE

On and off sales, tasting trays, family friendly and children's playground.
Ph 03 548 4638 or  for opening hours.

Isel House & Park

Open 11am - 4pm, Tuesday - Sunday • Entry by donation
New this summer 'The China Room'.
East meets west in the Marsden family's opulent
porcelain collection.

IN CONJUNCTION WITH

16 HILLIARD STREET, STOKE

Broadgreen House & Samuel's Rose Garden

Open 10.30am - 4.30pm, seven days • Free for Locals with ID, visitors \$5
Summer Exhibition 'Glad Rags'. Come and admire glamorous
ladies fashion from 1880's to 1950's, opens 14 Dec.

276 NAYLAND ROAD, STOKE

FREE ENTRY

EVERY THURSDAY ISEL PARK

4:30pm til DARK

ISEL TWILIGHT MARKET



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DOG AND CHILD FRIENDLY - ISEL HOUSE, ISEL PARK, STOKE.
 Check Facebook for our opening hours

MELROSE HOUSE, GARDENS & CAFÉ

Nelson's own 'Oasis in the City Centre' - perfect for meetings,
weddings, workshops, celebrations and memorial services.

4 Jan - Jazz in the park • 14 Jan - Garden Party

Become a Friend of Melrose House, Garden & Cafe to stay in
touch with future events. Email melrosehousesnz@gmail.com
for more information or follow us on Facebook.

26 Brougham Street, Nelson • Open 9am to 5pm, seven days

NAVIGATE NELSON >

A fun quiz to take you round the libraries and heritage houses, prizes to be won.
Runs from 20 December until 6 February. Pick up an entry form from the libraries or houses.

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