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TE KAUNIHERA Ā ROHE O  
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**STRATFORD**  
DISTRICT COUNCIL

## See you at the A&P Show!

Visit the Stratford District Council tent at the Stratford A&P Show this weekend! Elected members and staff will be on site to have a chat, and our Spin to Win wheel will be back in action too!

# IT'S SHOW TIME!

Visit SDC at the Stratford A&P Show this weekend and SPIN to WIN.

Find us at Site #70



## MERRY Christmas

Join us at the Library to create your own Christmas Bauble  
Christmas Craft Event for Adults  
Tuesday 10th December 2024  
10.00am  
All welcome

## Donations for Stratford's Mayoral Christmas Gift Appeal open Friday

Stratford District Mayor Neil Volzke is making sure there's plenty of room under the Christmas trees at Council's Service Centre and the Stratford Library and Visitor Information Centre.

On Friday 29 November, the Stratford Mayoral Christmas Gift Appeal begins, and community members can place their gift donations under the trees for kids and grown-ups that need some extra cheer during the holiday season.

Mayor Neil Volzke says, "Christmas can be a really tough time, and it comes at the end of what's been a hard year for many people. But one thing that I see shown year after year is that we've got a community here that comes through for each other."

"Please visit our trees and leave a gift or some Christmas treats if you can. I personally deliver your donations to people and families in our community, and I can honestly say that your generosity is deeply appreciated and brings joy to so many faces."

The following donations are welcome:

- Books for all ages
- New toiletry products for all ages
- Non-perishable food and Christmas Day treats, such as Christmas Cake, chocolate, biscuits, and crackers
- Family board games
- Summer-fun toys, like sports equipment, outdoor games, and something for the beach

Pre-loved soft toys cannot be accepted, but people can donate other pre-loved toys or books as long as they're clean and in excellent condition.



Stratford district's  
**Mayoral Christmas Gift Appeal**

Business sponsorship is also welcome, as are cash donations which will purchase gifts to top-up the donated presents under the Christmas tree.

Donations can be placed under the Christmas trees at Council's Service Centre on Miranda Street and the Stratford Library and Visitor Information Centre from Friday 29 November 2024 until Friday 13 December 2024.

Community Development and Engagement Lead Anna-Louise Crane is available to answer any questions about the Stratford Mayoral Christmas Gift Appeal by phone on 06 765 6099 or by email at [ACrane@stratford.govt.nz](mailto:ACrane@stratford.govt.nz)

## Public Notices

### Meeting Schedule - December

- **Workshop:** Tuesday 10 December at 1pm, TSB Chambers, Stratford War Memorial Centre
- **Public Forum (by request):** Tuesday 10 December at 3pm, TSB Chambers, Stratford War Memorial Centre. If you wish to speak, please submit an application form to the Chief Executive by 12 noon Tuesday 3 December. Visit [Stratford.govt.nz/PublicForum](https://www.stratford.govt.nz/PublicForum) for information.
- **Council Meeting:** Tuesday 10 December at 3.30pm, TSB Chambers, Stratford War Memorial Centre
- **Meeting of the Percy Thomson Trust:** Thursday 19 December at 4pm, Stratford District Council Committee Room

Meetings and workshops will be held in the Council Chambers on Miranda Street, unless stated otherwise. Visit [Stratford.govt.nz/Schedule](https://www.stratford.govt.nz/Schedule) for updates to meeting and workshop times, as these may change.

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### What's on the agenda?

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## — STRATFORD — CHRISTMAS PARADE

THEME: CHRISTMAS MOVIES  
Friday 6 December 2024  
Broadway, Stratford

5:00pm Prospero Market  
6:30pm Parade with carols to follow

## Be part of Stratford's favourite Christmas event

Float registrations close on Sunday 1 December at [Stratford.govt.nz/ChristmasParade](https://www.stratford.govt.nz/ChristmasParade)

The Stratford Business Association has been hard at work on this year's Christmas Parade (with a little help from the North Pole and a certain VIP). This year's theme is Christmas Movies! Make sure you don't stay "Home Alone." Register your float before Sunday 1 December at [Stratford.govt.nz/ChristmasParade](https://www.stratford.govt.nz/ChristmasParade) or "Elf!"

If you'd like to have a stall at the Christmas Prospero Market, visit [Stratford.govt.nz/ChristmasMarket](https://www.stratford.govt.nz/ChristmasMarket) and fill in the online form.

### Library and Visitor Information

Phone 06 765 5403

Monday – Friday 8.30am – 5.00pm

Saturday 9.00am – 1.00pm

Sunday & Public Holidays Closed

### Transfer Station

Phone 06 765 8500

Monday - 12.00pm - 5.00pm

Thursday - 10.00am - 1.00pm

Friday - Sunday - 12.00pm - 5.00pm

### Wai O Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre

Phone 06 765 6275

Monday – Friday 6.00am – 6.30pm

Saturday 7.00am – 5.00pm

Sunday and Public Holidays

10.00am – 5.00pm

### Glockenspiel

Performs Daily at 10.00am, 1.00pm, 3.00pm and 7.00pm

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