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Puanga

Thanks to everyone who helped us celebrate!

It's Plastic Free July. Are you up to the challenge?

Plastic Free July is a global movement that helps millions of people be part of the solution to plastic pollution – so we can have cleaner streets, oceans, and beautiful communities.

People all across Aotearoa are committing to reducing or eliminating single use plastics in their day to day lives during July. It sounds hard, but even if you're able to make one or two changes, that's enough to help! Visit PlasticFreeJuly.org for some good ideas.



Get tamariki involved!

The July school holidays are almost upon us. Ask the kids to come up with some creative ideas to reduce or reuse plastic waste.

Stratford Library and Visitor Information Centre's holding school holiday crafting sessions using recycled materials, including one showing kids how to turn plastic milk bottles into lanterns!



Find out more and download our booklet of FREE and low-cost July school holiday activities at Stratford.govt.nz/Holidays

Public Notices

Meeting Schedule - July 2024

- **Workshop:** Tuesday 9 July at 1pm
- **Public Forum (by request):** Tuesday 9 July at 3pm
- **Council Meeting:** Tuesday 9 July at 3.30pm
- **Workshop:** Tuesday 16 July at 1pm
- **Audit and Risk Committee:** Tuesday 16 July at 2pm
- **Workshop:** Tuesday 23 July at 1pm
- **Policy & Services Committee:** Tuesday 23 July at 3pm

Unless otherwise stated, meetings and workshops will be held in the Council Chambers on Miranda Street. Changes to meeting times will be published in the meeting schedule at Stratford.govt.nz/PublicNotices

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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 – Friday 2.00pm – 5.00pm
Wednesday 10.00am – 1.00pm
Saturday & Sunday 1.00pm – 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
3 July 2024

Council fees and charges adopted and in place for 2024/25

Elected Members have adopted our fees and charges schedule for 2024/25. The schedule is our full list of costs for all council services, covering everything from Aerodrome charges to printing at the library, and parking infringements to entry into Wai o Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre.

We consulted on changes to our fees and charges as part of our draft Long Term Plan 2024-34, and made some changes in response to submissions we received. Thank you to everyone who had their say.

So, what fees and charges have changed?

We've made amendments in the following areas. Please visit Stratford.govt.nz/FeesAndCharges for our full updated schedule, or visit our Service Centre on Miranda Street.

- Aerodrome
- Building Control
- Bylaws
- Cemetery
- Health Licences
- Housing for Older Persons
- Publications
- Resource Management
- Sportsgrounds, Parks and Reserves
- Staff charge out rates
- Stormwater Connection
- Wai o Rua – Stratford Aquatic Centre
- Venue Hire
- Wastewater
- Water Supply



Wai o Rua fees and charges

If you're a regular visitor to Wai o Rua, you'll notice we've increased some of the fees at our pool facility. This is to help us keep up with rising costs.

Changes include an increase in casual entry fees by \$1. Adult entry is now \$6, child and senior is now \$5 and a Family pass is now \$16.

Group fitness casual entry fees have increased by \$1 for adults to \$10 per session, and by 50c for children and seniors to \$8 per session.

Some of our other fees and charges for Wai o Rua have changed too. Visit WaiORua.govt.nz/FeeChanges for more details, including handy info for pool users with concession cards.

Get the most out of the FREE Antenno App

Our free Antenno app for android and apple devices is a great way to get council news and alerts, as well as make your own quick reports on community issues when you spot them.

We've got two handy tips for getting the most out of Antenno.

Add your home address and any other important Stratford addresses to Your Places in Antenno.

You can set more than one place, such as your home, workplace, and grandparents' property, but your own home is the most important.

Some people skip this step, but it's a crucial one. If there's an issue that's only affecting a small area, we may just send an alert out to people who have set one of their places as being within that area. We can target messages right down to street level.

Opt out of topics if they're not relevant to you

You can adjust the topics you want to receive messages about for each of the addresses you set in *Your Places*.

Maybe you don't want to receive bin reminders, or you only want water outage messages for your home address and not work, or you're not interested in Grants and Funding information.

Just click on the bell icon to opt out.

Need a hand?

Visit council's Service Centre on Miranda Street or the Stratford Library and Visitor Information Centre and we can help you download and set up Antenno. Easy!



Discounted dog registration fees if you pay by 31 July? Yup, it's fur-real!

Did you know we offer a discount on your dog registration fees if you pay by 31 July?

You can re-register dogs and make payment online at Stratford.govt.nz/OnlinePayments or by visiting our Service Centre on Miranda Street.

Your dog must be registered before it reaches 3 months of age. To register new dogs or change the owner, come into our Service Centre in person to pay for the registration and sign the declaration papers.

Changed address? Fill in our online change of address form at Stratford.govt.nz/DogRego



Raise the woof!
You can get a discount on my fees!