

Exploring Māori place names in our district

The Māori history of Mid Canterbury will be explored from the sea to high country in a special mapping exhibit opening at the Ashburton Art Gallery and Museum on Sunday.

Kā Huru Manu is a cultural mapping project by Ngāi Tahu that is dedicated to mapping the traditional Māori place names and associated stories within the Ngāi Tahu rohe (tribal area). The exhibition will display seven maps showcasing Ngāi Tahu history within the Mid Canterbury area.

The exhibition opens to the public at 1pm on Sunday 19 June. Mayor Neil Brown, councillors and CEO Hamish Riach will attend a formal opening at 10am with Ngāi Tahu.

Members of the public are invited to attend a talk at 2pm by Ngāi Tahu Archive Manager Takerei Norton, who will outline Kā Huru Manu's wider existence and goals.

Mid Canterbury school teachers have been invited to a special breakfast on Monday 20 June, where they will be encouraged to share the exhibit's educational value with their peers and students.

Mr Norton said information gathered for Kā Huru Manu had been collected from

many sources and the exhibition is one way of showing some of these information sources.

The exhibit was about sharing that knowledge so people now and in the future had an understanding of traditional Māori place names and how they originated, he said.

The Murney Room is being refitted to feature maps and stories, with digital devices so that people can search the Kā Huru Manu website to look at the history of Māori place names in other parts of the island too.

"We are hoping that people will take the opportunity to come along and learn about the local Māori place names throughout the Ashburton region."

The whole cultural mapping project brings together an inherited history of Te Waipounamu (the South Island) which details ara tawhito (traditional travel routes) that provided access to resources, trade, and mahinga kai.

Over generations of use, Ngāi Tahu hapū and whānau developed an extensive and intimate knowledge of the place names, stories, mahinga kai resources, resting places, and natural features associated with each ara tawhito.



Ashburton Art Gallery and Museum director Shirin Khosraviani helping install the Kā Huru Manu exhibit ahead of its official opening on Sunday.

Diane Rawlinson, Councillor Not just a load of old rubbish



You may say "what's she on about?" Well, currently you all have an opportunity to provide your feedback to Ashburton District Council on your views and thoughts about how we manage our household and other waste (or rubbish as it is commonly called).

This consultation goes under the heading of Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2022.

We all need to stop and think about how we manage our waste responsibly.

As we fill the red bin weekly and the yellow bin fortnightly, we need to be asking ourselves if there is a better way to dispose of our waste.

Some items may be able to be used for garden composting, or have we checked that the plastics going in the yellow bin have the numbers 1, 2, or 5 on them in the little triangle sign. If not they must go in the red bin, which means that unfortunately they end up going with the rest of the rubbish to the Kate Valley Landfill.

From the red bins we collect approximately 4000 tonnes each year, but fortunately from the yellow bins we manage to divert between 4000–5000 tonnes each year from going to landfill.

However there is more work to do, and in the consultation process you have the chance to have your say on the possibility of also having a household kerbside food waste collection option.

Personally in these times of such high costs for food, I struggle with the figures we see in the media of huge amounts of food waste – why don't people eat it before it gets to the point it needs to be disposed of. Food for thought.

So if this has captured your attention please take the opportunity to have your say – you can simply phone the council and the officers can complete your submission over the phone, or you can go on the website ashburtondc.govt.nz and click on the consultation tab, or simply collect the form from the council office, complete it and return it.

Your views are valued.

Last week to have your say!

Have your Say!

Draft Waste Management & Minimisation Plan 2022

We want to reduce the amount of waste we send to landfill. One action we're proposing is to introduce a kerbside food waste collection for households and offer it as a user-pays service to businesses. Do you agree?



Should we
introduce
food waste
collection?

Draft Trading in Public Places Bylaw

We have reviewed our bylaw (currently known as the Mobile Shops, Stalls and Hawkers Bylaw), and we are proposing a few changes including adding more permitted sites for trading.



Last week to have your say!

Visit ashburton.govt.nz/haveyoursay and share your feedback by 5pm, Thursday 23 June.

BBQ shout marks building's progress

Ashburton Mayor Neil Brown donned his chef's apron and deputy mayor Liz McMillan cut the onions for a BBQ shout last week to mark progress on Ashburton's new library and civic building, Te Pātaka o kā Tuhutuhi and Te Waharoa a Hine Paaka.

The roof of the main building is nearly complete and the last of the concrete pours will happen this month in the main building, smaller secondary building and Emergency Operations Centre.

Mayor Brown said the "roof shout" was a chance to celebrate the progress of the building and to thank over 70 workers on site.

"This project is still within the \$56.75 million budget we have and that's thanks to a good relationship between the main contractor Naylor Love Canterbury and Council. The completion date has been pushed out by six months but that has been mostly because of delays getting materials or labour caused by covid disruptions elsewhere in the world.

"It's at an exciting stage and we thought it was timely to personally show our appreciation to everyone working on the building."



A BBQ shout for workers was to celebrate construction progress on the building.

Councillors Lynette Lovett, Diane Rawlinson, Leen Braam and Stuart Wilson helped prepare and cook patties and sausages bought from Netherby Meats, and the big bag of onions was grown and donated by the Webster family at Dorie.

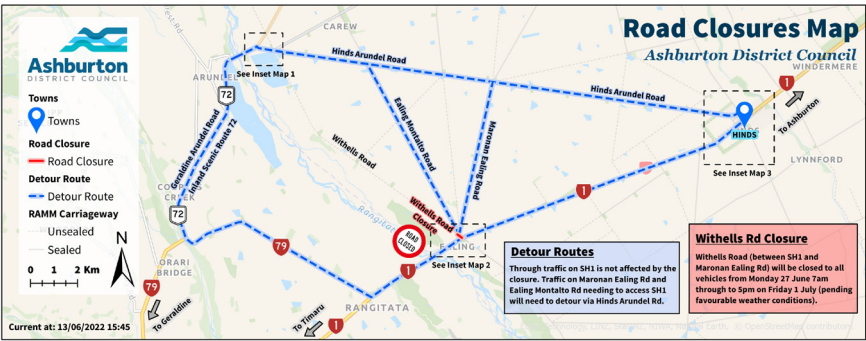
The library and civic building will be under one roof in the new facility, which also incorporates Pioneer Hall, which has heritage status under the Ashburton District Plan. The hall has been stripped

back and will be recreated using original features as part of the new children's library.

The current library building on Havelock Street is considered an earthquake risk, and would need major repairs to comply with new National Building Standards.

Council's aging administration building on Baring Square West is also no longer fit for purpose and needs major renovations and strengthening.

Ealing: Withells Road temporary closure



A short section of Withells Road from State Highway 1 to Maronan Ealing Road will be closed for a week from Monday 27 June so contractors can repair damage to the road caused by heavy vehicles turning.

The closure effectively means there is no access to Withells Road from the highway and detours will be in place. Traffic only using the highway will not be affected. Drivers needing to use the detour will be directed to State Highway 79, the inland route and Hinds Arundel Road.

Fonterra has been advised and Waka Kotahi is notifying trucking companies of the closure.

Work is planned to start on 27 June and expected to take about four days. In the event of wet weather, it may have to be postponed as sufficient good weather is needed to dry out the patches to get a good seal.



Pipe contract out for tender

A project to provide a wastewater pipe network in north-west Ashburton area is currently out for tender and the work, when completed, will enable more residential development in the area.

The work will involve laying 2km of pipes and building a pump station that will pump wastewater to Middle Road, where it will enter the town's existing wastewater system.

New pipes will run along Carters Road, on Farm Road and Allens Road, and the pump station built on Allens Road, near Mill Creek.

Infrastructure Services Manager Neil McCann said the work had been on council's books for years and contractors were currently submitting tenders for the work.

"This new wastewater network will enable higher density development in the area, which is mostly zoned residential C.

"There are about 50 properties in the 40-odd hectares that will be serviced by the new network, but over the next decade another thousand new sections could be created. The new pipes will also allow some people to decommission their septic tanks."

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Meetings are at Council Chambers, 137 Havelock Street, unless specified

Council Activity Briefings,
Wednesday 22 June, 9.30am

Audit and Risk Committee,
Wednesday 22 June, 1.30pm (live-streamed)

Ashburton Water Zone Committee,
Tuesday 28 June, field trip

Council meeting, Wednesday 29 June, 1pm (live-streamed)

PUBLIC NOTICES

RUBBISH AND RECYCLING MATARIKI, 24 JUNE

There will be no change to kerbside rubbish and recycling collections on Matariki, Friday 24 June. Please put your bins out as normal if Friday is your collection day.

The Ashburton Resource Recovery Park will be open on Friday 24 June.

The Rakaia Resource Recovery Park will be closed on Friday 24 June.

WAS YOUR BIN TAGGED?

If your yellow bin was tagged and not emptied, that means it contained items that can't be recycled. You need to remove the items indicated on the tag and put your bin out for collection again in two weeks.



WINDSTRAPS ON

Wind straps aren't just for windy days! Make a habit of popping on your windstraps every time you put your wheelie bins out - if your bin gets knocked over, then the contents of your bin stay in.



Wherever you
PAY RATES
you can
VOTE

Do you live in one area and pay rates on a property in another? Then you may qualify to vote in both areas at the local authority elections this October.

For more information phone toll free
0800 54 8683
0800 LG VOTE

Enrol now – the Ratepayer Electoral Roll closes on 12 August 2022.

VOTE 2022
LOCAL ELECTIONS
VOTELocal.CO.NZ

COUNCIL OFFICE

5 Baring Square West
Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri 8.30am - 5pm
Thursday 9am - 5pm

ASHBURTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

180 Havelock Street, Ashburton 7700
Mon - Fri 9.00am - 8.00pm
Sat 10am - 1pm | Sun 1pm - 4pm

EA NETWORKS CENTRE

20 River Terrace
Mon - Fri 6am-9pm (pools 7pm, gym 8pm)
Sat & Sun 7am-7pm (pools 5pm, gym 6pm)

ASHBURTON ART GALLERY & ASHBURTON MUSEUM

327 West Street
10am - 4pm daily.