

The call is out for local artists in Ashburton District

The Chorus Cabinet Art Programme is back in Ashburton District and the call is out for design submissions from local artists across the district.

Four Chorus cabinets in Ashburton and one in Methven have been chosen for a makeover and artists are encouraged to get their designs in before the deadline of August 31.

The project was so successful last year, Chorus has partnered with Ashburton District Council again to turn some of their more frequently tagged cabinets into painted art works.

Chorus Community Relations Manager Jo Seddon says that it makes sense to partner with local councils, as they know their communities best.

"We are really pleased that Ashburton District Council wants to work with us again and we're looking forward to seeing what local artists come up with.

"We had some outstanding cabinet murals completed in the region last year, two of which are contenders for the 2023 annual Chorus Cabinet Art Calendar."

These cabinets become works of art in the street, often telling stories about the communities in which they are located and help to discourage tagging.

Ashburton District Council Chief Executive Hamish Riach says the initiative is a great opportunity for artists to showcase their talents, and is encouraging people to make a submission.

"This is a chance not only to share your work with Mid Canterbury, but also much further afield. The programme is a real win-win for our community. We get to have fantastic artworks in our streetscape that celebrate our people and stories, and also provide work and promotion of our local artists."

Requests for designs are now open until 31 August. A Council panel will select the finalists before they are submitted to Chorus for final approval. The successful applicants will need to be able to complete the work by 30 March 2023.

Information can be found on Chorus' dedicated webpage: www.chorus.co.nz/community/cabinet-art-programme



All finished art will be included on the Chorus website and will be considered for the 2024 Chorus Cabinet Art calendar, copies of which are sent around the world.

Existing murals can be seen here: www.chorus.co.nz/blog/cabinet-art-gallery

New sites for public traders as bylaw adopted



New permitted sites for mobile traders, including food caravans, have been established across the District after the Council adopted the Trading in Public Spaces Bylaw in late July.

The new locations include sites in Rakaia and Lake Hood; areas within the District that were previously missing permitted sites. The public was consulted on the draft Bylaw in June and the Council received 29 submissions.

Group Manager Strategy and Compliance, Jane Donaldson, said the public's feedback had helped the Council find the right direction for the updated regulations.

"The Council has always recognised the vibrancy that mobile traders, such as food caravans bring to our towns and events.

"However, it needs to be balanced against the needs of our existing businesses and well managed, so it doesn't cause a nuisance for the public."

Ms Donaldson said much of the feedback

centred around the permitted trading sites on Havelock Street next to Baring Square East and the temporary spots in front of the clock tower where food caravans had been located while the new Library and Civic building, Te Pātaka o kā Tuhituhi and Te Waharoa a Hine Paaka, was under construction.

Councillors opted to retain the Havelock St permitted site, and add new permitted sites on each side of the clock tower while keeping the area directly in front of the landmark clear for visitors and people stopping for photographs.

The Bylaw also obtained a new name, after being previously known as the Mobile Shops, Stalls and Hawkers Bylaw. The Council agreed that the new title was clearer and better described its purpose.

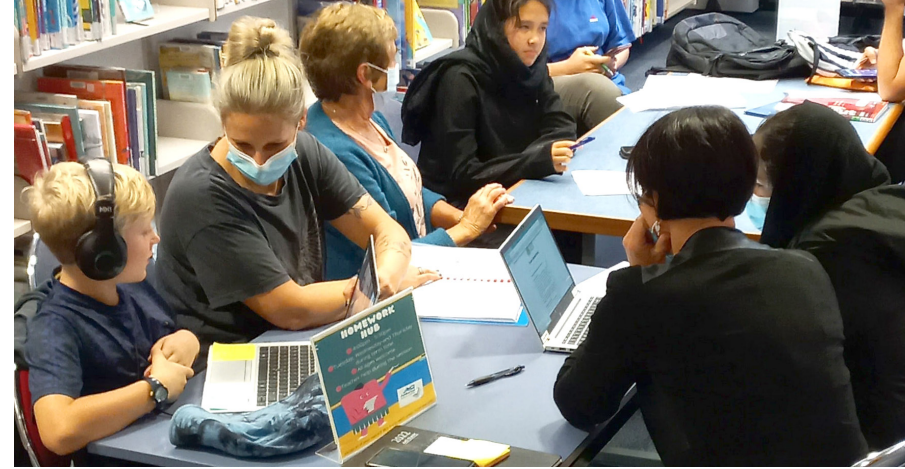
The Council is now producing a help guide for those interested in trading on public sites which will help explain the bylaw's requirements. Information can also be found on the Council's website at ashburtondc.govt.nz/publictrading

No Winter Blues at the Library

While the weather has been dreadful over the last few weeks, it's been the perfect time to get out of the rain and make use of the great services on offer at the Ashburton Public Library.

The Library is well past just being a place for books. It's evolved into a community space for sharing knowledge and connecting with other people. Many of our resources are aimed towards helping our tamariki (kids) and rangatahi (young adults), including:

LOTE Online for Kids: Our new online database of digital books in World Languages allows kids to enjoy the magic of books in LOTE (Languages Other Than English). Each book also comes with English translations to help kids learn languages. It has digital picture books in 45+ languages, with new books and languages released each month. This service helps libraries, such as ours, to engage immigrant, refugee, and multilingual families in their communities.



Homework Hub: Run by teachers with help from library staff, this is a stress free way to take the pressure out of doing homework in a comfortable, relaxed setting. Homework Hub take place each Wednesday of Term 3 between 4pm and 5.30pm.

D&D Club: Let your imagination soar with this fun and immersive activity that rewards creativity and teamwork.

Dungeons and Dragons is hosted every Wednesday in the library from 4pm to 5.30pm. Suitable for Year 9 and above.

There's plenty more on offer at Ashburton Library, including a range of digital streaming services that you can access from home through your library membership.

Visit ashburtondc.govt.nz to find out more.

Final Day for Local Election Nominations

With nominations for the 2022 Local Elections closing at midday tomorrow (Friday), the Council is keen to see more people put their hands up to represent the community.

As of 11am Wednesday, 23 nominations had been received, including two for Mayor, 13 across the three wards of the Ashburton District Council, three for the Methven Community Board and five for the Braided Rivers Community Trust. Another five nominations were being processed.

While it's not unusual for there to be a flurry of last minute nominations, it's possible that a lack of candidates could lead to a costly by-election. At the time of printing, one further nomination was still needed for the Braided Rivers Community Trust which requires six elected members.

Nominations close at noon on Friday 12 August. The Council urges anyone intending to stand for election to complete their straight away and contact the Deputy Electoral Officer on 03 307 7700 to ensure their paperwork is correct.



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

EA Networks offers cabinets for art

With the help of the Creative Communities fund, EA Networks have partnered with Ashburton District Council to offer up two of their cabinets for painting this year.

The two cabinets are at Isleworth Road, Hinds (outside the public toilets) and Elizabeth Avenue, Rakaia.

"We're hoping this will attract local artists from Hinds and Rakaia to submit their designs", said Group Manager Community Services, Steve Fabish.

"We're proud to partner, once again with EA Networks on a community project and

we are excited to bring this initiative to our rural communities."

Artists who want to apply to the EA Networks cabinet programme can apply and submit designs to governance@adc.govt.nz by 31 August and work is to be completed by 30 March 2023.

Artists will be paid between \$400 and \$1,000 (depending on the size of the cabinet) and up to \$150 for materials.

The successful Chorus Cabinet programme inspired EA Networks to also offer up cabinets to deliver more vibrant local street art with the help of Ashburton District Council.



Draft Ashburton Airport Development Plan

How should our airport develop over the next 30 years?

Find out more about our proposals and talk to the team behind the draft plan at the Ashburton Airport Open Day.

Saturday 13 August | Between 12pm & 4pm
Mid Canterbury Aero Club, Ashburton Airport.

Share your feedback at ashburton.govt.nz/haveyoursay

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)

PUBLIC NOTICES

PROPOSED ROAD CLOSURES

Pursuant to the Transport (Vehicular Traffic Road Closure) Regulations 1965, notice is hereby given that the Ashburton District Council is proposing to temporarily close the following roads for the purposes described.

Road proposed to be closed:
SYMES ROAD

Purpose: To enable Endurance Events to hold the 'Mission Mt Somers' endurance race.

Period of Closure: From 5:00am until 5:00pm on Saturday, 29 October 2022

Objections: By 8.00am on Monday, 12 September 2022

Road proposed to be closed:
WINSLOW WILLOWBY ROAD, from the Longbeach Road intersection to approximately 500m from the intersection with State Highway 1

Purpose: To enable the Ashburton Car Club to hold the 'Winslow Willowby Road Standing Quarter Mile Sprint'

Period of Closure: From 9.00am until 4.00pm on Saturday, 03 September 2022

Objections: By 4.00pm on Wednesday, 31 August 2022

This proposed closure is made under the Local Government Act 1974 - Schedule 10 (11 (e)) and will be considered at the Council meeting on 17 August 2022.

Correction: This meeting was incorrectly advertised last week as taking place on 17 September.

Objections: Any person objecting to the proposals above should lodge notice of their objection and the grounds for their objection in writing by post or email to the Council, 5 Baring Square West, Ashburton, by the date noted.

NEIL MCCANN
Group Manager
Infrastructure Service

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Meetings are held in the Council Chambers, 137 Havelock Street, (unless otherwise advised).

Council Meeting
Wednesday 17 August, 1.00pm

Biodiversity Advisory Group
Thursday 18 August, 1.00pm

Ashburton Water Zone Committee
Tuesday 23 August, 1.00pm (live-streamed)

ASHBURTON ART GALLERY & ASHBURTON MUSEUM
327 West Street
10am - 4pm daily