

Much-needed maintenance for Anglesea St

One of the CBD's busiest streets will be the focus of much-needed maintenance work, from next week.



Artist impressions of Anglesea Street

New footpath surfaces, new kerbs and new trees are features of a range of maintenance to the section of Anglesea Street between Collingwood Street and Knox Street.

Lance Vervoort, Council's Community General Manager, says the work is part of broader project to make the city safer and more attractive.

"The work is part of a planned maintenance and renewals programme, and reflects Council's vision of an enhanced and improved CBD," Mr Vervoort says.

"We've allowed about eight weeks for this work: however, we'll be working very hard to ensure we get it done as efficiently and quickly as possible, and that extends to having some of

the work done at night," he says.

The project had originally been scheduled for October, but has been brought forward to August and September to coincide with work WEL Networks needs to carry out at the same site. "It's sensible for both organisations to carry out their work at the same time – this will mean we can limit the disruption on what is a busy section of this street."

Mr Vervoort urged the public and particularly motorists to be cautious and patient while the work is undertaken, as it will create some pressure on parking and traffic.

For more information visit www.hamilton.govt.nz/angleseastreet



Welsh rugby coach Warren Gatland

Public invited to see rugby legend receive city award

Internationally recognised rugby coach and distinguished former international rugby player Warren Gatland will receive an honorary city ambassadorship from Hamilton City Council on Thursday.

The public is invited to attend the ceremony, from 1.45pm – 2.30pm in the Council chambers.

The ambassadorship is given to individuals representing the interests

of Hamilton at a national or international level. Mr Gatland, who was born and educated in Hamilton, will receive the inscribed medallion at an extraordinary council meeting.

The award recognises his long career which has taken him from the sports fields at Hamilton Boys' High School to his current role as coach of the Welsh rugby team. Mr Gatland is a former All Black and a 140-game Waikato rugby veteran.

District Plan shapes a prosperous future for Hamilton

The District Plan directs the way Hamilton looks and feels and set the rules for future city development. The Council's Proposed District Plan put forward changes to ensure we are keeping up to date with, and thinking ahead about, what is best for Hamilton's future.

The Proposed District Plan hearing of submissions process had input from over 1500 people and businesses. Decisions on the Proposed District Plan were released on 9 July by independent Commissioners.

Key themes include:

- more flexibility for residential developers as they have more control over design and layout of homes.
- a strong focus on providing development opportunities in the Central Business District with great design outcomes as well as identifying areas for growth in the other five business zones in our city.
- land has been identified for future industrial development which is to predominantly be

used for industrial purposes (such as in the Rotokauri area) where there will be minimal effects on residential and commercial areas.

- some zoning changes have been made across the city to better reflect the activities taking place in that area.

If you are planning any future development on your property, there are many ways you can find out information on the new District Plan rules:

- Talk to a Duty Planner who can take you through how the rules can be applied to your work. Please call 07 838 6699 during office hours.

Visit our website to find a variety of information, includes:

- a Summary Report of the decisions prepared by the Commissioners
- factsheets relevant to certain zones in the city
- the entire decisions version of the District Plan which identifies what has changed from the Proposed District Plan.



With the District Plan focused on revitalising the CBD, the Price Waterhouse Cooper building is an example of good urban design which provides open space for the Community



Got no time? View it online

Hamilton City Council has implemented several initiatives to make the democratic process more accessible to the public, particularly around its monthly meetings.

In late 2012, live video streaming of the monthly full Council meeting was trialled and has since become a regular fixture with other high-interest meetings, including the Fluoride hearings, also being streamed.

This month has seen the Finance Committee, and Strategy and Policy Committee meetings also added to

the live streaming schedule. These two committees, and the full Council meeting all start at 1.30pm from August.

For those people who are unable to attend the meeting, or view it live, the video is archived and posted to Council's YouTube channel within a day or two of the meeting so it can be viewed whenever it is most convenient.

More information on live streaming can be found at www.hamilton.govt.nz/webcam or view Council's YouTube channel at youtube.com/user/HamiltonCityCouncil

COUNCIL NEWS

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- Warren Gatland receives Hamilton City Council honorary city ambassadorship
- Strategy and Policy Committee meeting decisions
- Hamilton Zoo's Sumatran tigers on friendly terms

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

Visit www.hamilton.govt.nz to read all agendas and minutes.

- **Tuesday 29 July**
Event Sponsorship Subcommittee Meeting
- **Wednesday 31 July**
Extraordinary Council Meeting

Celebrating Maaori Language Week

As Maaori Language Week comes to a close, here are some of our facilities and their Maaori names.



Te Whare Taonga o Waikato
Waikato Museum



Te Parapara Pa o Kirikiriroa
Hamilton Gardens



Te Whare Kararehe o Kirikiriroa
Hamilton Zoo



Te Whare takoro o Waikato
Waikato Stadium



Mayor Julie Hardaker

The challenges for our growing City

The annual Local Government Conference happened this week. Mayors and Councillors from all around New Zealand met to talk about issues that most affect our communities and to hear from speakers who challenged our thinking.

One of the things most evident is the growing gap between issues affecting councils representing places that are growing, and those where population and economic decline are starting to, or are already having significant impact.

One economist provided an insightful reality check on regional economies and the impact of the unstoppable four mega trends: globalism, urbanism, aging and technology.

We all know Hamilton is growing fast and the city and the region's economies are an important part of New Zealand's overall economic success. This growth also brings enhanced lifestyle with Hamilton providing a wide range of choices for housing, schools and health care, and great recreation, sporting and entertainment facilities. A catchment of around 250,000 people from the Waikato also enjoy these city facilities.

But our growing city brings big challenges for the Council and residents, the biggest being how we pay for infrastructure and facilities to support this growth while still keeping prudent financial management of the city's books.

This challenge will be the focus of the Council's work over the next six months as we develop the budget for the next 10 years. Providing outstanding infrastructure and providing those essential Council services comes first. There will be many choices to be made and priorities to set. We will also be looking at different and innovative ways to fund our growth.

A growing city is a great challenge to have and Hamilton has an outstanding future ahead.

New plaque reveals Captain Hamilton's history



Deputy Mayor Gordon Chesterman beside the statue of Captain Hamilton and the new plaque.

Captain John Fane Charles Hamilton has been a resident in Civic Square for almost 16 months, but he is a man of mystery to many people.

But that is all about to change with the addition of a plaque which will provide some historical information about the popular Scottish commander of the HMS Esk, who died at the Battle of Gate Pa, Tauranga on April 29, 1864, when he was 43-years-old.

Captain Hamilton never visited Hamilton, but his commanding officer, William Module, named the new settlement after him in acknowledgement of his bravery at Gate Pa.

The statue of Captain Hamilton was gifted to the city by the Gallagher Group in March last year to mark the group's 75th anniversary. The life-size statue by bronze artist Margret Windhousen depicts Captain Hamilton in his naval officer's uniform.

Deputy Mayor Gordon Chesterman says the existing plaque acknowledges this gift, but there is no mention of who Captain Hamilton was, or why he is important to the city.

"The new plaque means that everyone who walks past the statue will now know more about the man who our city is named after," he says.

School kids benefit from Water Safety NZ grant

Children from 10 of the city's schools will benefit from a Water Safety New Zealand (WSNZ) grant to Hamilton Pools.

Mathew Bayliss, Hamilton City Council's Swimming and Recreation Manager, says students from the selected low-decile schools in Hamilton's will get 10 subsidised or free Learn to Swim lessons following a \$50,000 grant from WSNZ.

The grant will mean the Year 3 to Year 6 students will develop confidence and experience in the water, under the tutelage of Hamilton Pools' Learn to Swim teachers, and as part of the Swim for Life programme.

"The grant will remove some of the barriers some schools, parents and caregivers face when it comes to funding children's swimming education," Mr Bayliss says.

Students from Frankton were among the first to participate this week, and Principal Judy Dixon says parents are very supportive.



Hamilton Pools Learn to Swim tutors Stewart Gibson (blue top) Chris Bowden (green top) with students from Frankton School, who've benefitted from a Water Safety NZ grant.

"Parents are delighted their children have this opportunity. The 10-lesson concept gives children a longer period of time to consolidate skills and build confidence. This is also at the right time before summer comes along."

Matt Claridge CEO of Water Safety New Zealand says: "This is a great partnership for WSNZ and Hamilton City Council to ensure that kids who don't have a school swimming pool get the education they need to be safe in the water."

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HAMILTON CITY'S BIRTHDAY PARTY
SATURDAY 22 NOVEMBER
CBD

This is an opportunity for everyone to join us in a family-friendly party in the CBD. Victoria St will be closed on the day and the city will be divided into different precincts. The day begins with a hot rod parade and there will be old-style games, such as egg and spoon races, vintage markets and ethnic food stalls. Other attractions include a cultural workshop, which will be held in the outdoor entrance to Waikato Museum and AA Classic Car Show. A feature of the day will be performances by Hamilton schools to reflect the decades since the British settlers arrived in Hamilton 150 years ago. Festivities will begin at 3pm and will wrap up around 9pm.

For more information on Hamilton 150 events visit www.hamilton150.govt.nz



ANNOUNCING - RICKY MARTIN

This is it... Grammy winning music superstar Ricky Martin is coming to Claudelands Arena. Ricky will be performing in Hamilton on Sunday, 19 April 2015 as part of his One World Tour. Tickets are now on sale through Ticketek. For more information visit www.claudelands.co.nz

BOB DYLAN
SATURDAY 9 – SUNDAY 10 AUGUST
CLAUDELANDS ARENA
Bob Dylan has been an influential figure in popular music and culture for six decades and he's coming to Hamilton.

CRAFT & QUILT FAIR
THURSDAY 7- SUNDAY 10 AUGUST
CLAUDELANDS
The fair brings together the latest craft supplies, tools, kits and ideas, plus demonstrations and workshops with experts, hands-on classes to make something unique, and inspiring displays of creative crafts and quilts... all under one roof.

DRESS FOR SUCCESS
THURSDAY 31 JULY
THE GRANDSTAND, CLAUDELANDS
Join their major fundraising event of the year – a fabulous evening of cocktails by candlelight and charity auction.

ALLEGRO
TUESDAY 5 AUGUST
FOUNDERS THEATRE
The Royal New Zealand Ballet presents Allegro - a powerhouse of five dynamic ballets from leading international choreographers.

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