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On the road to recovery

Did it rain!!!

The monthly rainfall total for December measured at the Maitai dam was 695mm.

This is the highest monthly total ever recorded. The previous highest total was 570.5mm in August 1998.

The December average between 1988 and 2010 was a mere 145mm.

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Nelson Mayor Aldo Miccio meets with Cable Bay residents to view the damage.

More than a month after the rain events of December 2011, the recovery process is well underway.

With the first priority being the restoration of lifelines to the majority of those affected, there remains only a handful of roads throughout the region still closed with all water, sewage power and other utilities restored or reconnected in some form. This was against a backdrop of slips still being reported right up until 5 January.

The region will carry the scars for some time, with visible signs of massive slips on many of the region's hills; however, the biggest scar for many will be the impact on their

family home.

Nearly 500 properties in Nelson and Tasman were evacuated as a result of the land movement and were subject to an engineering risk assessment, with 130 of those subsequently being 'red-stickered' under the Civil Defence State of Emergency. The stickers became Section 124 notices when the state of emergency was lifted at the end of December. Like Cantabrians, many in the region will become expert in geotechnical and legislative matters.

Since early to mid January a

number of owners of Section 124 properties have been given clearance to re-enter their homes, however, there will still be a number for whom this option will be weeks, even months, from being a reality. Two roads will stand as barometers of the recovery for many in the region, Rocks Road and the road to Totaranui – both significant to the region economically and emotionally. In Rocks Road case, the containers at the foot of the cliffs are a graphic reminder, while the sheer scale of the damage to the access to

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Sunshine title ours again!

Despite the days of rain at the end of last year, Nelson has again taken the crown as the sunniest place in New Zealand.

While Whakatane pipped us at the post in 2010 and snapped at our heels throughout 2011, it was dark horse Tekapo, known more for its night skies than sunny days, which came in at second place.

Nelson clocked up 2487 hours in 2011 while Tekapo was only 24 hours behind and Whakatane came in third with 107 fewer hours than Nelson.

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Council takes next step towards a regional velodrome

A regional Velodrome at Saxton Field has moved a step closer with the Nelson City Council agreeing to put its funding contribution in this year's Long Term (Ten Year) Plan.

Council has agreed in principle to establishing a velodrome as a regional facility subject to final design and pricing.

It wants 20% of the estimated design and construction cost of \$2m to come from the Saxton Velodrome Trust.

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Live Nelson

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Note from the editor

This is the first Live Nelson for 2012 and an appropriate time to reflect.

2011 was not an easy year. The Canterbury quakes hard on the heels of Pike River, literally rocked our island and the flooding and slips here before Christmas brought their own misery.

Here at Council we did our best to help with our neighbour's disasters while maintaining 'business as usual' to our residents. Our own flooding saw many Council staff work long hours and even through the Christmas break.

I know we all want to see Nelson be the best it can be.

Sometimes I wonder if our critics realise that most Council staff are Nelson residents and ratepayers too – and not exempt to the consequences of Council decisions anymore than anybody else. I consider I'm lucky to work with a team of people whose focus is what's best for our city and its residents. Conversely, many of you send us positive feedback directly, which is always welcome.

Last year the death of Jungle Payne, a member of our Communications team which produces Live Nelson and the man behind thousands of images published here since its inception, was felt keenly throughout Council.

On a personal note, the death of my mother left a massive void, but the support of my Council colleagues helped me through.

The point I am making is that Council staff are people too, and they're all doing their best to face the same challenges and issues as our residents every day.

Here's to a New Year in Nelson that's memorable for all the good reasons.

Nan Ward
Editor, Live Nelson



What's going on in our Streams?

In July last year, Nelson City Council, with funding from the Ministry for the Environment, launched a project to help clean up the Stoke Streams.

A number of Nelson's urban streams are in a poor state of health but the streams in the Stoke area all have water quality that is very degraded.

On Saturday 28 January, there will be an opportunity to learn about the water quality of Orphanage Stream and to find out what is living there. The Waimaori programme will be explained and you can join in the hunt for creepy crawlies (invertebrates) living in the stream. The Cawthron Institute is also a partner in the project and there will be a representative there to show how water quality is tested. You can also find out about simple actions you can take to ensure that the water quality in our urban streams is the best that it can be.

Depending on availability, there will be representatives from DOC and Fish and Game who will show how electric fishing is done and you may get to see some of the native fish that live in our streams.

Join us at Orphanage Stream from 10am – 2pm just upstream of the pond above Main Road Stoke (opposite Bunnings). There is plenty of parking at the netball courts off Saxton Road.

There will be a sausage sizzle and kids trail.

For further information contact Lynne Hall, Nelson City Council 546 0308, or lynne.hall@ncc.govt.nz
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Sunshine title ours again!

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Nelson Mayor Aldo Miccio was all smiles when he learned Nelson had regained the title.

"This is great news for Nelson and sits so well with our positioning as the Solar Capital of New Zealand. For generations we have been known as

sunny Nelson and it's a positive start to the New Year we can again back that up."

Note: You can keep an eye on the running total for the year at the base of the last page of each edition of Live Nelson. This year has not started well!

Fruits of labour

Our city is not just home to beautiful parks and reserves, it is also a giant orchard, available for everyone to harvest and enjoy.

Over the past 20 years the Nelson City Council has planted hundreds of fruit and nut trees in all sorts of areas, aimed at not just growing an attractive variety of trees, but providing a bounty of crops for our residents to enjoy.

Now you can find exactly where they are through our Top of the South Maps website.

The website covers Nelson Tasman and gives the location of all types of edible fruits and nuts in dozens of publicly accessible areas.

It displays tree symbols, and with a quick click over the symbol with the Info Tool, the legend describes the edible bounty, from walnuts and plums, through to watercress, olives, figs, fejoas and quinces.

You could make a day of it following the map, or simply find previously undiscovered edible tree crops right in your neighbourhood by using your own address as the base for the search.

The latest mass planting of edible trees by Council is on the Grampians, which features plums, apples, and hazel nuts.

You can access the map through Top of the South Maps by typing <http://tinyurl.com/6wlau4t>

Thanks from a Stoke family

Dear Parks Department

We live in Stoke and wanted to let you know how much we are enjoying the Railway Reserve. We are especially enjoying all the fruit trees. Yesterday on our walk with the children we had to stop at every plum tree to sample the fruit and then to top it off we all nibbled on fresh strawberries on the way home (Main Road, Stoke).

We can't wait until the 'new' apple trees are ready to try. WOW!

This is truly a delight and one of the best initiatives that I have ever seen from NCC. Last autumn also provided plenty of delights with the children finding so many fejoa trees. After school I would often find them in the reserve helping themselves to the fruits. Yesterday they also announced they would like to try and make quince jelly with the quince fruit. This may provide a challenge for me!

We just wanted to say we think this is wonderful, keep up the good work and thank you. The Railway Reserve brings us all so much pleasure and it is now the children who suggest we go for a walk to see what we can find.

Kindest regards

The Woodyear-Smith family

Did you get an ebook reader for Christmas?



Then now is the time to discover the free ebook collection at Nelson Public Libraries.

www.nelsoncitycouncil.co.nz/overdrive-ebooks

Nelson Public Libraries provides access to e-books and downloadable audio books through Overdrive, joining with a group of other Libraries to set up the South Island Downloadable Zone.

All titles are free to download, plus there are no reservation or extended loan charges (items automatically expire on the due date). Simply download and activate the software, sign in with your library barcode and pin number and browse the collection to find what you want to check out. Full information about compatible devices,

downloading the software, finding and checking out items is provided on the site.

The South Island Downloadable zone has a selection of adult fiction e-books and audio titles – and Nelson Public Libraries have just added more titles, including some non-fiction and children's material. To find this Advantage collection, available only to Nelson Public library members, sign in to Overdrive with your library barcode and pin, browse all titles and look for this icon (pictured).

We have also added our first local title, supported by the



Nelson Institute. Have a look for Nelson Observed, Christopher Vine's iconic record of the early buildings of the Nelson region.

If you want more information about Overdrive please ask at the Information Services Desk, or contact the library on 546 0414, email on library.ref@ncc.govt.nz or book for one of our ebook information sessions being held in the Elma Turner Library Learning Centre.

Although Overdrive is currently not available for Kindles in New Zealand, we anticipate that this situation will change during 2012.

Mayor's message

Welcome to the first Live Nelson of 2012 and I hope you and yours had an enjoyable festive break.

For some of our residents the aftermath of the flood event before Christmas remains and I am sure our thoughts are with them as they face the challenges of recovery.

It is interesting to note that since the fatal flooding which hit Nelson in 1970, successive Councils have done major stormwater and roading work on hill areas of the city, particularly the Tahunanui side of the Port Hills and Abraham Heights, which came through the recent event relatively unscathed.

However for those affected properties and council infrastructure, the recovery is ongoing.

This is also a big year for Council, we have some exciting projects planned, starting with the redevelopment of Rutherford and Trafalgar Parks which will kick off with improving the city end of the Maitai walkway.

The Long Term Plan which maps out the city's future direction for the next ten years will be completed this year, but will now have to take into account the flood recovery projects.

At the end of this month the Local Government Commission will release its decision on whether to proceed with a referendum on amalgamation with Tasman District.

Obviously the ramifications of this are important for our city and region.

I'm looking forward to an exciting and challenging year ahead, one which I'm sure will see Nelson move forward and prosper as we work towards delivering best service and value in 2012 for all our residents.

Aldo Miccio
Mayor of Nelson

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The remaining 80% would be made up of 43% from the Nelson City Council and 37% from Tasman District Council.

Nelson City's funding contribution will be considered as part of the long term plan 2012-2022, in the 2012/13 year with payment being

subject to the Saxton Velodrome Trust making significant progress with its funding contribution.

The costs of decommissioning the existing cycle track at Trafalgar Park will also be considered as part of the Long Term Plan in the 2013/2014 year.

On the road to recovery

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one of Golden Bay's legendary spots will be a focus for engineers for some time.

We have a lot to do as a City, with some re-prioritisation required from our original plans as a result of the event – the Council will be looking to the Recovery Team to provide some advice on the immediate future. This will be discussed with you all as part of the Long Term Plan process in the next few months.

Now that the recovery is in the hands of engineers, contractors and insurance companies, we should reflect and acknowledge the community groups and agencies who rallied to help those in need.

The majority of Nelsonians were not directly affected, bar the closure of some roads and a minor disruption to services. This was due in some part to luck, but also to the hard work of a large number of people throughout the region who worked tirelessly to manage and mitigate the effects of the biggest rain event in the region's history. It is these people we should acknowledge and thank.

With the hard work going on behind the scenes we should be confident that it will not be long before the City and the region will be restored as the best place to live in New Zealand.



Rutherford and Trafalgar Parks Draft Concept Plan – tell us what you think

The blueprint for an iconic active urban space in Nelson is taking shape. Designers Wraight and Associates have been busy creating a draft plan for the redevelopment of Rutherford and Trafalgar Parks. Now's your chance to see what these Parks could look like in the future, and to let us know if we are on the right track.

Share your thoughts with us

Community feedback is open until 31 January and there are various ways to tell us what you think of the plan (opposite):

- Go to www.nelsoncitycouncil.co.nz/parks-redevelopment and fill out the feedback form, or email inquires@ncc.govt.nz
- Fill out the freepost form on this page and post back or drop it into the Nelson City Council Customer Services Centre in Civic House.
- Come to an informal community workshop on Thursday 26 January 4 – 6pm, or Friday 27 January 12 – 2pm.

Workshops will be held in the Trafalgar Pavilion at Trafalgar Park (enter through the Maitai Gate off the Hathaway Terrace car park).

They are a chance to meet the design team, see the concept plans in large format, and have some input into the final plan.

Areas we are looking for specific feedback on are the extension of Paru Paru Rd, cycle and walkways, how to make the parks safer, the types of activities and facilities on offer and ideas for making the parks more sustainable.

What the plan covers

The final plan will implement the vision and objectives of the 2010 Reserve Management Plan and will guide the future development of Rutherford and Trafalgar Parks, including Kinzett Terrace and the Maitai Walkway.

The design team is using feedback from the community to help develop the plan, including previous work done on the Heart of Nelson Strategy that identified the area as a "Parks Precinct" that would

connect Nelson city to the Maitai River and the sea.

The staging and costs of the redevelopment will go through formal consultation in the Long Term Plan in April. Council's intention is to begin construction to improve the Maitai Walkway by mid July.

Proposed changes

The concept plan (opposite) details what the new urban space could look like and includes the location of future buildings, cycle and walkways, activities and facilities, green spaces and play areas. The major proposed changes are:

- Developing a central walkway (Pedestrian Spine) through Rutherford Park (1).
- Creating a 'Park Boulevard' by extending Paru Paru Road to Haven Road (2).
- Turning the Maitai Walkway into a 'River Promenade' with seating, boardwalks, art and water access points (4).
- Incorporating Moller Fountain green space into Rutherford Park by moving the city bound traffic lane on Haven Road to the other side, to create a two-way road and more opportunities to restore the stream edge (13).

For more detailed information on the design development, go to www.nelsoncitycouncil.co.nz/parks-redevelopment and view the sketch options.

Next steps

Council will discuss the draft concept plan and community feedback at a workshop next month. Agreed changes will be made and the final draft plan will be signed off by Council ready for formal consultation through the Long Term Plan in April.

Redevelopment goals

- **Accessible parks** - visible and safe for people of all abilities to move into and through the Park with ease.
- **Connected parks** - linked to the wider active transport connections in the City.
- **Flexible parks** - to meet the needs of current users of the Park without constraining future uses.
- **Active parks** - encouraging a range of activities, including community sports, informal recreation, and cultural events.
- **Sustainable parks** - with an ecological framework that will support biodiversity and create a clean and healthy environment.

RUTHERFORD AND TRAFALGAR PARKS AND MAITAI WALKWAY CONCEPT PLAN

Tell us what you think

Complete this form and freepost attention to: Rutherford Parks Feedback, Nelson City Council, Freepost 76919, PO Box 645, Nelson 7040.

Name: _____

Email or postal address: _____

1. Do you think the concept plan is on the right track? Yes No

2. Do you support the proposal to extend Paru Paru Road to Haven Road? Yes No

3. What types of things would you like to see along the Maitai Walkway?

Please attach additional sheets if needed

4. What types of activities would you like to see in The Parks?

Please attach additional sheets if needed

Additional comments

Please attach additional sheets if needed

Thanks, we value your feedback.











www.nelsoncitycouncil.co.nz/parks-redevelopment



RUTHERFORD AND TRAFALGAR PARKS AND MAITAI WALKWAY CONCEPT PLAN



- 1 Central Pedestrian Spine
- 2 Paru Paru Road - Park Boulevard
- 3 Flexible events lawns
- 4 Maitai Walkway river promenade
- 5 Point Park marking old shoreline with stone seating wall and estuary edge gardens
- 6 Small scale events / sculpture lawn
- 7 Flexible petanque, performance, and temporary sculpture space
- 8 Playscape - children's landscaped playground with kiosk / public toilet / changing facility adjacent
- 9 Playscape - youth play & skate park
- 10 Croquet courts
- 11 Halifax Street & Anzac Park connection
- 12 Saltwater Creek edge enhancement & pathways
- 13 Moller Fountain parkland incorporated into Rutherford Park
- 14 Trafalgar Centre
- 15 Multi-use plaza accommodating service, half-ball courts, events space & parking
- 16 Trafalgar Centre drop off
- 17 New landscaped car parks
- 18 The Landing including improved small boat launching
- 19 New footpath & river walkway with boardwalk / deck access & outlook to Maitai River edge
- 20 Multi functional community facilities
- 21 Trafalgar Park river lawn - flexible events space
- 22 Estuarine ecological gardens including boardwalks, islands, and bird hides
- 23 Kinzett Terrace flexible events lawn
- 24 Nelson gateway sculpture
- 25 Boardwalk / pier
- 26 New eastern grandstand

-  New building
-  Existing building
-  Existing trees
-  New trees
-  Lawn
-  Limechip
-  Vehicle path and footpath
-  Boardwalk / Bridge / Deck





Review of the Dog Control Policy and Bylaw

It's time to review the Dog Control Policy and Bylaw.

The Nelson City Council and Nelson residents need to decide such things as which public places can dogs be allowed to run free in or be kept on a leash, and areas where dogs are not allowed.

The Council has set up a working party of Councillors and staff to develop a draft policy and bylaw to be considered by Council on 31 January. Then it will be everybody else's turn to have

their say on dogs in public places, specifically:

- which areas dogs should be excluded from;
- where dogs should be allowed on a leash; and
- where dogs should be able to exercise off a leash.

Other aspects of the policy and bylaw that are under review include the Good Dog Owner Policy, dog ownership information

and signage, doggy do dispensers, patrols, multiple dog ownership, and the Council's approach to enforcement.

All members of the community are welcome to make a submission, and all dog owners will receive a letter summarising the proposed changes next month. Anyone else who would like to put their name down to be sent the summary directly next

month can do so by emailing Debra Bradley at debra.bradley@ncc.govt or phoning 546 0261.

The Council will be seeking written submissions during February, and a hearing will be held in March for those submitters who also want to speak to the Councillors about their feedback on the proposed policy and bylaw.

Historic sites a significant touchstone

A review by the Nelson City Council of how historic heritage is protected in Nelson is underway.

Historic heritage is a touchstone of our identity and diversity and its protection is a "matter of national significance" in the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA).

Typical examples of historic heritage include:

- Built heritage (historic buildings or structures)
- Archaeological sites
- Places of significance to Māori, including wahi tapu, urupa, and places of traditional importance
- Places where past events have taken place
- Cemeteries and burial places
- Shipwrecks and other maritime heritage.

Councillor working group member Rachel Reese says historic heritage places and areas provide evidence of the origins of Nelson's society and allow people to experience a taste of how past generations lived.

"They are a touchstone for many people, and contribute identity, distinctiveness and diversity to Nelson. The review will include an assessment of the

heritage listings and provisions in the Nelson Resource Management Plan, and the Council's financial incentives to landowners for heritage protection."

The working group is comprised of Councillors Kate Fulton, Derek Shaw, Mike Ward and Rachel.

She says consultation on this historic heritage review will be undertaken with those directly involved and the public soon.

A Thematic Historical Overview has been developed which looks at the underlying general developments and events in the history of Nelson. This overview helps avoid concentrating on particular building types, specific periods or particular classes of historical events.

It also provides a framework to represent more fully the range of historic heritage places and areas within Nelson. Copies of this overview are available at the Council service centre, Nelson Public Libraries, Council website (keyword = Thematic Nelson History) or on request by contacting Peter Rawson on 546 0338.

www.nelsoncitycouncil.co.nz/historic-sites

Councillor's comment



It is hard to believe that we are now in 2012 and it is almost February.

It would be an understatement to say that 2011 was an unusual year and no doubt extremely stressful for many. Nelson's proximity and connection to Christchurch meant that we have all felt the impact of the earthquakes and the city's uncertain future. And closer to home, Mother Nature once again demonstrated her awesome power. As I write this there are people here in Nelson and the wider region that are still feeling the effect of that power and will do for months ahead. With the sun shining and summer here it is easy for most of us to forget what some people are going through but our thoughts are with them. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped with our recent civil defence emergency and continue to do so. This includes all of the Council staff who worked ridiculous hours in the lead up to Christmas and the amazing civil defence volunteers, many of whom exhausted from Christchurch took to the streets to help as the severity of the situation became apparent. An emergency-free New Year to you all.



Ali Boswijk
Nelson City Councillor

Art work for Orphanage Creek

Fiona Sutherland's design aptly named 'Up the creek without a Paddle' will soon be installed at the edge of the spillway pond of Orphanage Creek near Saxton Field.

The city's Art Selection Panel felt it would appeal to the large numbers of children and young families who use the walk/cycleway on their way to Saxton Field via the new underpass under Main Road Stoke. It was felt many stories would be woven about it.

The artist referenced the site in a number of ways. She says "the two lost boys could be from St Mary's Orphanage, (after which the creek is named) or boys from today, as their sports tee shirts feature numbers on their back. The two numbers added make the total of 1986, which is the year when Saxton field became a Sports ground"

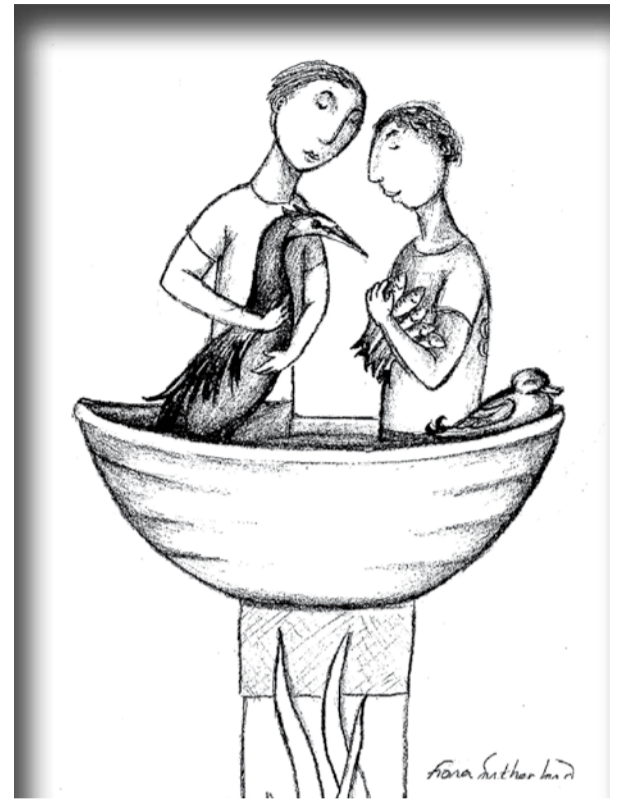
The collection of wildlife in the boat includes the white faced heron, mallard duck and inanga fish, all of which are found in the

area.

Like Fiona Sutherland's popular "Goddess of Flight" at Nelson Airport, the work will be made of darjit, a paper pulp material, mixed with sand and cement over a metal armature and will be very durable.

The design brief required the art work to be well clear of any flood waters and the artist has the boat marooned in the air as if after a flood.

A pile will protrude two metres above normal water level, with stainless steel flax leaves curling up under the hull of the boat. The actual 1.5 metre high sculpture will sit atop the pole, which should make it visible from many vantage points.



Artist's sketch.



Events Resource Consent sought

Council has filed for a resource consent to cover events in Council administered parks and open spaces.

The consent will cover two areas and aims to streamline the process of staging public events within the existing noise controls, but making the process more user friendly for organisers.

What does the consent application cover?

1: A broad application for events across all zoned parks and open space to legitimise the use of electrically amplified sound within permitted noise limits. This is because currently the Nelson Resource Management Plan (NRMP) states that any use of amplified sound is a controlled activity in the Open Space and Recreation Zone, and requires individual resource consent for each event. This application is to obtain a "global" consent to cover these activities.

The consent is specifically for amplified sound which fits within the permitted noise limits for the Open Space and Recreation Zone. It will cover personal music players such as ipods, loudhailers, PA systems, and low-level music for events such as school sports days, rugby games, triathlons, festivals, fairs, galas and community celebrations.

Why is the change needed?

Currently those activities actually breach the Plan in many cases. If taken to the extreme, this means

anyone even taking a picnic to a park with a radio to listen to the cricket is breaching the Plan. A recent example is for Rugby World Cup 2011 at Trafalgar Park, a Resource Consent had to be sought as the playing of the national anthems and team/game announcements through a PA system (amplified sound) breached the Plan, even though the crowd noise created at the matches, was actually much louder.

Does that mean that events will be louder than now?

The consent application **does not seek to gain increased noise limits**, and the hours of amplified sound are also strict. Activities generating amplified sound under this application may only be held between 9am and 10pm, and will still need to comply with the Council's noise management guidelines and procedures. Overall, the proposed activities will result in noise effects no greater than already provided for within the Plan.

What else does the Consent cover?

2: It seeks permission to allow special events on nominated public reserves and open spaces, and on limited occasions per year, where electrically amplified sound, closing times and ancillary

structures would breach specified rules in the Plan. An example of this is Opera in the Park which traditionally finishes after 10pm or the New Year's countdown celebrations at the Church Steps.

This application does not propose to increase noise standards across the City. It's being sought because there's an increasing community call for cultural and recreational events which add colour to our city for both residents and visitors. Some of those events involve use of amplified sound, and also need to allow the public to leave from the venue at the end of night time events. This application is to provide for these events in appropriate locations, but with a high standard of control to minimise their potential noise effects.

The sites and indoor venues in this application where these Special Events may be held are:

- Trafalgar Park
- Tahunanui Reserve
- Saxton Field
- Church Steps/1903 Square / Upper Trafalgar Street area
- Fairfield Park
- Botanicals Playing Field and Reserve
- Saxton Oval, Pavilion and Saxton Stadium
- Trafalgar Centre.

These are all sites which are zoned

'Open Space Recreation' or are 'Inner City' streets. Historically they have been used for public performance, cultural and recreational events and several already have Resource Consent authorising use of elevated noise for existing Special Events. Any consent that may be issued to this application, with its noise management plans, will replace the existing consent.

Can I have a say?

As part of the Consent notification process, public meetings will be held next month to give the public and residents of neighbouring properties the opportunity to find out more about the application. Malcolm Hunt, acoustic engineer, will be at these meetings to further explain the expected noise characteristics of events and the procedures proposed to mitigate this. Details of the public meetings will be advised in the next Live Nelson, and on Council's website.

The application will be notified so public submissions will be invited, and the application will be heard later this year by an Independent Commissioner.

For further information please contact Kath Inwood, phone 546 0289, email kath.inwood@ncc.govt.nz

community notices

Meetings for January/February 2012

The following meetings of the Nelson City Council have been scheduled.

Council – Community Services	
Tuesday 31 January	9.00am
Hearings Panel (if required)	
Wednesday 1 February	9.00am
Council - Infrastructure	
Thursday 2 February	10.30am
Remuneration Review Committee	
Monday 20 February	9.00am
Council - Governance	
Tuesday 21 February	9.00am
Council – Policy and Planning	
Thursday 23 February	9.00am
Regional Transport Committee	
Ruma Mahitahi	
Friday 24 February	1.30pm
Hearings Panel (if required)	
Wednesday 29 February	9.00am

OTHER MEETINGS:
 Youth Council
 Friday 27 January 1.00pm

NOTES:
 1. Unless otherwise shown, the meetings will be held in the Council Chamber, Civic House, Trafalgar Street, Nelson.
 2. A public forum is held during the initial period of the Council meeting. Anyone wishing to speak at this public forum is requested to give prior advice to an Administration Adviser on 546 0200.
 3. Agendas will be available for perusal at the Customer Service Centre in Civic House, or at Nelson Public Libraries, two days prior to the meeting.

Drive safe this summer

Please take extra care on our roads this summer.

That is the simple message to drivers, cyclists and pedestrians from Nelson City Council Road Safety Adviser Margaret Parfitt.

During the summer holiday period, December to February, the road crash risk in Nelson Tasman climbs dramatically.

Each summer on average there has been \$20million of social cost to our community from road crashes on the State Highway network alone.

Key issues for drivers to focus on are:

- When our roads are busy pass with care and slow down
- Choose your ride home carefully - don't drive home with someone who has been drinking.

A combined agency approach this summer between, Nelson City Council, New Zealand Transport Agency, Tasman District Council, and the NZ Police sees a focused advertising campaign being run to get safety messages across. Roadside billboards, posters and advertising material in bars, along with cinema and radio advertising are all being used.

Margaret says "I really want to reinforce the responsibility message around alcohol and about choosing your ride home

carefully."

She says, "People really need to plan their transport in advance if they are having a few drinks. Taxis are in short supply at peak times but can be booked in advance, plus there are the options of dial a sober driver, the "Late late bus" and some premises have courtesy coaches."

In a rural community or somewhere not well served by taxis Margaret says people should nominate their own sober driver who to get the other party goes safely home. "It is all about planning ahead," she says.

There is clear evidence that alcohol affects the way people drive. Studies show that the risk of being involved in a crash increases rapidly as a driver's blood alcohol level rises. A driver over the legal limit (80mg of alcohol per 100ml of blood) is three times more likely to be involved in a crash than a sober driver.

During the five year period 2006-2010 24 percent of all fatal and serious injury crashes in the Nelson Tasman Marlborough region were alcohol-related. Alcohol-related crashes mostly occurred at night (81 percent).



SPORT

Thurs, 26 - Sun, 29 Jan, 9am - 5pm - 2012 National Mountainbike Championships. Codgers Mountainbike Park, Brook Street. Ph. 021 230 9120 or chris.mildon@gmail.com

MUSIC

Sat, 21 Jan, 8pm - Ralph-Bennett-Eades. The Free House, 5 Collingwood Street. Free entry. info@thefreehouse.co.nz

Sat, 21 Jan, 9pm - Boogie Train. The Vic Brew Bar, 281 Trafalgar Street. Ph. 548 7631 or howard@vicbrewbar.co.nz

Sun, 22 Jan, 7pm - The Klezmer Rebs. The Free House, 95 Collingwood Street. Entry \$10. info@thefreehouse.co.nz

Fri, 27 Jan, 8pm - Nick Charles. The Boat House, 326 Wakefield Quay. Tickets \$15 at the door. Ph. 548 7646 or info@theboathousenelson.co.nz

ART

Fri, 13 - Fri, 27 Jan, 10pm - Theatre of Terror. Theatre Royal, 78 Rutherford Street. General Admittance R16. Tickets from Theatre Royal Box Office or TicketDirect, ph. 548 3840, 0800 224 224, or tickets@theatreroyalnelson.co.nz.

Sun, 22 - Sat, 28 Jan, 6.30pm, plus 2pm Sat and Sun - All the Fairy Tales You Know (and Some You Don't). Fairfield House, Upper Trafalgar Street. Donations gratefully accepted. bodyinspace@gmail.com

Until Sat, 28 Jan, 10am - 4pm - "TAKE 14" by Lisa Antonelli. ART@203, 203 Trafalgar Street. Ph. 548 3961 or 203art@gmail.com

The Suter Art Gallery Te Aratoi o Whakatū Exhibitions: 7 days 10.30am - 4.30pm, 208 Bridge Street. Entry free on Saturdays. Ph. 548 4699, info@thesuter.org.nz or visit www.thesuter.org.nz

Until 6 Feb - 'Richard Parker: Master of Craft'
 Until 6 Feb - 'DIONOIA: A Diorama of Paranoia'
 Until 12 Feb - '2011 Portage Ceramic Awards'

World of WearableArt™ and Classic Cars Museum, 10am - 5pm. Cadillac Way off Quarantine Road.

Until 17 Mar - Sanctuary. Reflections Art Gallery
 Until Tues, 1 May - Symbols Of Culture

HERE & THERE

Sun, 22 Jan, 12 - 5pm - 21st Annual Nelson Summer Kite Festival. Neal

Park. Kite stall, food and drink stalls, face painting, buggy rides. Gold coin donation. Come along to a day of family fun at the longest running and self funded kite festival in New Zealand. Organised by the Nelson Kite Club. Ph 548 8707.

Mon, 23 - Fri, 27 Jan, 10.30am - 12.30pm - Pottering About Workshops for Children Part 2. Pottering About, 38 Buxton Square. \$22 for a morning or \$100 for the whole week. Ph. 545 8041, info@potteringabout.co.nz

Thu, 2 - Sat, 4 Feb - Buskerburgoo - Buskers on the Streets. Top of Trafalgar Street. Ph. 545 8734 or festivalenquiries@ncc.govt.nz

Thu, 2 - Fri, 3 Feb - Buskerburgoo - When Buskers go Bad. The Boat House, 326 Wakefield Quay. R18 Tickets from Everyman, ph. 548 3083. Ph. 545 8734 or festivalenquiries@ncc.govt.nz

Fri, 3 - Mon, 6 Feb - Summer Ceroc 2012 - Kiwi Classics and Fusion Moves. Nelson Suburban Club, 168 Tahunanui Drive. Check the website or facebook. For tickets phone 027 237 6266 or cerocnelson@gmail.com

Until Sat, 28 Apr, 8 - 9.15am Sats; 7.45 - 9am Weds - Yoga on the Beach. Tahunanui main beach. Park at children's/Lions playground. Bring \$5. Ph 546 4670 or 027 622 1878 or maureenmckain@hotmail.com

The Nelson Provincial Museum, Pupuri Taonga o Te Tai Ao Exhibitions: 10am - 5pm (4.30pm weekends). Ph 548 9588 or peter.millward@museumnp.org.nz
 Until Sun, 22 Apr 2012 - Extraordinary Frontiers - Cawthron Science, Innovation and Mysteries from our Environment.

Every Wed, 11am - 4pm - Nelson Farmer's Market. Fashion Island, corner Hardy/Morrison Streets. Ph. 022 010 2776 or nelsonfarmersmkt@gmail.com

Every Sat, 8am - 1pm - Nelson Market. Montgomery Square Carpark. Ph 546 6454 or nita@nelsonmarket.co.nz

Every Sat, 3 - 7pm - McCashins Market. McCashins Brewery, 660 Main Road Stoke. Ph 547 5357 or emma@mccashins.co.nz

Broadgreen Historic House, 276 Nayland Road, Stoke. 10.30am - 4.30pm except Good Friday and Christmas Day. Adult \$4, senior citizen \$3, school students \$1, under 5 years free. Ph 547 0403.

Isel House. Open Tuesday to Sunday 11am - 4pm. Ph 547 1347 or 547 5222, www.iselhouse.co.nz

To find out more about upcoming events, go to www.itson.co.nz.

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Total year to date as at 12 January 2012

Sunshine Hours

Nelson	66.2 hours
Blenheim	91.4 hours
Tekapo	107.90 hours
Whakatane	73.7 hours

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