

Working together for a Safer Napier



Safer Napier

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Nau mai, haere mai.

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Gambling Harm Awareness Week

Goal: Ngā tangata | People

Our people are safe and prepared

Promoting healthy habits, looking after your physical health and spending time in nature was the focus during Gambling Harm Awareness Week during September 2023. Te Rangihaeata Oranga Trust Gambling Recovery Service encouraged whānau to support their wellbeing by being active and spending time reconnecting with the environment (te taiao).

Te Rangihaeata Oranga also encouraged gambling venues throughout Hawke's Bay to "Pause the Pokies", to raise awareness about gambling harm for an hour during the week. Cath Healy, General Manager, said they had some uptake from venues pausing the pokies for an hour everyday "we are grateful to the venues that showed their support of our kaupapa".



Community Resilience Planning in Maraenui

Goal: Ngā hāpori | Community

We are a connected and inclusive community

A workshop focusing on building community resilience for Maraenui was held on 25 November 2023, at Maraenui Bilingual School. Tu Tangata Maraenui Trust, Hawkes Bay Civil Defence Emergency Management and Napier City Council partnered together to deliver the workshop that aims to inform the Maraenui Community Resilience Plan.

Part of the workshop involved a group discussion on the hazards that exist in their community, and how they could support each other in their neighbourhood following an emergency. Future workshops will be held during 2024 to finalise the Community Resilience Plan and set up a Community Emergency Hub.



Carlyle Streets for People

Goal: Ngā wāhi | Place

We have safe homes, roads and public spaces

Construction started in early December, along Carlyle Street as part of the 'Streets for People' project. The project was informed by feedback from the Napier community and identified issues around road and pedestrian safety. The first noticeable change will be a new roundabout at the Carlyle, Faraday Street intersection, designed to slow down traffic and improve safety. Raised crossings will also be installed near Carlyle Kindergarten and towards the eastern end of the Carlyle street. Looking ahead, there are more developments in the pipeline, including an upgraded crossing on Thackeray Street near Napier Intermediate School.



Newcomers welcome to call Napier home

Goal: Ngā hāpori | Community

We are a connected and inclusive community

At a special ceremony on Wednesday, 31 January, Napier City Council joined over 30 councils throughout New Zealand rolling out the welcome mat for newcomers, recent migrants, former refugees and international students. Napier Mayor, Kirsten Wise, along with mana whenua and community partners, signed a Welcoming Communities 'Statement of Commitment', reaffirming that newcomers, from all cultures, are welcome to call Napier home. Held at Napier's Pukemokimoki Marae the Statement of Commitment will see Napier gain Stage One of the Welcoming Communities Accreditation.

For more information visit napier.govt.nz keyword search **WelcomingCommunities**

Social Monitor measures safety and community wellbeing

How many residents feel safe in Napier?

Council's annual community wellbeing survey measures Napier residents' perceptions about safety and social wellbeing, including:

- Quality of life
- Community mental wellbeing and health
- Social connections and neighbourhoods
- Diversity and inclusion

- Accessibility
- Emergency Management
- Climate change perceptions

Safety perceptions show mixed results in 2023, with just over half of residents (52%) indicate they feel safe. While this improved following the post-cyclone low of 38%, the level remains lower than in 2022 (62%). Highlights and the detailed report from the 2023 Survey and Post-Cyclone survey can be found online at napier.govt.nz search keyword **social monitor**