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Are you a CI Submitter?

Last year a few hundred people made submissions on the proposed Central Interceptor. The date of the Hearing has now been set – Mon 29 July to Fri 9 August. Submitters, who should all have received a formal notice, have until 17 July to confirm if they wish to be 'heard' at the Hearing. In response to questions, Mangere Bridge Residents and Ratepayers Association will host a gathering on Saturday, 13 July at 3.30 pm in the barn at Ambury Regional Farm, 43 Ambury Road, for any submitters wishing to update themselves, discuss concerns, possibly consider combining their presentations, etc.

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If you are interested in helping others within your Community and are prepared to help with fund-raising and Street Appeals such as: Red Cross - Arthritis Foundation - Daffodil Day - Pink Ribbon etc.

Please do not hesitate to call:

Cath Imrie 09 634 7777 022 099 1869

David Fox 09 275 6010

Jacqui Ewens 09 636 1054 021 108 7538

We are happy with as much or as little time as you can offer as we are aware that today we all lead very busy lives.

What's on in the Bridge

MONDAY	Guides 6-8pm. CMA Day Care 9:30am - 12:30pm. Methodist Church Hall. St John Youth - 6:30-8:00pm. Wriggle & Whyme 9:30 - School Term only, MB Library Senior Citizens Housie, 1pm Bridge Crt Hall
TUESDAY	Keas 5-6pm Cubs 5-6:30pm Line Dancing (intermediate) 6-7:30pm
WEDNESDAY	Brownies 6-7:30pm Tibetan Buddhist Class 7:30pm Plunket Toy Library 9:30 - 10:30am Yoga 6.30 - 8 pm Mangere Mountain Education Ctr. Mangere Bridge Plunket Indoor Bowls Names by 7.20pm Mangere Memorial Hall Plunket car seat rentals 9:30 - 12:30 Plunket Rooms, 5 Taylor Road Bridge Park Tennis Club Night 6:00pm Line Dancing (absolute beginners) 7-8pm
THURSDAY	Bridge Art Group, 9am - 12:00, Memorial Hall Scouts 7-9pm.
FRIDAY	Sing-a-long storytime 10:30am Library.
SATURDAY	Plunket Toy Library 9:30 - 10:30am
SUNDAY	Village Boutique Market 9am - 1pm
Mon/Tue/Thu	Plunket Playgroup 9am - 11:30am
2nd Sun's	Sunday Walking
Tue - Thu	Mangere Bridge Walking group 9am
Mon/Tue/Wed/Fri	Mangere Bridge Playcentre 9.15am-12.15pm, Domain Road
3rd Wed	R & R Meeting 7.30pm St James Church Hall
1st Thu	Senior Citizens Travel Clue, Day Trips phone 634 1062.
3rd Thurs	Library Book Club 7pm - 7:45pm
4th Wed	Library Tea & Topics 10:30 - 11:30
4th Fri	Probus, Mangere Bridge - Bridge bowling club phone 634 6091 for information

Opening Hours

Monday - Wednesday 9am to 5:30pm
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Village Happenings

with Carol-Anne

After a very long, hot summer, winter arrived early and it's been quite noticeable how quiet the village is at the moment. However, it is essential that we continue to support our small shops over the winter months.

Complaints have been lodged with various council officers over the state of our footpaths, with leaf fall over autumn, and the severe drop in the service level since Auckland Transport took over the responsibility for cleaning of footpaths. These are now only swept once a week and gutters once a month. The build-up of leaves over recent weeks has blocked drains and the footpaths have been slippery and unsafe, especially for our disabled residents. If you see the footpaths in a bad state please lodge a complaint with the Call Centre on 301 0101. Always ask for a reference number.

The Sunday Boutique Market now has a core group of 20 stalls, depending on the weather. It is pleasing to see how well it has grown and the number of visitors it attracts to the area. If you haven't been down to the Village on a Sunday for a while check out the new stalls which include 'Over the Moon' Specialty Cheeses, Zina's Preserves, Dog Treats and The Soap Deli with the most amazing soaps I have ever seen. They look good enough to eat!

At the time of writing celebrations for Matariki are underway. Mangere Bridge Primary School's Kapa Haka group will perform on 5 July at 12.30pm in the Village Square and the Boutique Market will have a Matariki Focus on 7 July. Also check out the library's Matariki events.

The orange Airporter bus is now a regular sight in the village. The 380 Manukau City Centre to Onehunga via Auckland Airport timetable does not display a timing point for Mangere Bridge; however it is estimated that the service from the Onehunga Train Station to Mangere Bridge by Hammer Hardware could take approximately six minutes, depending on the time of day. The route map is shown after the timetables section on the 380 bus timetable. For more specific times and you can view a Route Planner on Max's Website

Dr. Usha Chand has been a permanent doctor in Mangere Bridge for many years and is taking on new patients. The surgery, which is in the middle of the village, is open from 9am until 4.30pm on weekdays, 9.00am -12.30pm Saturdays and she also does house calls.

I can be contacted on (09) 636 7491 or through the Business Association's website; www.mangerebridgevillage.co.nz.

kind regards
Carol-Anne Armitage

Village Manager
Mangere Bridge Progressive Business Association

Mangere Bridge Badminton Club

Did you know we have a Badminton Club here in Mangere Bridge? At the Chinese Community Centre, 99 Taylor Rd – how local is that? Come along and give it a go – the first session is free to see if you like it!

We run two junior sessions on Thursdays after school, with coaching provided every week by a professionally trained coach, one of NZ's leading young badminton players. There are various competitions throughout the year including a singles ladder, a handicap tournament, the end-of-year club championships, and interclub against other clubs at ABA, Gilles Ave. Members are also given the opportunity to work towards achievement badges, where their skills development and knowledge of the game are measured and acknowledged through the Incentive Award Scheme offered by Badminton New Zealand. While these formal activities provide for development, we also focus on fun and taking part. The coach provides enjoyable activities on the court that get the kids laughing while they learn, and we occasionally enjoy team building outings which are always popular!

Adults play too. We have a session on Monday nights 8pm – 10pm (\$6/session) and Friday mornings 9am – 10am (\$3/session). Both are social level, not club competition. No experience necessary, all welcome! Just rock on up and say you read this article and want to give it a go.

Club Facts File - Junior Times: Thursdays all year during school terms

- 4:30pm to 5:30pm (7 years to approx 12 years)
- 5:30pm to 6:30pm (12 years plus)

Junior Fees: \$25 per school term plus a once a year \$12 affiliation fee (set by the ABA)

Discounts for families with 3 or more kids and for full year payment.

Don't have a racquet? We can work something out.

Please call to book your first visit.

Junior Interclub (optional):

Teams play Friday nights at Auckland Badminton Gilles Ave.

Parents participate in a transportation roster.

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Adult Sessions: Monday nights & Friday mornings.

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Mangere Bridge Residents and Ratepayers

Twenty members attended the June meeting on a miserable rainy night. Once again there wasn't a Local Board member in attendance to keep us updated on Board activities. This was disappointing and the Board Chairman is to be asked to have a member attend our meetings. The forthcoming local bodies election was discussed.

Several persons have put their names forward and others will be approached. The proposed new road to Puketutu Island was discussed. Watercare intend to extend the treatment plant to the other side of Island Rd, so would not want traffic through the plant. Their proposal is for a new road from the intersection of Montgomery Rd and Ascot Rd. to run back North towards the treatment plant to join the existing road beyond the treatment plant. This would mean that visitors to the Island reserve that will soon be open to the public would have to face frequent trucks carrying bio solid waste to the Island restoration project for the next 35 years.

An earlier plan prepared by a previous Manukau City Councillor, showed a new road running from Oruarangi Road down to and along the foreshore of the 120 acre reclamation formed with the sludge dredged from the oxidation ponds. This plan gave access to the new area and to a new foreshore to compensate for the loss of the unique shell bank road that was destroyed with the constriction of the oxidation ponds. It was suggested that it was not Watercare's sole right to decide where the new road should go. The Association would wait on the Local Board at its next meeting to seek their support on this important matter. The mangrove jungle and rat reserve between the bridges had been referred to the Auckland Council. Their response to the request that the area be reclaimed was that the area had special archaeological features that should be preserved. The meeting resolved that this matter also be the subject of a meeting with the Local Board. Mark Erskine gave an update on the mangrove removal project. Manurewa organisations had gained a consent to remove a large area round the Puhinui Stream.

The assistance offered by the MP for Hunua Dr Paul Hutchison, has not yet borne fruit. Carol Anne Armitage, the Village manager discussed various problems in the Village. Top problem was the exposed aggregate footpaths laid a couple of years ago. Regular water blasting by contractors is eating away the concrete leaving a very sharp and hard to clean surface. The meeting was reminded that before the work was done, Council called a public meeting to consider the type of surface. Several examples were shown, including the surface that had been laid outside the Supermarket. That meeting was advised that the McCallum shingle surface had been used in the Mangere Town Centre, but had to be replaced due to injuries and the difficulty in cleaning. That meeting unanimously agreed that the same surface as had been laid outside the Supermarket be adopted. Council staff accepted that solution. How then did we end up with McCallums shingle? It turned out Council wanted to do both sides at the same time, but only had funds to do half in the pebble finish, but funds to do both sides in Mc Callums. So with no further reference to the community they ignored our choice and did the lot in McCallums. This is a prime example of how Council works. Next thing we will have to have the surface ground or the top 50mm removed and a safe presentable surface laid. The annual meeting of the Association will be held on Wednesday 15th August.

The next general meeting will be held on Wednesday 18 July at 7.30pm in the St James Church Hall.

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Sew Style (L2)	Monday	12.30pm - 2.30pm	\$5	(sewing machines provided)
Flax Weaving	Monday	10.30am - 11.30am	\$5	(beginners/introduction)
Flax Weaving	Monday	11.30am - 1.30pm	\$5	(intermediate - advanced)
Art Classes	Mon/Wed	9.30am - 12.30pm	\$5	(art with Rick Julian)
Jewellery Making	Tuesday	12.30pm - 2.30pm	\$5	(soft tech & recyclables)
Create with Milly	Thursday	10.30am - 12pm	\$5	(Learn to make crafts)
Yarns	Thursday	1.00pm - 3.00pm	gold coin	(Knitting/Crochet/needlework)
Onehunga Art	3rd Sat/month	10.00am - 1.00pm	\$5	

ADULT INTEREST

High Notes	Monday	12.30pm - 1.00pm	Free	(music for special needs adults)
Waiata (Maori Songs)	Monday	1.30pm - 2.30pm	Free	(learn Te Reo thru song)
High Notes	Thursday	10.30am - 11.30am	Free	(music for special needs adults)
Art Therapy	Friday	1.00pm - 2.30pm	\$4	(art for special needs adults)
Scene	1st Tues/month	1.00pm - 3.00pm	from \$3	(social club for 55+ adults)
Scene	Friday	1.00pm - 3.00pm	\$2	(bowls, cards etc 55+ adults)

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Music Mondays (Class 1)	Monday	9.30am - 10.10am	gold coin	(pre-school age)
Music Mondays (Class 2)	Monday	10.30am - 11.10am	gold coin	(pre-school age)
Picasso Kidz	Tuesday	9.30am - 10.30am	\$5	(pre-school age)
Picasso Kidz	Tuesday	11am - 12pm	\$5	(pre-school age)
Zumbatomic	Tuesday	3.45pm - 4.15pm	gold coin	(5 - 11yrs)
Box Fit	Thursday	4.00pm - 5.00pm	free	(10 - 17yrs)
Kidz Club	Friday	9.30am - 11.30am	gold coin	(pre-school age)

EXERCISE

Chi Ball	Mon/ Wed	10.00am - 11.30am	\$5	
Zumba	Tue/Thur	9.30am - 10.30am	\$3	(children welcome)
Zumba	Wednesday	7pm - 8pm	\$5	
Hot Hula (New Teacher)	Thursday	10.45am - 11.45pm	\$2	(children welcome)
Box Fit	Thursday	4.00pm - 5.00pm	free	(10 - 17yrs)
Zumba	Sunday	8am - 9am	\$5	

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