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Are you ready for the General Election?

This information (in multiple languages) is from the Electoral Commission website.

<https://vote.nz/2023-general-election/>

When:

The 2023 General Election will be held on Saturday 14 October 2023 but you can vote earlier:

Mon 2 Oct.

Advance voting starts

Fri 13 Oct.

Advance voting ends

Sat 14 Oct.

Voting places open 9am to 7pm

Preliminary results from 7pm on

www.electionresults.govt.nz

Fri 3 Nov.

Official results declared

Where:

Voting places are not confirmed at the time of writing this Gazette.

Who can vote?

If you're eligible, you must enrol. Enrolling and voting means you can have a say on the issues that affect you.

You're eligible to enrol and vote if you are 18 years or older, a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident, and you've lived in New Zealand continuously for 12 months or more at some time in your life.

For electoral purposes, you are a permanent resident if you're in New Zealand legally and not required to leave within a specific time.

Meet the Candidates -

Johnsonville Community Association has organised an evening you to meet the Ōhāriu Candidates for the 2023 General Election.

It will be held on Wednesday 20 September, 7:30-9:30pm at the Johnsonville Community Centre Main Hall, Frankmoore Avenue.

Churton Park Clean-up Day

Please join CPCA and your Churton Park neighbours on Saturday 16 September for our annual Clean-Up Day.

This is our opening event for Keep New Zealand Beautiful Clean-Up Week. We will collect bits of rubbish that have been dropped or blown around in the wind.

WCC will supply rubbish bags and gloves and will collect the rubbish at the end of the day.

Our focus will be the Lakewood Reserve, Churton Park Reserve and the Edward Wilson Reserve/John Walker Park (off Churton Drive).

If you would like to gather some people to clean up a different part of our neighbourhood, please contact Brian Sheppard brian.sheppard@icloud.com or mobile 021 082 48465.

We will leave the Community Centre at 10 am and return by 3 pm.

Churton Park and Glenside Emergency Hub

Wellington Regional Emergency Management Office will conduct a training session for the Churton Park and Glenside Emergency Hub on 4 November 2023 at Churton Park School.

We have a team of nine volunteers so far but would welcome anybody who is interested in manning the

Emergency Hub in the event of an emergency. We also welcome residents who would just like to know more about the Emergency Hub system and its role in a major emergency.

Submissions to the Wellington City Council

WCC Community Facilities Review

CPCA has been talking to the WCC for many years about the limitations imposed by the small size of our popular community centre.

Community requests across the city are now being evaluated in the WCC Community Facilities Review. CPCA has made the case for a larger community centre for Churton Park. We included the need for public toilets, particularly at play areas such as the one next to Amesbury School and at the new play area in Korimako Reserve, Rochdale Drive. We noted that public toilets are only available at the Community Centre and Churton Park Reserve.

Long-Term Plan

Some of the facilities needed for Churton Park may need consideration in WCC’s Long Term Plan (2024-34). The Plan sets the Council’s direction for this period, outlines priorities and where the money might come from.

CPCA is making three submissions:

- A larger footbridge near the Korimako Play Area spanning the steep stream gully between Melksham Drive and Rochdale Drive. The bridge would be better suited to pedestrian commuters who may have difficulty using the walking track.
- Toilets at the WCC Play Area next to Amesbury School and at the Korimako Reserve Play Area.
- Remedial planting during the next few years of roadside trees, which were funded by developer contributions.

Korimako Reserve Play Area progress

A slide and frames for other play equipment are already a landscape feature on Rochdale Drive. WCC had hoped that construction might be complete in October but bad weather has caused delays and so it is still fenced-off, to keep people out of the construction site.

A walking track and small wooden bridge are being built across the Porirua Stream. CPCA hopes that this will later be replaced by the larger bridge requested in the Long-Term Plan.

Churton Park New World

Butch and Jan Phelan, the owner/operators Churton Park New World for most of its history retired on 21 August. We note with grateful thanks their enthusiastic support of CPCA and of many other community groups in Churton Park. On behalf of our wider community, we send our very best wishes for the next chapter of their lives.

We welcome the new owner/operators Aaron and Kelly to Churton Park and to their new roles. We look forward to working with you.

<u>Key Dates at a Glance</u>	
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	www.electionresults.govt.nz
Fri 3 Nov.	Official results declared
Sat 4 Nov.	Emergency Management train

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Churton Park Community Association (Inc) Membership Form
 All Churton Park residents are invited to join, and assist the modest budget of the Association.
 Subscription (please tick appropriate box)

\$20	\$25	\$30	\$
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