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# Wheelie bin rollout passes halfway point

More than 18,000 wheelie bins have been delivered across Marlborough ahead of the new kerbside collection service starting on 1 July.

There are around 36,000 bins to be delivered, so if you haven't received yours yet don't worry.

Remember the new bins will not be collected until 1 July - if you notice your neighbour has put one out, remind them the service doesn't start until then.

After 1 July, bins should be placed on the kerb edge, facing the road and away from obstacles and overhanging trees. They need to be half a metre apart to allow trucks to lift them. Collection begins at 7am so put your bins out the night before.

For advice on what to put in your new bins go to [links.marlborough.govt.nz/WasteChanges](https://links.marlborough.govt.nz/WasteChanges)

Until the new service starts please keep using Council-issued rubbish bags. There's a limited supply available at Council offices in Blenheim and Picton. You can redeem your rubbish bag voucher at Council offices or get a rebate up until 30 June. From 1 July, rubbish bags will not be collected from the kerbside; however they will be accepted at transfer stations, the Waste Sorting Centre or the Resource Recovery Centre.

Once all new bins have been delivered, households in the collection areas will have two bins and one crate.

The red-topped wheelie bin is for waste, the yellow-topped bin for cardboard and

plastic recycling and the maroon crate for glass recycling.

Waste and recycling will be collected on alternate weeks - to check your collection day, see the Smart Map here: <https://links.marlborough.govt.nz/rubbish-smart-map> People will be notified by mid-June whether your collection area starts with the red-top or the yellow-top bin.

If you have any questions, check out the frequently asked questions at: <https://links.marlborough.govt.nz/Kerbside-FAQs>, or contact Council; Ph: 03 520 7400 or email [mdc@marlborough.govt.nz](mailto:mdc@marlborough.govt.nz)

## Keeping wallabies out of Marlborough

Council's Senior Biosecurity Officer Liam Falconer went to an annual training event in South Canterbury recently.

The aim of the event, put on by the Environment Canterbury Wallaby Team, was to gain more experience and knowledge to prepare for a wallaby response in Marlborough.

Liam said it was great training which made it clear to the attendees that wallabies have a devastating impact on the environment, destroying productive farmland as well as forest and native bush.

Bennett's Wallaby was introduced to South Canterbury from Australia in 1874 and by the 1940s had become a significant pest with no natural predators.

There have been several reported wallaby sightings in Marlborough in recent years; however no evidence has been found, with the most likely scenario being mistaken identity.

"Wallabies are unlikely to make it to Marlborough on their own," Liam said.

Council has previously removed an adult wallaby in Marlborough that was adopted as a joey from the South Island population and raised as a pet.



It is an offence to keep a wallaby in Marlborough.

A combined response with Nelson City Council to a reported sighting in the Rai Saddle earlier this year found no sign of wallabies' presence.



## Glamorous gowns on show

Some fantastic frocks from the Marlborough Museum's large textile collection are on show this weekend as part of Blenheim's Nativity Church Glamorous Gowns fundraiser.

*Glamorous Gowns of the 20th Century* runs from 10 to 12 May, Mother's Day weekend, and includes an 'elegant evening not to be missed' on the Saturday night and a display on Sunday from 9am to 3pm. Entry is by koha/donation.

Marlborough Museum Manager Liz Ward said she was delighted to be loaning three gowns to the show.

"The museum has a large textile collection and we saw this as an opportunity for the public to see some of the collection in a different

setting. It's also an opportunity for the museum to engage our audiences in a different way," she said.

For more information go to: [www.nativity.org.nz/news-and-events/glamorous-gowns-of-the-20th-century](https://www.nativity.org.nz/news-and-events/glamorous-gowns-of-the-20th-century)

📷 Marlborough Museum Manager Liz Ward (right) preparing 'Susan' who is wearing a 1960s ensemble for the Glamorous Gowns of the 20th Century show this weekend

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## Less than a week to have your say on LTP and RLTP

Marlburians have just under a week to have their say on Council's planned expenditure over the next 10 years. Submissions to the Long Term Plan (LTP) 2024-2034 close at 5pm on 13 May.

The Marlborough Regional Land Transport Plan (RLTP) 2024-2027 also closes for public submissions at the same time.

To make a submission go to: <https://links.marlborough.govt.nz/haveyoursay> or visit one of Council's Customer Service Centres. Hearings are timetabled for 10 to 21 June with Council considering all submissions in the week beginning 24 June.