

AUGUST 2025 MONTHLY MEETING Tuesday 12TH August from 7.00 p.m.

PN Central Library Ground Floor, George Street

(PLEASE NOTE: Our meetings have changed back to the Ground Floor)

(The talk will be streamed via zoom (@ 7.30pm) – see below for the link)

Talk: The Battle for the Plateau: Forest & Bird's Campaign to Save Denniston

Speaker: Scott Burnett, Top of the South F&B Regional Conservation Manager



Denniston Plateau is an iconic 'lost world', a biodiversity hotspot rated by DOC as one of the most ecologically valuable sites on the mainland, is facing an imminent threat. Bathurst Resources is proposing a massive 25-year open-cast coal mine, planning to use the government's controversial Fast-Track legislation to push it through with minimal public oversight. The scale of the proposed destruction is immense, threatening to permanently obliterate unique sandstone ecosystems, ancient dwarf forests, and habitats for rare species like the great spotted kiwi and the endemic Avatar moth. Scott Burnett is "Save Denniston campaign" lead for Forest & Bird and will explain the full context of the mining proposal and the dangers of the Fast-Track law.

Zoom Link: https://forestandbird-org-nz.zoom.us/j/84980540641?pwd=7jqMk8phI1WhLq2ZmttqtS6sJqDYQA.1

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