

Otama Rural Water Scheme public meeting

Otama Rural Water Scheme users are invited to a meeting on Tuesday 23 May, in the Otama Hall, to discuss the future of the scheme. The meeting will start at 7.30pm.

At the meeting the Gore District Council and Otama Rural Water Scheme committee will present their respective options for the management and governance of the scheme, which are the subject of a referendum.

Letters are being sent next week to all eligible voters with details about the referendum and the two options.

They are:

OPTION 1 Council governance, management, operation and administration of the scheme. The governance of the scheme will be effected via a Council sub-committee comprised of two Councillors and five consumer representatives.

OPTION 2 The formation of a new company with directors appointed by consumers. This company will own, govern and manage the scheme. It will also enter into a contract with another private company to operate and maintain the scheme. For those wanting to vote in the referendum today (Friday 5 May) is the last day to inspect the preliminary electoral rolls at the Council's main office, in Bowler Avenue, and the Gore Library.

Voting papers for the referendum will be sent out in early June.

For more information go to www.goredc.govt.nz/our-services/water/otama-rural-water-supply-scheme/

Plan ahead to stay safe when droving stock



Gypsy Day, the annual movement of stock and people between dairy farms, is coming up.

It is important for farmers to ensure their safety, that of their stock and of course the safety of other road users. The Council's Roading Bylaw contains a traffic management plan to help with that. You will find the bylaw on our website www.goredc.govt.nz/our-services/roading

A few points to remember are:

- All droves over 10km or through urban areas require a permit,
- No droving during the hours of darkness,
- Drivers and assistants must wear a high visibility vest or jacket,
- Ensure stock warning signs are clearly visible for a minimum of 100m, and
- Road surfaces should be kept free of debris and effluent.

By planning ahead, keeping stock moving and under control at all times, and making sure you are visible will help remove some of the stress from this Gypsy Day. Feel free to contact our roading team, phone 209 0330, if you have any questions.

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Meetings

The Council's full meeting will be held on **Tuesday 16 May, at 7.30pm, in the Council chambers, Bowler Avenue, Gore**. The agenda will be on our website www.goredc.govt.nz the week before the meeting.

Rates Due

A friendly reminder that the fourth instalment of this year's rates will be **due on Friday 26 May**.

To find out more about paying your rates by direct debit or getting your rates notice by email, please call our customer service team **209 0330** or visit www.goredc.govt.nz/your-council/rates/

Road Works Delayed

River Street, between the SH1/Medway Street intersection and Mersey Street intersection, will NOT be closed from 27 May to 29 May as previously notified. The essential repairs being carried out by KiwiRail to the railway crossing have been delayed.

Who will be the next

**GORE DISTRICT
AMBASSADOR**

Make sure you are there to support this year's entrants Jessica O'Neill, Tyler Dowling and Jade Tuapola.

**Heartland Hotel Croydon
Thursday 25 May, 7.00pm**

Tickets \$10.00

from the Gore Visitor Centre

New AquaFit timetable



The Gore Aquatic Centre doesn't just offer aquarobics - it has its own brand called AquaFit.

If you just want to keep your fitness ticking over AquaFit is ideal. If are looking for a hard out workout AquaHit will deliver. The new timetable ensures there are times to suit everyone.

AquaFit

Deep Water Classes

- Monday 6.30pm - 7.30pm
- Wednesday 6.30pm - 7.30pm

Shallow Water Classes

- Monday 9.00am - 10.00am
- Tuesday 11.00am - 12 noon
- Thursday 11.00am - 12 noon
- Friday 9.00am - 10.00am

AquaHit

Shallow Water Classes

- Tuesday 6.30pm - 7.15pm
- Wednesday 9.00am - 9.45am
- Thursday 6.30pm - 7.15pm