

Information Evening for Building Owners

The Council is hosting an information evening about Earthquake Prone Buildings on Wednesday 31 July, starting at 5.30pm.

This evening is a must for all owners of buildings in the Gore and Mataura commercial business areas. Our staff want to ensure owners have all the facts about the earthquake prone building legislation, priority areas and what the consultation process will be.

The meeting will be held in the James Cumming Wing. Please contact our Compliance Officer Phil Capil, phone **021 940 679**, if you have any questions.

Time to register your dog

It's that time of year again when dogs need their humans to make sure they are registered.

Registration notices will be sent to all known dog owners in the Gore District in the next week or so. If you own a dog registered with the Council and don't received a notice, you can contact us.

Or you can go to our website where there's details about how to re-register your dog, register a new dog, or update your details. Just go to www.goredc.govt.nz follow the link under *Hot Topics*.

Dog owners have until 5.00pm Friday 16 August to register their dogs and avoid a late fee. Dogs unregistered after Friday 20 September will incur an infringement notice, which carries a fine of \$300.

The following fees, adopted by the Council this week, will take effect as from 1 July 2019:

Registration Fee – Urban Dog	\$120
Less	
(a) Fenced or a controlled property	-\$20
(b) No dog complaints, impoundments or infringements within a two year period	-\$30
(c) Neutered or spayed	-\$10
Registration fee inclusive of (a), (b) and (c)	\$60
Licence fee (<i>three or more dogs</i>)	\$150
Registration Fee – Rural Dog	\$25
Plus	
(a) Dog complaints, impoundment or infringement within a two year period	\$30
Late Registration Fee	
Urban dog	40%
Rural dog	40%
Poundage	
First impoundment – current registration	\$50
First impoundment – unregistered	\$80
Every subsequent impoundment	\$150
Euthanasia fees or veterinary costs	Actual
Daily care – includes food, shelter and exercise	\$15
Microchipping	
Standard microchipping of dogs released from the pound	\$36
Non-standard microchipping procedures will be charged at cost	
Additional fee for impounding or releasing dogs at weekends, public holidays or outside the Council's office hours	\$50

Grants funding available

Application forms are on our website, click on the link under *Hot Topics*.

Rural halls and domains

The Council invites applications for funding from community organisations looking after halls or domains in our rural areas. A grant is available for any capital projects and significant work associated with ensuring the long-term future of these important facilities. Applications close Wednesday 31 July 2019.

Creative Communities NZ

Do you have an event/workshop/project to promote, support and increase participation in community arts and cultural activities in the Gore district? Applications for the next round of funding for the Creative Communities scheme, which the Council runs in partnership with Creative New Zealand, are open now. Applications close Wednesday 24 July 2019.

Have you moved?

Let us know if you have moved or changed your contact details so our staff have the correct information to provide you with efficient customer service. Update your details online – go to our *Do It Online* section and click on *Change My Address*.

Rates reminder

Ratepayers are reminded that any outstanding amount on their 2018/19 rates will incur a 10% penalty as from Saturday 6 July. Please contact our rating team, phone **2090330**, if you want to talk about your rate payments.