

## Gore Library relocation

When our library staff close the doors next Friday evening it will mark the end of an era.

The library will be leaving its home in the heritage precinct since 1983 and reopen on Monday 27 May in the James Cumming Wing hall.

The temporary relocation is to enable investigations into the extent of black mould in the library building.

The discovery of mould in February came after years of library staff dealing with issues caused by the building's leaky roof. The Council had flagged spending \$1.1 million in its 2018-2028 10-Year-Plan to fix the roof but will now take a more global look at what needs to be done.

Next week our staff will be working behind the scenes preparing for the closure. Books on loan will not need to be returned until the library reopens at the hall. The existing after-hours returns service at the library will still be available while the library is temporarily closed.

Free wifi will also still be available outside the building in the precinct.

And our activities for the little ones will resume in June. Toddler Time will start on Tuesday 4 June, in Gore, and Friday 7 June, in Mataura. Wriggle & Rhyme starts on Wednesday 5 June, in Gore.

For more info go to [www.goredc.govt.nz](http://www.goredc.govt.nz) and follow the link under Hot Topics.

## Upcoming meetings

### Monday 6 May

The Mataura Community Board is scheduled to meet at the Elderly Citizens Centre, in McQueen Avenue, starting at 5.30pm.

### Tuesday 14 May

The Council will hold its full six-weekly meeting in the Council Chambers, 29 Bowler Ave, starting at 5.30pm.

### Wednesday 22 May

The Council's Audit and Risk Committee will meet, in committee. The reason for the public being excluded is to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons, and to enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations). These are in accordance with Sections 7 (2)(a) and 7(2)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

The agendas for meetings are available on the Council's website [www.goredc.govt.nz](http://www.goredc.govt.nz) the week before, with the exception of meetings held in committee.

## Rates reminder

A reminder to ratepayers the fourth and final rates instalment for the current financial year is **due on Friday 31 May**. Pay by this day and you will avoid a 10 % penalty on any outstanding amount.

To make sure our ratepayers never forget a payment, we encourage people to put their payments on direct debit.

Payments can be made weekly, fortnightly, monthly, quarterly (rates instalment) or annually. It ensures your rates accounts are paid on time and for the correct amount.

For more information go to our website [www.goredc.govt.nz/your-council/rates/payment-options/](http://www.goredc.govt.nz/your-council/rates/payment-options/)

## What's Hot at the GMC

### MLT Event Centre

**Pickleball** – don't miss being part of this latest sports craze. Every Monday 6.30pm to 8.00pm, \$4.00 per person, no need to book.

### Gore Aquatic Centre

**AquaFit** – Monday and Friday at 9.00am

**AquaHit** – Tuesday and Thursday at 6.30pm, Wednesday at 9.00am

Adults \$6.50, Seniors (60+) \$5.50

## District Plan review – a plan for everyone

The Council has started reviewing its District Plan and is looking for people interested in being involved.

The District Plan review is one of the most significant projects on the horizon at present.

One of the pieces of work we are undertaking is assessing the list of protected trees and heritage buildings. The current list is available on our website, look for the link under Hot Topics on the home page.

If you consider there are any other trees or buildings that should be recognised because they have special values let us know. We will be also getting advice from independent consultants to determine whether the trees or buildings meet the required criteria for potential inclusion in the new District Plan. This work will include discussion with affected landowners.

### How to Get Involved

If you want to have input into any proposed changes being considered to the District Plan, or there are issues important to you and you want to share your views then email [planning@goredc.govt.nz](mailto:planning@goredc.govt.nz)

For more information check out our latest digital issue of ChinWag at <http://chinwag.buzzit.co.nz/>

**Boil Water Notice:** There is a boil water notice in place for Dolamore Park due to low chlorine levels in the network.