

Scam protection workshop

The Council's Ready for Living team, in conjunction with Connected Eastern Southland and Neighbourhood Support, is hosting a free scam prevention workshop.

Join us as we cover what common scams look like, what to be aware of and how to protect yourself and your whānau from scammers. Speakers include NZ Police, IRD and ANZ Bank. The workshop is on **Tuesday 28 November** from **10:00am - 11:30am** at the James Cumming Community Centre. RSVP to Connected Eastern Southland by **23 November** on 208 8480 or email reception@cnt.org.nz.

Flush water before drinking



The Ministry of Health recommends flushing a mugful of water from your drinking water tap each morning, before use, to remove any traces of metals from the plumbing fittings that may have dissolved.

This precaution is recommended for all households in the District, whether on public or private water supplies, as trace metals in water can pose a small risk to your health.

Crafternoon Tea



Join our awesome Library team for its monthly Crafternoon Tea sessions. Starting **Tuesday 28 November** from **1:00pm - 3:00pm** in the Gore Library's Hokanui Ruma Hui these sessions will run on the last Tuesday of each month.

Bring your own craft project to work on, share ideas and have a chat. Cup of tea or coffee provided. For more information visit the library website at www.gorelibraries.govt.nz

Best decorated competition

Do you LOVE to dress up your home or business for everyone to see at Christmas? Then this is the event for you! Register your home or business by **30 November** to be ready before voting opens on **Friday 1 December**.

Thanks to our amazing sponsors, we have even more prizes available to be won this year:

Best Decorated Residence

Sponsored by Eastern Canvas

- 1st place - \$300
- 2nd place - \$100
- 3rd place - \$50
- Sponsors/Mayor's Choice - \$100

Plus all winners will also receive a Christmas goodie bag

Best Decorated Business

- 1st place sponsored by Hokonui Radio - \$1,000 advertising package
- 2nd place sponsored by Great South - \$500 worth of business consultation
- 3rd place sponsored by Crispin Design - \$350 Canva social media design package

T's & C's apply, so head to the event calendar on the Gore District Council website to find out more information and register.

Free Xmas parking

To support our local retailers, the Council is providing free parking on days leading up to Christmas.

This free parking is for a maximum of two hours and is for metered spaces only. Please respect mobility parks, loading zones and time zones e.g. P5, P10 as these will still be monitored.

The dates this year are:

- **Friday 24 November** (late night shopping day)
- **Weekends throughout December**
- **Thursday 7 December** (late night shopping day)
- **Monday 18 December** to **Saturday 23 December**

Author talk: Ruth Shaw



Best selling author of the *Bookseller at the end of the world*, Ruth Shaw will be at the Gore Library on **Monday 4 December 12:15pm - 1:00pm** to talk about her latest novel, *Bookshop Dogs*. Books will be available for purchase on the day.

Upcoming meetings

Meetings are held in the Council Chambers, 29 Bowler Avenue, Gore, unless otherwise stated. All meetings, except those in-committee, are live-streamed on the Council's YouTube channel.

Wednesday 29 November

The Community Wellbeing committee will meet, starting at 4:00pm. This has been rescheduled from the previously advertised Tuesday 28 November.

Tuesday 5 December

The Audit and Risk committee will meet, starting at 4:00pm.

Tuesday 19 December

The Council will meet for its monthly ordinary meeting, starting at 4:00pm. Agendas for all meetings, except those in-committee, are available on the Council's website www.goredc.govt.nz (link on homepage).

Rates due this Friday

**REMINDER:
RATES ARE DUE
THIS WEEK**

Instalment two payments are due
Friday 24 November