

YOUR COUNCIL NOTICEBOARD 13 Hepetema September 2023

Proposed District Plan Submissions Open

Have your say on the Gore District Council's Proposed District Plan and help shape the future of the District.

A district plan is a community's rulebook to protect the environment and the things people value while enabling growth and prosperity.

These are several key changes from the current District Plan in the Proposed Plan. Given its scope and importance, the Council encourages people to read chapters relevant to them for more information.

Full details about the Proposed Plan and how to make a submission are on Let's Talk Kōrero Mai www.lets.talk.goredc.govt.nz.

Submissions are open until **Thursday 26 October**.

Chatterbox Seat



As a part of Mental Health Awareness Week (18 - 24 September) our Parks team is installing a special 'Chatterbox' seat in the green belt. The Chatterbox was designed to build awareness and remove the stigma around mental health by encouraging people to sit and connect through conversation.

For more information on where to find the seat, keep an eye on our **Facebook Page**.

Dog Registrations



Dog registrations for the 2023/2024 year are now overdue. The final day for payment is **Friday 15 September**. Registrations still outstanding after this date may be issued with an infringement notice.

For quick and easy registration, head to the Council's Do It Online portal on its website, www.online.goredc.govt.nz/do-it-online.

Feedback Sought on Reserve Management Plans

The Council is calling for feedback on how it manages the District's reserves. Later this year it will be reviewing its Reserve Management Plans. These plans provide the community with certainty about the management of each reserve. Before reviewing the existing plans, the Council wants the community's feedback. Are the existing plans fit for purpose, or should there be changes to reflect the needs of future generations?

To learn more, go to the Council's community engagement portal, Let's Talk Kōrero Mai at www.lets.talk.goredc.govt.nz.

Feedback closes on **Friday 15 September**.

Road Closures and Works

SH93 / Old Coach Road Reconstruction at Mataura

Highways South on behalf of Waka Kotahi NZTA has begun drainage and earthworks for an upcoming road reconstruction of SH93, between Boundary Road and Waddle Road.

After the prep work is completed, it aims to fully reconstruct and reseal this section of road in November, all going well.

In the meantime, there will be delays in this area:

- From 6:00am - 8:00pm, Monday - Friday, traffic will be single lane with traffic lights and 30km/hr speed restrictions, and
- Boundary Road will be closed and only accessible for residents via Doctors Road

For more information or if you have any questions, please get in touch with Highways South directly at **03 211-1561**

Irwell Street Temporary Closure

Irwell Street, between Fairfield and Ardwick streets, will be closed from 7:00am to 5:00pm on Sunday 29 October.

The closure is part of the Southland Rhododendron Festival, in the Gore Gardens.

Inquiries to Roading Asset Manager Murray Hasler phone **2090330**

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 www.youtube.com/GoreDC

Wednesday 6 September

The Mataura Community Board held an extraordinary meeting to consider a funding application to the Trust Community Fund.

Monday 18 September

The Mataura Community Board will meet, starting at 5:30pm, at the Elderly Citizens Centre, McQueen Avenue, Mataura.

Tuesday 19 September

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

Tuesday 26 September

The Community Wellbeing committee will meet, 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).