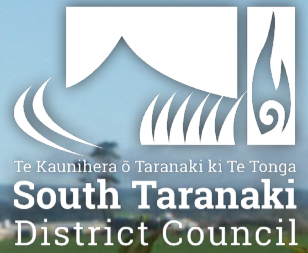


# Tuia Taitonga Southlink



He karere tā te Kaunihera o Taranaki ki te Tonga News from the South Taranaki District Council

Council's Administration Building and LibraryPlus Centres will be closed on Labour Day (Monday 24 October). The kerbside rubbish and recycling collection will be picked up as normal, so please continue to put your bins out if your collection day is usually Monday.



## Two By-Elections Needed

Two by-elections are now required for South Taranaki District Council positions following the withdrawal of the Joanne Peacock from the Pātea Community Board. Joanne, who was the third highest polling candidate for the Pātea Community Board says she is "extremely disappointed to have to withdraw, but due to unforeseen circumstances and work commitments she would no longer be able to give the role the time and dedication it warrants, which is not fair on the other board members or the community in general." Under the Local Electoral Act a by-election must be held to

fill the vacant position, rather than simply moving to the next highest polling candidate. The other by-election is for a Te Hāwera General Ward Councillor position.

### Upcoming By-Election Dates

Nominations for both positions will open on Thursday 24 November and close on 22 December. Voting will begin on 26 January 2023 and close on Friday noon 17 February 2023.

## Upcoming Meeting

### Inaugural Council – Swearing in Ceremony

Wednesday 26 October, 2.30pm  
Kānihi Māwhitiwhiti Pā  
240 Hastings Road, Ōkaiawa

All are welcome. If you wish to attend please ring 0800 111 323 or email [agendas@stdc.govt.nz](mailto:agendas@stdc.govt.nz)

### Extraordinary Council - Committee Appointments

Monday 31 October, 3pm  
TSB Hub, Camberwell Lounge,  
Camberwell Road, Hāwera

### Taranaki Coastal Community Board

Tuesday 8 November, 2.30pm  
Ōtakeho Hall, 10 Auroa Road,  
Ōtakeho

### Pātea Community Board

Wednesday 9 November, 4pm  
Hunter Shaw Building, Egmont  
Street, Pātea

### Eltham-Kaponga Community Board

Thursday 10 November, 10.30am  
War Memorial Hall, Victoria Street,  
Kaponga

### Te Hāwera Community Board

Thursday 10 November, 1.30pm  
Normanby Recreation Centre, 97  
Ketemarae Road, Normanby

## Scale Ship Regatta sets sail this weekend!



The Scale Ship Regatta will be setting sail at Hāwera's King Edward Park over Labour Weekend, from 9am - 4pm on Saturday and Sunday.

"The Scale Ship regatta is a major fixture on the South Taranaki calendar every Labour Weekend," says Council's Events Co-ordinator Emma Vennell. Model boats, warships, tugboats and racing yachts of all types and sizes will sail the waters from the lake edge by remote control units over the two days.

"This is a good opportunity to get the family into the award-winning King Edward Park, which is looking its best," says Emma. "So, make the most of it and bring along a picnic to enjoy while watching the boats and go for a stroll through the gardens." There will be a coffee cart at the Park on Saturday morning, so don't miss out!

## Have your say on the future of waste

Zero  
Waste

Where do we  
want to be?



Every six years, councils are required to develop a Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (WMMP). South Taranaki District Council is banding together with Stratford and New Plymouth to develop the WMMPs 2023-2029. There are four opportunities for you to take part. We are currently in the second stage, 'Where do we want to be?' This involves shaping our goals and visions for the next six years. Ultimately, we will have one vision and three goal statements. These will guide what we

do next in our Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (our actions). We have developed a set of proposed visions and goals and we need your feedback. Remember, a Vision is an aspirational outcome that is desired. A Goal should be what we want to achieve in our WMMP. The survey should take no more than five minutes to complete and is anonymous and confidential. Have your say by visiting [www.zerowastetaranaki.org.nz/nextsixyears](http://www.zerowastetaranaki.org.nz/nextsixyears)

## Christmas Cabaret - the perfect night out!

OH  
WHAT  
FUN!

It's time to eat, drink and be merry – without needing to head out of town! South Taranaki District Council is once again hosting the popular end of year Christmas Cabaret, so get a group together and come and celebrate the festive season with us at the TSB Hub on Friday 18 November. Council Community Events Co-ordinator Emma Vennell says this is the perfect end of year social event for local businesses, friends' groups or just someone who wants a good night out. Live entertainment will treat you throughout. The night will start off with an incredible interactive performance from Flash Mob Entertainment's very own Drag Queens followed by mesmerising

show girls and burlesque dancers. To finish off the evening, Campbell Vibe will no doubt keep the dance floor alive well into the night. "We are excited to bring an epic show to Hāwera," says Emma. "We will provide a delicious Christmas buffet with all the trimmings, so get your workmates, social club or group of friends together and come dance the night away!" Tickets are now available from the South Taranaki i-SITE Visitor Centre and TSB Hub for \$70 each, or \$65 each for groups of 10 or more. Email [events@stdc.govt.nz](mailto:events@stdc.govt.nz) for more information.

## Awards Winners Announced

The Lysaght-Watt Trust Ronald Hugh Morrieson Literary Awards were held last night and the winners were announced. Head to [www.southtaranaki.com/rhm](http://www.southtaranaki.com/rhm) to see the list of placegetters. Read all of the finalists' work in the 2022 Ronald Hugh Morrieson Literary Awards Finalist Book, which you can order from your local LibraryPlus for \$5.

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