# Tuia Taitonga Southlink





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

The South Taranaki District is now at COVID-19 Alert Level 1. Find out more at www.covid19.govt.nz

# Applications for Community Initiative Fund close soon



Applications close at the end of the month for the South Taranaki District Council's new Community Initiative Fund.

South Taranaki District Mayor, Phil Nixon says the new fund is designed to support community initiatives and activities that will make positive contributions to the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of the community.

"The new Community Initiatives Fund replaces the previous practice whereby groups applied for money during the Council's Long Term and Annual Plan process. This proved to be a bit ad hoc and often saw the same groups make funding applications. With the new fund, organisations will be able to apply each year in July and will be allocated grants from a set pool

of money," says Mayor Nixon. "The new fund will provide a fair and transparent process where all applications will be considered and determined by the Council at the same time each year."

The pool of money available in the Community Initiative Fund will be established every three years through the Long Term Plan budget setting process. This year Council plans to set the Fund at \$237,460 including an additional \$60,000 to be ring fenced for the Rotokare Scenic Reserve Trust.

Information and application forms for the Community Initiative Fund can be found on the Funding and Grants page of the Council's website **www.southtaranaki.com**.

Applications close at 5pm on Saturday 31 July 2021.

### Entries close soon for the Lysaght-Watt Trust Ronald Hugh Morrieson Literary Awards

Those interested in entering this year's Lysaght-Watt Trust Ronald Hugh Morrieson Literary Awards need to get pen to paper, as they close in three weeks.

"Entrants need to get their writing in before the closing

date of Wednesday 11 August – not only will you be in to win cash prizes, but will have the added bonus of being read by big names in the New Zealand literature scene – Eileen Merriman and Vaughan Rapatahana," says Award organiser Katherine Bosworth.

Cash prizes are up for grabs, with the winner of each category winning \$500 (as well as a year-long subscription to the Daily News for the winner of the Research Article category) and the opportunity to see their work published in the finalist book.

These awards are proudly brought to you by South Taranaki District Council and the Lysaght-Watt Trust, and sponsored by Normanby & District Lions Club and Taranaki Daily News.

Enter online at **www.southtaranaki.com/rhm** before midnight on Wednesday 11 August.



### Rose Pruning Masterclass at King Edward Park

Come along to King Edward Park's Rose Pruning Masterclass on Thursday 22 July. Council's Parks Curator David Bruce will be holding the class in conjuction with the *Friends of Hāwera Parks*.

You will work alongside the Horticultural Services Team while learning a safe and effective way of pruning to keep your roses blooming marvelous all summer long. Morning tea will be provided, simply meet

at the observatory in King Edward Park at 9.45am.

Please bring along leather style pruning gloves (gauntlets), a sharp pair of bypass secateurs and loppers and maybe a pruning saw if you have one. Wrap up warm and wear some waterproof footwear.

We look forward to seeing you there.

#### **Upcoming meetings**

**Iwi Liaison Committee** Wednesday 21 July, 10am

**Environment and Hearings Committee** 

Wednesday 21 July, 4pm

**Policy and Strategy Committee** Monday 26 July, 12.30pm

#### **Extraordinary Council**

Determine an initial proposal for the Representation Review formal consultation Monday 26 July, 2pm

### Extraordinary Environment and Hearings Committe

Subdivision and Land Use Consent Monday 26 July, 4pm

Unless otherwise stated, meetings are held in the Council Chamber, Albion Street, Hāwera

## KidzBiz now available

Head to www.southtaranaki.com to check out the latest edition of KidzBiz, the one-stop-shop for all school holiday activities happening throughout the District organised by Council.

#### Plumbo Solvency

Some plumbing fittings have the potential to let minute traces of metals accumulate in water standing in the fittings for several hours.

Although the health risk is small, the Ministry of Health recommends you flush a mugful of water from your drinking water tap each morning before use to remove any metals that may have dissolved from the plumbing fittings. We recommend this simple precaution for all households, including those on public and private water supplies.