

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

Residents' feedback of Council services to be canvassed

South Taranaki residents will have the opportunity to give feedback on the performance of the South Taranaki District Council during its annual resident satisfaction survey which gets underway on 1 February.

The telephone survey, conducted on behalf of Council by independent research company Research First, will run for around three weeks.

There will also be an online version of the survey available on the Council's website (www.southtaranaki.com) to enable more people to take part.

Council's corporate services group manager, Marianne Archibald, says residents will be called at random on week days between the hours of 3pm and 8.30pm, and between 10am and 5pm on weekends.

"The survey gives residents a chance to tell Council what they think about a wide range of Council services and activities," says

Ms Archibald.

"Residents will be able to rate Council services such as libraries, roads, parks and playgrounds, public toilets, rubbish and recycling collection to name a few. They'll also have the opportunity to rate the overall performance of the Council," she says. "I encourage people to participate in the survey if contacted, as the results play a valuable role in Council's planning for the future and it lets us know where we're performing well and where we need to do better."

The survey seeks to achieve a representative cross-section of residents across townships and rural areas of the District and across various age groups and gender.

The survey is expected to take around 15-20 minutes to complete and results should be available in April.

If you have any questions regarding the research, please contact Adelaine Hansson at Research First on 027 305 4712.

Upcoming meetings

Eltham-Kaponga Community Board
Monday 25 January, 10.30am
Kaponga War Memorial Hall, Victoria Street, Kaponga

Te Hāwera Community Board
Monday 25 January, 1.30pm
Ōhawe Hall, Ōhawe Terrace, Ōhawe

Taranaki Coastal Community Board
Tuesday 26 January, 2.30pm
Waiōkura Marae, 27 Winks Road, Manaia

Pātea Community Board
Wednesday 27 January, 4pm
Waitōtara and District Hall, 12 Kaipo Street, Waitōtara

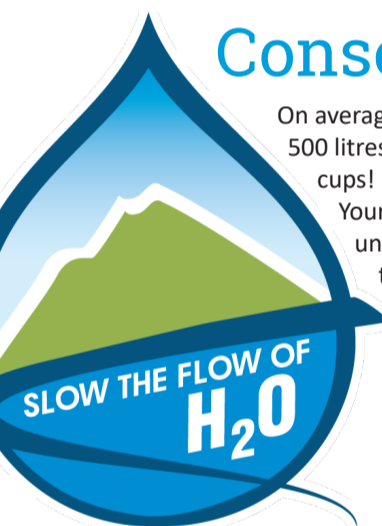
Policy and Strategy Committee
Monday 1 February, 1pm

Iwi Liaison Committee
Wednesday 3 February, 10am

Environment and Hearings Committee
Wednesday 3 February, 4pm

Audit and Risk Committee
Wednesday 10 February, 11am

If not otherwise stated, meetings are held in the Council Chamber, Albion Street, Hāwera



Conserve water to avoid restrictions

On average, one New Zealand household uses about 500 litres of water every day. That's over 2,000 cups!

Your drinking water comes from streams or underground sources (aquifers) which we then treat and distribute to your house through our pipe networks.

The more water we all conserve, the less has to be taken from these sources, reducing our environmental impact. Conserving water also means we save on treatment and reticulation costs. So conserving water helps the environment and saves money at the same time.

There are a number of things we can do to reduce the amount of water we use in and around the house.

- Take shorter showers.
- Wait until you have a full load before starting the washing machine or dishwasher.
- Wash your fruit and veggies in a bowl, rather than running the tap, and then reuse the water.
- Compost or worm farm your food scraps. Waste disposal units use 30 litres of water daily.
- Grow your lawn a little longer in summer.
- Water gardens in the early morning or in the evening once the heat of the day is done.

The Warratahs coming to Hāwera

KING EDWARD PARK
CONCERTS
IN THE
PARK

FEATURING THE WARRATAHS AND MITCH CARESWELL
FEBRUARY 14 FEBRUARY, 4.30PM
FREE FAMILY EVENT

SOUTH TARANAKI SUMMER
SUPPORTED BY: **TSG COMMUNITY TRUST**

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Concerts in the Park is returning to Hāwera's King Edward Park on Sunday 14 February. Entertainment will begin with Hāwera musician, Mitch Careswell, kicking things off at 4.30pm. Then at 5.30pm, the legendary Kiwi country band The Warratahs will take the stage. South Taranaki District Council events coordinator Hayley Old says she hopes whānau take the opportunity to enjoy this free event relaxing in Hāwera's premier park with a picnic - or picking up something from the food vendors there on the day.

Summer -blast-

Raumati Manawareka

Participants in the LibraryPlus' Summer Literacy Programme have until libraries close on Friday 22 January to get their tickets to go into the prize draws! Don't forget that the Finale Parties are also taking place next week. Find out more by heading to southtaranakisummerblast.com



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