

Tuia Taitonga Southlink



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

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Temporary Liquor Bans during Christmas and New Year

In accordance with the South Taranaki District Council's Alcohol Control Bylaw 2018, a temporary liquor ban will be in place in:

Manaia:

- South Road (SH45) Manaia, between Hassard and Kaipiti Streets.
- All public places adjacent to these streets and within the area including the Band Rotunda.

The temporary ban will start on Friday 24 December 2021 and ends on Sunday 2 January 2022.

Ōpunakē:

- Ōpunakē Lake Reserve, Ōpunakē Beach and the surrounding cliff tops (excluding Ōpunakē Beach Camp).

The temporary ban will start on Friday 24 December 2021 and ends on Sunday 9 January 2022.

Waiinu Beach, Waitōtara:

- Waiinu Beach Road, from 373 Waiinu Beach Road (Old Quarry Road) to Nukumaru Parade;
- Nukumaru Parade; Pingao Place; Okiwa Terrace;
- Waiinu Beach (1km in both directions from the road entrance to the beach area); and Waiinu Beach Camp Reserve.

The temporary ban will start at 12 noon on Friday 31 December 2021 and ends at 12 noon on Saturday 1 January 2022.

Hāwera CBD liquor ban reminder

In accordance with the South Taranaki District Council Alcohol Control Bylaw 2018, the following image shows the permanent liquor ban in the Hāwera CBD, which is in force 24 hours a day, seven days a week.



Upcoming Meetings

Eltham-Kaponga Community Board
Monday 24 January, 10.30am
War Memorial Hall, Victoria Street, Kaponga

Te Hāwera Community Board
Monday 24 January, 1.30pm
Ōhawe Hall, Karora Street, Ōhawe

Taranaki Coastal Community Board
Tuesday 25 January, 2.30pm
Sandfords Event Centre
156 Tasman Street, Ōpunakē

Pātea Community Board
Wednesday 26 January, 4pm
Ngā matapouri Hall, 4323 Waitōtara Valley Road, Ngā matapouri

Policy and Strategy Committee
Monday 31 January, 1pm

Iwi Liaison Committee
Wednesday 2 February, 10am

Environment and Hearings
Wednesday 2 February, 4pm

Unless otherwise specified, meetings are held at Council Chambers, Albion Street, Hāwera

Free Sustainable Christmas Wrapping
Caffeinate
Friday 17 December 2021
5 - 7pm

Bring your Christmas presents into **Caffeinate** on the corner of High Street and Union Street and we'll wrap them in **100% compostable** gift wrapping.

Don't throw it all away this Christmas

We are bringing back the free Zero Waste gift wrapping station for Christmas shoppers. The Zero Waste gift wrapping team will be set up at Caffeinate on the corner of Union and High Streets between 5pm - 7pm on Friday 17 December, a late night shopping night in town. Simply bring in your Christmas gifts and we'll wrap them for free in 100% compostable, reusable or recyclable material - a more sustainable alternative to traditional wrapping paper, foil and ribbons, all of which generally can't be recycled.

zero waste Taranaki
Care for your glass collectors
Keep it level
Over stacked crates can result in broken glass and be too heavy to lift.

TASTE OF TARANAKI POP-UP
ELTHAM

Taste of Taranaki Pop-Up Shop
Don't forget to visit the Taste of Taranaki Pop-Up Shop in Eltham - open until the end of January!



Conversations to Start on Town Centre Masterplans

Everyone has an opinion on most things, particularly the way they'd like their town to look. Next year we're starting work preparing our town centre upgrades for Eltham and Waverley and we want to hear from as many of you as possible before we start - not just at the end of the projects. (The innovating streets trials are a good example of how important it is to get widespread community input at the start of a project). We'll be using the town centre masterplans developed two years ago as the base concepts to start our conversations - so let's meet and work out how we can get something most of us are happy with. We'll be running workshops, walking tours, street talks, zoom meetings and chatting in the community to hear your ideas. If you'd like to know which dates we'll be out and about, visit www.southtaranaki.com/masterplans and leave your name and email, email cdunit@stdc.govt.nz or phone us on 0800 111 323 with your contact details and we'll keep you informed. While you're there, bookmark that page and like our South Taranaki District Council facebook page to keep updated on the projects for all five towns (Eltham, Manaia, Ōpunakē, Pātea and Waverley), photos of some of the co-design ideas as well as upcoming dates for when we'll be in the community.

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Council Joins Campaign Against Three Waters Decision

At Monday night's (13 December) meeting the South Taranaki District Council agreed to join a group of 23 councils opposed to central Government's Three Waters Reforms.

South Taranaki Mayor Phil Nixon says Councillors were unanimous in their support for signing a Memorandum of Understanding to partner with councils to oppose the Government's proposed reform model in favour of other three waters options that meet the needs of community, councils and government. As part of joining, Councillors agreed to contribute \$15,000 to the campaign. Mayor Nixon says the Council decided to join the campaign after Government ignored requests to change its decision.

"While we accept there are some things that need

changing, what really upset us and many of our ratepayers was Government's decision to force councils to be part of the Three Waters Reform without any consultation.

We were consistently told by the Government that there would be opportunity for full public consultation on this hugely important matter. But now, after the majority of councils asked the Government to pause and rethink, they ignored us and took the decision making completely out of our hands. It's wrong and it's anti-democratic," he says. "Subsequent requests we've made to the Government to change their decision and consult with the public have fallen on deaf ears, so perhaps the combined voice of 23 plus councils will be more successful."

Mayor Nixon says in all his years as an elected official he's never seen so many residents so angry over a single issue.

Given the Government hasn't provided opportunities for genuine participation in the Three Waters Reform, we think it's entirely appropriate for our Council to use all means at our disposal for representing the residents of South Taranaki and giving them a voice.

- Mayor of South Taranaki, Phil Nixon



Dog Control

As a responsible dog owner, you must ensure that your dog does not annoy the neighbourhood. If you are going away on holiday, make sure that your dog is well looked after. Ask a neighbour or friend to come and feed your dog and take it for a walk, as dogs can become bored when owners are away and will sometimes bark or howl.

Noise Control

It's now the season for hot sunny days, parties and BBQs. When enjoying your summer, consider your neighbours by keeping the noise of your stereo at a reasonable level. Officers follow up on noise complaints made and assess whether it's too loud based on the time of day or night, type of noise, location of neighbours and duration. There is no one set level or decibel reading, it's up to the judgement of the Noise Control Officer. Remember that the bass of your music travels much further from your stereo, so turn the bass level down to keep your neighbours happy! Your stereo can legally be seized should your noise be assessed as excessive.

Be Food Smart

In summer, you need to take special care when preparing and cooking food. Summer brings warm moist conditions – the ideal situation for pathogens to multiply fast and cause foodborne illness. Every year, around 200,000 New Zealanders get food poisoning, around half of these cases occur in homes just like yours. Food poisoning is caused by harmful germs in or on the food we eat. You can help stop your family from getting sick by following the 3Cs - **Clean, Cook, Chill** and following the 20/20 hand washing rule before and after handling food.

Clean – Handwashing, clean kitchen and utensils between cooked and raw foods.

Cook – Meat should be cooked until the juices runs clear and not pink in the middle, above 75°C if you have a thermometer.

Chill – Keep food in fridge, refrigerate uneaten cooked food in the fridge within two hours of cooking. Keep food covered and raw meat and poultry below cooked meats.



CLEAN



COOK



CHILL

Water Safety

Always supervise children near water. The only safe pool environment is one where young children cannot gain access to a pool without adult supervision. Supervise children who are swimming in your private pool. Make sure your pool is fenced according to the Building (Pools) Amendment Act 2016. Do not leave gates open, ensure that trees and branches hanging over the pool fence are trimmed and move items away from the fence that could be used to gain access to the pool. Contact the Council on 0800 111 323 for more information.

Be a good host

The best bit about this time of year is catching up with people and having fun. Remember to serve alcohol responsibly.

- Plan to do things other than eat and drink
- Don't serve your friends if they are drunk
- Provide sustainable food – not just chippies
- Look after young people around alcohol
- Provide appealing low or non-alcoholic drinks
- Serve alcohol responsibly or not at all.

Summer
-blast-

Raumati Manawawera

Registrations now open for Summer Blast

Registrations for the Summer Blast Literacy Programme are now open at your local LibraryPlus or online www.southtaranaki.com/summerblast. Over the six-week summer holidays, the Programme offers children (5-12 years) the opportunity to choose from a fun set of reading challenges and activities that appeal to them and then go in the draw for some fabulous prizes.