

District-wide Odds and Evens Water Restrictions introduced



Lack of rain and high demand have resulted in **District-wide water restrictions being introduced on Saturday 12 March. The restrictions mean all unattended hoses, sprinklers and irrigation systems are banned.**

Hand-held hoses may be used early in the morning or in the evening on the odds and evens system (at even-numbered houses on even calendar dates, and odd numbered houses on odd calendar dates).

South Taranaki District Council Group Manager Community and Infrastructure Services Fiona Aitken says water supplies in Ōpunakē, Manaia, Rāhotu, Waverley and Pātea are low so consumers in those areas should need to conserve water where possible. "After seven years with no restrictions, we are now in the position of needing to implement this to ensure that we have enough drinking water to go around, and that we respect the principles of Te Mana o te Wai," says Aitken. "Residents need to limit non-essential water

use wherever possible and help us by looking for, and fixing, any leak on your property or farm. All water savings can make a difference."

The restrictions will be in place until further notice although we expect they will be lifted in early April.

Other ways to help conserve water:

- Avoid watering your lawns
- Choose taking a shower over a bath, but make them short!
- Fix any leaks and dripping taps
- Use full loads to wash your clothes and dishes
- Reduce how often you wash your cars and boats
- Do not clean driveways or house with a hose
- Report any leaks on the public system to the Council so we can have them fixed

Visit www.southtaranaki.com for more tips and tricks on how to conserve water at home and on the farm.

Upcoming meetings

Audit and Risk Committee
Wednesday 16 March, 12.30pm

Ordinary Council
Monday 4 April, 7pm

All the above meetings will be held online. If you are interested in attending these meetings, please email agendas@stdc.govt.nz or ring our Governance team on 0800 111 323.

Tangata Whenua Liaison Fund

This fund supports local groups, such as marae committees and/or hapū, projects and initiatives that develop positive relationships between Tangata Whenua, Council and the people of South Taranaki. Funding a project or initiative depends on available funding and the extent to which the project meets the overall objectives and criteria of the fund. In particular, the Te Kāhui Matauraura would give consideration to marae, urupā/wāhi tapu, whānau/safer communities, performing arts and visual arts type projects. This fund closes on 31 March, and you can find out more on www.southtaranaki.com, by emailing funding@stdc.govt.nz or calling 0800 111 323 or (06) 278 0555.



Keep up-to-date with Antenno

Antenno is a mobile app that sends you alerts and notifications, about places and topics you care about.

Antenno is free to download and use, and you can opt out of topics that aren't of interest to you. It doesn't ask for any personal information or login details, so it's a nice easy way to stay informed. There are two ways you can use Antenno; to receive notifications from council about the places you have marked as important to you, or reporting back to council on issues or feedback.



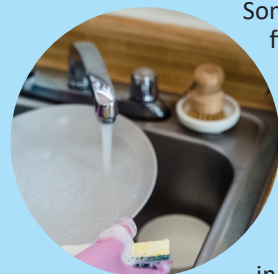
Business Skills for Creatives - South Taranaki Workshops

South Taranaki District Council is offering a four-week online workshop and mentoring series to creatives throughout the District in May.

The course also offers a one-on-one mentoring for participants, to focus on specific goals or challenges. Business Skills for Creatives is subsidised by South Taranaki District Council to assist our local creative community to develop new skills and build capacity.

Registration forms are available at any South Taranaki LibraryPlus Branch.

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.



Your Sustainable School Workshop – Hāwera

Are you a teacher or educator looking to bring sustainability initiatives to your school?

If so, this one-day *Your Sustainable School Train the Trainer Workshop* is the workshop for you! The free training will equip you with the knowledge and skills to roll out sustainability focusses, climate action and a waste reduction plan specific to your school or centre.

Thursday 16 June 2022, 9am-4pm.
TSB Hub Southern Lounge, Hāwera

Register with the Sustainability Trust at www.sustaintrust.org.nz/your-sustainable-school



Are you enrolled to vote?

With Local Body Elections coming up this year - it's time to check. Simply head to www.vote.nz to find out!