



Upcoming Dog Registration Fees

BE IN TO WIN

FOUR \$350 PRIZE PACKS TO BE WON (ONE FOR EACH WARD)

Simply pay your dog registration in full before 31 July and have your email on our file to be automatically included in the draw.

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Upcoming meetings

- Te Hāwera Community Board**
Monday 29 May, 11am
Ōhawe Hall, Ōhawe Terrace, Hāwera
- Pātea Community Board**
Monday 29 May, 4pm
Wai o Turi Marae, Lower Kaharoa Road, Pātea
- Eltham-Kaponga Community Board**
Wednesday 31 May, 10.30am
Taumata Recreation Centre, Preston Street, Eltham
- Taranaki Coastal Community Board**
Wednesday 31 May, 2.30pm
Ōaonui Hall, 5142 South Road, Ōaonui

If you are a dog owner – you need to know of some exciting changes happening this registration period. If we have your email address, please keep an eye on your inbox as we will be emailing your invoice instead of posting it. Those without emails will get their invoices posted as usual. We also have a competition running this year – if we have your email address and you pay your dog registration in full before the end of business on 31 July 2023, you will automatically go in the draw to win over \$350 worth of goodies as well as your dog registration (of one dog only) refunded on your account. There are four prizes up for grabs, one for each ward, so if you haven't already, let us know your email by 31 July 2023. Find out more on www.southtaranaki.com/dogcompetition. Any outstanding fees after 31 July will have a 50% penalty applied on 1 August. If you have any questions, or haven't received an expected dog registration invoice before 30 June 2023, please do not hesitate to contact our Quality Assurance Team on 0800 111 323.

Registration Fees for 2023/24 year

**Please note there was a mistake in last week's edition - below are the correct fees*

Registration Category	Fee
Urban (town) dog - desexed	\$150.00*
Urban (town) dog - entire	\$175.00*
Selected Owner Policy (SOP) - entire	\$105.00
Selected Owner Policy (SOP) - desexed	\$80.00
Rural - first two dogs (each)	\$68.00
Rural - three or more dogs (each)	\$57.00
Dangerous Dogs	Base Fee + 50%
Disability Assist Dog (Dog Control Act, Schedule 5)	Free

- Te Kāhui Mataurua**
Wednesday 7 June, 10am
- Environment and Hearings Committee**
Wednesday 7 June, 4pm
- District Plan Review Committee**
Wednesday 7 June, 6pm
- Policy and Strategy Committee**
Monday 12 June, 1pm

Unless specified, meetings are held at the Council Chambers, Administration Building, Albion Street, Hāwera.

New Youth Committee to Empower District's Rangatahi



Ebony Kalin, a passionate year 13 student from South Taranaki, is excited to announce the formation of EmpowerYouth, and is looking for young people across the District to join.

Working in collaboration with the South Taranaki District Council (STDC), Ebony says EmpowerYouth aims to create a platform for young people to express their opinions, collaborate on ideas, and actively contribute to the growth and development of their District. "I'm passionate about providing youth with a means to make a meaningful impact." "By engaging with the Council, EmpowerYouth seeks to empower young individuals to work together and effect positive change within their communities," she says. Under the guidance and support of STDC Community Services Group Manager Rob Haveswood and Councillor Racquel Cleaver-Pittams, Ebony has diligently worked towards establishing EmpowerYouth as a

vehicle for youth engagement. "EmpowerYouth is a testament to Ebony's dedication and vision and her commitment to empowering South Taranaki youth," Rob Haveswood said. Comprising 10-15 like-minded individuals, the committee aims to inspire and connect rangatahi throughout South Taranaki, encouraging them to speak up, voice their opinion, and contribute to the betterment of the District. "The EmpowerYouth committee serves two primary purposes," says Ebony. "Firstly, it acts as a youth voice for South Taranaki by establishing connections with secondary schools, sending submissions on Council projects, surveys, and events, and advocating for the concerns and ideas raised by young people." "Secondly, EmpowerYouth strives to increase youth community engagement by organising events, participating in community projects, supporting the South Taranaki District Council's community events, and working closely with schools." Beyond benefiting the community and the District's future, EmpowerYouth also offers numerous personal growth opportunities for its committee members. Serving as a

leadership platform, the committee enables participants to enhance their skills, expand their horizons, and establish relationships with the Council, Community Boards, organisations, and other groups within the community. "With the support of the South Taranaki District Council, EmpowerYouth will play a vital role in shaping a brighter future for the District, where young individuals are actively involved and contribute to their community's growth. I am excited to see what we can achieve together."

How to apply

Interested youth need to prepare a two-minute introduction video saying why they value their community and what youth voice means to them. Send the video, along with name, contact number and preferred email address (not a school email address) to EmpowerYouthST@outlook.com before 31 May 2023.