

# Tuia Taitonga Southlink



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

## Sounds on the Sand this Saturday

Come and see **Sonic Delusion** on Saturday 14 January from 12noon at Ōpunakē Beach



Sounds on the Sand is returning to Ōpunakē this weekend. The South Taranaki District Council is bringing Sonic Delusion to Ōpunakē Beach on Saturday 14 January from 12noon. "We are incredibly excited to welcome Sonic Delusion to Sounds on the Sand this year. We know Andre will have everyone up on their feet dancing in the sun," says Event Co-ordinator Emma Vennell. "Pack a picnic, or grab some food from the campsite shop, and bring the whole family down for an afternoon of music. Don't forget some shade and the sunscreen!" says Emma.

*This free community event is proudly brought to you by the South Taranaki District Council.*

### Upcoming Meetings

**Te Hāwera Community Board**  
Monday 23 January, 11am  
Ōkaiawa Town Hall,  
Ahipaipa Road, Ōkaiawa

**Pātea Community Board**  
Tuesday 24 January, 4pm  
Hunter Shaw Building,  
Egmont Street, Pātea

**Eltham-Kaponga Community Board**  
Wednesday 25 January, 10.30am  
Tamuata Recreation Centre,  
Preston Steet, Eltham

**Taranaki Coastal Community Board**  
Wednesday 25 January, 2.30pm  
Sinclair Electrical and Refrigeration  
Events Centre, 156 Tasman Street,  
Ōpunakē

**Te Kāhui Matauraura**  
Wednesday 1 February, 10am

**Environment and Hearings Committee**  
Wednesday 1 February, 4pm

*Unless mentioned, meetings are held in the Council Chamber, Administration Building, Albion St, Hāwera*

**Find out what's going on...**  
Don't forget to download our mobile app Antenno or follow our Facebook page to keep up-to-date with what's happening at Council and around the District.

## Hollie Smith at Concerts in the Park

Hollie Smith + The Warratahs + Mitch and his Guitar



Hollie Smith is headlining this year's Concerts in the Park on Saturday 28 January at King Edward Park, Hāwera. Popular New Zealand entertainer and singer Hollie Smith will be bringing the place to life with her iconic show. Entertainment will begin with Mitch Careswell kicking things off at 4pm with some of your favourite covers to sing and dance to. Following Mitch will be The Warratahs! South Taranaki has been a long-time supporter of the band. Then at 6pm Hollie Smith will bring us a world class experience right here in Hāwera. South Taranaki District Council events co-

ordinator Emma Vennell says she looks forward to families flocking to the this free event and kids making the most of the Kidzone, which will be fun-filled with a bouncy castle, Merry Go Round and sumo suits. "We hope families and whānau take the opportunity to enjoy this free event relaxing at this beautiful park," says Emma. "We encourage those attending to make an evening of it by bringing along a picnic or buying something from the food vendors we will have available." *This free community event is proudly brought to you by South Taranaki District Council and supported by the Toi Foundation.*

## TE W'ANAKE THE FOUNDRY



South Taranaki will soon be home to a brand new coworking space and enterprise hub! Set to launch early this year on High Street in Hāwera, Te W'anake The Foundry is a collaboration between Council and

Bizlink Hāwera that aims to support social and economic growth in the District.

The Foundry will be a vibrant place to do business, offering hot desks, dedicated desks, private offices, meeting and event spaces. It will become home to various workshops and presentations to benefit our business community.

If you are keen to become a founding member or follow the updates on social media, visit The Foundry ([thefoundrycoworking.co.nz](http://thefoundrycoworking.co.nz)).

## Is it Safe to Swim?

People heading to Taranaki's lakes, rivers and beaches this summer are encouraged to first check whether the water is safe to swim in.

Until 31 March, Taranaki Regional Council (TRC) will monitor water quality at 40 sites across the region's popular recreational rivers, lakes and beaches. Weekly results are on [www.trc.govt.nz/can-i-swim-here](http://www.trc.govt.nz/can-i-swim-here) along with information on any permanent health warnings or advisories.

The TRC's freshwater and coastal team leader Thomas McElroy says to always avoid swimming for three days after heavy or prolonged rainfall. If you can't see your feet in water that's knee deep, it's best to stay out. Water quality results can also be found on the national environmental monitoring website Land, Air, Water Aotearoa ([www.lawa.org.nz](http://www.lawa.org.nz)).

**For more information, visit**  
[www.trc.govt.nz/can-i-swim-here](http://www.trc.govt.nz/can-i-swim-here)



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