

Alcohol licence applications now notified online



All alcohol licence applications must be publicly notified. This applies to applications for new On-licences, Off-licences and Club Licences and also to applications to renew existing licences. Previously the applicant placed these public notices in the newspaper at a cost to them. Now all

public notices will be exclusively notified on the Council's website without charge. For details go to www.goredc.govt.nz and click on Public Notices.

Creative Communities grants

Applications are now open for the latest round of funding from the Creative Communities Scheme.

The Gore District Council has a partnership with Creative New Zealand to promote, support and increase participation in community arts and cultural activities in the Gore district. The scheme is aimed at achieving this. There is no maximum amount, however grants usually range between \$200 - \$2,000. Any group, organisation or individual that meets the grant criteria can apply.

The current funding round is for projects that take place between 1 September 2018 and 19 March 2019. Applications are open until Friday 27 July. For more information go to the Council's website.

Street signage changes come into force

There has been a change to the rules around street signage for local businesses, specifically where and how many. The key points are:

- Four is the maximum number of sandwich boards and/or flags
- Flags must be against the shop frontage unless written approval is given by the Council to place them elsewhere

The Council's regulatory team is happy to help business owners understand the new rules and talk about what works best for them. Please call senior regulatory officer Frances Shepherd, phone **2090 330**, if you would like more information.

The new Trading in Public Places Bylaw is on the Council's website www.goredc.govt.nz/your-council/plans-policies-and-bylaws/

Dog registrations due

Did you know there are over 3300 dogs registered in the Gore District?

Did you also know registration fees from those dogs helps fund a range of services designed to help the dogs, their owners and the wider community? These include responding to and investigating complaints, such as dogs rushing out and attacks on people, pets or other livestock.

Registrations fees for 2018/19 are now due. Reminder notices have been sent to all known dog owners. If you own a dog and didn't get a notice then please call us, phone **2090 330**. Registrations can be renewed quickly online, just go to the Council's website and click on the link under Hot Topics.



Farmers urged to keep roads clean at winter time

There's no getting away from the fact that a Southland winter is usually a muddy winter. The Council reminds farmers and contractors that mud being dragged on to roads from paddocks and gateways can cause road safety issues. It can make the road surface slippery and when frozen becomes like a large rock. Mud also contaminates the gravel on gravel roads, weakening the road and causing potholes. Please just be considerate of other road users.



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