

## Otama Rural Water Supply Referendum

Voting packs for the Otama Rural Water Supply referendum should have been received by all eligible voters by now. If anyone hasn't received their voting papers please call deputy electoral officer Frances Shepherd, phone **209-0351**, or **0800 666 924**.

Voting is open until 12 noon Friday 10 December. Full details about the proposal to transfer ownership of the scheme from the Council to Otama Rural Water Ltd can be found at [www.lets.talk.goredc.govt.nz](http://www.lets.talk.goredc.govt.nz)

## Tis the Season



Voting opens today for the Best Decorated Business and Residence. Vote for your favourites by scanning the QR code poster on display using your camera app and tapping the pop up link.

Please note the competition QR code posters are separate from COVID-19 QR code posters.

## Gore District Advent Calendar - don't miss the fun!

Get into the holiday spirit with the Gore District Advent Calendar. From today through to Friday 24 December, the Council will reveal daily challenges, giveaways and retailer offers within the District.

Among the prizes are a portable BBQ, an air fryer and a Lego set. With something for everyone, you won't want to miss out - so make sure you follow the Council's Facebook event page, check Antenna or listen to Cave Fm 106.40 to find out what's behind the doors.

## Vaccination Clinics

There will be a second vaccination clinic at East Gore School on **Saturday 11 December**, starting at 1:00pm.

Anyone not sure about getting vaccinated should contact their health provider or pharmacist to talk about their options.



## Apply for a vaccine pass

Getting a vaccine pass is a challenge for people without a computer, email address or the accepted forms of identification ie driver licence, passport or a birth certificate issued after 2003.

People without ID should go to La Hoods Pharmacy or Unichem Quins Gore Pharmacy. They can verify a person and issue their Vaccine Pass. Council staff are available to help at the following locations:

### Gore Library

- Wednesday 2:00pm - 4:00pm
- Friday 10:00am - 12 noon

### Gore Visitor Centre and Council Main Office

- Monday to Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm

## Have Your Say

To ensure we build on our reputation as a friendly place to live and visit, the Council has developed a Welcome Plan in collaboration with locals and newcomers to the Gore community. The plan gives a cultural diversity snapshot.

It outlines current challenges and suggests things we can do to create a community where newcomers feel valued and welcomed.

The Plan is open for feedback until **Thursday 9 December**. Go to [www.lets.talk.goredc.govt.nz](http://www.lets.talk.goredc.govt.nz) to get involved.

## Upcoming Meetings

### Tuesday 14 December

The Council will hold its last meeting for the year, starting at 2.00pm, at the Hokonui Rununga, 140 Charlton Road, Gore.

At 1:30pm, a ceremony will be held to sign the Charter of Understanding between the Hokonui Rununga and the Council.

*Agendas for all meetings, except those in committee, will be available on the Council's website [www.goredc.govt.nz](http://www.goredc.govt.nz) beforehand.*

*All meetings are livestreamed on the Council's YouTube channel [www.youtube.com/GoreDC](http://www.youtube.com/GoreDC)*

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