

## WIN A \$100 PREZZIE CARD

It's that time of year when dog owners need to register their faithful companions for another year. Everyone who registers their dog before Friday 5 August will go into the draw to win a \$100 Prezzy card.

Registrations can be made online, just go to [www.goredc.govt.nz](http://www.goredc.govt.nz) and click on Do It Online.



## VOTE Murihiku 2022 – Candidate Information Evening

Nominations are now open for this year's triennial local body elections. Anyone who has considered seeking election can learn more about what it takes to be a councillor and how local government works at a candidate information evening, tomorrow (Thursday), starting at 6:00pm in the Council chambers.

There will be representatives from Environment Southland and Southland District Council, as well as Gore District Council, at the evening.

Prospective candidates will find nominations form for the following on the Council's website:

- Gore District Council
- Mataura Licensing Trust
- Mataura Community Board
- Gore and Districts Health Inc

All candidates need to provide evidence they are New Zealand citizens and pay a \$200 deposit.

A candidate can't nominate themselves. Candidates for the Council do not need to live within the Gore District. However, candidates for the Mataura Licensing Trust must live with the ward they are seeking election for.

Don't leave it until the last minute – nominations close at 12 noon on Friday 12 August.

### Upcoming Meetings

*Please note - all meetings are subject to COVID-19 traffic light protocols in place at the time. Meetings are held in the Council Chambers, 29 Bowler Avenue, Gore, unless otherwise stated.*

*All meetings, except those in-committee, are live-streamed on the Council's YouTube channel [www.youtube.com/GoreDC](http://www.youtube.com/GoreDC)*

#### Monday 1 August

The Mataura Community Board will meet at the Mataura Marae, Dorset Street, Mataura, starting at 5:30pm.

#### Tuesday 16 August

The Council will hold its monthly meeting, starting at 4:00pm.

*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.*

### Rates Rebate Available

Who would like to get a rebate on their rates?

Applications are now open for the Rates Rebate Scheme. Rebates are calculated on household income, the number of dependents and level of rates.

Anyone can apply as long as they:

- Are the legal owner of the property
- have been living at the address since the start of the current rating year (1 July)
- have a low income or receive a benefit

Go to [www.goredc.govt.nz](http://www.goredc.govt.nz) to learn more or contact the Council's rating team, phone 209-0330, to book an appointment.

### Road Closures

#### Irwell Street Intersection

Irwell Street will be closed at the intersection with Hokonui Drive from Monday (25 July) until Friday (29 July).

Our 3 Waters team will be renewing a water main and repairing a stormwater lateral that has been causing surface flooding in the area. The water supply will be shut down from 10:00pm Tuesday 26 July until 5:00am the next day.

Traffic can still access businesses in the area via Fairfield Street.

#### Heavy Traffic Bypass Temporary Closure

River Street, between Medway and Mersey streets, will be temporarily closed to allow KiwiRail/SouthRoads to reconstruct the railway crossing.

It will be closed from:

- 8:00am Saturday 23 July to 5:00pm Sunday 24 July, and
- Friday 5 August from 8:00am to 5:00pm

North bound traffic, including heavy traffic, will detour via River Street, Mersey Street, Main Street (SH1) and Medway Street (SH1)

South bound traffic, including heavy traffic, will detour via Medway Street (SH1), Main Street (SH1), Mersey Street to River Street.

### Hours Extended

With more people travelling, the Gore Visitor Centre is extending its hours. It will be open on Saturdays, from 10:00am to 2:00pm starting on 30 July.

The centre is open during the week from 9:00am – 5:00pm.

