



Media Release

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Community input into Water Management

Next week the Roxburgh and Ranfurly communities will hold workshops to discuss the future provision for water, wastewater and stormwater in their community.

These are the first of the ten workshops to be held across the district. Each community is being asked to say what they see as the priorities and issues for water services in their town both now and in the next 20-30 years to help develop the Water 2030 Strategic Plan.

Russell Bond, Council's Water Services Manager said "Workshops are a great opportunity for the community to take a step back and have a fresh look at the future of their town and to think about what needs to happen to get there. Having these workshops also gives council staff a chance to explain about the various issues affecting water services like health regulations, funding issues and options, water management issues facing the district and what has been done to date to address these."

Council is keen to work with the community to find out what they need and how much they are prepared to pay to achieve it. The workshops are the first stage of a review for water services management in the Central Otago District.

Discussions will focus on:

- Water, stormwater and wastewater issues affecting individual communities.
- How communities see water, stormwater and wastewater being managed in 20-30 years.
- How communities value each of the water services e.g. what is a must do and what is core business.
- What the community sees as a fair and equitable way of funding for these future objectives.

Meetings Dates

Monday 21 st Feb	Roxburgh	Roxburgh Golf Club
Tuesday 22 nd Feb	Ranfurly	Rugby Club
Monday 28 th Feb	Cromwell	Conference Centre Golden Gate
Tuesday 1 st March	Omakau	Rugby Club
Wednesday 9 th March	Alexandra	Cellar Door
Thursday 10 th March	Clyde	Bowling Club Rooms
Friday 18 th March	Naseby	Town Hall
Thursday 24 th March	Patearoa	Bowling Club Rooms

Individuals and groups in each area have been invited to attend the meeting along with Councillors and Community Board members. If you or your group has not received an invitation and would like to attend please call Judith Whyte on (03) 440 0618. Places are limited.

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