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Service Requests

Please initially contact Council staff (rather than your local Community Board member, Councillor, or our contractor) to report any problems with Council services. Please contact your nearest Council office or call 0800 801 350 if outside office hours.

Rates Rebates

The Rates Rebates Scheme was established in 1973 to provide subsidy to low income homeowners on the cost of their rates. The scheme helps those who own their own homes, but have limited income, such as pensioners. The rates rebate income threshold for the 2008/09 year has been increased to \$21,180, with the maximum annual rebate increasing to \$530. Please get in touch with the Lawrence Service Centre to check your eligibility for a rates rebate.

Upcoming Lawrence-Tuapeka Community Board meetings

Wed 1 April 2009, 3pm, Lawrence Service Centre
Wed 20 May 2009, 3pm, Lawrence Service Centre

Gold Trail Trust asked to apply for Council funding through Long Term Plan process

Clutha District Council has asked the Clutha Gold Trail Charitable Trust to submit through Council's Long Term Plan process for funding for its project.

The Trust is developing plans to build a \$5.5 million, 73km, two to three day walking and cycling trail between Lawrence and Roxburgh. It asked the Lawrence-Tuapeka Community Board to contribute \$10,000 a year for three years to fund the project.

Community Board members have expressed support for the proposed trail. However, they believe that because the trail would benefit the entire Clutha

District, any funding contribution should come from Council.

Council is also generally supportive of the project. However, it feels this is the type of discretionary project which should be considered through the public submission process. As such, Council has suggested the Trust make a submission for funding when Council's draft Long Term Plan is released in April.

The Long Term Plan is a document which sets out the projects and services Council intends to deliver over the next 10 years.

Lawrence Streetscape 2011 Project

Planning is underway for Lawrence's Streetscape 2011 Project to upgrade Lawrence's main street in time for the 150 Year Celebrations.

A draft time line of the tasks under each upgrade item has been prepared. The priority now is to establish a firm timeline with costings and budgets for individual components of the project.

We plan to put the project works to tender by September, allowing a full construction season, and full year of the maintenance period before the event itself in 2011.

The projects, in order of priority, confirmed by the Community Board for

the Streetscape 2011 project to date are:

- Upgrading the entrance to Gabriel's Gully Road.
- Gabriel's Gully Walkway.
- Upgrade the area of Ross Place and Hospital Creek.
- Ross Place Enhancement.
- New Car Park at area adjacent to the Domain and Scout Hall area to deal with overflow from main street.
- Investigate creating a 'shared space' in Ross Place. A shared space is an area free of any road markings.

We will keep the community informed as more information comes to hand.



Local heroes from the police, fire and ambulance services were on hand at the Lawrence Public Library to present books and certificates to those who participated in the summer holiday reading programme. Ten children enrolled in the Lawrence section of the Clutha District Libraries Superheroes Reading Programme and with a 100% success rate the Lawrence children read a total of 167 books. The adult heroes shared book reviews with the children and commended them on their efforts.