

Protecting Pukunui on Rakiura

Community Hui in Oban

The critically endangered Southern New Zealand dotterel/pukunui is at serious risk, with only 101 birds left. The Department of Conservation (DOC), supported by Zero Invasive Predators (ZIP), is planning a predator control operation this winter to help protect pukunui breeding grounds.

Join us to learn more about the proposed operation, why it's needed, and how potential impacts will be managed. We want to hear your feedback and answer any questions you have.

Tuesday 25th March 2025

Two sessions:

- 11am – 1pm
- 7pm – 9pm

Stewart Island Community Centre

10 Ayr Street, Oban



What you'll hear about:

- The threat predators pose to pukunui and why aerial 1080 is being considered
- The goals of the proposed operation and how it fits with longer-term conservation efforts
- Steps to manage potential impacts on the wider community and environment

Following this meeting, we'll consider how we can manage any potential effects based on the feedback we receive before finalising the plan.

You can email pukunui@doc.govt.nz to share your thoughts.