Still time to shape the future Selwyn District Plan

There’s just over a week left for Selwyn residents to let the Council know what they think about the review of the current District Plan so far.

Are we on the right track? has been the theme of the initial public consultation on a number of key draft changes which closes at 5pm on Monday 8 October 2018.

Thank you to all those who have so far contacted us or visited our website at www.selwyn.govt.nz/districtplanreview and sent their feedback or completed an online survey. If you want to talk to us then come to CultureFest on Sunday 30 September at the Lincoln Domain where our review team will be waiting for you.

So what happens next?

Feedback from this consultation will help inform the proposed rules which will be included in the Proposed District Plan. It’s expected the Proposed District Plan will be notified in early 2020 for formal public consultation and be fully in place, subject to any Environment Court appeals, in March 2022.

CultureFest 2018 set for a visual extravaganza

There’s a feast of colour, culture, music, arts and international cuisine on show for Selwyn residents this weekend at CultureFest 2018.

The event, at the Lincoln Domain on Sunday 30 September, will host a full day of performances, activities, and fun including dancers, singers, performers and a kabaddi exhibition (professional Indian sport and a cross between rugby and tag).

Senior Events and Recreation Advisor Dave Tippett expects the sporting exhibition to be a huge hit.

“We will have a game of kabaddi take place, which is an Indian contact sport – some may see it as a mix between tag and rugby without the ball,” he says.

The basic rules of the game is for an attacking ‘raider’ to tag out members of the defending team without being tackled, all while the raider holds their breath.

Mr Tippett says it’s a high speed, high impact game that should be a great watch. Kabaddi will be played from 1:30pm for 40 minutes.

CultureFest will also feature 21 other performances from a range of cultures around the world, from Aotearoa to Russia, Latin America, Poland and China.

Mr Tippett says the event is a great opportunity for Selwyn residents to expand their understanding of the people living around us and the cultures they come from.

“Selwyn is growing rapidly and so is the diversity of the people living in our district,” he says. “We are hugely proud of how Selwyn is changing and this is a great opportunity to celebrate it.”

CultureFest will start at 11am on Sunday 30 September at the Lincoln Domain (or if wet, inside the Lincoln Event Centre).

Selwyn Civil Defence volunteers needed

We’re recruiting more volunteers to build on the district’s ability to respond to a Civil Defence emergency.

The Emergency Management Team is hosting a recruitment evening at the Council offices in Rolleston on Tuesday 2 October at 7pm.

Emergency Management Team Leader Ryan O’Rourke says the Council is looking to fill roles in all three of its volunteer Civil Defence teams including the Response Team, Welfare Team and Community Response Team.

“This latest round of volunteer recruitment will build on a strong base of Civil Defence volunteers who live in the district,” Mr O’Rourke says. “We want to increase the number of volunteers to ensure we can manage a long duration event, such as an earthquake generated by the Alpine Fault.”

Do you have the skills and time to help your community?

The Community Response Team needs as many members as possible. Across Selwyn there are more than 30 community teams which are ready to respond in an emergency to support their local area.

The Selwyn Response Team, specialised and highly trained, requires another eight volunteers. The welfare team which trains weekly, is a new team trained to open and operate a Civil Defence Centre, providing support to people who have to evacuate their homes in an emergency.

All volunteers will receive ongoing training and support.

Visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/civildefence to find out more about volunteering for one of the Civil Defence volunteer teams, and to read about the kinds of events that can occur in the Selwyn district.

Enquiries can also be emailed to the Selwyn District Council Emergency Management Team: civildefence@selwyn.govt.nz.

ON THE ROADS

Pre-sealing and repair work will be taking place on Telegraph Road, Websters Road, Harman Road and Manse Road.

There will be patch sealing on Davies Road, Hardys Road, Telegraph Road, Websters Road and Harman Road. Pavement reconstruction will occur Waimakariri Gorge Road between Waddington Road and Curve Road.

There will be maintenance grading at High Country, Doyleston and Rolleston.
Selwyn Dog Club will be using the dog park for an agility ribbon trial on Sunday 30 September so it will be closed between 8am and approximately 4.30pm.

SELWYN DISTRICT COUNCIL PUBLIC PLACES BYLAW 2018

The Council adopted the Selwyn District Council Public Places Bylaw 2018 at its meeting on Wednesday 12 September 2018. The bylaw will come into effect on 1 October 2018. Copies of the bylaw may be inspected at Council Service Centres and libraries. When the bylaw comes into effect it will also be placed on the Council’s website.

WORKS IN LEESTON

- We are replacing the water main in Market Street and High Street in Leeston. The work began last week and will run for approximately 10 weeks.
- Residents could experience some delays and disruptions in the area.

Meetings

Public Forums: Council, Community Board and local community committee meetings are open to the public. Time is available at the start of meetings for people to speak on matters of concern. Please notify Bernadette Ryan or your local committee at least three days before the meeting. Township, Hall and Reserve Committees: To list or make changes to meeting details, email meeting.changes@selwyn.govt.nz or phone 347 2800 or 318 8338, or at least three days before the meeting.

COUNCIL & COMMUNITY BOARD

Unless otherwise stated all of these meetings will be held at the Rolleston Council Building.

- Selwyn Wahora Zone Committee
  - Tue 2 Oct 2pm
- Lincoln Event Centre
  - Wed 3 Oct 9am
- Audit and Risk Subcommittee
  - Wed 3 Oct 11am
- Council Meeting
  - Wed 10 Oct 1pm

BOOST 2018 – register now and win!

If you register before Friday 28 September, you’ll go into the draw to win a $100 Prezzy card. The winner will be notified and can collect the prize at their chosen BOOST event.

BOOST 2018 is a youth event aimed at young people aged 13–18 in Selwyn. BOOST will feature a range of activities and workshops that aim to entertain, empower and develop Selwyn’s youth. It will include outdoor activities such as adventure walks, parkour, graffiti workshops, yoga, a youth market, hip hop dancing, a horror walk and much more. More information at selwyn.govt.nz/boost.