Give back to your community
The Council is seeking volunteers to become part of the Civil Defence Welfare Team.

The Welfare Team will be a team of volunteers trained to open and run a Welfare Centre and provide welfare support to the community during emergency events. Roles may include registering and identifying needs of people coming into the welfare centre.

Volunteers will support people in an emergency, and be on the front line of the response.

We are looking for people who are committed, empathetic to others, can show initiative, have good communication skills, and be confident working in an emergency setting.

On Tuesday 22 May, 7pm, we are holding a public open night at the Council Chambers in Rolleston. This will involve us giving an overview of welfare volunteering, including requirements of training, time commitment, and what their role will be in an emergency response.

Volunteers will need to be available in an emergency, including potentially overnight work. This is a good opportunity for people to give back to their community. All volunteers will be trained, police checked and tasked to volunteer anywhere in the Selwyn district.

For more information contact our emergency management team on 347 2800.

Nominations are open now for the 2018 Selwyn Awards.
The Selwyn Awards are held every two years, and seek to recognise individuals and organisations for outstanding work or inspirational achievements.
The Selwyn Awards will be recognised at a gala dinner at the Lincoln Event Centre on Saturday 4 August 2018, where all nominees will be celebrated and the winners in each of the 10 categories will be announced.

Mayor Sam Broughton says the awards are an opportunity to celebrate local success and share our stories with one another.

“Selwyn is full of people doing great work, not for glory but, because they believe in what they are doing. It’s good to recognise and highlight these achievements as models and examples of our development and leadership as a district,” he says.

“I encourage you to think about who is deserving of this recognition and nominate them.”

The award categories open for nomination this year are: Arts, Culture & Heritage, Community Service, Environmental, Innovation Excellence (new award for 2018), Large Business, Small Business, Sport, Tourism, and Young Achievers.

For the first time, a People’s Choice Award will be presented. This is an opportunity for the community to get even more involved in the awards. Voting for People’s Choice will take place on the Selwyn Awards website from Friday 22 June.

The closing date for nominations is Friday 15 June. Nominees will be assessed by independent and expert judges in each category across a range of areas. In 2016, a total of 55 nominations were received.

The 2016 Award winners were: Agri-Business – Gladfield Malt Ltd, Arts & Culture – Amelia Dunbar, Community Service – Neville Sinclair Benny, Environmental – West Rolleston Primary School, Te Kura o Te uru Kovhai Establishment Board of Trustees (EBOT), Large Business – The Laboratory, Small Business – COBI Digital Productions Ltd, Sport – Francie Turner, Tourism – The Tea House, Young Achiever – Elin Harris.

The awards are open to individuals and organisations who live, or are based, in Selwyn district and meet the criteria for entry listed on nominations forms. The 2016 award winners are not eligible to enter the same category in 2018. Award nominees must give permission to be entered on the entry form. Self-nominations are not permitted.

Key dates:
Nominations (online) open: now until 15 June
Gala Dinner tickets on sale: 28 May–27 July (5pm)
People’s Choice voting: 22 June–28 July
Gala Dinner: Saturday 4 August
See www.selwynawards.co.nz for more information and the nomination forms.

High level of community interest in 10-year plan
Consultation on the Council's Long-Term Plan 2018-2028 has closed – with hundreds of Selwyn residents taking the opportunity to share their view on proposals for the next 10 years.

Initial returns show that by the time consultation closed last Friday, more than 400 formal submissions had been received.

More than 430 responses were also received to an online survey on the key proposals, and 1150 people completed a quick poll on the Council’s Long-Term Plan consultation site.

Selwyn mayor Sam Broughton says the level of engagement with the community over the Council's plans has been positive.

“We’re pleased that so many people have taken the time to read about our proposals and think about what it means for them,” he says.

“There have been some thought-provoking topics this year, such as the discussion about what approach the Council should take in the future to ensure the safety of our community water supplies.

“People have also been keen to share their views on major projects we’re proposing, such as new indoor sports and aquatic facilities, as well as new community centres in our townships and cycleways across the district.

“All of the submissions and comments will be presented to councillors and will be taken into consideration when we make decisions on the plan.”

Submissions will be publicly available on the Council website from Friday 18 May. Public hearings, for submitters who want to present their submissions in person, will be held on Wednesday 23 and Thursday 24 May, and the Council will deliberate on submissions a week later.

The final Long-Term Plan 2018-2028 is expected to be adopted in late June.
On the roads this week

Digout repairs will be occurring on Waimakariri Gorge Road. Reseals will occur on Harts Road and Cowans Road. Please stop on request at these sites. Drainage works will be carried out on Malvern Hill Road, Oval Road, Roloway Road, Bethels Road and in Whitecliffs. Footpath reconstruction will be carried out in Leeston and Rakaia Gorge. Intersection upgrades are underway at Masefield Drive/Rolleston Drive, Jones Road/Hoskyns Road and Weedons Ross Rd/Maddisons Road. Drive with care and expect delays through these areas.

Meetings

Public Forums: Council, Community Board and local 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.

COUNCIL & COMMUNITY BOARD

Unless stated meetings held at the Rolleston Council Building.

Council Meeting
Wed 9 May 7.30pm
Citizenship Ceremony
Wed 9 May 6.30pm
Council Water Race
Subcommittee
Mon 14 May 1.30pm
Long Term Plan Hearings
Wed 23 & Thu 24 May
Malvern Community Board
Mon 28 May 4.30pm, Darfield Library and Service Centre

LOCAL COMMITTEES & ASSOCIATIONS

Coalgate Township Committee
Tue 22 May 7.30pm
Coalgate Fire Station

Shalkie

Sport New Zealand Rural Travel

Travel Funding is available for Selwyn sport teams who need to travel to local competition games. For further information and application forms go to www.sport-nz.rural-travel-fund.org or contact Stuart Westoby, 03 347 2708. Applications close Friday 25 May.

Need Funding For Your Creative Project?

Funding is available to groups or individuals with community based creative projects that promote arts or culture in Selwyn through the Creative Communities Scheme.

Application for this funding round close at 5pm, Friday 11 May. Visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/artsfunding for more information and to apply.

Apply For Events Funding

Applications to round one of Selwyn District Events Funding are due to fund events happening between 1 July–31 December 2018. Applications close Thursday 31 May. For information and to apply visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/eventsfund or phone 347 2719 or 318 8338.

ALCOHOL NOTICES

An application for an off license has been received from Baltgae Limited and Darfield Foodcentre 1980 Limited. Objections are open until Monday 14 May. An application for an off license has been received from Lindsay Family Cellars Limited. Objections are open until Thursday 3 May. For more information visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/alcobonotices.

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

Zig Zag Road from the intersection with Rakaia Gorge Road (SH77) to the intersection with Coleridge Road will be closed between 9am–5.30pm on Sunday 20 May for the “Rakaia Zig Zag” cycling sport event. Detours will be in place. Any queries can be directed to Joanne Harkers 347 2877.

LINCOLN CEMETERY

The council cemetery team would like to contact the families of the following people interred at Lincoln Cemetery:

REID, Loraine Janice
OWEN, Jacob Christopher

If you are a family member or know any family members of the above person, could you please ask them to contact the cemeteries team on 347 2969 or email cemeteries@selwyn.govt.nz.

Sat 19 & 29 May

Barn Dance

Dancing display, Ellesmere Pipe Band, a country buffet, baking including pork pies/pasties, British vehicles, traditional British food, lots of decorated stalls with gifts and fresh produce. A display of iconic vehicles. Lots of decorated stalls with gifts and fresh produce.

Beside the Lincoln Library, 10.30–4pm

The Art of the Book

An exhibition of rare, unique and valuable books with interesting and unusual bindings. Meet the author, John O’Donnell, who will give a talk about the history of books and carefully selected examples.

Saturday 12–4pm

Our Changing Climate and Potential Impacts on Te Waihora/Lake Ellesmere

Monday 21 May, Greerpark Community Centre, 7–8.30pm and Tuesday 29 May, Sedgemark Hall, Leeston Taumutu Road, 7–8.30pm

Presentation from Dr Brett Painter (Environment Centerbury) on changing climate and the potential impacts on our environment and communities in the future, including implications for Te Waihora/Lake Ellesmere and the surrounding areas. Hosted by Selwyn District Council, Contact Tina, tina.developmentmatters.co.nz

‘Children’s Time’ – Lincoln Kindergarten and Lincoln Playcentre

Down By The Liffey Gallery, Wed–Thu 11.30am–2.30pm, Fri–Sun 10am–4pm

Come along and appreciate the creativity of our community’s young artists in this special exhibition.

A Right Royal Do British Themed Market

At Lincoln Library, 10am–1pm

Lots of decorated stalls with gifts and fresh produce. A display of iconic British vehicles, traditional British baking including pork pies, pasties, Victoria sponges, Devonshire teas.

Great live themed music and Morris Dancing display, Ellesmere Pipe Band, lawn games, royal trivia activity. See www.facebook.com/lincollmarket

For information on listing a community event visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/councilcall

2708. Applications close Friday 25 May.

MAY

19–28 JUNE

SAY WHAT!

Memorial Day Program

Lincoln Park Pavilion, Monday 21 May, 7pm

Come along and appreciate the story of our fallen soldiers.

The Court of Honour

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