



MEETINGS

Public Forum at Council and Community Board Meetings: You may speak on matters of concern during the first 15 minutes of each meeting but please let us know well in advance. For council meetings, please notify Sue Elder and for community boards, please notify Marilyn Ponsford.

Township, Hall and Reserve Committees, please **note:** If you wish to advertise your meeting here, or make any changes to meeting details, please let Lee Brehaut know as soon as possible by emailing meeting.changes@selwyn.govt.nz, or by phoning 347 2800 or 318 8338.

For the 2011 'Meetings Calendar' visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/meetings

COUNCIL & COMMUNITY BOARDS

Selwyn Central Community Board

Wed 16 March, 4pm, Executive Meeting Room One, **Rolleston Council Buildings**

Council Meeting

• Tue 22 March, 1pm, Council Chambers, Rolleston

Malvern Community Board

Mon 28 March, 4pm, Community Room Library/ Service Centre South Terrace

LOCAL COMMITTEES & **ASSOCIATIONS**

Coalgate Township Committee

• Tue 15 March, 7:30 pm, Coalgate Fire Station

Darfield Recreation & Community Centre Committee

• Mon 4 April, 7:30 pm, Darfield Recreation Centre

Darfield Township Committee

• Thu 17 March, 7:45 pm, Community Room, Library/ Service Centre South Terrace

Glenroy Community Hall Committee

Tue 15 March, 8 pm, Glenroy Hall

Glentunnel Residents Association

• Mon 4 April, 7:30 pm, Community Centre -Glentunnel

Hororata District Citizens Association

• Tue 22 March, 7:30 pm, Hororata Primary School

Hororata Reserve Management Committee Wed 16 March, 7:30pm, Hororata Primary School

Killinchy Community Centre Committee

• Wed 16 March, 7:30, Killinchy Hall - Cancelled

Kirwee Community Committee

• Mon 21 March, 7:30 pm, Kirwee Community Hall

Lake Coleridge Community Committee Triennial Election

Fri 8 April, 8pm, Lake Coleridge Hall.

Leeston Community Committee

• Mon 4 April, 7:30pm, Leeston Community Room

Leeston Park Association

• Mon 28 March, 8pm, Leeston Park Pavilion

Prebbleton Reserve Management Committee

• Mon 21 March, 7:30pm, Prebbleton Rugby Rooms

Rolleston Reserve Management Committee

• Mon 21 March, 7:30pm, Rolleston Community

Rolleston Residents Association

• Mon 28 March, 7:30pm, Rolleston Community

Southbridge Advisory Committee

• Tue 22 March, 7:30pm, Southbridge Fire Station

Springston Community Committee

• Mon 21 March, 7:30pm, Springston Hall - Supper

Springston Hall Committee

1nu 24 March, 7:30pm, Springston Community Hall

Springston Recreation Reserve and Associated Sports Committee

Wed 16 March, 8pm, Springston Reserve Errol Tweedy **Pavilion**

Springston South Reserve Management Committee

• Mon 28 March, 7pm, Soldiers Memorial Hall Springston South

West Melton Community Centre

• Tue 29 March, 7:30pm, West Melton Community Centre

West Melton Reserve Board

• Mon 21 March, 7:30pm, West Melton Domain

INTERESTED IN THE ARTS?

Selwyn Central representative Wanted

The Creative Communities Assessment Committee seeks a representative to represent Selwyn Central Ward for the next three years.

You will live in Selwyn Central, have been active in the arts and want to help the artists in your ward to promote and participate in their

The committee distributes funds which the Council receives from Creative NZ to groups and individuals undertaking arts and cultural

The assessment committee meets four times a year to consider applications for funding. The position is unpaid but travel expenses are reimbursed.

Written expressions of interest, including details of arts participation, must reach us by Thursday 31 March

They should be addressed to:

Creative Community Assessment Position

Selwyn District council

P.O. Box 90 Rolleston 7643

Attention: Stuart Westoby

Contact: Stuart Westoby on 347 2708, or creative@selwyn.govt.nz



CELEBRATING SELWYN 2011 26 March – 10 April 2011

welcomes you - gardens, private studios, heritage houses, concerts, food, wine and more

FREE GUIDE AVAILABLE NOW from Selwyn District Council offices and libraries

Email: celebratingselwyn@gmail.com Web: www.celebratingselwyn.com



The Centre will be closed this Friday for Earthquake Rembrance Day, but otherwise, we are back to normal. Recreation classes have resumed, and local clubs are back and meeting regularly again. Most of our classes operate on a casual basis, which means that you only need to pay for one session initially and can suss out what activity best suits your needs.

Some examples:

Circuit With A Twist

(Tue, 10:30am) is suitable for all abilities and is also a fun, social programme. Most weeks feature an exercise circuit jam-packed with a variety of ways to achieve a full-body workout.

Pump Fitness

(Mon & Wed 6pm, Fri 9:30am and Sat 9am)

Step It Up

(Tue 6:30pm)

The Community Centre is your venue. So, if you are planning a wedding reception, birthday party, conference or meeting, give us a call or come in and take a look at what we can offer.

You can call us on ph 347



You can also e-mail: rcc.enquiries@selwyn.govt.nz or look online www.selwyn.govt.nz/rcc



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HOUR WEEK (19-26 March)

It's nearly here! What's your school, business or town doing for Earth Hour Week? Check out the full Earth Hour Week programme in this issue of the newspaper or visit www.selwynearth.com

And remember to switch off your lights 8:30-9:30pm, Saturday 26 March.

www.selwyn.govt.nz

for the week 15 March to 21 March

LET'S TALK ABOUT RATES (and other stuff)

Have your say at a public meeting

The Council's Draft Budget for 2011-2012 will be released for public submissions next week and will propose some rates increases for:

- Sewerage
- Water
- Reserves
- Community Centres and halls
- Libraries

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You are invited to a public meeting in your area to hear about and comment on the proposed rate changes. Discussion points will include:

- whether smaller rate increases spread over time are better than large catch-up increases; and
- an update on earthquake recovery in our district

Location	Date	Time	Venue
Darfield	28 Mar	8pm to 9:30pm	Meeting Room 1 New Darfield Library/ Service Centre, 1 South Terrace, Darfield
Doyleston	30 Mar	6pm to 7:30pm	Osborne Park Hall
Leeston	30 Mar	8pm to 9:30pm	Leeston Library Community Room

Further meetings will be advertised over the following weeks.

For more information, contact Corporate Services Manager, **Douglas Marshall**, on 03 347 2701, 03 318 8338 or douglas.marshall@selwyn.govt.nz







The Older and Wiser Driver

- Fri 8 April Prebbleton Community Hall
- Thu 19 May Darfield

The postponed Prebbleton 'Confident Driving for the Mature Driver' course is now on Friday, 8 April. All those who are already registered will be contacted by Age Concern. To register, please phone 366 0903.

This 4-hour course uses a workbook (which you keep at the end of the course). It is thought-provoking, informative, enjoyable and informal.

No tests, no exams, but you still get a *Certificate of Attendance* – and lunch.

Book with **Age Concern** on 366 0903

FREE COUNSELLING SERVICE Darfield Library

Mon, Tue, Thu, 8:30am – 5pm.

CareNZ offers the following free services in the new Darfield Library (1 South Terrace, opposite Beaurepaires): information, individual counselling, group and family counselling.

Just walk in, phone or email.

Phone: 022 010 8651 or 03 3182 796

Email: admin@carenz.co.nz



Wed 6 April, 10am Rolleston Community Centre

Calling all mums – need a chance to de-stress?

Join Kiwi Mums for some relaxation, laughter, an entertaining speaker and time to pamper yourself.

Awesome morning tea and childcare provided.

Contact: 347 4486.

Council closed for Earthquake Day of Remembrance this Friday 18 March, but refuse services continue as normal

Council offices, libraries and the Rolleston Community Centre will be closed this Friday to observe the Day of Remembrance, but normal refuse collections will continue and the Resource Recovery Park at Rolleston will be open as usual.

Quake counsellors on 0800 777 846 or 360 2266

Many in Selwyn have been personally affected by the earthquake. Please give support where you can. If you need someone to talk to, you may phone 0800 777 846 or the Canterbury Charity Hospital's counselling line on 360 2266.

No More Sewage in Halswell and LII Rivers – Residents Thanked

We thank Eastern Selwyn residents for their restraint in the bathroom during these past few weeks. With city sewerage connections restored, sewage discharge into the Halswell and LII rivers has stopped, so "business as usual" may now resume. For more information, phone 347 2845 or email savewater@selwyn.govt.nz

Washing Facilities Available in Rolleston

Christchurch residents in search of washing facilities can drive to Rolleston where the following are available:

- Four washing machines and four dryers at the Rolleston Reserve Changing Rooms (Tennyson St., Rolleston, open 10am-4pm)
- Showers, one washing machine and one dryer at the Rolleston Community Centre (Rolleston Ave., Rolleston, open 9am-5pm)

Thank you to all Selwyn Helpers

As soon as the 22 February quake struck, the Selwyn District Council's Civil Defence Emergency Operations Centre sprang into action, first to assess damage in Selwyn (fortunately, very little) and then to organise help for Christchurch.

Our thanks go out to all the Selwyn staff, volunteers and donors who have contributed to the help effort. Here is a summary of how we've been helping Christchurch:

- We used our Civil Defence database of 90-odd volunteers to send a daily bus-load of around 50 volunteers to assist with Project Suburbs
- We set up a welfare centre to provide relief and emergency accommodation for up to 300 people which, in the event, was not required
- We set up a temporary accommodation database and are continuing to match people with offers
- Rolleston Community Centre was used as a collection centre for donations, a drop-in centre and an information point for advice and assistance on benefits, accommodation, counselling etc.
- At the direction of Christchurch Welfare Operations, which advised us on what was needed and where, we co-ordinated deliveries of goods to:
 - Linwood Salvation Army (twice)
 - Ashburton Welfare Centre
 - Ellesmere Food Bank
 - Delta Trust (Shirley)Hornby Presbyterian Church
 - Aranui (donations from the West Melton community)
 - Waddington food and cooking support to emergency staff based there

Once again, thank you to all those involved.

Benefits and entitlements – WINZ offices in Hornby and Ashburton

Quake victims in Selwyn can get information on benefits and entitlements from Work and Income NZ (WINZ). The nearest WINZ offices are in Hornby and Ashburton.

WINZ work broker in Rolleston

A WINZ work broker is based, for a short time, at the Council offices in Rolleston, to help Selwyn businesses find full-time, part-time or casual workers. Phone (03) 324 4480 or (03) 318 8338.

Earthquake support for employers

Selwyn businesses affected by the quake can now apply for a six-week subsidy to help keep paying wages. Apply at www.workandincome.govt.nz or on 0800 779 997.

The www.recovercanterbury.co.nz website gives practical advice and information for business recovery.

WINZ to pay accommodation hosts

WINZ will make payment to people who have temporarily hosted, friends/family towards accommodation costs. Copies of the form are available from Jenny Harkerss, Selwyn Community Recovery Support Officer on 347 2799 or via the WINZ website www.workandincome.govt.nz

For more information about earthquake support services in Selwyn District, please visit www.selwyn.govt.nz and click Earthquake.