

# Take care at intersections

Selwyn District Council is reinforcing the need for motorists to stay alert and slow down at intersections.

Almost 40% of all crashes in Selwyn District happen at intersections. Between 2010 and 2014, there were 486 crashes at intersections. 209 of these involved an injury occurring, with seven deaths and 73 serious injuries being recorded.

Poor observation, with motorists not seeing other vehicles, or poor judgement, particularly failing to assess whether there is a safe gap before merging into the traffic flow, are common causes of crashes at intersections in Selwyn.

A survey of 125 cars undertaken at seven busy Selwyn intersections in 2014 showed that 32% of cars approaching these intersections failed to come to a complete stop at intersections, with many of these vehicles slowing down but not actually stopping.

"It is very important that people stop and take the time to check it is safe to proceed before travelling through an intersection," says Selwyn District Council's Road Safety Coordinator Ngaire Tinning.

"Many accidents are caused by drivers not taking the time to carefully check for traffic and not properly assessing how quickly other vehicles are moving. Coming to a complete stop allows drivers enough time to do both these things."

Drivers are also being encouraged to slow down and be ready to brake when other vehicles are waiting at connecting intersections. "Unfortunately there are many drivers on our roads who don't take enough care at intersections. If you are travelling an open road speed and see a car at an intersection ahead it is advisable to slow down in case they decide to turn or cross the road," says Mrs Tinning.

During March and April a joint road safety campaign between the Council and the New Zealand Police will be running. The campaign will include newspaper advertising, billboards and giveaways of notepads, magnets and key rings with messages to remind drivers that extra care that is required at intersections.

Selwyn Police will be supporting the road safety campaign by monitoring intersections and will be issuing tickets to motorists who fail to stop at intersections. The Council is also planning to carry out further surveys of motorist behaviour at intersections.



## Life Without a Car

New Zealand's population is aging and more older drivers are considering retiring from driving.

A new free workshop called Life Without A Car workshop is designed to help people who are no longer driving. It offers information and advice on how people can continue to get about without a car.

This first workshop is happening on Wednesday 18 March, from 10am-1pm at Lincoln Event Centre.

"The workshop enables people to get together and share information and ideas so they can still get out when they need to," says Selwyn District Council's Road Safety Coordinator, Ngaire Tinning.

This course is being run by Age Concern, with support from Selwyn District Council, and provides information on alternatives to driving, how to keep mobile, and solutions on planning and adjusting to life without a vehicle. It also covers topics such as community and public transport services, and recreational activities and social outings.

If you are interested in attending the course please contact Ngaire Tinning on 347 2800 or email [Ngaire.Tinning@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:Ngaire.Tinning@selwyn.govt.nz)



## Check your stock are fenced in

If you have stock please check that they are adequately fenced so they can't escape onto the road.

Wandering stock are a safety hazard and can cause traffic accidents. In the current dry conditions stock may be looking for extra feed and can escape through any gaps in fencing. Check your fencing regularly to see it doesn't have any holes and that gates shut securely. Any cattle should be secured behind electric fencing.

Last year there were 242 reports of stock wandering. If you see stock wandering on the road and believe the situation could be life threatening, call the Police on 111. If the situation is not life threatening, call Animal Control at the Council on 347 2800 or 318 8338. The Council responds to complaints about wandering stock 24 hours a day. Animal Control staff respond to calls by removing the stock from the road or road reserve. If you have experience handling stock, you can also put the animals in a nearby paddock and secure them there and then contact Animal Control and they will try to locate the owner. If you are driving and see stock on the roadside, whether they are wandering or being moved, please slow down as animals can act unpredictably.

Livestock owners can be liable for any damage caused by wandering stock and if the animals cause a crash and negligence can be proven, the owner may be prosecuted.



## Seniornet Classes

These classes are for people over 50 who'd like to learn more about computing and the internet.

Classes cover topics like using the internet, excel, Skype and Facebook.

Classes run at these locations:

- Darfield on Tuesdays, 10am-12pm
- Lincoln on Wednesdays, 10am-12pm
- Leeston on Thursdays, 10am-12pm
- Rolleston on Fridays, 10am-12pm

To register or for more information please email [selwyn.seniornet@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:selwyn.seniornet@selwyn.govt.nz) or call 347 2755.



## Selwyn Central Community Board News

The Selwyn Central Community Board held its second meeting of the year on 18 February. A presentation was made by the Police regarding Crime Prevention and working in the community. Police noted that there are an increasing number of people reporting petty crime on social media. The first course of action should be to report any concerns to the Police.

Ms Fidow, the new principal of West Rolleston Primary School also attended and introduced herself to the Board. Traffic concerns were discussed around the impending new school. The school is planning to encourage children to walk to school and it is pleasing to see they are taking an environmentally friendly approach to travel to school.

The Board are undertaking a new project for ANZAC day. If you are interested in finding out more about this project, information packs are available - please phone Kate Anderson on 347 2710 to request one.

The Board approved funding requests for local people to attend the Under 15 Softball National Championships and the Razorback Invitational Tournament at the University of Arkansas.

Next month's meeting will be held on 18 March at Selwyn District Council's Rolleston offices.

## In an emergency it's best to stick together ...

Selwyn communities are working together to prepare for, and respond to, emergencies.

Selwyn Gets Ready is a website which provides local information on who needs assistance in an emergency, and what skills and resources (like generators and first aid skills) are available to help so that your neighbourhood is better able to take care of itself. It can also alert you when there is an emergency.

Sign up today at [www.selwyn.getsready.net](http://www.selwyn.getsready.net)



# Council Call

Selwyn District Council  
Norman Kirk Drive Rolleston  
Ph 347 2800 or 318 8338

Rolleston Library  
Rolleston Drive, Rolleston  
Ph 347 2880 or 318 8338

Darfield Library & Service Centre  
1 South Terrace, Darfield  
Ph 318 8338 or 347 2800



## Notices

### Impounded Stock

Tenders are now being accepted for these seven sheep. Tenders must be submitted on a form available by phoning Animal Control on 347 2800 or from Council Service Centres. Please forward your tender in a sealed envelope by 5pm Friday 6 March 2015 and addressed to Sheep



Tender.

### Mobile Library Timetable

#### Wednesday 4 March

Arthurs Pass 11.30am-12.30pm  
Castle Hill 1.40-2.15pm

#### Thursday 5 March

Council Headquarters, Rolleston 12.45-1.15pm  
Paradise for Little Angels, Rolleston 1.30-2pm  
Rolleston First Learners 2-2.30pm  
Broadfield School 2.55-3.30pm

#### Monday 9 March

Cats Pyjamas Rolleston 10.15-10.45am  
Burnham Montessori 11-11.30am

Windwhistle School 1-1.30pm

#### Tuesday 10 March

Cats Pyjamas West Melton 12.15-12.45pm  
West Melton School 12.45-1.30pm  
West Melton Learning Centre 1.30-1.50pm  
West Melton Church 1.50-2pm

#### Call for Exhibitor Artists

The Arts Heart Selwyn Central Arts Council Twelfth Annual Art Exhibition is on 14 and 15 March 2015. Artists new and experienced are welcome to exhibit.

This is a call for all artists especially new artists in any medium to enter. There is a People's Choice prize and the opportunity to exhibit with other Selwyn artists.

Please contact Rails Mackey on 347 7229 or krm@sextra.co.nz for an application and information.

#### Selwyn District Plan Plan Change 28

*Lincoln Living 3 Zone*  
Selwyn District Council has accepted the Commissioner's Recommendation to approve with amendments, Plan Change 28 (Denwood Trustees).

The full text of these decisions can be read online at [www.selwyn.govt.nz](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz) or, during working hours at the Council's Rolleston Headquarters, or electronically at any Council service centre or library. From the date of this notice the Selwyn District Plan is amended in accordance with these decisions.

Anyone who made a submission on Plan Change 28 may appeal to the Environment Court against the Council's decisions. Appeals must be in the prescribed form set out in Form 7 and must reach the Court within 30 working days of receiving notice of the decision from the Council. A copy of any appeals must also be served on the Council. For further information, please contact Craig Friedel, Policy and Strategy Planner on 347 2800 or at PO Box 90, Rolleston 7643.

This notice is given under Clause 10 (3) of the First Schedule to the Resource Management Act 1991.

#### Sheep found

17 sheep have been found in Hororata. Please contact Animal Control on 347 2800 if they are yours or you know the owner.

## 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 (Council), Kate Anderson (Community Boards) 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](mailto:meeting.changes@selwyn.govt.nz) or phone 347 2800 or 318 8338 by 9am Wednesday the week before publication.

### Council and Community Boards

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

#### Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee

Tue 3 Mar, 1pm

#### Audit & Risk Sub-committee

Wed 4 Mar, 3pm

#### Industrial Park Project Team

Thurs 5 Mar, 3pm

Izone Visitors Centre

Please note this meeting has been cancelled

#### Council Meeting

Wed 11 Mar, 1pm

The meeting is followed by a

*Citizenship Ceremony at 6.30pm which is open to the public.*

#### Selwyn Central Community Board

Wed 18 Mar 4.30pm

#### Local Committees/Associations

These are public meetings and the first 15 minutes are available for the public to speak.

#### Coalgate/Glentunnel Reserve Committee

Thurs 12 Mar, 8pm  
Coalgate Fire Station

#### Coalgate Township Committee

Tue 17 Mar, 7.30pm  
Coalgate Fire Station

#### Coes & Chamberlains Fords Reserve Committee

Wed 18 Mar, 7.30pm, Sudley Park

#### Darfield Township Committee

Thurs 19 Mar, 7.30pm

Darfield Library/Service Centre

#### Doyleston Community Committee

Wed 11 Mar, 7.30pm

Osborne Park Pavilion

#### Glenroy Community Hall Committee

Tue 17 Mar, 8pm, Glenroy Hall

#### Greendale Recreation Reserve Management Committee

Tue 3 Mar, 8pm

Greendale Pavilion

Kirwee Recreation Reserve

Mon 9 Mar, 7.30pm

Kirwee Reserve Pavilion

#### Lincoln Community Committee

Mon 9 Mar, 7.30pm

Lincoln Events Centre

#### Prebbleton Public Hall Society Inc.

Mon 9 Mar, 7.30pm

Prebbleton Hall Supper Room

#### Rolleston Reserve Management Committee

Mon 16 Mar, 7.30pm

Rolleston Community Centre

#### Springfield Township Committee

Tue 3 Mar, 7.30pm, Tawera Hall

#### Springston Reserve & Associated Sports Combined Committee Inc.

Wed 18 Mar, 7.30pm

Errol Tweedy Pavilion

#### Tawera Memorial Hall Committee

Thurs 5 Mar, 7.30pm, Tawera Hall

#### West Melton Reserve Board Committee

Mon 16 Mar, 7.30pm, West Melton

Rugby Football Clubrooms

#### Weedons Reserve Committee

Monday 9 Mar, 7.30pm

Weedons Reserve Pavilion

Please note this meeting has been cancelled

#### Whitecliffs Township & Domain Committee

Mon 9 Mar, 7.30pm

Glentunnel Hall

## Information guide coming to your letterbox

Selwyn District Council's information guide for 2015 is currently being delivered to Selwyn homes.

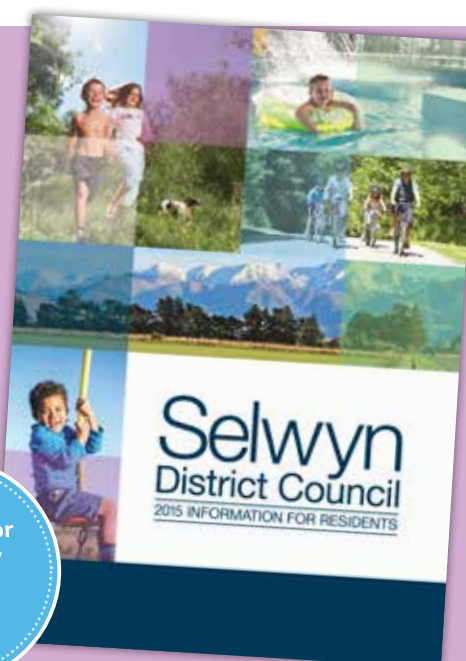
The 28-page booklet is an A-Z guide of council facilities and services. It includes information on how to access commonly used services, links to online resources and council and emergency contacts.

The Council provides a wide range of services to the 50,000 residents living in Selwyn – from libraries, to water and roads, parks, civil defence, rubbish and recycling collection and animal control.

If you haven't received your guide yet, you can expect to find it in your letterbox within the next week.

Extra copies are also available at council libraries and service centres.

Look out for your copy in your letterbox!



### WEDNESDAY

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MARCH

### Summer Skate Jam

Tai Tapu School, 4-6pm

A fun family event with music, prizes, a sausage sizzle and free lessons and gear hire from Cheapskates Skate Skool

### FRI-SAT

6-7

MARCH

### Mistlewood Gallery Exhibition

Southbridge

A free exhibition of works by local artists. Open 10am-4.30pm the weekends of 6-7, 13-14 and 20-21 March. The gallery is at 12 O'Connells Street

### SATURDAY

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MARCH

### Lincoln Summer Fete

Gerald Street, 10am-1pm

Join the fun! Lots of competitions to enter, puppet show, live music, games, bouncy castle, food, craft and produce stalls. See [facebook.com/lincolnmarket](https://facebook.com/lincolnmarket)

### SUNDAY

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MARCH

### Rolleston Envirotown Market

Rolleston Square Carpark, 10am-1pm

Choose from local produce and craft

### MONDAY

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MARCH

### Selwyn Launch Group Meeting

Selwyn Community House, Rolleston

Due to some committee members stepping down, we encourage new members to join our group to support young adults with disabilities. Phone 318 1757 for details

### TUESDAY

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### Agrecovery Container collection

PGG Wrightson, Darfield, 9am-3pm

Free recycling of containers from participating brands. Containers must be empty, triple rinsed, and free from residue and dirt. See [www.agrecovery.co.nz](http://www.agrecovery.co.nz).

### WEDNESDAY

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MARCH

### Summer Skate Jam

Leeston Skate Bowl, 4-6pm

Fun for the family with music, prizes, a sausage sizzle and free lessons and gear hire from Cheapskates Skate Skool



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High Street, Leeston  
Ph 347 2820 or 318 8338

Lincoln Library & Service Centre  
Gerald Street, Lincoln  
Ph 347 2875 or 318 8338

(03) 347 2800

Darfield call free 318 8338

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