



# Nominations open for Sensational Selwyn Awards

Do you know an organisation, business or individual who you think is fantastic and deserves recognition?

If you do, and they live, or operate, in Selwyn and their work helps make Selwyn a great place to live, you could nominate them for a Sensational Selwyn Award so everyone knows how good they are.

The awards are organised by Selwyn District Council and held every two years. They recognise and honour outstanding Selwyn individuals, community groups and businesses for their inspirational work and achievements.

Nominations are open until **Friday 17 June** and can be made in nine categories:

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| · Agri-business    | · Environmental     | · Sport          |
| · Arts and Culture | · Community Service | · Tourism        |
| · Large Business   | · Small Business    | · Young Achiever |

“We have fantastic talents in Selwyn and these awards are presented to individuals, organisations and businesses in Selwyn to honour and celebrate outstanding work, or inspirational achievements. With nine categories there is an opportunity for everyone to be involved in celebrating success in Selwyn,” says Selwyn Mayor Kelvin Coe.

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. Award nominees must give permission to be entered on the form.

The Awards will be announced at a gala dinner at the Lincoln Event Centre on Saturday 30 July. Ticket sales for the awards dinner open on 30 May and close 22 July.

Nomination forms are available from Council libraries and service centres, the Lincoln Event Centre and online at [www.selwyn.govt.nz/awards](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz/awards).



## On the roads this week

Work to extend Broadlands Drive to connect to Springston Rolleston Road and install a new roundabout at the junction (see photo on right) is continuing. Temporary speed restrictions will be in place. A sewer main is also being laid on Springston Rolleston Road, terminating just before the new roundabout. Temporary traffic signals are in place with short delays for road users especially at peak times.

Road repairs and resealing is planned along Rakaia Terrace Road with temporary traffic signals in place. Footpath widening along Rolleston Drive is under way and the construction of a new footpath/cycleway between Coalgate and Glentunnel is also under way.



## New toilets at Glentunnel

A new set of public toilets have now been installed next to Glentunnel Community Centre by the Council, with support from the Malvern Community Board and local Committee members.

“With more and more tourists coming into the area, the new toilets will help to ease the pressure on the toilets located at the camp ground and will hopefully encourage more business for the local shops,” says Mayor Kelvin Coe.

The new modular system will better serve campers and visitors to the area by taking the stress off the toilets at the camp. The installation is a part of a wider Council plan to improve the Camp Ground wastewater disposal system.

The entrance to the Glentunnel Community Centre also received an upgrade. The entrance was widened and the number of steps were reduced to improve safety when entering the centre.



## Emergency alert helps local residents prepare for fire

Emergency alert service Selwyn Gets Ready is proving its worth by helping locals be prepared for emergencies.

The service was recently used during a large fire near Homebush.

Local resident and owner of the Darfield Hotel, Ray O’Connell, was with his family a couple of hours north of Christchurch when he got a message from Selwyn Gets Ready alerting him to the emergency. “We received a text saying the fire had jumped Homebush Road, so we were able to contact family and the hotel to prepare for an emergency evacuation,” says Ray.

“The text messaging system is great because it is immediate - so you can respond to a situation as quickly as possible.”

Mr O’Connell says without the alerts from Selwyn Gets Ready, he would not have known about the fires in time to take action. “By the time we’d found out on the six o’clock news it would have been too late to do anything.”

Nicola Dance, a Darfield resident and Neighbourhood Support coordinator, was at home when she received the text notifying her of the fires. “I knew something was going on because I could see smoke and hear sirens, but I wasn’t aware of what was actually happening until I received notification from Selwyn Gets Ready,” Nicola says.

After receiving the alert she was able to let her elderly neighbours know what was going on. “Selwyn Gets Ready is great because you don’t always get information about an emergency very quickly. The messages I received helped me prepare in case I needed to evacuate.”

Ray and Nicola are both convinced of the benefits of Selwyn Gets Ready and encourage all Selwyn residents to sign up. “People should definitely join Selwyn Gets Ready,” says Ray. “They’ll be more informed about events that could affect them, their families and their property.”

The Selwyn Gets Ready website is a confidential database of local residents’ contact information. It is used to alert residents in emergencies such as tsunamis, high winds, heavy snow, fires and any situation where people’s health or safety is at risk. Around 6,000 Selwyn households are already signed up for the service.

Local community response teams can also use the information to identify who needs assistance in an emergency and who has skills or resources that could help in a disaster.

Anyone can join Selwyn Gets Ready, which is a free service. To join, visit [www.selwyn.getsready.net](http://www.selwyn.getsready.net) and click join. For more information about Selwyn Gets Ready, contact Sue or Jason at Selwyn District Council on 347 2800 or email [getsready@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:getsready@selwyn.govt.nz)



Photo: Selwyn Gets Ready helped Darfield Hotel owner Ray O’Connell prepare in case an emergency evacuation was needed.

## Free workshops for community organisations

The Council in collaboration with the Department of Internal Affairs is running a series of workshops for members of community groups. The first two workshops are:

- *Governance and management for community groups* - Tuesday 3 May at 10am at Lincoln Event Centre and 6.30pm at Council Headquarters in Rolleston. A seminar providing advice on what is meant by governance and management, and the roles and responsibilities involved.
- *Funding for community organisations* – Tuesday 10 May at 10am at Lincoln Event Centre and 6.30pm at Council Headquarters in Rolleston. A seminar covering funding available for non-profit community organisations, focusing on information and advice about Lottery Community and COGS (Community Organisations Grants Scheme) funding and applying online.

The workshops are free to attend. To register please contact Lisa by emailing [lisa.larkin@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:lisa.larkin@selwyn.govt.nz) or phoning 347 2755.



Notices

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE

Wednesday 27 April  
Arthur's Pass 11.30am-12.30pm  
Castle Hill 1.40-2.15pm  
Springfield 3-3.30pm

Thursday 28 April  
Lincoln Montessori 11-11.30am  
Council Headquarters, Rolleston 12.45-1.15pm  
Cat's Pyjamas Rolleston 1.30-2pm

Monday 2 May  
Dunsandel Playcentre 10-10.30am  
Burnham Montessori 11-11.30am  
Darfield Playcentre 12-12.30pm  
Darfield Primary School 1-1.30pm

Tuesday 3 May  
Kirwee 10-10.45am  
Kirwee School 10.45-11.30am  
West Melton Domain 12.15-12.45pm  
West Melton School 12.45-1.30pm  
West Melton Learning Centre 1.30-1.50pm  
Cats Pyjamas West Melton 1.50-2.20pm

OPERATIVE STATUS OF SELWYN DISTRICT PLAN

Resource Management Act 1991, Selwyn District Plan

On 22 March 2016, Council notified a decision from Chorus New Zealand Ltd and Spark New Zealand Trading Ltd on the Notice of Requirements for 18 Telecommunication and Radiocommunication sites. No appeals were received, so in accordance with s175 (2) of the Resource Management Act 1991 the designations are now

operative in the Selwyn District Plan.

These designations were the last aspect of the Partially Operative District Plan to be addressed. In accordance with Clauses 17(2) and 20 of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991 the Selwyn District Plan will become fully operative on 3 May 2016.

The District Plan may be inspected electronically during working hours at Council Service Centres and libraries and at eplan.selwyn.govt.nz

PREBBLETON PUBLIC HALL SOCIETY INC.

A Special General Meeting will be held at Prebbleton Hall, 7pm Monday 9 May when a proposed change will be made to Rule 9.5 of the Society's Constitution. A copy of the change can be viewed by contacting 349 8886.

WATER RESTRICTIONS LIFTED

Lawn watering restrictions have now been lifted for properties connected to Council water supplies. For more information please visit [www.selwyn.govt.nz](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz)

VISIT JAPAN

Applications close on 2 May for a planned sister cities trip to visit Akitakata and Yubetsu in Japan in late September. The group will visit farms, Hiroshima Peace Park, Miyajima Island, and experience Japanese life. The group will join the Darfield High School tour in Akitakata and can join at Tokyo. Some homestay accommodation is provided. The adult group can also travel to Yubetsu. For application forms

and information phone 347 2830 or email [bernadette.ryan@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:bernadette.ryan@selwyn.govt.nz)

PRIVATE PLAN CHANGE 47 M J STRATFORD

M J Stratford have lodged a private plan change application (PC 47) to rezone the 16 hectare property at 631 Shands Road, Prebbleton from Rural (Inner Plains) to Living 3. The application includes rules to manage the future subdivision and development of approximately 26 rural residential sections.

Submissions are now open to enable you to have your say on this rezoning proposal. Information on this plan change request, and how to make a submission, is available at Council's Rolleston Headquarters, Council libraries and Service Centres, online at [www.selwyn.govt.nz](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz) or by contacting the Strategy and Policy Team on 347 2800. Submissions must be lodged by 5pm, Monday 23 May 2016.

DOG MICROCHIPPING

This free service is available on Friday 6 May at:

- Lincoln – 9-9.30am
  - Leeston – 10.15-10.45am
  - Darfield – 11.30am-12pm
  - Rolleston – 12.45-1.15pm
- Please note:
- Clinics last for only 30 minutes
  - The Rolleston venue is Norman Kirk Drive, other sessions are outside libraries
  - Sessions won't occur if wet.

For questions contact Tracey on 347 2800 or 318 8338.

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 & COMMUNITY BOARDS

Unless stated meetings are held at the Rolleston Council Building

**Malvern Community Board**  
Tue 26 Apr 4pm, Darfield Library  
*Is there an issue affecting your community that you want to bring to your Community Board's attention and find out how we can help? See 'Meetings' for information on our Public Forum.*

**Council Meeting**  
Wed 27 Apr 1pm

**Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee**  
Tue 3 May 1pm

**Audit & Risk Subcommittee**  
Wed 4 May 3pm

**Industrial Park Project Team**  
Thurs 5 May 3pm  
Izone Café Meeting Room  
*Because of commercial sensitivity, the public may be excluded from part of or all of the meeting. Enquiries to Property and*

*Commercial Manager, Douglas Marshall*

**Water Race Subcommittee**  
Mon 9 May 1.30pm

**Council Meeting**  
Wed 11 May 1pm

**Hororata/Acheron Rural Water Supply Subcommittee**  
Thurs 12 May 8.30am  
Darfield Library

**Malvern Hills Rural Water Supply Subcommittee**  
Thurs 12 May 10.30am  
Darfield Library

LOCAL COMMITTEES & ASSOCIATIONS

**Arthur's Pass Association**  
Tue 3 May, 7.30pm,  
St Christopher's Church,  
244 Avonhead Road

**Castle Hill Community Association**  
Mon 2 May 5.30pm by Skype

**Coalgate/Glentunnel Reserve Management Committee**  
Thurs 28 Apr 8pm  
Coalgate Fire Station

**Darfield Recreation & Community Centre Committee**  
Mon 2 May 7.30pm  
Darfield Recreation Centre

**Doyleston Community Committee**  
Wed 11 May 7.30pm  
Osborne Park Pavilion

**Dunsandel Community Committee**  
Mon 2 May 7.30pm  
Dunsandel Hotel  
*Note change of date*

**Glentunnel Community Centre Committee**  
Tue 10 May 7.30pm

Glentunnel Community Centre

**Kirwee Recreation Reserve Management Committee**  
Mon 9 May 7.30pm

Kirwee Reserve Sports Pavilion

**Ladbrooks Community Hall Committee**  
Fri 6 May 7.45pm

**Leeston Community Committee**  
Mon 2 May 7.30pm, Leeston Library Community Room

**Lincoln Community Committee**  
Mon 9 May 7.30pm  
Lincoln Events Centre

**Prebbleton Community Cottage Committee**  
Tue 3 May 7.30pm

Prebbleton Community Cottage

**Prebbleton Public Hall Society Inc. Special Meeting**  
Mon 9 May 7pm  
Prebbleton Hall Supper Room  
*See notices column for details*

**Rolleston Residents Association Inc.**  
Mon 2 May 7.30pm  
Rolleston Community Centre  
*Guest speaker is Chris Martin, Council Youth Advisor*

**Springfield Township Committee**  
Tue 3 May 7.30pm, Tawera Hall

**Tawera Memorial Hall Committee**  
Thurs 5 May 7.30pm, Tawera Hall

**Weedons Reserve Committee**  
Mon 9 May 7pm  
Weedons Reserve Pavilion

**Whitecliffs Township & Domain Committee**  
Mon 9 May 7.30pm  
Glentunnel Hall

Selwyn Events

WEDNESDAY

27  
APRIL

Ellesmere Toy Library Fun Day

3 Station Street, Leeston 10am-4pm  
Free fun day for preschoolers (older siblings welcome) with snacks, bouncy castle, & a special offer if you join the Toy Library. Try our huge range of toys! See 'Ellesmere Toy Library' on Facebook

WEDNESDAY

27  
APRIL

Ellesmere Highland Pipe Band Meeting

RSA Hall Leeston, 7.30pm  
A general meeting at 7.30pm is followed by a Special General Meeting at 8.30pm on the constitution. Everyone welcome. Contact A. Bailey on 027 487 6692

UNTIL

29  
APRIL

Pool Fest

Selwyn Aquatic Centre, 1-3pm  
Four days of games, prizes & fun. Try out a new activity each day ranging from paddleboats to an inflatable obstacle course, Flippa Ball & volleyball

SATURDAY

30  
APRIL

West Melton Forest Opening

10.30am  
Celebrate the opening of this new horse trail. Barbecue lunch follows the opening. For more information & to register see [www.ecan.govt.nz/westmeltonforest](http://www.ecan.govt.nz/westmeltonforest)

SATURDAY

30  
APRIL

Community Garden Waste Day

Hawkins Pit (entry off Cullens Road), 10am-4pm  
Get rid of garden prunings, tree trimmings & weeds. General rubbish, soil, flax, cabbage tree leaves, trees or branches over 10cm in diameter can't be accepted. \$5 a car, \$10 a ute or single axle trailer, \$15 a twin axle trailer. Cash only. Funds donated to Malvern Lions

SUNDAY

1  
MAY

Lincoln Community Garden & Mahoe Reserve Open Day

Mahoe Reserve, Boundary Road, Lincoln, 2-3pm  
Tour the reserve & hear its history. To plant a tree or learn how to plant natives bring a spade. Followed by afternoon tea at Lincoln Community Gardens & a planting demonstration. Phone 341 9104

SUNDAY

1  
MAY

From Patterson's Heart

Ellesmere College Hall, 2pm  
A stage production featuring award winning balladeer Colin Patterson & guest artists. Tickets \$25, proceeds to Abbeyfield complex for the elderly

MONDAY

2  
MAY

Lincoln Envirotown Trust Committee Meeting

Lincoln Event Centre, 7pm  
All welcome. For details contact chair. [lincolnenvirotowntrust@gmail.com](mailto:lincolnenvirotowntrust@gmail.com) or phone 341 9104

SATURDAY

7  
MAY

Swim-a-thon


Selwyn Aquatic Centre, 4-6pm  
An all ages event to boost the 'Swim to Rio de Janeiro' challenge in support of the Rolleston St John project. (123,355 lengths completed so far!) With spot prizes, a sausage sizzle & music

Leeston Library & Service Centre  
19 Messines 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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