

# Living waters project planned



The Council recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Living Water, the Department of Conservation's ten year, \$20 million partnership with Fonterra.

Through the Living Water partnership Fonterra and DOC are working with dairy farmers, iwi, conservation groups, councils, schools and other agencies to improve the health of five key catchments in significant dairying regions throughout the country.

The Living Water vision is for a sustainable dairy industry to be part of healthy functioning ecosystems that together enrich the lives of all New Zealanders. The Ararira/LII catchment of Te Waihora /Lake Ellesmere is one of the five Living Water catchments.

Under the MOU, Living Water is helping the Council fund a Biodiversity Officer who will be working to increase the abundance and variety of native wildlife in the Ararira/LII catchment (pictured above). They will focus on the Yarrs Lagoon/ Ta-rere-kau-tuku area of the catchment and will be working with the community and other agencies.

Christchurch based DOC Operations Manager, Andy Thompson, says Yarr's Lagoon/Ta-rere-kau-tuku is key site for native wildlife in the Ararira/LII Catchment.

"I'm delighted the Living Water funding will enable Selwyn District Council to focus on protecting and enhancing Yarr's Lagoon/Ta-rere-kau-tuku, as this is a significant biodiversity hotspot in the Ararira/LII Catchment."

"I'm very happy to see the Council play its part in efforts to support indigenous revegetation and increasing biodiversity in Canterbury," says Selwyn Deputy Mayor Malcolm Lyall.

Biodiversity Officer Andy Spanton joined Selwyn District Council recently and will be working with the Living Water team on activities and initiatives within the Ararira/LII sub- catchment of Te Waihora/Lake Ellesmere that support Living Water's goals.

Other aspects of Andy's Biodiversity Officer role for the Council are to carry out activities to support native biodiversity, including the management of the Council's Natural Environment Fund which assists native planting and biodiversity management on private land, and coordinating the identification and ecological assessment of significant native vegetation sites in the district.

## Easter Storytimes for kids!

Selwyn District Libraries invite you to join them for special evening Storytime sessions. They will be celebrating Easter with stories, songs and fun! The sessions are aimed at 2-7 year olds but everyone including family and friends are welcome. Kids can also dress in their pyjamas if they want to. The sessions will take place at:

- Darfield on Wednesday 5 April, 6-7pm
- Lincoln on Thursday 6 April, 6-7pm
- Rolleston on Monday 10 April, 6-7pm
- Leeston on Wednesday 12 April, 6-7pm.

Bookings are essential - please book at [www.selwynlibraries.co.nz](http://www.selwynlibraries.co.nz)



## Temporary library closure

On **Wednesday 29 March**, Selwyn District Libraries and service centres will be closed to allow library staff to attend professional development training.

While the closure occurs, people can still visit the library website ([www.selwynlibraries.co.nz](http://www.selwynlibraries.co.nz)) to access a range of online services including the library catalogue, eBooks, eMagazines, databases and other online services. Items can also be returned through the after-hours returns boxes outside libraries. The Council's Rolleston Headquarters will still be open to provide Council services. You can also phone 347 2800 or 318 8338 for assistance.

Library staff will be attending workshops on increasing customer access to collections, the delivery of outreach programme and sessions on library spaces.

## Roading reconstruction helps create smoother journeys

Roading reconstruction work is helping to improve our roading network.

Extra funding for road reconstruction work was introduced in 2014 from a roading targeted rate to help meet the rising costs of roading repair and renewal work. Vehicle traffic on Selwyn roads has been increasing more quickly than our population, while more heavy vehicles, including dairy tankers, construction vehicles and trucks travelling to and from Izone, are also using local roads. The funding has been used to accelerate road reconstruction work on sections of road where the road has suffered significant damage and the road base needs to be reconstructed, the surface levelled and resealed. On these sections of road, pothole and digout repairs cannot adequately repair road damage.

Since July 2014, 11.6km of road reconstruction work has been completed on sections of these roads:

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|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| • Deans Road            | • Leeston Dunsandel Road   |
| • Gerald Street         | • Old Tai Tapu Road        |
| • Leeston and Lake Road | • Selwyn Lake Road         |
| • Rockwood Road         | • Southbridge Leeston Road |
| • Goulds Road           | • Telegraph Road           |
| • Springs Road          | • Marshs Road.             |

Road reconstruction is also now starting on 0.5km of Bealey Road, west of Waianiwaniwa River bridge.

Telegraph Road near Darfield (pictured) is an example of how road rehabilitation work is providing a smoother ride for vehicles and helping reduce ongoing maintenance costs. In the period from July 2013 to March 2015, 109 potholes were recorded on Telegraph Road between Darfield township and Bealey Road. The road is a busy rural road and is also used by many trucks. Road rehabilitation work was undertaken on this section of road in stages with the work completed in early 2015. From April 2016 until March 2017, after road rehabilitation was completed, only 7 potholes were recorded on this section of road, a major reduction from the number recorded previously.



## Bus stop areas marked

This month, Council will be marking bus stop boxes on all its urban bus stops. This will make it easier for bus drivers when dropping off or picking up passengers. As our townships grow, it becomes more important for bus stops to be marked with boxes to ensure there is enough space for bus drivers to stop.

## On the roads this week

Road repairs are planned on Leaches, Bealey and Minchins Road, with traffic controls operating. Road resurfacing is planned on Telegraph and McLaughlins Roads, with stop/go traffic controls operating. Footpath construction will occur on State Highway 75 and School Road in Tai Tapu.

Work is continuing on the Masfield Drive upgrade and footpath construction. Manse Road roading and stormwater improvement work continues. Temporary traffic management is in place at these sites. Road reconstruction is complete on Gerald Street.

### Road/Rail closures

Curraghs Road Rail crossing will be closed from Saturday 1 to Wednesday 5 April to allow KiwiRail to complete a crossing upgrade. The road will be closed between Main South Road (SH1) and Jones Road with detours in place.

Stoneleigh Drive is closed until mid-April. A new roundabout is being installed at the intersection of Hoskyns Road and Stoneleigh Drive. The closure is a safety measure to reduce traffic build up on Hoskyns Road. Hoskyns Road will remain open with traffic controls operating. Dynes Road is expected to reopen mid-week following a closure to allow a sewer main to be installed.

### Christchurch Southern Motorway extension

On Weedons Road there is currently no access to Main South Road from Levi Road with a one way system in place.

# Council Call

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

Rolleston Library  
Rolleston Drive, Rolleston  
Ph 347 2880

Darfield Library & Service Centre  
1 South Terrace, Darfield  
Ph 318 8338 or 347 2780



Notices

ROAD CLOSURE – GULLIVERS & MCLACHLANS ROADS

McLachlans Road (from the intersection with Leeston Taumutu Road to the intersection with Gullivers Road), and Gullivers Road (from the intersection of McLachlans Road to the intersection with Leeston Taumutu Road) will be closed between 9am and 6pm on **Sunday 2 April** for the ‘Taumutu Shingle Sprint.’ During the closure, please use the nearest alternative route. Contact Joanne on 347 2887 for queries.

PRIVATE PLAN CHANGE 49

Public notice of a summary of submissions and call for further submissions, First Schedule Part I of the Resource Management Act, 1991.

Private Plan Change 49 is a request by Z & S Croft and J K Williams to rezone Rural (Inner Plains) land to Living 3 at the corner of Lincoln Tai Tapu Road and Hauschilds Road, Tai Tapu. A summary of the submissions, along with a copy of original submissions, on the above proposed change to the Selwyn District Plan are now available to view electronically at all Council Service Centres, Libraries and at [www.selwyn.govt.nz](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz). A hard copy of this information is available to view at our Rolleston Headquarters.

Further submissions may only be lodged by the following:

- (a) any person representing a relevant aspect of the public interest; and
  - (b) any person that has an interest in the plan change greater than the interest the public has; and
  - (c) the local authority itself.
- Futher submissions must be limited to matters either in support of or in opposition to an original submission made on Plan Change 49. This must be in writing and in accordance with

Form 6, which is available from any Council Service Centre or on our website. Further submissions must be served on Selwyn District Council in one of the following ways:

Posted to: Planning Department, Selwyn District Council, PO Box 90, Rolleston 7643

Delivered to: A Selwyn District Council service centre.

Faxed to: (03) 347 2799 (if faxed please post or deliver a copy to the address above)

Emailed to: [submissions@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:submissions@selwyn.govt.nz)

A person who makes a further submission must serve a copy of it on the person who lodged the original submission no later than 5 working days after a copy is provided to Selwyn District Council.

The closing date for further submissions on Plan Change 49 is 5pm **Tuesday 4 April 2017**. For further information regarding this plan change or the process outlined above, please contact Catherine Nichol on 347 2867.

FIRE RESTRICTIONS LIFTED

Notice is given that the previously advertised Restricted Fire Season, which extended over the plains area of the Selwyn district, is lifted as from 8am Thursday 16 March 2017.

Fires may now be lit in the open air without a fire permit. Restrictions may be reimposed at a later date if changed weather conditions create a potentially dangerous fire situation.

All residents are requested to take care when lighting open fires and are reminded that legal liability for costs associated in fighting an uncontrolled fire lie with the person lighting the fire. Before lighting an open fire, due attention must be given to weather conditions, adequacy of firebreaks, and patrolling fires until completely out. It is requested that fires not be lit after dark.

Notes:

1. A permanent Restricted Fire Season remains in place for Selwyn’s Hill and High Country areas
2. Property owners are reminded that for the Department of Conservation Estate and Fire Control Areas, fire control measures are in place all year and that organisation should be contacted for a fire permit prior to any burning
3. No fires other than gas barbeques maybe lit in residential areas without a resource consent from Environment Canterbury.

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE

Wednesday 29 March  
Service postponed to 31 March

Thursday 30 March  
Prebbleton Playcentre 10.15-10.45am  
Giggles & Squiggles Early Learning Centre 11-11.30am  
Council Headquarters 12.45-1.15pm  
Cat’s Pyjamas Rolleston 1.30-2pm

Friday 31 March  
Arthur’s Pass 11.30am-12.30pm  
Castle Hill 1.40-2.15pm  
Springfield 3-3.30pm

Monday 3 April  
Dunsandel Playcentre 10-10.30am  
Burnham Montessori 11-11.30am  
Darfield Playcentre 12-12.30pm  
Darfield Primary School 1-1.30pm

Tuesday 4 April  
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  
Cat’s Pyjamas West Melton 1.50-2.20pm

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.*  
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 BOARD

District Plan Review Committee  
Wed 22 Mar 9am  
Lincoln Event Centre

Extraordinary Council Meeting  
Wed 22 Mar 10am  
Lincoln Event Centre

Malvern Community Board  
Mon 27 Mar 6pm  
Darfield Library/Service Centre

Audit & Risk Subcommittee  
Wed 5 April 3pm  
Rolleston Headquarters

LOCAL COMMITTEES & ASSOCIATIONS

Coalgate Township Committee

Tue 28 Mar 7.30pm  
Coalgate Fire Station  
Dunsandel Community Committee  
Mon 3 Apr 7.30pm  
Dunsandel Bowling Club

Glentunnel Community Centre Committee  
Tue 21 Mar 7.30pm  
Glentunnel Community Centre  
Glentunnel Township Committee  
Mon 27 Mar 7.30pm  
Glentunnel Hall

Greendale Recreation Reserve Committee  
Tue 21 Mar 8pm  
Greendale Pavilion  
Triennial Election

Greenpark Memorial Community Centre  
Mon 27 Mar 7.30pm  
Greenpark Hall  
Triennial Election

Hororata Citizens Committee  
Tue 28 Mar 7.30pm, Hororata Hall

Hororata Reserve Management Committee  
Wed 5 Apr 7.30pm, Hororata Hall  
Kimberley Reserve and Hall Committee  
Thurs 23 Mar 8pm, Kimberley Hall

Lake Coleridge Community Committee  
Fri 31 Mar 7.30pm

Lake Coleridge Hall  
Leeston Community Committee  
Mon 3 Apr 7.30pm, Leeston Library Community Room  
Leeston Park Association  
Mon 27 Mar 7.30pm  
Leeston Park Pavilion  
Prebbleton Community Association Inc.  
Tue 21 Mar 7.30pm  
Prebbleton Community Cottage

Rolleston Residents Association Inc.  
Mon 27 Mar 7.30pm  
Rolleston Community Centre  
Southbridge Advisory Committee  
Mon 27 Mar 7.30pm  
Southbridge Hall Meeting Room

Springfield Township Committee  
Tue 4 Apr 7.30pm, Tawera Hall  
Springston Hall Committee  
Thurs 6 Apr 7.30pm  
Springston Hall

Tai Tapu Community Association Inc.  
Wed 5 Apr 7.30pm, Tai Tapu Library  
Waihora Park Reserve Committee  
Tue 4 Apr 7.30pm  
Waihora Bowling Club

Selwyn Events

WEDNESDAY

22  
MARCH

Summer Skate Jam

Rolleston Skate Park, 4-6pm

With free gear hire & coaching from experienced skaters, prizes & competitions

THURSDAY

23  
MARCH

Water – A global issue affecting NZ, 6.30pm

Lincoln University

Join Kim Hill & panel for an Earth Hour debate. At the Stewart Building, entry by \$5 koha

SATURDAY

25  
MARCH

Earth Hour events

Celebrate Earth Hour with a candle lit dance at Lincoln High School Hall (7.30pm). Door entry \$15 door or register at [earthhousedance.eventbrite.co.nz](http://earthhousedance.eventbrite.co.nz) for discounted tickets. Children under 14 free with an adult. Or enjoy sky watching at the RF Joyce Memorial Observatory, Bells Road from 8pm. Entry by gold coin donation. See [www.cas.org.nz](http://www.cas.org.nz)

SATURDAY

25  
MARCH

Vegetable Gardening Works

Lincoln Envirotown Community Gardens, 10am-12pm

Learn about soil preparation, composting & how to build beds for an autumn vegetable garden. Gardens are behind Maternity Hospital

SUNDAY

26  
MARCH

Bambino Market

Lincoln Event Centre, 10am-3pm

A boutique market with gorgeous items for babies & children. Clothing, accessories, toys, & more! Cash only, ATM onsite. Free entry

SUNDAY

26  
MARCH

Music on the Green

Darfield Domain 4.30-7pm

Pack a picnic & be entertained by outstanding local musicians. Free

WEDNESDAY

29  
MARCH

Summer Skate Jam

Lincoln Event Centre 4-6pm

With free gear hire & coaching from experienced skaters, prizes & competitions

WEDNESDAY

29  
MARCH

Ellesmere Highland Pipe Band AGM

Leeston RSA Rooms, 8pm

Contact Andy Bailey on 027 487 6692 for details

FRIDAY

31  
MARCH

Quiz Night

Rolleston School Hall, 7.30pm

A fun adult night out fundraising for Rolleston School with two hilarious hosts! Coin toss, prizes, cash bar & supper included. \$60 per team of up to 6. Doors open 7pm. Contact 027 447 2719 or [sarahy@propertybrokers.co.nz](mailto:sarahy@propertybrokers.co.nz) for tickets. See [www.rollestonschoolpta.co.nz](http://www.rollestonschoolpta.co.nz)

For information on listing a community event visit [www.selwyn.govt.nz/councilcall](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz/councilcall)

Leeston Library & Service Centre  
19 Messines Street, Leeston  
Ph 347 2871

Lincoln Library & Service Centre  
Gerald Street, Lincoln  
Ph 347 2876

(03) 347 2800  
Darfield call free 318 8338  
 [www.selwyn.govt.nz](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz)

