



# Ultra-Fast Broadband network to expand

Five areas in Selwyn will receive Ultra-Fast Broadband (UFB) under stage two of the government's Ultra-Fast Broadband programme. West Melton, Darfield, Leeston, Southbridge and the Lincoln fringe/Springston area are among 151 towns across New Zealand that will receive ultra-fast broadband as part of the next stage of the programme. Ultra-fast broadband is already available in Rolleston, much of Lincoln and is currently being rolled out in Prebbleton.

"We're pleased that government has responded to requests from local communities to increase its investment in these areas," says Mayor Sam Broughton. "Fast broadband access is now essential tool for many businesses to operate, as well as giving residents better access to a wide range of services and enabling them to keep in touch with friends and family."

The new areas were determined by government after Councils were invited to identify priority areas for improving broadband access. After consulting with local communities in 2015, the Council requested broadband to be rolled out to Darfield/Kirwee and Leeston/Southbridge and ultra-fast broadband extended to all of Lincoln and Tai Tapu.

Broadband providers are expected to roll-out coverage to the new areas announced as part of stage two between 2020 and 2023. More information on the project is available at [www.broadband.govt.nz](http://www.broadband.govt.nz)

The Council has also made submissions on improving rural broadband coverage in areas where existing coverage is poor and for mobile phone coverage to be increased along State Highway 73 and at tourism locations such as ski fields. The government has called for tenders for broadband providers to undertake rural broadband improvements with tenders closing in April 2017.

## On the roads this week

Road repairs will occur on Coaltrack, Hororata, Downs, Leaches, Curve and Waimakariri Roads with traffic controls operating. Road resurfacing work is planned on Crozier Drive, Windsor Drive and Thorndon Close in Kiwee. Stop/go traffic controls will operate at all sites. Footpath reconstruction work is also planned on Kidson Lane and James Street in Lincoln.

The roundabout construction continues at the intersection of Kidman Street, Byron Street and Tennyson Street. The islands have been poured with the pavement being formed ready for sealing and the islands infilled. Temporary traffic management controls in place but there will be delays including partial closures at some times during the remaining construction. People are encouraged to use an alternative route if possible.

East Maddisons Road is closed from Ellington Mews to Goulds Road until approximately 11 February for sewer installation work, after this time this section of road will be open to traffic one way. Road reconstruction continues on Gerald Street (between Springs Road and Vernon Drive), with traffic controls operating. Stormwater and roading upgrade work continues on Manse Road, Leeston, with temporary traffic controls operating.

### Partial road closure - Christchurch Southern Motorway extension

On Weedons Road there is no access to Main South Road from Levi Road as a one way system is in place to allow the NZ Transport Agency to complete work for the Christchurch Southern Motorway extension.

## Get colouring to win prizes!

Entries are now open for the Council's Back to School colouring-in competition.

The colouring-in competition is designed to remind children and their parents to be aware of school children travelling to school as well as the fact that there are extra vehicles on local roads between 8am and 9am and 3pm until 4pm, especially around schools.

Entries close **25 February**. It is open to school aged children and prizes include felt tip pens, colouring pencils, and crayons. Entry forms are available at Selwyn District Libraries and Service Centres and online at [www.selwyn.govt.nz](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz)



## Funding supports promising students

Six senior students from Selwyn have received a tertiary scholarship from the Council to help fund their studies.

Hannah Long and Duncan Finalyson from Lincoln High School, Cassian Duthie and Brionne Fleming from Ellesmere College and Emily De Rooy and Kathryn Barnhill from Darfield High School were all awarded the 2016 Selwyn District Council Tertiary Scholarship Award.

Four of the six students are going to Otago University in 2017 to study Health Science. One of these, Cassian Duthie, hopes to go on to study oncology and pursue research in cancer treatment.

Darfield High School graduate Kathryn Barnhill is also studying Health Sciences at Otago and says receiving this scholarship will help her a lot. "Receiving this scholarship felt like a huge surprise and honour given the number of deserving applicants there were, and I hope to be able to study hard to come away with a degree that will allow me to give back to our community," she says.

Hannah Long from Lincoln High School is spending a month travelling through Europe and America with the UN Youth Organisation before returning to Christchurch to study a Bachelor of Arts in International Relations and Sociology. Emily De Rooy, also from Darfield High School will study Human Services at Canterbury University this year.

Applicants were judged on their contribution to their school and community, their attitude and academic ability, with decisions made by a panel including school and Council representatives. The awards are co-funded by Orion.



Scholarship recipients (from left) Cassian Duthie, Brionne Fleming, Hannah Long and Kathryn Barnhill with Mayor Sam Broughton.

## Mature driver courses coming up

Courses aimed at helping mature drivers gain skills to be safer on the road are being offered to Selwyn residents in February and March.

The courses are a fun and easy way for people over 60 to refresh their driving and road rule knowledge. The course covers road rules, planning car trips, using safe routes and avoiding peak traffic times. It is designed to be informative, enjoyable and informal. There are no tests and participants receive a certificate of attendance. Morning tea and lunch is provided for those booked to attend.

Free confident driving courses will be offered at:

- Darfield on Tuesday 14 February
- Rolleston on Monday 20 February
- Lincoln on Wednesday 1 March
- Prebbleton on Wednesday 15 March
- Leeston on Wednesday 29 March.

The Council and local trained volunteers can also offer a free Carfit check for mature drivers which checks a car's safety features with the driver. The check looks at mirrors, seatbelt, seat and steering wheel position and other safety features.

If you are interested in attending a check or a confident driving course please phone Ngaire on 347 2901 or email [ngaire.tinning@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:ngaire.tinning@selwyn.govt.nz)



Notices

NOTICE OF HEARING

The Council has appointed a Hearing Commissioner to hear submissions on Plan Change 48 which is a request from Mrs J Pascoe seeking to rezone 13.5 hectares of land located at Creykes Road and Telegraph Road from Living 2A (deferred) to Living 2.

The hearing will be held at 9.30am **Tuesday 28 February 2017** at Executive Meeting Room 1, Selwyn District Council Headquarters, 2 Norman Kirk Drive, Rolleston.

The purpose of the hearing is to give submitters an opportunity to make a presentation in support of their submissions to the Hearing Commissioner. The Planning Officer's section 42a report will be circulated to all submitters and be available on our website 15 working days prior to the hearing. The hearing is open to the public however only submitters are able to speak. If you have made a submission and wish to address the Commissioner at the hearing, please contact Michael Rachlin on 347 2936.

TERM 1 SENIORNET CLASSES

Seniornet computing classes run from 10am-12pm on the following days. To enrol or enquire about classes please contact the number below or alternatively please email [selwyn.seniornet@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:selwyn.seniornet@selwyn.govt.nz)

- Darfield - Tuesdays, phone Kathryn on 318 7077
- Lincoln - Wednesdays, phone Lisa on 347 2755

- Leeston - Thursdays, phone Terry on 324 2300
- Rolleston - Fridays, phone Isobel on 347 1128.

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE

**Wednesday 8 February**  
Rakaia Huts 9.30-10am  
Southbridge School 10.45am-12pm

**Thursday 9 February**  
Prebbleton Tavern 3.30-5.30pm

**Monday 13 February**  
Tai Tapu Playcentre 9.30-10am  
Ako Rolleston 10.30-11am  
Rolleston Christian School 12.15-1.15pm  
Selwyn Kids 1.30-2pm  
Rolly Kids 2-2.30pm

**Tuesday 14 February**  
Glenroy Hall 11.40am-12.10pm  
Windwhistle School 1-1.30pm  
Glentunnel School 1.55-2.55pm  
Glentunnel Hall 3-3.30pm

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

Elections for community, hall and reserve committees continue in February. If you have a couple of hours available each month, then you could become a member of your local community committee and be part of making decisions on local parks, playgrounds, town beautification, community centres and other issues affecting your area. Upcoming Triennial Election meetings are listed under meetings below. If you are interested in joining a committee please see [www.selwyn.govt.nz](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz) and come along to a meeting.

ALCOHOL LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Applications have been received for off licence renewals from Darfield Food Centre, Joanne Camille Brackmann, Famous Grouse 2009 Limited and RP & DP O'Connell Ltd. Applications from on licence renewals have also been received from Darfield Food Centre and RP & DP O'Connell Ltd. Submissions on all applications are open until **22 February 2017**. For details see [www.selwyn.govt.nz/alcoholnotices](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz/alcoholnotices).

LIFESTYLE AND SMALL BLOCK OWNER WILDFIRE SURVEY

The New Zealand Fire Service Commission is researching attitudes and behaviours of small block owners in managing wildfire risk in Selwyn and Waimakariri. The research team is inviting people to complete an online survey (open until 13 February) or take part in an interview or focus group. See [www.selwyn.govt.nz/haveyoursay](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz/haveyoursay) for details.



Meetings

Public Forums: *Council 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 change meeting details, email [changes@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:changes@selwyn.govt.nz) or phone 347 2800 or 318 8338 by 9am Wednesday the week before publication.*

COUNCIL

*Meetings are held at Rolleston Council Building*

**Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee**  
Tue 7 Feb 1pm

**Council Meeting**  
Wed 8 Feb 1pm

*Followed by a public Citizenship Ceremony at 6.30pm*

**Water Race Subcommittee**  
Mon 13 Feb 1.30pm

**Road Safety Committee**  
Thurs 16 Feb 9.30am

LOCAL COMMITTEES & ASSOCIATIONS

**Coalgate/Glentunnel Reserve Management Committee**  
Thurs 23 Feb 8pm  
Coalgate Fire Station  
*Triennial Election*

**Darfield Recreation & Community Centre Committee**  
Tue 7 Feb 7.30pm  
Darfield Recreation Centre

Triennial Election

**Darfield Township Committee**  
Thurs 16 Feb 7.30pm  
Darfield Library  
*Triennial Election*

**Doyleston Community Committee**  
Wed 8 Feb 7.30pm  
Osborne Park Pavilion  
*Triennial Election*

**Halkett Community Centre Committee**  
Wed 22 Feb 7.30pm  
Halkett Community Centre  
*Triennial Election*

**Killinchy Community Centre Committee**  
Mon 20 Feb 7.30pm  
Killinchy Community Centre

**Kirwee Recreation Reserve Management Committee**  
Mon 13 Feb 7.30pm  
Kirwee Reserve Sports Pavilion

**Kirwee Township Committee**  
Mon 20 Feb 7.30pm  
Kirwee Community Hall

**Leeston Community Committee**  
Mon 13 Feb 7.30pm, Leeston Library Community Room

**Lincoln Community Committee**  
Mon 13 Feb 7pm, Lincoln Event Centre, Fitzgerald Room

**Prebbleton Public Hall Society Inc.**  
Mon 13 Feb 7.30pm  
Prebbleton Hall Supper Room

**Prebbleton Reserve Committee**  
Mon 20 Feb 7.30pm  
Prebbleton Community Cottage

Rhodes Park Domain Board

Thurs 16 Feb 7.30pm  
Tai Tapu Golf Club  
*Triennial Election*

**Southbridge Advisory Committee**  
Mon 27 Feb 7.30pm  
Southbridge Hall Supper Room  
*Triennial Election*

**Southbridge Reserve Committee**  
Mon 27 Feb 7.30pm  
Southbridge Hall Supper Room  
*Triennial Election*

**Springfield Township Committee**  
Tue 7 Feb 7.30pm, Tawera Hall

**Springston Reserve Committee**  
Wed 15 Feb 7.30pm  
Errol Tweedy Pavilion

**Weedons Reserve Committee**  
Mon 13 Feb 7.30pm  
Weedons Reserve Pavilion

**Weedons Reserve Committee**  
Mon 20 Feb 7.30pm  
Weedons Reserve Pavilion  
*Triennial Election*

**West Melton Residents Association AGM**  
Wed 8 Feb 7pm  
West Melton Community Hall  
*Ordinary meeting follows at 7.30pm*

**Whitecliffs Township & Domain Committee**  
Mon 13 Feb 7.30pm  
Glentunnel Hall

Selwyn Events

TUESDAY  
7  
FEBRUARY

Storytime & Rhymetime  
Selwyn District Libraries

Free Storytime & Rhymetime sessions for pre-schoolers resume in term 1. For session times see [www.selwynlibrary.co.nz/kids](http://www.selwynlibrary.co.nz/kids)

THURSDAY  
9  
FEBRUARY

Lincoln Picnic in the Park  
Lincoln Domain, 5.30-7.30pm

With live music, bouncy castle, the events trailer, games, Pedalmania, prizes & free sausage sizzle. Bring a picnic & enjoy! Free

FRIDAY  
10  
FEBRUARY

Lake Crichton Triathlon and Duathlon  
5.10pm

A community event for first-time athletes in a friendly atmosphere. Individual & team options, short & long courses. To enter see [www.selwynsportstrust.org.nz](http://www.selwynsportstrust.org.nz)

FRIDAY  
10  
FEBRUARY

Drive-in Movie – Flubber  
Darfield Domain, 7-9.30pm

Grab your friends & family, snacks, drive in & tune your radio to our frequency to enjoy this family movie!

SUNDAY  
12  
FEBRUARY

PhysioMed Women's Triathlon & Duathlon  
Selwyn Aquatic Centre

Kick off 2017 with a new exciting challenge. There are a range of distances & categories, enter as an individual or a team. To enter please visit [www.womenstri.co.nz](http://www.womenstri.co.nz)

SUNDAY  
12  
FEBRUARY

Rolleston Envirotown Market

Rolleston Square Carpark, 10am-1pm  
Choose from local produce and craft. Email [enquiries@rollestonenvirotown.org.nz](mailto:enquiries@rollestonenvirotown.org.nz)

SUNDAY  
12  
FEBRUARY

Music on the Green

Rolleston Reserve 4.30-7pm  
Pack a picnic & be entertained by outstanding local musicians. Free. Featuring Cingston Brown, Used Notes, QED, and Picking at the Remnants

THURSDAY  
16  
FEBRUARY

Picnic in the Park  
West Melton Domain, 5.30-7.30pm

With live music, bouncy castle, the Fun on Wheels trailer, games, Pedalmania, prizes & free sausage sizzle. Bring a picnic & enjoy!

FRIDAY  
17  
FEBRUARY

Drive in family movie  
Rolleston Community Centre, 7-9.30pm

Grab your friends & family, snacks, drive in & tune your radio to our frequency to enjoy this family movie! See 'Summer in Selwyn' on Facebook for movie title