

What do you think about the idea of adding an extension to Selwyn Aquatic Centre to meet the high demand from swimmers?

Should the Council bring in a new way of funding community halls and reserves that helps spread the cost impacts on smaller communities?

Do you support adding more walkways and cycleways to connect townships across Selwyn?

With sports club memberships across Selwyn growing rapidly, is it time to build a multi-purpose indoor courts hub for the district?

Should the Council be thinking about whether chlorination is an option to protect the safety of drinking water supplies in some parts of Selwyn?

These are just some of the questions the Council is currently seeking community input on, through our Long-Term Plan.

Consultation on the plan is now in full swing – and dozens of Selwyn residents have already taken the opportunity to contribute their feedback and ideas through submissions, online surveys or conversations with councillors at community events.

The consultation document, Fast Forward '28, was released last week, and copies are available at the Council offices or any library and service centre, or online.

We've also included a summary liftout in this week's edition of the Selwyn Times, outlining the major projects and proposals that are included in the 10-year plan.

Over the next few weeks councillors will continue visiting community events and locations to talk to residents about the plan.

And starting later this week, Mayor Sam Broughton will be visiting some the district's favourite cafes to give locals an opportunity to find out more about the Council's proposals, ask questions and have a chat about what they'd like to see in the next 10 years.

A Cuppa with Sam starts at Darfield Bakery on Thursday. Anyone is welcome to drop in for a chat with the Mayor at one of these locations.

Thursday 12 April: Darfield Bakery, 9–10.30am; Hororata Café, 11am–12.30pm.

Monday 16 April: Tai Tapu Store, 9–10.30am; Lincoln Coffee Culture, 11am–12.30pm

Tuesday 17 April: Rolleston Robert Harris, 9–10.30am; West Melton Two Fat Possums, 11.30am–12.30pm

Tuesday 24 April: Leeston Hillyers, 9–10.30am; Dunsandel Store, 11am–12.30pm

Thursday 26 April: Sheffield Pie Shop, 9–10.30am; Prebbleton Hartnells Café, 11.15am–12.30pm

For more information on the proposals in the Long-Term Plan, and on how you can contribute your feedback, visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/fastforward28. Consultation is open until 5pm, Friday 4 May.



On the roads this week

Stabilised seal repairs will be occurring on Leeston Road, Wards Road and Old West Coast Road. Tree removal will be carried out on Davidson Road and The Lake Road. Reseals will occur on Old West Coast Road and Bealey Road. Reconstruction will continue on Cordys Road. Please stop on request at these sites. Footpath reconstruction will be carried out in Leeston.

Intersection upgrades

Masefield Drive/Rolleston Drive

Last week Fulton Hogan poured the traffic signal pole foundations in the north-west corner and prepared the new footpath on the northern side of Rolleston Drive, all the way round to where the existing footpath finished outside Rolleston square. This week they'll be working on the southern side of the intersection, constructing the second soak pit, pouring the traffic signal pole foundations and preparing the new footpath.

Jones Road/Hoskyns Road

Last week Isaac Construction poured the new traffic signal pole foundations and installed the underground ducts for the traffic lights. This week they'll be completing storm water works, including sumps, basins and soak pits. They'll also be removing the existing and preparing the first section of new kerb and channel.

Try a free Selwyn bus service these holidays

For two days these holidays the Selwyn Youth Council is providing a free trial nine-stop bus service for the whole community.

Buses will travel between Southbridge and Darfield and Darfield to Southbridge, via Rolleston.

Paige Sullivan, Selwyn Youth Council Chairperson says Selwyn Link is a Selwyn Youth Council initiative aiming to increase connectedness in the district, particularly during school holidays, and enable the whole community to better access services and activities.

"The youth council is very excited to finally be able to offer this service after 12 months of hard work putting Selwyn Link together. It all started after identifying a need and then working alongside the youth of Selwyn to find a way to better connect the whole community," she says.

Youth Council research identified Southbridge, Leeston, Doyleston, Darfield, Kirwee, and West Melton as key stops on the trial route, with connections in Rolleston. The route was designed after consultation with students from Ellesmere College and Darfield High School.

During the trial, passengers will be able to travel for free between Southbridge and Darfield via Rolleston, where they can also catch a connecting service to Christchurch.

The two-day trial is for all members of the community, and is not exclusive to students on their school holiday.

The bus trial will take place on Tuesday 17 and Thursday 19 April. The buses first depart Southbridge and Darfield at 9am and departures from these locations will take place every two hours until 7pm.

Members of the Youth Council will be on board collecting feedback on the service with a short passenger survey. They will present their findings to Environment Canterbury and the Selwyn District Council.

For more information on Selwyn Link, go to www.selwyn.govt.nz or the Selwyn Youth Council Facebook page.

Young Selwyn swimmer makes waves at Commonwealth Games

Selwyn swimmer Celyn Edwards has just competed in the 2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games.

Over the weekend Celyn competed in two races. In the SB8 100m Breaststroke he placed sixth and took 2.61 seconds off his personal best and in the SM8 200 Individual Medley he placed fourth, taking 5.64 seconds off his personal best - narrowly missing out on the bronze medal!

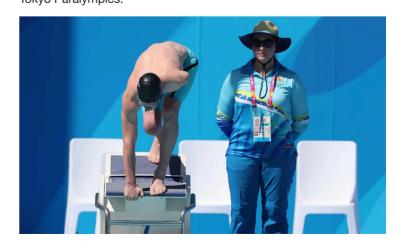
The Commonwealth Games has always been a goal for Celyn, since he started swimming competitively five years ago. Last year at the Internationale Deustche Meisterschaften Para Swimming World Series in Berlin he made qualifying times for the Commonwealth Games.

He has been working hard since then, training twice a day, approximately 16 hours a week, both in the pool and at the gym. He was most looking forward to experiencing the team culture and representing New Zealand.

Selwyn Aquatic Centre Head Coach Ben Close says Celyn's swimming has hugely improved over the last year.

"Celyn's swimming has taken some huge steps forward in the last 18 months. His level head and constant drive for self-improvement is something that's hard to come by and has certainly contributed to his recent success."

After the Commonwealth Games, Celyn has his sights set on the Para Pan-Pacific Champs in Cairns later on in the year and the 2020 Tokyo Paralympics.





Notices

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE

Wednesday 11 April Kidsfirst West Rolleston 10-10.30am Hororata School 11.30am-1pm Greendale School 1.20–1.50pm

Thursday 12 April

Cat's Pyjamas Rolleston 10.15–10.45 Active Explorers, Rolleston 11–11.30am Faringdon, Shopping Centre 11.40am–12.10pm ABC Rolleston 12.45–1.15pm Paradise for Little Angels

Edukids Faringdon 2.15–2.45pm

Monday 16 April Darfield Preschool & Nursery 10.30-11am Sheffield Hall 2-2.30pm

Tuesday 17 April Active Explorers, Tai Tapu 10–10.30am Whippersnappers Lincoln 10.45–11.15am West Melton Learning Centre West Melton Domain 2-2.30pm

FLUSH YOUR TAPS

Some plumbing fittings have the potential to allow minute traces of metals to accumulate in water standing in the fittings for several hours. Although the health risk is small, the Ministry of Health recommends that you flush a mugful of water from

your drinking-water tap each morning before use to remove any metals that may have dissolved from the plumbing fittings. We are recommending this simple precaution for all households, including those on public and private water supplies. This notice is issued by Selwyn District Council on behalf of the Director-General of Health, Ministry of Health.

FOSTER DOG PARK **CLOSURE**

The Foster Dog Park will be closed from Saturday 21 -Sunday 22 April for a dog agility show being held by the Selwyn Dog Training Club.

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 or phone 347 2800 or 318 8338 by 9am Wednesday the week before publication.

COUNCIL & COMMUNITY BOARD

Unless stated meetings are held at Rolleston Council Building.

District Plan Review Committee Wed 18 April 9am

Council Meeting Wed 18 April 1pm

Citizenship Ceremony Wed 18 April 6.30pm

Malvern Community Board Mon 23 April 4.30pm, Darfield Library and Service Centre

LOCAL COMMITTEES & ASSOCIATIONS

Coalgate Township Committee Tue 24 April 7.30pm Coalgate Fire Station

Dunsandel Community Committee

Mon 16 April 7.30pm Dunsandel Hall

Glenroy Community Hall Committee

Tue 17 April 7.30pm

Glenroy Community Hall Killinchy Community Centre

Committee Mon 23 April 7.30pm Killinchy Community Centre

Kirwee Township Committee Mon 16 April 7.30pm Kirwee Hall

Ladbrooks Community Hall Committee

Fri 13 April 7.30pm Ladbrooks Hall

Little Rakaia Huts Community Committee

Mon 16 April 7pm, Little Rakaia **Huts Community Room**

Prebbleton Reserve Management Committee

Mon 16 April 7.30pm, Community Cottage, Blakes Road

Rolleston Reserve Management Committee

Mon 16 April 7.30pm, Rolleston Community Centre Lounge

Rolleston Residents Association Mon 22 April 7pm Rolleston Community Centre

Sheffield/Waddington **Community Committee**

Thur 19 April 7.30pm Sheffield Hall

Springston Community Committee

Mon 16 April 7.30pm Springston Community Hall

West Melton Reserve Board Committee

Mon 16 April 7.30pm West Melton Rugby Club

West Melton Residents Association - AGM

Wed 11 April 7pm West Melton Community Hall

Take up the STEM Challenge!

Selwyn District Libraries have plenty of fun free activities available to keep kids busy these school holidays. The STEM Challenge includes science, technology, engineering, and mathematics themed sessions and takes place 16-28 April.

House of Bricks - Simple Machines

Work with LEGO® kits to design various small machines such as zip line runners, racers, the 'annoy-omatic' and more. TECHNIC® and general LEGO® will also be available.

Free - no bookings required, but spaces are limited. Recommended for ages five and above.

What is 3D, and how do you make something three dimensional? Challenge yourself to create a 3D structure using engineering skills and simple materials. What will you come up with?

Free – no bookings required, but spaces are limited. Recommended for ages 5–10.

Use our Makerstations to create wonderful things - create from one of our templates, or use your imagination to make something unique!

Free - no bookings required, but spaces are limited. Recommended for ages five and above.

Fun with Robots

Solve different challenges and get your bot moving!

Free - bookings essential. Go to selwynlibraries.co.nz. Recommended for ages five and above.

These activities will focus on fun! Join us to play games and try challenges that help you develop coding skills.

Free - bookings essential. Go to selwynlibraries.co.nz. Children attending must be able to read and write fluently. Recommended for ages seven and above.

Children under eight years must be actively supervised by an adult for all sessions.

See www.selwynlibraries.co.nz for session times and locations.

Selwyn Events

THURSDAY

Sewing classes for internationals

"The Workshop", Farm Road, Lincoln University, 10.30am–12pm

This weekly workshop is for local, international people of all cultures. Volunteer teachers will assist you to learn to make garments or items of your choice. For more information call Lois on 325 2007

MON-FRI

16–27 **APRIL**

Holiday Pool Fest

Selwyn Aquatic Centre, 1–3pm
Enjoy inflatable toys, volleyball,
paddle boats and more at the pool
these school holidays! Normal pool
admissions apply.

WED-SUN

18–13 **APR-MAY**

Town and Country! Where urban meets rural to celebrate nature

Down By The Liffey Gallery, 1 James St, Lincoln. Open Wed-Sun 10am-4pm

An art exhibition featuring Justine de Spa, Sara-Jane Ludemann and Mary

TUESDAY

Save Lives, Give Blood @

Rolleston Community Centre, 2.30–7pm

Have you got what it takes to give – give blood, give life. Help us out, your one donation can save up to three lives. Regular donation can make a huge difference to the lives of New Zealanders like you! Appointments preferred - please phone 0800 GIVE BLOOD, use the app, or visit www.nzblood.co.nz to book an appointment. Presented by NZ Blood. appointment. Presented by NZ Blood.

UNTIL

MAY

'Beyond the Syllabus' art exhibition

Selwyn Gallery, 17 South Terrace, open daily (except Mondays),

As secondary and tertiary teachers, these artists have encouraged their students to develop their skills farther than the curriculum requires—beyond the syllabus—and inspired them to embark on careers as artists. For information visit facebook.com/ selwynartgallerynz.

MONDAY

MAY

My Tale to Tell Darfield Library

Record your own personal history.
Join a writing workshop over six
weeks that will help you prepare your
stories to be recorded such as family
history, school memories, and major
events. Participants will then go to the
recording studio and record their oral.
For information contact Stephanie
Frewen at mytaletotellnz@gmail.com

For information on listing a community event visit

