

# Passion projects podcast launched



From left Selwyn District Youth Councillors Nevaeh Maeder, Laura Hann, Issy Kennedy recording an episode of the podcast.

Inspiring young people to follow their passions is the goal of the latest initiative from the Selwyn Youth Council.

The Youth Council is launching a podcast series featuring interviews with 14 inspiring Cantabrians talking about their passions, from designing for London and New York fashion weeks to looking after endangered sheep.

Youth Council member Laura Hann says they aimed to make the podcasts a quick burst of inspiration to encourage other young people.

"We thought it was good to have young people who have succeeded in their passions to talk about them and how to achieve their goals. They were all really talkative and interesting and a 10-15 minute podcast is a really easy thing to listen to on the way to school. We're hoping people will take inspiration for their hobby, or hear something and think, 'that sounds interesting I could take that up and look at it further'."

Their interview with cinematographer John Ross certainly achieved that for her, Laura says, inspiring her to turn her passion for videography into a career.

Episodes will be released weekly starting on Thursday 23 July with an interview with Anton Phillipson on the fascinating places his passion for drawing cars has taken him.

The podcast will be available on Spotify by searching Selwyn Youth Council Passion Series podcast. Links to extra resources and information on each week's topic will also be made available through the Council website and Selwyn Libraries.

## Celebrating a decade of community

A decade of community catch ups and support has been celebrated.

The first meeting of the Springs Day Club since the Level 4 lockdown would have had a party atmosphere anyway. However, the meeting had an extra special flavour as the group of more than 50 held a birthday celebration for the 10 years the club has been meeting.

One of four day clubs for senior citizens in Selwyn, supported by the Council's Community Fund, the Springs Day Club began as a craft and care group.

Today, the group meets monthly at the Lincoln Event Centre from 10am to 3pm. It's an opportunity to connect and meet new people in a caring environment. Activities include bowls, raffles, board and card games, bingo, guest speakers and quizzes. Volunteers prepare a hot lunch and afternoon tea is provided.

The club has proved very popular, providing valuable connections and activities for members, and even a global pandemic couldn't dampen their enthusiasm, coordinator Rita Tipples says.

"The majority of the group were really keen. Everyone was so happy to come back."

The Council's Community Fund supports groups and organisations that contribute to community wellbeing. It is available for Selwyn-based not-for-profit community groups looking to run a project, event or initiative in the district.

New members to the four day clubs are always warmly welcomed. You can contact any of the clubs on:

Springs Day Club – Sally Marchant 021 157 8373

Darfield Day Club – Jean McLaren (03) 317 9933

Leeston Day Club – Ann Catto (03) 324 3877

Rolleston Day Club – Joy Waretini (03) 347 9056



## How are we doing?

The Council's Annual Residents Survey is now under way. The survey allows the Council to monitor our performance across a number of services like parks, roads, water, libraries and swimming pools, by asking for feedback from residents. Around 400 Selwyn households will be asked to participate in the survey via telephone and online, over the next two weeks. The responses will help the Council in its decision making and ensure we are offering the best service we can for people in Selwyn.

## Thousands love Selwyn Directory

Thousands of residents have been searching for Selwyn businesses on the Selwyn Directory.

The Council-run directory offers businesses a free listing providing the opportunity to advertise their details including a map location, contacts, website and social media links and a summary of their business. It also allows businesses to advise customers about their online sales platform and let people know if they are able to deliver.

Figures show the directory is visited more than 7000 times a month and sees up to 2000 people each month in the Selwyn and Christchurch area checking out business listings.

The directory has seen a boost in popularity since the end of the Level 4 lockdown, more than doubling its average number of visits a day as Selwyn residents look for local business options.

Restaurants and cafés were the most searched for businesses, followed by sports and recreation and accommodation.

The directory also has a job vacancies page, where businesses can list job openings and advertise direct to Selwyn residents.

To search the directory or register your business visit [selwyn.govt.nz/directory](http://selwyn.govt.nz/directory) or email [business.directory@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:business.directory@selwyn.govt.nz).



## On the roads

Due to the Lowes Road and Tennyson Street intersection upgrade, Lowes Road is one way on both sides of the intersection, with lanes open for traffic heading away from the intersection, but not towards it. A stop/go system and speed restrictions are also in place on Tennyson Street.

Leeston Road and Old Bridge Road intersection is being upgraded. Traffic management is in place.

Trents Road is closed heading south east away from Springs Road while upgrades are made to the sewer system.

Road works are in progress on Norman Kirk Drive, with stop-go controls and lane diversions in place.

Repairs are being carried out on Hartleys Road and Bleakhouse Road. Traffic management is in place.

## Selwyn Community Fund

### ROUND 1 CLOSING 31 JULY 2020

Clubs, groups and not-for-profit organisations working in Selwyn are invited to apply to the Selwyn Community Fund.

Selwyn Community Fund accepts funding applications all year round. There are four dates in the year that applications are assessed and funds released.

**Round one: 31 July 2020**

**Round two: 31 October 2020**

**Round three: 31 January 2021**

**Round four: 31 April 2021**

For criteria and application forms visit [www.selwyn.govt.nz/selwyncommunityfund](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz/selwyncommunityfund) or contact [selwyncommunityfund@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:selwyncommunityfund@selwyn.govt.nz)



# Council Call

Selwyn District Council  
Norman Kirk Drive, Rolleston  
Ph 0800 SELWYN (735 996)

Rolleston Library  
Rolleston Drive, Rolleston  
Ph 347 2880

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



Notices

HORORATA RESERVE MASTER PLAN CONSULTATION

The feedback period for the Hororata Reserve Master Plan has been extended, with submissions now closing on Friday 7 August.

Hard copies of the proposed master plan are available at Darfield Library/Service Centre, Hororata Motors and at the Council offices in Rolleston.

Households on the Hororata community hall rating database will be contacted directly with an email or hard copy of the feedback survey.

To have your say go to [selwyn.govt.nz/hororatareserve](http://selwyn.govt.nz/hororatareserve).

**DOG REGISTRATION STARTS IN JULY**

Dog registrations are due from 1 July, with discounted registration fees available for July. A re-registration notice should have arrived in your inbox or letterbox. Payment

can be made online, by internet banking, at a Council service centre, or by using the prepaid return envelope provided with your registration form.

All dogs older than three months must be registered every year (July–June) as per the Dog Control Act 1996. It’s a \$300 fine for an unregistered dog.

Fees collected from registration help to fund the Council’s 24/7 dog control operation. This includes community education, the Dog Smart programme in schools, enforcement activities, operating the dog pound, and providing free microchipping for the district’s dogs.

If paid by 31 July 2020, the discounted registration fee applicable is:

- \$10 Administration/Owner fee
- \$35 for each dog owned by the same person and held at the same locality.

Payment after 31 July 2020 the full registration fee applicable is:

- \$15 Administration/Owner fee
- \$45 for each dog owned by the same person and held at the same locality.

A replacement dog tag costs \$5 and dog collars are available for \$9–11 depending on the size.

If you have changed your email or postal address since last year’s registration, please contact Animal Control on 0800 SELWYN (735 996) so your details can be confirmed.

**ALCOHOL NOTICES**

Broken River Ski Club Incorporated has applied for the renewal of a club licence. Objections to this application are open until 3 August.

Darfield Food Centre (1980) Limited has applied for the renewal of an off licence. Objections to this application are open until 6 August.

For more information go to [selwyn.govt.nz/alcoholnotices](http://selwyn.govt.nz/alcoholnotices).

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 Therese Davel or Bernadette Ryan if you wish to speak at the Council meeting at least five 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**

**Council\***  
Wed 22 July 1pm

Rolleston HQ Offices

**Malvern Community Board**  
Mon 27 July 4pm  
Darfield Library/Service Centre

**Audit & Risk Subcommittee\***  
Wed 5 Aug 9.30am  
Rolleston HQ Offices

*\*These meetings will also be livestreamed via the Council website and YouTube Channel.*

**DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

**Coalgate Township Committee**  
Tue 28 July 7.30pm  
Coalgate Fire Station

**Coalgate-Glentunnel Reserve Management Committee**  
Tue 4 August 7.30pm  
Coalgate Fire Station

**Doyleston Community Committee**  
Wed 5 August 7.30pm  
Osborne Park

**Glentunnel Township Committee**  
Mon 27 July 7.30pm  
Glentunnel Community Centre

**Lakeside Soldiers Memorial Hall Committee – AGM**  
Mon 3 August 4pm  
Lakeside Hall, 164 Harts Road, Lakeside

*All residents welcome  
Contact Rae McCloy, Secretary [lakeside1917@gmail.com](mailto:lakeside1917@gmail.com)*

**Leeston Community Committee**  
Mon 3 August 7.30pm  
Leeston Library

**Leeston Park Committee**  
Mon 27 July 7.30pm  
Leeston Park Pavilion

From milk to beer

Continuing our series celebrating the Faces of Selwyn. Visit [selwyn.govt.nz/facesofselwyn](http://selwyn.govt.nz/facesofselwyn) for the full story.

Param Kaur came to New Zealand for the dairy industry, but stayed for the malt and lifestyle.

Param moved to New Zealand four years ago to study at Lincoln University hoping for a gateway into the dairy industry. But after completing a Graduate Diploma in Science in 2017, Param found herself working at a company producing not milk, but beer.

She received a phone call from malt growers Gladfield Malt in December 2017 about working as their lab technician. “It was like an early Christmas present, I can’t express in words.”

Since her first day of work, Param says her kiwi and migrant co-workers have been welcoming and accepting. “It feels like an extended family for me. Sometimes I get a text from Gabi saying, ‘Drive safely,’ and if they think you are feeling low, they ask if you are okay.”

From her lab window at Gladfield, she can see the mountains. In winter they have snow on them – a sight she never saw in India.

In fact, when she first arrived in February 2016, she found it freezing compared to the 40 degrees Celsius she was used to. “February is not a cold month, but when you come from India you do feel cold. I had to wear an extra layer of clothing.” she laughs.

While she misses Indian food and her family, Param enjoys cooking her own Punjabi dishes and volunteering at Canterbury’s Holi and Diwali festivals. Now settled in Lincoln, she is hoping to get New Zealand residency.

She enjoys that everything is in walking distance and on her walks she often notices how welcoming everyone is. “When people pass by, they smile at you and say, ‘hi,’ and ask how you are. You don’t find that in many countries.”



**SELWYN'S COVID HEROES**

KOIA KEI A KOE GOOD ON YOU – YOU'RE AWESOME!

NOMINATE A PERSON OR A BUSINESS WHO YOU THINK WENT THE EXTRA MILE FOR OUR COMMUNITY.

NOMINATIONS CLOSE 27 JULY

[SELWYN.GOVT.NZ/HEROES](http://SELWYN.GOVT.NZ/HEROES)

Selwyn Events

FRIDAY

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JULY

**Sensory Babytimes**  
Rolleston Library, 9.30–10am

Share interactive songs, stories, sensory boards and bubbles. These sessions are designed to help cultivate early language and literacy, and support the development of motor skills from birth to 1 year.

FRIDAY

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JULY

**Lincoln Ladies Tech Group**  
Lincoln Library, 2.30–3.30pm

The library is offering sessions designed to help with the basics of using modern devices, such as smartphones, tablets and computers. Sessions start with a basic tutorial and lead to interactive peer learning and information on how to access and get the best out of the library’s eResources.

MONDAY

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JULY

**LEGO® Club**  
Leeston Library, 3.30–4.30pm

Come and create with our new LEGO® collection. Free. Drop in only, with limited spaces. No bookings taken. Recommended for primary school aged children. Children under 8 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.

TUESDAY

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JULY

**Short story writing course**  
Darfield Library, 3.30–4.45pm

Be guided through writing a short story in this six-week workshop, which looks at the elements of storytelling and how to construct a story outline. Suitable for children aged 8–12 years. Bookings essential at [selwynlibraries.co.nz](http://selwynlibraries.co.nz).

THURSDAY

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AUGUST

**Bath Bombs**  
Rolleston Library, 7–8pm

A fun workshop for adults, teaching you how to make all natural, vegan-friendly bath bombs tailored to your favourite scents. Bookings essential. Book, or view more dates at [selwynlibraries.co.nz](http://selwynlibraries.co.nz).

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

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