

Key intersection upgrade complete



The Tennyson Street and Lowes Road intersection in Rolleston will reopen this week following a major upgrade and installation of traffic lights.

The traffic lights and additional traffic and cycle lanes have been added during the upgrade, along with new adjoining footpath and cycleway connections, new streetlights, and drainage improvements.

The intersection upgrade was needed to meet the demand from extra traffic entering and exiting Rolleston via the State Highway 1/Weedons Road Interchange and along Tennyson Street.

Council Transportation Asset Manager Andrew Mazey says the upgraded intersection is a critical part of a long-running series of projects to fully upgrade Lowes Road to prepare for this.

The intersection is also the main connection between the growing residential areas in the southern part of Rolleston and the town centre and 11,000 vehicles per day travel across the Lowes Road intersection to and from Tennyson Street.

The upgrade will improve links between the town centre and Foster Park, Selwyn Aquatic Centre, schools and new residential areas to the south of Rolleston, Mr Mazey says.

It will also provide more safety for pedestrians and cyclists, particularly the large and growing number of Rolleston School students who cycle to and from school through the intersection.

The Council is grateful for the road users' patience with the road closures and diversions required to do this major work safely and effectively, he says.

Minor landscaping and tidy up work around the intersection will be completed over the next few weeks.

Aquatic Centre sees millions of visits over seven years

The Selwyn Aquatic Centre just gets more popular with age as it celebrates its seventh birthday.

More than 2.2 million people have visited the Aquatic Centre since it opened in June 2013. The number of people using the centre is growing each year, rising from 258,000 in its first year to 403,088 in the 2018/19 financial year. The centre was on track to top that number again this year before COVID-19 intervened.

Its popularity was proved by a rapid resurgence in visitor numbers after lockdown, with numbers higher than the same time last year and over 1000 people a day coming through during the school holidays.

The swim school has also seen steady growth, from 1,100 children taking lessons each term when the centre opened to around 2,200 enrolled each term for the past two years. Over 5,800 people a year also take part in the centre's aqua fitness classes.

Over the years the centre has hosted Swim Canterbury swim meets, provided space for scuba diving clubs, sports clubs and teams, physiotherapists and their clients, Burwood Hospital patients, disability groups and regularly hosts social events.

Dispose of hot ash safely



Bucket & soak it

Put ash in a metal bucket with water for at least five days.



Bag it

Place cold ash in a plastic bag.



Bin it

Place it in the red rubbish bin.

Hot ash can cause bin fires

Council Call

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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

E-Scooters to stay in Selwyn

Selwyn has become the first New Zealand location outside a major urban centre to grant e-scooter licences.

The Council has issued an initial one-year licence to e-scooter operators Lava and Lime following a successful six-month trial that saw people taking around 3,800 rides a month pre-lockdown.

Lava and Lime will have a total of 220 scooters operating in Rolleston, Lincoln and Prebbleton, and on cycleways between the towns. The companies will pay an annual licence fee of \$72.79 a year per scooter.

With people taking 22,677 rides on scooters by mid-July, Mayor Sam Broughton says the scooters are another sign of Selwyn as a forward-looking district that embraces new ideas.

"It's great to see the scooters have been used by the community as an alternative to hopping in a car. I'm delighted that we now have a permanent environmentally friendly and convenient option for getting around our towns."

The Council granted a six-month trial to the companies to operate a total of 300 scooters, starting in mid-December last year. The trial was due to end in June, but was extended to the end of July because of the Level 4 lockdown period.

For the trial to mid-July people were using the scooters at an average of over 3,800 trips a month. There were no accidents or significant injuries reported over that time.

During the trial, there was one substantiated complaint of an e-scooter left on the road. The scooter in the road was rapidly removed and the company apologised.

There were two complaints of scooters blocking footpaths and Council staff found both scooters were correctly parked. Council also received 11 complaints from people who said they did not like the scooters.

The Councillors noted that the companies had been professional and accommodating of Council requests and have endeavoured to provide a quality service for e-scooter users within the district.



How do I?

Make my rates payments easier

Rates invoices will begin arriving in letter boxes next week, but you can go paperless and never have to worry about missing your rates payments.

Direct debit is an easy way to pay your rates. Setting up a direct debit means you can spread your payments to suit your budget, paying weekly, fortnightly, monthly or quarterly. Your payment will never be late, so no penalties.

You can set up a direct debit by filling out the Direct Debit Authority form at selwyn.govt.nz/rates and we'll do the rest.

You can also get your rates and water invoices by email. Receiving your rates and water invoices by email is quick and easy to set up. It cuts down on paper and, saves time and postage. We just need your email address. To receive your rates and water invoices by email just visit selwyn.govt.nz/change-your-details

If you are considering cancelling or stopping an existing direct debit arrangement that you have with the Council, please contact us first.

Notices

ALCOHOL NOTICES

Arthur's Pass Café and Store 2016 Limited has applied for the renewal of an off licence and an on licence. Objections to these applications are open until 21 July. For more information go to

selwyn.govt.nz/alcoholnotices.

SELWYN COMMUNITY FUND

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

Applications for round one of the fund close on Friday 31 July. For criteria and application forms visit selwyn.govt.nz/selwyncommunityfund or contact selwyncommunityfund@selwyn.govt.nz

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

COUNCIL & COMMUNITY BOARD

Audit & Risk Subcommittee*

Wed 5 August 9.30am
Rolleston HQ Offices

Council*

Wed 12 August 1pm
Rolleston HQ Offices

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

DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Coalgate-Glentunnel Reserve Management Committee

Tue 4 August 7.30pm
Coalgate Fire Station

Doyleston Community Committee

Wed 5 August 7.30pm
Osborne Park

Hororata Reserve Management Committee

Wed 5 August 7.30pm
Hororata Hall

Kimberley Reserve and Hall Committee

Tue 11 August 7.30pm
Kimberley Hall

Kirwee Recreation Reserve Management Committee

Mon 10 August 7.30pm
Sports Pavilion, Kirwee Recreation Reserve

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

Leeston Community Committee

Mon 3 August 7.30pm
Leeston Library

Rolleston Reserve Management Committee – Triennial Meeting

Mon 17 August 7.30pm
Rolleston Community Centre

Lincoln Community Committee

Mon 10 August 7pm, Fitzgerald Room, Lincoln Event Centre

Weedons Reserve

Board Committee
Mon 10 August 7pm
Weedons Community Centre

A Taste of Kiwi and a sip of Springfield

At the age of 22 and 25, Cam Clark and Kristina Squires-Ward saw an opportunity to give travelers an experience to remember.

After travelling around the world and working in Canada, they came home to start their own business replacing the old Springfield café.

The pair wanted to give the Springfield community something fresh and different to look forward to, starting with a complete renovation of the place.

“We found that the business that was here before was more convenience-based, grab and go type thing. Our offering is more of a sit down and spend half an hour.”

Since they opened in January, Cam and Kristina say they have received amazing support from the community and attracted lots of new customers.

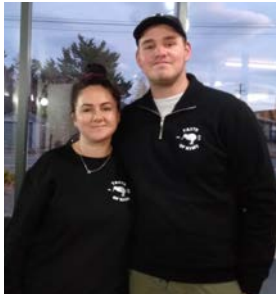
“It’s going really well. We were a bit concerned with the tourism not being around, because we do cater for tourists mostly, but the local support has been awesome. When we first opened they put an article in the Malvern News and lots of people from different townships came out to congratulate us and have a coffee and support us, which was so nice.”

For Cam it was a little daunting living in the country and working in hospitality for the first time, but thankfully Kristina had experience in both.

“My family is from Springfield, so it was nice and close to my old home, I used to actually work here when I was a kid, so it’s kind of gone full circle,” Kristina says.

“I wouldn’t want to have Taste of Kiwi anywhere else,” Cam says.

Offering great coffee, fish and chips, homemade soup, classic kiwi pies and gifts and plenty of gluten-free, vegetarian and vegan options, they aim to make Taste of Kiwi the place to stop on your journey through to Arthur’s Pass.



On the roads

The temporary Markham Way extension has been closed following the completion of the Tennyson Street upgrade.

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.

Bridge repairs are being carried out at Mt White, the road is closed. Maintenance work is being carried out on Pig Saddle Road, Adams Road and Sharlands Road.

Selwyn Heritage Fund

Applications extended. Now open till 5pm Wednesday 12 August.

Apply at selwyn.govt.nz/heritagefund or email heritagefund@selwyn.govt.nz if you have any questions.



Selwyn Events

THURSDAY

30
JULY

Craft and Chat group

Lincoln Library, 10am–12pm

Bring along your current craft project to work on while you get to know fellow craft enthusiasts! An opportunity to share tips, tricks and skills.

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.

SAT 1 AND
2 SUN
JULY

Primary Focus

The Liffey Gallery, Lincoln,
10am–4pm

A two-week community show featuring work from the pupils of Ararira Springs and Clearview Primary Schools. See what some of our up and coming young artists have been up to.

MONDAY

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AUGUST

Arthritis Clinic

Lincoln Library, 10–11.30am

A new initiative, run by Arthritis New Zealand every first Monday of the month. Pop in to the library for these free drop-in clinics. You’ll get to speak to an arthritis educator who can advise you on how to treat your aches and pains effectively and offer additional support.

MONDAY

3
AUGUST

Scrabble Club

Lincoln, 11.30am–12pm
All other Selwyn Libraries,
11am–12.30pm

Join us in the library for our brand new Scrabble Club. Whether you’re a competitive player or just happy to play and enjoy a social chat, this club is a great place for all ages to get to know others and take part in a good game of scrabble. Everything is provided. Free. Bookings not required.

SATURDAY

8
AUGUST

Bath Bombs

Leeston Library, 1–2pm

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.

For information on listing a community event visit
selwyn.govt.nz/councilcall

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