



## Awards back to celebrate again

The Selwyn Awards are back in 2021 to showcase all that is great about the district.

The Council-run awards, a gala evening at the Lincoln Event Centre, recognise the outstanding work and achievements of businesses, not-for-profit organisations and individuals who live or work in the district. This year's awards are presented by Iport and the Council gratefully acknowledges the support of all the sponsors of this year's event, without whom the event would not be possible.

Nominations for the 2021 awards are open until Friday 11 June.

Mayor Sam Broughton says it's great to see the awards back, to give another opportunity to celebrate the success of people who contribute so much to our district. The awards were delayed last year due to Covid-19.

"Selwyn is great mix of diverse people and organisations involved in building our community through the jobs they create, the businesses they operate, their voluntary contribution and beyond. It's great to be able to celebrate again, to thank those people and highlight some of the examples of how they continue to make Selwyn such a good place to live."

The awards have been given a fresh feel this year, with categories updated and awards now based on a points system, allowing for multiple gold, silver and bronze winners in each category along with an overall category winner. Businesses and groups can also nominate themselves. The awards dinner has been enhanced to put on a celebration that builds on the strong legacy of the awards, Council Group Manager Community Services Denise Kidd says.

"The Selwyn Awards is a fantastic way to recognise the great work of so many people in Selwyn and it's become an important night on people's calendars. We want to make sure that we're continuing to provide a fitting celebration of this community and we're looking forward to a really good night at this year's awards."

For more information or to make a nomination visit [selwynawards.co.nz](http://selwynawards.co.nz).

## One tag to reduce waste and simplify dog registration

Plastic dog tags are set to become a thing of the past in Selwyn, following the introduction of a New Zealand first metal One Tag for this year's dog registrations.

The Council is joining Wellington City and Hutt City as the first Councils in New Zealand to introduce the tags designed to last a dog's lifetime, aiming to reduce plastic waste and simplify processes for dog owners.

Dog owners will still need to pay annual registration fees, but can keep the same tag as long as they live in the district. Dog registration can also be paid online saving on paper waste.

The One Tag is a lightweight, durable round tag that comes in two sizes – 25mm and 35mm. The tags will be blue and the back is blank so owners can get it engraved with their dog's name or contact details.

There are over 15,000 dogs in Selwyn with around 70 new dogs coming into the district each month. The One Tag will support those owners and the environment, says Council Group Manager Environmental Services Tim Harris.

"We're always looking for new ways to support our dog owners and do better as kaitiaki of our environment. Selwyn people love their dogs. We have one of the highest ownerships of dogs in the country and as one of the fastest growing districts in the country this is growing all the time. The One Tag will save our dog owners the hassle of getting a new tag each year and prevent 15,000 tags and growing being thrown away each year."

Under the Dog Control Act 1996, all dogs must be registered by the age of three months. Registration falls due on 1 July each year, and owners of unregistered dogs may be charged an infringement fee of \$300.

More information on One Tag and this year's dog registration can be found at [selwyn.govt.nz/onetag](http://selwyn.govt.nz/onetag).



## Funding Forum

Wednesday 26 May, West Melton Community and Recreation Centre  
Session 1: 12.30–2.30pm and Session 2: 5–7pm

Does your organisation apply for funding? Do you think funding may be available to yourself or business? This forum is an opportunity to sit down and talk with local and national funders to find out what they are looking for when distributing funds.

Speakers will be from:

- Department of Internal Affairs
- Rata Foundation
- Sport Canterbury
- Selwyn District Council

Register by Monday 24 May 2021 at [eventbrite.co.nz](http://eventbrite.co.nz)



## New rules for keeping animals in Selwyn towns

New rules on keeping domesticated animals, poultry, stock and bees in Selwyn towns have been agreed by the Council.

The Keeping Animals, Poultry and Bees Bylaw was adopted by the Council at last week's [Wednesday 12 May] Council meeting, setting out the rules on keeping domesticated animals such as cats, and for poultry, stock and bees in urban areas. The new rules will come into effect on 1 July 2021, except the rules for cats, which will come into force a year later, on 1 July 2022. [Note that dogs are already regulated by Dog Control Bylaw and Dog Control Act.]

The bylaw aims to protect the public from nuisance, and address public health and safety issues. It includes controls previously contained in the Selwyn District Plan.

From 1 July 2022 all cats in Selwyn over four months old will need to be microchipped. This makes Selwyn the fourth council in the country to require microchipping of cats, along with Palmerston North City Council, Wellington City Council and Whanganui District Council.

The microchipping decision was made following the strong support it received during public consultation. National research shows half of cat owners in New Zealand already microchip their cats.

The new bylaw sets rules on the numbers of hives and poultry allowed, and where and how they can be housed. It also covers issues such as nuisance, including odour and noise, and will allow the Council to investigate and act on nuisance complaints relating to animals.

The Council will generally take an educational approach to ensure that people are familiar with the rules and what is required of them.

Other controls for keeping animals in urban areas include:

- Lambs under six months, a limited number of poultry and no more than two bee hives are allowed on urban properties. However, exemptions will be considered for more hives on properties greater than 1,500 square metres, or located next to a reserve or rural land.
- Only up to 12 poultry are allowed but no roosters or peacocks.

A copy of the bylaw, together with an initial information sheet, can be found at [selwyn.govt.nz/animalsbylaw](http://selwyn.govt.nz/animalsbylaw).



## Get set, and go for new events in Selwyn

Are you keen to run an event in Selwyn? A new workshop will help you get ready to do just that.

Getting great events running is the focus of the Get set, Go – Events workshop in West Melton next week.

It will be a day for people who have an idea for an event and want to learn about how to get started, with the basics of planning and running it.

The workshop will show you how to plan, organise and promote your own event.

Events bring a sparkle and fun for the community and help make Selwyn such a great place to live, Council Events and Funding Coordinator Cristene Trenuela-Chan says.

"We know there are people out there with great ideas that can bring some fun, build community, and be a part of making Selwyn a good place to live. We want to encourage that and help people run the best event possible for everyone coming along."

Get Set Go – Events will run from 9am-2pm, Tuesday 25 May at West Melton Community and Recreation Centre. Cost is \$10pp for not-for-profit and voluntary organisation, and \$35pp for business, government agency or other. Morning tea and light lunch provided. RSVP at [EventBrite.co.nz](http://EventBrite.co.nz). Spaces available for up to 25 people.

# 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

RIVER WORKS ARARIRA/ LII RIVER

The LII drainage committee will commence weed cutting of the LII river from 24 May until 17 June 2021.

River users are asked to be careful during this time as machinery will be operating in the river.

A weir/barrier will be in place 200m downstream of the Wolfes Road boat ramp for this period. This work is in accordance with Environment Canterbury consents CRC000818.1 and CRC000819.

If you require further information please contact Council Water Services team on 0800 SELWYN (735 996).

DOG MICROCHIPPING

This free monthly service for dogs is available on Friday 21 May at the following places:

- Lincoln Library 9–9.30am
- Leeston Library 10.15–10.45am
- Darfield Library 11.30am–12pm
- Rolleston Council Offices 12.45–1.15pm

If your dog was first registered after 30 June 2006 and is not a working dog, the law requires them to be microchipped. Please note: The Rolleston venue is in Norman Kirk Drive. All others are libraries. Microchipping will not take place if wet. If you have any questions regarding microchipping, please contact Tracey Wheeler on 0800 SELWYN (735 996).

ALCOHOL NOTICES

J & R Restaurant Limited (Nom Nom Kitchen, Lincoln) has applied for an on licence. Objections to this application are open until 25 May.

Rossendale Catering Company Limited (The Vineyard @ Rossendale) has applied for the renewal of an on licence. PHQ Enterprises Limited (Lincoln Headquarters) has applied for an on licence. Objections to these applications are open until 27 May.

Prebbleton Hotel Limited (Prebbleton Village Tavern) has applied for the renewal of an on licence. Objections to this application is open until 31 May. For more information visit [selwyn.govt.nz/alcoholnotices](http://selwyn.govt.nz/alcoholnotices)

Meetings

Public Forums: *Council, Community Board and local committees 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 Committee meetings: *To list or make changes to meeting details, email [meeting.changes@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:meeting.changes@selwyn.govt.nz) or phone 0800 SELWYN (735 996) by 9am Wednesday the week before publication.*

COUNCIL & COMMUNITY BOARD MEETINGS

**Long Term Plan Deliberations\***  
Thursday 20 May 9am & Friday 21 May (if required)  
Rolleston Council Offices

**Malvern Community Board**  
Monday 24 May 4pm  
Darfield Library

**Council Meeting\***  
Wednesday 26 May 1pm  
Rolleston Council Offices

**Audit & Risk Subcommittee**  
Wednesday 2 June 9.30am  
Rolleston Council Offices\*

Representation Review Subcommittee\*

Wednesday 9 June 11am  
Rolleston Council Offices

**Council Meeting\***  
Wednesday 9 June 1pm  
Rolleston Council Offices

*\* Livestreamed on the Council website and YouTube channel*

DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

**Coalgate Township Committee**  
Tuesday 25 May 7.30pm  
Coalgate Fire Station

**Coalgate-Glentunnel Reserve Management Committee**  
Tuesday 1 June 7.30pm  
Coalgate Fire Station

**Doyleston Community Committee**  
Wednesday 2 June 7.30pm  
Doyleston Hall, Osborne Park

**Glentunnel Community Committee**  
Monday 31 May 7.30pm  
Glentunnel Community Centre

**Greendale Recreation Reserve Management Committee**  
Tuesday 1 June 7.30pm  
Greendale Pavilion

**Hororata Citizens' Committee**  
Tuesday 25 May 7.30pm  
Hororata Hall

**Leeston Park Committee**  
Monday 31 June 7.30pm  
Leeston Park Pavilion

**Prebbleton Public Hall Society Inc.**  
Monday 7 June 7.30pm  
Prebbleton Hall

**Rolleston Residents' Association Inc.**  
Monday 24 May 7pm  
Rolleston Community Centre

**Sheffield Waddington Community & Township Committee**  
Thursday 20 May 7.30pm  
Sheffield Hall

**Springfield Township Committee**  
Tuesday 1 June 7.30pm  
Tawera Memorial Hall

**Springston Committees**  
Wednesday 19 May 7.30pm  
Errol Tweedy Pavilion, Springston Reserve

**West Melton District Residents' Association Inc.**  
Wednesday 9 June 7.30pm  
West Melton Community & Recreation Centre

Council customer service wins national recognition

The Council's new customer service model has won national recognition.

The Council won the Transforming Service Delivery award at the Taituarā Local Government Excellence Awards for its customer services transformation project, beating four other entries to be named the best in the country.

The transformation project brought several separate customer channels together into a convenient 'one-stop shop' that makes it easier for people to contact the Council.

A new customer services space opened at the Council's Rolleston office in early 2020, expanding the options for customers seeking face-to-face help for enquiries and through the 0800 SELWYN (735 996) Council contact number, and email and web contacts.

Council Group Manager Customer Services and Communications Stephen Hill says the award is a great recognition of the work put into the project.

"This project was about making it easier for people to contact us and do business with us. The whole organisation has come on board and put in a huge effort to get new systems up and running, and delivering a high standard of service. This included responding to Covid-19 lockdown just weeks after the centre opened – and we were able to quickly adapt and keep the service running seamlessly for our residents.

"We've got a great team, helping hundreds of people every day, and it's fantastic to see that work recognised at a national level."



On the Roads

The intersection of Springston Rolleston Road and Selwyn Road will be closed overnight from 7pm–7am Sunday 23 May to Friday 28 May for services to be installed. Detours will be in place.



Selwyn roads are not racetracks



Selwyn Events

Nurturing Early Language and Reading with 3 and 4 Year Olds

Lincoln Library, Thursday 20 May and 27 May, 6.30–7.30pm, Rolleston Library, Saturday 22 May and 29 May, 10.30–11.30am

Be empowered to support your child's spoken language development and early reading skills. Language-reading specialist/speech-language therapist Fleur Harris will talk through fun, play-based ways to support your child's language and reading. Free. Bookings not required.

Rolleston Ukulele Group performance

Rolleston Library, 6.30–7.30pm

Listen to some popular songs played on ukulele while you browse for books, or sit down and enjoy the show. You might even be inspired to take up the ukulele. Free. Bookings not required.

Unplugged with the Ministry of Mind

All Selwyn Libraries, 11am–1pm

Celebrate New Zealand Music Month by supporting local musicians performing live and 'unplugged'. Free. Bookings not required. Darfield Library – Veranda Cocktail, Leeston Library – Analise Twemlow, Lincoln Library – Moonflower, Rolleston Library – Lynette Diaz

Family Water Safety

Selwyn Aquatic Centre, 9–10.30am

A fun chance for families to learn how to be safe in and around the water. Have a go with the inflatable boat, life jackets, learn about safety huddles, treading water and more. \$20 per family of four. \$5 per extra child. Children must be 5+ years. Bookings essential. Email [swimschool@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:swimschool@selwyn.govt.nz).

Hui Mātua

Darfield Library, 10am–12pm

An informal drop-in session for people looking to connect with other caregivers, access parents education opportunities or learn about community supports. Hosted by Birthright – a not-for-profit organisation specialising in working with families, including one or two-parent families, blended families, mātua whāngai and grandparents. Free. Bookings not required.

Slime Time

Prebbleton Community Cottage, 3.30–4.30pm

Come along to our fun science workshop! Create your own slime and galaxy jars with different colours, textures and decorations. 7+ years. \$4 per child. Bookings essential at [selwyn.govt.nz/events](http://selwyn.govt.nz/events).

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

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

Lincoln Library & Service Centre  
Gerald Street, Lincoln  
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