



# School kids create sensory space features

Te Ahi Kaikōmako (Rolleston) School pupils decorate their feature pole.

Children from all over Selwyn are contributing to the design of Rolleston’s new civic centre, Te Ara Ātea.

Nine schools have been involved in creating feature poles and decorative tiles for the sensory space next door to Te Ara Ātea, which opens in Rolleston’s new town centre on Tennyson Street in November.

The sensory space poles feature a range of themes from representing unique school character to the region’s landscape, flora, birdlife, and environment.

Teacher Leona Whittington said the children at West Rolleston Primary School put in a huge effort to overcome persistent wet weather and competing lunch hour projects.

“Our wee art club is so proud of their effort. They really put in so much time and had the best attitudes throughout the whole process.”

Ms Whittington was especially grateful to Andy Benn, the school’s “amazing caretaker”, for his untiring help.

Te Ahi Kaikōmako (Rolleston) School pupils, Alice and Keira, said their feature pole “symbolises our school culture”.

Students at their school strived to show ‘e tū tāngata’ and the school values of being kind, responsible, respectful, connected and resilient.

The school’s name originates from the tale of how Maui brought fire to the world and the kaikōmako tree, which Maui used to start the fire, is depicted on the sensory pole, they said.

“Our school and staff are the fire that nourishes our learning,” they explained.

The decorative tiles were painted by Waitaha School.

Council Project Manager Phil Millar says the tiles will form a ring around a tree in the sensory space.

Schools involved:

· Te Ahi Kaikōmako (Rolleston) School	· Waitaha School	· Glentunnel School
· West Rolleston Primary School	· Southbridge School	· Clearview Primary School
	· Lemonwood Grove School	· Windwhistle School
	· Rolleston Christian School	

## Selwyn water systems rank among the best

Selwyn has some of the cheapest water in New Zealand and among the least leaky networks in the country, a new report shows.

Selwyn had the cheapest volumetric water charge in Aotearoa in 2019/20 and among the lowest overall charges for 200m³ of water according to the latest Water New Zealand National Performance Report.

The annual report is compiled by Water New Zealand, an independent not-for-profit organisation representing water professionals and organisations.

The report showed the district’s wastewater network has the newest pipes on average and among the lowest rate of overflows per capita in the country. Selwyn was also among the councils with the fewest wastewater complaints.

The district’s annual wastewater rate was above the national average, which has helped support investment in the system.

The report showed Selwyn has some of the highest water usage in the country at around 498 litres per person per day. The Council is working to encourage users to think more carefully and be intentional around water use, aiming for continuous improvement in water usage across the district in coming years. The Council has agreed to put more emphasis on volumetric charges in coming years, giving ratepayers more control over their water bills and offering a financial incentive for reducing water wastage.

Selwyn was slightly above the average for unplanned water supply interruptions. The majority were on rural restricted water schemes, where the Council is working on extra storage to improve reliability in coming years.

Council Infrastructure Group Manager Murray Washington says it’s good to see how the district’s systems measure up.

“We’ve put a lot of investment into our water and wastewater network in the past few years and it’s good to see that reflected in the results, along with some things for us to keep working on to maintain an excellent water and wastewater system for Selwyn.”

## Have your say on the State Highway 1 Rolleston flyover and speed limits

Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency wants to hear your views on transport improvements for Rolleston and current SH1 speed limits, between Hoskyns Road and Dunsandel.

The upgrades are part of the government’s \$125m\* New Zealand Upgrade Programme for Rolleston to help create a future-focused network for everyone – freight, commuters, rail, cyclists, pedestrians and public transport users.

The proposals include a flyover between the Rolleston township and industrial hub, closing SH1 Hoskyns Road and Rolleston Drive North intersections and removing the level crossing—to be replaced by the flyover. A southbound service lane parallel to SH1 from Rolleston Drive North to south of Brookside Road, would provide access to Rolleston town (left in/left out only for safety). Also proposed is a roundabout at SH1/Dunns Crossing Road/ Walkers Road intersection to improve safety and access to southern Rolleston and for freight travelling to and from the industrial area.

Construction is planned to start around 2024 and be completed around 2026.

Waka Kotahi is also asking for feedback on current speed limits along SH1 from Hoskyns Road through to Dunsandel to help decide whether changes need to be considered before the proposed infrastructure is built.

This length of highway has a high number of people killed and seriously injured in crashes. No new speeds are proposed – the purpose is to hear community views on current speeds. If changes are recommended, Waka Kotahi will consult with the community near the end of this year. Any changes would be made in 2022.

Waka Kotahi will keep people informed and work together with project partners – iwi, Council and KiwiRail.

Feedback is open from 20 July to 17 August 2021.

To find out more or give feedback visit [nzta.govt.nz/rollestonflyover](https://nzta.govt.nz/rollestonflyover) or speak to the team at one of the following events:

Wednesday 21 July 10am–12pm  
Rolleston Library, 94 Rolleston Drive

Saturday 24 July 1–3pm  
Selwyn Winter Festival, Larcomb Vineyard, 307 Larcombs Road

Sunday 1 August 9–11am  
Rolleston Farmers' Market, 631 Springston Rolleston Road

Wednesday 11 August 3–5pm  
Selwyn Sports Centre, 70 Broadlands Drive.

*\*Total cost including contingencies (expected cost is around \$90m).*



## Innovative series returns to help young drivers learn over winter

A popular driving series is back, helping young drivers learn the road code and encourage them to gain more experience in winter driving conditions.

Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency and ACC are running the Drive Winter Series until 8 August, building on the success of the Drive Summer Series campaign, with young drivers incentivised to complete road code units and practice tests on the website [drive.govt.nz](https://drive.govt.nz) and track drives in the Drive Go smart phone app.

People will earn points and entries into prize draws, with smartphones and driving lessons to be won.

Ensuring young drivers develop broad experience while on their learner licence, with their coach or parent in the passenger seat, is vital to reducing the risk of them being involved in a serious crash, once they are driving unsupervised on their restricted licence and is a focus of the series.

Drive is a free, learn-to-drive programme helping young people get their licence and develop the right habits for a lifetime of safe driving.

Find out more at [drive.govt.nz](https://drive.govt.nz)



Notices

DOG REGISTRATION REMINDER

Over half the district's dogs have registered with nine days left to get the discounted fee. If paid by 31 July 2021, the fee is \$45 for one dog. If paid after, the registration fee is \$60. All dogs older than three months must be registered annually (July–June). It's a \$300 fine for an unregistered dog. Payment can be made online, by internet banking, or at a Council service centre. Visit [selwyn.govt.nz/dogregistration](http://selwyn.govt.nz/dogregistration) for more information. The Council is switching to metal One Tags. Tags will be posted for each dog. With new tags for over 15,000 furry friends this is taking longer than usual. For more information about your

tag call 0800 SELWYN (735 996).

DOG MICROCHIPPING

This free monthly service for dogs is available on Friday 23 July at:  
· Leeston Library 9–9.30am  
· Darfield Library 10.15–10.45am  
· Rolleston Council Offices 11.30am–12pm  
· Lincoln Library 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. Microchipping won't take place if wet. For any questions, call Tracey Wheeler on 0800 SELWYN (735 996).

ALCOHOL NOTICES

ADLEC Ventures Limited (Robert Harris Café Rolleston)

has applied for the renewal of an on licence. Objections to this application are open until 4 August. For more information visit [selwyn.govt.nz/alcoholnotices](http://selwyn.govt.nz/alcoholnotices)

RE-NOTIFICATION SUMMARY OF SUBMISSIONS – PRIVATE PLAN CHANGE REQUEST 73 – WEST ROLLESTON

Following the closure of the further submissions period for this plan change on 30 June 2021, Council received a late submission from the New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF). With the agreement of the private plan change proponent, the Council is re-notifying the summary to include the NZDF submission. Further submissions are open until 5pm Wednesday 4 August 2021.

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

**Malvern Community Board**  
Monday 26 July 4pm  
Darfield Library  
**Council Meeting\***  
Wednesday 28 July 1pm  
Rolleston Council Offices  
**Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee**  
Tuesday 3 August 2pm  
Tai Tapu Community Centre  
**Audit & Risk Subcommittee\***  
Wednesday 4 August 10am  
Rolleston Council Offices  
**Representation Review Subcommittee**  
Wednesday 11 August 11am  
Rolleston Council Offices  
**Council Meeting\***

Wednesday 11 August 1pm  
Rolleston Council Offices  
*\* Livestreamed on the Council website and YouTube channel*

DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

**Coalgate Township Committee**  
Tuesday 27 July 7.30pm  
Coalgate Fire Station  
**Coalgate-Glentunnel Reserve Management Committee**  
Tuesday 3 August 7.30pm  
Coalgate Fire Station  
**Doyleston Community Committee**  
Wednesday 4 August 7.30pm  
Doyleston Hall, Osborne Park  
**Glentunnel Community Committee**  
Monday 26 July 7.30pm  
Glentunnel Community Centre  
**Hororata Citizens Committee**  
Tuesday 24 July 7.30pm  
Hororata Hall  
**Kimberley Reserve & Hall Committee**  
Tuesday 10 August 7.30pm  
Kimberley Hall  
**Kirwee Recreation Reserve Management Committee**  
Monday 9 August 7.30pm  
Pavilion, Kirwee Reserve  
**Lakeside Memorial Hall Incorporated AGM**  
Monday 9 August 5pm

Lakeside Soldiers Memorial Hall  
*All interested parties welcome. Inquiries to the Secretary, Rae McCloy, [lakeside1917@gmail.com](mailto:lakeside1917@gmail.com)*

**Leeston Community Committee**  
Monday 2 August 7.30pm  
Leeston Library  
**Leeston Park Committee**  
Monday 26 July 7.30pm  
Leeston Park Pavilion  
**Lincoln Community Committee**  
Monday 9 August 7pm  
Lincoln Event Centre  
**Prebbleton Public Hall Society Inc.**  
Monday 2 August 7.30pm  
Prebbleton Hall  
**Rolleston Residents' Association Inc.**  
Monday 26 July 7.30pm  
Rolleston Community Centre  
**Southbridge Advisory Committee**  
Monday 9 August 7pm  
Southbridge Town Hall  
**Springfield Township Committee**  
Tuesday 3 August 7.30pm  
Tawera Memorial Hall  
**Springston Committees**  
Wednesday 21 July 7.30pm  
Errol Tweedy Pavilion, Springston Reserve  
**West Melton District Residents' Association Inc.**  
Wednesday 11 August 7.30pm  
West Melton Community & Recreation Centre

Flood recovery support available

Applications are open for a \$4 million fund from the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) to help flood-affected farmers and growers in Canterbury. The financial support will help farmers and growers affected by May's floods to get back on their feet. Grants will assist farmers to clear flood debris from their paddocks, such as shingle, boulders, trees, and silt. Applications can be made for clean-up work already undertaken. Distribution of grants will be determined once all applications have been received. Applications will be assessed by an independent panel that sector groups have helped select. MPI will contribute up to half of the clean-up cost for uninsurable works. Applications close on Friday 30 July 2021. For application forms or more information visit [mpi.govt.nz/funding-rural-support/](http://mpi.govt.nz/funding-rural-support/) or contact MPI on 0800 00 83 33 or [funding@mpi.govt.nz](mailto:funding@mpi.govt.nz)



On the Roads

Due to flood repairs, Lyndon Road is closed from Homestead Road to State Highway 73, Keens Road is closed from Wrights Road, Pig Saddle Road is closed from Hartleys Road to Wyndale Road, Hartleys Road is closed from Whitecliffs Road to Pig Saddle Road and Tramway Road is closed from Barrs Road to Keens Road. Flooding repairs are also taking place on Wyndale Road from Pig Saddle Road to Swamp Road, Homestead Road from Algidus Road to Lyndon Road, Southfield Drive from Jacobsens Place to Edward Street, and Derretts Road from Ardlui Road to Bealey Road. Traffic management is in place on these roads.

Selwyn Events

THURSDAY

22 JULY

Fly Me to the Moon Storytime

Leeston Library, 10–11am  
Let Pitter Patter Dance take your little astronaut to outer space, across the galaxy and far, far away. We'll read about some friendly aliens, and invite your wee dancer to reach for the stars. Suitable for ages 3–8 years. Free. Bookings not required.

FRIDAY

23 JULY

Tuatara Trail

Rolleston Library, 10–11am  
Gumpy, Hudson or Burke are visiting the library. Come along and find out more about New Zealand's 'living dinosaur'. Get up close to this fascinating creature and watch it munch through its morning tea or lunch! Free. Bookings not required.

FRIDAY

23 JULY

The Paper Girl Show

Ladbrooks Hall, 1–1.45pm  
A hilarious silent clown show from the creator of Sport Suzie, featuring: The \$10 Breaking Bicycle, A Naughty Teddy Bear, Magic, Circus, a suitcase full of random objects she forgot to deliver and the Smallest Finale Ever! \$5 per child. Caregivers required, no charge but will require tickets. Bookings essential at [Eventbrite.co.nz](http://Eventbrite.co.nz).

FRIDAY

23 JULY

Come as your favourite 'P' disco

Rolleston Community Centre 1–2.30pm  
Dress up in your favourite outfit starting with the letter 'P' and join Ingrid for an afternoon of fun! There will be disco lights, funky tunes and heaps of spot prizes. 4 to 8 years (caregiver required). \$5 per child plus booking fee. Bookings essential at [Eventbrite.co.nz](http://Eventbrite.co.nz).

SATURDAY

24 JULY

Star Wars Family Fun Day

Lincoln Library, 1–3pm  
Join us in a celebration that is out of this world. Have more fun than anywhere else in the galaxy dressing up and joining in on making Star Wars inspired light sabres, blasting through a space quiz, creating cosmically cool art, and much more! Make sure to look out for our mystery guests! Free. Bookings not required.

MONDAY

26 JULY

Scrabble Club

Darfield Library, 11am–12.30pm  
Whether you're a competitive player or just happy to play and enjoy a social chat, this club is a great place to get to know other people in your community and take part in a good game of scrabble. The club is for players of all ages and everything is provided. Free. Bookings not required.

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  
Ph 347 2876

0800 SELWYN

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