

Tennyson Street Rolleston Drive intersection upgrade



Major upgrades to the Tennyson Street/Rolleston Drive intersection will begin in the new year to install traffic signals at the intersection and other upgrades.

This work will require some temporary road closures and one-way lanes while the work is completed.

From Monday 10 January

- Rolleston Drive will be one-way westbound. The one-way restrictions will be in place until these upgrades are completed, which is expected to be in late April, weather permitting.
- Tennyson Street will be closed either side of the intersection for five weeks. From mid-February – weather permitting – this section will be open to a one-way system southbound (towards Lincoln).

From Sunday 16 January

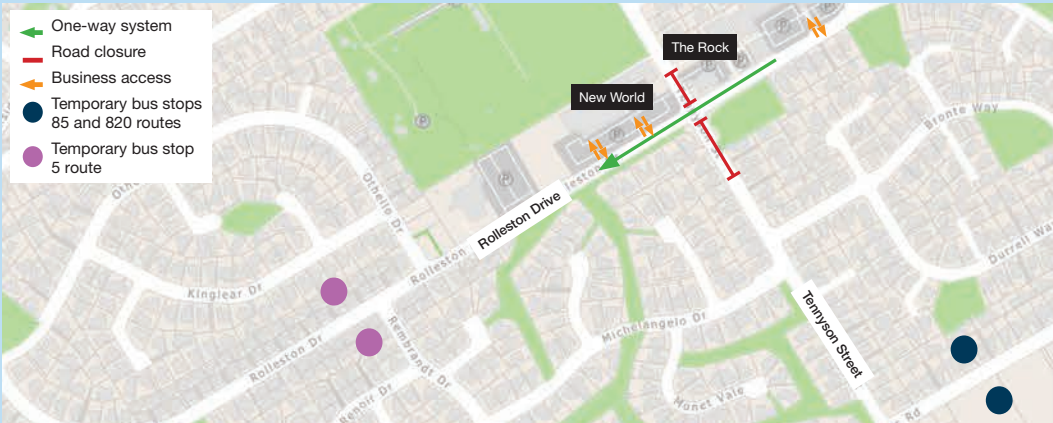
- The intersection will be closed from 9pm–6am daily for about two weeks.

Signed detours will be in place and temporary safe access for pedestrians and cyclists will be maintained throughout works. Temporary bus stops will be in place on Rolleston Drive and Lowes Road for the affected bus stops for the 820, 85 and 5 bus routes.

Along with the new traffic signals the upgrade will include a new lane layout with right hand turning traffic lanes and cycle lanes, linking to the pathways recently installed to the north on Tennyson Street, along with signal crossings for bicycles and for pedestrians.

Rolleston Drive, west of Tennyson Street as far as the Rolleston Community Centre, will be upgraded to improve access to the future Rolleston town centre.

Thank you for your patience while we carry out this work.



Opportunity for more young people to blaze a trail

A Council internship programme to help young people into work is already having an impact just weeks after the first intake.

The first six interns for the Council’s Trailblazers internship have graduated with two interns already getting into full-time employment thanks to the programme.

Trailblazers is a collaboration by the Council and Youth Pathways, with support from the Ministry of Social Development (MSD) for people who are unemployed or working less than 30 hours a week.

It includes 25 hours of placement hours with the Council including working in libraries, the Selwyn Sports Centre and events planning.

The programme also focuses on fitness and health, cultural wellbeing and exploration, and life skills development. It includes presentations from a number of guest speakers in local business.

Two of the interns gained full-time employment following the six-week work readiness course including placement, while others are actively seeking employment in Selwyn.

Council Community Services and Facilities Group Manager Denise Kidd says it was great to see the success for the first intake and the Council is excited to see the continued impact of the programme over the next year.

“We’ve tested and refined the programme over this intake and it’s been fantastic to see how the interns enjoyed their time and how positive they were about the benefits. Local government is a great place to work and it really does improve community life. Skills and experiences gained through these roles are also hugely relevant to a wide range of other jobs in the community.”

Applications are now open for Intake 2 which starts on Monday 14 February 2022. Applications close on Friday 31 December 2021. Information on the programme can be found at selwyn.govt.nz/trailblazers. Applications can be sent to trailblazers@selwyn.govt.nz or dropped off at any of our service centres.

Businesses interested in knowing more about the graduate interns or who want to be involved in the programme can email trailblazers@selwyn.govt.nz. MSD is also happy to talk with local businesses and potential employers about subsidies and benefits that may be available.

Battery recycling programme launches in Selwyn

The Council and E-Cycle have partnered up to bring a battery recycling programme to Selwyn.

It will be the first easily accessible battery recycling programme across the district covering everything from laptop, smartphone and tool batteries to batteries for common household devices.

The free recycling programme will divert batteries from landfill – with batteries previously being either disposed of as rubbish in kerbside bins, or taken to the Pines Resource Recovery Park for disposal as hazardous waste.

New World supermarkets are supporting the initiative with drop off points at New World Rolleston, and New World Lincoln, as well as at the Darfield Library and Service Centre and the Pines Resource Recovery Park. The Ministry for the Environment has assisted with some of the initial set up and processing costs.

Council Solid Waste Manager Andrew Boyd says it is another opportunity to make a difference with our waste and to improve our environment.

“It’s great to have support from Kiwi companies and to make the most of international technology to help our community recycle these batteries and keep them out of landfill.”

Thousands of tonnes of batteries are imported into Aotearoa New Zealand every year.

As the demand for battery-powered devices increases, it is increasingly important we maximise recycling and recovering these resources by keeping them out of landfill.”

Improper battery disposal is also a fire risk in kerbside collection trucks and at the recovery park, he says.

The batteries will be sent for recycling in Australia – where 70-90% of each battery is recycled into new batteries or ingredients in roading mixes and fertilisers. Nickel-cadmium and Lithium-ion batteries are forwarded to a specialist recycling plant in South Korea.

The service accepts household quantities of the following battery types:

- Lithium-ion (used in laptops, mobile phones, tools)
- Alkaline, drycell and zinc (used in flashlights, radios, remote controls, smoke detectors)
- Button cell/coin (used in watches, hearing aids)
- Nickel-cadmium (used in portable electronics, tools, toys)
- Nickel-metal hydride (used in digital cameras, laptops, mobile phones)

For more information visit selwyn.govt.nz/batteryrecycling



SELWYN SPORTS CENTRE

3 PLAY

5–9 January, 11am–5pm

10–23 January, 9am–3pm

Casual 3 Play sports at your leisure. Three different sports set up every day that you can try, from basketball, tennis and futsal to pickleball, korfbal, table tennis and more. Check out the weekly schedule at selwynsportscentre.co.nz.

Children under 8 years must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver aged 14 years or over.

\$3 per person (bring 4, pay for 3), daily, drop-in. THAT’S 3 PLAY!

[SELWYNSPORTSCENTRE.CO.NZ](https://selwynsportscentre.co.nz)
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Council Call

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

Te Ara Ātea
56 Tennyson Street, Rolleston
Ph 347 2880

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

Notices

ACCESSING COUNCIL FACILITIES AT ORANGE SETTING

Selwyn district is operating at the Orange setting of the national Traffic Lights (Covid-19 Protection) Framework. At Orange, vaccine passes are required to visit many Council facilities. For more information on accessing our services at Orange visit selwyn.govt.nz/covid19.

COUNCIL SERVICES HOLIDAY HOURS

Here is a summary of Selwyn District Council services and opening hours during the holiday period.

The Council's Rolleston Offices will be closed from midday Friday 24 December, reopening 8.30am Wednesday 5 January.

Rubbish and recycling collections will proceed as normal.

Pines Resource Recovery Park is closed Saturday 25 December and Saturday 1 January. Open

standard opening hours for the rest of the holiday period (9am–4.30pm).

All Selwyn Libraries and service centres will close at midday on Friday 24 December, reopening 10am–4pm on 29, 30 and 31 December and closed 1–4 January. Normal hours resume from Wednesday 5 January.

All Council-managed community centres are closed from midday on Friday 24 December, reopening Monday 10 January with shortened hours based on bookings and group fitness timetables. Facilities will be open between these dates for pre-arranged events or bookings. Selwyn Sports Centre will be closed from midday Friday 24 December, reopening with reduced hours from Wednesday 5 January to Sunday 9 January. Normal hours resume from Monday 10 January.

Selwyn Aquatic Centre will be closed on public holidays: Saturday 25 December, Sunday 26 December and Saturday

1 January and Sunday 2 January. Darfield, Southbridge and Sheffield community pools will be closed Saturday 25 December, Sunday 26 December and Saturday 1 January.

Sheffield Pool will also be closed on Sunday 2 January. All three pools will be open normal hours (1–7pm) on all other days.

Animal Control services are available, operating 24 hours 7 days a week.

The last full day of building inspections is Tuesday 21 December. Normal hours resume from Tuesday 5 January. The Council's customer contact line will be operating 24 hours a day over the Christmas and New Year break for urgent issues, phone 0800 SELWYN (735 996). Or you can use the Snap Send Solve app to send us an instant report. See selwyn.govt.nz/covid19 for details on vaccine pass requirements.

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 or phone 0800 SELWYN (735 996) by 9am Wednesday the week before publication.

COUNCIL & COMMUNITY BOARD MEETINGS

Audit and Risk Subcommittee to receive annual report* Wednesday 22 December 10am Rolleston HQ building

Extraordinary Council Meeting to adopt Annual Report*

Wednesday 22 December 11am Rolleston HQ building *Livestreamed on the Council website and YouTube channel

DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Dunsandel Community Committee Monday 20 December 6.30pm Dunsandel Hotel

Merry Christmas from Mayor Sam

I love serving as the Mayor of our incredible district, full of passionate, creative and flexible people and families who look out for one another.

Although Covid has forced us to cancel or downscale many memory-making opportunities, I'm proud of the individuals and businesses who continue to achieve great things in Waikirikiriri Selwyn.

Next year will bring new challenges and opportunities so let's be mindful of our own head-space and how our thoughts and actions are building or hindering ourselves and those around us.

As we come to the start of a new year perhaps we need to stop something that wears us down and start something that lifts our wellbeing. This year I stopped eating so much sugar and started eating more fish, I am trying to stop measuring my worth by what others tell me and have started yoga, I have stopped listening to the radio and started listening to more books.

I am feeling ready for Christmas and summer. I'm looking forward to cricket, afternoons at the river, an ice cream or two, food from the BBQ and sitting in the shade on a hot day and enjoying time with Liz and Elliott. This Christmas I hope you can take time to focus on the things you hold dear, coming together with family and friends, traveling somewhere new or revisiting your favourite spot and treating yourself.

Meri Kirihimete, Merry Christmas Mayor Sam



Liz, Elliott and Mayor Sam

On the Roads

From 10 January Tennyson Street will be closed from south of 75 Tennyson Street (the Police Station) to 78 Tennyson Street for five weeks for the upgrade of the Tennyson Street and Rolleston Drive intersection. A detour will be in place. Rolleston Drive will be one-way westbound.

Wordsworth Street will be closed from Shelley Street to Moore Street from 10 January to 6 February for a watermain renewal. A detour will be in place.

Burnham Road will be closed to northbound traffic north of the Burnham School Road intersection to State Highway 1 from 10 January to 26 April. A detour will be in place.



Be ready for COVID-19 in our community find out about the Care in the Community resources for Canterbury at cdhb.health.nz/careinthecommunity

Selwyn Events

Vaccine passes required for all ticketed events for those over 12 years three months old

WEDNESDAY

22
DECEMBER

Christmas Carols at Te Ara Ātea

Te Ara Ātea, 7–8pm

Join us in filling the recently-opened Te Ara Ātea with the sound of Christmas carols. Members of the Selwyn Community Choir will be in attendance so whether you would like to sing along or just want to listen, come along and spread some Christmas cheer. Free. No bookings required.

SATURDAY

8
JANUARY

Selwyn Flock Migration

Castle Hill Community Hall, 10am–1pm

Join the Selwyn Flock and the Edge Connector Vehicle to help raise awareness of our incredible braided river eco-systems. Create a bird that will migrate around the district, finally landing at Te Ara Ātea. Discover the importance of Selwyn's braided rivers and the native birds that depend on them with Council Biodiversity Officer Denise Ford. Free. Bookings required at selwynlibraries.co.nz/events (one booking per family bubble).

SUNDAY

9
JANUARY

Sheffield Summer Pool Party

Sheffield Pool, 1–3pm

Our ever popular pool parties are back again, with a DJ playing your favourite songs, inflatables, games, prizes, a free sausage sizzle and loads of fun to celebrate summer. Streets have come to the party and are providing free ice blocks! Get in quick before stock runs out. Normal pool admission applies. Free.

WEDNESDAY

12
JANUARY

Teddy Bears' Picnic

Brookside Park, 11am–2pm

Pack a picnic and dress up your favourite teddy! The Teddy Bears' Picnic will be jam-packed with family fun, including the annual teddy bear parade, face painting, Pedalmania, bouncy castles, toddlers' gym and more. Win cool prizes with your teddy. Free. Bookings required at selwyn.govt.nz/events

WEDNESDAY

12
JANUARY

Herbal Tea Workshop

Darfield Library, 1–3pm

Learn the process of growing, harvesting, drying and blending your own teas. Create your own lovely tea blend (30g) to take home and enjoy. Suitable for 15+ years. \$5 Selwyn Libraries members, \$10 non-members. Payment can be made on the day, or in-library beforehand. Bookings required at selwynlibraries.co.nz/events

For information on listing a community event visit 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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