

Nominations for the 2022 local elections open this Friday – and anyone wanting to make a difference in their community is encouraged to stand.

In Selwyn, elections will be held for the mayor and 10 councillors, along with five members of the Malvern Community Board.

Nominations are open from Friday until 12 noon on Friday 12 August, says Council's deputy electoral officer Stephen Hill.

"This is a chance for passionate local leaders to take a stand," Mr Hill says. "Local democracy is vitally important for our community – it's how we ensure everyone's voice is heard and we have the best opportunity for good local decision making.

"As a councillor or community board member, people have a chance to make a tangible difference, and contribute to decisions that shape how their community will look in the future.

"It's important we have elected members of different ages, ethnicities and backgrounds so that our Council represents the diversity of our community – and now's the time for anyone considering standing to take that step."

Nomination forms for mayor, councillors and community board members can be downloaded now from the Council website at www.selwyn.govt.nz/elections, or picked up from the Council offices or service centres.

Anyone over the age of 18 can stand for election if they are a New Zealand citizen and on the electoral roll. Nomination forms must be signed by two people who are enrolled as electors in the ward or subdivision that the person is nominated for.

Mr Hill says potential candidates should aim to get their nominations completed as early as possible.

"Getting nomination forms in early means we have plenty of time to check that everything is in order and all the documentation is completed in time."

A candidate handbook, with detailed information on the election process, nominations and campaigning rules is also available from the Council or online.

The Council's elections web page will provide a list of candidate nominations, which will be updated as nominations are confirmed.

The electoral roll for Selwyn - listing those who are enrolled to vote in the district - will be available for inspection at Council offices and service centres over the next four weeks. To enrol, check or update enrolment details, residents can go online to vote.nz, call 0800 36 76 56, email enrol@vote.nz or visit any NZ Postshop.

The local government election is held by postal voting. Voting papers will be posted out to enrolled voters from 16 September, and voting closes on Saturday 8 October.

New Springs ward reserve on track for first stage opening this year

Floodlit sports fields, a new dog park and walking and cycling paths are expected to be open later this year as part of the new reserve in the Springs ward.

Construction of the first stage of the reserve on Birchs Road is now mostly complete, and facilities will open to the public in November, after grass areas have had time to grow over winter.

This reserve is a \$17.2 million, three-stage project to develop a 22 hectare park within the Springs ward, providing recreation space for a rapidly growing part of the district, says Phil Millar, Major Projects Property Manager.

"The reserve will be a huge asset for the Springs community and the wider district," he says. "It will add much needed space for both active and passive recreation, easily accessible to both the Lincoln and Prebbleton communities.

"We've worked with local residents over recent years to gather input into the design of the park – and we're confident there will be facilities and spaces here for the whole community to enjoy."

The first stage will include three full-size and one half-size lit playing fields, wide walking and cycling paths, and a number of cycle features such as jumps, boardwalks and a snake run, as well as a mini playground, car parking and toilets.



Construction is due to start

this week on the next stage which will include changing rooms, service connections, pathways, lighting, landscaping and the main carpark. This stage should be completed by April 2023.

Mr Millar says a special feature of the park will be the large areas of native planting for people to explore. The bike tracks will be linked to the existing rail trail cycle network, which runs along Birchs Road.

Pump track ready to rock at Prebbleton Domain

Riders of all ages are getting ready to jump into action at the new pump track in Prebbleton Domain – set to open this month.

Pump tracks are designed to cater for bikes, scooters, roller blades, skateboards and other non-motorised wheeled objects.

They're a continuous loop of rollers and banked corners, catering for a range of skill levels and ages, from toddlers on balance bikes through to advanced bike riders.

Construction work on the new track has been completed and minor landscaping is now under way to complete the project.

The pump track was planned to coincide with construction of overflow carpark development within the domain. The work was delayed due to COVID-19 but asphalting is now complete.

Share your story of culture and food

Faces of Selwyn On Air returns for this year's CultureFest, with the theme of culture and food – and we're on the search for participants!

Could you be the next person to share your Selwyn journey? Apply here: selwyn.govt.nz/shareyourstory

During CultureFest 2022 people can tune in to Plains FM 96.9 to hear stories from our newest community members, how they came to settle in Waikirikiri/Selwyn and learn about their culture.

Last year's Faces of Selwyn participant, Rita Yosef, says she enjoyed sharing her culture and her language, her favourite recipes and her experience as a new immigrant.

"The Israeli culture is so different to the New Zealand culture, and sometimes hard to understand by kiwis. I was very lucky to be able to talk about the different food customs, holidays and traditions and get people involved."

Rita says food is a very important part of culture.

"The food represents the character of the traditions and the holidays, even the religions in the area. It shows what a big 'melting pot' of cultures are involved and what amazing interesting flavours and tastes people can learn and get to know about."

Faces of Selwyn also gave Rita the opportunity to successfully start up her own podcast on PlainsFM.



Notices

Alcohol Notices

Maddison Eatery Rolleston Limited has applied for an on licence.

Objections to the application can be made until 26 Jul 2022.

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 MEETINGS

Malvern Community Board

Monday 25 July 2pm Darfield Library

Council Meeting³

Wednesday 27 July 1pm Rolleston HQ Offices

Council Meeting

Wednesday 10 August 1pm Rolleston HQ Offices

* Livestreamed on the Council website and YouTube channel

DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Kirwee Community Committee

Monday 18 July 7.30pm Kirwee Hall

Rolleston Residents Assn Inc.

Monday 25 July 7.30pm Rolleston Community Centre

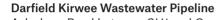
Springston Community Committee

Wednesday 20 July 7.30pm Errol Tweedy Pavilion, Springston Reserve

Whitecliffs Township Committee

Monday 8 August 7.30pm Glentunnel Community Centre

On the Roads





Aylesbury Road between SH1 and Oueens Drive has now reopened from SH1 to SH73. Ansons Road between Miles Road and Pole Road is closed until 15 July (delayed due to

Courtenay Road between Miles Road and Kirwee (SH73) is temporarily re-opened until late July, when it will require reclosure for three to four weeks to allow installation of pipes under the rail.

Burnham Road between SH1 and Burnham School Road will be one way until 14 July.

All completion dates are approximate depending on weather

Weedons Ross Road seal widening

Weedons Ross Road is one-way open to traffic travelling south (towards Rolleston), for the duration of the project. The work area is currently from Newtons Road to Maddisons Road Detours are in place. Please follow the one-way system for the safety of all road users and workers.

Other repairs and upgrades

Soakhole construction is in progress on Genesis Drive, West Melton, from Sandy Knolls road. Stop-go restrictions are in place.

Bridge repairs are scheduled on Bealey Road, Darfield, between Greendale Road and Clintons Road. Stop-go is in place.

Repairs and maintenance are taking place on Craigieburn Road from SH73, Derretts Road-Hororata Road from Ardlui Road to Dunsandel Road; Strangers Road, Dunsandel, from Coaltrack Road to Courtney Road.



Please take care around work sites and follow site signage. Follow the QR code with this story for a map of these works, or view our road closures map at selwyn.govt.nz/roadclosures.







Selwyn Heritage Fund 2022 applications close soon

You still have time to apply for funding which helps protect Selwyn district's heritage for our future generations.

Applications close at 5pm Friday, 15 July 2022.

Check selwyn.govt.nz/heritagefund for more information.





Event Guide

Wednesday 13, Friday 15, Tuesday 19 July

Moviemania
2.30-4pm
Wonder Park, Wednesday, West Melton
Community and Recreation Centre
Clifford the Big Red Dog, Friday, Darfield
Recreation and Community Centre
Oddball, Tuesday, Glentunnel Community Centre
Bring a cushion, bean bag or sleeping bag before
settling in for Moviemania! 6+ years. \$3 per child,
caregiver free. caregiver free. Bookings required at selwyn.govt.nz/events.

Saturday 16 July

Spectacular Science Show: Chaos and Order Rolleston Community Centre, 10.30am-1pm

Dive into exciting science experiments making
Chaos and Order these school holidays with another spectacular science show featuring Fun Science with Amadeo. There will be extreme reactions, big booms and incredible science experiments for all ages to enjoy. 30 minute sessions. \$2 per person.

Bookings required at selwyn.govt.nz/events.

Monday 18 July

Kids Market
Lincoln Event Centre, 10–11.30am
Buy or sell some pre-loved treasures! Grab unwanted toys and make some pocket money for the school holidays. 5–15 years, caregivers required. \$5 per stall + booking fee. Bookings required for stall holders. (No food or drink stalls). selwyn.govt.nz/events

Monday 18 July

Try Dive - Snorkeling
Selwyn Aquatic Centre, 10am-12pm
Come down to the Selwyn Aquatic Centre and learn
how to snorkel with Dive HQ! Learn the basics of using
the snorkel and then search for items underwater.
Please bring togs, towel and a water bottle. 8-11 years.
\$5 per child.
Bookings required at selwyn.govt.nz/events.

Thursday 14 July

Family History Detective
Darfield Library, 10:30–11:30am
Especially for the budding genealogist and their family, this session will help young people to start tracing their family history. Join Fiona Brooker of Memories in Time to cover charts, oral history, and civil registration and introduce some internet sources. Ages 8+. Free. Bookings required at selwynlibraries.co.nz/events.

Friday 15 July

Tuatara Trail

Leeston Library 10.30-11.30am
Lincoln Library 1-2pm
Gumpy, Hudson or Burke will be paying a visit to your library! Have you ever wondered just how many eyes, or how many rows of teeth a tuatara has? Do they have ears and can they climb trees? 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 required at selwynlibraries.co.nz/events.

FOR INFORMATION ON LISTING A COMMUNITY EVENT VISIT SELWYN.GOVT.NZ/COUNCILCALL.

