

Over the next three weeks Selwyn residents have their chance to help set the district's direction for the next three years.

Voting in local elections officially opened last Friday, and stays open until 12 midday on Saturday 8 October.

Most Selwyn electors will have received their voting papers in the mail by the end of this week - and voters are being encouraged to get their completed voting forms in the post as early as possible.

"The sooner people can get their papers into the post, the more certain they can be that their vote will be counted," Mr Hill says.

"Voting papers can be posted in any postbox. We're also providing ballot boxes at Council locations across the district including the Council offices in Rolleston, libraries, and most recreation centres and community centres.

"We'll also have pop-up ballot boxes at a selection of community markets and supermarkets - people can check the Council Facebook page for dates and details.

"We really hope people take the time to be part of the election process."

More than 48,000 people are enrolled to vote in Selwyn's elections - up from 40,000 in 2019. Across the district a total of 11 positions are being contested for mayor, councillor and community board positions.

"We hope as many people as possible take the opportunity to have their say. Those elected have a significant influence on how the Council's activities are planned and funded, and where the district's priorities should be over the coming three years.

For more details on the elections, including candidate profiles and special voting information, visit our elections pages at selwyn.govt.nz/elections.

# Parking safety enforcement starts

The Council has begun the next phase in ensuring safer parking in the district and improving safety for all road users.

From this week the Council will begin issuing parking infringements for offences where parking safety is compromised or is inconsiderate to other road users

"Safety is our priority" said Council Regulatory Services Manager Susan Atherton. "We will be issuing infringements for stationary vehicle offences on public roads and spaces, such as parking on yellow lines, footpaths, and blocking driveways. Infringements may also be issued in relation to a vehicle's registration or Warrant of Fitness."

Until now, the Council has taken an educational approach where possible. When an offence has been identified, the Council has worked with the vehicle operators to gain compliance, promote safety on the roads, and warning letters have been issued when necessary.

"Following feedback from the community and an increasing number of complaints, the Council recognises that there is now a need to start issuing infringements for offences where parking safety is compromised or is inconsiderate to other road users," Susan Atherton said.

Parking in Selwyn is free, although some spaces have time restrictions in townships where parking is in high demand. These restrictions are in place from 8am-6pm Monday to Saturday, excluding statutory holidays and Sundays. Go to selwyn.govt.nz/parking for more detail.

# Dog registration reminder

Residents who are yet to register or re-register their dogs with Selwyn District Council, or who need to update their circumstances are being asked to contact the Council as soon as possible.

More than 14,300 dogs have been registered for the 2022/23 year, a six per cent increase on the previous year. Around 2,200 dogs are now overdue for registration, and Council Team Leader Animal Control, Steve Clarke says its important these owners get in touch with Council to avoid an infringement.

"Dog registration time has been incredibly busy. The majority of owners made sure to register on time. We're now working through the last remaining few, and are urging these owners to register as soon as they can, so that they don't receive an infringement.

People whose pets have passed away in the last year, changed ownership or moved to another district or city need to let the Council know of these changes.

To register, head to the Council website selwyn.govt.nz/ dogregistration, email dogrego@selwyn.govt.nz or call 0800 SELWYN (735 996).



# Strong line up of events for SWELL ageing well in Selwyn

Held annually in October, SWELL - Aging well in Selwyn aims to bring older residents together through organisations and activities which support wellbeing and inclusion within the community.

From Monday 10 until Sunday 23 October, take a stroll through some of Selwyn's most beautiful gardens, or take a guided walk through Harts Creek in Leeston, or the Liffey walk in Lincoln - both rich with fascinating flora, fauna and native birdlife.

Tie up your laces and go for a walk around Selwyn Sport Centre's 240m indoor walking track. While you're there, try your hand at table tennis, pickleball and indoor bowls.

Learn how to be safe on the internet or gain insight into planets, stars and galaxies that make up our solar system.

Get creative with embroidery and cross stitch, create a scrapbook to keep all your memories or paint your own watercolour greeting card.

And don't miss our SWELL Expo on Monday 17 October from 9am until 2.30pm, free to attend with over 70 exhibitors!

At the Expo you can learn which social activities and community groups in Selwyn to join, and everything you need to know about healthcare, life planning, volunteering and travel.

Bring your family or friends along, as there will be live entertainment, guest speakers, food and market stalls for everyone

To find out more about events and activities, and book yourself in, pick up a copy of the What's on in Selwyn brochure from your local library or Council Community Centre, or go to selwyn.govt.nz/swell.



#### **Notices**

#### **Alcohol Notices**

Lake Coleridge Billiards Club Incorporated has applied for the renewal of a club licence. Objections to the application are open until 5 October. Upstream Limited (Upstream Limited, Monet Vale, Rolleston) has applied for an off licence. Objections to this application are open until 7 October. For more information visit selwyn.govt.nz/alcoholnotices.

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

Township, Hall and Reserve Committees: To list or make changes to meeting details, email meeting.changes@selwyn.govt.nz or phone 0800 SELWYN (735996) by 9am Wednesday the week before publication.

#### COUNCIL & COMMUNITY BOARD MEETINGS

#### Council Meeting\*

Wednesday 28 September 1pm Rolleston Council Offices

# Audit & Risk Subcommittee\*

Wednesday 21 September 11am Rolleston Council Offices

#### **Malvern Community Board**

Tuesday 27 September 4pm Darfield Library \* Livestreamed on the Council YouTube channel

#### **DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

#### Rolleston Residents' Association Inc Monday 26 September 7.30pm

Rolleston Community Centre **Springston Community Committee** 

# Wednesday 21 September 7.30pm Errol Tweedy Pavilion, Springston Reserve **Springfield Township Committee**

Tuesday 4 October 7.30pm Tawera Memorial Hall

# Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Day **Council Opperations**

Council facilities will be closed on Monday 26 September.

This includes Rolleston offices, Selwyn Libraries and Service Centres, Council-managed community centres, Selwyn Sports Centre and Selwyn Aquatic Centre.

Rubbish and recycling collections will take place as normal.

Pines Resource Recovery Park will be open normal business hours: 9am - 4.30pm.

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# Send your condolence messages for the Queen

Condolence books are available at the Council Rolleston offices and Selwyn Libraries.

Residents are invited to leave messages of condolence in remembrance of Her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

The books are available in the foyer of the Council offices, 2 Norman Kirk Drive, Rolleston, and at the Selwyn Libraries in Rolleston, Lincoln, Leeston and Darfield during opening hours for the remainder of the week.





### On the Roads

#### **Darfield Kirwee Wastewater Pipeline**

All roads are now open. Stop/go controls are in place on SH73 this week and may be in place on Courtenay Road and Sh73 in coming weeks for final works.

Weedons Ross Road seal widening

Final tidy up works are taking place on the Newtons Road intersection. Stop/ go controls will be required on some days.

Flood repairs are taking place on Flock Hill Road, Algidus Road and at Coes Ford. Repairs and maintenance are taking place on Selwyn Lake Road, Days Road, Telegraph Road and on Robinsons Road between Ellesmere Road and

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.



# **Event Guide**

## Thursday 22 September

# Te Waihora: Introduction to

Astrophotography
Lakeside Soldiers Memorial Hall, Leeston
7pm – 10pm
Discover the art of taking stellar night time
photographs across the waters of Te Waihora Lake
Ellesmere with professional photographer Gary Mills.
Suitable for 18+ years. Selwyn Libraries members:
\$20. Non-members: \$40. Payment can be made inlibrary beforehand, or charged to your library card.
Bookings essential at selwynlibraries.govt.nz/events

## Saturday 24 September

Putting Down Your Roots
Lincoln Wetlands, 10am - 12 noon
Join our volunteer planting event, meet new people and grow your connection to the community, especially for newcomers and locals in Selwyn.
Native plants will be provided as part of the restoration initiative. Spades and gloves will be available, but if you have your own please bring them along. Bring a picnic for afterwards or take a stroll along the walking tracks. Free. All ages welcome.

# Saturday 24 September

#### **Lippin Art**

## Darfield Library, 1pm - 2.30pm

Lippin art traditionally keeps the interior of a home calm, peaceful and cool. This beautiful mural craft comes from Gujarat, India and features repetitive geometric motifs featuring clay and mirrors. Join Nishi and create your own small masterpiece. Suitable for teens and adults. Free. Bookings required at selwynlibraries.govt.nz/events

### Sunday 25 September

#### Intro to Bollywood Dancing

Rolleston Community Centre, 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Learn the signature moves of India's famous
Bollywood dance style with BollyFeet as they share
choreography suitable for beginners to advanced
dancers of all ages. Free. Bookings required at
selwyn.govt.nz/events

### **Adult Book Club**

Lincoln Library, 10.30am - 12 noon
Book discussion groups are a fun and popular way
to expand your reading subjects, meet people in
your area and share your thoughts and ideas about
reading. Free. Bookings not required.

# Sunday 25 September

#### Te Reo Bilingual Storytimes Te Ara Ātea, 10.30-11am

Nau mai ki tā tātou wā pānui ia mārama hei whakaroko ki kā pūrākau Reo Māori, ki kā waiata i Te Reo Māori anō hoki. Join us for Storytimes every month to hear some wonderful stories and songs in te reo and English. Free.

FOR MORE COUNCIL EVENTS VISIT SELWYN.GOVT.NZ/EVENTS

