



TE ARA ĀTEA WINS NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR CULTURAL CONTRIBUTION

Te Ara Ātea – Selwyn’s newest arts, culture, learning and community space – has taken out the Creative New Zealand Award for Cultural Wellbeing at the Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) Excellence Awards.

It’s the second major award for the Rolleston facility, after winning a regional architecture prize earlier this month.

Te Ara Ātea, opened last December, is the manawa of Rolleston’s town centre. It has become a vibrant cultural facility, developed in partnership with Te Taumutu Rūnanga, blending cultural stories through its public collections, public spaces and exhibitions.

Mayor Sam Broughton says the LGNZ award shows Selwyn is continuing to lead the way and be recognised as a national leader. “It’s exciting to know this is just the beginning of all the good things still to come for the community and the award belongs as much to mana whenua as it does the council,” he says.

Puamiria Parata-Goodall, the Council’s Pou Ahurea, says the award is a deserved acknowledgement of the value true partnership can bring. “Together, we pushed out beyond the horizon and created a vibrant facility for our community, based on a shared understanding, history and identity,” she says.

Selwyn was also a finalist in two other categories at the LGNZ awards.

Selwyn Works: New Employment Approaches to Drive Economic Growth, focused on giving local young people work experience and the opportunity to discover and explore local government job opportunities. It received a highly commended in the Award for Economic Wellbeing. Selwyn was also a finalist in the Social Wellbeing Award for Faces of Selwyn – a project that encourages people who have settled in Selwyn to share their journey and celebrate what they have in common.

Te Ara Ātea also recently won the Public Architecture prize at this year’s Canterbury Architecture Awards. The building, designed by Warren and Mahoney Architects, was described by the judges as a warm and highly significant cultural space.

Photo: Members of the Selwyn team receiving awards at last week’s LGNZ awards: (L-R) Malcolm Lyall (deputy mayor), Clare Quirke (SDC), Sam Broughton (mayor), Liz Brown (Te Taumutu Rūnanga), Puamiria Parata-Goodall (Te Taumutu, SDC), David Perenara-O’Connell (Te Taumutu), Nicki Moen (SDC), Kelsey Waghorn (SDC), Lee-Anne Savea, General Manager, Youth Pathways.

Scholarships support Selwyn students into study

Tertiary Scholarship applications for 2023 are now open for secondary students in Selwyn – and this year applicants can include a video submission.

Each year the Council awards scholarships to year 12 or 13 students studying in the district, with funding going towards further education for these rangitahi at a tertiary institute – often helping to pave the way for their future.

Students are encouraged to apply for the scholarship if they have achieved academic, sporting, cultural or art successes at school, in clubs or organisations, and if they have overcome any hardships or barriers.

Last year, five tertiary scholarships were awarded to young people at Darfield High School, Lincoln High School, Rolleston College and Ellesmere College.

Scholarship recipient and former Lincoln High School student, Sandra de Koning says she was grateful for the scholarship, which she put towards textbooks for her studies in Neuroscience at the University of Otago, and halls of residence accommodation.

“It was a very nice surprise, and I was extremely grateful and excited. I did not expect it at all, as the other students were very talented and all deserving of the scholarship. It was a lovely reward after a very stressful last year of high school.”

Sandra only recently became a New Zealand resident, meaning she could not qualify for a student loan.

“I worked very hard at high school, and also have been doing extracurricular activities both at school and in the community and I guess the hard work paid off.”

Applications for the scholarships close on 30 September 2022. Apply at: www.selwyn.govt.nz/tertiaryscholarships



Campaign to keep vehicles off footpaths

Think before you park – that’s the message in a new campaign to stop people parking on footpaths and berms across Selwyn.

Council departments are working together to make our footpaths safer, and tackle the ongoing problem of vehicles illegally obstructing footpaths and parking on them.

The safety of pedestrians is paramount, says Regulatory Manager Susan Atherton. “Footpaths should be unobstructed and pedestrians using them should not have to walk around vehicles and onto roads – it really is dangerous. We’d prefer not to issue any parking infringements, but if a safety issue is identified, we will be handing out tickets.”

Illegal parking has also become a significant problem according to School Road Safety Coordinator, Stephanie Hautler. “We have noticed over the last couple of years parking on footpaths is happening more and more. It’s a huge concern for vulnerable pedestrians, especially school children who can panic and make a bad decision when their usual route is blocked”.

The Council’s resource consent and building teams are also working with builders and developers, providing information on safe parking.

Information is being included when a resource consent is issued, advising developers to plan their operations and make sure the footpath is not being used as part of their worksite.

With booming development across the district on smaller section sizes, builders and contractors are encouraged to keep vehicles and trailers on site, and check that temporary fencing feet do not overhang on the footpath. It’s also helpful to ensure deliveries are booked so they don’t happen when kids are heading to and from school.

Parking with two wheels up on the footpath is discouraged as this creates a hazard for pedestrians.

Large vehicles and delivery trucks also cause damage to asphalt surfaces and utility service covers. Footpaths should last up to 20 years, but are not designed to take heavy traffic – and their lifespan is significantly shortened when vehicles constantly drive on and over them.

If you see unsafe or illegal parking anywhere in Selwyn, contact the Council on 0800 SELWYN (735 996) or use the Snap Send Solve app.

THINK before you PARK

Keep footpaths clear

New brochure out now.

View it online: selwyn.govt.nz/events

Business Support

Selwyn District Council in partnership with Canterbury Chamber of Commerce, is offering one on one business support sessions. Jason MacRae, Business Growth Advisor for Canterbury Chamber of Commerce will be based in Rolleston to provide advice for Selwyn businesses. The sessions are for Selwyn businesses of all sizes and stages looking to grow or overcome challenges. Based on individual needs, each business will be provided with feedback and suggestions along with expert connections and resources to move their business forward. The support sessions are 45 minutes each. Bookings essential.

Dates for support sessions:	Wed 14th September	Wed 12th October
Wed 3rd August	Wed 28th September	Wed 26th October
Wed 17th August		
Wed 31st August		

All of these 45 minute sessions will be located in the Huanui Room in Te Ara Atea, Rolleston between 8.30am – 1pm
Contact Jane Denton for appointment times. jane.denton@selwyn.govt.nz

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Notices

Ellesmere stockwater race - temporary shut down

Water supply to the Upper Ellesmere Stock Water Race Scheme will be temporarily shut down between 8 and 14 August 2022 for scheduled intake pond maintenance. The maintenance work is necessary to ensure the scheme continues operating, in preparation for the summer months when there is high demand for stock water. Supply to Upper Ellesmere stock water race scheme may be affected during the closure period.

A map of the affected area can be viewed at: www.selwyn.govt.nz/services/water/water-race/disruption-to-water-race-service

Enquiries to the Council Water Services Team at 0800 SELWYN (735 996) or email waterraces@selwyn.govt.nz

Discontinuance of a stockwater race

Selwyn District Council advises its intention to discontinue the following stockwater races:

- 2.1km in the Paparua scheme on Selwyn Road
- 1.1km in the Paparua scheme on Tancreds Road
- 1.2km in the Paparua scheme on East Maddisons Road
- 0.1km in the Malvern scheme on Reynolds Road

This discontinuance will be effective in September 2022, subject to consultation.

a) Submissions close on 19 August 2022. Submission forms are available on the Council website (at the link below) or at the Rolleston Council offices.

b) Submitters may be heard in support of their submission.

c) A map showing the section of stockwater race to be closed is available on the Council website (at the link below).

Further details of the water race closures advertised and process for water race closures can be found on the Council website at: www.selwyn.govt.nz/wrclosure or can be viewed at the Council offices in Rolleston.

For enquiries about the proposed closure please contact the Council on 0800 SELWYN (735 996). Daniel Meehan, Surface Water Engineer

Temporary road closure – Auchenflower Road/Malvern Hills Road

Auchenflower Road closed approx 500m from Deans Road intersection, left into Malvern Hills Road finishing approximately 1km from SH72; between 8am and 5pm on Sunday 7 August 2022. The purpose of the closure is to conduct the Coalgate Sprint motorsport event.

During the road closure, traffic will be requested to detour along the nearest alternative route. Enquiries to Joanne Harkerss (03) 347 2887.

Dog microchipping

This free monthly service is available on Friday 5 August at:

- Darfield Library, 9- 9.30am
- Lincoln Library, 9-9.30am
- Rolleston Council Offices, 11-11.30am
- Leeston Library, no clinic this month

If your dog was first registered after 30 June 2006 and is not a working dog, the law requires him or her to be microchipped.

- Clinics last for 30 minutes
- Rolleston venue is Norman Kirk Drive (off Rolleston Drive).
- Microchipping will not take place if wet.
- Clinics in Darfield and Leeston will be alternated each month.

If you have any questions regarding microchipping, please contact Tracey Wheeler on 0800 SELWYN (735996)



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 the meeting.

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

COUNCIL & COMMUNITY BOARD MEETINGS

Council Meeting*
Wednesday 27 July 1pm Rolleston HQ Offices
Wednesday 10 August 1pm Rolleston HQ Offices
* Livestreamed on the Council website and YouTube channel

DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Rolleston Residents Assn Inc.
Monday 22 August 7.30pm Rolleston Community Centre
Whitecliffs Township Committee
Meeting to discuss forming a new Whitecliffs Residents Committee
Monday 8 August 7.30pm Glentunnel Community Centre

On the Roads



Darfield Kirwee Wastewater Pipeline
A short section of Courtenay Road, from the railway lines to SH73, will be closed until early September. Vehicle access between Kirwee and properties to the south on Courtenay Road will be via a 14 km detour along Bealey Road. Around 40 households are affected. There will still be pedestrian access from Courtenay Road direct to the township. Our apologies for the inconvenience, and thanks for your patience as we work to complete this project. Burnham Road was expected to reopen on Saturday 23 July, weather permitting.

Weedons Ross Road seal widening

The road is now fully open to two-way traffic from Kingsdowne Drive to Maddisons Road. A shoulder closure is now in place for Orion contract works, on the Newtons Road intersection through to early August. Manual four-way stop/go will be required on some days. Please follow signs and controls for the safety of all road users and workers.

Other repairs and upgrades

Flood damage repairs are continuing on Algidus Road, Kowai Road, Waimakariri Gorge Road, Flagpole Road and Whitecliffs Road. Pass with care and stop on request at these sites. Soakhole construction is continuing on Genesis Drive, West Melton, from Sandy Knolls Road. Culvert repairs are continuing on Rakaia Terrace Road between Te Pirita Road and Ardlui Road. Drainage maintenance is in progress at Hummocks Road, from Hart Place to Kowhai Drive. Stabilising work is continuing on Burnham School Road between Thomsons Road and Norwood Road. Please pass with care at these locations



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 28 July to Monday 8 August

Commonwealth Games Longest Ride Challenge

Selwyn Sports Centre and Lincoln Event Centre
How far can you ride between 28 July and 8 August?
Attend a spin bike RPM or Sprint class, with each class worth a 20km ride. A prize will be awarded to the longest ride! Complete a minimum of six rides (120km) and go in the draw to win a spot prize. Each class must be signed off.

Sunday 31 July

Commonwealth Duathlon

Selwyn Sports Centre, 10am-5pm
Celebrate the start of the Commonwealth Games with the inaugural Selwyn Sports Centre indoor duathlon! Start the race on one of our premier spin bikes, then smash the finish with laps around our running track.
8 to 12 years, 10am-12pm
13 to 17 years, 12.30-2.30pm
18+ years, 3-5pm
Bookings required at selwyn.govt.nz/events

Wednesday 27 July, Wednesday 3 August

Heart Foundation – Heart Health Check

27 July Lincoln Library, 3 August Leeston Library, 10am-12pm
Learn the basics of heart health and then get a free heart check.
The Heart Foundation's Heart Health Advocate will walk you through the online My Heart Check tool, taking your blood pressure and looking at other key factors. The online tool then gives your heart age, along with some specific information to you on areas which could support heart health and reduce the risk of a heart event.
Free. Bookings not required.

Thursday 28 July

Seasonal Book Club: Crime

Te Ara Ātea, 7-8pm
Te Ara Ātea is launching its new 'seasonal' book club. Available both live and virtually, each season will showcase a different popular genre and end with a customised group event.
Starting with the ever-popular crime genre, the group will explore mystery, psychological thrillers and detective novels. Our 'crime season' will finish off with a Murder Mystery evening that is sure to keep everyone guessing!
This programme will run on the last Thursday of the month. Suitable for 18+ years.
Free. Bookings required at selwynlibraries.co.nz/events

Sunday 31 July

Open Mic Afternoons

Te Ara Ātea, 1-3pm
Wander down to Te Ara Ātea on the last Sunday of the month for a live music Open Mic afternoon. Take the opportunity to perform, or just enjoy listening to local talent. All basic AV equipment will be supplied.
Free. Bookings not required.
Bookings required at selwyn.govt.nz/events

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