

# Ground laid to further expand sports



The ground is being laid for growing opportunities for year round sport in Selwyn.

The shock pads and artificial grass turf has begun to be laid for two new artificial pitches at Foster Park. The pitches, which will primarily be used for hockey and football, are nearing completion, ready to open in May for the winter sports season.

The turfs will provide latest generation all weather surfaces that will give more options for sports to be played and grow in Selwyn, Council Acting Major Projects Manager Phil Millar says.

“We are incredibly excited to soon have these two new facilities available to the Selwyn community – both are of a high quality – suitable to host a range of events and Tournaments from junior sport through to international matches, and both are built to stricter environmental requirements.”

Waikirikiri Hockey Club and Selwyn United Football Club will be the primary users of the pitches, along with their regional bodies, which have primary responsibility for planning and administering their winter competitions.

The additional hockey pitch will allow Waikirikiri Hockey Club to play at home, offer more teams and run further programmes.

The football turf will help address a shortage of pitch space for Selwyn United FC – one of the South Island’s largest football clubs – providing the equivalent playing and training time of five grass pitches and with markings for all age groups and grades to use.

While hockey and football will mainly use the fields during evenings and Saturdays during the peak winter season, the turfs will be available for hire to general users – providing opportunities to wider sports and community groups. Priority will be given to local schools, sports trusts and other potential clubs and users, Mr Millar says.

“The high quality, hard-wearing nature of the surfaces, provides our whole community with the opportunity to experience the benefits of using an artificial surface. If people adhere to the maintenance and use requirements, these surfaces can be used for a range of less formal games and activities when the weather doesn’t allow for the use of grass surfaces, or where the Selwyn Sports Centre may not meet their needs.”

# Successful month helping Selwyn learn earn and grow

A first month-long series of events supporting Selwyn businesses has seen success, despite Covid restrictions.

The month-long Learn Earn Grow Selwyn series saw 26 events held covering a wide variety of skills, training and support for businesses, employees and people looking for employment.

Over 100 people took part in the events, despite Covid forcing 10 events to be cancelled. The Council is planning to hold some of these events – including the sold out four part Hiwa Wahine series of inspiring women sharing their career journey.



A range of online seminars, workshops, information sessions and employment opportunities were on offer, covering session from starting a business to supporting new migrants and those employing new migrants, business growth and marketing.

The Council teamed up with employment and business agencies and groups ranging from IRD to Citizens Advice Bureau, the Canterbury Employers Chamber of Commerce, Xero accounting and local businesses.

Learn Earn Grow Selwyn was the latest in a series of events the Council has been running, working with businesses, employees and those looking for work, Council Group Manager Community Services and Facilities Denise Kidd say.

“This was the culmination of a long-process talking with the community about how we as Council can best support Selwyn business and we’re delighted with how things. It was a challenging time to be running events and our staff and partners put a huge amount of work in to making it happen. We’ll be looking at how it went, what went well and what we can improve and looking to build on this for the future.”

# Vaccine passes removed for Council Facilities

Vaccine passes are no longer be required to access Council facilities.

The Council has made the decision to remove the vaccine pass requirement in light of the different COVID-19 environment from when the passes were introduced, and the Government’s changes to the traffic light settings.

No vaccine pass required

Red settings are currently in place

The decision was made following a review of the Council's health and safety risk assessment, with careful consideration given to the Government’s guidance and public health advice.

The Council also considered its approach relative to other councils, and the current situation in Canterbury, including the high vaccination rates in Selwyn and immunity acquired from the outbreak.

The district remains at the Red traffic light setting and most other health and safety measures will remain in place at Council facilities to reduce the likelihood of infection for users of our facilities, and our staff.

This means masks are still required in all Council facilities and some capacity limits may still apply indoors. People are encouraged to keep safe distancing and asked not to visit a Council facility if they are unwell.

The requirement to scan-in using the Covid Tracer App at Council facilities has been removed by the Government.

RAT tests are available from the Canterbury District Health Board Community Collection site on Factory Drive iport, Rolleston Monday to Friday 2pm-6pm, or ordered for collection from Darfield or Leeston Pharmacy. To find your nearest vaccination clinic visit <https://vaccinatecanterburywestcoast.nz/>

SELWYN SPORTS CENTRE

APRIL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Tuesday 26 – Friday 29 April  
9am–3pm

7–12 years. \$40–\$50 daily

Join us for a fun filled, action packed week of sport, trips and fun. For more details and to register visit [selwynsportscentre.co.nz](https://selwynsportscentre.co.nz)

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Selwyn Event Network Forum

Tuesday 12 April, 4–6pm  
Weedons Community Pavilion

Are you a Selwyn event organiser? Come along to connect and collaborate with your fellow event organisers in the Selwyn district.

Our guest speaker is Kat Ralph-Triebels from Total Waste Solutions who will update us on the Selwyn Event Sustainability Initiative (SESI).

Open to all events organisers in Selwyn.

Bookings essential, please RSVP by Monday 11 April at <https://events.humanitix.com/selwyn-events-network-forum>

Refreshments provided.

[selwyn.govt.nz](https://selwyn.govt.nz)



Notices

ALCOHOL NOTICES

Geek Brewing Limited (Rolleston) has applied for an off licence. Prebbleton Rugby Football Cluc Incorporated has applied for the renewal of a club licence. Objections to these application are open until 19 April.

NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL DECISIONS ON PRIVATE PLAN CHANGE REQUESTS 73 & 76 (ROLLESTON)

The Council accepted the Commissioner's recommendation to:

- **decline** Rolleston West Residential Limited's request (PC73) to rezone approx 160 hectares of Living 3 zoned land on the western side of Dunns Crossing Road, Rolleston to Living Z.
- **approve** Dunweavin 2020 Limited's request (PC76) to rezone approx 13 hectares of Rural (Inner Plains) zoned land on the western side of East Maddisons Road, Rolleston to Living Z.

The full text of the decisions can be read online at [selwyn.govt.nz/pc73](http://selwyn.govt.nz/pc73) and [selwyn.govt.nz/pc76](http://selwyn.govt.nz/pc76), at the Council's Rolleston Headquarters, or online at Council libraries and service centres.

Anyone who made a submission on PC73 or PC76 may appeal to the Environment Court against the respective Council decision. Appeals must reach the Court by 5pm Monday 23 May 2022. A copy must also be served on the Council.

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS – PRIVATE PLAN CHANGE REQUESTS 80, 81 & 82 (ROLLESTON)

The Council has accepted three private plan change requests for notification which means the public can now have a say on these requests. The decision to approve or decline these requests will be made at a later stage.

Private plan change request 80

Two Chain Road Limited has requested to rezone 98 hectares of land on the south of Two Chain Road, between Walkers Road, Jones Road and Main South Road from Rural (Inner Plains) Zone to Business 2A Zone, to facilitate future industrial development. More information and how to make a submission is available at [selywn.govt.nz/pc80](http://selywn.govt.nz/pc80).

Private plan change request 81

Rolleston Industrial Developments Limited has requested to rezone 28 hectares of land on the western side of Rolleston, bounded by Dunns Crossing Road and Selwyn Road from Rural (Outer Plains) Zone to Living MD Zone to develop approximately 350 residential sites. More information and how to make a submission is available at [selwyn.govt.nz/pc81](http://selwyn.govt.nz/pc81).

Private plan change request 82

Brookside Road Residential Limited has requested to rezone 110 hectares of land on the western side of the Rolleston township, bounded by Dunns Crossing Road, Brookside Road and Edwards Road from Rural (Outer Plains) Zone to Living MD Zone and Business 1 to develop approximately 1,320 residential sites and two local commercial centres. More information and how to make a submission is available at [selwyn.govt.nz/pc82](http://selwyn.govt.nz/pc82).

Submissions on the any of the above private plan change requests must be lodged by 5pm on Monday 9 May 2022.

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 [meeting.changes@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:meeting.changes@selwyn.govt.nz) or phone 347 2800 or 318 8338 by 9am Wednesday the week before publication.

COUNCIL & COMMUNITY BOARD MEETINGS

**Audit & Risk Subcommittee\***  
Wednesday 6 April 11am Zoom meeting

**Council Meeting\***  
Wednesday 13 April 1pm Council Rolleston Offices

**Malvern Community Board**  
Tuesday 26 April 4pm Darfield Library

**Council Meeting**  
Wednesday 27 April 1pm Council Rolleston Offices

\* Livestreamed on the Council website and YouTube channel

DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

**Dunsandel Community Committee**  
Tuesday 19 April 7.30pm Dunsandel Community Centre

**Kirwee Community Committee**  
Monday 18 April 7.30pm Kirwee Hall

**Kirwee Recreation Reserve Management Committee**  
Monday 11 April 7.30pm Kirwee Reserve Pavilion

**Springston Community Committee**  
Wednesday 20 April 7.30pm Errol Tweedy Pavilion, Springston Reserve



On the Roads

Tennyson Street Rolleston Drive Intersection Upgrade

Tennyson Street is closed from Tennyson Street (the Police Station) to 78 Tennyson Street and Rolleston Drive is one-way westbound for the upgrade of the Tennyson Street and Rolleston Drive intersection. Detours are in place.

Darfield Kirwee Wastewater Pipeline project

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

Aylesbury Road between SH1 and Two Chain Road is one-way northbound from SH1 until late April. Aylesbury Road between Wards Road and Miles Road remains closed as pipeline project works continue. For updates on road closures and on the project visit [selwyn.govt.nz/darfieldkirweewastewater](http://selwyn.govt.nz/darfieldkirweewastewater).

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 Johnsons Road to Finlays Road and will move south as sections are completed. A detour is in place. Please follow the one-way system for the safety of all road users and workers.

Other repairs and upgrades

Repairs are taking place on Waimakariri Gorge Bridge, on Dynes Road between Goulds Road and Hungerford Drive, Dunns Crossing Road between Brookside Road and Boulez Mews, on Hororata Road between Bridge Street and Plantation Road and pavement repairs are taking place on Old West Coast Road from Cooks Road to Ansons Road and Telegraph Road from Essendon Road and Bealey Road.

Traffic management is in place for these works. 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](http://selwyn.govt.nz/roadclosures).



Event Guide

RED SETTING PROTOCOLS ARE IN PLACE. VACCINE PASSES REQUIRED FOR THOSE OVER 12 YEARS AND THREE MONTHS OLD FOR ALL FACILITIES AND FOR BOOKED OR TICKETED EVENTS. CAPACITY LIMITS ARE IN PLACE.

Thursday 7 April

Easter Craft Roadshow

Tawera Memorial Hall, Springfield, 3.30–4.30pm

Pop down to your local community centre for some Easter crafting fun! Bookings required. Book or find more times and locations at [selwyn.govt.nz/events](http://selwyn.govt.nz/events).

Thursday 7 April

Children's Book Club

Darfield Library, 3.30–4.30pm

Share your latest reading adventures, see the new books that have arrived at the library, participate in an activity and have a snack. For those aged 5–11 years. Bookings essential at [selwynlibraries.co.nz/events](http://selwynlibraries.co.nz/events). One booking per family bubble please.

Thursday 7 April

Feral Cats and Microchipping Workshop

Te Ara Ātea, 6–7pm

Feral cats are highly skilled hunters that present a threat to our native wildlife. The Council is also introducing microchipping of household cats through the Bylaw for Keeping Animals, Poultry and Bees 2021. Come along to this workshop to hear about efforts to control feral cats and the bylaw change, which will come into force on 1 July 2022. Free. Bookings required at [selwynlibraries.co.nz/events/](http://selwynlibraries.co.nz/events/)

Saturday 9 April

Crochet Workshop

Leeston Library, 1–3pm

Join Toni from the Craft Room and learn how to crochet, starting with the basics, through to completing a finished item. No prior experience needed, and all tools are provided. Suitable for 14+ years. Bookings required at [selwynlibraries.co.nz/events](http://selwynlibraries.co.nz/events). \$10 per person Selwyn Libraries members, \$20 non-members. Payment can be made on the day, or in-library beforehand.

Monday 11 April

Anzac Poppy Wreaths and Knitting Circle

Glenroy Community Hall, 10am-12pm

Circle up and get crafty by collaboratively creating a paper or knitted poppy for a beautiful community wreath in commemoration of Anzac Day. If you have no knitting experience, the Glenroy Craft Group members will happily provide support with knitting skills and pattern reading. Free. Book or find more times and locations at [selwynlibraries.govt.nz/events](http://selwynlibraries.govt.nz/events).

Monday 11 April

Easter Mini Gym party

Selwyn Sports Centre, 10–11.30am

Mini Gym is celebrating, with a fun preschool event with activities, treats and more! \$4.50 per child, drop in.

Tuesday 12 April

Rhymetime – Wiggles and Giggles

Lincoln Library, 9.30–10am

Stories, songs, rhymes and bubbles make up our Rhymetime sessions, designed to assist children aged 1-3 with early language development and to have fun. Free. Bookings essential – one booking per family bubble please – at [selwynlibraries.co.nz/events](http://selwynlibraries.co.nz/events)

FOR INFORMATION ON LISTING A COMMUNITY EVENT VISIT [SELWYN.GOV.TNZ/COUNCILCALL](http://SELWYN.GOV.TNZ/COUNCILCALL).