



Let’s talk about safer speeds around Selwyn

The way we set speed limits in Selwyn is changing.

Our proposed Speed Management Plan is a new, more flexible approach that better acknowledges the local conditions, uses of our roads and the surrounding environment.

It sets the principles of how we decide the speed limits for our local roads and what speeds would need to be changed based on those principles.

You can view the plan and an interactive map of the proposed speed changes and join the conversation at selwyn.govt.nz/speedmanagement, or at our Rolleston offices or any of our Selwyn Library and Service Centres.

Whether you drive, walk, cycle, or use public transport, everyone deserves to get to where they are going safely.

Although speed is not the only factor in a crash, it determines whether someone is seriously injured or killed.

As our district grows, more people are driving on our roads, taking public transport and using active modes such as walking and cycling. We want to make it easier for people to move about our region easily and safely in ways that contribute to their health and well-being.

Rather than looking at speed limit changes on a street-by-street basis, our speed management plan forms our district’s five principles for speed management. These principles guide setting safe speeds in our community and aligns our planning with Waka Kotahi’s State Highways and where neighbouring district’s roads connect to our network.

The first focus area will be safe speeds around kura/schools. The plan proposes to do this by introducing a 30km/h permanent speed limit for most schools in the district in the current financial year, while the remaining schools will have a variable speed limit. The plan also proposes the future lowering of speed limits in high activity areas such as Lincoln township, Foster Park area and Leeston township.

In addition to lower speeds around kura/schools, which will be implemented by June 2024, the Council is seeking feedback to help in shaping our 2024 to 2030 plan. This includes speed reductions on the wider urban, rural, and unsealed roads.

Join the conversation at selwyn.govt.nz/speedmanagement, at our Rolleston Offices or any of our Selwyn Library and Service Centres.

Be a voice for Malvern!

Thinking about standing in the Malvern Community Board by-election?

Nominations for candidates are now open and close 12 noon on Thursday 19 October.

Find out more at selwyn.govt.nz/elections

Te Ara Ātea unveils new heritage exhibition

Do you know the historic importance of a pie for Hororātā, or that Selwyn once hosted a New Zealand Airforce base?

New treasures of the district’s heritage and fresh stories have been revealed in new heritage displays at Te Ara Ātea.

The 20 heritage exhibition cases housed throughout the community and cultural centre and library have had their first update since it opened in 2021.

From ancient pounamu to the stories behind three historic eggbeaters, these treasures tell the stories of our district and Rolleston town, preserving the rich tapestry of our local history.

Council Culture, Content and Learning Manager Mat Logan says the commitment to storytelling is evident in this update.

“The new exhibits aim to engage the community in a fresh and exciting way, making the heritage collection not just a static display but a living narrative that continues to evolve”.

One of the new exhibits features the engineering wonder of the Ōtira rail tunnel. A link connecting the east and west coasts of Te Waipounamu the South Island. The exhibit celebrates and acknowledges the brave people who endured harsh conditions to live and work at the tunnel. A commemorative 18-carat gold medal, inscribed “East and West Meet”, is a highlight of the exhibit and is on loan from Massey University in Wellington. The medal was presented to Prime Minister William Massey in 1923 at the opening ceremony by John Hoglund, a storekeeper at work camps along the railway line for 36 years.

Te Ara Ātea invites everyone to explore these updated heritage cases and be part of the ongoing cultural experience it provides for our community.



Community recycling days coming up

Community recycling drop-off days are about to be held in Malvern and Ellesmere, starting at Hawkins Pit Darfield this month. Wherever you live in Malvern or Ellesmere, this is a great opportunity to clean up the backyard, shed or garage, and get rid of items from old child car seats and E-waste to scrap metal, garden waste and old tyres.

Dropping off scrap metal, including old bicycles, BBQs, small appliances, whiteware, and pots and pans is free. Charges apply for bulky items that would be too large for your wheelie bin, such as couches, mattresses, desks and curtains. Charges also apply for green waste, tyres, car seats and some E-waste such as TVs and monitors.

Disposal of other E-waste and recyclable cardboard items is free.

Smelly waste, wet waste or waste that can’t easily be transferred to a skip without making a mess cannot be accepted. Hazardous waste, gas bottles, items containing oil or fuel and tyres covered in dirt also can’t be accepted.

Flax, cabbage tree leaves, trees or branches over 10cm in diameter, and general rubbish cannot be included in green waste, but can be accepted as general rubbish.

Only household quantities will be accepted. Please ensure you are able to unload your own materials.

The drop-off days will be at Hawkins Pit, Darfield, on Sunday 29 October, 10am–4pm and Cemetery Pit, Southbridge Leeston Rd in late November. This date will be confirmed shortly.

Cash only (no eftpos). A donation will be made to a local not-for-profit organisation for their help with these events. For more information visit selwyn.govt.nz/recyclingday.



Notices

FOSTER DOG PARK CAR PARK UPGRADE

The carpark at Foster Park Dog Park will be closed to the public for resealing from 6am Tuesday 24 reopening 6am Thursday 26 October. The dog park will remain open but access will be on foot only.

LABOUR DAY COUNCIL SERVICES

The Council Rolleston offices, all Selwyn Libraries and the Selwyn Sports Centre will be closed Monday 23 October for the Labour Day public holiday.

Selwyn Aquatic Centre is open 8am–8pm

Bin collections will take place as normal. The Pines Resource Recovery Centre is open normal hours 9am–4.30pm.

Meetings

Public Forums: Council and Community Board 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 by emailing meeting.changes@selwyn.govt.nz

COUNCIL & COMMUNITY BOARD MEETINGS

Community Services Committee*

Wednesday 18 October 9am
Council Offices Rolleston

Transport & Infrastructure Committee*

Wednesday 18 October 1pm
Council Offices Rolleston

Planning and Climate Change Committee*

Wednesday 25 October 9am
Council Offices Rolleston

Finance & Performance Committee*

Wednesday 25 October 1pm
Council Offices Rolleston

Long Term Plan Workshop*

Wednesday 25 October 3–5pm
Council Offices Rolleston

Greater Christchurch Spatial Plan Hearing

Monday 30 October 9am
Council Offices Rolleston

Springston South Soldiers Memorial Hall AGM

Sunday 12 November 2023 1.30pm
Springston South Soldiers Memorial Hall,
433 Days Road, Springston South

All welcome. For more information phone
Helen Duckworth (Secretary) 3295 079

* Livestreamed on the Council website and YouTube channel



Major upgrades are taking place on Telegraph Road, between Creyke Road and Wards Road until 22 December.

During these works temporary traffic lights will be in place from 7am–7pm. There will be no access on to Telegraph Road from Essendon Road. Detours will be in place.

Please take care around work sites and follow site signage.

Follow the QR code with this story for a map of all Council road works around Selwyn, or view our road closures map at selwyn.govt.nz/roadclosures.



Discover the SWELL Series

Extend the fun and friendship beyond the SWELL Expo with a vibrant two-week series of activities happening from October 17 to 26. There's something for everyone.

Dive into invigorating fitness classes to keep both body and spirit active or immerse yourself in the world of poetry reading. For those looking to boost their tech skills, the Stepping Up — Better Digital Futures Workshop provides a valuable opportunity to enhance your digital capabilities. If you're looking for a bit of friendly competition, our bingo sessions provide a lively and engaging way to connect with others in the community.

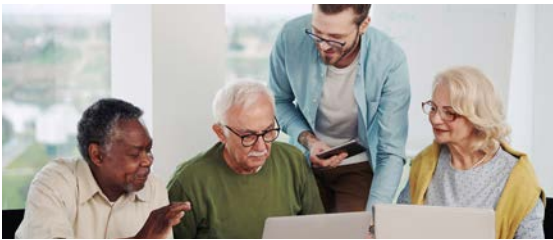
Or get back to nature and enjoy a journey of knowledge and discovery at the Ahuriri Lagoon Walk, located on the Huritini/Halswell River between Tai Tapu and Motukarara. Join the Council's biodiversity team for this free experience on Thursday 26 October 10–11.30am and learn about the restoration and ecological features of the lagoon. An easy flat, shingle track but wear comfortable shoes, and bring a backpack with water, snacks and a jacket. Bookings required.

The SWELL Series is not just an extension, it's a continuation of the celebration of wellbeing and inclusivity of Selwyn's senior community.

For more details and to book events, you can find the full programme of SWELL Series activities at selwyn.co.nz/events or call 0800 SELWYN (735 996).



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Event Guide

Friday 20 October

Zumba with Justine

Lincoln Event Centre, 9.15–10.15am

Join Justine for Zumba gold, a fun, dance-based, low-intensity exercise class. Ideal for active older adults; come along and have fun learning some basic steps to music. Free to attend, drop-in. A SWELL Senior's Lifestyle event.

Saturday 21 October

Whanau Short Film Series

Castle Hill Village Hall, Castle Hill Drive
Castle Hill, 5.30–6.30pm

Bring a cushion and some snacks and enjoy a family-friendly short film medley, from Aotearoa New Zealand's leading international short film festival — Show Me Shorts. Free. Rated PG. Bookings required at selwynlibraries.co.nz/events.

Tuesday 24 October

High Tea

Darfield Recreation and Community Centre
2.30–3.30pm

Join us for a high tea accompanied by music. Enjoy the company of friends or meet others in your community in a relaxed environment. \$10 per person, bookings required at selwyn.govt.nz/events. A SWELL Senior's Lifestyle event

Wednesday 25 October

Recycling Workshop

ReDiscover, Pines Resource Recovery Park
1.30–3pm

Join us for an afternoon workshop on recycling. Get a better understanding on how to recycle, how materials are separated and where it all ends up. No questions are off limits! Tea and coffee provided. Free event, bookings required at selwyn.govt.nz/events. A SWELL Senior's Lifestyle event

Wednesday 25 October

Unlock the power of Social Media for the Not for Profit Sector

Selwyn District Council, 2 Norman Kirk Drive
6.30–8pm

Elevate your social media presence, learn to craft compelling stories, create eye-catching visuals, and engage your audience effectively. This Community in Action workshop will help you to harness the full potential of social platforms to increase awareness, drive donations and activate volunteers. Bookings required at selwyn.govt.nz/events.



FOR MORE COUNCIL EVENTS VISIT
SELWYN.GOV.T.NZ/EVENTS

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