



Help protect and grow our natural heritage

Selwyn residents are being asked to help grow a strategy to protect our unique natural heritage.

Council has released its first proposed Selwyn Biodiversity Strategy for residents to view and provide their feedback. The strategy is open for consultation until Friday 15 December.

Indigenous biodiversity encompasses all life on land, in freshwater, and the sea, reflecting the unique mix that is native to Aotearoa New Zealand and is represented here in Waikirikiri Selwyn.

The proposed strategy outlines Council's plan to protect, maintain, and restore indigenous biodiversity, beginning with safeguarding what remains and restoring lost elements. Council Executive Director Tim Harris emphasises the significance of this strategy as a chance for residents to contribute to caring for, restoring, and growing our local biodiversity.

"In Aotearoa New Zealand and Waikirikiri Selwyn, we have a distinct collection of plants and animals that is found nowhere else globally. Your feedback on the proposed goals and actions is crucial in safeguarding and enhancing our unique biodiversity."

With challenges and opportunities ahead looking after ecosystems stretching from mountains to sea, we urge residents to participate and provide feedback.

Visit yoursay.selwyn.govt.nz/biodiversity or the Council offices, libraries, and service centers to view the strategy and submit your input. Submissions can also be made via email to yoursay@selwyn.govt.nz.

Our biodiversity team are hosting three drop-in sessions in Leeston, Rolleston and Darfield to answer any questions you have. For all times and locations please check yoursay.selwyn.govt.nz/biodiversity.

Voting opens this week!

From Thursday 23 November you can vote in the Malvern Community Board by-election via postal vote.

Voting closes 12 noon on Thursday 15 December.



Find out more at selwyn.govt.nz/elections

Get ready for summer and find out 'What's on in Selwyn'

Selwyn is gearing up for an action-packed summer with the latest release of the 'What's on in Selwyn' brochure. Whether you're a local or just passing through, this guide has you covered with a lineup of sporting, cultural, and family-friendly events.

Unleash your creativity by making your own Christmas decorations, hit the rink for a roller disco, and take on a summer reading challenge. Join the Lunar New Year festivities with dumpling making and Chinese Brush Art Workshops.



Available both online and at Council facilities, the brochure serves as your go-to resource for all summer activities in Selwyn. From libraries and recreation centres to pools and community spaces, the district is bustling with events that cater for everyone.

In this season's edition you're invited to continue your lifelong learning with tour of the Lincoln University Art Collection, rainbow print your very own t-shirt and book bag or attend puppy training classes. Explore a range of eco-friendly events, including upcycle crafting, organic gardening tips, and the essentials of multi-day hiking.

Don't miss the 'Summer in Selwyn' pull out event calendar with over 40 whānau-friendly events and activities to keep everyone entertained this season.

The brochure also features upcoming group fitness timetables, library programmes and recreation activities such as the new aqua fitness classes at Darfield Pool. Download your copy at selwyn.govt.nz/events.



Ellesmere Community Recycling Day

Ellesmere residents, it's time to tidy up your backyards, sheds, and garages. Your community recycling drop-off day is coming up on Sunday 26 November, at Cemetery Pit, Southbridge Leeston Road, 10am to 4pm.

Take advantage of this opportunity to dispose of a variety of items, from old child car seats and E-waste to scrap metal, garden waste, and old tyres.

The drop-off is free for scrap metal, including old bicycles, BBQs, small appliances, whiteware, and pots and pans. However, charges apply for bulkier items that would be too large for your wheelie bin like couches, mattresses, desks, and curtains.

Green waste, tyres, car seats, and certain E-waste items like TVs and monitors also have associated charges. However, disposal of other E-waste and recyclable cardboard items is free.

Please note that smelly or wet waste, that can't be easily transferred to a skip without creating a mess, cannot be accepted. Hazardous waste, gas bottles, items containing oil or fuel, and tyres covered in dirt are also not accepted.

Please also remember that flax, cabbage tree leaves, trees, or branches over 10cm in diameter cannot be included, but they can be accepted as general rubbish.

Only household quantities will be accepted, and please ensure you are prepared to unload your own materials.

Cash only (no eftpos) and a donation will be made to a local not-for-profit organisation for their help with this event.

For more information visit selwyn.govt.nz/recyclingday.

Council Call

SELWYN DISTRICT COUNCIL
Norman Kirk Drive, Rolleston
Ph 0800 SELWYN (735 996)

TE ARA ĀTEA
56 Tennyson Street, Rolleston
Ph 347 2880

DARFIELD LIBRARY & SERVICE CENTRE
1 South Terrace, Darfield
Ph 318 8338 or 347 2780

Notices

ALCOHOL NOTICES

Kirwee Tennis Club Incorporated has applied to renew its Club Licence. Objections to this application is open until 15 December. Hospo Group Limited (Corianders) has applied to renew its On Licence. Objections to this application is open until 19 December. Flourishing Limited (Darfield Hotel) has applied to renew its On Licence and the issue of an Off Licence. Objections to these applications are open until 16 January 2024. For more information visit selwyn.govt.nz/alcoholnotices.

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

Malvern Community Board
Monday 27 November 4pm
West Melton Community Centre

Long Term Plan Workshop*
Tuesday 28 November 9am
Wednesday 29 November 9am
Wednesday 6 December 8.30am
Council Offices Rolleston

Extraordinary Audit & Risk Committee*
Wednesday 29 November 4pm
Council Offices Rolleston

Extraordinary Council Meeting*
Wednesday 6 December 1pm
Council Offices Rolleston

Extraordinary Finance & Performance Committee*
Wednesday 6 December 2pm
Council Offices Rolleston

Council Meeting*
Wednesday 13 December 1pm
Council Offices Rolleston

* Livestreamed on the Council website and YouTube channel



Our roading crews continue to be out across the district doing upgrades and repairs to maintain the district's roads. For a map of all our road works around Selwyn follow the QR code or visit selwyn.govt.nz/roadclosures. Please take care around work sites and follow site signage.



Croquet grounds coming to Broadfield Reserve

The first croquet grounds in Selwyn are now under development at Broadfield Reserve on Robinsons Road, opposite Broadfield School. This project, identified as part of Council's Long-term Plan, is now underway with construction in progress to create four croquet lawns.

Council's Land Development Project Manager Gareth Ford said "we're really pleased to have started work on this project. The development highlights the Council's commitment to enhancing recreational facilities for Selwyn residents."

These lawns will serve as the home grounds for the newly established Broadfield Croquet Club. John Dewar, representing Broadfield Croquet Club, said he was delighted that the physical works were underway.

"The response and support we've had from Council has been fantastic. Croquet provides a great opportunity to stay fit, acquire new skills, and socialise with like-minded individuals. Having a local club in our district will be a great asset for our community".

Scheduled for completion in February 2024, the croquet lawns will be ready for action in the Spring 2024 season. If you would like to be part of the Broadfield Croquet Club in the 2024 season, expressions of interest can be emailed to broadfieldcroquet@gmail.com.



It's going to be a hot summer — Help keep water flowing for everyone.



For smart watering tips visit: selwyn.govt.nz/watersense



Event Guide

Thursday 23 November

English Learners
Lincoln Library 1.30–2.30pm

Join us to improve your everyday English language skills and confidence in a casual setting. Sessions are focused on the needs of learners — so no two classes are the same. Whether you are looking to learn, or simply just to socialise, join us at our weekly coffee club. All English language learners welcome. Suitable for 18+ years. Free. Bookings not required.

Friday 24 November

Children's Book and Board Games Club
Leeston Library, 3.30–4.30pm

Head along to Leeston Library every Friday afternoon to share your latest reading adventures, play board games and enjoy some fun crafts. Free. Bookings not required.

Saturday 25 November

LEGO® Advanced
Te Ara Ātea, 10.30–11.30am

Calling all LEGO® masters! These sessions are perfect for those who love a challenge, and will make regular use of our LEGO® Education Spike, Prime and BricQ Motion sets. Suitable for 9+ years. Under 8 a parent must stay and support. Free. Bookings required at selwynlibraries.co.nz/events.

Sunday 26 November

Ellesmere Community Recycling Day
Cemetery Pit, Southbridge Leeston Road
10am–4pm

Bulky Waste* | Garden waste | Scrap metal | Tyres | Child car seats | E-Waste | Cardboard. This is a great chance to clean up your shed, backyard, and garden. *Important: Please refer to strict criteria for bulky waste acceptance. Find out more at selwyn.govt.nz/recyclingday.

Tuesday 28 November

Rhymetime — Wiggles and Giggles
Darfield Library, 10.30–11am

Stories, songs, rhymes and bubbles make up our Rhymetime sessions, designed to assist with early language development and to have fun. Aimed at 1–3 years. Free, weekly sessions.

Tuesday 28 November

Staying Safe — A Refresher Course For Older Drivers
Darfield Recreation and Community Centre, 2pm

This free classroom-based course will help you re-familiarise yourself with traffic rules and safe driving practices. It will also increase your knowledge about other transport options and help you remain independent for longer. A light lunch is provided. RSVP required at selwyn.govt.nz/events.

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

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