

## Still time to help decide shape of future Council

As we near the end of our preliminary consultation, there is still time for Selwyn residents to have their say on proposed changes to local representation.

The Representation Review Preliminary Consultation closes at 5pm Thursday 2 May.

During this initial stage of consultation, residents are being asked for their views on two possible options for the number of councillors, ward boundaries and the future of community boards in the district as part of the preliminary consultation for the Selwyn Representation Review 2024. They also have the opportunity to propose new names for the wards.

The review will ensure the Council reflects the changes in the growing district, Representation Review Committee Chair Councillor Phil Dean says.

"It's been good to see how thoughtful people have been in their feedback so far. It's important that we get this representation structure right – so that residents can be confident that they are well represented. To do that we need to hear from as many people as possible."

Feedback will then be used to shape a full proposal that will be brought back to the community for consultation later in the year.

Two options being considered are:

- Four wards, eight councillors, no community boards. Maintain four wards similar to the current structure with minimal boundary changes. West Melton would join Prebbleton and Lincoln, Burnham would join Rolleston.
- Three wards, 10 councillors, no community boards. Malvern would join Ellesmere, West Melton would join Prebbleton and Lincoln, Burnham would join Rolleston.

You can submit at selwyn.govt.nz/repreview

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A Heads-up on Header Tanks

### **Retrofitting Seismic Restraints**

Roof space and roof top water tanks (header tanks) are more common than you might think, and a large proportion are still not properly restrained against earthquakes. Even if they are no longer in use, these can be potentially dangerous in an earthquake if they fall through the ceiling or off the roof.

Building Code clause B1 requires water tanks, including header tanks, to be adequately supported including seismic restraint chocks. Retrofitting restraints to older tanks where they do not exist is highly recommended.

Some ready-made kits are available at hardware stores, however for more information and alternative options for restraining header tanks of different sizes please visit **selwyn.govt.nz/news** 



## Tai Tapu Walkway Project update

A project to establish a formal walkway along the Huritini Halswell River, from Tai Tapu township to Rhodes Park. The first stage happening over the next few weeks, will create a pathway along the river and around Rhodes Park. Further works are intended to follow at a later date, including planting out of the walkway.

### **Hoskyns Road Works**

Road works are being carried out on Hoskyns Road between Courtenay Road and 1695 Hoskyns Road to install a new watermain. Works began 29 April and will be ongoing for approximately two months, 7am to 7pm Monday to Friday with occasional Saturday work.

For part of the works there will be traffic management on Hoskyns Road and Courtenay Road, including a combination of traffic lights and a priority give way.

For any questions, please contact the Water Services team on water.services@selwyn.govt.nz or 0800 SELWYN (735 996).

### **Dog Microchipping Clinics**

Free Monthly Service. This Friday 3 May Darfield Library & Service Centre: 9am to 9.30am

Lincoln Library & Service Centre: 9am to 9.30am

Council Offices, Rolleston: 11am to 11.30am

Clinics will not take place if wet. Any questions, please contact Animal Control on 0800 SELWYN (735 996)

# Council and Community Board Meetings

### **Councillor Briefing\***

Wednesday 1 May, 9am Rolleston Council Offices

Audit and Risk Subcommittee Meeting\*

Tuesday 7 May, 9am Rolleston Council Offices

#### Council Meeting\*

**FREE** 

Wednesday 8 May, 1pm Rolleston Council Offices

\* Livestreamed on our YouTube channel. To speak at a Council meeting please email meeting.changes@selwyn.govt.nz five days prior.

### Kūoro: Singing Te Reo - Lisa Tui

\$30

Friday 3 May, 7pm-9pm Te Ara Ātea

\$15 per person Selwyn Library members, \$30 non-members.

Bookings required at selwynlibraries.co.nz/events

### **Community Planting Day**

Saturday 4 May, 10am Castle Hill Reserve. BBQ lunch provided.

For more information and to register, visit **selwyn.govt.nz/events** 

## **Entering Retirement? Know your Entitlements**



Thursday 9 May, 10am-12pm Darfield Library & Service Centre.

For more information visit **selwyn.govt.nz/events**