

# CouncilCall

Wednesday 17 January 2024



## Work beginning on Shands Road Intersections Upgrade and Roundabouts

The construction of two new roundabouts at the intersections of Shands and Hamptons Road, and Shands and Trents Road in Prebbleton, begins this month.

This work is Stage 2 of the Prebbleton Arterial Intersection Upgrade to improve the safety and efficiency of the local roading network. Stage 1 was successfully completed in 2021, upgrading the intersections of Shands and Blakes, and Springs and Marshs Roads, into dual lane roundabouts.

Fulton Hogan has been appointed as the contractor to upgrade the intersections and build the two-lane roundabouts, along with the seal widening of Trents Road and the installation of a water main.

The Council's Acting Executive Director of Infrastructure and Property, Murray England says "We are pleased to begin this upgrade, improving the safety and performance of these key intersections to accommodate future traffic flows and growth in the area."

"We acknowledge NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi's financial commitment to partially fund this project and get it across the line".

Work is scheduled to begin on 29 January and expected to be substantially completed by early September, followed by landscaping and maintenance.

During the first stage of construction works, Shands and Trents Roads will remain open in both directions, however several temporary traffic management layouts will be installed as the project progresses. These will be a variation of shoulder closures, temporary traffic lights, lane drops, and one way systems.

From late January, Hamptons Road, at the east side of the intersection with Shands Road, will be closed for some time and detours in place. Further updates will be provided closer to the time along with other traffic management changes throughout the project.

For further information and maps of the affected areas please visit [selwyn.govt.nz/shandsroundabouts](https://selwyn.govt.nz/shandsroundabouts) or contact [shandsroundabouts@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:shandsroundabouts@selwyn.govt.nz)

## Water for Shorter

The hot weather is here and it's time to be mindful of our water use so we don't run dry this summer. The good news is there are lots of simple things to do that are good for the garden, the environment, your wallet and the wider community.

One valuable tip is to water for shorter. Instead of watering your garden continuously for 15 minutes, water for three 5-minute intervals spaced over a couple of hours. This approach allows the soil to absorb more water effectively, minimising runoff. Watering too much and too frequently can also lead to issues such as shallow root development, increased weed growth, and susceptibility to diseases and fungi.

For more water saving tips see [selwyn.govt.nz/watersense](https://selwyn.govt.nz/watersense)



## Lots of Summer Fun to come in Selwyn

Summer in Selwyn has once again been a huge hit with residents — and we're still only halfway through the action-packed calendar.

The fun kicked off at the beginning of December and continues through to the end of February with over 40 whānau-friendly events and activities to enjoy.

So, if you're keen to get out and about these holidays, the good news is there's still plenty of events to come. Don't miss:

### Skate 'n' Splash (\$5 per person, bookings required)

Thursday 18 January, 9.30am–5pm,  
Selwyn Sports Centre & Selwyn Aquatic Centre

Grab some friends, pop on some skates and roll to some awesome music (all gear supplied). Afterwards, head over to your local pool to enjoy all the epic pool toys.

### Selwyn Libraries Holiday Fun (Free)

Thursday 18 January, 10am–1pm, Broadfield Community Centre  
Wednesday 24 January, 10am–1pm, Lake Coleridge Community Hall

We're bringing the libraries to you! Come and play a board game, interact with our Dash Bots, construct a masterpiece from LEGO and more.

### Emergency Services Family Fun Day (Gold coin entry)

Sunday 28 January, 11am–3pm, Rolleston Community Centre

Watch Selwyn's emergency service providers showcase their equipment and skills in a safe, controlled environment. With live entertainment, activities, and food stalls, it's a fantastic day out for the whole family.

For all information and bookings visit [selwyn.govt.nz/summerinselwyn](https://selwyn.govt.nz/summerinselwyn)

### Puppy 101

Thursday 18 January, 6.30–8pm  
Te Ara Ātea

Bookings required at [selwynlibraries.co.nz/events](https://selwynlibraries.co.nz/events)

FREE

### Ladies Day out and Clothing Swap

Saturday 20 January, 1–5.30pm  
Rolleston Community Centre

Bookings required at [selwyn.govt.nz/events](https://selwyn.govt.nz/events)

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