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Wednesday 31 January 2024

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Kerbside Collections will be the same Nationwide from 1 February

From 1 February, kerbside practices nationwide will be standardised. That means most Kiwis will now be able to recycle the same things from home.

These changes are part of the Government's move to standardise household kerbside collections across Aotearoa New Zealand, led by the Ministry for the Environment.

The Council's Resource Recovery and Waste Manager, Andrew Boyd said these changes are designed to make recycling easier for everyone.

"In Selwyn we are already recycling in line with most of these new requirements so for our residents this means there isn't a lot of change".

What is changing for our district, is you can no longer place cardboard or paper, including pizza boxes into your household green organics bin. These go in your yellow recycling bin. Pizza boxes

need to be empty - free of food and sauce. Oil stains are fine.

The exception to this, is that you can still use newspaper to line the bottom of your organics bin, or supermarket paper bags, that you might use to line your food scraps bin inside.

Aerosol cans must now also go in your red bin.

Remember that the Pines Resource Recovery Park does accept a wider range of recyclable items that may not be able to be accepted in your kerbside recycling bins. To find out more about what Pines Resource Recovery Park accepts please visit selwyn.govt.nz/pines

For more information on all kerbside recycling changes, and for a full list of details of what can go into your bins, please visit **selwyn.govt.nz/kerbsidechanges**

Important update for Residential Pool Owners

If you own a pool, including a portable one, it's important that you are aware of, and comply with, the safety requirements. This will likely mean you need to install a barrier or fence, which may require a building consent.

Any pool or spa normally used for swimming, paddling, or bathing that is capable of holding a depth of water of 400mm or more, is required to have a physical barrier that safeguards against accidental access by unsupervised children under 5 years.

Pop-up pools sold by retailers also require a compliant pool barrier; even if you don't fill up your pool all the way or only use it for a short time.

There are strict requirements for the barrier depending on the type of pool. A building consent is required for most pool barriers, except where the pool is a small, heated pool (like a spa) with a water

surface area of $5m^2$ or less that has a compliant safety cover.

We keep a record of all the pools in the district and the barriers surrounding each pool need to be inspected every three years. The Council charges a fee of \$215 for this inspection. Our building compliance team are currently focusing on outstanding non-compliant pools.

If your pool has previously been inspected, and found to be non-compliant, you can expect a follow up visit from one of our inspectors in the next two months. If your pool remains non-compliant, you will receive a notice to fix, providing you with 30 days to comply. If you don't meet this timeframe you will be given an infringement notice and charged a fee of \$500.

For more information about the requirements for pool fencing please visit **selwyn.govt.nz/news**

Dog Microchipping Clinics

If your dog was first registered after 30 June 2006 and is not a working dog, the law requires him or her to be microchipped. This free monthly service is available at the following places.

Friday 9 February

Darfield Library & Service Centre:

9am to 9.30am

Lincoln Library & Service Centre: 9am to 9.30am

Council Offices Rolleston:

11am to 11.30am

Leeston Library & Service Centre: No clinic this time around

Please note, all clinics last for only half an hour. The Rolleston venue is in Norman Kirk Drive (off Rolleston Drive). Microchipping will not take place if wet. Clinics in Darfield and Leeston will be alternated each month.

Any questions regarding microchipping, please contact Animal Control on **0800 SELWYN (735 996)**



Council and Community Board Meetings

Long Term Plan Workshop* Wednesday 31 January 1pm, Rolleston Council Offices

Audit & Risk Subcommittee* Wednesday 7 February 9am Rolleston Council Offices

Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee Monday 12 February 4pm, Tai Tapu Community Centre

Council Meeting*

Wednesday 14 February 1pm, Rolleston Council Offices

Please notify Therese Davel or Charlotte Bennet if you wish to speak at a Council meeting at least five days beforehand by emailing meeting.changes@selwyn.govt.nz

* Livestreamed on the Selwyn District Council website and via our YouTube channel.

Back to School Lunches

Thursday 1 February, 6.30-7.30pm Lincoln Library

Bookings required at selwynlibraries.co.nz/events



Kite Day

Saturday 3 February, 11am-3pm Foster Park

Find out more at selwyn.govt.nz/summerinselwyn



BMX Coaching

Sunday 4 February, 12-2pm Pump Track, Prebbleton Domain

Bookings required at selwyn.govt.nz/summerinselwyn

