



Hororātā Hall returns to community ownership

A new stage of life has been confirmed for the historic Hororātā Hall.

The Council has transferred ownership of the hall and the adjacent land to the Hororātā Community Trust, following extensive discussions.

This means the Trust will now bear all costs related to the hall's operation and make all future decisions for this facility, which previously the Council was responsible for. This decision was confirmed in the Council's Annual Plan 2022/23.

As per the Long-Term Plan 2021/31, the Council has allocated \$1 million in funding (less legal costs incurred) to be transferred to the Trust. Deputy

Mayor Malcolm Lyall says he is enthusiastic about transferring ownership of the historic hall.

"It is great that it will be restored and nurtured and become an even greater asset for the local community."

Hororātā Community Trust Executive Officer Cindy Driscoll says they are excited to be custodians of the hall, to work with the community and reimagine and repurpose the hall to stand the test of time, while honouring its history and architectural heritage.

To get in contact with the Trust to make bookings at the hall, please email info@hororata.org.nz

Keeping safe when driving on icy roads

Winter is here and along with chilly weather and earlier nights, challenging driving conditions are unfortunately part of the package. It is important to plan ahead; stay alert; slow down; and drop back.

When driving in winter, prepare for ice on the road. Ice can be particularly hazardous in sheltered areas of the road where it might not thaw during the day, or after a flurry of snow when it may be thicker. You may not see it. If you can't avoid these areas, go slow on the roads.

To increase your safety you can:

- Increase your following distance so you have more time to react to other road users.
- Avoid braking suddenly or accelerating rapidly.
- Give your brake pedal a few gentle taps rather than one hard push to avoid skidding.
- Carry snow chains and put them on your vehicle when necessary.
- Check the weather before driving. If it looks particularly bad, avoid driving.

It's important to make sure the tyres on your vehicle are appropriately inflated, have plenty of tread and are fitted correctly. Tell somebody else where you are going, so they can check on you and raise the alarm if something happens.

Prepare an emergency kit for your car, include a warm blanket, long-life food, bottled water and a torch, in case you get stuck and emergency services can't reach you quickly.

For more information, visit www.selwyn.govt.nz/winterdriving

Council and Community Board Meetings

Audit and Risk Subcommittee

Tuesday 6 August 9am
Rolleston Council Offices*

For speaking in a public forum, please email council.secretary@selwyn.govt.nz

** Livestreamed on the Council YouTube channel.*

New parking restrictions for Rolleston Town Centre

New parking restrictions will come into place early August for the Rolleston Town Centre, to support good access and help businesses.

A range of parks will be available including 10 and 30 mins, two and three hours. Times are chosen to balance keeping parks available for business customers and for good use of the area.

If all day parking is needed for workers and patrons, please use side roads nearby or the large carpark north of the Rolleston Community Centre with no time restrictions.

For more information and a parking map, visit selwyn.govt.nz/rtc

Selwyn communities to have their say on new proposed representation model

The Council has approved a proposal to go out for consultation to change the make-up of the council and its wards to better reflect the population.

The proposal largely keeps the same ward boundaries, but the number of councillors would be reduced from 10 to eight, with the Malvern and Ellesmere Wards moving to one councillor, with three councillors each for the Rolleston and Springs Wards. It also proposes a model without Community Boards.

The proposal was agreed upon after extensive research and consultation among Selwyn communities and aims to ensure fair and effective representation at the 2025 local government elections.

A preliminary consultation held in April invited the community to suggest new names for the wards. Based on the feedback and in conjunction with the Rūnaka, names reflecting the area's history and landmarks have been proposed: Tawera Malvern Ward, Kā Mānia Rolleston Ward, Te Waihora Ellesmere Ward, and Kā Puna Springs Ward.

The proposal will be out for people's feedback from 8 August to 12 September 2024.

Pioneer Hall 150th: Celebrating Libraries and Community

Sunday 4 August, 1.15-3.45pm,
Pioneer Hall and Lincoln Library
and Service Centre.

Visit the event page on [Selwyn Libraries Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/SelwynLibraries) for more.

Film Screening: Vai

Thursday 1 August, 6.15 - 8pm,
Te Ara Ātea.

Rated PG. Bookings required.

Bookings required at selwynlibraries.co.nz/events

FREE

Spin - Darfield

Wednesday 31 July 6pm, Friday 2 August
9.30am and Tuesday 6 August 6am

45 minute sessions. \$10.60 per class,
\$7 community card holders.

Bookings required at selwyn.govt.nz/events