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## **AWARDS BACK TO CELEBRATE SELWYN SUCCESS**

A highly anticipated celebration of Selwyn success is returning this year.

The Selwyn Awards – held every two years – are back for 2023, to celebrate the successes of businesses, not-for-profit organisations and individuals who live or work in the Selwyn district.

Nominations for the 2023 awards now open and are open until 31 May, with this year's awards expanded to 11 categories including a new heritage category.

The awards have been a growing highlight to the calendar and after a sold out gala dinner in 2021 with over 500 attendees, the dinner is expanding to a bigger venue, being held at the Selwyn Sports Centre on 5 August.

The Selwyn Awards are a unique celebration of both our businesses and community, Mayor Sam Broughton says.

“In Selwyn, community is at the heart of many of our businesses and businesses are a cornerstone of our community. So it's great to have awards that celebrate so many who help build our community through the jobs they sustain and the important part they play in preserving our history and environment, and support the diverse community that makes Waikirikiri Selwyn such a special place to live.”

Businesses, groups and individuals can enter themselves for awards, while anyone from the public can also make nominations. There are categories for all sizes of business and for a wide range of activities, from environment and sustainability to diversity, sport, innovation and tourism, Council Group Manager Community Services Denise Kidd says.

“The awards are a good chance to take stock of what you're doing, or make a special note of the hard work of other. For a category like Environment and Sustainability people often don't realise how much they're contributing, and that even a small contribution makes a difference.”

Key dates

- Applications open 1 March 2023
- Applications close 31 May 2023
- Awards dinner tickets on sale 1 June 2023
- Gala Dinner 5 August 2023.

For more information visit [selwyn.govt.nz/selwynawards](https://selwyn.govt.nz/selwynawards)

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