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Workshops planned for Community Organisations

Selwyn District Council is hosting a series of workshops designed to help voluntary organisations develop new skills and use these to help the community.

Three series of workshops are planned between 6 October and 18 November. They will cover:

- *Becoming an incorporated society or charitable organisation* – learn how to become an incorporated society or charitable organisation so that organisations can apply for direct funding from a range of agencies. Free. Running 6 – 23 October.
- *Planning a successful event* – this workshop and toolkit will provide organisations with a step-by-step guide to successfully planning and hosting events. Covers planning and task management, health and safety requirements, event promotion and evaluation. This workshop has a \$10 charge to cover event toolkit which participants can keep. Running 14-30 October.
- *Applying for funding* – this session will provide organisations with information on what funding sources are available, how to access funding and how to complete funding application forms. Free. Running 3-18 November.

Sessions are running at Rolleston, Lincoln, Leeston and Darfield, and both daytime and evening options are available for two of the three workshop series.

“These workshops are covering topics that community organisations commonly seek advice or assistance on and are designed to build capacity,” says Selwyn District Council Community Development Officer Lisa Larkin.

The Council is planning to offer another set of workshops for community organisations on different topics early next year.

To view workshop session times and register for the workshops visit www.selwyn.govt.nz.

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