

Council decisions - Wednesday 23 September

Selwyn Sports Centre name confirmed

The new indoor courts facility at Foster Park in Rolleston will be known as the Selwyn Sports Centre.

The Council confirmed the name yesterday for the facility, which will have eight sports courts, along with an indoor walking track, rock-climbing wall, interactive digital wall and community spaces.

The name reflects the intent for the courts to provide opportunities and extra space for people and teams from across Selwyn to take part in sport and recreation.

The courts are due to open in early April, in time for the 2021 winter sports season.

New areas agreed for Rolleston to grow

A further 82 hectares of land has been confirmed for new subdivisions for the expansion of Rolleston.

The Council agreed to rezone the land on the east and south-west sides of the Faringdon subdivision from rural zone to living zone, which will allow it to be developed for housing.

With the district and Rolleston set to continue to grow, and long-term planning based around that growth, it was important to set aside land to meet future demand.

Although the changes had been planned for the future, the Council was able to bring this process forward thanks to changes in government policy to make it easier to allow developments that provide 'significant capacity'.

New reserve confirmed for Lincoln

Land will be kept aside with a view to forming a new reserve, alongside a housing development on Millpond Lane in Lincoln.

The Council confirmed its decision to keep two lots on the site around and opposite the former Lincoln Country Club building, and sell a further five lots to be developed for housing.

The decision was made after the Council considered further submissions from the community about the desire to keep land in the area for a reserve. It reaffirmed the decision made at the 22 July Council meeting that the two lots being retained will be considered for a possible future reserve, along with the Lincoln Country Club site.

Committee established to support Darfield

The Council has set up a new committee to distribute funds for appropriate projects supporting the Darfield community.

The seven member Westview Special Fund Committee has been set up to manage funds raised from the sale of properties in Darfield, to ensure those funds are used for the good of the community.

The Committee will consider applications for projects of social, economic, cultural or environmental benefit to the Darfield community. Projects do not necessarily need to be based in Darfield as long as there is a demonstrable benefit to the people of the township.

Note: Full reports can be found in the Council meeting Agenda at:

https://www.selwyn.govt.nz/ data/assets/pdf_file/0004/353254/PUBLIC-AGENDA-Council-23-September-2020.pdf

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