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## **Council decisions – Wednesday 16 December**

### **Town centre plans confirmed**

The latest updates to plans for the Rolleston town centre development have been endorsed by the Council, following recent consultation.

The Council sought public input on two key parts of the project, including updates to the roading and parking layout in the town centre, and proposals for redevelopment of part of Rolleston Reserve.

The consultations received 32 submissions and a hearing panel heard submissions from four residents.

The panel recommended accepting the proposed roading and parking layout, noting that the plans would balance the need for vehicle movement and parking with the provision of safe pedestrian spaces.

Proposals for the Reserve development included creating a youth zone and sensory space, along with passive areas and pedestrian walkways. These plans have been largely endorsed, while suggestions relating to lighting, pedestrian safety and other points raised by the submitters on design will be considered as the project enters its detailed design phase.

### **Halkett Pool to remain closed for summer**

The Council confirmed its earlier decision to close Halkett Pool for the 2020/21 summer and to consult with the community on its long-term future.

The Council received a report on matters raised by the Halkett Community Centre Committee regarding the pool closure. After considering the report the Council confirmed its decision from July 2020 that the pool be closed for the upcoming summer season due to health and safety concerns.

It also confirmed its decision that it will consult with the community on options for the future of the pool as part of the Long-Term Plan 2021-2031 consultation process, which will take place early next year.

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

[https://www.selwyn.govt.nz/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0004/361408/PUBLIC-Agenda-Council-16-December-2020-FINAL.pdf](https://www.selwyn.govt.nz/_data/assets/pdf_file/0004/361408/PUBLIC-Agenda-Council-16-December-2020-FINAL.pdf)

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