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Council decisions – Wednesday 22 July

Electric Vehicle charging points to be built

Six new electric vehicle charging stations will be built in Selwyn after the Council signed off on an agreement with charging companies to begin work.

The Council has worked with Orion and ChargeNet to identify six sites initially for new charging stations. The Council will provide the land for the stations, using existing parks, and Orion and ChargeNet will build the charging points.

The charging stations are planned for Lincoln, Leeston, Dunsandel, Springfield, Castle Hill and Arthur's Pass.

Parking rules confirmed for Tennyson Street

Parking restrictions and a no stopping zone have been confirmed for Tennyson Street through the new Rolleston Town Centre to support the existing shops and town centre.

There will be a 30 minute time limit for parking along Tennyson Street outside the shops between Rolleston Drive and the northern end of Rolleston Reserve and a no stopping zone through the area.

The change will prevent long-term parking in front of shops already in place along the street and in preparation for the Rolleston Town Centre development.

It is also in line with recommendations from the New Zealand Transport Agency for places with a high turnover of shoppers.

Agreement to look after Te Waihora to be refreshed

The Council endorsed a move to restructure the co-governance agreement for looking after Te Waihora/Lake Ellesmere.

The Council is part of a voluntary partnership with Environment Canterbury, Ngai Tahu, Christchurch City Council and the Department of Conservation to jointly manage the governance of the lake.

A co-governance agreement for Te Waihora was originally drawn up in 2012 between Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu and Environment Canterbury. The new agreement formally recognises the other parties who now belong to the group and updates processes around the way the group operates including around holding public meetings and publishing decisions.

Endorsing the agreement confirms the Council's commitment to being part of the voluntary partnership and to working with the other parties for the best outcomes for Te Waihora. The agencies aim to have the restructured agreement adopted in September.

Halkett Pool closed for season

Halkett Pool has been closed for next summer and it will be considered for permanent closure under the Long-Term Plan next year due to health and safety concerns.

The Council has decided the pool will not be allowed to open over the 2020/2021 swimming season as the pool operation, which sits outside of Council direct operational control, has not met requirements of the Health and Safety Act to ensure the safety of swimmers.

The report presented to Council (and the Audit and Risk Committee prior) detailed repeated health and safety issues at the pool that Council staff had attempted to resolve with the Halkett Community Committee. This included Council staff providing offers of training, templates and guidance across two seasons.

In particular it noted that over a period in January there were significant issues associated with chemical treatment and filtering, putting the health and safety of users at risk.

Next steps in future of Millpond Lane, Lincoln

The Council has agreed to set aside land on Millpond Lane in Lincoln, while it considers a reserve for the area.

The Council was considering subdividing and selling the site around and opposite the former Lincoln Country Club site. It had proposed subdividing the land and selling seven lots. However, taking into account feedback from the community, it agreed to put five lots up for sale on the northern side of the property.

It will retain the other two lots around the site of the Lincoln Country Club building, which will be considered for a possible future reserve.

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

https://www.selwyn.govt.nz/data/assets/pdf_file/0010/345691/PUBLIC-Agenda-Council-22-July-2020.pdf

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