

Council to advertise chief executive position

Selwyn District Council has begun a process to appoint a chief executive for a new five-year term.

Under the Local Government Act, councils must appoint a chief executive for up to five years, with the option to extend that contract for a further two years. Once this period has ended the position must be re-advertised.

Incumbent Chief Executive David Ward was appointed in 2013. His contract was extended in 2017, and will expire in June.

Mayor Sam Broughton says the Council will run a robust process to appoint a leader to help guide the Council through the delivery of a large works programme, as well as setting the Council up for the future.

"The Council has been through unprecedented growth in the district over recent years. This process provides a good opportunity for us to ensure we have the leadership to continue that progress for the next stage of the district's development."

The recruitment process is being managed by an independent recruitment firm, with applications closing on 14 February.

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