



Media release

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Selwyn Road Fire Relief Fund Allocated

Selwyn District Council decided at a meeting yesterday to allocate \$10,000 from the Selwyn Road Fire Relief Fund to the Broadfield community.

38 properties suffered damage as a result of the fire. The Council agreed that Broadfield residents who had been affected by the fire would be granted \$10,000 and would be able to collectively decide how they wished to allocate the fund.

Selwyn Mayor Kelvin Coe says that many people gave generously to a fund established to provide relief for families affected by the Selwyn Road fire. \$19,521 was raised in total, of which \$5,420 has been set aside for one family who lost their home in the fire. Many people also donated goods to the families affected by the fires.

Of the remaining funds, \$4,101 will remain in the Fire relief fund and be available for individual applications from residents affected by the fire.

"The Broadfield community will be invited to attend a meeting in March and asked to put forward ideas about how the other \$10,000 could be used, and agree on this," says the Mayor. "We want the local community who were affected by the fire to help decide how the money raised would be best used."

If the \$4,101 available for individual applications from residents is not fully allocated any left over funding will also go to affected residents to decide how they want to use this.

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