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## **Foster Recreation Park Funding Confirmed**

Funding for the development of stage one of Foster Recreation Park has been confirmed with Selwyn District Council allocating \$2.2 million of reserve contributions towards this project.

Foster Recreation Park will become the largest sports park in Selwyn. The plan is based on four hub areas; a facility sports Hub, an outdoor sports hub, a recreation hub and an events oval hub.

"Selwyn is growing very quickly and we know that there is demand for new sports grounds and parks so it is great that we are able to proceed with the first stage of work on Foster Recreation Park," says Selwyn District Council Open Space and Property Manager, Mark Rykers.

The first stage of work at the park involves the development of around 14 hectares of sports fields and the installation of irrigation, lighting, tree planting. Walking and cycling paths will also start to be developed and a facility with space for changing rooms, toilets and storage space for sports equipment will also be constructed. Work on the first stage of the main car park in the park opposite the Selwyn Aquatic Centre will also be carried out as part of the first stage of works at the park.

Earthworks at the park have already begun which will start developing sports fields and contractors will soon start laying irrigation pipes.

Consultation on the design for the park was undertaken late last year and 96 percent of submissions received from the public supported the overall concept for the park.

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Image attached: Foster Recreation Park Master Plan layout.

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