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Mayor thanks Community for Help

Selwyn Mayor Kelvin Coe is acknowledging the community, volunteers, businesses and Council staff who helped over the past days during the flooding and snows which affected the district.

“It was great to see volunteers, businesses and the Council working together to respond to the weather and help keep the community operating,” he says.

Volunteer fire services helped with placing sandbags in areas where flooding was a problem and by responding to callouts. Community response teams of civil defence volunteers helped in their areas, and many local residents and businesses also helped out their community, and supported friends, family and neighbours.

Council contractors and Council staff were kept busy last week and over the weekend responding to calls and running the Council’s Emergency Operations Centre. Christchurch City Council and Waimakariri District Council also assisted staff in Selwyn with personnel and equipment.

“It was also pleasing that people heard the warnings about the potential for snow before it occurred and had made sure they were prepared,” says Mayor Coe.

All wastewater systems are now operating as normal and residents in these areas no longer need to reduce toilet flushing or water consumption.

Flooding and snow has also affected the roading network in Selwyn. A number of roads have been left with potholes or other damage as a result of this. Council contractors will be working to repair these problems, and repairs will be ongoing over the winter.

Anyone who has been affected by flooding or storms who would like welfare assistance or advice should contact the Council on 03 347 2800 or 03 318 8338. Potholes and road repairs can also be reported using these phone numbers.

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