

Launching into the future of Waikirikiri Selwyn

A vision for the Future of Selwyn for the next 100 years has been launched today (Monday 18 November).

Waikirikiri Ki Tua Future Selwyn, the Council's long-term approach to intergenerational well-being, sustainability, resilience, growth, change, and development was launched today at Te Ara Ātea by Climate Change Commission Chair Dr Rod Carr, Mayor Sam Broughton and Chief Executive Sharon Mason.

It sets out a vision for the district's future: to build a liveable, innovative, and connected Waikirikiri Selwyn filled with opportunity and prosperity, and a framework and priorities for getting there.

It received strong interest from the public with over 16,000 people reading the web experience online and 115 public submissions were received, which helped shape the newly adopted version, available online at www.selwyn.govt.nz/future.



Waikirikiri Selwyn is the fastest-growing district in New Zealand and a highly soughtafter place for families, businesses, and investment. Mayor Sam Broughton says the vision and aspiration will focus investment efforts unlocking opportunities and build a positive future for Selwyn.

"Waikirikiri Ki Tua is about imagining the best version of the future for Selwyn and taking bold steps towards that future. This vision will guide our decisions on protecting our natural resources, supporting our communities, and nurturing the well-being of everyone who calls Selwyn home," Mayor Sam Broughton says.



Waikirikiri Ki Tua Future Selwyn will set the priorities for the Council's future work and is already supported by three new strategies: the Kai Aku Rika Economic Development Strategy, the Piki Amokura Youth Strategy, and the Te Paepae Ageing Well Strategy.

As a living web-based document, it will continue to be shaped by the communities of Waikirikiri Selwyn,

starting with engagement on Area Plans, which outline how the strategic direction could apply to specific towns and areas, shaping them in the long term.

"Over summer, we'll be getting out around the community, looking to hear from you about what you like about your town, what you don't like, and what you'd like to see more of. It's an exciting time for people to think about and shape the vision for their town and work on building that future together," Mayor Broughton says.

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