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Newcomers Survey out Now

People who have moved to Selwyn Central within the past 18 months are being invited to complete a survey on whether they found it easy to access services in the area and settle into the district.

Selwyn District Council's Community Development Team Leader Magnum Tuipulotu says the survey is being undertaken so that the Council can gather information on what services people want to use as new residents and whether people were able to access these.

The survey is particularly focused on health, wellbeing and access to social services and the needs of newcomers to the area.

"Selwyn District is growing rapidly," says Mr Tuipulotu. "We wanted to know what it's like for people moving to our area and what their expectations are about services. It will also cover whether they could easily find out about and access the health and support services they needed and find out what's on in the community to get involved with."

Selwyn Central covers the townships of Rolleston, Burham, West Melton and surrounding areas. It also takes in the Weedons and Halkett areas and the western side of the Broadfield area.

The Council will use the survey information to identify how it can improve its services and to work with central government and community agencies to improve services in the district.

The survey can be accessed online at www.selwyn.govt.nz/haveyoursay and is also available from the Council's offices in Rolleston and the Rolleston library. It closes on 3 June.

Focus groups will also be undertaken with people new to Selwyn Central. Anyone interested in participating in these can contact swylie@socialresearch.co.nz.

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