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## **New cycleway opens**

A new Springston to Lincoln Cycleway will be officially opened on Anzac Day.

The Springs Memorial Cycleway 1915-2015 will commemorate soldiers from Springs County, Springston and Lincoln townships, Lincoln University and those further afield, who died in the service of their country.

"The track will help to remember the generations of soldiers that made sacrifices for the country," says Springston Community Committee Chairperson Dr Rupert Tipples.

The cycleway provides a safe way for cyclists and pedestrians to move between Springston and Lincoln. The 2.6 kilometre cycleway runs from Everest Way in Springston along the south side of Ellesmere Junction Road to the Child Care Centre at Lincoln University where it connects to existing pathways alongside the road by Lincoln University.

Dr Tipples says he is pleased that families and children can use the cycleway. "Ellesmere Junction Road is a busy road and often has heavy trucks and trailers, so this new cycleway will separate cyclists from the road to keep them safe from traffic."

The track was designed by the Selwyn District Council and was jointly funded by the Council and the Springston Community Committee.

Mayor Kelvin Coe will formally open the cycleway following the 10.30am Anzac Day service in Springston School. Rev Mark Barlow, from Lincoln, will bless the new cycleway.

Mayor Kelvin Coe says it is very exciting for the cycleway to be completed. "It will be a great addition to the evolving network of cycleways in Selwyn. People from Springston and Lincoln and the rest of Selwyn will be able to enjoy this new cycleway."

Construction of a new cycleway connecting Lincoln and Rolleston will start soon, and three further cycleways are also proposed in the Council's draft Long-Term Plan to be developed over the next five years - between Glentunnel and Coalgate, Leeston and Doyleston and Rolleston and Templeton.

The new cycleway will complement existing war memorials. The Springston War Memorial, was erected in 1922 at the intersection of Ellesmere Junction and Leeston Roads and the Lincoln War Memorial beside Lincoln Event Centre was erected in 2011.

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Photo attached: *Selwyn resident Chris Martin enjoys the new cycleway.*

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