



Media Release

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## **Service recognised with Awards**

Two long serving members of a local drainage committee have had their service recognised with an award.

Wilton Tyson and Colin Hill have both served on the LII Drainage Committee for 21 years.

They joined the committee when it was first formed, with Mr Hill owning a farm near Lake Ellesmere and Mr Tyson farming near Springston south.

The LII Committee is one of ten drainage committees which help manage the drainage network and prioritise drain clearing work based on their local knowledge. The LII committee takes in an area to the west of Lake Ellesmere, including Greenpark, Springston and Lincoln.

Mr Tyson says that when he joined the committee the account was in debt and is it now in a healthy financial position.

Their long service was recognised at a recent Council meeting with awards recognising their 21 years service.

Mayor Kelvin Coe says the community is fortunate to have individuals such as Mr Tyson and Mr Hill who are prepared to commit their time on local committees which serve the wider community.

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Photo attached: *from left, Colin Hill, Mayor Kelvin Coe and Wilton Tyson with the service awards at Selwyn District Council.*

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