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## **Get to know your Neighbours during Neighbourhood Week**

Neighbourhood Week takes place from 25 October – 3 November. The week is a great chance for people to get to know their neighbours.

“Getting to know your neighbours and creating a Neighbourhood Support group is a good idea,” says Sue Jenkins, the Council’s Neighbourhood Support and Community Response Coordinator.

“Once you know your neighbours you are able to help each other in an emergency and it can also be a great way to develop new friendships and make your neighbourhood a safer and more caring place to live. You might also discover it has benefits like being able to share backyard equipment, childcare, recipes, transport or help your children to meet new friends next door.”

To support Neighbourhood Week, the Council has small grants available for neighbourhood get -togethers. Grants can to help host event like barbeques, picnics, wine and cheese evening, a treasure hunt, or a neighbourhood fun day.

“The grants can be used for events which help people to meet other people in their neighbourhood or get to know them better,” says Sue.

Events can be held any time during October or November. To find out more about the grants please contact Sue Jenkins on 03 347 2800 or 03 318 8338 or email [sue.jenkins@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:sue.jenkins@selwyn.govt.nz).

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Photo attached: *Lincoln residents (from left) Trish Hollis, Colin Robertson, Jim Conolly, Nicole Dunn-Neill, Jill Donaggio and Susan Allan get together*