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The following submission was received from:

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**SUBMISSION:**

I am a:  
Resident, Business Owner, Lifestyle property owner

Submitting on behalf? No  
If so, on behalf of:

Wants to be heard at hearing? Yes

Q1  
Agree with 5 Strategic Directions? Partly Support  
Comments:

Q2 Priorities:  
Look very closely at Springfield - it has a lot to offer, and as skier coming off the mountains looking for somewhere to stay, Springfield is the most logical choice (not Darfield as it is 50kms away!)

Q3 Growth in the remainder:  
There are other areas in the greater part of Selwyn where people want to move to, to work in and to play in. Springfield is one such area where there is a lot of demand for land be it a smaller township lot or a larger lifestyle block. These areas need focus, need Council understanding and need plans.

Q4 Rural subdivision:  
Yes - not everyone wants to live on a small block. Some want to run a lifestyle block and where there is land with previous zoning to allow this, this has since been removed and there is a demand to get them back.

Q5a - Township network:  
Darfield services a large area.  
Springfield is in a unique position where it services a larger area from Russells Flat, to Kowai bush to Arthurs Pass. It is also a tourist stopover which can be further enhanced with encouragement from Council to allow the growth to take place. It is also a major throughfare to the West Coast including the trucks, tourist buses etc.

Q5b - Activity Centre network:  
Springfield has a unique nature of potentially becoming a Methven - gateway to the Southern Alps and a magnificent recreational playground.

Q6 Self sufficiency:  
For Selwyn to be a great place to live, work, and play requires Council to be actively promoting growth and development across the district, not just in Rolleston, Lincoln and Leeston.

Q7 Housing options:  
Yes - not everyone wants to live on a small section. Some want to take advantage of rural environs and have a lifestyle block.

Q8 Layout and pathways:

Q9 Strong community:

For the Council's culture to fully encompass the Council vision of 'A great place to live, work, and play!'. This means working with community groups, individuals, interest groups, developers, investors, businesses in a proactive manner. To be far more open-minded about future development, to woo investors into the area, to work with residents wanting to make small changes to their homes, to work with businesses improving the ability to trade. All this goes towards embracing the Vision and ultimately making living and working in Selwyn a pleasure rather than a fight.

Further comments:

I support the Springfield Township Committee's submission.

I actively encourage the Council to be far more pro-active, to get out into the communities and understand them fully and to work with everyone to find the best solutions. We have moved past the old Draconian Days of being ruled. We are in a far more open age where we work together to find the best solutions that fit all competing factors. I look forward to seeing a visionary development strategy and a Council prepared to work with the various communities in the Selwyn area with a pro-growth approach to find the best solutions for all concerned!