

# Selwyn District Council

## Final proposal for representation arrangements for the 2022 local elections

### Submissions

On 27 October 2021 the Selwyn District Council considered the submissions received on its initial proposal regarding the representation arrangements for the Council and its constituent community board to apply for the local elections to be held on 8 October 2022.

The Council received 14 submissions on its proposal. Five submissions were in favour of the Council's proposal. Nine submissions contained objections to various elements of the proposal, as follows:

- eight submitters objected to the proposal to move West Melton from the current Selwyn Central Ward to the Malvern Ward.
- one submitter opposed the changes to ward boundaries but supported the proposal to reduce the number of councillors
- two submitters considered that an area in the vicinity of West Rolleston should be retained in the proposed Rolleston Ward
- one submitter considered that the reduction in the number of councillors would reduce the effectiveness of representation
- two submitters indicated their preference for the option of three wards and 10 councillors from the previous round of preliminary consultation
- four submitters opposed the proposal to retain the Malvern Community Board and add an additional subdivision for West Melton.

### Final proposal

In considering submissions the Council noted that the initial proposal was considered to be the best option in terms of balancing communities of interest requirements with the requirements for fair and effective representation.

Having considered all of the submissions, the Council resolved to adopt its initial proposal as the Council's final proposal, without amendments.

Therefore the final proposal is as follows.

### Council Representation

It is proposed that the Council comprise 10 members elected from four wards, and the mayor. The four wards reflect the following identified communities of interest:

Ward	Communities of interest
Ellesmere	Brookside, Burnham, Burnham Military Camp, Doyleston, Dunsandel, Greenpark, Irwell, Killinchy, Lakeside, Leeston, Mead, Motukarara, Rakaia Huts, Sedgemere, Southbridge, Taumutu
Malvern	Arthur's Pass, Castle Hill, Coalgate, Darfield, Glenroy, Glentunnel, Greendale, Halkett, Hororata, Kirwee, Lake Coleridge, Sheffield, Springfield, West Melton, Waddington, Whitecliffs, Windwhistle
Rolleston	Rolleston
Springs	Ladbrooks, Lincoln, Prebbleton, Springston, Tai Tapu, Weedons

The population that each member will represent is as follows:

Ward	Population	Members	Population per Member
Ellesmere Ward	12,700	2	6,350
Malvern Ward	14,900	2	7,450
Rolleston Ward	22,390	3	7,463
Springs Ward	19,690	3	6,563
<b>Total</b>	<b>69,680</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6,968</b>

In accordance with section 19V(2), Local Electoral Act 2001 the population that each member represents is within the range of 6,968 +/- 10% (6,271 to 7,665).

### Community Board Representation

It is proposed that one community board be elected, representing the Malvern Ward.

Community Board	Communities of interest
Malvern Community Board	Arthur's Pass, Castle Hill, Coalgate, Darfield, Glenroy, Glentunnel, Greendale, Halkett, Hororata, Kirwee, Lake Coleridge, Sheffield, Springfield, West Melton, Waddington, Whitecliffs, Windwhistle

The Malvern Community Board will elect five members. One councillor will be appointed to the community board from the Malvern Ward.

The Malvern Community Board will be subdivided for electoral purposes as follows:

Subdivision	Area of Subdivision
Hawkins	Darfield, Kirwee, Sheffield, Waddington
Tawera	Arthur's Pass, Castle Hill, Coalgate, Glenroy, Glentunnel, Greendale, Hororata, Lake Coleridge, Springfield, Whitecliffs, Windwhistle
West Melton	Halkett, West Melton

The population that the members of each subdivision will represent is shown below:

Subdivision	Population	Members	Population per Member
Hawkins Subdivision	6,000	2	3,000
Tawera Subdivision	3,030	1	3,030
West Melton Subdivision	5,870	2	2,935
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,900</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2,980</b>

The population each member of the Malvern Community Board represents falls within the range of 2,980 +/-10% (2,682 – 3,278) in accordance with section 19V(2), Local Electoral Act.

### Appeals

Any person who made a submission on the Council's initial proposal may lodge an appeal against the Council's decision. An appeal must relate to the matters raised in that person's submission.

**Appeals must be made in writing and must be received by Council no later than 5pm on Monday 13 December 2021.**

Appeals are to be forwarded to:

Attention: Stephen Hill, Deputy Electoral Officer  
Selwyn District Council, 2 Norman Kirk Drive, Rolleston; PO Box 90 Rolleston 7643

Email: [representation@selwyn.govt.nz](mailto:representation@selwyn.govt.nz)

Phone: 0800 735 996

### Further information

Direct any queries regarding the Council's decision to Stephen Hill (contact details above).

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10 November 2021