

# Selwyn District Council Annual Plan 2019/20

## Summary and information for residents



## Welcome to this summary of the Council's Annual Plan and work programme for the 2019/20 year.

Last year we consulted widely with the Selwyn community on our Long-Term Plan 2018–2028 (LTP), listening to your preferences and setting out our priorities for our district's services, facilities and infrastructure.

With our district population expected to surpass 80,000 by 2028, we've outlined a substantial workload of new projects to support our communities with the services and facilities they will need over that time.

We're now nearly one year into the LTP programme and we are making good progress in meeting our targets.

Looking ahead, the programme for the coming year is largely unchanged from what was proposed in the LTP, with only minor changes to budgets and timing of some projects.

Increases in operating expenditure will largely be offset by an increase in our operating revenue, mainly due to higher than expected population growth.

There's no significant change to the levels of rates increase which we signalled last year. As forecast, the average rate rise across the district will be around 6% from 1 July 2019.

This Annual Plan is about getting on with doing what we said we'd do. As the proposed changes to budgets and timings are not significant or material, we will not be undertaking a formal consultation process on the plan this year.

It's still important that we keep you informed of what's planned, and how it will affect you – so here is a summary of some key projects and what is happening with your rates for 2019/20.

Sam Broughton  
Mayor



## Major projects 2019/20

In the coming year we're focusing on advancing the major projects signalled in the Long-Term Plan 2018–2028.

### Te Ara Ātea and Rolleston town centre

**\$22 million**

Te Ara Ātea is Selwyn's new library and community centre in Rolleston – a landmark project in the new town centre. Resource consents have been lodged for the first stage, which includes Te Ara Ātea, a town square and open spaces for community gatherings, events and recreation, and a pedestrian promenade.

Construction will start around August 2019. Te Ara Ātea is expected to be completed in late 2020, and the initial town square and reserve projects in early 2021. Later stages will include commercial, retail and hospitality development.

### Foster Park indoor courts

**\$21 million**

Foster Park is now a major sports and recreation hub for Selwyn. This year work will start on a multi-purpose indoor courts and sports hub complex. It will include four indoor courts built to competition standards, plus four covered courts for sports such as netball, tennis, basketball and futsal, and space for community events.

The project also incorporates administration areas and a sports hub to accommodate changing rooms, toilets, storage and meeting space.

### Selwyn Aquatic Centre extension

**\$13.8 million**

Due to growing demand, the Selwyn Aquatic Centre is bursting at the seams and an additional pool is now on the way. The new 10-lane, 25-metre pool facility will more than double the current lane capacity and accommodate increasing demand from aquafitness, casual swimming, deep water and other activities.

We'll also be refurbishing the existing pool to make it suitable for a wider range of activities, and expanding changing rooms and administration space. Future options include consideration of a privately-operated café. Construction is expected to start in August 2019, with new facilities opening progressively from late 2020.

### Health Hub

**\$15 million**

The Health Hub provides an opportunity for health providers and related services to locate in Selwyn, offering improved access to health services for the growing community. Planning is well under way for this facility, which will be located opposite the Council offices in Rolleston. The building is likely to be a two-storey complex of around 4,000m<sup>2</sup> and construction is expected to start in late 2019.







## Pines Resource Recovery Park ‘Reconnect’ project

**\$3.2 million**

Selwyn's growth also means we're producing more waste. To keep pace with the increasing demand, project Reconnect will provide improved opportunities for sorting, recycling, reprocessing and repurposing of waste at the Recovery Park near Rolleston.

This year we'll start work on the water, wastewater, stormwater, electrical and telecommunication utilities needed for the wider project. Also under way this year is the relocation and consolidation of the recycling drop-off area, including a canopy for weather protection, a large operations area, car parking and changes to internal roads.



## Christchurch Southern Motorway Stage 2 – Shands/Blakes Road intersection upgrade

**\$5 million**

A number of significant roading projects in eastern Selwyn will provide safer and more efficient access and connections to the new motorway. One of the major projects this year is a substantial upgrade of the Shands Road/ Blakes Road intersection. Widening of Blakes Road is also planned as part of this programme, subject to final confirmation of NZ Transport Agency approvals and subsidies.

## Water quality improvements

**\$3.5 million**

In addition to the water treatment upgrades commenced in 2018/19 (see Making Progress on our Long-Term Plan below), the Council is proposing to upgrade treatment systems in Springfield, Rolleston, Taumutu, Leeston, Prebbleton, Te Pirita, Springston, and Raven Drive.



## Wastewater projects

**\$2.6 million**

New wastewater pump stations will be installed in Lincoln and Prebbleton along with a number of other network upgrades across the Eastern Selwyn Sewerage Scheme network, to cater for continuing population growth.

## Rolleston town centre roading projects

**\$12 million**

Upgrades to the roading network around the new Rolleston town centre will help to create a low-speed, people-friendly streetscape. Roads and laneways around Te Ara Ātea and the adjacent civic and commercial spaces will be attractively landscaped, cycle and pedestrian-friendly, and provide for both on and off-street car parking. A number of projects in the LTP have been coordinated to achieve these outcomes.

Major projects beginning mid-2019 include the development of a low-speed thoroughfare along the Wordsworth Street extension, and development of Tennyson Street into an attractive high street environment. Public car parking is planned off Tennyson Street, and traffic signals will be installed at the Rolleston Drive/Tennyson Street and Lowes/ Goulds/Springston Rolleston Road intersections.

Markham Way will be extended onto the first stage of the Moore Street extension from Rolleston Drive, creating a new signalised intersection with Dryden Avenue that includes pedestrian crossing facilities. An additional \$5 million is budgeted in subsequent financial years for the completion of the town centre roading projects.



# District-wide projects

## District Plan Review

We're currently reviewing the District Plan – our ‘rule book’ that guides how people can use and develop land. We've completed initial consultation and in the coming year we'll be finalising draft rules and preparing the draft plan for public notification and consultation.

## RFID bin tag programme

Starting around August/September 2019, this project will see radio-frequency identification (RFID) tags fitted to all wheelie bins in the district. This will help us manage bins more easily, and ensure everyone is being charged correctly. (\$420,000)

## Events and recreation

This year the Council will continue developing and delivering a range of events and recreation activities, including an expanded CultureFest in partnership with Lincoln University Students Association Inc. as well as Matariki celebrations in partnership with Te Taumutu Rūnanga.

## Visitor promotions

The Council will continue with annual tourism summits, building on the success of the inaugural summit last year. We are also reviewing and refreshing our visitor promotion brand and key promotional campaigns, to encourage visitors and newcomers to explore the district.

## Arts, culture and lifelong learning

Now that residents have access to expanded, seven day a week opening hours at our libraries and service centres, the Council will continue to expand the range of programmes it delivers, as well as the books and digital resources on offer.

## Community centres seismic strengthening

Some buildings are being re-checked for seismic strength and a contingency budget has been provided to cover potential strengthening requirements. (\$250,000)

## LED street lighting renewal

In the coming year we will be accelerating the replacement of more than 5,800 older existing street lights across Selwyn with newer, more efficient LED street lights. The project is on track to be completed in 2021. (\$3.3 million)

## Upgrading freedom camping sites

An additional sum of \$55,000 has been set aside for upgrading camping sites, subject to a successful application to the Tourism Infrastructure Fund.

## Stormwater

Flood protection works planned in the 2019/20 year (\$1.1 million) include projects at Doyleston (\$26,000), Southbridge (\$83,000), Hororata (\$41,000) and Lake Coleridge (\$15,000). Flood diversion work is scheduled in Leeston (\$205,000) and piping of open drains will progress in Prebbleton (\$308,000). Other work includes district-wide discretionary projects (\$410,000).



# Local projects

In addition to the projects outlined above, the Council is continuing to invest in services, facilities and infrastructure, upgrades, renewals and community projects in local areas throughout the district in 2019/20. Some of these projects are shown below (note: this is not a complete list).

## Ellesmere ward

- Water quality upgrades – Osborne’s Drain (\$100,000)
- Leeston water supply – UV treatment upgrade (\$384,000)
- Leeston, Doyleston and Southbridge wastewater pipeline upgrades (\$650,000)
- Leeston Library and Medical Centre – roof replacement (\$312,600). This project is being brought forward from 2020/21.
- Flood protection works in Leeston, Doyleston and Southbridge (\$314,000)
- Dunsandel tennis court replacement – realign/resurface two courts (\$232,000)
- Osborne Park traffic bridge replacement \$80,000 – brought forward from 2023/24 due to urgency of work.

## Malvern ward

- Playground upgrade at Kirwee Reserve (\$76,500) – this project is being brought forward from 2022/23 to coincide with other planned development works.
- Darfield Pool – filters, plant and tank upgrade (\$251,350)
- A recycle station at Castle Hill (similar to Arthur’s Pass recycle stations) is expected to be installed and operational during the 2019/20 summer.
- Springfield water treatment upgrade Stage 2 (\$600,000)
- Malvern Hills Water supply renewals (\$900,000)
- Hororata Acheron water supply – increased storage capacity (\$460,000)
- Kirwee water supply – increased bore capacity (\$827,000)
- Darfield water supply treatment upgrade – UV (\$380,000)
- Malvern water race renewals.

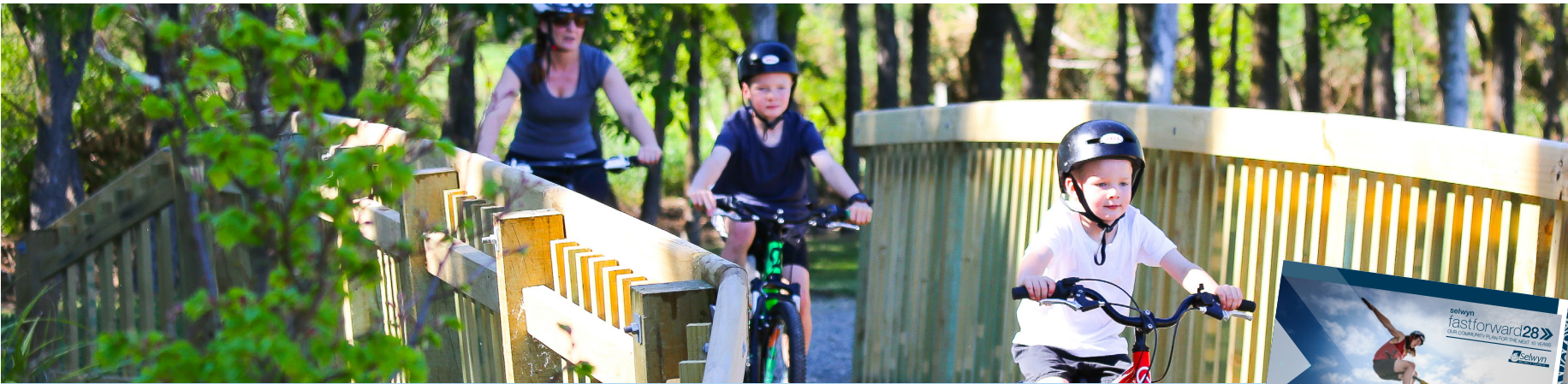
## Selwyn Central ward

- Rolleston water supply extension (\$700,000)
- Eastern Selwyn Sewerage Scheme (ESSS) pump station capacity (\$2 million)
- Rolleston water source improvements (\$250,000)
- Rolleston – Goulds Rd/Lowes Rd reserve development (\$102,500)
- West Melton Domain extension development (\$154,200)
- New neighbourhood reserves development (\$272,900).



## Springs ward

- Water quality upgrades, Osborne’s Drain – wetland construction (\$100,000)
- Prebbleton water reservoir (\$2 million) and UV water treatment upgrade (\$380,000)
- Lincoln Domain playing field lighting – providing an additional \$130,000 to complete this project.
- Development of a pump track at Prebbleton (\$325,000) – this will be brought forward from 2020/21 to align with car park development at Prebbleton Domain.
- Development of new passive reserve in Lincoln – L1 esplanade reserve development (\$175,000)
- Lincoln to Tai Tapu cycle connection – improvements within existing road environment (\$100,000)
- Springston water supply – UV treatment (\$234,000).



# Making progress on our Long-Term Plan

Here’s a summary of progress to date on our major projects, signaled last year in our Long-Term Plan 2018-2028:

- **District-wide rating for community centres, halls and reserves:** The new rate introduced in 2018/19 is helping the Council to increase support for local facilities including a centralised booking system, more consistent charging, streamlined processes for maintenance and renewal, and improved systems and processes for budgeting, employment and health and safety matters.
- **Water quality improvements:** As signaled in the LTP, the Council has completed a comprehensive risk assessment of water supplies across the district, to identify the community supplies most at risk of possible contamination.  
**Improvements completed to date include** a new water supply bore at Southbridge, treatment upgrades at Lake Coleridge, Malvern Hills-Hartleys Rd, Hororata Rural water supply, the connection of Johnson Road and Edendale water supplies to West Melton, and storage upgrades at Dunsandel and Upper Selwyn Huts.  
**Design work is under way for treatment plant upgrades for the following schemes:** Leeston, Lincoln, Tai Tapu, Te Pirita, Springston, Springfield, Kirwee, Acheron, Darfield, Claremont, Castle Hill, Arthur’s Pass, Sheffield/Waddington, Raven Drive, Rakaia Huts, and Malvern Hills-Dalethorpe. These works will span over two financial years.
- **Changes to community grants:** The new Selwyn Community Fund was launched in 2018 and just under \$40,000 has been allocated to community groups in the first funding round.
- **New community centres:** Initial consultation is under way with the Leeston community on the township’s proposed new community centre and planning will start soon on new facilities for Prebbleton and Hororata.
- **Rolleston Council offices and parking:** A new park-and-ride Metro bus facility next to the Council offices in Rolleston is nearly finished. It will provide 79 public car spaces as well as extra capacity for Council staff and visitors. Work will start soon on the planned extension to the building which will include a new centralised customer services area, and reconfiguration of existing office spaces to ease pressure on staff accommodation. The project will also include seismic performance enhancements for civil defence purposes.
- **Walking and Cycling Strategy:** The first stage of the new Doyleston to Leeston Cycleway will be completed in the current year. Over the next two years work will continue to construct six kilometres of missing or additional township footpaths, identified in this strategy’s action plan as part of an ongoing programme.



# Rates movements

Changes in rates for 2019/20 are largely in line with what was previously forecast.

Overall, rates across the district are forecast to increase from 1 July 2019 by approximately 6 percent, as signaled in the LTP. This is an average across the district, and actual movements may be smaller or greater than this amount, but for most ratepayers the increase will be 5 to 6 percent. The rate rises are largely to fund the increasing range of services that will be available for the Selwyn community, including Te Ara Ātea and the Foster Park indoor courts.

Following are examples of rating changes for the 2019/20 year in selected locations, showing the proposed rates compared with the current year. Rate rises for individual properties will also be affected by the valuation movements in the district, as a result of the changes arising from the recent rating valuation.

## Rates increases 2018/19 to 2019/20

Major townships	Capital value	LTP	Annual Plan	Change
		2018/19	2019/20	
	\$	\$	\$	%
Darfield	490,000	2,577	2,730	6.0%
Leeston	430,000	2,932	3,104	5.9%
Lincoln	675,000	3,188	3,341	4.8%
Prebbleton	660,000	3,141	3,299	5.0%
Rolleston	665,000	3,186	3,357	5.4%

Rural	Capital value	LTP	Annual Plan	Change
		2018/19	2019/20	
	\$	\$	\$	%
Darfield	9,900,000	13,355	13,772	3.1%
Ellesmere	2,060,000	4,257	4,452	4.6%
Malvern	3,900,000	11,800	12,737	7.9%
Springs	3,595,000	4,308	4,731	9.8%
Selwyn Central	6,610,000	10,620	11,587	9.1%

Commercial	Capital value	LTP	Annual Plan	Change
		2018/19	2019/20	
	\$	\$	\$	%
Rolleston	2,790,000	3,549	3,882	9.4%

Locations	Capital value	LTP	Annual Plan	Change
		2018/19	2019/20	
	\$	\$	\$	%
Armack Drive	550,000	2,478	2,623	5.9%
Arthur's Pass	320,000	1,652	1,831	10.9%
Castle Hill	590,000	2,417	2,593	7.3%
Coalgate	415,000	1,752	1,933	10.3%
Doyleston	470,000	2,539	2,713	6.9%
Dunsandel	305,000	2,283	2,456	7.6%
Edendale	715,000	2,641	2,848	7.9%
Glentunnel	660,000	2,034	2,235	9.9%
Hororata	450,000	1,888	2,057	8.9%
Johnsons Road	710,000	2,550	2,706	6.1%
Jowers Road	795,000	2,589	2,769	7.0%
Kirwee	615,000	2,586	2,763	6.9%
Lake Coleridge	270,000	2,122	2,321	9.4%
Rakaia Huts	295,000	1,753	1,886	7.6%
Rolleston (lifestyle property)	650,000	1,487	1,667	12.1%
Sheffield	370,000	2,291	2,461	7.4%
Springston	475,000	2,984	3,142	5.3%
Southbridge	390,000	2,919	3,070	5.2%
Tai Tapu	680,000	3,138	3,316	5.7%
West Melton	720,000	3,194	3,350	4.9%
Whitecliffs	330,000	1,776	1,955	10.1%

# More information?

If you'd like more information on how the Council is supporting local communities across Selwyn, you can contact your local councillor. Contact details at: [www.selwyn.govt.nz/your-council/mayor-And-council](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz/your-council/mayor-And-council).