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OUR COMMUNITY PLAN FOR THE NEXT 10 YEARS



Consulting on our Long-Term Plan 2018–2028

MEETING THE CHALLENGES OF THE NEXT 10 YEARS

Selwyn is the best place in our beautiful country to live. Our children grow up in a stunning environment, our rural heritage and economy are strong, and our towns are thriving places to gather and interact with one another.

Selwyn now has the equal third largest population in the South Island – around 59,000 of us live here now, and we all rely on the infrastructure and services that our Council provides. To support our district into the future, we've prepared a comprehensive Long-Term Plan for the next 10 years – and we're looking for your feedback.

In the next few years we focus on completing several landmark projects for Selwyn, including an exciting Rolleston Town Centre and a new Health Hub, an extensive roading programme including connections to the Southern Motorway, and upgrades to our water networks.

Our Long-Term Plan also outlines new projects. We're proposing a much-needed extension to the Selwyn Aquatic Centre, and an indoor sports centre at Foster Park to support growing demand. We are also proposing a change in the way we fund community halls and reserves, to help smaller communities by using the strength of a district-wide rate.

I encourage you to take a look at this summary, and the consultation document, Fast Forward '28, and tell us what you think – both the things you like about the plan as well as the things you would change.

Sam Broughton, Mayor of Selwyn



FAST FORWARD TO 2028 – OUR GROWING AND CHANGING DISTRICT

Ten years ago there were around 38,000 of us living in Selwyn. Today, the latest estimates put that figure at more than 59,000. Growth is forecast to continue over the next 10 years, with Selwyn's population expected to approach 80,000 by 2028. Looking further ahead, by 2048 our population is expected to be 105,000.

This is exciting for our district as we see towns, schools, jobs, clubs and communities flourish – but it also brings challenges. As a Council and a community we will face continued pressure to plan for a fast-approaching future and provide the infrastructure, facilities and services that we need to support the district. Funding this expenditure is the major financial challenge for the Council, and for ratepayers and developers, over the next 10 years.

The proposals in the plan represent a balance between completing the projects that our communities need and continue to ask for, and keeping rates affordable.

OUR CONTINUING PROGRAMME

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Following are a few of the key projects already planned over the next 10 years to provide for Selwyn's continuing population and economic growth.

Rolleston Town Centre, Library and Community Centre

Design work is now under way for the new Rolleston Town Centre, located on what is currently part of Rolleston Reserve. It will include a new library and community centre, open spaces and playgrounds, civic space, dining, retail and entertainment areas, a cinema complex and pedestrian-friendly streets and spaces. Funding of \$22 million has been provided for roading projects, while \$19.1 million is budgeted for the first major build – the new 2,200m² library and community centre, scheduled to open in 2019.

Christchurch Southern Motorway Stage 2

The development of CSM2 requires a number of significant roading projects to provide good access and connections. Key projects over the next 10 years include new roundabouts at Shands/Blakes Roads (2019/20); Springs/Marshs (2020/21); Springs/Hamptons (2021/22); Shands/Hamptons (2021/22); and Shands/Trents (2022/23). Road widening is also planned at Blakes Road, Hamptons Road, and Trents Road.

Roading improvements

The next 10 years will see continuing investment in district-wide roading improvements, upgrades and connections as traffic volume grows to match our population increase. The programme includes \$15 million a year on maintenance, \$400,000 annually on footpath network extensions, plus a total of \$8.6 million on seal widening and \$1.8 million on seal extensions.

Lincoln Town Centre

The Lincoln Town Centre Plan, adopted by the Council in 2016, includes a range of roading projects to ensure the town remains a vibrant, prosperous space. Funding of \$18 million for this work is detailed in the Long-Term Plan, to be phased over several years. Initial work to seal West Belt North, and provide parking in William Street, is scheduled for 2018/19. Major works on the eastern end of Gerald Street will commence from 2023/24.

Health Hub

The Council has previously consulted on a proposal to establish a Health Hub to provide improved access to health and social services for the growing population of Selwyn. The Health Hub will allow health providers and related services to meet the needs of our district as it grows. The Council will build the facility on land near its headquarters in Rolleston. The concept provides for a 2,000m² building at a cost of \$9 million.

Selwyn District 2018

district Population
59,000

district households
21,414

district rateable properties
24,712

township population

Rolleston	17,348
Lincoln	6,946
Darfield	2,828
Prebbleton	3,918
Leeston	2,453
West Melton	1,778
Rural	15,653

age distribution*

21.6% **32.9%**

0–14 YEARS 40–64 YEARS

34% **11.5%**

15–39 YEARS 65 AND OVER

Selwyn District 2028

district Population
79,200

district households
29,584

district rateable properties
32,236

township population

Rolleston	26,472
Lincoln	11,795
Darfield	3,585
Prebbleton	4,836
Leeston	3,221
West Melton	2,007
Rural	18,183

age distribution*

20.1% **29.9%**

0–14 YEARS 40–64 YEARS

34.3% **15.7%**

15–39 YEARS 65 AND OVER

*StatsNZ population projections

For more information on these proposals and projects, and for supporting information, see www.selwyn.govt.nz/fastforward28

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TIME!

MAJOR PROPOSALS FOR CONSULTATION

What's proposed?

What's proposed?
A district-wide rating system to fund community centres and halls, and reserves.



What's proposed?

What's proposed?
An extension to Selwyn Aquatic Centre including
· New programme pool – 25 metre, 8-lane \$9.3m
· Café with outdoor courtyard \$1.1m
· Fitness/wellbeing space \$1.6m



What's proposed?

What's proposed?
A new multi-use indoor courts complex and sports hub at Foster Park, Rolleston
· Indoor courts facility \$17m
· Sports hub building \$4m



What's proposed?

What's proposed?
The Council is seeking community feedback on whether to introduce chlorination to some community water supplies.



What's proposed?

What's proposed?
The Council is proposing to introduce a new rating structure for the water race network, based on a standard district rate.



District-wide rating for community centres and halls, reserves

The Council provides 25 community centres and halls, and 34 recreational reserves, funded primarily by targeted rates paid by each local community. Although this system has helped to ensure community involvement in facilities, it is difficult for some communities to maintain or upgrade facilities because of limited funds.

The Council is proposing to replace the current system with a standard district-wide rate, paid by all ratepayers. Some communities would pay less than they currently do, while some would pay more.

The proposal would mean all ratepayers contribute equally to a network of facilities that are available to everybody, and spread the cost of larger facilities more widely. It would also ensure funding is available for improvements to facilities in smaller communities, avoiding the need for large rate rises or local fundraising.

Local community involvement would be maintained, with local committees providing input on community needs and services.



How will this be funded?

- A district-wide community centre and halls rate of \$100 a year (increasing to \$220 by 2027/28)
- A district-wide reserves rate of \$125 a year (rising to \$155 by 2027/28)

Selwyn Aquatic Centre extensions

Since opening in 2013 the Selwyn Aquatic Centre has become one of the district's most popular recreation facilities, but due to continuing demand it is struggling to accommodate all customer requirements.

The Council is now proposing to build an additional multi-purpose programme pool, to accommodate swimming lessons, aquafitness and casual swimmers. The project would also include a fitness programming space and a café. Detailed design and construction would begin this year, and be completed in 2019.



How will this be funded?

The proposed extensions are estimated to cost a total of \$12 million. The cost of the project will be funded by an increase in the swimming pools targeted rate of \$50 for Rolleston ratepayers, and less for those in other parts of the district.

Indoor courts at Foster Park

Foster Park is developing into a major sports and recreation hub for Selwyn residents, providing junior and senior sports fields, floodlighting, a hockey turf, children's playground, extensive pathways and attractive landscaping and recreation space.

Last year we consulted on future developments, including indoor sports courts, which are becoming a priority as Selwyn's population grows and sports clubs see their membership expanding rapidly.

The Council is proposing a multi-purpose indoor courts and sports hub to provide quality facilities for a range of sports groups. It would include four indoor courts, four covered courts for sports and events, administration areas and a sports hub with changing rooms and amenities.

Work on the proposed project would begin in 2018/19, with completion in 2020.



How will this be funded?

The estimated cost of the proposed new sports facility is \$21 million. Some funding will come from development contributions (\$6 million), with the majority funded through either targeted rates or the proposed district-wide rate, if the Council proceeds with this.

Water quality improvements and chlorination

Selwyn District Council is committed to providing our communities with safe drinking water. Across our 30 water supplies we currently use a variety of water treatment methods including secure ground water, Ultraviolet (UV) disinfection, selective abstraction and filtration, and chlorination.

Following the Government's inquiry into the Havelock North drinking water contamination, councils have been urged to ensure the protection and treatment of drinking-water for the protection of public health. In response, the Council has accelerated the programme to install UV treatment on secure bores.

Consideration is also being given to chlorination, to provide additional protection. Chlorine provides residual treatment in the water reticulation system which UV does not provide, minimising the impact of any contamination which may enter the system. It is widely used in New Zealand and is currently used on five supplies in Selwyn, and we are adding chlorination to two further schemes.

Although the Government's position on chlorination is not yet known, the Council is seeking comment from the community on options for introducing chlorination to community water supplies. These are:

1. Introduce chlorination for supplies which would receive greatest benefit, based on a risk assessment
2. Introduce chlorination for all Council water supplies
3. No additional chlorination



How will this be funded?

The cost of water treatment is funded by the district-wide rate paid by all properties on a Council supply. The proposal to introduce limited chlorination, as in option 1, would increase the rate by \$10.

Water race rating review

There are three water race schemes in Selwyn, which have been operating for up to 130 years, supplying water to rural properties primarily for livestock purposes. The current rating structure for water races is complicated, with 10 different rating factors operating across the three networks.

In recent years the use of the schemes has been decreasing, and the rating base of users is also declining. Many of the assets in the system are nearing the end of their useful life.

Although demand for water races to supply water for livestock is declining, water races bring other benefits to the community, including environmental benefits, and aesthetic benefits for some residential areas.


The proposed change in the way water races are funded would ensure that land owners who benefit directly from access to water races still fund the majority of the costs, but that the wider community also contributes.

The proposed new rating structure provides three standardised rating factors to replace the current 10: users would pay an annual rate of \$300 plus a per hectare rate of \$17, while all rateable properties would pay a public good rate of \$20.

What's proposed?

What's proposed?

A new Community Grants Scheme to bring together various existing funding and grants programmes.



What's proposed?

What's proposed?

Over the next 10 years the Council is proposing to replace three major community centres, in Hororata, Leeston and Prebbleton.



What's proposed?

What's proposed?

A 385m² extension to the Council offices in Rolleston, to meet current and future staff requirements.



What's proposed?

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The Council is seeking community feedback on the Draft Walking and Cycling Strategy and proposed projects.



Changes to community grants

The Council has historically funded community groups and community activities and events in a variety of ways, with different types of funding administered through different systems and processes.

The current budget of \$719,000 includes internal operational costs as well as funding for some discretionary funding pools for community groups (including events) and funding for some Strategic Community Partnerships.

The Council is proposing a scheme that will provide new, contestable grants funding of \$140,000. This will be available district-wide to assist not-for-profit community groups and clubs, as well as communities of interest working for the wellbeing of Selwyn residents.

The Community Grants Scheme will be available for Youth Development, Community Development, Environment, and Arts, Culture and Local History initiatives.



How will this be funded?

Grants to community organisations are funded by the General Rate. The proposed new fund of \$140,000 is equal to \$5 per ratepayer per year.

New community centres - Hororata, Leeston and Prebbleton

Hororata: The Hororata Hall dates back to the 1890s and has served the community well, but is no longer meeting local needs. Local group ‘Go Hororata’ has led the initial planning for a new facility, which would be a modern, multi-purpose facility, located on Hororata Reserve.

The Council is proposing to allocate an initial budget of \$4.6 million to build a new facility in 2023/24, with a significant contribution from local fundraising.

Leeston: Leeston currently does not have a purpose-built community centre. There is a significant lack of community space in the area, and high demand for a new facility. Further options will be developed to determine whether to proceed with a new build or refurbishment of the rugby club rooms, and to confirm the site.

The Council is currently proposing the construction of a new facility in 2025/26 at a cost of \$6 million.


Prebbleton: Prebbleton Hall is struggling to meet the needs of a growing population. There is a need for a larger, more flexible facility that can cater for a variety of uses. The proposal is to develop a new facility as a hub for community activity, at a location to be confirmed following further consultation.

The Council is proposing to allocate an initial budget of \$6.1 million to build a new facility in 2020/21.

Rolleston council offices extension and parking

Since the Council offices in Rolleston were opened in 2007, the district’s population has increased from 36,000 to 59,000 – and the number of staff has similarly increased from around 150 to more than 300, in order to meet the additional service demands, as well as the rapid expansion of facilities and infrastructure.

The Council is proposing to add a 385m² extension, to be completed in 2019/20. The project includes some reconfiguration of the existing complex to provide better customer services areas. Provision for additional car parking space is also proposed, to accommodate both staff and public car parking.



How will this be funded?


The Council has allocated a budget of \$2.7 million for the proposed extension, and \$0.7 million for additional car parking. The expenditure will be funded through the General Rate, increasing the rates payable for a \$600,000 residential property by about \$10 per year.

Walking and cycling strategy

The Draft 2018 Walking and Cycling Strategy is an update to the current Strategy adopted in 2009. It aims to improve walk/cycle networks within and between townships, and proposes increased funding for annual township footpath extensions and for major cycleway projects.

A total of seven major new cycleways are proposed over the 10-year period, including:


· Doyleston to Leeston	2018/19	\$895,000
· Rolleston to Templeton	2020/21	\$418,000
· Darfield to Kirwee	2022/23	\$1,094,000
· Jones Rd	2023/24	\$840,000
· Templeton to Prebbleton	2024/25	\$588,000
· West Melton to Rolleston	2026/27	\$908,000
· Springston to Rolleston	2027/28	\$622,000



How will this be funded?

The cost of this proposed programme is \$5.5 million. The projects will be funded by borrowing with the interest and repayments funded by NZTA subsidy, the General Rate and development contributions. The impact on the rates payable by a \$600,000 property is around \$4 per year once the work is complete.

IMPACT ON YOUR RATES

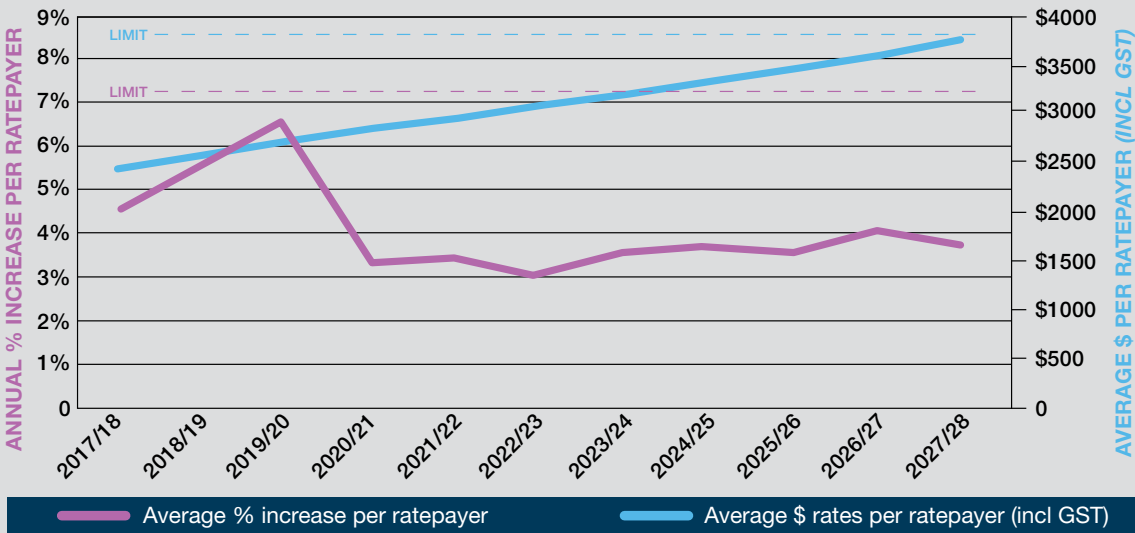


AVERAGE RATE INCREASE 2018–2028
4% PER YEAR

The Council’s investment in essential district-wide infrastructure and local services and facilities comes at a cost. Realistically, rate rises will be inevitable but the Council is seeking to keep these at a reasonable level. Overall, the Council is forecasting average rate rises per ratepayer of 4% per year over the next 10 years.

This chart shows the forecast for average rates per ratepayer and average annual percentage increase over the next 10 years, compared with the Council’s rate limits.

A breakdown of rates movements for different locations over the next three years is shown on the next page.



LOCAL PROJECTS

In addition to the projects outlined above, the Council is proposing to continue its investment in services and facilities in local areas throughout the district. Some of the local projects planned in each ward over the next 10 years are shown below. This is not a complete list of all projects.

Ellesmere ward

Ellesmere Public Cemetery: extension for additional capacity	2020/21
Dunsandel: additional public toilet facility	2020/21
Leeston Park: extension development	2019–2021
Southbridge Park: extension development	2020–2027
Southbridge and Leeston: UV treatment for water quality	2018–2020
Leeston: wastewater pipeline upgrades and renewals	2018–2026

Malvern ward

Lake Coleridge Village: toilet facility renewal	2022/23
Darfield swimming pool plant and equipment renewals	2019/20
Kirwee Reserve: extension development	2019/20
Kirwee: additional water supply bore capacity	2019/20
Lake Coleridge: additional filtration for security of water supply	2018/19

Selwyn Central ward

Rolleston: refurbishment of former library space	2019–2021
West Melton Domain: extension development	2018–2027
Reid’s Pit: development of recreation area	2018–2021
Dynes Road – Foster Park: widening and parking	2018/19

Springs ward

Lincoln Domain: new reserve and sports field	2018–2023
Birchs Road footpath and kerbing upgrade	2018/19
Prebbleton (Birchs Road): new reserve and sports field	2018–2028
Springston Cemetery: extension for additional capacity	2018/19
Lincoln: new water supply well and headworks	2018–2024
Prebbleton: Tosswill Road domain frontage upgrade	2018/19

RATING EXAMPLES

The table below shows examples of the proposed changes to rates for a sample of typical properties in different parts of Selwyn, for each of the next three years, and the average over 10 years.

For the 2018/19 year, the average forecast rate increase per ratepayer is 5.7%, while the increase in 2019/20 is 6.6%. These proposed increases reflect the expenditure on key district projects including the proposed indoor courts complex, extension to the Selwyn Aquatic Centre and roading improvements. From 2020/21 the average forecast increase drops to 3.3% and remains between 3.1% and 4% through to 20217/28.

These are average increases per ratepayer across the district and the actual changes for individual properties may be different.

Major Townships	2018/2019	2019/2020	2020/2021	10 year average
	%	%	%	%
Darfield	7.5%	7.1%	3.1%	3.9%
Leeston	9.3%	6.0%	2.5%	3.6%
Lincoln	-0.7%	6.0%	2.8%	2.8%
Prebbleton	7.0%	6.0%	2.8%	3.6%
Rolleston	2.6%	6.0%	2.8%	3.1%

Rural/commercial				
Darfield	1.5%	6.2%	5.5%	5.2%
Ellesmere	16.1%	7.6%	5.2%	6.5%
Malvern	3.3%	5.0%	4.2%	4.2%
Springs	13.7%	6.9%	4.6%	5.8%
Selwyn Central	7.5%	6.4%	5.4%	5.8%
Rolleston (Commercial)	7.0%	5.4%	4.4%	5.0%

Other locations				
Armack Drive	3.6%	7.3%	3.2%	3.6%
Arthur’s Pass	13.3%	10.3%	3.8%	5.4%
Burnham	2.4%	7.3%	3.1%	3.4%
Castle Hill	6.2%	7.2%	2.9%	3.7%
Coalgate	9.1%	9.7%	3.7%	4.8%
Doyleston	10.1%	7.3%	3.3%	4.5%
Dunsandel	3.0%	7.5%	2.9%	3.4%
Edendale	13.2%	7.2%	3.3%	4.7%
Glentunnel	9.3%	9.1%	4.0%	5.0%
Hororata	7.9%	9.4%	3.8%	4.7%
Johnson Road	1.3%	7.3%	3.3%	3.5%
Jower Road	1.5%	6.9%	3.0%	3.3%
Kirwee	6.6%	7.2%	3.2%	4.0%
Lake Coleridge	7.0%	9.5%	2.5%	3.7%
Rakaia Huts	18.0%	9.8%	3.8%	5.7%
Sheffield	6.4%	7.4%	2.9%	3.7%
Springston	8.2%	8.6%	3.3%	4.3%
Southbridge	6.2%	6.1%	2.5%	3.3%
Tai Tapu	0.3%	6.0%	2.8%	2.9%
West Melton	0.6%	6.0%	2.8%	3.0%
Whitecliffs	9.2%	9.7%	3.6%	4.8%

HAVE YOUR SAY

CONSULTATION ON THE LONG-TERM PLAN IS OPEN FROM WEDNESDAY 4 APRIL 2018

Engaging with the community

During the consultation period, from Wednesday 4 April to Friday 4 May, Councillors and council staff will be visiting events and locations throughout the district to discuss these proposals. See details at www.selwyn.govt.nz/fastforward28

Public hearings

Public hearings on submissions to the Consultation Document will be held on 23-24 May 2018, as required.

Key dates

Wednesday 4 April

Friday 4 May

Wednesday 23-Thursday 24 May

Wednesday 30-Thursday 31 May

Late June

Consultation opens

Consultation closes, 5pm

Hearings (as required)

Council deliberations (as required)

Council formally adopts the Long-Term Plan 2018-2028

Supporting information

A number of supporting documents are available which provide additional information, background and details on the proposals outlined in this document, and on other aspects of the Council’s programme and budgets for 2018-2028. These documents include:

- Draft Long-Term Plan 2018-2028
- Infrastructure Strategy
- Community Facilities Activity Management Plan


- 5 Waters Activity Management Plan
- Transportation Activity Management Plan
- Draft Walking and Cycling Strategy

These documents are available through the Selwyn District Council website: www.selwyn.govt.nz/fastforward28


Making a submission

Selwyn District Council is now seeking your feedback on the proposals and projects outlined in this Consultation Document.


You can make a submission:

**Online**


by visiting www.selwyn.govt.nz/fastforward28

**By post**

Freepost 104 653, Long-Term Plan Submissions
PO Box 90, Rolleston 7643


**By email**

scan or email your completed submission form to longtermplan@selwyn.govt.nz


**In person**

you can drop forms into the Council offices in Rolleston, or to any Council library or service centre

Other ways to have your say:

**Online survey**

you can also complete a quick online survey on the key proposals in this document at www.selwyn.govt.nz/fastforward28

**Facebook**

informal comments can be made using the Council’s Facebook page: ‘Selwyn District Council’

Comments made via Facebook are not formal submissions, but will be summarised and included with written feedback for the Council’s consideration. The Council will not be able to respond to comments on Facebook.

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Submissions and comments must be received by 5pm, Friday 4 May 2018.