

EXCITING NEW SHOPPING FOR SELWYN

It's new, it's modern, and it's convenient! Rolleston Square is city-style shopping in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere. With its focus on sustainable design and plenty of great new shops, this is a shopping precinct you will love.

Selwyn District has grown faster than expected and Rolleston Square has been designed and built to satisfy the long-term demand for better shopping in the district. Rolleston Square opened in July, and the first phase has already been completed.

More than just a shopping centre, Rolleston Square is a shopping destination. Retail spaces have been carefully designed to make maximum use of the land area available, and the car park has been beautifully landscaped. The overall impression is one of tasteful design and care, giving a feeling of spaciousness and a unique country flavour.

"The new centre is a welcome addition to a thriving community," says property manager Nicola Bourke. "With a wide range of exciting tenants and ample car parking, the centre provides convenience and destination shopping within a modern and inviting design."

An interesting feature is the community square, which will be available for the use of community groups. The landscaped space has been carefully integrated into the shopping centre and has coloured shade sails, a raised floor area, and seating. Designed for performances and displays, the square provides a space suitable for events and fundraising opportunities for schools and clubs in the Selwyn District. To one side, a giant chequerboard has been laid, and a giant chess set is available for enthusiasts.

The community square is not the only innovative feature at Rolleston Square. Local artist Allan Coleman, of Ladbrook, has installed a trio of wire birds over the driveway at Aaroma Café. The birds keep watch over shoppers and provide quite a talking point. The artist took three weeks to perfect this work and says that Rolleston Square, with its focus on community and artistic designs, along with the intention of hosting community events, is "the way community shopping centres should be. I particularly appreciate the inclusion of public art that can be appreciated by the community."

The bird trio is the first of a number of artworks planned for the square. "Public art of this quality adds to the warmth of the development," comments Nicola Bourke. "What Mr Coleman has created for this space is really special."

There is an expanded range of shopping and services at Rolleston Square, such as drycleaning. Rolleston Drycleaning and Laundroma uses state of the art European equipment, and is open Monday to Saturday. A premium hand-finished service is available for anything you need cleaned – designer outfits, wedding and ball gowns, bedding and drapes.

For real estate assistance, the newest office of PGG Wrightson Real Estate is at Rolleston. Representing clients across the entire Selwyn District as well as in Christchurch, the branch markets the full range of residential and commercial, lifestyle and rural properties.

When you have finished your shopping, head for Aaroma Café. Following the winning formula of the other two Aaroma Cafés at Eastgate Shopping Centre and Northlands Mall, Aaroma at Rolleston Square is proving very popular. The café caters for everyone, from a quiet coffee and a tasty treat, to meeting a friend for a light meal. Aaroma is child-friendly, with a playroom and a special children's menu to tempt the little ones. The ice cream parlour is proving popular, too. Aaroma is licensed and is also the perfect spot for a special occasion celebration.

If you fancy an Indian dish, Coriander's Ethnic Indian Restaurant offers a selection of dine-in or takeaway Indian dishes, including vegetarian, from mild to extremely hot, depending upon taste – all at affordable prices. Coriander's Restaurant is fully licensed, so if you're looking for a great night out, this is the place to go. Open seven days, from 5pm.

An alternative is Monkey Spices Pizza and Pasta. It's worth a trip to Rolleston just to try out this unique twist on the traditional pizzeria, spiced up with a touch of Chinese. Brilliant décor adds to this dining experience.

Other tenants at Rolleston Square include a bright, new KB's Bakery, with its popular selection of foods suitable for any mealtime. KB's filled rolls and fresh-baked pies and sweet slices are perennial favourites with everyone.

Owen's Fresh Fruit and Vege is due to open shortly, and will stock a variety of tempting fresh fruit and vegetable products, dairy produce, preserves, honey, fruit juices, frozen fruit and vegetables, and cooking accessories.

Boutique clothing store Mary Immaculate will be opening late in October. Stocking a great selection of casual wear labels for men and women, Mary Immaculate can also provide you with that special outfit for Cup Day or the office Christmas party.

Shoppers at Rolleston Square can expect a bookshop, post centre, bank and gift shop to complete phase one of the development. Stage two follows soon with a wider range of convenience stores, so residents in the area will be well catered for. Rolleston Square, once completed, will have up to 27 tenants.

With Hammer Hardware, Henry's Liquor, and The Rock Restaurant and Bar close by, Rolleston Square will be your complete shopping destination. A New World supermarket and several other stores are conveniently located just over the road.

Rolleston Square can be found in the centre of Rolleston township. Turn at the signposted traffic lights off Main South Road. Rolleston Square is at the bend on Rolleston Drive.