

# Christchurch Central Recovery Plan



## The Earthquake Memorial

- will be a place where residents and visitors can spend time in reflection and honour those who lost their lives or were injured in the earthquakes
- will be constructed in the central city - at a site yet to be identified
- will be developed jointly by the Ministry for Culture and Heritage, the Christchurch City Council and Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu; the input of affected families and the community will be sought due to the significance of the project

## Convention Centre Precinct

- will be a world-class facility to accommodate up to 2000 delegates
- will be an important economic catalyst supporting retail, tourism and hospitality activities within the Core
- will occupy two city blocks and provide opportunities for complementary hotel, retail and food and beverage development
- includes plans for bars, restaurants, rooftop gardens and banquet halls overlooking the river and both the Square and Victoria Square

## The Square

- will once again be the civic heart of central Christchurch
- a main Square will be complemented by a series of smaller squares
- will contain more trees and lawn area
- will be injected with vibrancy day and night by civic centres such as the Convention Centre and Central Library
- will see space retained for a cathedral

## Cricket Oval

- will be an enhancement of the existing cricket oval on Hagley Park
- will provide central Christchurch with a venue capable of hosting domestic and international cricket test matches
- will include a grass embankment, lighting and a replacement pavilion
- will see full public access maintained during non-event days
- will retain the essential 'village green' character of Hagley Park

## Health Precinct

- will be situated in and around the south frame and builds on existing health related organisations in the area
- will be anchored by the redevelopment of Christchurch Hospital, providing the stimulus to establish a world-class hub for health education, research and innovation
- will likely include private and public health providers, research and knowledge campuses and medi-hotels where patients and families can stay while receiving outpatient or specialist care



## Te Puna Ahurea Cultural Centre

- will be a world-class focal point for cultural celebration and diversity
- will reflect and celebrate Ngāi Tahu and Māori culture, and acknowledge greater Christchurch's place and connections within the Pacific
- will be a place of pōwhiri – welcome – and celebration of cultural events, such as the Māori New Year (Puaka Matariki) and the Chinese New Year
- will provide a dynamic and interactive education experience for residents, children and international visitors
- will include exhibition space for taonga, traditional and contemporary art
- will be a place to celebrate and experience Māori performing arts

## Performing Arts Precinct

- will be in close proximity to the Isaac Theatre Royal, the Convention Centre Precinct, Papa o Ōtākaro/Avon River Precinct, hospitality and hotels
- could include a performing arts centre made up of two auditoria (of 1,500 seats and 500 seats)
- could provide a permanent home for the Court Theatre, the Music Centre of Christchurch, and the Christchurch Symphony Orchestra
- will be complemented by many other arts and culture projects



## Te Papa Ōtākaro/Avon River Precinct

- will straddle both sides of the Avon River from Christchurch Hospital to the eastern edge of the Frame
- will provide places of interest, artworks and a range of sensory experiences
- will be people and cyclist focused
- will see the river widened and restored to ecological health, with native plantings and landscaped gardens among the features along its path

## Central Library

- will overlook the Square, opposite the Convention Centre
- will be a multi-level building twice the size of the original Central Library at approximately 7,400 square metres
- will provide easy access to digital technologies, local heritage collections, exhibition and performance spaces, a learning centre, spaces to relax – indoors and outdoors – and activities to entertain and educate young people

## Residential Demonstration Project

- will be investigated to encourage residential development throughout the central city
- will showcase high quality, commercially viable examples of urban living
- will involve the development of approximately 65 medium-density housing units, in a location yet to be established

## Retail Precinct

- will offer destination shopping in a compact, vibrant area
- will be attractive to residents and visitors and offer a dynamic alternative to suburban shopping
- could offer an international quarter including a Pacific hub

## Stadium

- will be a rectangular covered stadium with seating for up to 35,000 people
- will position central Christchurch as a world-class option for attracting and hosting events
- will mainly host rugby union, rugby league and football up to international level, and also allow for entertainment events such as concerts

## The Frame

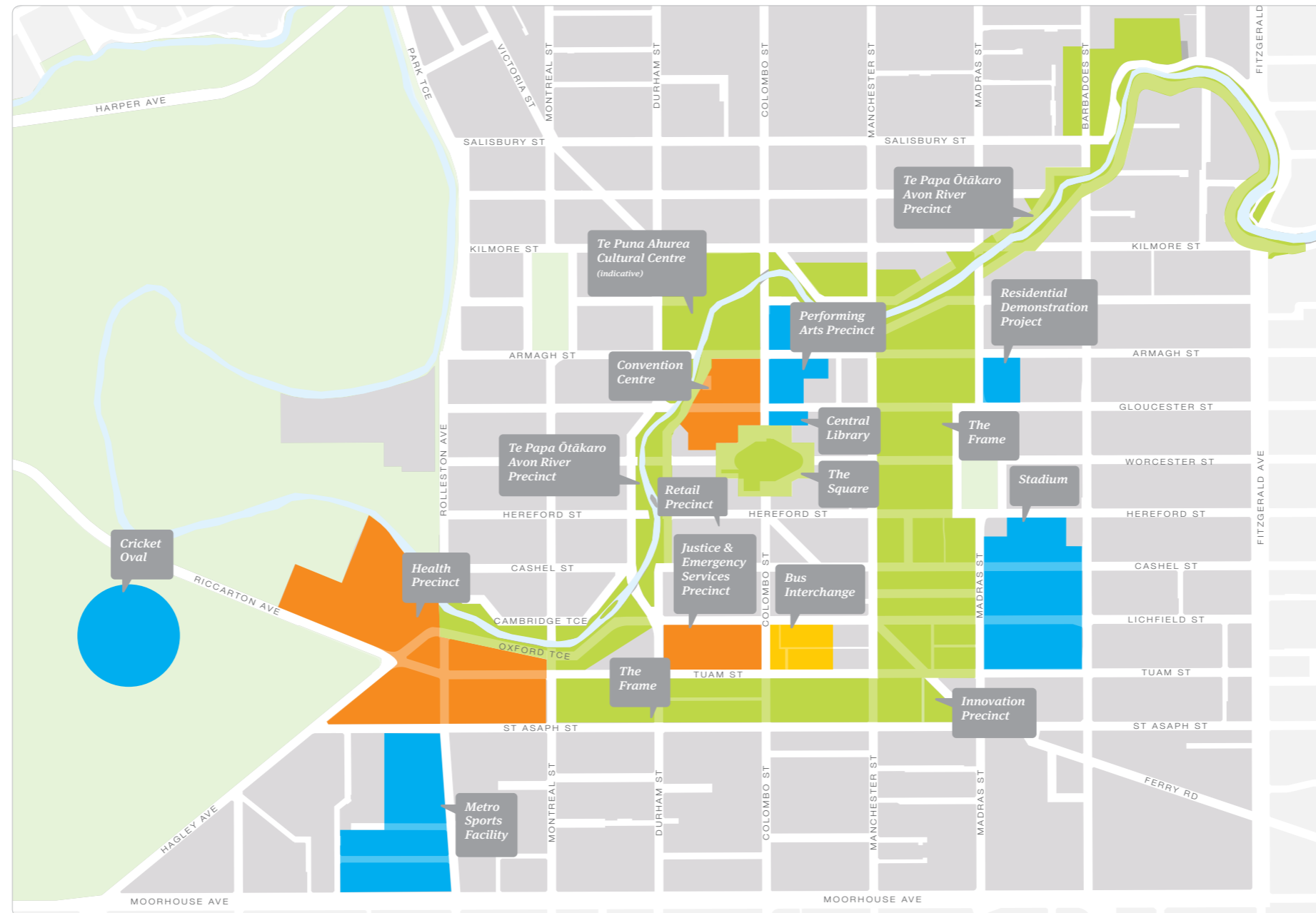
- is made up of three sections – East, South and North;
- the **east frame** is the largest of the three frames incorporating green space, opportunities for some complementary commercial ventures such as cafes and restaurants, residential developments, cycle and walkways
- east frame will include a large-scale children's playground, landscaped areas and space to set up a Fanzone and to host other festival and community events
- the **south frame** will contain a Health Precinct and allows for education, commercial and innovation activity centres
- the **north frame** links Papa o Ōtākaro/Avon River Precinct and Victoria Square and encourages some complementary development

## Bus Interchange

- will be a single level construction covering approximately 6,200 square metres
- will provide an operational and administrative hub for the public transport network
- will encourage more people to use public transport
- will incorporate cycle storage facilities

## Innovation Precinct

- will be located just outside the south frame on the High Street gateway
- will encourage collaboration between innovative businesses and research organisations
- will incorporate the Enterprise Precinct and Innovation Campus (EPIC) temporary site



## Metro Sports Facility

- will be a top-class venue and centre of excellence, accessible to people of all ages, abilities and sporting skills
- will provide a range of aquatic facilities including a 50 metre pool, a diving pool and recreational swimming facilities; plus indoor facilities for netball, tennis and other sports and a movement centre
- will cater for the day-to-day needs of the recreational, educational and high performance sporting communities, and also host national and international events
- will be conveniently located in central Christchurch and easily accessible

## Justice and Emergency Services Precinct

- will incorporate the justice and emergency service sectors, along with Civil Defence and Emergency Management
- brings up to 840 justice sector staff and 370 emergency services staff into the central city
- will include approximately 31,000 square metres of built floor area
- will allow a collaborative approach – for example, a joint emergency services communications centre will support the various functions of Police, the New Zealand Fire Service, St John and Civil Defence