

Community Forum
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Meeting notes for the meeting of the CERA Community Forum
Thursday 16 October 2014, 6pm
Cambridge Room, Canterbury Club, Christchurch

Present:

Community Forum members:

Richard Ballantyne, Leah Carr, Weng Kei Chen, Maria Godinett-Watts, Ruth Jones, Lesley Murdoch, Faye Parfitt, John Peet, Patricia Siataga, John Wong, Darren Wright

Apologies

Gill Cox, Martin Evans, Wendy Gilchrist, Tom McBrearty, Trevor McIntyre, Deborah McCormick, Jocelyn Pappill, Emma Twaddell, Brian Vieceli, Rachel Vogan

Chair

Darren Wright

In Attendance

Hon Nicky Wagner, Associate Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery (arrived at 6.30 pm)

Mike Scott, Project Manager, Ministerial and Executive Services, CERA

Viv Smith, Manager, Planning, CERA (first item only)

Treena Davidson, Senior Advisor, Planning, CERA (first item only)

Vanessa Scott, Programme Manager Earthquake Recovery and Transport, Environment Canterbury (first item only)

Andrew Parrish, Team Leader Regional Planning, Environment Canterbury (first item only)

Olivia Cook, Senior Resource Management Officer – Implementation, Environment Canterbury (first item only)

Jane Doogue, Senior Planner, Environment Canterbury (first item only)

Tim Lindley, Chair, Christchurch Coastal Pathway Group (second item only)

Liz Studholme, Coordinator, Christchurch Coastal Pathway Group (second item only)

s9(2)(a), Advisor, Ministerial and Executive Services, CERA

Agenda

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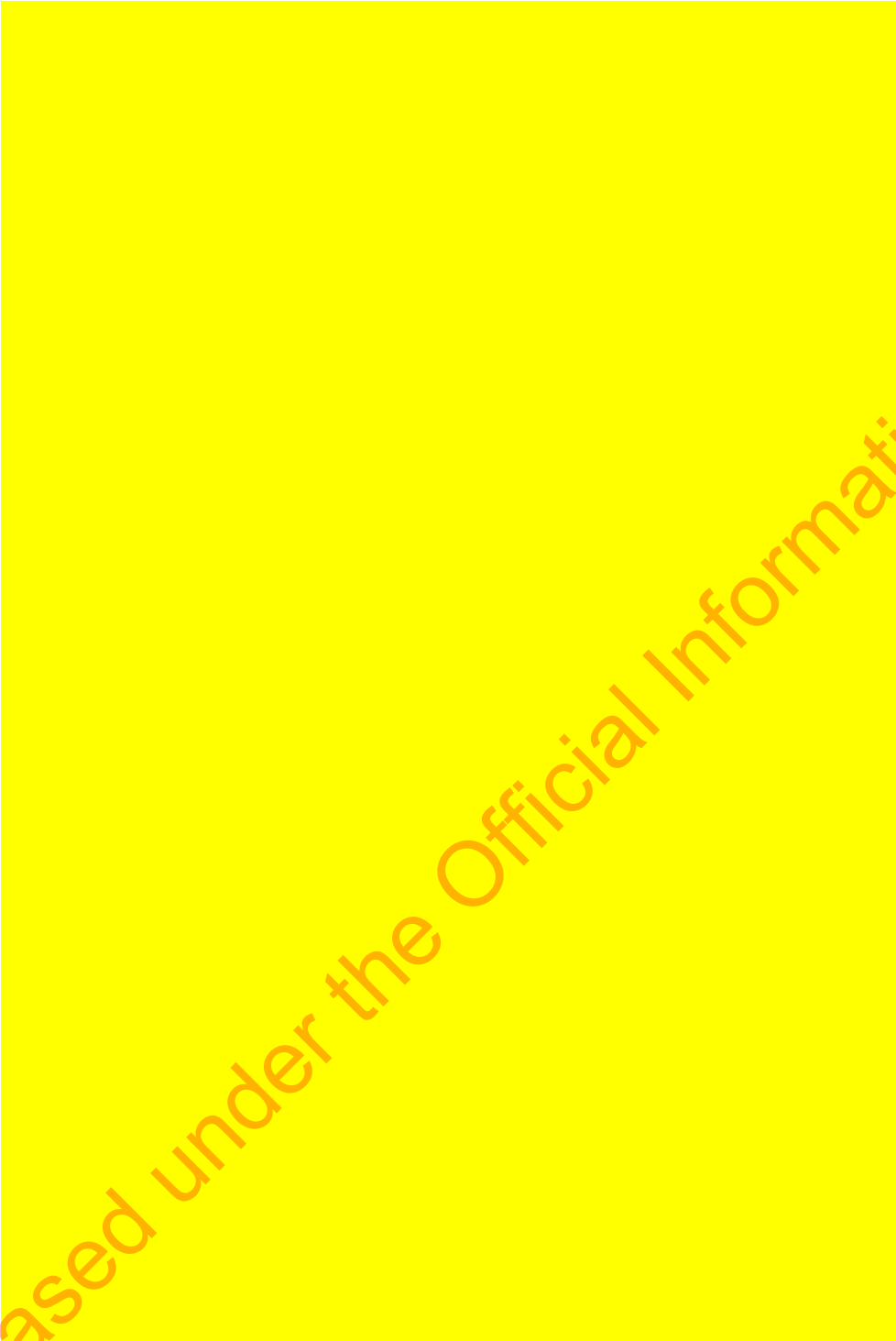
2. Christchurch Coastal Pathway: Update and Issues

- Tim Lindley and Liz Studholme from the Christchurch Coastal Pathway Group presented to the Forum about the Christchurch Coastal Pathway (CCP). The presentation is attached as **Attachment B**.
- The presenters emphasised the transport benefits, recreational benefits, tourism opportunities and commercial opportunities the CCP would create for the whole of Christchurch. It was noted that one issue is that the CCP has been branded as ‘just a recreational project’, when it is actually projected to provide \$50 million worth of transport savings over three years.
- The presenters noted that the CCP is very popular and has considerable support from the local communities.
- The presenters noted that the CCP would contribute to the new vision of Christchurch as not just buildings and gardens, but also a stunning natural environment.
- The presenters noted that the Group considers that central government should have a role providing the remainder of the funding required.
- The Forum noted that there is a great deal of pressure on central government funding, and perhaps a corporate funding strategy/sponsorship would be appropriate.
- The presenters noted that the Group has not gone to its local community for funding yet as it did not have a detailed design to provide. Now that the detailed design is progressing the Group will be able to show this to the local community.
- The Forum encouraged the Group to approach the disability sector for information about who would use the pathway when preparing its funding applications.
- The Forum noted its formal support for the CCP and encouraged the Chief Executive of CERA and Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery to support the project.

Next Meeting – 6 November 2014

Meeting closed 7:20pm

Attachment A This and following 10 pages withheld under s9(2)(f)(iv)



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Attachment B



Connecting People, Land and Sea

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Done well, the pathway promises to become a new icon of Christchurch that will be loved by residents and visitors alike.

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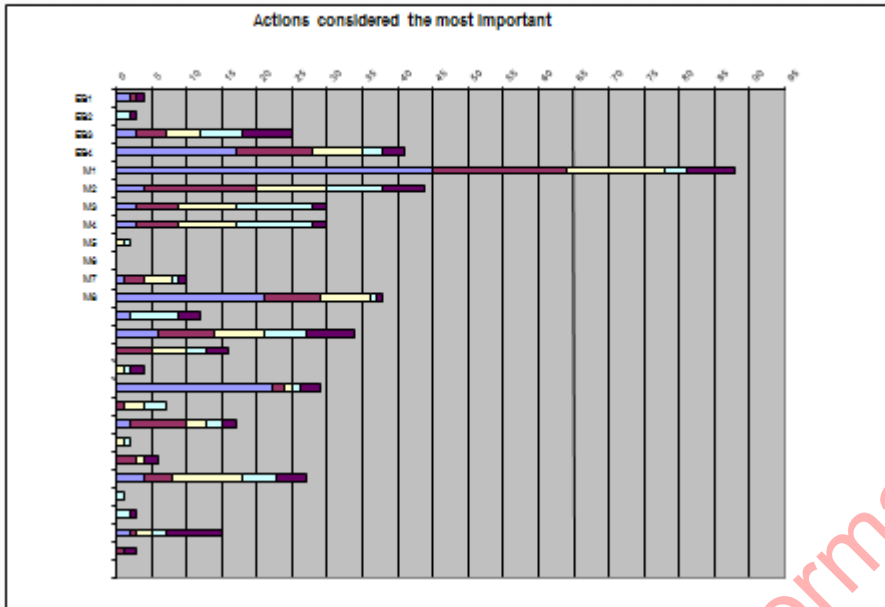
The 2nd most visited tourist attraction in Christchurch – based on New Plymouth data.



Citywide consultation in 2013. More than 400 submissions.
Over 85% in support.

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Main Road Master Plan: M1 = Coastal Pathway



AECOMSM Study - Cost/benefits

- AECOM donated time to the project for cost/benefit analysis.
- Using an NZTA model, figures show a benefits to cost ratio of 2.3 (mid range user uptake scenario) and 2.5 (high uptake).
- This means benefits in excess of **\$50,000,000**
- Calculation is conservative and does not include other benefits, such as social benefits to communities, environment and tourism.

Widespread benefits



- Active transport route – safe passage to work and high school
- Tourism – Combines stunning natural environment, cultural heritage, village life and outdoor recreation.
- Environmental restoration – Seeks to restore and protect the unique estuary environment and habitat
- Community connections – aligning the diverse aspirations of the coastal communities and manawhenua.
- Potentially the most significant outdoor recreation asset in Canterbury.

The Memorandum of Understanding

- Establishes firmly the principles for the CCPG and CCC to work together.
- Commits us both to a very collaborative working style.
- Developed Design underway. This will assist with donations and capital funding.



Funding for \$20m pathway ...

The Christchurch City Council

- Councillors have committed \$9.0 million to the Pathway over 4 yrs, recognising widespread public support for Pathway. Our focus is to raise the remaining \$9.65m to deliver the project in this time frame.



Grants

- The Canterbury Community Trust - on going support
- Maurice Carter Trust - \$10k
- Pacific Development and Conservation Trust \$17.9k
- Lotteries Significant Projects Fund declined - lack of detailed design.



Government

- Discussions with and support from the Hon Gerry Brownlee as Minister of Earthquake Recovery & Transport.
- CCPG have requested a meeting with the Hon Simon Bridges.
- CCPG have requested Council progress an application to NZTA.



Private

- Discussions/applications with corporates and individuals - Detailed design will assist.
- Fulton Hogan committed \$250k in kind for pathway and swale from Scott Park to end of Causeway.
- Proposals to Downer and Orion for similar in-kind support.



Mission Statement – "The purpose of the Christchurch Coastal Pathway Group is to promote and facilitate the creation and use of an international-standard Coastal Pathway from Ferrymead to Scarborough Beach, Sumner for the benefit of the people and City of Christchurch"

Committee: Tim Lindley, Claudia Reid, Graham Colley, Maria Simmonds, Janine Banbury, Scott Babington, Dawn Dart, Mike Sleigh, Bryan Inch, Alisdair Hutchison, Angela Woodward, Linda Rutland.

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