

# Future Christchurch Update

*The voice of the Canterbury rebuild*

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This family moment at Kite Day at New Brighton, captured by amateur photographer Jianhuai Chen, has won the competition to grace the cover of Christchurch City Council's 2016-17 Annual Plan.

## Community feedback encouraged on Council plan

The community can now have its say on Christchurch City Council's proposed budget for the next year.

The Annual Plan 2016-17 explains the work the Council will do and how it will pay for it.

Christchurch Mayor Lianne Dalziel says the Council is proposing a lower than planned rates increase of 5 per cent, without needing to release any additional capital in 2016-17. She says this has been achieved by being realistic about the timing of major

projects, making operational savings and settling insurance.

*Read more about Christchurch City Council's draft Annual Plan 2016-17 on page 11.*



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## CANTERBURY EARTHQUAKE RECOVERY AUTHORITY

**John Ombler**  
Acting CERA Chief Executive

We have embarked on a time of change, and change by definition can be difficult. But this is also an exciting phase in greater Christchurch's history and a time to look ahead to the future.

The impact of the earthquake sequence on people's lives has been profound. Yet from this disaster, we have a unique opportunity to rebuild a modern, striking city with the eyes of the world upon us.

'Share an Idea' was a Christchurch City Council-led initiative that saw more than 100,000 ideas put forward. People told us they wanted a green, vibrant, prosperous and accessible city. The themes and goals that emerged from this project led to an intense 100-day period during which CERA produced the Blueprint Plan,

which informs the Christchurch Central Recovery Plan.

The Blueprint Plan combines the best of urban renewal principles with the uniqueness of Christchurch. The strength of its vision was recognised when the design consortium who contributed to it – Warren and Mahoney, Boffa Miskell, Woods Bagot, RCP, Populous and Sheppard & Rout Architects – won a prestigious international architectural award for their work. The fruits of this Plan will be enjoyed by many generations to come.

This issue of the Future Christchurch Update explains in more detail what will happen next to build on the foundations of this planning. You will find detail about the new and inheriting agencies taking over

various CERA functions; how they work, their responsibilities and goals for the future.

As CERA wraps up, I feel confident the people of greater Christchurch have a clear vision for the region's prospects and future potential. The central city's new buildings, anchor projects and the excellent urban design that has gone into planning and developing the city's public spaces mark it as a world-class destination.

This is my final update as Acting CERA Chief Executive but I will be keeping a close eye on the progress of the rebuild and be wishing you all well for the future. ■



## CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL

**Karleen Edwards**  
Christchurch City Council Chief Executive

This month we have released the 2016-17 Annual Plan for public consultation and feedback. This document sets our budget for the next financial year and identifies the activities and services we will deliver to the community throughout the year.

I want to be honest about the projects that can be prioritised now and those previously identified in the 10 Year Long Term Plan that we adopted last year.

There are significant changes in the Annual Plan, which reflect a realistic approach to delivering a major works programme.

To touch on some of the key changes, we are prioritising earthquake repairs and rebuilding over business as usual. Some residents have been without basic services such as footpaths for

five years. We think it is important there is an even standard of repairs across the city. With this in mind, we will ensure communities have good social infrastructure like libraries, recreation centres and pools to meet the basic human needs of feeling safe and involved in the community.

We have also set a more realistic schedule for our works programme and have budgeted accordingly. For example, to see lower rates increases – as promised – we have taken a close look at the major works projects planned. By reviewing what we commit to build, repair or maintain in the next year, we can keep your rates increase at 5 per cent but it will take longer to finish some projects.

We want your feedback on the various ways the Council proposes to adapt to and support the city

and community's needs over the next 12 months and beyond. For this reason, to ensure we engage with as many of you as possible, the draft 2016-17 Annual Plan went out for public feedback on 6 April. Public submissions and feedback on the Annual Plan will close on 10 May. You can find out more at: [ccc.govt.nz/annualplan](http://ccc.govt.nz/annualplan)

I hope you will take the time to consider the changes we are making and help us shape the future development of our city and your community. ■

## Stronger Christchurch Infrastructure Rebuild Team (SCIRT) progress

87%

of the way through the entire SCIRT work programme



The SCIRT programme will be completed in December 2016



**Hon Gerry Brownlee**  
Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery

Five years on from the events that changed this region forever, the people of greater Christchurch have gone from strength to strength, and we are now moving from a phase of recovery to regeneration.

Most of the insurance claims are resolved, most of the demolitions are done, most of the infrastructure repair is complete, and now we are in a building phase where new facilities are springing up. Plus there are huge opportunities, such as the blank slate in the residential red zone areas.

A sense of excitement has been created in the central city with the completion of major Crown facilities such as the Bus Interchange and Margaret Mahy Family Playground, along with many private developments.

The physical recovery of the central city is now well on track. Work is due to advance on the Metro Sports Facility and the Convention Centre Precinct this year.

Horizontal infrastructure repairs are also set to be completed and construction is going ahead on more elements of Te Papa Ōtākaro/Avon River Precinct and the Justice and Emergency Services Precinct.

This momentum will build with the Greater Christchurch Regeneration Act coming into force after the Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Act 2011 ends on 18 April 2016.

Already CERA has handed over some recovery functions to other agencies, and the new agencies, Regenerate Christchurch and Crown-owned company Ōtākaro Limited, are now being established.

The focus now will be on acceleration of the work still to be done, and seizing the opportunities for greater Christchurch, while moving towards local leadership of the regeneration by Christchurch City Council and other local organisations. ■



**Hon Nicky Wagner**  
Associate Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery

When I reflect on the past five years I am pleased at what has been achieved in the rebuild so far and I'm excited by what the region's future holds.

There has been much work done, and much more is being done every day, as our city continues to regenerate from the devastation of five years ago.

I want to celebrate in particular the open, public, green spaces that foster a sense of community.

Te Papa Ōtākaro/Avon River Precinct is one of the projects I particularly enjoy being involved with. This vast project encompasses Ōtākaro Art by the River and the restoration of the Bridge of Remembrance.

The creation of The Terraces and City Promenade (walk and cycleway) will bring the city right to the river and create safe, attractive places for people to enjoy.

Fish, eels and punts have returned to the river as thousands of tonnes of silt and liquefaction have been removed. The clean-up has already resulted in the recovery of several fish species. Children playing in the nearby Margaret Mahy Family Playground have told me they love seeing trout and eels swimming by.

The playground itself is alive with the buzz of families enjoying themselves and admiring special features such as The Story Arc, a circular pathway leading people through the tales of beloved Christchurch authors Margaret Mahy and Elsie Locke. Ngā Whāriki Manaaki's stone weaving patterns represent the welcoming of and caring for manuhiri, our visitors.

A stone's throw from the playground is the Ōtākaro Orchard community garden and food hub on Cambridge Terrace. The Food Resilience Network is developing the gardens on Crown-owned land, hoping to eventually build a social enterprise café on the site. I also see it as a social hub where people can gather and build a sense of community in the central city.

It's that sense of community that's as important now as it has ever been. I know there are people facing ongoing challenges and this is a good time to remember that support is still out there. The Canterbury Support Line is a great place to start (**0800 777 846**).

There is much to look forward to as we continue the recovery and regeneration of greater Christchurch. ■



**CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL**

**Lianne Dalziel**  
Christchurch Mayor

It was an honour to be at Parliament as the Greater Christchurch Regeneration Bill passed with unanimous support, marking the beginning of a new phase for our city.

The establishment of Regenerate Christchurch – representing a real partnership between the Council and the Crown – creates the most significant opportunity we have been offered as a city since the Canterbury earthquake sequence began just over five years ago.

Regenerate Christchurch will lead regeneration across the city, starting with the central city and New Brighton, in terms of urban regeneration, and the residential red zone, which offers so much potential from the city to the sea.

Regeneration doesn't just mean restoration; it also means new growth. So we can look forward to being involved in the realisation of the full potential of our city's wonderful location, remembering it's important that no one is left behind. That's why Regenerate

Christchurch will be outward looking and fully engaged with the range of communities that make up our city.

People have been using words like "step-change" and "transformation" to describe the next phase in our city's journey. We can make this happen.

Regenerate Christchurch will ensure its public engagement processes provide opportunities for genuine community input into the development of Regeneration Plans.

We need to ensure that all our communities take full advantage of those opportunities.

My mantra, as we developed this new approach, has been what's best for Christchurch – not for Council and not for the Government, but for Christchurch.

Our city deserves a legacy and with the backing of the community. Regenerate Christchurch can deliver that. ■



# Action aplenty on facilities front

From the cutting-edge to the most treasured heritage, the world of Christchurch City Council's community facilities has seen a few important milestones in the past month.



Christchurch's \$85 million Central Library will be the largest public library in the South Island.

At about 9,850 square metres, the New Central Library will be the largest public library in the South Island, and the second largest in the country. It will feature new spaces, equipment and programmes

not found in traditional libraries, including up to 100 computers, a 22-seat community arena for performances, author talks and public debates, a children's play zone, a café and espresso bar, and more.

## New Central Library ready to go

Another milestone has been reached in the development of Christchurch's new multimillion-dollar Central Library, with Christchurch City Council awarding the tender for construction to Southbase Construction Ltd.

Mayor Lianne Dalziel says the \$85 million project won't just be Christchurch's Central Library, but a 21st century knowledge centre networked locally, nationally and internationally.

"This is the most exciting announcement I've been involved in as Mayor. This is what the people of Christchurch have said they want to see – our community libraries have always been popular and beloved, but this will be so much more."

Mayor Dalziel says she's happy with the process.

"Southbase are a local company who've done outstanding work for the Council that residents can already see, including the Hagley Oval Pavilion and the Christchurch Bus Interchange. We've also got Architectus on board designing the library, and Southbase enjoyed a great working relationship with Architectus during creation

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Lianne Dalziel  
Christchurch Mayor

of the Bus Interchange – so all the pieces are in place for another great collaboration," Mayor Dalziel says.

New Zealand company Architectus worked in partnership with Danish library design experts schmidt hammer lassen. The Danes have received more than 150 awards for their work, which includes 12 libraries internationally and the International Criminal Court in The Hague.

Groundworks began on Monday 22 February on the Cathedral Square site of the old Camelot Hotel, clearing the way for construction of the facility to begin in earnest later in 2016. The library is scheduled to open by mid 2018.



Popular community gathering hall, The Gaiety in Akaroa, has re-opened to the delight of locals.

## The Gaiety – better, stronger and open now

The Gaiety – a popular heritage building, function centre and gathering place for the Akaroa community – enjoyed its official opening at a glitzy function on Friday 1 April.

"The date has a certain symmetry," says Banks Peninsula Councillor Andrew Turner, who opened the building alongside Mayor Lianne Dalziel. "The original opening of the hall, which started out as the Oddfellows Lodge, was on 3 April in 1879.

"The Hall has a proud history in Akaroa, and its closure over the last

five years has definitely been felt. The opening celebration, organised by the Friends of the Gaiety group, will also serve as a thank you to the community for their patience. The journey has been challenging and rewarding, and the end result is a better, stronger Gaiety that will last for generations to come," he says.

"It's as beautiful as ever, but now it has the added bonus of real structural strength," explains Richie Moyle, Programme Manager Heritage Rebuild. "If Akaroa ever felt a strong shake, the Gaiety is where I'd want to be." ■

## Sign of the Kiwi

The repair and restoration of the Port Hills' historic Sign of the Kiwi are now underway.

The contract for the repair has been awarded to Cook Brothers Construction, which is repairing, strengthening and restoring the Christchurch City Council-owned heritage building. Closed due to earthquake damage in February 2011, the Sign of the Kiwi is due to be handed over to the tenant before Christmas 2016 for reinstatement as a café.

"As a piece of old-world heritage, the Sign of the Kiwi is a treasure of national significance," says Richie Moyle, Programme Manager Heritage Rebuild.

"The building and its setting are listed as a Category 1 with Heritage New Zealand, which means it's going to be restored with tender loving care, and will be a prime spot for a visit once it's back up and running." ■

To find out more go to: [ccc.govt.nz](http://ccc.govt.nz)



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An example of a complex Port Hills property clearance.



LINZ Chief Executive Peter Mersi.



LINZ aims to complete the Port Hills clearance programme by the end of 2018.

# Port Hills property clearances progressing

It's been more than four months since Land Information New Zealand (LINZ) took over responsibility from CERA for clearing and managing Crown-owned properties in the Port Hills and flat land residential red zone areas.

Brenden Winder is the LINZ Group Manager for the Port Hills residential red zone, overseeing the large and complex clearances and property management work programme. He had performed a similar role at CERA before joining LINZ, which helped ensure the transition went smoothly.

Mr Winder says the challenge during the handover of responsibilities from CERA was to maintain momentum and make sure local communities weren't affected.

"Port Hills residents want to get on with their lives and to see progress with clearing the Crown-owned properties.

"We're making really good progress – we've cleared 237 properties, and work is underway on another 99. There are 383 Crown-owned properties in the Port Hills residential red zone left to clear. It's good to know the full scope of the job now that the last of the properties where owners accepted the Crown offer have settled," says Mr Winder.

He says property clearances in the Port Hills generally take longer than on the flat land, because of the additional geotechnical risks and complexities.

"When we're planning demolitions, we need to take specialist advice from geotechnical experts about the safest way of completing the work. We're on track to have all Port Hills demolitions complete by the end of 2018."

Clearance work hasn't gone entirely according to plan over the last few months, with the Valentine's Day

*"Doing our job properly includes listening to what local communities are telling us and making sure they're kept informed. At the end of the day, the Crown is a land owner in the Port Hills, and we want to make sure we're a good neighbour to have next door."*

Peter Mersi  
LINZ Chief Executive

earthquake putting a temporary halt to the work programme.

"When the quake hit, we put all work on hold and shut the sites down so we could get geotechnical engineers to assess them," says Brenden Winder.

"Once the engineers had taken a look, we then knew what sort of extra safeguards we needed to put in place. These are dangerous sites, and our first priority is always health and safety.

"It turned out that much of the damage that occurred on Valentine's Day was where we expected it to be, and on many sites that had been red-zoned. That means the planning and risk assessment that has been done in recent years was on the money."

As well as managing risks on site, Mr Winder needs to think about how the clearances are likely to affect neighbouring land owners and the local community.

"The LINZ property team manages the sites until the demolition starts, then the clearance team manages the demolition itself, or the house relocation – if that's feasible.

"The clearances work can be very complex, so we do a lot of planning, including how to minimise disruption to neighbouring property owners. Much of that planning is based on what the community tells us – if we know there's an event on, for example, we'll schedule work around that."


LINZ is responsible for clearing and managing Crown-owned properties in the residential red zone areas until decisions have been made about the future use of the land. Those decisions are likely to be made by Regenerate Christchurch in consultation with other agencies.

According to Peter Mersi, LINZ's Chief Executive, the work LINZ does now preserves the options available for these future uses.


"Our job is to get the properties to a point where long-term decisions about what it should be used for can be made, and aren't restricted by work we've done or have left undone," Mr Mersi says.

For more information, visit: [linz.govt.nz](http://linz.govt.nz)


**Port Hills residential red zone**  
(Crown-owned properties as at March 2016)




Properties cleared:  
**237**



Property clearances underway:  
**99**



Properties to be cleared:  
**383**



Goal for completion of Port Hills clearance programme:  
end of **2018**

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**Land Information New Zealand**  
Toitū te whenua



# Promoting the wellbeing of Cantabrians

On 1 December 2015 and 1 March 2016 the work CERA had been doing on psychosocial recovery transferred to the Ministry of Health and Canterbury District Health Board (Canterbury DHB).

The Ministry of Health and Canterbury DHB have been actively involved in our region's psychosocial recovery, but the transition means Canterbury DHB has picked up some additional leadership responsibilities, in partnership with local authorities and with support from the Ministry of Health.

So far it's been a seamless transition.

To date, a new Governance Committee has been established to oversee the psychosocial recovery, chaired by a representative from Canterbury DHB. It also includes members from other local agencies such as Christchurch City Council, Environment Canterbury, district councils and the Ministry of Social Development.

Canterbury DHB continues to co-chair the Psychosocial Committee with Ministry of Social Development and is now responsible for administration of the committee. As part of its responsibilities, it must ensure stakeholders and communities are adequately informed of progress.

The DHB will be assuming local leadership and oversight of the psychosocial recovery process, tracking the progress of social recovery outcomes, and coordinating and brokering the delivery of psychosocial recovery services.

Keeping responsibilities at a local level is fundamental to achieving the expectations set out by CERA during the handover process.

Cross-agency participation is vital to Canterbury seeing improvements and positive outcomes in our community's wellbeing.

The main goal is to ensure psychosocial services respond to the needs of the most vulnerable and benefit the wellbeing of people and communities most affected by the earthquakes.

Steps towards achieving this goal include early identification and analysis of risks to the ongoing psychosocial recovery of the Canterbury population, and development of local and national

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David Meates  
Canterbury DHB Chief Executive

strategies and actions to mitigate these identified risks.

As part of Canterbury DHB's responsibilities, work is well underway on commissioning a wellbeing survey similar to those previously carried out by CERA. Canterbury DHB will also be overseeing the Canterbury Wellbeing Index and Youth Wellbeing Survey.

Once the surveys have been conducted, the next step will be to assess trends and emerging issues to inform decision making.

We look forward to keeping the community updated on progress in promoting wellbeing for Canterbury people.



**CANTERBURY DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD**  
**David Meates**  
Chief Executive



## MBIE taking stock of rebuild progress

One of the first jobs of the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) when inheriting several of CERA's functions was to undertake a stocktake of where things are at.

Our new role includes supporting the residential rebuild, monitoring the public sector rebuild, finding new solutions for home owners with unresolved insurance issues and supporting the Residential Advisory Service.

Together with Christchurch City Council, we ran two stakeholder workshops in February to provide people with an opportunity to discuss the current state of the residential rebuild, identify issues holding back its progress and discuss objectives for a refreshed residential repair work programme.

It was a useful exercise with plenty of good discussion and feedback. Our team at MBIE is using it to finalise a work programme, which is imminent.

The workshops confirmed that our two primary objectives should be to complete the remaining insurance settlements, recognising that outstanding claims have a negative impact on community wellbeing, and to repair and rebuild in a way that supports a well-functioning housing market.

They also confirmed two key needs. One is for new circuit-breakers to resolve some of the trickier insurance settlement issues. The second is to capture data on the repair work that has or hasn't been done on individual houses so that future property owners (and in some cases their insurance companies) know exactly what remediation work has been done – particularly for cash-settled homes where repairs have been self-managed.

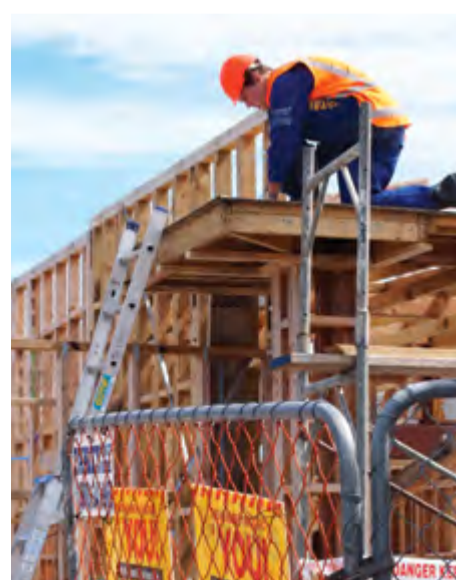
We were given a very clear message that Cantabrians want action on these issues and that they also want us to be transparent and accountable for the work that we do.

We've listened. As the Deputy Chief Executive in charge of this work at MBIE, I want to assure you that my team and I are genuinely committed to delivering our work programme – in partnership with the Christchurch City Council and the people of Christchurch.

Our door is always open and we look forward to continuing our engagement with all our Canterbury

stakeholders, as we chart our way through these next steps.

**MINISTRY OF BUSINESS, INNOVATION AND EMPLOYMENT**  
**Andrew Crisp**  
Deputy Chief Executive Building, Resources and Markets



Supporting the residential rebuild is a key goal for MBIE.

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Andrew Crisp  
MBIE Deputy Chief Executive  
Building, Resources and Markets



# Focus on future of greater Christchurch



## Important regeneration role for Greater Christchurch Group

It is a time of enormous change for greater Christchurch, and an exciting time to be part of what is happening in this region, says Andrew Kibblewhite.



**Andrew Kibblewhite**  
Chief Executive of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

So it is a privilege that the department I lead, the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC), is playing an important role in the next phase for the region, the regeneration of greater Christchurch.

As of 1 March, DPMC has established its Greater Christchurch Group in the region to take on responsibilities that had been held by the outgoing Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority (CERA), to lead and coordinate the Government's ongoing support of greater Christchurch, and to monitor and report on progress so we can be sure the region is heading in the right direction.

Our intention is for central government to progressively step back from leadership of the recovery, to allow for local leadership of the regeneration. It is important we manage this leadership handover in a responsible way, so that local authorities feel properly supported to step into those leadership roles. To achieve this, my team and I have to make sure we work closely with and support local councils, Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, and other organisations involved in the regeneration, including Regenerate Christchurch and Crown-owned company Ōtākaro Limited.

There is still a lot of work to be done, both for the wellbeing of people and in the planning and physical redevelopment of the region. A lot of this work has been picked up from CERA by existing government agencies such as Land Information New Zealand, the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment, the Ministry of Health and Canterbury District Health Board. Through the Greater Christchurch Group, DPMC will be looking to ensure coordination and support across the region.

The Greater Christchurch Group's tasks include the oversight and funding of the horizontal infrastructure rebuild programme alongside the New Zealand Transport Agency and Christchurch City Council. This programme is about restoring a fully functioning network of infrastructure, such as roads, bridges, and underground pipes, to ensure they can cope if there are any future quakes, and so people can have confidence in these vital services.

The Group will also provide formal advice to the Prime Minister and ministers on regeneration policy issues

and regeneration plans prepared by Regenerate Christchurch and others. This will include issues such as the future use of the residential red zones.

The Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Learning and Legacy programme is well underway under the leadership of the Greater Christchurch Group. This is about gathering the many recovery lessons across different sectors to share not only in New Zealand, but throughout the world as well, so that others can benefit from them.

While much of the hard work has been done in the recovery to date, I'm under no illusions that a huge task still lies ahead. But we have a very talented and experienced group in place headed by Kelvan Smith who was recently appointed Director of the Group. This follows the very sad loss of Michelle Mitchell, who died in January just a few weeks after being appointed to the role.

To find out more, go to: [dpmc.govt.nz/gcg](http://dpmc.govt.nz/gcg)

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Andrew Kibblewhite  
DPMC Chief Executive

*The Greater Christchurch Group is one of three new entities focussing on the regeneration of Christchurch and its surrounding areas after CERA ends on 18 April 2016. Read more on pages 8 and 9.*



# A new phase of leadership in

The Government and Christchurch City Council have developed a new set of recovery arrangements and responsibilities to maintain momentum, better address the challenges faced by the central city and drive regeneration. These arrangements were outlined in the Transition Recovery Plan released in October 2015. The diagram (right) identifies the new organisations, and shows how they will work together to drive the regeneration of Christchurch over the next five years.



## Planning a new stage of Christchurch's regeneration

To provide the foundation for a new form of partnership between the Crown and Christchurch City Council, the Greater Christchurch Regeneration Bill focuses on the next stage of the city's recovery: regeneration.

Representing that partnership is a new organisation, which is governed by an independent Board appointed by the Crown and the Council, and has been established to lead regeneration activities within Christchurch city. Regenerate Christchurch will develop Regeneration Plans and provide expert, independent advice for its partners, while engaging with the local community and the broad range of organisations, businesses and stakeholders involved in the rebuild and recovery.

Regenerate Christchurch Chairman, André Lovatt, was appointed late last year to help guide the organisation's development. He says Regenerate Christchurch represents a wholly new phase in the city's post-earthquake recovery.

"At its heart, Regenerate Christchurch is about realising the opportunities and potential the city has ahead of it, and reflecting the future the people of Christchurch want to see," says André Lovatt.

"The organisation's vision is to support a vibrant, thriving Christchurch that has cultural, economic, environmental and social opportunities for residents, businesses, visitors, investors and developers."

Building on that vision – and working closely with the community and other stakeholders – Regenerate Christchurch will develop plans for regeneration activities and strategies across the city.

To ensure planning and activity are efficient and inclusive, it will also collaborate with its partner organisations: Development Christchurch Limited, the Council's development company; and the new Crown company, Ōtākaro Limited, which has responsibility for the key anchor projects and precincts in Christchurch, as well as divesting land the Crown now owns.

Regenerate Christchurch is initially focused on three key areas within Christchurch city: the residential red zone, the central city and New Brighton.

"Planning for the residential red zone involves considering activities for an area that spans 732 hectares of land – four-and-a-half times the size of Hagley Park," says André Lovatt. "This includes the Avon Loop red zone as well as parts of Brooklands, Southshore and the Port Hills."

In the central city, Regenerate Christchurch will initially focus on what can be done to increase momentum



Regenerate Christchurch Chairman, André Lovatt.

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André Lovatt  
Regenerate Christchurch Chairman

and support the successful regeneration of the inner city. In New Brighton, Regenerate Christchurch will review existing work and advise on possible regeneration initiatives.

Mr Lovatt says the regeneration process is seen as a long-term focus for the city. Regenerate Christchurch may provide the foundation for the Council's planning, strategy and development over the years ahead.

"In particular, Regenerate Christchurch will design and establish a comprehensive public engagement process. This will ensure the local

community has the opportunity to be informed about the decisions that affect them and participate in the programme from its earliest stages."

How successful Regenerate Christchurch is will be measured by that engagement, he says.

"Ultimately, the community, stakeholders and partners of Regenerate Christchurch will see their ideas, needs and ambitions reflected in the plans and recommendations the organisation produces." ■



# Christchurch's regeneration

## Ōtākaro Chair commits to urgency around anchor projects

Ross Butler, Chairman of Ōtākaro Limited, the new Crown company established to deliver key anchor projects and precincts in Christchurch, says the organisation will work swiftly to gain the “trust and confidence” of Cantabrians.

“We understand people’s concerns around project delays,” says Mr Butler. “The Christchurch community – both the public and the business sector – want things done differently.

“Our values include ownership and urgency. People will see pretty quickly that we mean business and that progress is being made – because the decision making is now in the hands of a company which is acting with a commercial focus to get things done.

“The goals are more explicit and we will be held accountable for delivering.”

Christchurch born and educated, Mr Butler is a professional director with extensive governance experience on commercial, Crown entity, sporting and community boards and trusts.

His fellow directors are Peter Townsend, Chief Executive of the Canterbury Employers’ Chamber of Commerce, and Miriam Dean, QC.

Peter Townsend holds several other directorships and trustee positions. He has been actively involved in earthquake recovery issues and was

a member of the Advisory Board on Transition which finished in December 2015.

Miriam Dean has many years of legal and governance experience, including as a former partner of law firm Russell McVeagh and former president of the New Zealand Bar Association.

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Ross Butler  
Ōtākaro Limited Chairman

Ōtākaro Limited takes on the anchor project delivery and asset divestment roles once CERA winds down in April. It will also work closely with the two other new organisations, Regenerate Christchurch and Development Christchurch Limited, to ensure

thinking and ambitions for the city are aligned.

The company has two shareholding ministers on behalf of the Crown, Minister Gerry Brownlee and Minister Bill English. Ōtākaro’s operations and its success are in the hands of the Board and the Chief Executive.

Ōtākaro Limited will be Crown capitalised and funded, but with a strong focus on decisions being made locally with a far higher degree of collaboration with the city’s business community.

“We will deliver on the aspirations of the ‘Share an Idea’ campaign,” says Mr Butler. “Since I was appointed in December, I have been engaging with people around the city. I have listened to their frustrations and ideas and will continue to do so.

“We have fed all those learnings into Ōtākaro, providing us with a strong base to deliver the anchor projects in a more commercially focused way, [and] ensure the work is accelerated so the city can start to see and feel the benefits as soon as possible.



Ross Butler, Chairman of Ōtākaro Limited.

“The organisation takes its name from the city’s river, because our role is to achieve the vision the people of Christchurch have for our river and the major projects and precincts that line its banks.

“We will work with communities and businesses to create a city that is vibrant, resilient, safe, sustainable, accessible, inspirational, innovative and prosperous.

“We are honoured to have the blessing of the Matapopore Charitable Trust, who represent the interests of Ngāi Tūāhuriri,” says Mr Butler. “This reflects the shared commitment of the Crown and the Rūnanga in terms of the future development of the city.”

To find out more, go to: [otakarold.co.nz](http://otakarold.co.nz) ■



Ōtākaro Limited’s goal is to deliver key anchor projects and precincts in Christchurch.

## Development Christchurch Limited

Development Christchurch Limited is Christchurch City Council’s commercial development company with a focus on generating investment opportunities in central and wider Christchurch.

The Council Controlled Trading Organisation was established in April 2015 with Christchurch City Holdings Limited (CCHL) as the sole shareholder.

Development Christchurch Limited Chairman Bill Dwyer says the agency will provide a single point of entry for investors.

“This is an opportunity to speed up Christchurch’s post-quake rebuild and help attract private sector funding for major projects. It will provide a flexible framework to catalyse projects, raise capital and engage with public and private sector partners.”

It has an independent board of five, with members nominated by CCHL and approved by the Council. ■





Christchurch City Council Head of Parks Andrew Rutledge urges people to use alternatives rather than parking illegally around Hagley Park and risk being fined.



## More cycleways under construction

Contractors have started work on new sections of the Uni-Cycle, one of the Council's Major Cycle Routes.

The work includes a short section of cycleway alongside Christchurch Boys' High School (165 metres) and a shared path through North Hagley Park (1.2 kilometres).

Contractors will do what they can to minimise disruption over the three-month work period, however, there is likely to be some impact on movements through the area. Signs will show any detours or restrictions and the Council encourages people to allow extra time for travel.

If you are in the area, be on the lookout for other people in vehicles, riding or walking and mindful of their safety.

You can find out more about this project and the Major Cycle Routes online at [ccc.govt.nz/cycleways](http://ccc.govt.nz/cycleways)

## Hagley Park no-stopping areas

With the winter sport season underway, Christchurch City Council is asking people not to park vehicles in no-stopping areas around Hagley Park.

There is an ongoing issue with people illegally parking vehicles around Hagley Park. Barriers have been installed along the berm adjacent to the Bob Deans Fields in North Hagley Park to prevent people from parking there. Permanent post and rail fencing will protect the health of our treasured, historic trees and is expected to be completed in about a week.

There are other berms around the park without barriers and the

Council is asking people not to park in these areas.

Andrew Rutledge, Head of Parks says, "Hagley Park is an extremely busy area, especially on Saturday mornings with sporting activities and people dropping-off and picking-up players.

"Finding a parking space close to sports field can be challenging and people may be tempted to park in no-stopping areas such as berms or across private driveways. People

could face a fine of up to \$40 and risk having their vehicles towed if they park in these places.

"There are a number of parking areas within walking distance of fields which have designated and controlled crossings where people can cross safely," Mr Rutledge says.

The work is in line with the Hagley Park Management Plan.

[ccc.govt.nz/transport/parking](http://ccc.govt.nz/transport/parking)

## Apply now for community funding

Local organisations working on grassroots projects that strengthen community wellbeing in Christchurch can apply for funding from Christchurch City Council's Strengthening Communities funding schemes.

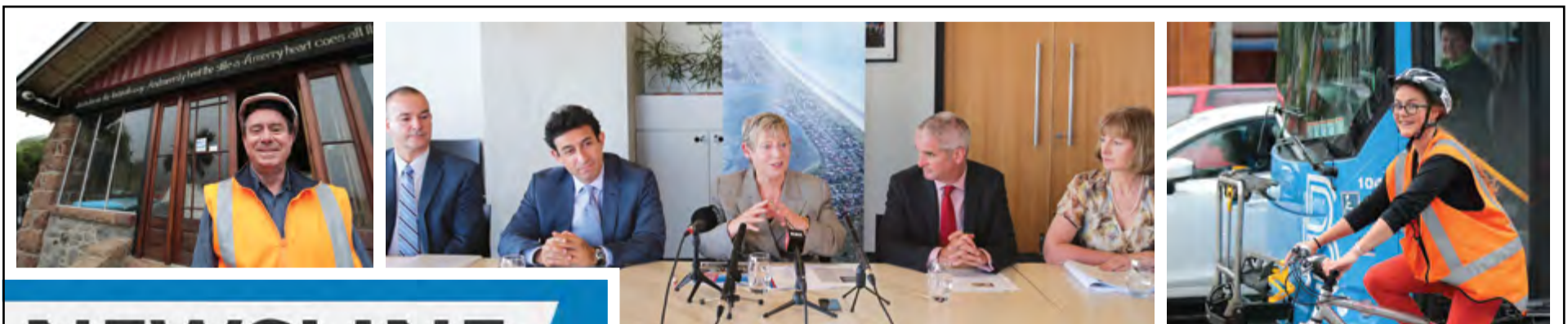
Community groups have until Saturday 30 April 2016 to apply for either the Strengthening Communities Fund (grants of over

\$5,000) or the Small Grants Fund (grants of \$5,000 and under).

"The not-for-profit sector provides a critical contribution to the wellbeing of our city. The Strengthening Communities Fund and Small Grants Fund is an invaluable resource to tap into for projects that increase participation, support innovation, encourage community

connectedness – and we encourage groups to apply," says Claire Phillips, Christchurch City Council Community Support Team Manager.

There is more information on the Council's website: [ccc.govt.nz/culture-and-community/community-funding/](http://ccc.govt.nz/culture-and-community/community-funding/)



## NEWSLINE

News, information

Check out Newsline and stay up-to-date with what is happening in Christchurch and get information first.

You'll find Newsline on the Christchurch City Council website with regular updates during the working week featuring stories, pictures and videos about Christchurch issues, events and activities.

[ccc.govt.nz/newsline](http://ccc.govt.nz/newsline)





# Your chance to comment on draft Council budget

The Annual Plan 2016-17 explains the work the Council will do and how it will pay for it.

Because of the proposed changes to the capital programme, the Council is having to amend its Long Term Plan while it considers the Annual Plan for the year ahead.

Mayor Lianne Dalziel says that by being realistic about the timing of major projects and making operational savings and settling insurance, the Council has achieved a lower than planned rates increase of 5 per cent, without needing to release any additional capital in 2016-17.

"We've adopted a realistic draft Annual Plan after undertaking a complete review of our

capital programme as promised when we released our Long Term Plan last year," says Mayor Lianne Dalziel.

"We are being realistic about how many projects we can complete in the coming year and have budgeted accordingly.

Public submissions close on Tuesday 10 May.

For more information see [ccc.govt.nz/annualplan](http://ccc.govt.nz/annualplan)



A vibrant image of Kite Day in New Brighton graces the cover of this year's Annual Plan after enthusiastic amateur photographer Jianhuai Chen won the Council's photo competition. Mr Chen moved to Christchurch from China in 2010 and now lives in Burnside. "I fell in love with New Zealand, especially Christchurch, as soon as I came here. I think it is a beautiful and very friendly place."



Christchurch City  
Draft Annual Plan  
**2016**  
**2017**  
and amended  
Long Term Plan 2015-2025  
**Consultation**  
Christchurch Ōtautahi


## How to have your say

We want to hear your views on the draft Annual Plan. There are a number of new ways you can give feedback, depending on what suits you.

### Written feedback:


 Fill out our online feedback form to make a submission.


Drop in to a library or service centre and fill out a submission form.


 Email your feedback to [ccc-plan@ccc.govt.nz](mailto:ccc-plan@ccc.govt.nz)

### Social media:

Comments can be made through the following channels:

 Fill out our survey on the Council Facebook page.

 Twitter. Tweet us your feedback by using #cccplan

 Go to our Facebook page and include #cccplan in your post.

### Be heard in person:

Come and talk to us at a **Have Your Say** event. These events are a new initiative where you can provide your feedback and be heard by your local elected members.

### Have your say events:

To attend please register, call (03) 941 8999 (0800 800 169 for Banks Peninsula callers) or email [ccc-plan@ccc.govt.nz](mailto:ccc-plan@ccc.govt.nz)

### Local community board:

- **Tuesday 12 April**, Burwood-Pegasus Ward
- **Monday 18 April**, Spreydon-Heathcote Ward
- **Wednesday 20 April**, Riccarton-Wigram Ward
- **Friday 22 April**, Fendalton-Waimairi Ward
- **Wednesday 27 April**, Hagley-Ferrymead Ward



- **Wednesday 27 April**, Akaroa, Banks Peninsula Ward
- **Thursday 28 April**, Shirley-Papanui Ward
- **Monday 2 May**, Lyttelton, Banks Peninsula Ward

### Citywide councillor event:

No registration is required.

- **Monday 2 May**, 9am-12noon, Civic Offices, 53 Hereford Street
- **Friday 6 May**, 1pm-4pm, Civic Offices, 53 Hereford Street

We encourage you to find out what's proposed. Visit [ccc.govt.nz/annualplan](http://ccc.govt.nz/annualplan), or see a copy at any Council library or service centre.





## Public provides its views on Waimakariri ‘regeneration areas’

Waimakariri District Council has been consulting on proposed land uses for Waimakariri’s residential red zone areas – now known as ‘regeneration areas’.

Community feedback during the *Canvas* (2014) and *Let’s Discuss* (2015) campaigns, combined with updated geotechnical information and discussions with a broad range of interest groups, led to the development of a series of broad plans for using the five regeneration areas of Kaiapoi East, Kaiapoi West, Kaiapoi South, Pines Beach and Kairaki. This became the Preliminary Draft Residential Red Zone Plan (*Let’s Plan*), which was publicly released on 5 February 2016.

The plan was developed in collaboration with CERA, Environment Canterbury and Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu.

Proposed land uses ranged from sport and recreation to business. Proposals included non-intensive rural use, neighbourhood parks, heritage and mahinga kai cultural areas, a dog park, a food forest, a BMX track, playing fields and pavilions, an ashes-only cemetery and amalgamating some of the land with Tūhaitara Coastal Park.

An intensive communications and engagement campaign throughout February aimed to fully inform and involve the community. A touring three-dimensional interactive model proved immensely popular, attracting over 1,700 people and drawing over 3,000 comments. The consultation had its own website ([redzoneplan.nz](http://redzoneplan.nz)), which included flyover videos of the regeneration areas and reached over 2,000 people – and was also advertised in local papers and on commercial radio. Its Facebook presence had over 3,000 clicks, reactions, comments and shares.

The consultation period, which closed on Friday 4 March, drew 136 formal comments. Initial reviews indicate commenters broadly accept the plan, with strong support for a district sports ground and the suggested reserves network. Opinions regarding the proposed ashes-only cemetery in Kaiapoi East were mixed. Informal comment from people attending the display suggests strong support for the Council’s preparation of *Let’s Plan*, presentation of options and extensive consultation.

All feedback and formal comment on *Let’s Plan* will be considered by a hearing panel from 6 to 8 April. After considering the panel’s recommendations, the Council will, in turn, prepare a Draft Recovery Plan, which will be provided to the Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery.

Following public notifications and an opportunity for members of the public to make written comments, the Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery will decide whether to approve the Draft Recovery Plan. If that approval is given, implementation of some elements of the Plan may begin later this year. ■



The touring three-dimensional interactive model proved immensely popular.

### Contact details:

🏠 [redzoneplan.nz](http://redzoneplan.nz)

☎️ 03 311 8900

@ [info@redzoneplan.nz](mailto:info@redzoneplan.nz)





# SCIRT thanks people for their patience

Eight months of having trenches at your door, dust, noise, and traffic diversions, is enough to try the patience of a saint.

The Stronger Christchurch Infrastructure Rebuild Team (SCIRT) has been fortunate that Rob and Jan Bargrove, who live metres from the Beachville Road seawall in Redcliffs, say it's been worth it.

The Bargroves, who have a view of SCIRT works from their kitchen window, say, "Without noise, there's no progress. There's been dust that blows all over the house and vibration that makes your whole house shake, but it's progress so we are grateful.

"Before work started on the seawall, water would come over the bank. It's nice to know that we don't have to worry about that any more."

Jan and Rob Bargrove have had a lot of interaction with SCIRT's crew, who have been welcomed with open arms and fresh baking by the community.

"The crew are so hard working. They usually arrive around 7am in the dark and they often don't leave until late," says Mrs Bargrove.

A small army of SCIRT people in hi viz gear is not an unusual sight for the people of Christchurch.

SCIRT's latest research shows 95 per cent of Christchurch residents think roadworks are part of progress and 81 per cent say they are still tolerant of SCIRT works.

SCIRT Executive General Manager Ian Campbell says, "After more than four years, we are so thankful that people are still slowing down for roadworks and welcoming our crews into their communities."

Deputy Principal Ruth Stuart says the children of Te Waka Unua School on Ferry Road learnt the importance of using a safe pedestrian crossing while SCIRT rebuilt the storm water system at their school entrance for about two months.

"The works made it difficult for our students to cross the road safely to get to school. The team worked out a way to open the pedestrian

crossing before and after school, which was awesome.

"The guys were very child friendly, helping them cross the road and get to the gate safely. They were even able to help ambulances reach the school. We had a student injure themselves and they [the team] stood on the street and directed the ambulance up a partially closed intersection so it could easily get to the school."

Mr Campbell says, "SCIRT is in its final year and its crews will be leaving the streets before the end of 2016. We couldn't have done our work without the tremendous support we have received from the community.

"Communication is so important when you are disrupting people's daily lives, as we are. People appreciate knowing what work we're doing in their street, outside their business or on their road. We work hard to keep them informed."

So whether you've had SCIRT on your street for a day, a month or a year, SCIRT would like to thank you for your patience. ■



*"Before work started on the seawall, water would come over the bank. It's nice to know that we don't have to worry about that any more."*

Jan and Rob Bargrove

Beachville Road couple, Jan and Rob Bargrove, visit the work site on their doorstep.



Te Waka Unua Deputy Principal, Ruth Stuart.

During the past four years, SCIRT has:

- delivered more than **1.5 million** work notices 
- met with more than **37,000** people 
- sent out more than **200** e-newsletters 
- sent more than **200** weekly traffic updates 
- run safety sessions at more than **160** schools 

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# Aranui community welcomes new Housing New Zealand homes

Housing New Zealand (HNZ) has just completed the first of five major social housing developments in the Aranui community in Christchurch's east.

The Aldershot Street site features 15 two-storeyed units. Ten of these are two-bedroom homes, three have three bedrooms and two have four bedrooms.

HNZ's Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Programme Acting General Manager Andrew Booker says the site is the first of five major HNZ sites being redeveloped in Aranui, which will see around 75 houses built in total.

Housing New Zealand engaged extensively with the local community and key stakeholders during the planning phase.

Mr Booker says Housing New Zealand lost significant numbers of Aranui properties after the earthquakes but is thrilled to be replacing those damaged houses with even more new ones this year.

As at 29 February, the Canterbury programme had completed construction of 446 new homes across Christchurch and work on a further 332 homes was underway.

Mr Booker says these new homes are warm, dry and modern and have all the features you expect to find in a new home.

"We're building these new homes all across greater Christchurch. In fact, we will have new properties across nearly 30 suburbs," Mr Booker says. ■

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☎ 0800 801 601

@ [enquiries1@hnzc.co.nz](mailto:enquiries1@hnzc.co.nz)




A much-welcomed new Housing New Zealand development in Aranui will be tenanted by families this month.

## EQC update on Increased Liquefaction Vulnerability

The Earthquake Commission (EQC) expects to start settling customers who have Increased Liquefaction Vulnerability (ILV) land damage from mid year.

EQC is currently working out the settlement amounts for around 4,400 customers who late last year and early this year were told their properties qualify for ILV.

"We have made good progress so far but there is still more we need to do before we can start making any payments," says EQC Head of Canterbury Land Settlement, Keith Land.

Settlements for ILV land damage will be made by cash payment, which is how EQC has been settling all land claims to date.

The cash settlement for ILV land damage will be based on one of two approaches: repair cost, or reduction in market value of the property due to ILV land damage – also called Diminution of Value (DOV).

"It's important to note that each property is considered on its own merits. Each property has unique characteristics, which means that one-size-fits-all or an automated settlement approach is inappropriate," Mr Land says.

Based on what is known to date, EQC expects that most ILV properties will be settled on the basis of DOV. This is because there will generally not be a feasible repair to ILV damage where the house has remained in place after the earthquakes.

Furthermore, if an ILV property was repaired or rebuilt without any repair of the ILV land damage, it is likely the settlement will be based on DOV. The settlement will also be based on DOV if the property has been sold since the earthquakes.

"Generally the DOV approach and settlements for ILV will be similar to how EQC is handling Increased Flooding Vulnerability claims," says Mr Land.

EQC expects to complete ILV settlements, together with other outstanding land settlements, by the end of this year.

For more information, go to: [eqc.govt.nz/ILV](http://eqc.govt.nz/ILV) ■

🏠 [eqc.govt.nz](http://eqc.govt.nz)

☎ 0800 DAMAGE or 0800 326 243



# Equestrians to enjoy new forest trail near Christchurch

Horse and pony riders from greater Christchurch will this month be able to enjoy riding through 350 hectares of forest trails when West Melton Forest opens its gates for the first time.



Young riders enjoy the trail at Baynons Brake, a smaller equestrian park across the Waimakariri River from the new 10-kilometre West Melton Forest trail opening at the end of April. Photo: Cathy Price, Priceless Images

West Melton Forest, near Clarkville, is part of Environment Canterbury's Waimakariri River Regional Park, which also includes Baynons Brake, a smaller horse-riding trail on the opposite side of the river, near Kainga.

Originally planted as a flood protection measure, the 350-hectare pine forest continues to protect the Waimakariri's stopbanks from floods, and has been developed with equestrians in mind. The development was undertaken to meet the increasing demand for safe horse-riding facilities in the Selwyn district.

"Lots of people have been asking for places to ride off-road in the Selwyn district," says Environment Canterbury Parks and Forests Team Leader David Owen.

"Equestrians will appreciate the new 10 kilometres of marked trail. Horse-and-carts are permitted in the forest as well, with large sandy areas and forest roads to explore."

This project has seen a lot of community support through volunteer planting days, a donated

picnic bench by the Christchurch pony clubs and many other donations of both time and resources. Environment Canterbury is developing the park in association with Selwyn District Council, which has contributed financially, and Fulton Hogan, which has also generously contributed to the development of the park.

All local horse riders and carriage drivers are welcome to attend the grand opening of this new park on 30 April at 10.30am. A barbecue lunch will follow later in the afternoon once everyone has had a chance to explore the trails. For more information and to register for the event, go to: [facebook.com/Ecan.Parks](https://facebook.com/Ecan.Parks) ■

Contact details:

🏠 [ecan.govt.nz](http://ecan.govt.nz)

☎ 03 353 9007





# Newcomers and Migrants Strategy welcomes new residents

A new strategy has been developed to help new residents and migrants to settle into life in Selwyn.

The district is New Zealand's fastest-growing area. In the year to June 2015, the population increased by 6.5 per cent. Of the people who moved to Selwyn, five years ago 45 per cent were living in Christchurch, 16 per cent overseas and 39 per cent elsewhere in New Zealand or Canterbury.

The Newcomers and Migrants Strategy has been developed by Selwyn District Council in partnership with a range of organisations. It aims to provide newcomers and migrants with information and services to enable them to contribute to and feel part of their new community. It also aims to treat people with respect, celebrate diverse cultures and support collaboration between organisations.

Actions planned as part of the strategy include developing a website for newcomers, establishing information points for new residents

and hosting English as a second language classes at Selwyn libraries, and holding cultural celebrations and exhibitions. In October a Diwali festival at Lincoln was held as part of the strategy. Around 1,000 people attended to try Indian food, watch dance performances, and view traditional costume displays and crafts. Over summer, 'Meet Your Street' has also been visiting communities across Selwyn, where people are invited to meet their neighbours over coffee and games in local parks. ■

**Contact details:**  
 🏠 [selwyn.govt.nz](http://selwyn.govt.nz)  
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A Diwali festival in October 2015 was one of the events to help welcome newcomers and migrants to Selwyn.

## Useful contacts



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**EQC**  
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**SCIRT**  
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[strongerchristchurch.govt.nz](http://strongerchristchurch.govt.nz)

**Waimakariri District Council**  
 03 311 8900  
[waimakariri.govt.nz](http://waimakariri.govt.nz)

**Selwyn District Council**  
 03 347 2800  
 03 318 8338  
[selwyn.govt.nz](http://selwyn.govt.nz)

**Environment Canterbury**  
 03 353 9007  
[ecan.govt.nz](http://ecan.govt.nz)

**Canterbury Support Line**  
 0800 777 846

**Earthquake Support Coordination Service**  
 0800 777 846

**Residential Advisory Service**  
 03 379 7027  
 0800 777 299  
[advisory.org.nz](http://advisory.org.nz)

**Canterbury Earthquake Temporary Accommodation Service**  
 0800 673 227  
[quakeaccommodation.govt.nz](http://quakeaccommodation.govt.nz)

A number of CERA's former functions transitioned to other agencies on 1 December 2015 and 1 March 2016.

The Ministry of Health and Canterbury District Health Board have now taken over responsibility for monitoring and reporting on community wellbeing including the delivery of the Community Wellbeing Index and Wellbeing Survey.

**Contact details:**  
 🏠 [cph.co.nz/About-Us/Mental-Wellbeing](http://cph.co.nz/About-Us/Mental-Wellbeing)

Land Information New Zealand (LINZ) has inherited the remaining responsibilities for demolitions and land clearances (mainly in the Port Hills) and interim land management in the residential red zones.

**Contact details:**  
 🏠 [linz.govt.nz](http://linz.govt.nz)  
 ☎️ 0800 665 463  
 @ [customersupport@linz.govt.nz](mailto:customersupport@linz.govt.nz)

Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) is responsible for supporting the residential rebuild and monitoring the public sector rebuild.

**Contact details:**  
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 ☎️ 04 901 1499  
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The Greater Christchurch Group in the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) will lead and coordinate central government's ongoing role in the regeneration of greater Christchurch.

**Contact details:**  
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# What's on...

## Penrith Panthers v Vodafone Warriors

14 May, 5pm, AMI Stadium

Top-class league returns to Christchurch with this NRL game at AMI Stadium.  
\$29-\$59



## ANZAC Day Commemoration

25 April, 6am  
Cranmer Square

Pay your respects to those who served our country.  
FREE



## Iron Maiden – The Book of Souls World Tour

29 April, 7.30pm  
Horncastle Arena

Catch the classic act as they tour their new album The Book of Souls.  
From \$101.40



## Jamie Lawson

24 April, 8pm  
Isaac Theatre Royal

\$51.70



## Stephen K Amos – The Laughter Master

11 May, 8pm  
Aurora Centre for the Performing Arts

From \$38



## Leighs Construction CSO Presents Mad Men & Dangerous Women

21 April, 7.30pm, Isaac Theatre Royal

A musical journey through the 50s and 60s with songs by Burt Bacharach, Frank Sinatra and more.  
From \$25



## Opera Meets Art

16 April, 7pm  
Christchurch Art Gallery

A two-part performance of popular opera.  
\$68



## The Dunstan Creek Séance

16 April – 7 May, 8pm  
The Court Theatre

Based on real-life accounts of early New Zealand hauntings, this is a spine-chilling production.  
From \$35



## Tommy Tiernan – Out of the Whirlwind

4 May, 8pm  
Aurora Centre for the Performing Arts

The veteran Irish comedian presents his new show.  
\$69.90



## The Stranglers

15 April, 8.30pm  
Horncastle Arena

From \$89



## The Proclaimers

23 April, 8.30pm  
Horncastle Arena

Scotland's favourite sons embrace hits like I'm Gonna Be (500 miles), I'm On My Way and King of the Road. From \$80.50

The events featured on this page are just a selection of what's happening in Christchurch over the next few weeks. Find out more online. ■

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For more events visit:  
[bethere.co.nz](http://bethere.co.nz)