



# Greater Christchurch

## RECOVERY UPDATE



CBD billboards signal the rebuild is really gaining momentum

## Victoria Street leads the way in the central city rebuild

The ever-popular Victoria Street is abuzz with construction activity these days as the CBD rebuild really takes off.

Although the busy retail and hospitality area took a hit in the earthquakes, a number of builds are in progress now – with more in the pipeline.

Richard Diver and business partner Mike Sullivan own a number of buildings and parcels of land on the street through their business, Countrywide Property.

Three properties have already been rebuilt or repaired. Notably the two-storey Warren and Mahoney building (131 Victoria Street), which Countrywide bought on the day it was due to be demolished, has now been fully restored. A new six-storey office building is scheduled for completion in July of this year. Three more new builds of between four and six



Artist's impression. 123, 131 and 133 Victoria Street will be built on by Christmas next year and a tree-lined boulevard with an outdoor café and restaurant space created

storeys are set to start in the next year and finish by Christmas 2014. Design work on another five-storey building is complete.

"We think we've got about 25,000 square metres of office space – either completed or [with building] ready to start," says Richard Diver. He notes that the volume of leasable space is about twice as much as what a building like Clarendon Towers used to offer.

Richard Diver says the result will be a range of ground floor retail outlets, with office space above. One building will provide parking, primarily for Countrywide tenants. Some space will be dedicated to hospitality, such as a new Bog, the Irish bar that was displaced from Cashel Mall. Tenants include lawyers, recruitment firms, architects and other professional firms.

"People are happy to see something happening. They are thrilled to see progress. I've had people I don't even know stop me in the street – they think it is fantastic. This is what drives you to do it," says Mr Diver.

Other property owners are also busy doing their bit to put Victoria Street back on the map. A three-storey building at 134 Victoria Street is going up, using earthquake-resistant technology developed at University of Canterbury. Its special post-tensioned timber frame system (Pres-Lam) is designed to move and dissipate energy during earthquakes. It will offer about 1,600 square metres of office and retail space from June or July of this year.

SCIRT repairs on wastewater pipes that dated back to 1882 have been completed and new laterals (pipes that take wastewater from each property to the main) laid to businesses. There will be more work in the Salisbury Street/Victoria Street intersection. ♻️

### Building work in place

\$334,392,000 residential building work underway in Canterbury in December 2012

Compared to: \$193,887,000 residential building work underway in Canterbury in December 2011



This equates to an increase of over 72% in one year



\$618,719,000 Total building work underway in Canterbury in December 2012

Compared to: \$387,218,000 Total building work underway in Canterbury in December 2011

This equates to an increase of over 59% in one year



### Building consents

\$4,238,534,215 total value of all building consents issued in Canterbury since September 2010



\$146,156,352 average value of building consents per month since September 2010

Compared to: \$120,334,758 average value of building consents per month in the 12 months to September 2010



This equates to an increase of over 21%



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## Tips to staying well this winter

### Get a flu vaccination

The Canterbury District Health Board recommends getting immunised as the best way to ensure you stay well and can keep doing what you enjoy this winter - influenza can ruin your plans if you let it. Each person who has the flu vaccine also protects everyone around them. We in Canterbury care about the vulnerable people in our community and so this year, the message is "protection for others starts with you". To get immunised call your general practice team.

### Dress warmly - wool is best

Dress yourself and your children in layers of warm clothing even when you are at home. Woollen blankets, a good duvet, and a hot water bottle will keep you warm in your bed.

### Eat warm nourishing food

Warm soup is a great healthy way to warm up.

### Heat to the right level

- The best temperature for health is 18° to 21° in the living room while you are at home and 16° overnight in your bedroom.
- Be sure to heat the bedrooms of infants, elderly or the unwell as they are more vulnerable to cold.

### Keep an eye out for each other

Look out for elderly relatives and neighbours by regularly checking on them to ensure they are eating well, keeping warm and taking their medications properly.

### Keep your mind, body and spirit warm

All Right? is a campaign designed to help Cantabrians think about their mental health and wellbeing and ways they can improve it. The main messages of the All Right? campaign are that however you are feeling is all right, that you're not alone, and that there are small things you can do to boost your wellbeing.

To find out more go to: [www.allright.org.nz](http://www.allright.org.nz)

For more information on winter wellness, go to: [www.healthychristchurch.org.nz](http://www.healthychristchurch.org.nz)

## Earthquake Commission (EQC) on home heating for winter

**EQC Canterbury Home Repair Manager Reid Stiven says as we move into autumn, with winter just around the corner, there may still be some people in the community who don't have adequate heating to keep them warm.**

"People who haven't yet replaced their heating are our priority and we need your help to find them," says Mr Stiven.

"If anyone, or anyone they know is suffering the cold after losing their main source of heating in the earthquakes, they should call us today on 0800 DAMAGE – 0800 326 243."

To date, Fletcher EQR has installed 8,950 heat pumps and 5,900 solid fuel burners under the EQC Canterbury Winter Heat Programme. Priority is given to those homes whose occupants are the most vulnerable – for example, people with a serious medical condition, particularly if they are elderly. 🔄

## Digging for the future of Christchurch – Te Papa Ōtākaro/Avon River Precinct breaks ground

**A major milestone has been reached with the turning of the first sod on an anchor project in Christchurch's central city.**

Construction of Te Papa Ōtākaro/Avon River Precinct has begun with work on the northern riverbank between the Antigua Boatsheds and Montreal Street. Called Watermark, this first phase of development will be a guide to how the rest of the 3.2km-long River Precinct will look.

Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Gerry Brownlee says the idea of Watermark is to give people the opportunity to see how the riverbank can be developed to allow them to get closer to the water and enjoy the natural features of the waterfront.

"This River Precinct is one of the projects that will encourage people to come back into the central city, whether it be to relax and enjoy the views, or to walk or cycle along the riverbanks.

"It will also encourage businesses to develop near the river and take advantage of what will be a very attractive place to work and visit."

Christchurch Central Development Unit (CCDU) Director Warwick Isaacs says it's the first of many anchor projects for CCDU but it's also a flavour of what's to come in the River Precinct.

"So we're really interested in community feedback on Watermark. Then we can feed that into the designs for the rest of Te Papa Ōtākaro/Avon River Precinct. If people don't like it or love it or have other ideas then maybe we can factor that into the balance of the project," says Mr Isaacs.



Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Gerry Brownlee became digger driver for the day on Saturday 23 March, turning the first sod on Te Papa Ōtākaro/Avon River Precinct. The Watermark project will include new pathways and landscaping, as well as a viewing platform over the river and curved concrete seating to create an amphitheatre-style space

Watermark is expected to take eight weeks to complete. Construction of the next sections of the River Precinct is scheduled to start this November. An official open day is planned for 21 April. 🔄

## Recycled Ellerslie gardens to brighten the empty spaces of New Brighton

**Rescued red-zoned plants will take on another lease of life beautifying empty spaces in the Christchurch suburb of New Brighton.**

The plants have been harvested by landscape gardener and former NRL player Scott Fletcher. He's been using his skills and experience to help friends and neighbours in Sumner retrieve favourite plants from their red-zoned properties. This is in cases where it is safe and permitted



Scott Fletcher says the response to his Ellerslie entry Floating in Transition was overwhelmingly positive, with people loving the idea that the plants were rescued and recycled

to do so and prior to the property owners' settlement dates with the Crown. In exchange, he has the owners' permission to salvage left-over plants.

Scott Fletcher built these plants into his Silver-medal winning garden at this year's Ellerslie International Flower Show. But that isn't the end of their journey. He's now going to donate them to the New Brighton Business and Landowners Association to decorate some of the area's empty spaces.

"I will do some [landscape] design work for them, and plants from my Ellerslie entry will go in there, as well as some others from red-zoned properties. It is just great to see them given yet another new lease on life," says Mr Fletcher.

It isn't just Scott Fletcher's Ellerslie International Flower Show entry that will be used to beautify New Brighton. Ben Hoyle, who won a Gold medal for his entry A French Kiss in Akaroa, has also donated some of its features. Its physical structure will liven up an empty space, as will some of its plants.

"I am thrilled to see it taken and adapted to suit the needs of the community. It's not designed to be a permanent structure but if it provides pleasure for a few months, that's great," says Ben Hoyle. 🔄



# REBUILD & RECOVERY EXPO

**CBS ARENA**  
9AM – 4PM  
10AM – 4PM

**SATURDAY 27 APRIL 2013**  
**SUNDAY 28 APRIL 2013**

You'll be able to talk with experts from organisations and agencies including councils, government agencies, insurers and banks.

Attend seminars and see and hear the latest information about the rebuild and recovery of greater Christchurch – both residential and the CBD.

There'll also be builders, designers and developers.

Entry is **free** and you can bus there at no charge with the voucher below.

For more information visit [www.cera.govt.nz](http://www.cera.govt.nz)



## FREE BUS TRAVEL TO ATTEND THE REBUILD & RECOVERY EXPO

Valid for free bus travel on 27 and 28 April on the number 40, 7 and Orbiter routes to attend the Rebuild & Recovery Expo.

*Please give this voucher to the bus driver.*



Visitors to the Rebuild & Recovery Expo will get the opportunity to view the top entries from the BNZ Amazing Place Playground Competition. Entries close on 19 April for early childhood education services and primary age children (years 1-6). The children have been asked to draw or build their idea of the best playground in the world, or part of it. A

world-class family playground is to be built in the central city as part of the Christchurch Central Recovery Plan. Work of the finalists at each age level will be on display at the Expo.

To find out more about the competition, go to: [www.theamazingplace.co.nz](http://www.theamazingplace.co.nz)

## A FACT ABOUT THE AMAZING PLACE COMPETITION

Potentially, 29,140 Canterbury students will be taking part in the Amazing Place Competition – that is the Playground Competition and the City Project Competition for high school students, which is judged later in the year. This estimate is based on the roll numbers provided by the Ministry of Education for the 152 schools and early childhood education services that have registered to take part.



**Roger Sutton**  
CERA Chief Executive

**You may by now be aware of the work underway on the banks of the Avon River, near the Antigua Boatsheds.**

This is Watermark – the first section of the 3.2 km Te Papa Ōtākaro/Avon River Precinct and it is being built to show the possibilities of the new anchor project.

Our aim is to make the most of our beautiful, natural resource that is the river. We want people to come back into the central city, whether it be to relax and enjoy the views, or to walk or cycle along the riverbanks.

The River Precinct will stretch out to about 30m each side of the river and we want to enhance what we have, with new flora and fauna, and easy-access walking and cycling routes.

Overall, this first major anchor project is designed to encourage businesses to develop near the river and to take advantage of what will be a very attractive place to work and visit. It will work in with other developments, like Antony Gough's office and entertainment space along Oxford Terrace.

In all, this River Precinct takes on the wishes of the community that came through the Share an Idea consultation campaign.

At the moment, we are working through the concept design for Te Papa Ōtākaro/Avon River Precinct and the North and East Frames. We will welcome your feedback on the Watermark development so we can gauge if we are getting it right.

Watermark is just one of the exciting developments underway in our city right now. As is profiled on the front page, work is progressing in leaps and bounds along Victoria Street.

This all adds to the regeneration and spark of our city, and I am excited to see so much going on in one area.

And while that is basically commercial development, I know there is also a lot of work starting in the residential area too. If you are at the stage of planning a new home or looking to get the best advice for the repair process you are working through, the Rebuild & Recovery Expo is the place you need to go.

This is not like a commercial home show. Rather, it is an advisory event where insurers, EQC, banks and a whole range of others will be on hand to give you the info you need.

It's on at the CBS Arena on 27 and 28 April. I hope to see some of you there. ☺

# Exciting milestone for the central city Health Precinct

**The consortium chosen to master plan Christchurch's world-class Health Precinct has been named.**

BVN Donovan Hill and Jasmx will lead the work. Their consortium has been selected from a group of 12 consortia that tendered to master plan the new hub for health education, research and innovation and delivery of health services to the public.

The Health Precinct is one of the key anchor projects in the Christchurch Central Recovery Plan. It sees the Christchurch Central Development Unit (CCDU) working alongside partners such as the Canterbury District Health Board (CDHB), Otago and Canterbury universities, the Christchurch Polytechnic Institute of Technology and the private sector.

Alongside the new Health Precinct is Christchurch Hospital, which is to be redeveloped along with Burwood Hospital. The Government has set aside \$500 million towards the more than \$600 million project. The additional capital will come from CDHB.

Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Gerry Brownlee says it is an exciting milestone to see work start on what the Health Precinct will look like.

BVN Donovan Hill principal Abbie Galvin says the company brings the highest level of skills to the master planning role. Its projects span a wide spectrum of building types including the Monash Student Housing complex, the Taronga Zoo Entry Precinct, and Ravenswood School Library and Resource Hub. Last year, it won a record four National Architecture Awards in Australia.

"With the energy created by an intense programme and our ongoing collaboration with sub-consultant Jasmx, and their strong local knowledge, there is the potential to produce an innovative place that will serve Christchurch into the future," says Ms Galvin. 🌟



## UPDATE FROM THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

# Greater Christchurch Education Renewal Programme update

**The Government is investing \$1 billion into restoring and renewing the education sector in greater Christchurch over the next 10 years.**

We are building or rebuilding 15 schools. This means new facilities, with the latest information technology, flexible spaces and energy efficient buildings that better reflect the different learning needs of today's students.

At the end of this process, greater Christchurch will have one of the best and most modern schooling networks in the country.

### Interim decisions announced

On 18 February 2013, the Education Minister announced interim decisions for 31 of the 38 schools affected by initial proposals outlined last year.

More than 80 per cent of the 215 schools in greater Christchurch are not affected by these proposals.

Information about schools interim decisions is available at <http://shapingeducation.govt.nz/wp-content/uploads/2013/02/SummaryOfInterimDecisions.pdf>

Schools affected by the interim decisions had until 28 March to provide further feedback before final decisions are made. Final decisions are expected by the end of May.

### Aranui cluster submissions close

Aranui schools were given extra time to provide feedback because of the complexity of their proposals. Submissions closed on 7 March 2013 and interim decisions are expected by mid-May. The schools will then be given time to consider the interim decision, discuss with their community and provide feedback.

### Progress report

- In April work starts on building the new Waikuku School in Pegasus Town, and on the complete rebuild of earthquake-damaged Halswell Primary School.
- Almost all school pools needing repair are back in action – work has been finished on 19 with the four remaining on track for completion in May.

### More information

Website – [www.shapingeducation.govt.nz](http://www.shapingeducation.govt.nz)  
Email – [shaping.education@minedu.govt.nz](mailto:shaping.education@minedu.govt.nz) 🌟

## Residential red zone settlement

**Are you a property owner in the residential red zone? Have you accepted a Crown offer?**

Before you settle with the Crown, you will need to have all arrangements in place to move out of your property by your chosen settlement date, including:

- having a new house or alternative accommodation to move to
- organising assistance to remove all your belongings and chattels
- arranging for a final electricity reading and the disconnection of your phone.

If your property is tenanted, you will need to arrange for your tenants to be out of your property by the settlement date, ensuring that you have given them the required notice under the Residential Tenancies Act 1986 to end the tenancy.

The final date for settlement is 30 June 2013 for those in South New Brighton and Southshore, 31 July 2013 for those living in all other parts of the flat land residential red zone and 14 October 2013 for those in the Port Hills.

For more information, please call **0800 RING CERA (0800 7464 2372)** or look on our website, [www.cera.govt.nz](http://www.cera.govt.nz)

### Residential red zone statistics (as at 31 March 2013):

Total number of red-zoned properties in greater Christchurch: **7,860**  
Red-zoned property owners who've returned a sale and purchase agreement: **6,770**  
Number who've settled with the Crown: **5,634**  
(Of those, 1,443 selected option 1 and 4,191 selected option 2) 🌟

**Send us your feedback**

The Greater Christchurch Recovery Update is your monthly update on the progress of recovery. If you have a story idea or wish to send us feedback, you can email [newsletter@cera.govt.nz](mailto:newsletter@cera.govt.nz) or send a letter to:

**Greater Christchurch Recovery Update  
Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority  
Private Bag 4999  
Christchurch 8140**

## Five SCIRT key projects April 2013

### 1 Stanmore Road: 8–10 weeks, one way, north only

Stanmore Road from Avonside Drive to North Avon Road will be one way, north only, from early April for 8–10 weeks. Several work crews from two SCIRT delivery teams, Downer and MacDow, will be working at the same time to reduce the time the road is one way and minimise the flow-on effects on businesses. Both wastewater and stormwater pipes will be repaired. London Street will also be fully closed to traffic from Perth Street to Stanmore Road for six weeks from late March. Keep an eye open for temporary car parks on empty sections along Stanmore Road and please support your local businesses. Supermarket entrances off Stanmore Road and Warwick Street will remain open.

### 2 Anzac Drive, between Travis and New Brighton Roads

Rebuilding this critical freight route starts late March with a 30kph speed limit. From mid April to June, a detour will take most drivers along Travis Road, Bassett Street and New Brighton Road. Pilot vehicles will escort freight trucks through the work site, away from the detour and residential properties.

### 3 Orion and SCIRT 66kV cable project: good progress

The first stage of this major cable-laying project, to strengthen the electricity supply to the north-east of the city, is over the halfway mark. SCIRT teams are digging the trench and managing traffic; Orion is installing the cable in 900-metre lengths. Work started in St Albans in October. The trench is now going through Shirley, via Briggs Road, Olivine, Voss and Pagoda Streets. It will be extended through Golf Links and New Brighton Roads after Easter. The next stage will connect the cable to the Dallington substation, Coopers Road. All entrances to The Palms will be open.

### 4 Middleton roundabout changes to mid April

The discovery of a fragile water main near the Wrights Road roundabout has altered the sequencing of the new Middleton wastewater pipe. The roundabout going west has reopened, with Birmingham Drive two way as far as Halls Place until mid April. Stop/go manual signs are continuing at peak times at the railway line on Annex Road. To keep informed, email [rebuild@fultonhogan.com](mailto:rebuild@fultonhogan.com)

### 5 City-wide pressure wastewater installations rollout

Information sessions for land owners have taken place in the 900-household St Johns/ Woolston area, with meetings also held in Parklands and Avondale. Overall up to 6,000 properties will be getting earthquake-resilient pressure wastewater systems around the city. ♻

## SCIRT Progress Statistics

### Completed

185	projects totalling \$100 million
22km	fresh water pipe laid
126km	wastewater pipe laid
7km	stormwater pipe laid
164,372sqm	road pavement laid
1,114	work notices distributed to 252,325 residents



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## Claims settlement timeframes

**The Earthquake Commission (EQC) is working hard to give customers some certainty on when their claims from the Christchurch earthquakes will be settled.**

"Over the last few months, we have been able to reassure people about some settlement timeframes," says EQC National Customer and Claims Manager, Gail Kettle.

"For example, when we contacted customers awaiting apportionment late last year, we promised that we would apportion all claims estimated to be over the EQC cap of \$115,000 (including GST) by the end of May 2013."

Ms Kettle says that EQC remains well on track to fulfil that promise.

"All claims requiring apportionment for damage over \$80,000 will be apportioned by 31 May 2013. The exception may be a small number of multi-unit buildings that require further work due to their complexities," she says.

In addition, as claims processing continues to progress, EQC is in a position to make further promises to customers:

- All remaining contents claims will be resolved – either paid or closed – by 30 June 2013. (So far, 84 per cent of contents exposures have been settled.) The exception to this is a small number of claims involving carpets and drapes which need a demolition certificate supplied to EQC before the claim can be finalised.

- Building claims with total damage less than \$15,000, that don't have structural damage and are not part of a multi-unit building, will be cash settled by 30 June 2013. Most under \$15,000 claims are for homes with minor cosmetic damage.
- All claims over cap (\$115,000 including GST) will be cash settled by 31 July this year.

There is less certainty around the settlement of claims relating to multi-unit buildings – two or more properties sharing at least one common structural element, such as a wall, garage, roof or foundations.

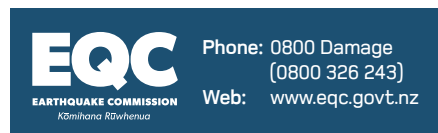
Many multi-unit properties have already been repaired or cash settled. Many more need further work, which may include reaching agreement between neighbours (and others involved such as insurers and banks) before a repair strategy can be put in place.

Settlement timeframes for most multi-unit buildings are likely to be known very soon.

Settlement timeframes for land claims are expected to be announced in late April. ♻

### Claim settlement timeframes in summary

TYPE OF CLAIM	WHAT WILL HAPPEN	WHEN BY IN 2013
Claims with damage over \$80,000 being apportioned (except a few multi-unit buildings)	Apportioned	31 May
Contents claims (except carpets and drapes)	Cash settled or closed	30 June
Damage under \$15,000 (except those with structural damage or in a multi-unit building)	Cash settled	30 June
Claims with damage over cap of \$115,000 including GST	Cash settled	31 July
Homes with structural damage over \$50,000 and under cap	Repaired	31 December



# Council to build new social housing units

Christchurch City Council will boost its social housing stock by building up to 22 new units on vacant land in existing complexes in Spreydon and Aranui by the end of this year.

It will also complete repairs on almost 300 Council social housing units by the end of 2013.

Tenders were due to go out at the end of March for the design and build of between 8 and 12 new one-bedroom units on the Maurice Carter Courts site in Spreydon and between 8 and 10 new one-bedroom units on the Knightsbridge Lane site in Aranui.

This proposal is part of an overall strategy to repair or replace social housing units that either were damaged following the September 2010 and February 2011 earthquakes or are in the residential red zone.

Mayor Bob Parker says, "The Council is committed to providing good-quality social housing for its tenants. This is a piece of work that has been underway for a while and we're now looking forward to urgently progressing these plans."

#### Other updates

- The Council is currently looking at a number of other sites to build social housing units on.
- In addition to the 22 units already approved, plans to build another 12 new units on two other social housing complex sites are in progress. It is expected these units will be completed by the end of 2014.
- The Council is exploring public/private partnership opportunities to rebuild some of its damaged units. ♻️

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# Land Use Recovery Plan will provide certainty

Community consultation on the draft Land Use Recovery Plan for greater Christchurch is underway so now is the chance for the public to make themselves heard.

Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Gerry Brownlee gave Environment Canterbury responsibility for developing the plan. It aims to provide certainty regarding land use for residences and businesses and a framework for land-use decision making for years to come.

"Stakeholders and the wider community will have a number of opportunities to participate in developing this important plan for the future of Christchurch," says Chair of Commissioners Dame Margaret Bazley.

Encouraging community leaders and others to "make three calls" about the plan to family, friends and colleagues, Dame Margaret believes maximum participation is critical to its success.

"The partners welcome all ideas and possible solutions so we can be confident the plan will best reflect the needs of everyone in greater Christchurch."

You can participate by attending a community workshop (see timetable for details), visiting [www.developingchoices.org.nz](http://www.developingchoices.org.nz) and reading the preliminary draft plan and completing an online comment form or by submitting it in writing to Environment Canterbury. Comments close on Monday 22 April.

The strategic partners are the Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority, Environment Canterbury, Christchurch City Council, Selwyn District Council, Waimakariri District Council, Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu and the New Zealand Transport Agency. ♻️



#### Community workshop dates for April 2013

Date	Time	Venue
<b>Monday</b> 8 April	6-9pm	Baylis Lounge, Lincoln Event Centre, Meijer Drive, <b>Lincoln</b>
<b>Tuesday</b> 9 April	6-9pm	Rosburn Receptions, Northbrook Museum, Sparks Lane, <b>Rangiora</b>
<b>Wednesday</b> 10 April	9am-12pm & 6-9pm	The Atrium (Hagley Netball Centre) 455 Hagley Avenue, <b>Christchurch</b>
<b>Thursday</b> 11 April	9am-12pm & 6-9pm	The Atrium (Hagley Netball Centre) 455 Hagley Avenue, <b>Christchurch</b>
<b>Friday</b> 12 April	9am-12pm	Linfield Cultural Recreational Sports Club, 56 Kearneys Road, Bromley, <b>Christchurch</b>



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# Rehomed garden brings delight for a red-zoned Kaiapoi couple

A North Canterbury couple say bringing the garden from their red-zoned Kaiapoi home to their new place in Rangiora has helped them get through.

Keith and Joy Hodgson moved into a brand new home in Rangiora in September 2012, provided by their insurer, State. They left their Kaiapoi home following the September 2010 earthquake, after enduring nine weeks without a working sewerage and wastewater system. Their property was zoned red in June 2011 and the house was later deemed a rebuild. Keith Hodgson says surveyors have told him the land has moved forward two metres from its original boundary line.

Joy Hodgson says they decided to take their beloved garden with them, moving the plants out before they settled with the Crown. Living at a rented property for 20 months did not deter the couple.

"Keith put between 50 and 70 plants into pots and retrieved hundreds of bulbs. He cared for them all that time. We've now been able to replant them on our new property. It's like we've been able to bring with us the heart of our old home," says Mrs Hodgson.

Keith Hodgson says it has been a big journey, especially for people in their seventies. Joy Hodgson still suffers from earthquake stress but says she wants people to know

getting into a new home can be achieved.

"This is our home now. We've made it the way we want it. I know there are people out there who are struggling but I want people to know it can be done."

The pair also worked with Earthquake Support Coordinator Chris Greengrass.

"Chris was just amazing. She called round and checked on us. She told us when Red Cross and other grants and assistance were there for us to access. We were given a grant from the Waimakariri District Council and a small donation from a Samoan church group in Hastings. It all helps," says Joy Hodgson. 🌱



The Hodgsons enjoy their garden and new home in Rangiora



If you wish to discuss the impact of the earthquake stress on you or your family, talking can help and free counselling is available. You can call the Canterbury Support Line – **0800 777 846** to be referred to free and confidential services. Canterbury Support Line can help with your questions, give information, and connect you with free counselling services or with organisations that can offer you practical support, information or advice.

## Survey

**CERA would like to hear what you think about our websites. What do you use them for, and do you find them easy to use?**

Please fill out this survey, cut it out, fold and tape it over, and use the Freepost address to mail it back to us by 30 April. Or, you can also fill out the survey online at <http://cera.govt.nz/website-survey>

The survey is about the three main websites run by CERA, which are:

- CERA's main website, with a wide range of information about the earthquake recovery matters, including zoning: <http://cera.govt.nz>
- Christchurch Central Development Unit (CCDU), covering the Christchurch Central Recovery Plan including transport matters, and news and opportunities about the Anchor Projects: <http://ccdu.govt.nz>
- Canterbury Residential Rebuild, a developing website launched by CERA and MBIE at the end of 2012 as a gathering point and portal for up-to-date residential rebuild information: <http://canterburyresidentialrebuild.govt.nz>

You can choose whether to answer the questions about just one, any or all of these websites.

Thank you for your time. 🌱

### 1. How often have you visited CERA's websites over the last 12 months?

	1-5 times	6-10 times	11 or more times	Never visited	I did not know about the site
<a href="http://cera.govt.nz">cera.govt.nz</a> (CERA)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<a href="http://ccdu.govt.nz">ccdu.govt.nz</a> (CCDU)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<a href="http://canterburyresidentialrebuild.govt.nz">canterburyresidentialrebuild.govt.nz</a> (CRR)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### 2. What information were you looking for? And was that information...

Tick and circle as many or as few options as applicable

I looked for	I looked on CERA/CCDU/CRR			Easy to find	Easy to read & understand	Accurate & up to date	Useful & met your needs	I did not find it
Technical Category (TC1, TC2, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	<input type="checkbox"/>
Demolition updates	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	<input type="checkbox"/>
Residential Red Zone Offer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	<input type="checkbox"/>
Insurance information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	<input type="checkbox"/>
Land zone information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	<input type="checkbox"/>
Support and assistance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recovery Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	<input type="checkbox"/>
Anchor Projects	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	<input type="checkbox"/>
Investment in Christchurch	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	<input type="checkbox"/>
Central City Progress	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	<input type="checkbox"/>

### 3. What other information did you look for? And was that information...

Tick and circle as many or as few options as applicable

I looked for the following information:	I looked on CERA/CCDU/CRR			Easy to find	Easy to read & understand	Accurate & up to date	Useful & met your needs	I did not find it
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	<input type="checkbox"/>

### 4. If you used the website's search, what did you search for? And was that information...

Tick and circle as many or as few options as applicable

I looked for the following information:	I looked on CERA/CCDU/CRR			Easy to find	Easy to read & understand	Accurate & up to date	Useful & met your needs	I did not find it
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	<input type="checkbox"/>

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LET'S  
TALK

ABOUT THE  
OXFORD  
TOWN HALL

# Public Meeting

7.30pm, Wed 24 April, Oxford Baptist Church



Following detailed engineering assessments in 2011, the Oxford Town Hall was deemed earthquake prone as it did not meet Building Code requirements. The hall is currently closed until strengthening work is undertaken.

We'd like your feedback on the options for the future of the Oxford Town Hall. Come along and share your ideas. We hope to see you there.



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UPDATE FROM THE SELWYN DISTRICT COUNCIL

## Changes to building consent processing

Selwyn District Council is now accepting and processing all building consent applications electronically. The changes mean that customers can now submit building consent applications from home through the Council's website.

The new service was introduced in February and Ian Butler, the Council's Building Manager says that it is an exciting change and that building consent staff will be very busy over the next couple of weeks as customers get used to the new system.

"The number of building consents being issued in Selwyn has increased significantly over the past year," says Ian Butler. "The new service will provide a timely and efficient service, and make it easier for customers to lodge consent applications."

To lodge a building consent application and upload supporting documents visit [www.selwyn.govt.nz/buildingforms](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz/buildingforms). The new system is Windows based. If you lodge an electronic application you will also be able to track the progress of your consent online.

Building consent staff can also help customers to complete their application online over the phone (call 03 347 2839) or at the Council's main office in Rolleston if customers have their documents on a data stick. 🗑️



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Survey continued...

5. Are there any suggestions for improvement that we can make to any of CERA's websites?

Lined area for handwritten responses to question 5.

6. Can we contact you to help us further with making any of CERA's websites more useful?  
Y / N

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Thank you

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