

Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GREATER CHRISTCHURCH URBAN DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

STRATEGIC PARTNERS FORUM

Held at the Christchurch Town Hall, Christchurch
on Monday, 11 August 2008 at 10.00am

FORUM MEMBERS PRESENT:

Adele Quinn	Stats NZ
Ashley Seaford	Ministry of Social Development
Brian Wearing	New Zealand Automobile Association.
Carolyn Ingles	Christchurch City Council (UDSIMG)
Collin Knaggs	Transit New Zealand
Elizabeth Resl	NZ Planning Institute
Gloria Weeks	Disabled Persons Reference Group
Graham Reid	New Zealand Fire Service
Hamish Douch	Representative of the Development Community
Ivan Thomson	Christchurch City Council
James Caygill	UDS Implementation Manger (Acting Chair)
John Peet	Sustainable Otautahi-Christchurch
Julia Main	Department of Internal Affairs
Karen Banwell	Christchurch City Council (Senior Policy Analyst)
Karin Scheepers	Christchurch City Council
Keith Tallentire	Environment Canterbury
Martin Maguire	Department of Internal Affairs
Meg Christie	Canterbury District Health Board
Mike Moore	Statistics New Zealand
Paul McNoe	Bus Operators Representative
Peter Goodwin	New Zealand Road Transport Associations
Peter Townsend	Canterbury Employers Chamber of Commerce
Ralph Ross	Christchurch Combined Residents Association
Robert Woods	Environment Canterbury
Sally Latham	The Department of Internal Affairs Te Tari Taiwhenua
Sharon Torstonson	Council of Social Services
Simon Swaffield	Lincoln University
Steve Higgs	New Zealand Transport Agency
Ted Pryor	Christchurch Civic Trust
Tim Harris	Selwyn District Council

APOLOGIES RECEIVED:

Amanaki Misa	
Bill Wasley	UDS Independent Chair & Forum Chair
Brian Palliser	Automobile Association
Dan Coward	New Zealand Fire Services
David Corlett	Ministry of Transport
David Griffiths	Housing New Zealand

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Graeme Stokes	Lincoln Envirotown Trust
Jan Harrison	
Mike Moore	Stats NZ
Pam Richardson	Federated Farmers
Simon Kingham	University of Canterbury
Simon Markham	Waimakariri District Council
Dr Sue Jarvis	Lincoln Envirotown Trust
Trevor Ellis	Waimakariri District Council
Warren Parker	Landcare Research
Wendy Rabbidge	

1. Welcome

James Caygill welcomed all present and apologised for Bill's absence. Bill was ill and not able to fly down for the meeting.

James Caygill presented an overview of the Forum agenda.

2. Minutes

The minutes were accepted as correct. James clarified that the transport presentation did not focus on goods exported from this region. We would need to ensure that this receives adequate focus and attention.

Public Transport generally focused on general transport

There was a comment that the message of a bus system will prevent the volatility of the future was not adequate and should have more weight.

Bus borders will be removed as from the 18.08.2008.

3. Area Plans

- Karen Banwell and Ivan Thomson gave a presentation on the area plans.
- Karen Banwell's presentation discussed the implementation of the UDS.
- Ivan Thomson's presentation discussed the area plans in more detail. The presentation covered the Wigram and Belfast area plans, and the southern arterial. Ivan stressed the importance of the naturalised draining system and the water quality.
- The northern arterial would be investigated based on the success of the area plans.
- The disposal of waste water and companies carrying high hazards chemicals was discussed.
- The South West Area Plan will go out for consultation in September.
- Presentation will be forwarded on to SPF members.

- There was a concern raised and a discussion regarding freight which would double in the next 15 years. Members felt we should ensure we have a plan for a roading system to be adaptable. Some members felt there should be more corridors and modes of transport.
- There was a question regarding the implementation of the area plans and the risk - was there a role out programme. Ivan explained that private plan changes came from developers on their whim. There was a Strategic Plan Purchase Fund which looked at purchasing land and looking at design evidence which was the way in which the built land relates to the environment.
- The role of other agencies i.e. the Central Government and the fragmentation of decision making process was discussed.
- Planning for disaster and the significant risk of peril ahead was briefly discussed. There was a suggestion to look at a range of scenarios which would effect communities. Communities need to be more resilient.

4. General Business

- Intensification Issues – Not on the agenda. Council has recently seen the proposal for the way forward. There needs to be more conversations with Council before more feedback can be given.
- Concern was raised regarding the robustness of the strategy and the UDS plan needing to be flexible and adjustable.
- There will be a UDS update by April 2009. This is the 1st review and not cast in stone therefore can be changed.

FORUM OUTCOME SUMMARY

Actions derived from meeting:	1. Robustness & resilience testing
Information Requests	1. Intensification information
Items for Next Agenda	1. Transport Studies - Update 2. Regional Economic Development. 3. Progress on intensification models.
Topics noted for future discussion	1. Timeframe for the Health and Social Services planning project 2. Intensification. 3. Addressing affordable housing issues and housing affordability 4. Transport strategies and funding including Freight Roding.