

Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GREATER CHRISTCHURCH URBAN DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

STRATEGIC PARTNERS FORUM

Held at the Christchurch Convention Centre,
on Monday, 15 June 2009 at 10.00 am

FORUM MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bill Wasley	UDS Independent Chair & Forum Chair
Brian Wearing	New Zealand Automobile Association.
Elizabeth Resl	NZ Planning Institute
Gloria Weeks	Disabled Persons Advisory Group
Hamish Douch	Representative of the Development Community
John Peet	Sustainable Otautahi-Christchurch
Julia Main	Department of Internal Affairs
Karen Banwell	Christchurch City Council
Karin Scheepers	Christchurch City Council
Keith Tallentire	Environment Canterbury
Mike Moore	Statistics New Zealand
Ralph Ross	Christchurch Combined Residents Association
Sally Latham	The Department of Internal Affairs and Refugees and New Migrant Forum
Simon Swaffield	Lincoln University

APOLOGIES

Anna Stevenson	District Health Board
Ashley Seaford	Ministry of Social Development
Brian Palliser	Automobile Association
Carolyn Brown	Sustainable Business Network
Carolyn Ingles	Christchurch City Council (UDSIMG)
Dan Coward	New Zealand Fire Services
David Cornett	Ministry of Transport
Elaine Chapman	
Grant McPhail	Christchurch Polytechnic Institute of Technology
James Caygill	UDS Implementation Manger (Acting Chair)
Jan Harrison	Sustainable Business Network
Jill Atkins	ECan (UDSIMG)
Mathew Cutler-Welsh	
Pam Richardson	Federated Farmers
Paul McNoe	Bus Operators Representative
Peter Goodwin	NZ Road Transport Association
Peter Townsend	Canterbury Employers Chamber of Commerce
Robert Woods	ECan (UDSIMG)
Sharon Torstonson	Council of Social Services
Simon Kingham	University of Canterbury
Sue Jarvis	Lincoln Envirotown Trust
Warren Parker	Landcare Research

FORUM OUTCOME SUMMARY

Actions derived from meeting:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bills will compile and circulate, to SPF members, a report which will include : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • mock agenda to be used at the SPF workshops, • outlining the involvement at the strategic and operational level which applies to the relevant groups, • how the groups will work going forward, • what the suggested membership is going to be and all the arrangements involving these, • ideas on including elected members to the SPF workshop's, • criteria for the various groups. <p>This report will be circulated to SPF members within the next 3 – 4 weeks from date of meeting.</p> 2. Bill will compile a similar report to the UDSIC bi-monthly report, for the SPF members.
Information Requests	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. UDS hierarchical diagram for distribution to the SPF group. 2. Intensification Topology information 3. How has previous surface water strategy changed ? 4. Presentation by Bill Luff re Regional Economic Development
Topics noted for future discussion	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Progress on intensification models (topology). 2. Re-look at the SPF Term of Reference. 3. Timeframe for the Health and Social Services planning project 4. Intensification 5. Robustness & resilience testing 6. Addressing affordable housing issues and housing affordability 7. Transport strategies and funding including Freight Roading.

1. Welcome and Apologies

- Bill Wasley welcomed all present and asked all attendees to introduce themselves and to advise which organisation they represented.
- James Caygill is off on sick leave and will not be attending the meeting.

2. Minutes

The minutes were not discussed.

3. Reform of the Strategic Partners Forum

- Bill thanked the members for their comments and suggestions on the SPF Reform Report that was discussed at the previous meeting. The comments received back from members mainly revolved around the structure and what the focus of the forum should be.
- Bill discussed the report that was circulated with the agenda and said this report should be read in conjunction with the previous report. The latest report outlines some thoughts in terms of the forum and possible arrangements for the SPF.
- A question was raised at the level of Maori involvement. Karen Banwell confirmed that there is a group called MKT, which is a subsidiary of Ngai Tahu and all Councils have developed a MOU

process with them. Karen also confirmed that at Runanga level, there is ongoing interactions on various issues and levels at all times.

- Karen informed the group that one of the work programmes CCC is initiating is the continuation of the Developers Forum.
- The members felt they were not able to have meaningful input into any plans or strategies. The feeling was that by the time SPF members got to see a presentation, decisions were already made and no input was needed from the group.
- Bill stressed the need for SPF to be engaged much earlier on in the process. This would make the SPF more meaningful since there will be an opportunity to influence decisions at an early stage both at a strategic and operational level.
- There is general support for the new arrangements as outlined in the report. Bill will produce an additional paper outlining the involvement at the strategic and operational level which applies to the relevant groups as described in the paper – This paper will include how the groups will work going forward, what the suggested membership is going to be and all the arrangements involving these.
- SPF members agreed to 3 – 4 workshops a year which will be more structured and will be programmed in terms of topics being dealt with.
- Members requested to receive workshop topics and agenda at least a month in advance to allow representatives to meet within their organisations and obtain their company stance on the agenda items. This will allow members to have worthy input at the workshops.
- Bill explained that since the partner Council's work programmes are defined well in advance, he does not foresee a problem in this regard.
- Bill explained that the UDSIC members receive a briefing report on a regular basis which highlights the process in terms of achieving objectives. Bill said he would compile a similar report for the SPF members since part of SPF's role is to provide a critical review on the implementation of the strategy. SPF will then be aware of what has been achieved and where each objective is at.
- It was suggested that strategic partners could give feedback at these workshops if they were working on something directly related to a topic. Bill stressed that this was not only Council staff responsibility but rather a shared responsibility.
- Bill will include a mock agenda in his report to allow SPF members to comment and give feedback on the new workshop style meetings.
- Members agreed that a workshop earlier in the day rather than later would be preferred.
- Bill will send out a draft paper with ideas on how and when to include elected members to the SPF workshop's. Bill felt it was important that elected members were encouraged to attend a portion of the SPF workshops on a regular basis.
- Bill will include in his report, criteria for the groupings for comments and feedback by SPF members.
- There was a brief discussion on opinion pieces that could be publicised from the SPF group on topics that were relevant. This would ensure that the UDS was kept on the forefront at all times.

4. General Business

- Sustainable Otautahi-Christchurch is having their annual general meeting on Monday 15 June at ECan at 7.30pm. There will be a discussion on The UDS and strong sustainability – making the links. James will be representing the UDS.
- There was no further business to discuss.

The meeting ended at 11.30 am

Date of next meeting : to be advised