

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, 09 June 2008 at 10.00am

FORUM MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bill Wasley	UDS Independent Chair & Forum Chair
James Caygill	UDS Implementation Manger (Acting Chair)
Brian Palliser	Automobile Association
Carolyn Ingles	Christchurch City Council (UDSIMG)
Cathy Robinson	Canterbury Intersectoral Physical Activity & Nutrition
Collin Knaggs	Transit New Zealand
Chris Kissling	Lincoln University
David Corlett	Ministry of Transport
Elizabeth Resl	NZ Planning Institute
Gloria Weeks	Disabled Persons Reference Group
Graeme Stokes	Lincoln Envirotown Trust
Hamish Douch	Representative of the Development Community
Karen Banwell	Christchurch City Council (Senior Policy Analyst)
Karin Scheepers	Christchurch City Council
Keith Tallentire	Environment Canterbury
Martin Maguire	Department of Internal Affairs
Mike Moore	Statistics New Zealand
Pam Richardson	Federated Farmers
Paul McNoe	Bus Operators Representative
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 Kingham	University of Canterbury
Steve Higgs	Transit (UDSIMG)
Trevor Ellis	Waimakariri District Council

APOLOGIES RECEIVED:

Anne Greenup	Selwyn District Council
Ashley Seaford	Ministry of Social Development
Deborah Parker	Christchurch City Council (Senior Communications Advisor)
Dennis Parker	Sustainable Business Network
Dr Sue Jarvis	Lincoln Envirotown Trust
Jackie Curtis	Land Transport New Zealand

Jill Atkins	ECan (UDSING)
John Archer	Woodend Residents Association
Julia Main	Department of Internal Affairs
Mark Chubb	Christchurch Fire Protection
Martin Mongan	Sport Canterbury
Neville Smith	Ministry of Education
Peter Townsend	Canterbury Employers Chamber of Commerce
Warren Parker	Landcare Research

1. Welcome

Bill Wasley welcomed all present and apologised for not making previous meeting.

Bill Wasley presented an overview of the Forum agenda and explained that the August meeting agenda would include the Belfast plan presentation, the area plans and also the progress on intensification models.

2. Minutes

The minutes were accepted as correct

3. Transport

Robert Woods presented the Transport presentation. Presentation to be emailed out as soon as possible. A request was made for presentations to be emailed out before meetings to allow people to have questions ready for the meeting.

From the various discussions regarding transport, Bill has requested "Transport Strategies and Funding" be placed on the Forum Outcome Summary for future discussions.

There was various questions and opinions raised after the presentation, some comments are as follows:

The robustness of the policy - would it be able to accommodate oil and energy supply / change in the future. The response was that the bus system should assist with the volatility in the future.

The southern motorway – would spending so much money on the southern motorway not increase more car use and less public transport. Should this money not be used elsewhere ? Tram/train – there was a debate regarding the benefits of tram/train and some participants felt that this option should be investigated and costed out.

A point was made that the current fare for the bus services was 50% of the cost of service and would this be sustainable in the future.

Ecan has not shut the option of rail totally, they would need the corridors so would need to protect them in case they are needed in the future.

A suggestion was made to investigate the public transport systems in some of our sister cities i.e. Seattle.

Comments were made regarding cyclist feeling unsafe in cycle lanes on public roads. If cycle lanes were off road, this would encourage more people to cycle.

4. UDS Action Plan

A schedule and report detailing the action plans was circulated before the meeting. James discussed the report.

The robustness and resilience of external change on the plan needs to be investigated. James will be working with the UDSIMG to look at what issues regarding climate change needs to be looked at in more detail.

5. General Business

There was no general business to discuss.

FORUM OUTCOME SUMMARY

Actions derived from meeting:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Belfast plan presentation.2. Robustness & resilience testing
Information Requests	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Will bus boarders be implemented or removed?2. Intensification information3. Results from the public transport study
Items for Next Agenda	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Progress on intensification models.2. Belfast Plan3. Area Plans
Topics noted for future discussion	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Timeframe for the Health and Social Services planning project2. Addressing affordable housing issues and housing affordability3. Transport strategies and funding.