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Greater Christchurch Partnership Our Space 2018-2048 - Greater Christchurch Settlement Pattern Update

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Questions		
Question 1: Our Space highlights there is significant capacity for new housing through redevelopment in		
Christchurch City but to accommodate housing growth in Selwyn and Waimakariri it identifies additional		
greenfield land around Rolleston, Rangiora and Kaiapoi. Do you agree or disagree with this approach and why?		
Agree/disagree	Do not agree	
Comment	I would prefer the city was kept to a size I could bike across easily.	
Question 2: Our Space adopts the current planning framework that encourages a range of new housing types,		
especially in the central city, close to suburban centres within the City and around existing towns in Selwyn and		
Waimakariri. Do you agree or disagree with this approach and why?		
Agree/disagree	Agree	
Comment	Anything to reduce car dependence is good.	
Question 3: Our Space proposes to develop an action plan to increase the supply of social and affordable housing		
across Greater Christchurch and investigate with housing providers different models to make it easier for people		
to own their own home. What elements should be included in this action plan?		
Comment	Ensuring that rentals are up to a good standard of health and energy efficiency.	
Question 4: Our Space adopts the current planning framework that directs new commercial development (office		
and retail) to existing centres to retain their viability and vitality, especially the central city, suburban centres and		
town centres in Selwyn and Waimakariri. Do you agree or disagree with this approach and why? What further		
measures would support such development?		
Agree/disagree	Agree	
Comment		
Question 5: The Canterbury Regional Policy Statement and the District Plans for Christchurch City and Selwyn and		
Waimakariri Districts have already identified sufficient capacity for new industrial businesses. <i>Do you agree or</i>		
disagree this is suj	fficient and in the right location and why?	
Agree/disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	
Comment		
Question 6: The proposals in Our Space are informed by a Capacity Assessment that considers future demands for		
housing and business land, based on demographic changes and projections from Statistics New Zealand, and likely		

changes in our economy (including through business sector trends and impacts from technological change). Do you

agree or disagree with our evidence base and why?

Somewhat disagree

Agree/disagree

good size, and would be a less pleasant place with this growth. There is no guts here to ask the awkward question why new growth needs to be specifically in Christchurch, not in struggling smaller centres like Ashburton. Question 7: Our Space promotes greater densities around key centres to increase accessibility to employment and services by walking, cycling and public transport. This aligns with recent transport proposals that signal more high frequency bus routes and an intention to deliver rapid transit along the northern and south-west transport corridors. Do you agree or disagree with this approach and why? Agree/disagree Agree Comment Question 8: Our Space aligns with broader infrastructure planning (including wastewater, water supply, stormwater, energy, telecommunications, community facilities, schools and healthcare) to help create sustainable cohesive and connected communities. Do you agree or disagree with this approach and why? What more could be done to integrate infrastructure planning? Agree/disagree Agree Comment Question 9: What other points do you wish to make to inform the final Our Space 2018-2048: Greater Christchurch Settlement Pattern Update? Comment I would prefer a plan that questions the need for Christchurch to grow at all, and looks for ways we could achieve the tricky result of both affordable housing without the endless growth predicted and assumed here. I realise this is more a thing for central government, but it is also		
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