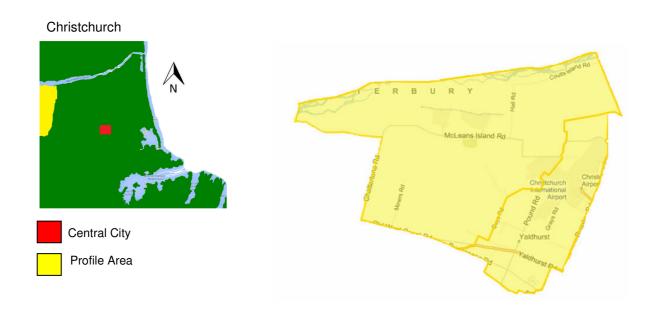
Yaldhurst / McLeans Island

(Census area units: Yaldhurst, McLeans Island)



Yaldhurst/McLeans Island is situated to the west of Christchurch City and is 11 kilometres from the central business district (CBD).

McLeans Island is a recreation and leisure destination which includes: golf, shooting, horse riding, vintage cars, steam and machinery clubs, paintball, tank rides and Orana Wildlife Park.

There is now only one school in this area, Yaldhurst Model School, since the McKenzie Residential School was closed by the Ministry of Education in December 2012.

There are no medical practices in the area.

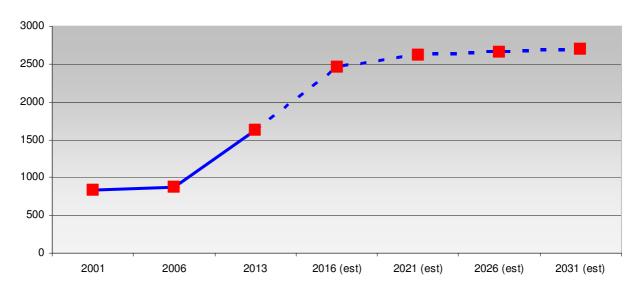
According to the 2013 Census data, the population of this area is 1,620, with 1,389 of those residing in the Yaldhurst area. This figure is significantly higher in the 2013 Census, as there have been a number of housing developments in this area over the last few years.

The median age for the area is 43 years. This is higher than the Christchurch City average of 38 years.

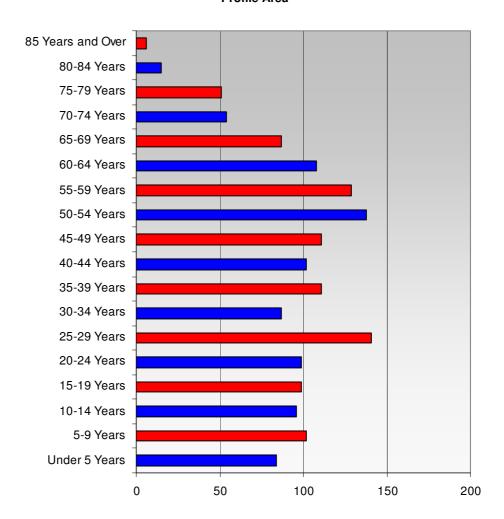


Key demographics

Usually resident population count (Data from Statistics NZ)



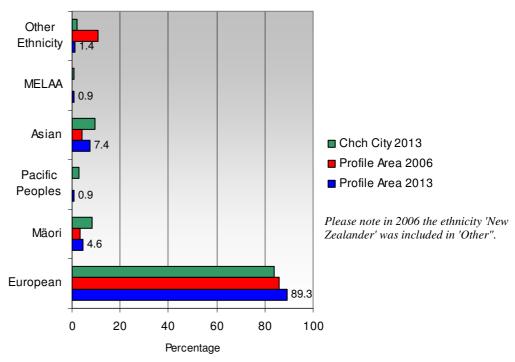
Age for usually resident population (number of people) (Data from 2013 Census, Statistics NZ) **Profile Area**

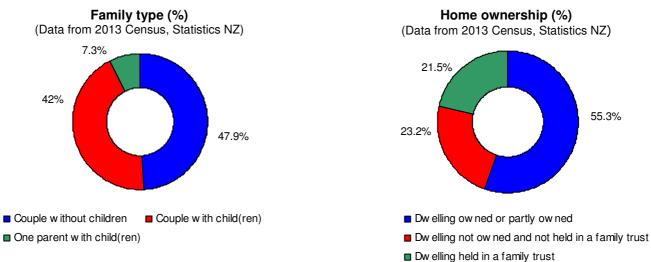




Ethnicity for usually resident population (%)

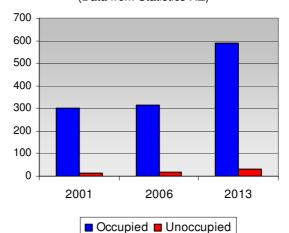
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Occupied and Unoccupied Dwellings

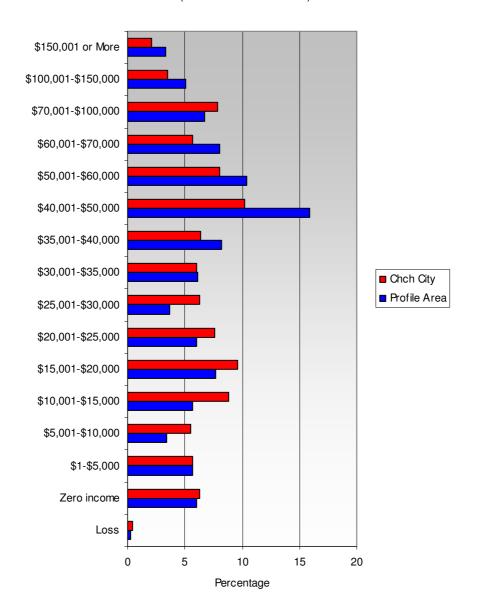
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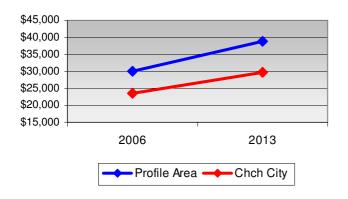
Personal income for Profile Area compared to Christchurch City (%)

(Data from Statistics NZ)



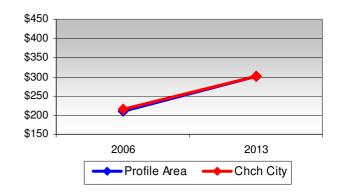
Median Personal Income for Profile Area compared to Christchurch City

(Data from Statistics NZ)



Median Weekly Rent for rented households, in private occupied dwellings

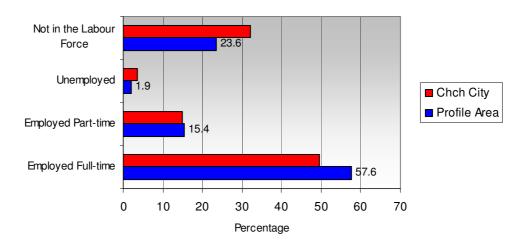
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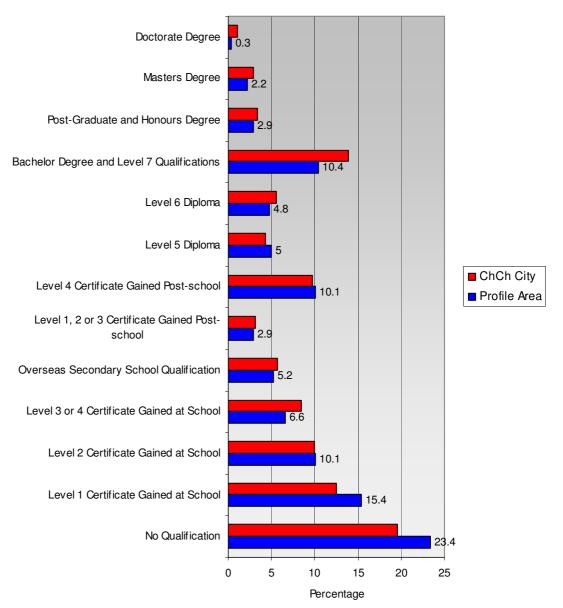
Work and Labour Force status (%)

(Data from 2013 Census, Statistics NZ)



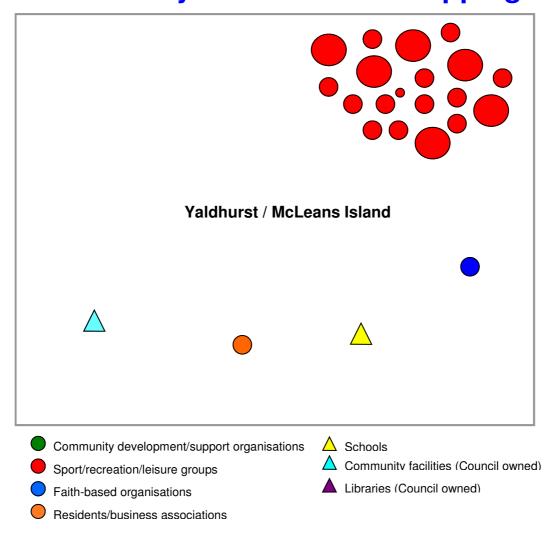
Highest Educational Qualification for the census usually resident population, aged 15 years and over

(Data from 2013 Census, Statistics NZ)





Community infrastructure mapping



The above ratings have been based on reach, diversity, and participation — e.g. bigger circles tend to be groups that provide a wider range of services, or have large numbers of participants. They also tend to be groups that are well networked within the community.

The social infrastructure of this area is predominantly made up of recreation and interest groups based at McLean's Island. These groups tend to draw their membership from across the whole city.

There are no organisations providing community development/social support in the area.

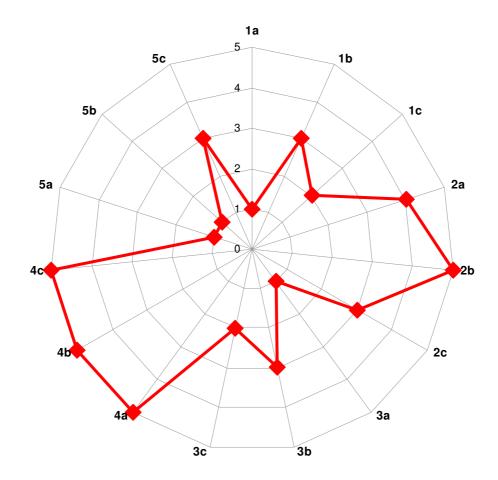
There is one active Residents' Association within the area: Yaldhurst Rural Residents' Association.

There is one Council-maintained community hall located in Yaldhurst, which is currently closed.

Yaldhurst Model School, which caters for both primary and intermediate levels, is the only school in the area.



Community resilience mapping



Scale: 1 = Low 5 = High

15 measures of resilience

Volunteering

(rating)

households in Neighbourhood Support

capability of groups to lead local response

Community Support Organisations

5b

5c

1a	# of organisations	(1)	2a	investment in volunteers # of volunteer hours from Fundforce # of volunteer hours from Census	(4)
1b	strength of organisations	(3)	2b		(5)
1c	community development principles	(2)	2c		(3)
Coni	mectedness # of Neighbourhood Support groups # of residents' associations access to networking groups/forums	(rating)	Partic	cipation	(rating)
3a		(1)	4a	community events	(5)
3b		(3)	4b	Fundforce participation rates	(5)
3c		(2)	4c	club membership #s	(5)
	Preparedness 5a # of Neighbourhood	Support aro	ups	(rating)	

Note: 2b, 4b - These ratings only take into account figures from community projects funded by the Council.

2c - These figures are based on 2006 Census data, as this information is not yet available for 2013.

3a, 5a, 5b - These ratings are based on groups and households registered with "Christchurch Gets Ready" as at November 2013.



(1)

(3)

(rating)

Community environment

Social environment

The majority of organisations in the Yaldhurst/McLeans Island area are recreation-based and do not provide social services. These organisations often hold large events and activities that draw people from across the city and beyond Christchurch.

The major attraction in the area is Orana Wildlife Park.

The National Equestrian Centre Christchurch is also located in the McLeans Island area. There are currently draft ground plans in place for future additional facilities to be built.

The National Trade Academy is based on 34 hectres of land at McLeans Island. All of the students are involved in the running and development of the farm and riding school. There are specialist purpose-built facilities at its training centre, which allows both national and international students.

The McLeans Island mountain bike trails re-opened in November 2013 after suffering extensive damage to the forest due to windstorm.

The organisations and activities in this area were mainly unaffected by the 4 September, 2010, and 22 February, 2011, earthquakes.

There is one active residents' association within the area: Yaldhurst Rural Residents' Association. This group is proactive on local issues for their residents and meets regularly.

The Yaldhurst Memorial Hall is currently closed and there are still ongoing discussions taking place about its future.

Yaldhurst Model School is a country school close to Christchurch City for students in Years 1 to 8. The school has a mid-decile rating. There is a high level of community involvement and support for the school.

Built environment

This area is covered by the Riccarton Fletchers Hub/EQR, which services the following areas: Avonhead, Bishopdale, Bryndwr, Burnside, Fendalton, Harewood, Ilam, McLeans Island, Merivale, Russley, Strowan and Yaldhurst.

There are no Housing New Zealand properties or Council-owned units in the area.

Following the 22 February, 2011, earthquake and subsequent red-zone announcements, demand for properties and sections in this area increased. The development of the Delamain subdivision in Yaldhurst, which is a substantial residential development comprising a mix of 400 large and small sections, has helped address these demands.

Economic environment

Following the 22 February, 2011, earthquake, there has been significant growth in commercial activity around the airport. Information received by the Council shows that there are two displaced businesses from the Central Business District that have moved into the Yaldhurst area. Their temporary business permits are due to expire in April 2016.

The Yaldhurst area has very little in the way of retail activity and the nearest major shopping area is the Hub Hornby.

The Yaldhurst Business Park is well underway and appears to be attracting interest amongst established businesses, which will provide economic growth in the area.



Natural environment

McLeans Island is a section of the Waimakariri River Regional Park. It is approximately 13 kilometres in length, extending from the Harewood Crossbank (the hump on McLeans Island Road) upstream to approximately one kilometre downstream of The Willows Picnic Ground.

McLeans Island is divided into two recreational areas: McLeans Forest and West Melton Forest.

McLeans Island is part of the main channel of the Waimakariri River. River levels sometimes rise rapidly after northwesterly weather and can cause flooding on the tracks.

Quarrying in the Yaldhurst rural area remains of concern to local residents. There is a considerable size of land zoned Rural Q (Quarry) Zone, which provides for the extraction and processing of sand and gravel. Concerns include the environmental damage to the land through direct quarrying and the indirect effect of large truck movements along semi-rural roads. Christchurch City Council enforcement staff continue to monitor and respond to complaints relating to legislative, City Plan and bylaw breaches. Once quarrying of this area has been completed, it is intended that the land will be restored. It is anticipated that major restoration will occur in the Pound Road area first. However, there is no date identified for this to happen. The Fendalton Waimairi Community Board continues to monitor this situation and receive deputations as and when required.

Land condition

The Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority (CERA) Land Information Map has classified the whole area as being "green" zone.

The Department of Building and Housing (DBH) technical classifications show the area as being made up of rural and non-residential zones.



Key issues identified

Issue	Progress to date / outcomes				
Due to the good land condition in this area, there is a likelihood that this side of the city will become an attractive option for people needing to relocate. This area has land that has the potential for new subdivisions if required. However, a large portion of the land is unsuitable due to restrictions on land use in the areas immediately surrounding the airport.	 November 2013 The development of the Delamain subdivision in Yaldhurst, which is a substantial residential development comprising a mix of 400 large and small sections, is a good example of this. November 2014 The Riccarton-Wigram Community Board has arranged for a research study to be undertaken into the effects on social well-being of the shift of population from east to west. Recommendations from the research are to be put to the Riccarton Wigram Community Board. 				
The growth of commercial activity around the airport has the potential to impact on traffic flows and congestion on the roads leading into the city.	 November 2012 The Fendalton-Waimairi Community Board is monitoring this situation and continues to be available to hear from residents who have concerns or who are being affected by this issue. November 2013 Ongoing works are taking place to the Christchurch Western Corridor to State Highway One (SH1). The focus of the project by New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) is to upgrade the road to a four-lane SH1 to reduce congestion and improve safety. November 2014 The four-laning of Russley Road from Yaldhurst Road to the airport has been completed. 				
In terms of community resilience, this area ranked quite low in its number of Neighbourhood Support Groups. This does reflect the small population, but there is an opportunity to work with Canterbury Neighbourhood Support to promote the service.	 November 2012 Strengthening Communities Adviser to work with Canterbury Neighbourhood Support to encourage participation from residents. November 2013 With funding and direction from the Community Board a Neighbourhood Support Promotion Project is underway and will target all profile areas within the Ward from August 2013 to August 2014. November 2014 Staff held a public meeting in partnership with the local residents association and Neighbourhood Support. There was a good turnout at the meeting. Staff will continue to work with Neighbourhood Support to promote the establishment of groups where possible. 				



	Issue	Progress to date / outcomes
•	This area is neighbouring onto other areas which are included in the North-West Area Review, which proposes possible rezoning of land to accommodate growing demands for industrial development. This may have an impact on the Yaldhurst area.	November 2013 At this stage, it is unknown what, if any, impact there will be in the Yaldhurst area. November 2014 There was a good number of submissions received during the consultation period on the North-West Area Review. These have been taken into consideration and if there are to be any proposed zoning changes, these will be included as part of phase 2 of the District Plan Review.
•	The Yaldhurst Memorial Hall has been closed for some time and this has had an impact on meeting spaces available for the community.	 November 2013 The hall is still closed. Ongoing discussions are taking place regarding the future of the building. November 2014 Yaldhurst Hall is a community-owned building, sited on Council land. It is not on the Council's Top 30 list of facilities for priority repair. A group from within the local Yaldhurst Community has expressed a desire to have the hall reopened and has been investigating options to make this happen.
•	There are local concerns regarding "boy racers" who are speeding around the local roads.	November 2013 The Fendalton-Waimairi Community Board continues to be available to hear from residents who have concerns or who are being affected by this issue. There are ongoing police operations that target boy-racer activity, including Operation Hammer, which ran throughout March 2013. The police continue to target areas frequented by boy racers, including Pound Road, Yaldhurst. November 2014 As above.
•	Quarrying in the rural area remains a concern for residents. Concerns include the environmental damage to the land through direct quarrying and the indirect effect of large truck movements along semi-rural roads.	 November 2013 Christchurch City Council enforcement staff continue to monitor and respond to complaints relating to legislative, City Plan and bylaw breaches. Once quarrying of this area has been completed, it is intended that the land will be restored. Christchurch City Council is working in partnership with Environment Canterbury Regional Council (ECAN) regarding any environmental issues related to the quarrying.



Issue	Progress to date / outcomes
continued	November 2014
	A consent application for a quarry in Roberts Road was determined by independent commissioners as not affecting local residents.
	Two further applications for quarries on land not zoned as Zone Q have been submitted to Council.
	A working party of elected members from the Riccarton Wigram and Fendalton Waimairi Community Boards along with local residents is about to be formed. Terms of reference for this group are still to be determined. It is hoped that this will improve communication between Council and residents and lead to better understanding of the issues.
	 Local residents and Community Boards are making submissions into the replacement District Plan to stop this happening.

