Christchurch Residents Survey Programme 2023/24

Results snapshot

How we're doing

Our annual Residents Survey programme, which finds out what people think about Christchurch City Council services, shows that overall satisfaction is at 46% in 2023/24 – up slightly on last year's 43%.

The results of the Residents Survey are used to inform Council decisions. The programme involves three pieces of research:

- The Point of Contact Surveys⁺, carried out throughout the year with 9014 responses.
- The General Satisfaction Survey, carried out in January 2024 with a representative sample of 771 residents.
- The Life in Christchurch booster survey of 306 respondents, making sure various ethnic and younger age groups are represented better.

The 2023/24 Residents Survey again provides mixed results, but with some improvements on last year.

The 46% who are satisfied say the Council is doing a good job and they're happy with the services provided. The majority of services (71%) met their annual satisfaction targets. More services scored a high 85%+ satisfaction than last year and more services improved their ratings by 4% or more. Our reputation and trust measures remain low (27% on average), and the main issues driving a negative view of the Council remain roading and disapproval of Council spending. Once again, roading is the service judged as most needing improvement.

Read the full results at:

ccc.govt.nz/residents-survey

+ Point of Contact Surveys percentages are based on individual sample/respondent sizes, which vary for each survey.

What you say we do well





Education programmes

"Fantastic resources, great content and fun facts."





Botanic Gardens and Mona Vale

"I love all of it especially the rose garden and the NZ Garden, the children's playground and pool, the river walk."





Partnership approvals case management service

"Helped to ensure that we provided the Council with the right information and completed the right processes the first time. This greatly improved consenting timeframes."





Libraries

"Fantastic and informative staff. Very knowledgeable and friendly. We had an awesome experience on our school trip."





Cemeteries administration services

"I feel able to perform a necessary but stressful task with the feeling of support from people who are competent in their work."





Recreation and sport facilities

"Friendly staff, good facilities, good fitness classes."





Community events

"Well run and friendly. Family fun for all."





Inner city parks presentation

"Parks always clean, tidy, lovely displays of different plants."



84%

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Customer service

"Staff are excellent, extremely friendly and helpful, that's why

"Done in a timely manner and we have never had a missed

Recycling

"The facility that we use is always clean and tidy on our arrival."



collection."

84% Residual

Kerbside collection

Community facilities

Reliability of water supply





Organic

48%

(10%)

51%

Water supply quality

more regularly."

On-street parking

a movie."

"Give us back our pure drinking and washing water. Sick of washing smelling of chlorine and drinking water tasting bad."

What you say has improved the most

"Professional, accurate advice provided by the [...] team to ensure my

application documentation was in line with what the planners were wanting

"Safer than the old one, user friendly for yachts to tie on, easy access to ferry."

"Proactive maintenance of stormwater in my street has prevented any surface

"The city parks and garden[s] are attractive and look well maintained."

"[We] had a leak of grey water and sewerage from a nearby property and the

"[The cost of] parking – put me off going to town and paying \$12 to park and see

"The lawn needs to be mowed more regularly – the long wet grass doesn't make

it easy to walk dogs [...] Our neighbours help out with weeding occasionally

Resource consents processing

Stormwater management

Inner city parks presentation

Where you think we could improve

Community parks presentation

Wastewater reliability and responsiveness

Council did not deal with it very well or in a timely manner."

but it would be nice if [the] Council pruned trees and bushes

flooding occurrences."

to see. This streamlines the whole process."

Marine structure availability and access





Footpath condition

"Many footpaths are uneven and dangerous, especially in low light conditions for those who [have trouble] seeing or [are] older."





Road condition

"Roading is appalling. So many years after earthquakes they still fool around doing patch up jobs."

Public involvement in decision-making (surveying residents in general)

26%

"Water supply – reliable and of good quality."

28%

Participation in decision-making

34% Understanding of decision-making

Influence on decision-making

26% Large or some influence

52% Small influence 22% No influence

"Understanding of how [and] why decisions are made and [we want more] opportunity for people to submit their views with publication around this before decisions are made."

Reputation and trust

16% Making wise spending decisions

18% Providing value for ratepayers' money

19% Communicating how resident views have informed decision-making

21% Openness and transparency

"Transparency for decision-making for the city. Need to understand why/how they are making decisions for the city."

