

## Submissions on the Draft Ōtautahi Christchurch Community Strategy

Submission ID	Comments on the Draft Ōtautahi Christchurch Community Strategy	First name	Last name	Organisation
40978	I do not see any initiative on Asian ethnicity group, which is a great shame. I assume Asian deserves certain level of recognition in Christchurch in the next five year plan. Have we covered everything? No. 1. Asian population focused objective  2. Organic way of living, such as community garden project	Timothy	Zhang	
40979	I support the plan subject to the following :  1. No increase in rates  2. No increase in staffing to achieve it	Jan	Edwards	
40981	I feel that communities would be connected and more involved if the role of communications was highlighted or supported. Connection and belonging to groups/communities is greatly assisted by having a strongly supported communication role. Someone who can pass on info, remind ppl of events and encourage participation in many ways. Email, Facebook and in person are just a few examples. Support for this roles could be : workshops run by CCC (or outsourced but funded by)- how tos  Funding for the role within a community etc  I am the Communications Manager for the Little River Wairewa Community Trust and have seen how this can be successful in creating a more connected and cohesive community.	Lyn	Leslie	
40982	Listen to what the community wants.  No the footpaths are crap roads are crap.  Time for a new Mayor and council. The council needs to listen to the ratepayers. Stop spending ratepayers money on stupid ideas.	Jamie	Whyte	
40983	A load of Woke - sick - anti-majoritarian crap. You've covered it in bullshit. Wank. Grow up. Your a disgrace.	John	Hurley	
40984	Appears to broadly cover the key areas well!  Community events, particularly around specific neighbourhoods like community garden events. Community barbecues.  Better street lighting is important for safety at night both in the central city and in neighbourhoods.	Islay	Wharton	
41021	I particularly like the 3rd focus of 'Increase positive perceptions of the central city after dark. Encourage community-led activities that increase volunteering in local neighbourhoods to increase inclusion and a sense of belonging.' This may be relevant to those who mentor with Big Brothers Big Sisters to have opportunities to volunteer or attend activities with their mentee in their local neighbourhood.  I've read it all and dont have any further ideas. It looks like a lot of work has gone into this. Well done.	Anna	Chrinside	Big Brothers Big Sisters of Christchurch
41041	Seeing is believing as with a lot of community promises either nothing is done or a lot is promised, then retracted or put further and further down the priority list for years and years.  Have we covered everything? in a word NO  would be nice to see some of the original objectives come to fruition	Derek	Phelps	Greater Hornby Residents Association

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	WHEN are the people of Christchurch actually going to see some honest action on what they are asking for, and not what some bureaucratic office person decides what they think is best for the Christchurch population			
41070	Fix the roads.  Do not pay contractor for fixing a road until at least three months down the track, if the road is still in excellent condition then pay.	Andrew	Dower	
14080	I read through the Communities Strategy and it looked really good. I did however notice one area that is of interest to me, particularly through my Cholmondeley lens. One issue (summarised) that was outlined in both the Access & Equity, and Public Safety resident survey trends, was that there was a large proportion of whānau living in poverty and have lesser access to key amenities and public/community services.  These seemed to be identified as reasonably critical themes, however they were only very lightly referenced in Pillar One and Pillar Four. My suggestion would be that more emphasis needs to be placed on these themes, as they are so critical to the overall wellbeing of our cities residents. Could an action point that CCC look into to address these needs be something along the lines of “enhancing community knowledge and recognition of the public and community services available within the region”. Increasing the awareness of public services would seemingly have a flow-on effect of greater uptake in said services. This in-turn could see the overall wellbeing of our community, particularly those in need of the services, being enhanced greatly. I recall a meeting I had with Work and Income whilst I was at SDC, and the community support worker stated that the biggest issue is that “people just don’t know what we offer. And those that do, often don’t think they are entitled to our support, when they are”.	Michael	Heywood	Cholmondeley Children’s’ Centre
41101	With regard to communities priorities, aspirations, values and concerns. The amount of time and resources invested into 'consultation' activities in communities can actually end up undermining participation. Participation happens when we move beyond consultation to ensuring that aspirations are turned into actual and concrete actions that are meaningful for people. Resources invested into reports and consultation activities stay there unless they are turned into actions. The amount of money over the years that has been invested in these type of consultation activities in my own community is very disheartening when we cant see much that has come from it. And it's still happening. At the end of the day I would rather resouces were invested in outcomes I can see like improved infrastructure or experience like community events or services. As opposed to constant rounds of aspirational reports that seem to gather dust.	Sarah	McKay	
41102	You don’t give us any idea how you intend to do this. What is you budget? Who will drive this? What is your timeline? How will we know if you have achieved anything?  Please get real.	Helen	Chambers	
41116	The criteria for creative community funding is too tight. Denying us from the global market. I love objective 1.6. Facilitate and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all. I am a carer plus dislexic plus work part time so seminars works better for me. Next three years I plan to learn about computers. - Invest in arts, trades and Civil Defence, Youth Activities - Invest in Men Sheds for both Men and Women. I was the first female Cabinetmaker in New Zealand/Aotearoa. Not everybody would be able to do a trade at ARA but still need to upskill plus it requires community engagement. You need computer skills for lift learners. 3rd age training some one to one at least six appointments. Although I am Maori I am urban Maori. Because I am dislexic it make it hard for me to speak and learn the language but I have it interwoven in my scripts and art. It not up to you to tell me how to express my culture or art. But the wording you use will exclude projects like mine because we lost so much in 2011 earthquake it put screen back twenty years. The biggest problem for my project is storage, and hall, advertisement costs. It limits the groups I can work with. They can not see what wardrobe and archive equipment we have. Other art groups in Auckland and Dunedin are supported better. We need startup grants. Christchurch only talk to major stakeholders this has to change/have cups/tea workshop at library. I was brought up in Bishopdale and - with councillor & key staff for public came here in 1966. I have spent twenty years setting up [REDACTED] with no grants. I open up the door and bring others in we need better engagement not 15min presentation in front of council or community board e.g. help do applications for funding I how to apply on computer workshops one to one - because of scams I do not use facebook also to protect script/art. You need a Community Bill Board at main library so we could advertise for new members and advertise plus audition takes. And also at Bus Exchange. I have many events planned but need one to one engagement to discuss projects and even bring some council staff on boards to obtain better community engagement and Government or better best practice. e.g. to plan a pola bear festival requires 40 volunteers, \$100-\$200.000 to run event. Lancaster park target 2027. - to set up a play \$30,000 Tempalton Hall - would like to run yearly video event Cathedral Square dance/music	Drucilla	Kingi-Patterson	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- would like to do auditions and small show Edmonds Band Retander</li> <li>- Tempalton - set up Dance Academy</li> <li>- Pola Bear Fitness Event Hornby</li> <li>- set up Theatre group New Brighton</li> </ul> <p>Last 14 years collect wardrobe. Last 8 years look at halls and location. 8 years planning two Relm, theatre projects.</p> <p>Last two years set up companies. Next three need to set up Arts Trust and learn computers.</p> <p>People at council won't talk to you, need to be more accessible.</p> <p>66 children lost a parent in the 2011 earthquake.</p> <p>66 children mostly boys lost a father during the terrorist attack 2020.</p>			
41138	<p>My PHD focus is on Chinese participation in government. I think there should be more objective focus on language as a barrier.</p> <p>Language is a big barrier to participation - even with translation some won't understand adequately. Having staff that can communicate in other language and having all documents in other languages would be good.</p> <p>How we inform people could be improved. Email is good.</p>	Chu	Zhao	
41143	<p>The focus seems very vague and more like led by the council not by the people. What does the focus try to achieve. It seems like the community leaders are to be trained as the voice for the council and not for the people in the community. What's the goal? If it's inclusion, then I can't understand how it can be achieved except for the increasing emphasis of Maori culture.</p> <p>It looks great but vague. I don't see how these can be achieved.</p> <p>Have a better discussion with the community leaders and find out what their priorities and concerns are. Weighing any pros and cons and give the public to think before passing anything.</p>	Esther	Fang	
41178	<p>One of The Main concerns Many people have is why Doesn't The Christchurch Council Consult the Christchurch Citizens regarding Three Waters Deal ? We</p> <p>The Ratepayers should have a say .Because The Councillors were voted in to Look After Our City .Not sell us out .I CHALLENGE THE COUNCIL TO OPEN THIS TOPIC OPEN FOR DEBATE ?????</p>	Bruce	Perkins	
41212	<p>Otakaro seam more focused on protecting their future than planning to get projects completed on time and budget.</p> <p>The well being of our city is failing while we spend money on talk fests of consultants who simply won't get on with the job</p> <p>Reduce the number of consultants and employ more doers than planners and talkers</p> <p>Yes better public scrutiny of Otakaro outcomes</p>	Tony	Church	
41213	What is the English translation for the Maori words at the start of each Pillar ? I cannot find the translation on Google, and only about 5% speak Te Reo.	Tim	R	
41232	Brochure or communications are shrouded in corporate speak, no concrete and ordinary language to make plans clear.	Chow Hui	Ping	
41234	<p>Affordability is not mentioned anywhere. - there are too many who want everything but are not prepared to invest in it, the economy is suffering and so too are the rate-payers, we can't afford to all drive Teslas &amp; live in brand new homes - the City needs to live within its means, the focus seems to be on all, yet it is the ratepayers who fund the Council (with some Central Govt support).</p> <p>Affordability is not mentioned anywhere. A Council can't live on borrowing more &amp; more, if we can't afford it now, how will we ever be able to afford it - reserves should be built and these used for capital expenditure, and we definitely shouldn't be borrowing to cover operational expenses, and we need to keep the assets we've paid for</p>	Richard	Smith	

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	<p>there needs to be a focus on the streamlining of the bureaucracy of Council, too many people on cushy numbers. The critical focus shouldn't be about how many people are on \$100k+ as they tend to be the professionals making it happen or the people on &lt;\$50k as they are the trade workers doing the hard mahi, it should be about the people of \$60-99k who swan about with no real work ethic, and the ones on \$150k+ who are on the gravy train.</p> <p>It used to be that you got a cushy number in the public sector but got paid less, now it's all about 'market pay' but the cushy terms have remained.</p> <p>It's not about capping rates increases yet borrowing more, it's not about rates caps and selling assets, it's not about taking rubbish bins and collections away - that is the core business of Council, it's about taking away the waste (the stupid plethora of red light arrows -the road code covers turning rules)and nice-to-have spending (everything being architecturally designed to the highest spec), it's about making the central city attractive and desirable (how stupid is it to have such strict noise limits next to the stadium site) - look at Addington it's naturally evolved to be a real cool area</p>			
41245	<p>CREST is one of a very small number of community support organisations in Cashmere. It has worked for several years to establish an emergency hub that can be activated in an emergency situation to provide a safe place for affected residents to find initial shelter, and connect to the right information and assistance.</p> <p>CREST definitely agrees with the Preparedness Objective 4.1, in particular the action to support the development of community response plans – this is what we do. We make the following comments about how this action could work better:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We would have appreciated more coordinated communications with Civil Defence as we became established</li> <li>• More support to develop our plan would have been helpful</li> <li>• We would like to have an update liaison at least twice a year with Civil Defence</li> <li>• We would like to have networking events or meetings with groups that are similar – at least once a year</li> <li>• We would like to better understand the Civil Defence structure, strategy, and operations – for example the function of the centre in Beckenham, and volunteer recruitment</li> <li>• We appreciate the attendance at meetings and support from our local Community Development Advisor</li> <li>• We understand that Civil Defence has been through many changes in the past ten years, and would like to see more continuity in policies and staff.</li> </ul> <p>Preparedness Objective 4.2 is also of interest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We are not sure what is meant by nurturing and supporting new and emerging leadership, as in who is this is meant to support and why</li> <li>• The funder collaboration action could include commitment to supporting first aid training to preparedness groups</li> </ul>	Alison	Murphy	Cashmere Residents Emergency Response Team
41254	<p>I would like a community garden. In the area which was previously the sockburn pool.</p> <p>I'm unsure my objective is to help those without .</p> <p>A food recycling station</p> <p>To save waste of food from parks and places that have been demolished .</p>	Neil	Osborne	Sockburn Community Foodbank
41460	<p>You need to speak to bus drivers collectively .</p> <p>OMG some of the things they have done on Ilam Rd .</p> <p>Riccarton Rd .</p> <p>It's turned into a diabolical nightmare .</p> <p>Cars for instance turning right off main South Rd with approaching traffic stop all behind until they can turn .</p> <p>I tried to exit from countdown yesterday and two cars only able to exit from countdown at a major intersection is not good enough .</p> <p>These stupid cycle lanes should have been added to the pedestrian footpaths widened . cycling to have to give way .</p> <p>Get better acquainted with those who drive especially heavy ( trucks ,buses )</p>			

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	<p>On roading yes major infrastructure has been good but some stupidity somewhere .</p> <p>Get someone to talk .</p> <p>Even to five people who drive permanent for a living .</p>			
41256	<p>The pillars in theory look great. But actions speak louder than words.</p> <p>Recent changes around medium density housing have not been articulated to homeowners. This lack of consultation by private (not social housing providers) developers does not strengthen community connectedness and has private owner now mistrusting council ( because of old rules now not relevant).</p> <p>People don't feel heard I.e; the placement of bike lanes. We want them but placement is really important. Strickland Street with bicycle lanes and parked cars is an accident waiting to happen.</p> <p>What you do in practice in relation to these pillars is more important now than what you say and whether the wording is OK. ACHIEVEABLE OUTCOMES and the difference you make to wellbeing more important.</p> <p>For equity of access - more free events. Many low income families will never go to the hot pools with their kids as they can't afford.</p> <p>People are connected within there communities to some degree. Many work so only have evenings or sparing time in weekends to participate in activities. This needs to be factored</p>	Melissa	McCreanor	
41297	<p>Yes if a tenant at one of your facilities have a problem with another tenant MAKE changes dont sit back and let it go.</p> <p>Have we covered everything? NO definitely not</p> <p>When you have an obviously overwhelming aspect of complaints do somthing about the offender whether female or male</p> <p>Be more proactive to the community you are looking after</p>	Leena	Kalpus	Shane Tons
41303	<p>Page 13 of the draft plan talks about a partnership approach to achieve goals. In particular, in the section headed 'Funders, philanthropic organisations, foundations and personal giving', the document states: "Along with other funders, we are exploring how we can move from an old transactional funding model, to a more high-trust, transformational approach, where groups are partners rather than passive recipients of the charitable dollar." What does this mean? Does this mean that the council will now actively shape and guide more of what happens in non-profits vs. the organisation itself deciding? "If you get our money, we get a say in what to do” approach? The council needs to be careful that it doesn't overreach.</p>	Mary Jo	Chase	
41340	<p>We support the key areas that are being focused on, its a well organised plan however its always good to be ready to adapt or change the plan when and if required.</p> <p>Inclusiveness and removing barriers were two key themes that kept coming through for us. We think this will prove to be an important aspect of focus for the council as they navigate their way through the next ten years which is bound to have some form of challenge and adversity that may effect change for their plan, or the way things are being done. The better aligned the council are with various groups and people in the communities, the easier it should be to work through the challenging times in order to keep moving forward</p> <p>We found there was also some strong synergy in the plan with regards to some of the detail relating to the Partnership between the Lyttelton Recreation Centre Trust and the council. Like any plan its about how it is delivered, having the right people, not to give lip service to it but be genuinely committed to working alongside communities, fostering real partnerships, with integrity and openness. We do have reservations regarding the amount of NGOs partnerships being established and the pressures that is then placed on funding sources.</p> <p>We would like to thank the council for their ongoing commitment to our organisation and giving us this opportunity to have our say.</p>	Wendy	McKay	Lyttelton Recreation Centre Trust
41363	<p>Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga (HNZPT) is an autonomous Crown Entity with statutory responsibility under the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014 (HNZPTA) for the identification, protection, preservation, and conservation of New Zealand’s historic and cultural heritage.</p> <p>HNZPT prepares and maintains the New Zealand Heritage List / Rārangi Kōrero (the List), which is primarily an identification and recognition tool for New Zealand’s significant and valued historical and cultural heritage places.</p>	Fiona	Wykes	Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga

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	HNZPT notes that there is a link to the Council’s Heritage Strategy, and that heritage is linked to the ‘place’ pillar. We support the inclusion of heritage in the strategy and would like to reinforce its importance as a tool both to bring communities together and the foster community identity.			
41421	<p>When I first arrived in Christchurch in 1983, I found a city laid out on stratified socio economic (I prefer to call a spade a spade so choose the term class) lines. During my 38-year career working, by choice, in the Community Not-For-Profit Sector with a focus on flax-roots Social and Economic change rather the welfare I have sadly seen once proud working-class areas in decline as a toxic mix of privatization, the casualised labour market, migrant labour, debt fueled consumerism (Supply Side Economics) and targeted welfarism has taken hold. While working class people, whānau and communities have never been among the inner sanctums of Christchurch influencers and decisions makers there is strong evidence that they are less engaged in the city than they have ever been. In contemporary Christchurch working-class people are regarded as units of labour, consumers, deviants subject to justice interventions, uneducated and unskilled work-shy addicts, and, or the poor, vulnerable and needy requiring expert welfare interventions and saving from themselves. They are seldom regarded as citizens, and definitely not economic contributors, wealth creators, ratepayers even though most pay rates indirectly through their rents. While, over the years I have heard plenty of heroic rhetoric about strength based and client or community led community development, I have witnessed mostly top down interventions based on demeaning needs assessments that encourage once proud working people to put their worst foot forward in order to access more welfare interventions provided by well-paid middle class professionals, Churches, favored NGO's, and consortiums of statutory agencies, generally in partnership with a community based NGO. The advent of part-funded contracts based on hybridized commercial contracts and widespread adoption of Fredman’s Results Based Accountability by local and central Government funders and some philanthropies, and the collapse of trade unions has shifted the power to be part of the debate from working class people, whānau and communities to funded predominantly Pākehā Welfare and, or Christian organizations. These organizations have effectively usurped the role of working-class people, whānau and communities to become “the community” or at the very least the representatives of the community. This appalling theft of democratic rights has been largely aided and abetted by central and local Government politicians and their legions of community development / strengthening community/ capacity building professionals and contract managers and policy advisers whose business model is to engage with, mainly NGO and Church organizations and report community engagement as if they are one and the same thing. The outcome has been a focus of individual, whānau and community vulnerabilities and deficits rather than engaging in any macro level debate that addresses the social and economic injustices that exist and necessary changes to the social and economic status-quo. Robust discussion regarding the impacts of poverty on working class communities are hijacked and refocused on NZ Work and Income Beneficiaries, Social housing, and the like. While, I agree these are critical issues, they are not the only issues faced by working class people, whānau and communities who remain disenfranchised and voiceless in the clamor by agencies to represent their commercial (funding) and indirectly their own employment interests. While many among the local and central Government community development / strengthening community/ capacity building professionals and contract managers and policy advisers get excited by concepts like Asset Based Community Development and flock to listen to and get inspired by extraordinary Community Development Practitioners and Speakers like Jim Dyer and Peter Kenyon they miss the point. These practitioners work with the people not services that have commercialized working class deprivation, isolation, and disenfranchisement to create middle class incomes for themselves and or opportunities to evangelize. It is however not all bad. There are a few exemplary examples of excellence such as the CCC Multicultural strategy and Inform meetings, The CCC funded work by SEWN and a number of youth programmes and the respectful engagement with Tangata Whenua. The Community cottages have real potential to be hotbeds of working-class engagement if they are allowed to become so.</p> <p>If the CCC could do one thing to work to better understand what excludes people from fully participating in their communities and across Council services, they would examine themselves in the mirror and make the changes to them being a fundamental barrier to participation to advocates for working-class New Zealanders to have the space in accessible and welcoming forums to participate. This will involve an enormous trust building exercise which is only possible if those who currently dominate the conversation were to step off the podium and engage with their ears first.</p> <p>Improve the capture of consistent and relevant data, set clear targets and partnering with communities and others to ensure more equitable and inclusive opportunities for all will only happen if engagements happens first.</p> <p>Have we covered everything? Yes but at such a high level they are meaningless. Unless CCC engages at the grass roots in and inclusive and respectful manner ears first it will only achieve what it has previously achieved. The isolation, dislocation and alienation of the working-classes.</p> <p>The city actively promotes a culture of equity by valuing diversity and fostering inclusion across communities and generations.</p> <p>* If this were true the working-classes would be more rather than less engaged.</p> <p>Two things:</p> <p>First that Christchurch becomes the exemplar of just and respectful employment/ labour market practice in New Zealand similar to being the Garden City - now somewhat out of date.</p>	David	Marra	

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	<p>The City Council could run a Great Employer recognition programme led by employees with awards and celebrations held in Latimer Square (the traditional workers square) every labour day. there would be industry classes and large medium and small employer categories. Employers would win a formal CCC plaque and be listed prominently on the CCC website. This idea would have huge social and economic benefits for Christchurch as skilled working people identify Christchurch as the home of great jobs with good employers.</p> <p>Second. The Community Cottages are funded to engage specialist contractors to promote and run a series of accessible Open Space Forums that are widely promoted to working class communities through workplaces, trade unions, ethnic networks, Churches, Mosques and Marae. These forums will advise the CCC on how best to better understand what excludes people from fully participating in their communities and across Council services. We will improve the capture of consistent and relevant data, set clear targets and partner with communities and others to ensure more equitable and inclusive opportunities for all.</p>			
41470	<p>Trust is really important and I see that mentioned under Pillar 4, Objective 4.2. The reality is that this doesn't exist. People see consultation as a box tick and decisions already being made. Council must listen and respond to community feedback.</p> <p>Having a community based engagement staff member whose role is to ensure accurate information is disseminate information is essential. Staff are currently stretched to do this in a meaningful way.</p> <p>It's essential that actions line up with words. I see an ever increasing push for community organisations to raise their own funds from council and at the same time council charging community groups more for utilising community facilities for fundraising events. How does this make sense?</p>	Samantha	Fay	Sustainable South Brighton
41482	<p>The Board has some concerns about the focus on ‘increasing volunteering’ referenced throughout the document. The Board is concerned that reliance on volunteering may be unsustainable in the long term. Instead the outcome should be enhancing the ‘positive impact’ of volunteering. Supporting actions could include increasing volunteering opportunities, but also exploring innovative approaches to maximise the value and sustainability of volunteering.</p> <p>The Board recommends specifically mentioning the principles of Te Tiriti o Waitangi under Pillar 1 in order to authentically align to Te Ao Māori.</p> <p>The Board recommends rephrasing objective 3.1 to include: “Empower and engage our youth to be active citizens”.</p> <p>The Board recommends rephrasing objective 3.4 to “support and celebrate volunteers”. We need to value our volunteers and explore ways to make volunteering worth their while.</p> <p>The Board recommends adding an action to objective 4.3 relating to a focus on mental wellbeing.</p> <p>The Board submits that the overall objective of the Strategy needs to include all members of the community being empowered to participate. There is a significant focus and specific actions for working with the Māori and Pacific communities, which is appropriate, but no mention of members of the multi-ethnic community who make up a significant percentage of the Board’s Ward population, or minority groups particularly those who find it difficult to participate because they cannot communicate confidently in English. The Board suggests that objective 1.3 would be an appropriate place to specifically reference the multicultural strategy and working with multi-ethnic communities.</p> <p>The Board also suggests that the actions for responding to climate change need to be elaborated on to make them stronger and clearer.</p> <p>The Board notes that the description of objective 4.1 includes responding to emergencies, but there is no action specifically associated with emergencies. The Board recommends adding an action to objective 4.1 to support communities to prepare and respond to emergencies and natural disasters.</p> <p>The Board supports collaboration and partnership with iwi and existing youth organisations.</p> <p>The Board also recommends establishing a volunteer celebration/value programme as a way to celebrate our volunteers. This would not only administer awards, but provide tangible tools and opportunities for upskilling, for example: mentoring programmes, training, and networking opportunities.</p> <p>The Board recommends that the Council proactively publishes information across a diverse range of communication channels about how the community can engage and become active citizens, for example who at Council to contact to achieve a certain outcome. This could also include information about what they can contact their elected representatives about.</p> <p>The Board recommends that the Strategy reference the 17 UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). These goals should be linked throughout the pillars and be a way to report and measure the impact of these actions and focuses.</p> <p>The Board is also concerned about ensuring equality of opportunity for communities throughout the city to thrive and recommends that appropriate actions are added to the Strategy to support this. This includes ensuring that capital investment in amenity-enhancing projects is fairly distributed across the city.</p>	Bridget	Williams	Waimāero Fendalton-Waimairi-Harewood Community Board
41502	Yes, it’s very good with the goals.	Shane	McInroe	

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	<p>it would be good for Council to do Easy Read for its long term plan etc</p> <p>it would be good to some Easy Read documents Napier City Council can do Easy Read CCC can do it</p> <p>any new Easy Read documents get tested by people who have a learning disability if works</p> <p>it would be good if the council makes a commitment enabling good lives principles</p>			
41577	<p>Access/equity</p> <p>The Board supports the Strategy’s focus on equity. The Board agrees that access to resources that support community participation should be based on need, not spread equally across the population.</p> <p>The Board notes that areas of high deprivation (like many of the suburbs in our Wards) require more time and effort to engage with, and this needs to be adequately resourced in terms of funding and staff time.</p> <p>We advocate for a level of decentralisation of resources (financial, staffing, collateral etc.) from Council to Community Boards so that Boards can make decisions on matters of priority to them. This already happens with some project work, and we would like to see this extended to more areas of work. The Board would like to see the principle of subsidiarity in action at Board level – that community issues should be resolved at the most local level as possible, and that local communities are best placed to plan for and determine their own future.</p> <p>The Board would like to continue to support successful community organisations that provide good support to our community e.g. ACTIS, Youth Alive, Pukeko Centre, WACST.</p> <p>Public Safety</p> <p>The Board supports this focus area and would like to see the Council do more to work in Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED), including educating communities about this principle and how it can be applied in their local area.</p> <p>The Board notes that the Red Zone has created an area that can feel unsafe, particularly at night (it is poorly lit) and in parts that are not overlooked by housing.</p> <p>Active Citizenship</p> <p>The Board agrees with the comment in the Strategy that “community engagement does not affect the final decision made by Council and residents do not feel they have the ability to influence decision-making”. The Board regularly hears from our communities that engagement happens without communities having an ability to influence decision-making. A good example of this is the recent engagement on the stopping of Avonside Drive and the proposed changes to Avon Park. This was new information for many residents, and many felt that it was being ‘done to them, rather than with them’.</p> <p>The Board recommends that one of the action points out of this area off focus is that the Council Engagement team seeks to educate the public on the different levels of interaction it embarks on. For example, it would be good for the public to understand the difference between consultation (we are being informed of something) and engagement (we are being asked for feedback on something and may be part of the decision-making).</p> <p>The Board notes that the Council provides good resources to community groups on how to plan and run community events (for example Kia Rite Hoha), but these may not be widely known about. These (and other resources) are an important part of community capability-building, which is essential for encouraging active citizenship.</p> <p>Resilience</p> <p>We support this area of focus.</p> <p>Our Board would like the Council to be more proactive in supporting communities to help themselves in things like emergency planning and mitigation. An example of this is that local residents would like to be able to manage the pumps in Southshore during flooding events (with Council oversight of course).</p> <p>It is important that the Council does not devolve its responsibilities for managing the impact of climate change or preparing and managing hazard events. Our communities have repeatedly said that they would like to work with the Council on planning and finding solutions.</p>	Bebe	Frayle	Waitai Coastal-Burwood Community Board



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	<p>The pillars provide a good foundation for thinking about the areas of focus for activity and action. The Board agrees that the pillars cover the basics well and will help us to achieve our goals of encouraging active citizenship and fostering collaboration and volunteerism in our communities.</p> <p>We would like to see our communities given more ability to make decisions for themselves with support from the Council rather than the Council making decisions for them. We hope this strategy will support this goal.</p> <p>The actions are good, but we would like to see specific annual reporting city-wide against the objectives so we can track progress of these actions over time and know when we are achieving them.</p>			
41597	<p>I think the 4 pillars are excellent and a sound basis for this policy.</p> <p>Objective 1.3-This objective did not seem as clearly defined in terms of action as 1.1 and 1.2. It is important that everyone has opportunities for greater exposure to and education about diverse cultures, religions etc. as this is the key to knocking down misunderstanding, prejudices and hate.&lt;br /&gt;</p> <p>Objective 1.4 -Looking after the needs of our more vulnerable communities prevents them from becoming marginalized and more likely to become isolated. For instance it is important their support organisations like Blind Low Vision NZ. Environmental adaptations make a huge difference to how people with a disability can participate in our city's activities. Consideration should be given to providing more accessible carparking, playground equipment and toilets.&lt;br /&gt;</p> <p>1.5 Funding Community activities is vital in helping to build connections and decrease isolation. BBQ's in the local park or beach brings people together and builds a sense of belonging.&lt;br /&gt;</p> <p>1.6 Education and opportunities for creativity are very important in peoples well being and chance to feel worthy and able to contribute.</p> <p>2.1 Neighbourhood week funding is a great way to help establish Community connections. Also the Parks department supporting local working bees on reserves etc.</p> <p>2.2 Supporting the establishment of new Residents Associations is highly recommended, especially in new areas. The Cass Bay Residents Association does very well at welcoming new people (sending them welcome cards); has a Facebook page and email list of members to keep people informed of events or important CCC information; runs several hugely popular events to get people together eg Beach party and Halloween party.</p> <p>2.3 Support Reserve Management Committees on Banks Peninsula. They bring people together and are an important part of the "Places" pillar. People feel they belong and a creating a better place for their children when they help at working bees and planting days.</p> <p>3.1 It is crucial that Communities opinion on their area is valued and they are listened to. They are best suited to know what is going to work in their neighbourhood, their needs and an appropriate cultural approach. If this doesn't happen they will become disengaged.</p> <p>3.3 We have wonderful staff like Phillipa Hay and Andrea Wild (Lyttelton office) who work to keep communities informed and support them.</p> <p>Acknowledging volunteers is important,</p> <p>Pillar 4 Connected communities feel safer and look out for each other. Particularly on the Peninsula where communities can be quite isolated or could become cut off, hubs prepared for Civil Defense are important.</p> <p>Bringing communities together by providing funding for things like "Neighbourhood Week in the Summer" activities work really well but it is important that people have a place for these things to happen. For instance, having a Community building/ facility means that community activities like craft groups, yoga groups, morning teas for the elderly, and playgroups can take place where this would otherwise not be possible. In Cass Bay these activities have either been limited to very small numbers in people's homes or not been able to happen at all as we do not have a Community facility. As we are a growing community these sorts of activities are important in meeting the needs of all sectors and a way to make new comers feel like they belong. CCC support in providing this would be wonderful in all communities not just ours.</p> <p>Training and mentorship would be great in this area as it can be daunting getting to know how things work in Council etc. Help with technological solutions to make things easier and getting groups like Residents Associations together to share ideas and not have to reinvent the wheel would be an advantage.</p> <p>I think I have included a lot of ideas and examples throughout my response. Building communities is fundamental to living in a city where people can thrive and feel supported.</p>	Jenny	Healey	Cass Bay Residents Association

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41611	<p>Looks comprehensive and appropriate. Only some of them relate specifically to the Victoria Neighbourhood Association's formal Objectives and Terms of Reference, so those are the only ones we have consulted on / discussed. We have, therefore, limited our comments to those aspects.</p> <p>We think so. For us, Pillar 3 is the key to the other pillars. Our comments are (i) there are many opportunities to have a say (e.g. surveys, forums, walkability tour, submissions) (ii) the Council's CSR process works well, and we have had support for some of our requests under that process from our Community Board and (iii) information and answers to questions are readily available from CCC staff, Councillors and Board reps. HOWEVER, our concern is that impact of our responses often is lost, no matter how well researched or, in some cases, supported by professional advice. "Expert witness" statements are given much more emphasis at hearings, to the point where we sometimes think on-the-ground experience from "resident-experts" is not really valued or even wanted.</p> <p>We also think Pillar 2 is important. The supporting objectives are relevant, and the Community Board &amp; CCC have a good track record on achieving them.</p> <p>As mentioned at the Zoom briefing, residential groups would appreciate a more proactive approach to the Community Development Advisor's role, so that we can prepare submissions (for CCC, the Community Board and/or other relevant bodies) that are likely to have more impact. Sometimes it is difficult to identify the most salient points and the ones that we might be able to influence. We do want to say that the VNA has appreciated the interest &amp; support we've received from the Community Board.</p> <p>Any pressure or help re pointing out to CCC staff &amp; Councilors that their policies, rules AND decisions need to be consistent with what they SAY is important, e.g. putting the RESIDENTIAL nature of central city residential zone ahead of developers' and applicants' desire for non-residential activities in the middle of residential neighbourhoods---decreases options for people to live here, as well as compromising residential amenity. CCC planner's support for the Youth Hub and CCC staff's current recommendations re unhosted short-term accommodation in RCCZ (as part of Plan Change 4) are two recent examples of turning their back on their own stated goal of more people LIVING in the central city.</p>	Marjorie	Manthei	Victoria Neighbourhood Association
41618	<p>Impacts of climate change should be top of the list. For more inclusion council has to trust local communities to work with council on whatever locals see as priorities.</p> <p>Preparedness - adaptation is a last resort. Climate change is a result of lack of awareness and action. Public transport walking and cycling, equity, food growing.</p> <p>Real power sharing with youth - it is their future. Trust in community feedback that has already been presented e.g. Godley House Stoddart Point Diamond Harbour.</p> <p>Devolve resources to groups who give their time and abilities to communities. The strategy is excellent. Implementation is the challenge.</p>	Joy	McLeod	
41659	<p>The priority areas seem appropriate. The participation and engagement needs to be meaningful for the people with learning disabilities we support, therefore easy read information is needed. Access is not only about the physical environment, but also having the information in a way that is understandable. Same with consultation about things that are happening in the local communities, having this information in a number of formats.</p> <p>The cost of activities and the cost of transport to activities is also an issue for many people with limited incomes.</p> <p>Physical access can be an issue too. In our local Redwood area it is difficult to even go out for a walk with the number of tree roots that are pushing through the footpath and making it very uneven. It makes it very hard for people who have limited mobility to even walk around their street in a safe way. We have notified the Council of the footpath issues in the past.</p> <p>Looks good. It will be the actions that will be important. It is really important to encourage and support people to participate in their local communities and connect with others for their well being.</p> <p>Having quiet times at pools where people who find too much noise difficult would be useful. It would also be good to have a more user friendly information data base about what is available in the city for people to do, especially things that are free.</p>	Karen	Rickerby	Marralomeda Charitable Trust Inc
41660	<p>Happy with the main areas noted here</p> <p>What i am not seeing in the pillars is the word 'family or whanau'. For me this is the key building block which is essential to having a healthy community, to creating healthy development pathways for children and youth and to supporting our elderly to be healthy into the older years .</p> <p>I would ask that family/whanau supports - including parenting, children, youth and older age are added into the pillars.</p> <p>I welcome the intention to continue to partner with community groups well placed in there own community</p>	Carey	Ewing	HPCT - Te Whare Awhero (hope house)

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41669	[see attachment]	Keith	Harris	Akaroa District Promotions
41679	[see attachment]	David	Hawke	Halswell Residents Association (Inc.)
41683		Emma	Norrish	Waipapa Papanui Innes Community Board
41686	[see attachment]	Katherine	Peet	Network Waitangi Ōtautahi & One Voice Te Reo Kotahi
41699	<p>The key priority areas of People, Place, Participation and Preparedness give a wide oversight of the communities make up.</p> <p>Having the ability to have a community hub operating and visible during times of crisis would assist some of our community who need to connect and are unable to utilize technology. They need personal connection.</p> <p>The focus on inclusion and connection is the main area the Community Development, Christchurch City Mission team have identified as required to underpin all aspects of community wellbeing.</p> <p>Transportation is a major issue for our communities.</p> <p>*The strong connections to community advisors and a ongoing relationship with the staff in these roles has ensured the communities feel heard and can vision with confidence. These relationships are challenged when council staff are relocated. Communication at this point is essential.</p> <p>*Within the restrictions we are experiencing at present due to Covid 19, some of the actions outlined in the document will be challenged. New ways of working in smaller groups, or on line, (are not always accessible to those with limited or no computer access) will benefit from a collaborative approach between community groups , schools, health providers and funders.</p> <p>Feedback from the communities our community development workers work within included:</p> <p>When they are asked for they thoughts they are presented with well informed, educated choices which suit their particular area.</p> <p>Locals know their own area best.</p>	Catherine	Williamson	Christchurch City Mission
41703	[see attached]	Prudence	Walker	Disabled Persons Assembly NZ
41705	I largely agree with the priorities, however there are gaps. First the Access and Equity priority explanation needs data relevant to what poverty and disability in Christchurch looks like rather than broad and limited national statistics for child poverty, and there needs to be an action in the implementation plan for supporting community responses to the multiple poverty related barriers to wellbeing. The second and third gaps are priority focus on COVID-19 recovery and the housing crisis, both of which will be impacting communities significantly in the next few years. The pandemic impacts on local businesses and vulnerable workers and their families in particular are still to be fully felt. The housing crisis will also significantly affect neighbourhoods that are being changed by densification, exclusions from	Helen	Gatonyi	Age Friendly Spreydon Cashmere Committee

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	<p>stable ownerships and tenancies, and consequent new groupings of residents with differing expectations and needs – social exclusion pressures have started already from displacements and gentrification. It is clear that housing left to the market does not produce affordable homes.</p> <p>The statements attached to each pillar are great, however the objectives and actions do not fully meet the promises.</p> <p>The People pillar needs to include an objective related to addressing the impacts of poverty (lack of money, lack of choice, lack of personal empowerment) – working with community efforts to assist our most disadvantaged citizens (not just equity for minorities). The document ignores the ever present systemic failures of the economy.</p> <p>The Place pillar has a sound statement of intent. Building a sense of belonging is key – Objective 2.2 should include “existing and changing” not just new and emerging.</p> <p>The Participation pillar statement fails to recognise the importance of decisions meeting the greater good. Objectives 3.1 and 3.2 and or their actions should include (i) a commitment to ensure timely, balanced and accurate information provision to all participants and (ii) commitment to make the decision making system work for everyone – e.g. well-managed deliberation so that people with diverse opinions are encouraged towards equity-based decisions</p> <p>The Preparedness pillar statement and objectives are sound, however the actions for Objective 4.2 are limited.</p> <p>Objective 1.4 needs an action about supporting and promoting community solutions and projects that can halt and reduce poverty related economic and social exclusion.</p> <p>Objective 1.6 needs to include an action for cross-cultural learning, not just intergenerational. Many of our children have multiple heritage identities. Learning about each other provides the joy in diversity.</p> <p>Objective 2.2. Add “existing and changing” – our older suburbs are definitely feeling the brunt of built environment change.</p> <p>Objective 3.1 needs an action about committing to investing in relationships over time - to activate the “what you told us” point on page 20: “Working with community takes time – relationships and trust are critical”. This is highly relevant to making sure there is equitable reach of engagement – find out the preferred ways to consultation and participation in democracy by establishing reciprocal relationships with the people communities trust.</p> <p>Objective 4.2 needs an action about continuing to acknowledge and support organisations and champions that have demonstrated leadership and capacity to enable communities to manage change well.</p> <p>Christchurch has been provided so many strategies that some groups are saying they are exhausted, and also that it might not make much difference to the challenges they face. I would like to see more in the strategy about supporting the existing doers, building on the wisdom and knowledge accumulated over years of tackling hard problems and giving to community causes. Note also that innovation does not necessarily always emerge from the young.</p>			
41706	[see attached]	Victoria	Andrews	The Akaroa Civic Trust
41709	<p>From a proud resident of Christchurch, and raising two wonderful kids here, I am super impressed with the honesty and willingness to improve and grow our sense of community.</p> <p>The flow from.... How we are currently, the role of CCC, into the vision, alignment, pillars and execute of the strategy, gives the document a great sense of purpose and coverage. A lot of words and detail for me, but exceptional it the delivery of its purpose.</p> <p>Again, being very new to this area, and never being exposed to strategy like this before.... from a sports perspective, I didn't feel the strategy has nowhere near enough of a link to the sporting environment within Ōtautahi and the benefits these connections can have on all types of communities. I honestly believe, there is a sport out there for everyone, no matter your age, gender, beliefs, ability.... There is a sport, club, community, whānau out there for you, and the benefits – physically, mentally, sense of belonging, enjoyment, happiness, etc – can be extremely powerful to a persons quality of life.</p> <p>I'm not sure if this kind of focus or commitment to open up those sporting connections is something that belongs in a document like this, or is more of the onus on the sporting organisations to actively seek out those individuals, groups, and families within the community to connect with their sports – like most of us are constantly striving to achieve.... I don't know.</p> <p>I do know, Canterbury and Christchurch have an amazing reputation and genuine connection to Sports – from great participation numbers, breadth of options, nature passion to exceptionally talented and high achieving.... Should the continuation of such a wonderfully rewarding, enriching and powerful connection by part of a strategy like this?</p> <p>From a CHA perspective, I have a strong view around providing as much opportunity as possible for our community to encourage and fall in love with our sport or sport in general, so there are a number of strong alignment aspects here with the strategy – genuinely listening to our community voice, supporting and growing our</p>	Shane	Maddaford	Canterbury Hockey Association

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	volunteer community, support capacity within our much important Club and School structures, living and breathing Balance is Better, etc.... all aspects that also align to our Strengthening Communities Fund – which we are extremely grateful and proud to be part of.			
41714	[see attached]	Simon	Templeton	Age Concern Canterbury
41715	[see attached]	Faye	Collins	Waipuna Halswell Hornby Riccarton Community Board
41716	[see attached]	Lynn	Anderson	Orana Wildlife Trust
41717	[see attached]			Lyttelton Older Adults Club Day
41719	[see attached]	Hamish	Keown	Rerenga Awa   Canterbury Youth Workers Collective
41720	[see attached]	Karolin	Potter	Waihoru Spreydon-Cashmere Community Board
41721	<p>The University of Canterbury is supportive of the key priority areas - please see the attached document for greater detail in our whakaaro. This document has been prepared by myself and Robyn Nuthall, Director of Strategy and Planning, on behalf of the University of Canterbury's Vice-Chancellor.</p> <p>[see attached]</p>	Ekant	Veer	University of Canterbury
41722	<p>Volunteering Canterbury commends Christchurch City Council on the preparation of the Otautahi Christchurch Community Strategy Consultation document and welcome the model with its four overarching pillars and objectives focusing on specific areas to help achieve active and connected communities.</p> <p>We believe that reference should be made to the work being done already in the field of volunteering - which essentially has a place under all four Pillars and is mentioned in the Consultation document. Volunteering Canterbury has been active in Otautahi Christchurch since 1988 and has both the knowledge and infrastructure to support volunteering currently being undertaken and the growth and changes in volunteering that will be essential as the city's demographics continue to vary, in particular with the rising number of older adults in our area.</p> <p>Volunteering Canterbury welcomes the opportunity to partner with Christchurch City Council in supporting volunteering's diverse and working towards improving access to volunteering to make it something that we can all participate in. This includes identifying options for older people who are beginning to live significantly differently from how they have in the past, for example, with retirement villages creating a new sustainable community for them which impacts, we believe, on their engagement with the wider community. We do not wish to have that sector isolated by nature of their changed living environment, or do we wish to lose the valuable wisdom and life experiences which they contribute to the community, and in particular to the community through engaging actively by volunteering. The experience of volunteering improves self esteem, enhances self-worth and reduces social isolation.</p>	Glenda	Martin	Volunteering Canterbury

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	As well as recruiting volunteers for its not-for-profit membership (approximately 300 charities in the Canterbury region), Volunteering Canterbury keeps abreast with local and global trends in volunteering, has access to valuable resources around volunteerism, and offers well-received training in volunteer management to ensure that volunteering is worthwhile for all parties.			
41727	<p>Love the document its relatively simple easy to read and resonates with my involvement and relationship with ‘the Council team and the Community Boards ‘over many years.</p> <p>I believe that there needs to be a stronger emphasis on the Treaty and the meaning behind the Treaty and what happened in the Christchurch and Banks Peninsula area. If the community knew and understood we might see a greater understanding the reason why we need to respecting our Treaty partners . Where do we read /see /hear the stories.</p> <p>It is good to see some references to rural . We are different communities and we all very conscious of respecting our environment and spending less time in vehicles</p> <p>New technology We need to ensure that we have the infrastructure to work / be connected locally - over recent events zoom sessions / webinars have become the norm . Perhaps webinars instead of drop in sessions . Communities are looking for easy access to info etc.</p> <p>Hubs where we can encourage groups to connect .</p> <p>We need to see an improved title - be more inclusive . Otautahi Christchurch does this really include Banks Peninsula should include Te Pataka Rakihutu explain the area and even the Rununga and their catchment areas . The Iwi Management Plan maybe something that is referenced to - it profiles each Rununga . So many exciting opportunities of working together and we need to see the local Rununga working with communities eg Akaroa would include Te Rununga Onuku , Little River Te Rununga Wairewa etc.</p>	Pam	Richardson	
41730	<p>I'd be interested to see how you plan to reframe engagement practices.</p> <p>Fairness or equality should be mentioned, I feel it would be good if all communities were balanced unlike it is now, such as some areas have hubs and picnic tables and new play equipment and community events and others have very limited if any of the above. Also just because an area is very diverse doesn't mean they only want cultural events. Mix it up yearly, make it fun for everyone.</p> <p>Utilise technology to engage with communities. Have a community board that go out in their ward and see what's being done and make the community board meetings at times and places that work for the community not just the board members or retirees. Appreciate volunteers so they spread the word and more people may offer to pitch in. Even a cup of coffee or an invite to chat at a board meeting because they have been noticed.</p> <p>All areas should have a hub. If I was to place one in my area I'd choose Crosby Park by the playground as this is close to one of our main roads and a popular park for our community. I think Avonhead Park is unsafe for night events/classes &amp; also no playground for children while families interact and its too busy with sport on weekends.</p>	Sophie	Robb	
41731	<p>Active citizenship:</p> <p>We have a concern that increasing numbers of Council meetings and briefing are being held in PX - closed to the public. This reduces trust in the Council, as it doesn't seem that the PX is always for a justifiable reason.</p> <p>We agree that there is a public perception that the Council does not listen, and that engagements / consultations are predetermined before communities comment on them. We put a lot of effort into providing feedback to public consultation and would like to think that our contributions are heard and actioned where this is possible.</p> <p>We wonder if the Council is less interested in listening to what residents have to say following the earthquakes - some of our committee feel that there was more and better engagement from Council before the earthquakes and this has dropped off over time.</p> <p>Having noted our concerns about engagement, we reflect that the Council engagement team connects with us well, and that changes are often made as a result of conversations with the team. A recent example of this was feedback provided on the Dallington Landing, which resulted in minor (but important) changes being made to the design. This is great to see.</p> <p>Residents Associations are a really important part of encouraging active citizenship.</p> <p>An important mechanism we have for communicating with our communities is via newsletters, and there are some excellent examples (Linwood's ICE, Richmond, Spencerville, etc.) but the printing for these is not funded by Council. This would be a small way that Council could help Resident Groups to stay in touch with their communities. We recommend that Council sets aside specific funds for this activity as it is a key way to encourage active citizenship.</p>	Bebe	Frayle	Dallington Residents Association

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	<p>Another important channel for active citizenship is through community events. We commend the Council on the funding it provides to community run events across the city - these are so important.</p> <p>We wonder why you choose the word Whenu to represent the word Pillar? The whenu is appropriately depicted in the document as the warp strands in the relationship diagram, but then used this word to equally mean pillar - which is not a good translation of this concept.</p> <p>People: We note the use of the word equity in the document - which means that people get what they need, rather than everyone getting the same. It would be good to see more resources provided to areas that have struggled to be well-connected - not all communities have the resources and capability to build connectedness without help from Council.</p> <p>Place: Dallington lost a lot of its community spaces after the earthquakes and these have not been returned. This makes it hard for communities like ours to build a sense of place/space - we have no common areas to gather. We would love to see the Council working in partnership with communities to create a sense of space/place. The Dallington Landing and the Dallington Forest are good examples of these, and we would love to see more of this. We would like to see more signage in our area that connects people with the place - panels that explain what was here before and what was lost.</p> <p>Participation: We would love to see this pillar in action - empowering communities to run their own events and activities will really help bring people together. It would be helpful if Council could explain in plain English how things like Community Boards work. Most people have no idea what these are and what they are for. We would like to see more easy-to-understand information about how to provide feedback to Council on things we like and things we want to do differently.</p> <p>Preparedness: We believe that the Council needs to be the leader in the management of climate change, but that it needs to make climate change information easily available to communities. Council should be a leader in climate change mitigation - including things like taking better care of our trees, and having a tree policy that means trees are protected. Empower communities to help themselves by providing the means for communities to set up community gardens as these are an important part of food resilience. We would like the Council to allow communities to plant fruit trees on public land. If the Council helped communities to learn how to look after existing and new fruit trees, we could be more self-sustaining.</p> <p>Civil Defense is no longer active in our community - we would like to strengthen our relationship with NGOs like this that work with disaster preparedness. It is important that people don't forget what is involved in getting prepared for events like earthquakes and tsunamis. For example, Dallington is losing its last school next year, and this is the CD muster point - where will this be in the future? We have had no community discussion about that.</p> <p>Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on this strategy. We note that it was last updated in 2007. Christchurch has changed a lot since then, especially for those communities who live in the Eastern suburbs along the Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor. The Dallington Residents Association (DRA) agrees that this is a good foundation document.</p>			
41732	[see attached]	Rachel	Mullins	CCC Disability Advisory Group
41736	<p>These are great ideals, but will they be carried through ?</p> <p>How does the Council plan to influence things which central Government is supposedly responsible for ? eg, Homelessness, Housing Affordability, Low Incomes, Drug and Substance Abuse, Crime</p> <p>As with any consultation, there will be different viewpoints based on different perspectives; eg a homeowner with a heritage home being surrounded by multi-dwelling developments will have a different opinion to a young person trying to buy a first home.</p> <p>How are you going to help one group without alienating the other ?</p> <p>Various policies work against each other; eg a desire for a Garden City and a carbon-neutral environment is undermined by the clear-felling of established trees for housing redevelopment.</p>	Graham	Robinson	

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	<p>What is good for a community is not always good for an individual; eg public transport produces less CO2 than personal cars, but does not give individuals freedom to visit as many places on the same journey, in a a shorter time.</p> <p>Sudden change often effects a quicker change, but leaves people feeling alienated and not consulted. If the Council has plans to do something for the greater good, eg remove street parking on major road corridors, then that needs to be signaled well in advance, to let residents affected by such a change make a decision about staying or moving elsewhere.</p>			
41737	[see attached]	Sally	Carlton	CLING (Community Languages Information Network Group)
41741	<p>Quiet Places for mothers and babies, small children in shopping areas.</p> <p>Mothers need a quiet place to change their babies or feed them when they go out shopping.. In an area like Lyttelton this is important. In the area I lived in Australia there was a quiet room where one could feed a baby and change, have a drink etc. Older people can also benefit from this. With extreme weather events shelter is important in public places.</p> <p>[see attached]</p>	Claire	Coveney	Lyttelton Community House Trust
41742	[see attached]	Marie	Gray	Summit Road Society
41743	[see attached]	Harry	Stronach	Akaroa Ratepayers & Residents Assn Inc
41744	[see attached]	Sally	Carlton	Citizens Advice Bureau
41750	<p>There is a major need for CCC to consider pedestrians in their planning as a priority, rather than an afterthought. Christchurch over the years has become less pedestrian-friendly, yet for health and well-being and a means to get from A to B, pedestrian activities, be they walking, jogging or running, are the most available physical exercise for the population and the cheapest means of transport. So why is pedestrian infrastructure, designed for pedestrians, not improved? People, Place, Participation and Preparedness will all be improved with better provision for pedestrians. Consider the infrastructure presently available for pedestrians.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Alongside streets in the city footpaths are built of tarmac, more suitable for wheels than feet. The older bridge and channel driveways over footpaths are more pedestrian friendly than the later constructed footpaths that have a sideways camber for every driveway. Many footpaths outside shops have a side-ways camber. Footpaths are hard on the body, because they are made of asphalt and concrete. Tree roots tend to crack the asphalt, causing trip hazards.</li> <li>2. With the arrival of e-scooters and e-skateboards, pedestrians have to 'share' footpaths with these modes of transport which travel much faster. They can be very quiet so can startle a pedestrian when they pass them closely at speed. Footpaths have not been designed for these modes of transport, usually having a narrow width and often little forward visibility at corners or where paths cross.</li> <li>3. Footpaths in parks have been repurposed to "shared paths" requiring pedestrians to 'share' with all manner of wheeled modes of transport, designed for wheels and not feet. The speed of the wheeled transport can be many times the speed of the pedestrian. On roads without a footpath pedestrians go on the side of the road to face the on-coming traffic as it is safer, but on "shared paths" everyone is expected to travel on the left side of the path. This leaves many pedestrians feeling vulnerable, and pedestrian-only paths especially on the flat are nearly non-existent.</li> </ol>	Mary	O'Connor	



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	<p>4. Natural path surfaces suit pedestrians but CCC has this idea that they are better for pedestrians to be shingle, asphalt or concrete, and to always be "shared". Why?</p> <p>5. These "shared" paths are becoming wider with 4m appearing to be the CCC preferred width. They also have decided to make them as flat as possible by cutting into banks and lowering high points. This gives the only resulting flat surface covered in asphalt with just off the path being an uneven bank or close to a tree. In Hagley Park it has taken out the little ups and downs so beneficial for different leg muscles.</p> <p>6. Often there are multiple paths paved with asphalt to be 'shared' but with no option for pedestrians-only and pedestrian-friendly surfaces. In Hagley Park beside Riccarton Avenue that cyclists can use, there are asphalt "shared" asphalt paths inside the fence in both North and South Hagley and now the path through the Pinetum has been asphalted for all to use. It has become a progression that if there forms a worn grass path from pedestrian use, the CCC decides to remove the top-soil, place an edge to sprain and ankle on and spread shingle which is unpleasant for pedestrians as it is noisy, feet slide on it, and the little stones get into shoes. Then a few years later the CCC comes along again and asphalts the path, creating a surface that produces forces through the body to cause wear and tear on joints from pounding that our bodies suffer from. Similarly, along Park Terrace there are now parallel asphalt paths on both sides of the Avon River.</p> <p>7. Sections of the Port Hills Crater Rim paths, that were once natural with the grass trimmed a couple of times a year, have now been dug out and had shingle applied. Why? Natural steps with rocks placed strategically have been replaced with dangerous wooden steps. Why? Mountain Biking has resulted in conflict between pedestrians and mountain-bikes on tracks like Rapaki and there is approval for another mountain bike track to exit onto a narrow section of Rapaki without consideration of pedestrian safety.</p> <p>8. There is a planned "City to Sea" pathway, but this will be a 'shared path'. Unlike cycleways, there has been no consultation regarding this. Given the large expanse of the red zone, why was consideration not given to providing a pedestrian-only path, where the only wheels permitted would be those being pushed by someone on foot - walking frame (zimmer), wheelchairs and buggies?</p> <p>9. Traffic intersections with lights are not pedestrian-friendly. Often pedestrians are expected to wait for two phases of the lights in order to cross a road by being held in the middle in a cage that they have to zigzag through. This leaves them exposed to fumes and unfavourable weather without any shelter. At other intersections they are forced into multiple crossings to get to the footpath they want.</p> <p>10. Other infrastructure to cater for less able pedestrians, like seating and shelter, are not readily provided.</p> <p>How could CCC improve the pedestrian environment, thereby increasing the population's health and well-being and making the pedestrian journey more beneficial and pleasant?</p> <p>1. As pedestrian activities are available to nearly all the population consider all pedestrians in infrastructure design. There may be paths that cater for a higher level of fitness than others which is okay, but make it possible for there to be pedestrian-friendly infrastructure for everyone close to their homes. Of course it is too expensive to make all footpaths more pedestrian-friendly, but consideration needs to be given to designing a pedestrian-friendly network in suburban Christchurch. In many streets this could follow the bus network as this would give the option to combine pedestrian-activities with travel by bus. The bus network also has bus stops with seating and shelter which would be beneficial to those who need a rest. CCC needs to be considering more residents' health and well-being. Pedestrian activities are available for nearly everyone - all age groups, no difficult skills required, no expensive equipment, exercise for those with time-constraints, can be undertaken alone or in groups, improves health and well-being, cheaper than other forms of transport, does not require storage of bulky equipment, ...</p> <p>2. Pedestrian infrastructure needs to consider the health and well-being benefits as much as the travel from A to B. Connecting with the local neighbourhood by foot needs to be encouraged for journeys, not involving carrying heavy items, of 1 km and for many 2 km. Since last year's lockdown I think there has been an increase in people out walking or running. Is there any data to support this?</p> <p>3. Infrastructure must be pedestrian-friendly, and all pedestrians need to be considered. Natural surfaces are the most pedestrian-friendly surface and in Christchurch the clay ground and grass surfaces in parks and reserves are ideal most of the year. In places where these are unsuitable there are now surfaces available that use recycled tyres, so good for the environment as well as pedestrians joints, bones and muscles. These surfaces containing rubber have some stretch so are less likely to crack with tree roots. They can also be porous, removing the need for a camber and in winter less slippery than asphalt. Crossing footpaths for driveways needs to favour pedestrians, not wheels.</p> <p>4. Pedestrians need their own space. Some people will not use "shared paths" for fear of being hit, yelled at for being in the way, and just find it too scary and unpleasant. This leaves them with no alternative. There are people whose health means they cannot have a driving licence, and the bus network, although more extensive than say 10 years ago, is limited. And these people may not feel safe to walk down their streets to the bus stop. Their connections with others and their health and well-being suffer.</p>			
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	<p>5. Paths through reserves like Ernle Clarke Reserve need to be pedestrian-only as it is one of the few areas on the flat where the path is not asphalt or concrete. It is also narrow but CCC has designated it "shared path". Cyclists could have the alternative of cycling on any of the paved roads nearby, but for pedestrians, it is the only non-asphalt path. Additionally, in winter the trees give shelter from cold winds and in summer reduce the heat of the day. Removing cycling from here would permit more pedestrians to use this space, particularly those who want somewhere away from traffic. At least one side of the banks of the Avon and the Heathcote Rivers should have pedestrian-only and pedestrian-friendly paths or natural mowed grass banks.</p> <p>6. With intensification of housing in the inner city and close areas, Hagley Park will become more important for informal recreation. But the 4m wide "shared paths" around the perimeter are designed for wheels and over the years have taken areas from pedestrians for wheels. Hagley Park is becoming more and more covered in asphalt. Why? Many of these paths are not on the cycling network and in areas that has become cycle routes, pedestrians were not adequately considered. "Shared paths" need to be replaced by separate areas for pedestrians to cyclists. Going back to basics, their requirements are completely different given that pedestrians interact with a surface by footstrike, whereas for wheels they roll over the surface.</p> <p>7. The harder the surface is, the greater the force back through the body. If you are jogging or running the force will be even greater. But those that run and jog are often not considered at all - how often is the phrase 'walking and cycling' used? By only mentioning walkers and cyclists, no consideration is given for those that run and jog in planning considerations. As a result path surfaces have become harder over the years, with much effort made to build up the structure of the path with layers under the asphalt, to make it more wheel-friendly. There is an instrument to measure the stiffness of the surface of the path without causing damage to the path - a deflectometer. CCC needs to invest in one or two of these and ensure that the stiffness and hardness of paths for pedestrians are reduced, preferably by using recycled rubber if natural surfaces are not appropriate.</p> <p>8. At intersections with traffic lights pedestrians need to be able to cross the road completely without stopping. There needs to be countdown seconds for these crossings too. And at intersections well used by pedestrians, like crossing from Little Hagley to North Hagley at the Fendalton Road / Harper Ave intersection must be possible by just crossing Harper Ave. Give pedestrians the shortest path, rather than the long way and more road crossings.</p> <p>Improving pedestrian infrastructure will increase the liveability and connectivity for all, but it may benefit those that are marginalised the most. With regard to consultations, on the "Have your Say" page on your website, please give the consultation close date, not when the consultation began, which is the important date if one wants to respond. Consideration needs to be given that not everyone has the latest computer hardware and software, plus the quickest connections, so the least need to access additional pages on your website the better.</p> <p>Consultation drop-in information sessions need to be later in the consultation process. And only some works by the CCC have consultations. Changing a path from a natural surface to add shingle or asphalt does not have a consultation, whereas cycleway infrastructure does. Also it would be good if there was a section on your website of planned consultations or items that may be of interest so residents could know to look out for them coming.</p> <p>Also it would be good to receive some feedback from CCC to my submissions instead of them being ignored.</p>			
41751	[see attached]	Peter	Tuffley	Beckenham Neighbourhood Association Inc.
41752	[see attached]	Alexandra	Davids	Waikura Linwood-Central-Heathcote Community Board
41753	[see attached]	Tori	Peden	Banks Peninsula Community Board
41754	[see attached]	Josiah	Tualamali'i	

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41755	<p>LiVS suggest that it would be appropriate to have placemaking as a key priority area in the sense of encouraging communities to be involved in their local neighbourhoods. This could include providing opportunities for communities to be engaged and active within their local neighbourhood, increasing their sense of ownership and sense of safety, improving the quality of their environment, and creating spaces for people to be involved in arts, education, culture and recreation.</p> <p>LiVS wonders whether “improving how we (Council) capture and use relevant data” is a key priority. We suggest that it might be a tool or a mechanism to deliver other desired outcomes.</p> <p>LiVS supports the four pillars and believes that we can apply our placemaking knowledge and collaborate with the Council to help to deliver these objectives especially those related to Pillar 2.</p> <p>LiVS already works to enhance communities through partnership with others ..... We support the increased emphasis on partnerships and collaboration, especially through the work of Ōtautahi’s transitional partners under Pillars 1,2 and 3.</p> <p>Engaging communities in the process of ‘creating places’ is what LiVS and our other transitional partners do - supporting communities to feel connected to their place by being directly involved in its creation.</p> <p>LiVS thinks that some of the actions are a bit limited and in particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Objective 2.2 - There are many communities and groups that provide varying needs within Christchurch in addition to residents associations - some groups have more of a formal structure and carry more of a voice. We need to ensure that a wider range of community groups are supported including youth and artists, by making sure the actions also cover less ‘formal’ groups and ensuring that all feel valued within the community.</li> <li>• Objective 2.3 – LiVS considers that this objective could be more broadly worded to support community activation and kaitiakitanga of places and spaces – including both private and public spaces.</li> <li>• Objective 2.3 – LiVS supports the community led activation and management of facilities but wonders whether this could be extended to public spaces also to further develop collaboration with the community.</li> <li>• Objective 2.3 - LiVS suggests that another action could be included which supports the activation of vacant or empty sites and buildings to increase community ownership, opportunities for engagement and sense of safety.</li> </ul> <p>LiVS encourages the Council to partner with Ōtautahi’s transitional partners, who are working in this space, ensuring we are not doubling up on the valuable work already being done within the community. By continuing to fund transitional partners, we can continue to support, build and grow resilient communities through the work we do.</p>	Hugh	Nicholson	Life in Vacant Spaces Charitable Trust
41765	[see attached]	Mia	Sutherland	Christchurch Youth Council
41766	[see attached]	Hollie	Hollander	The Gaiety Trust
41767	<p>I think the 'Vision' part of the policy is well laid out and comprehensive. Under 'Principles and Values' I was encouraged to read about co-design and co-governance. In my view the 'Implementation' part of the Strategy falls well short.</p> <p>1. Admittedly it is not easy to come up with metrics that allow target setting, monitoring and progress reporting. The implementation plan would have to include how relevant data for these metrics is gathered, consolidated and summarised. I think there was not even an attempt made to tackle this problem. Without consistent reporting of metrics against a base line it will not be possible to verify that efforts and funds have been applied successfully over time.</p> <p>2. Reading about co-governance I expected Council to actively engage in shared equity models like community housing co-operatives or community land trusts. It is great to facilitate village planning, but then Council would also need to empower communities to implement their plan via community budgets.</p>	Thomas	Kulpe	
41782	<p>We approved of the general principles of the draft. We think that the pillars are a clear way to divide them, and that the underpinning values are good. However, part of the reason why this is hard to give detailed feedback is the lack of detail. We believe the plan is too broad, it seems that it has been made broad enough so that everyone agrees, but because of that has lost any specificity. If there were specific goals then we could feedback in ways such as “more needs to be spent on this” or “less on this.” But at the moment there’s not much to agree or disagree with. The lack of detail is highlighted especially when it comes to</p>	Daniel	Hay	Hoon Hay Residents Association

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	<p>implementation. Again, the values are great, but there is next to no detail on how these values will be implemented and what they will tangibly look like. We are especially interested in what preparedness will look like as recent years and the risk of climate change have shown how desperate our city is for better communication and infrastructure to mitigate the risk and damage of disasters.</p> <p>The other feedback we wanted to give, which is particular to this draft but also Council strategies in general, is that it doesn't feel like genuine consultation. This draft feels very finalised, and in a lot of ways it has felt like the consultation process has been a final tick box and that nothing will really change regardless of what feedback is given. It would be nice if these kinds of strategies were more generally devised with communities from the bottom up rather than presented to communities in an almost finalised form for us to other give our tick of approval for, or levy our criticism only for that to not having any meaningful impact.</p> <p>We are grateful though as a community group for the excellent communication we have had with our local Councillor abs community board. We believe with this draft proposal that more should be done to formalise relationships between Council and community groups, so that consultations are more effective and we have confidence that Council led initiatives and consultations have genuine buy in from community representatives.</p>			
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