

Environmental Statement

Christchurch Wastewater Treatment Plant

Christchurch City Council maintains wastewater systems to provide the community with a safe and healthy environment through the appropriate treatment and disposal of its wastewater.

Being a responsible Council means understanding that our activities have environmental impacts, both positive and negative. As operators of the largest wastewater treatment plant on the South Island, we are well aware of our responsibilities to protect and enhance our environment, now and into the future.

We will;

- Manage our water, land and renewable energy resources more sustainably and promote their efficient use;
- Commit to minimising pollution resulting from our operations and improving water quality through our operations;
- Protect and enhance the natural environment and the services it provides;
- Manage our use of natural resources, work to minimise waste and put it to valuable uses;
- Aim to fulfil legal and regulatory requirements; and
- Integrate environmentally responsible behaviour in our business operations.

We will do this by;

- Establishing, implementing, maintaining and continually improving an Environmental Management System that is compliant with the ISO14001:2015 standard.
- Monitoring our environmental performance in order to meet, manage and review compliance obligations, programmes, environmental objectives and other targets;
- Designing, operating and maintaining our assets base to the applicable environmental standards;
- Investing in the learning and development of our employees – enabling them to maintain competence to deliver environmental improvements;
- Managing our water, land and renewable energy responsibly in terms of water quality, waste reduction, biodiversity, heritage, access and recreation;
- Investigating and, where appropriate, integrating new technologies and practices into existing systems in order to drive environmental improvement;
- Working with our suppliers to set and achieve appropriate environmental goals;
- Engaging with all relevant stakeholders to help shape our environmental decision-making.



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