

Waitai/Coastal-Burwood

Community Board Plan 2020–22





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He korero mai i te Heamana

From the Chair



On behalf of the Waitai/Coastal-Burwood Community Board I am proud to present our 2020–2022 Community Board Plan.

Community board plans are an important document that guide the board in prioritising its work in the community over the next few years. Naturally, the community board will continue to deal with any issue that

comes to their attention, but the board plan helps the board to prioritise key outcomes they wish to achieve. The board is fully cognisant of the magnitude and complexities around the economic and social implications that lie ahead for our city arising from the COVID-19 global pandemic.

The priorities listed in this plan, reflect the issues that residents, community groups and Christchurch City Council staff have brought to our attention.

The community board plan will also guide:

- local community board decisions on local activities, projects and facilities
- our input into development of policies and strategies
- how we work with other agencies that play a key role in our area, including community groups, central government agencies and other council units

I would like to thank everyone who gave feedback to inform this plan. As your local representatives, it is vital that we engage with our local residents, community groups and businesses to ensure we are advocating for the things that are important to you.

Your community board members are available as your first point of contact for any issues you feel require council attention.

Kelly Barber, Chair

About local community boards and our plans

Community boards were created under the local government reforms in 1989.

About 110 community boards now operate in both urban and rural areas within local authorities throughout New Zealand. They carry out functions and exercise powers delegated to them by their councils.

There are seven community boards within the Christchurch City Council area.

Local body elections for community board members and councillors are held every three years.

The community board's main role is to:

- Represent and advocate for the interests of its community.
- Consider and report on all matters referred to it by the council, or any matter of interest to the board.
- Maintain an overview of council services in the community.
- Prepare an annual submission to the council for expenditure within the community.
- Communicate with community organisations and special interest groups within the community.

Community board plans

Community board plans are developed every three years and outline the board's key priorities for their elected term. They also indicate how the board will work in partnership with the local community to achieve the council's community outcomes.

A key part of the development of the plan is engagement with the local community and key stakeholders to ensure that the board's priorities reflect the needs and desires of local residents, community groups and businesses in our board area.

Developing Resilience in the 21st Century

Strategic Framework



Whiria ngā whenu o ngā papa,
honoa ki te maurua tāukiuki

Bind together the strands of each mat and join
together with the seams of respect and reciprocity

Ōtautahi–Christchurch is a city of opportunity for all

Open to new ideas, new people and new ways of doing things – a city where anything is possible

Principles

Being open,
transparent and
democratically
accountable

Promoting
equity, valuing
diversity and
fostering inclusion

Taking an inter-generational approach
to sustainable development,
prioritising the social, economic
and cultural wellbeing of
people and communities
and the quality of the
environment, now
and into the
future

Building on the
relationship with
Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu
and the Te Hononga–Council
Papatipu Rūnanga partnership,
reflecting mutual understanding
and respect

Actively collaborating and
co-operating with other
local, regional
and national
organisations

Ensuring
the diversity
and interests of
our communities
across the city and the
district are reflected in
decision-making

Community Outcomes

Resilient communities

Strong sense of community
Active participation in civic life
Safe and healthy communities
Celebration of our identity
through arts, culture, heritage,
sport and recreation
Valuing the voices of all cultures
and ages (including children)

Liveable city

Vibrant and thriving city centre
Sustainable suburban and
rural centres
A well connected and accessible
city promoting active and
public transport
Sufficient supply of, and
access to, a range of housing
21st century garden city
we are proud to live in

Healthy environment

Healthy water bodies
High quality drinking water
Unique landscapes and
indigenous biodiversity are
valued and stewardship
exercised
Sustainable use of resources
and minimising waste

Prosperous economy

Great place for people, business
and investment
An inclusive, equitable economy
with broad-based prosperity
for all
A productive, adaptive and
resilient economic base
Modern and robust city
infrastructure and community
facilities

Strategic Priorities

Enabling active
and connected
communities
to own their future

Meeting the challenge
of climate change
through every means
available

Ensuring a high quality
drinking water supply
that is safe and
sustainable

Accelerating the
momentum
the city needs

Ensuring rates are
affordable and
sustainable

Ensuring we get core business done while delivering on our Strategic Priorities and achieving our Community Outcomes

Engagement with
the community and
partners

Strategies, Plans and
Partnerships

Long Term Plan
and Annual Plan

Our service delivery
approach

Monitoring and
reporting on our
progress

Waitai/Coastal-Burwood area

The geographic boundaries for the Waitai/Coastal-Burwood Community Board area comprises the wards of Coastal and Burwood. This encompasses all coastal areas from Brooklands to Southshore with a western boundary of the Styx River to Marshland Road, communities to the east of Marshland Road to Banks Avenue, following the Avon River to Porritt Park, Bickerton Street, Shuttle Drive to Cuthberts Road, north to Breezes Road to the Bridge Street Bridge encompassing the estuary.

Demographic summary

(2018 census data)

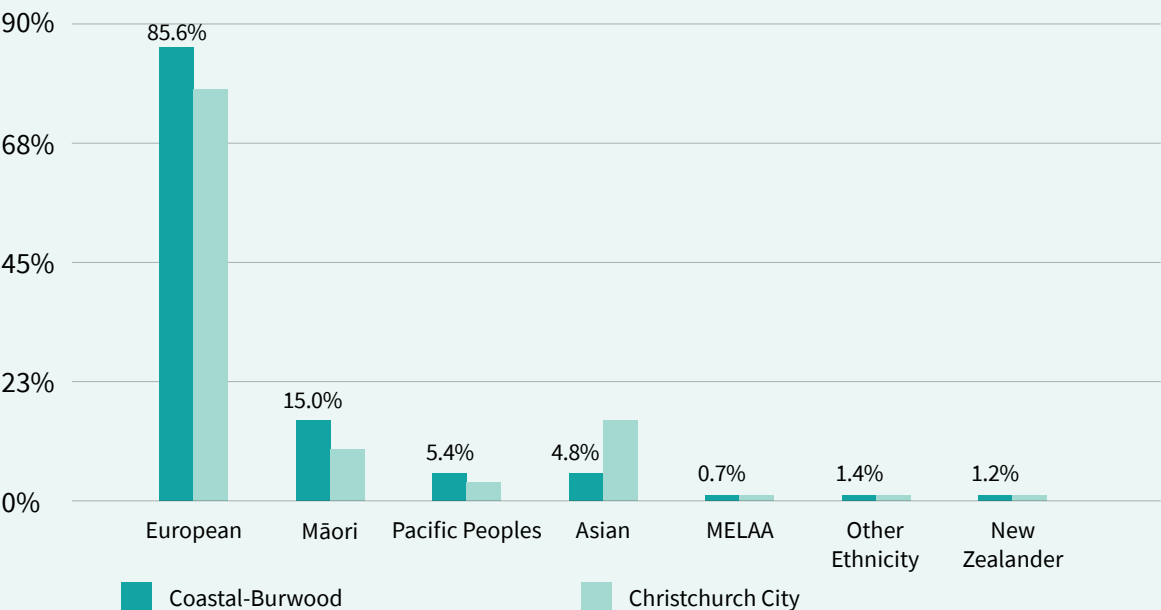
Population

The population within the geographic boundary is:
49,572

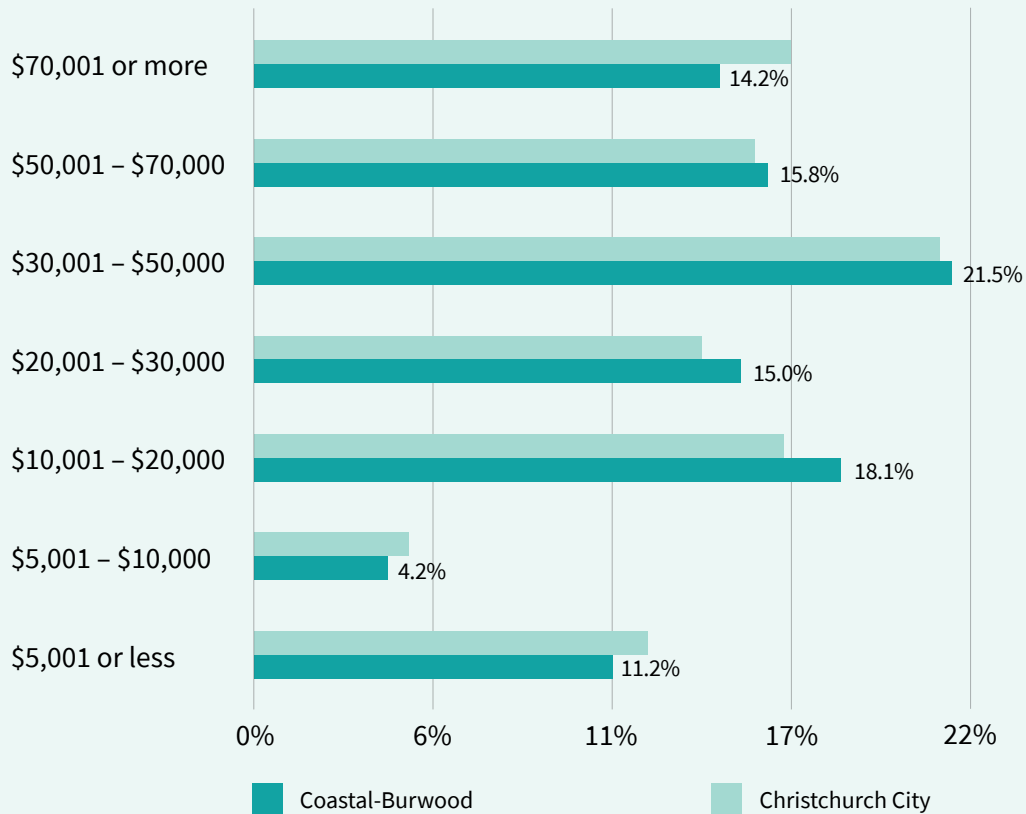
Age



Ethnicity



Personal Income



Facilities and Amenities

- 4 Council libraries: Parklands, New Brighton, Aranui and Shirley
- One council service centre: Shirley
- 134 council parks in the area: 96 local community parks, 20 regional parks and 18 sports parks
- 15 council owned social housing complexes with 310 units
- Three major shopping centres of The Palms, New Brighton Mall and Parklands
- 17 schools: 12 primary, 1 intermediate, 3 secondary and 1 special
- One public hospital: Burwood which includes the Older Persons Unit
- Approximately 3,300 businesses employing around 9,200 people (2018)

- Multiple sport and recreation amenities including Spencer Park, Bottle Lake Forest, Adrenaline Forest, Travis Wetland, Rawhiti Domain, multiple Golf Clubs, Eastern Coastal beaches, Taiora: QEII Recreation and Sport Centre and He Puna Taimoana.

Dwellings

- Unoccupied private dwellings - 1,260
- Occupied dwellings - 18,657
- Dwellings under construction - 249
- Non-private dwellings - 33

Our vision



Make our place appealing and attractive for all.



Vision statements

As your elected representatives, the board will work in partnership with our local community to achieve the following:

- The views, interests, needs and aspirations of residents are effectively represented.
- The board has an open and transparent decision-making process which residents can participate and engage in.
- The undertaking of initiatives to protect the local environment.
- A safe and sustainable transport network with a particular focus on the gateway roads in the Coastal-Burwood Area.
- Represent community views during red zone project discussions between the council and central government
- A range of social and recreational activities are provided, which strengthen community wellbeing and result in residents feeling safe and connected in their communities.

In addition to our priority projects identified in this plan, the board will continue to advocate strongly through submissions to the council's annual plan and long term plan for the following:

- Chlorine-free water supply.
- Increased budgets for road, footpath and park maintenance.
- Focus on future climate change adaptation and the need for an emergency exit plan for coastal communities.



Our priorities

Make our place appealing and attractive for all

Why this matters:

The board has consistently heard that residents feel the council has forgotten about the east side of Christchurch and that the current maintenance levels are not sufficient for the area. The board has received regular complaints and are concerned that basic maintenance is not being completed in areas such as street cleaning, weeding and mowing, creating a negative perception of the area. The board wants the community to feel a real sense of pride in the area that they live.

What the board will do:

- Encourage the tidying up of the gateway roads to New Brighton and the Waitai/Coastal-Burwood area generally.
- Advocate for an increase in the quality of general maintenance in the area (street cleaning, roadside maintenance, weeding and mowing and beach access) to improve the perception of the Coastal and Burwood wards.
- Work with the community to encourage personal responsibility to tidy up the area, possibly through clean-up events.

We will measure our success by:

- Seeing an increase in the maintenance budgets in the long term plan which will ensure more regular maintenance in the Coastal-Burwood area.
- A decrease in requests for service received from residents.
- A more visible presence of both parks and maintenance staff and of the community taking personal responsibility for basic maintenance (weeding and rubbish tidy up) in the Coastal-Burwood area.
- An increase in population levels in the Coastal and Burwood wards.

Community Outcomes:

Strong Communities ✓ Liveable City ✓
Healthy Environment ✓

Roads and transportation links

Why this matters:

The board regularly receives comments from residents about the state of gateway bridges and connecting roads to New Brighton and has heard that there is a desire for the planned works to be completed sooner than currently programmed.

The council has made a significant investment in the New Brighton area with the completion of the Clock Tower restoration, New Brighton Playground, Whale Pool and He Puna Taimoana. There is a real sense of concern in the community that the current journey into the area is unappealing and off-putting to those making the trip and the board would like to see this rectified, to make the drive into the area reflect the incredible assets on offer.

What the board will do:

- Advocate during the long term plan process that funding be brought forward for the repair of the Pages Road Bridge and the entrance to the New Brighton Area (project 27273).
- Advocate during the long term plan process for the consideration of a project to move New Brighton Road onto nearby Red Zone land, to see it fully repaired and away from the current risk of flooding.
- Liaise with New Zealand Transport Agency where appropriate on roads they are responsible for.
- Acknowledge and appreciate the significant earthquake repair work that has already been done, much of which is unseen and underground and has required a significant investment of council resources.
- The board will continue to advocate for the remaining work to be completed.

We will measure our success by:

- The current Pages Road Bridge project being brought forward in the next long term plan so the works can be completed earlier.
- Advice is received from council staff on the pathway to develop a project to move New Brighton Road into the Red Zone.
- Successfully advocated during the long term plan process for a project to move New Brighton Road into the Red Zone.

Community Outcomes:

Strong Communities ✓ Liveable City ✓

Undertake planning for a new community-led facility in the Burwood ward

Why this matters:

The wider community has identified a need for a new community-led facility in the Burwood Ward and has expressed this view to the board via the Have Your Say campaign and at community engagement held at events. The community board agrees there is a gap in the area for the community to be able to access a facility, to come together and connect after losing access to facilities following the earthquakes.

What the board will do:

- With the community, identify the requirements and need for a new community facility in the Burwood Ward.
- Develop a business case for a community facility.
- Work towards the community-led development of a facility.
- Support natural community facility partnerships within groups to flourish.

We will measure our success by:

- A business case is developed for a new community-led facility in the Burwood Ward.
- Funding in the long term plan is secured if the business case is deemed feasible.
- A successful partnership model is supported.

Community Outcomes:

Strong Communities ✓ Liveable City ✓
Resilient Communities ✓



Work with the council to improve service delivery at Taiora: QEII

Why this matters:

This is the single most visited facility in our two wards, and regular users from as far away as Belfast, Kaiapoi and Papanui continue to swim and socialise at our facility.

The community board have heard from residents in the area and regular pool users that they have concerns regarding the lack of accessible facilities at Taiora: QEII. The main concern raised is the distance of 55 metres that users with accessibility issues have to walk from the hydrotherapy pool to the toilets and accessible change facilities. Many of the users of the pool have disabilities, presenting significant health and safety challenges for those users who often have to queue and wait due to an insufficient number of fully accessible toilets. This is supported by concerns about the number of water quality incidents shared equally between the hydrotherapy and family pools, which have been occurring daily.

What the board will do:

- The board will request and review a design and feasibility study for the installation of new toilets and full accessible change facilities closer to the hydrotherapy pool.
- The board will advocate, through the long term plan process, for sufficient budget to complete the installation at Taiora: QEII.

We will measure our success by:

- Having the final design for the installation of additional toilets and full accessible change facilities closer to the hydrotherapy pool.
- The budget is included in the council's next long term plan.
- The new facilities are installed at Taiora: QEII.

Community Outcomes:

Liveable City ✓ Healthy Environment ✓
Strong Communities ✓

Support the transformation and activation of the Red Zone

Why this matters:

The transfer of Residential Red Zone land to the council presents a fantastic opportunity for the community to be involved and have a say on its future use. The community board also feels passionately about the future use of this land and has successfully advocated to have two members of the board as members of the newly formed Te Tira Kāhikuhiku – Red Zones Transformative Land Use Group. The community board has the largest area of the Red Zone located within its boundary and felt this justified increased representation on the group.

What the board will do:

- Represent community views during red zone project discussions between council, Te Tira Kāhikuhiku – Red Zones Transformative Land Use Group and central government.
- Support community-initiated projects that meet the group's guidelines.

We will measure our success by:

- Community Board representatives report back on information from the Te Tira Kāhikuhiku – Red Zones Transformative Land Use Group, via Elected Member Information Exchange.

Community Outcomes:

Liveable City ✓ Healthy Environment ✓
Strong Communities ✓

Support the community-led action plan for Brooklands

Why this matters:

The Waitai/Coastal-Burwood Community Board has received strong feedback from the Brooklands community that they feel they have been abandoned since the earthquakes. The council recently held a workshop with the community to discuss their concerns and to hear their aspirations and expectations for the future. The board attended this workshop and after hearing directly from the community felt addressing these concerns must be one of the six priorities for the board this term.

What the board will do:

- Support the community-led action plan, currently being developed.
- Make a bid to the council's long term plan for a specific budget of up to \$200,000. This budget will enable the items detailed in the community-led action plan to be completed without the need to compete with the priorities for the whole city (e.g. each time a road or street light needs repair). This in turn will give confidence to the community that the council has listened to and addressed their concerns dating back to the earthquakes of 2010 and 2011.

We will measure our success by:

- Liaising with the community to progress the community-led action plan.
- Budget is secured in the long term plan for a "Brooklands fund" of up to \$200,000.

Community Outcomes:

Liveable City ✓ Healthy Environment ✓
Strong Communities ✓



Community board funding

In Christchurch, community board funding is allocated to each board based on population and equity. The NZ Deprivation Index is the tool used to measure the equity portion of the allocation. The council uses the formula of 60% population and 40% equity when determining the allocations to each board.

The Waitai/Coastal-Burwood Community Board has three funding schemes available for allocation each year and a total funding pool of **\$438,982**.

Strengthening Communities Fund

An annual contestable funding round – opens in March/April each year. It provides funding for the period 1 September to 30 August each year.

The purpose of this fund is to support community-focused organisations whose projects contribute to the strengthening of community wellbeing in the Christchurch city area.

Successful organisations will be those which demonstrate they are sustainable, strategic, community-focused groups which have a significant presence within their community of benefit. Successful projects will also clearly demonstrate their contribution to the council's funding outcomes and priorities. Organisations must be able to demonstrate their ability to contribute towards their project(s) and not rely on council funding as their sole source of funding.

Discretionary Response Fund

Open for applications all year – 1 July to 30 June.

The purpose of this fund is to assist community groups where the project and funding request falls outside other council funding criteria and/or closing dates. This fund is also for emergency funding for unforeseen situations.

Community board projects (events and awards) are also funded from this fund.

Youth Development Fund

The purpose of this fund is for the board to acknowledge young people's effort, achievement and potential excellence in the community by providing financial assistance for their development.

The Waitai/Coastal-Burwood Community Board offers financial assistance under the Youth Development Fund to young people, aged 12-20 years inclusive in areas that will benefit their development and thus the development of the community. If you want to know more about the board's community funding, please contact either of the staff below:

- Anna Langley, Community Development Advisor Burwood Ward - 941 5584
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The Waitai/Coastal-Burwood Community Board generally meets on the first and third Monday of each month at 4.30pm at the Board Room on the corner of Union and Beresford Street, New Brighton. These meetings are open to the public. Agendas and minutes for each meeting can be found on the council's website at ccc.govt.nz.

If you would like to speak at a board meeting please contact the Community Board Advisor on 03 941-6547.



