



Our future

*Christchurch is a **world-class** boutique city,
where people enjoy a **sustainable lifestyle**, a **healthy environment**
a **strong economic base** and the **diverse landscapes** of the city and peninsula.*



Christchurch will be...



... a place where people enjoy living

We're making the most of our place in the world, while keeping our distinct local character. Our people enjoy diverse living environments, from thriving urban villages and a vibrant central city to the hills, harbours and open spaces of the peninsula. We're leaders in heritage protection and urban renewal, and at the forefront of innovative urban design that reinforces our sense of community.



... the most attractive city in New Zealand

Our Garden City reputation is second to none. Visitors and locals alike delight in our iconic parks and gardens, and the kaleidoscope of creative arts, festivals, events, sports and recreation that make the place hum. As the world's gateway to the South Island and Antarctica, we offer world-class accommodation choices and an array of attractions that provide unforgettable experiences for our visitors.



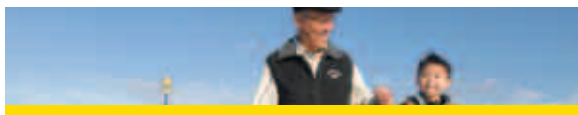
... a place of inclusive communities

People are the heart of our communities. We work alongside others to support health and wellbeing, and to ensure all citizens are safe and supported. We're proud to be a 'peace city' – committed to diversity, tolerance and social equity. People have opportunities to make positive contributions through paid and voluntary work, and enjoy access to healthy leisure and lifestyle choices.



... a global economic destination

Our city has found its niche in the global economy. We're expanding our traditional economic base, but also investing in global connections to support emerging technologies, and to attract investment in creative, knowledge-based industries. We offer world-class education and training to give our children future-proof skills, and we're attracting the world's sharpest thinkers and innovators.



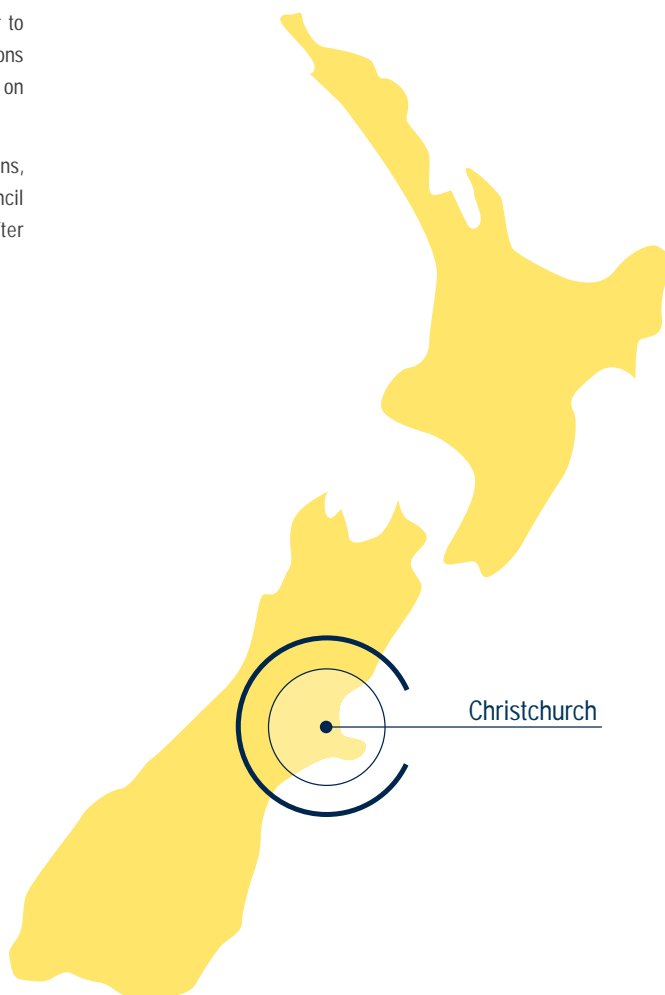
... a thriving, healthy environment

Our distinctive environment and landscapes have been protected through sound, sustainable development. We've maintained the abundant recreational, social and economic opportunities across the city and peninsula for future generations, while safeguarding our natural resources – and we continue to enjoy clean water in our homes and waterways, and clean air in the city.

Introduction

The Christchurch City Council produces an Annual Report each year to account for the money provided to it by ratepayers, financial institutions and government agencies. It shows how the Council is delivering on the outcomes the community wants.

This report makes reference to the Council's strategies and plans, particularly the 2005/06 Annual Plan, and the Long Term Council Community Plan 2004-14 (LTCCP), adopted in June 2004 after consultation with ratepayers and other important stakeholders.



The annual report and audited financial statements of Christchurch City Council, together with the report of the Audit Office, were adopted by the Council on 21 September 2006.

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