PROJECT central city



A City for People Action Plan Christchurch 2010

Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy

Letter from Jan Gehl

I am grateful that we at Gehl Architects have been invited as a city planning consultant to Christchurch, not least because Christchurch of all cities has a remarkable history.

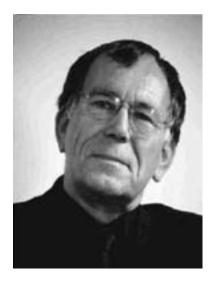
Christchurch is one of a group of only four cities in the world, that have been carefully planned following the same layout of a central city square, four complimenting city squares surrounding it and a parklands area that embrace the city centre. The first city built with this pattern was Philadelphia, later came Savannah and Adelaide. The fourth city using this pattern was Christchurch. As such Christchurch holds an important legacy and a strong platform.

Christchurch has started out with this visionary layout, and has been further blessed by the great natural setting, including a river meandering straight through the city centre. The public spaces are ample and the basic conditions are just right.

It has been a great joy for all of us to work with this fine city, its inhabitants and City of Christchurch. We have met a city which takes great interest in the life and well-being of its citizens and which has decided that work should be done to move towards a more lively, sustainable, safe and healthy Christchurch.

I will look forward to following Christchurch in the coming years to see how these visions will be implemented and how Christchurch can evolve into an even more friendly city for people.

I wish the people of Christchurch the best of luck in the continued work to improve and celebrate this outstanding city. The abilities are here, the enthusiasm is here and the potential is here.



Jan Gehl Danish Urban Designer

Word from the Mayor

Integral to the success of any great city is having a strong heart. A central city which is vibrant, safe and attractive is a place where people want to spend their time enjoying a range of year-round activities.

For more than five years, Christchurch has been working to revitalise its Central City, unlocking its potential as a liveable, pedestrian friendly place with strong links between amenities and inviting public spaces.

We recognise it takes time to develop a great little city and along the way our plans will need to be refined to ensure we get the best out of our natural and built environment, while reflecting the changing needs of our community.

A City for People is an Action Plan which will guide the city during the next 12 years to develop Christchurch into one of the great cities of the world. Christchurch is a beautiful city, and as Jan Gehl says: "Christchurch has a visionary layout and has been further blessed by its great natural setting".

We have a remarkable history and a wealth of natural assets. A City for People will ensure the development of our Central City reflects the Garden City values with avenues of trees, green spaces, an attractive river frontage and a variety of public spaces for recreation and leisure.

Our city will have a human pace, inviting people to walk, sit, relax, socialise and be entertained. And with a vibrant, safe Central City, we will have a strong foundation for future growth and prosperity.

Bob Parker Mayor of Christchurch

A city for people

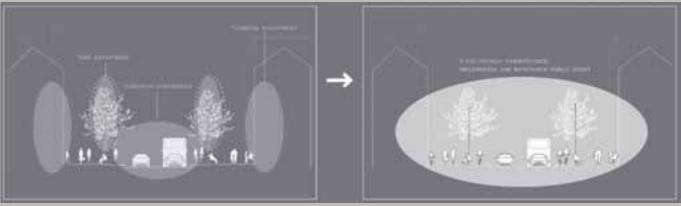
In November 2008, the Christchurch City Council commissioned Danish urban designers Gehl Architects to undertake a Public Space Public Life Study of Christchurch. The study focused on the area bounded by Kilmore Street, St Asaph Street, Rolleston Avenue and Madras Street, and investigated how people use Christchurch's Central City spaces and streets.

The Study assessed the quality of the spaces in the Central City, where people walked and how public spaces could better sustain public life and further a sense of community.

A City for People is the Action Plan for the implementation of the Public Space Public Life Study. It is a 12-year programme of actions linked to the three-yearly reviews of the Long Term Council Community Plan (LTCCP), the timeframe recognising that good cities take time to develop.

A number of projects in the Action plan require further investigation, including identification of options, the evaluation of costs and benefits and public consultation. Funding for the new projects will be considered by Council as part of future LTCCP deliberations.

Public Space is the area between buildings including streets, squares and parks.



Trends in the use of public space in the 21st century

- 1. Increased interest in sports and an active, healthy lifestyle
- 2. Increased participation in cultural events
- 3. Increased interest in amenities offered in cities such as the coastline, rivers, green space and fresh air
- 4. Increased interest in year-round outdoor activities
- 5. Increasing numbers of elderly people who wish to use public spaces in the city
- 6. Greater demand for public spaces as a result of smaller private outdoor spaces and gardens



The success of the Central City is integral to the success of Christchurch as a whole. The Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy identifies Central City as the main cultural, economic and social hub for greater Christchurch and much of the South Island. The Central City Revitalisation Strategy Stage II identifies the Central City as the heart of Christchurch and 'the enhancement of public spaces' as a priority. A City for People is a direct outcome of these strategies.



Christchurch has great potential

The key to successful public life is providing places that people want to visit for longer periods of time. To promote a lively City:

- Attract long term visits
- Achieve a better balance between road users
- Provide a variety of places
- Establish strong pedestrian networks
- Cater for all ages and abilities
- Plan for optional outdoor activities

The Public Space Public Life Study highlighted some of the great qualities of Christchurch which help to make it a city for people.



Green spaces



A good scale, easy to get around



Lots of existing attractions

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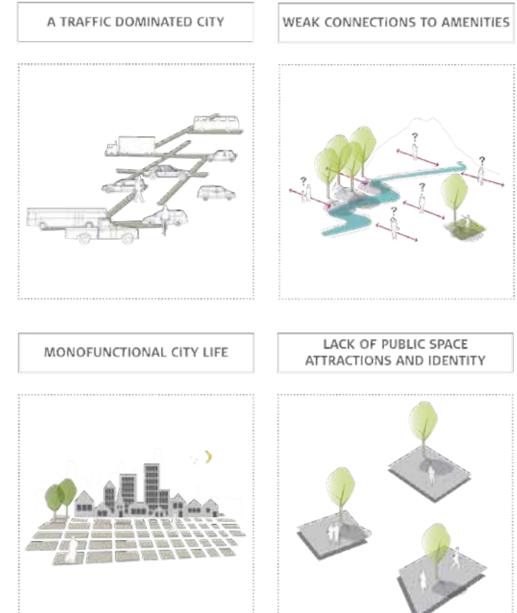
Lanes



Heritage buildings

Central City Challenges

The Public Space Public Life Study also identified some of the major challenges that the central city faces in promoting more public life.



The vision for Christchurch

To create a city for people, Christchurch needs to put "people first" and be guided by a vision.

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Increase pedestrian priority Spoil the cyclists to increase numbers Support public transport in the Central City Reduce the impact of vehicles in Central City Ensure the city capitalises on its amenities Celebrate the River Enhance east-west streets as Green Connectors

Ensure a City that is liveable and viable Create a diverse and safe City alive 24 hours a day Invite all ages and user groups Encourage more Central City

Ensure a city that has a strong identity that caters for all user groups throughout the year

A city with a strong heart



The Glow Map shows the vision for the future of Christchurch Central City. The spaces that 'Glow' more than others are More active and have a distinct Identity.

Vision: A city with human pace

Pedestrians first

The Central City has a strong historic street pattern which provides a good scale for people to walk or cycle. What is lacking is an inviting environment for pedestrians and cyclists.

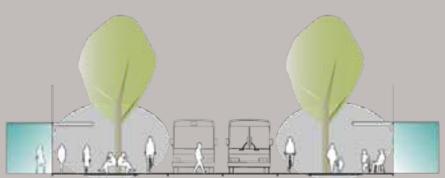
Raising the priority of pedestrians and cyclists is a guiding principle of A City for People. This means achieving a better balance between the needs of pedestrians, cyclists and motorists.

It requires thinking about streets as places where people walk, eat and talk rather than simply as corridors for vehicles; creating a safer, more usable and attractive environment for pedestrians and cyclists.

"When traffic volumes are low and the traffic moves slowly there tends to be more public life and more opportunities to meet people in public spaces. A good balance between road users can often be achieved by inviting people to walk, cycle or use public transport instead of their cars."



Street user Hierarchy Christchurch a City for People - Action Plan



Make better use of streets

Vision: A Garden City that celebrates its amenities

Making the best of our public spaces

The Avon River, Hagley Park, the Botanic Gardens and Cathedral Square are popular destinations for residents and visitors. However, these and other Central City public spaces in Christchurch low pedestrian counts compared with cities such as Melbourne and Copenhagen.

This is partly the result of poor pedestrian links through the Central City. The streets tend to be dominated by vehicles, and the visual and functional quality of the pedestrian environment is generally low.

An essential part of creating a Garden City which celebrates its amenities is making provision for attractive and easy to use walking routes between the main public spaces in the City.

A strong pedestrian network makes walking easy and attractive. The network should connect destinations, include promenades and sheltered spaces, provide interest, and be safe during the day and night.

"The public spaces in Central City will be like pearls on a necklace; points of activities and concentrated public life along corridors of pedestrian movement."



City Mall Garden Promenade

Vision: A city with a wide range of people and activities

A City that is active for 24 hours a day

The Central City is active during work hours, and is the main destination for evening entertainment in the city, with many tourists and visitors. Supporting existing visitors and attracting more people to spend time in the city means creating a city with a vibrant heart.

Pedestrian surveys show a distinct lack of children and elderly persons in Central City public spaces. One of the necessary factors for attracting these user groups is providing public spaces that are safe and easily accessible, as well as a range of good facilities such as public toilets, playgrounds and public seating.

Large areas of Central City are monofunctional because of the grouping of single land uses in particular areas. While these areas are busy at certain times of the day, they are often deserted creating an unsafe feeling.

A principle in A City for People is to invite many different groups to use public spaces – elderly, disabled, children, families, young people and working people – so that a more varied use of the city can be achieved in terms of the range of activities, and the time of day and year.

"A good city is characterised by a wide range of optional activities. People arrive in the city - find it attractive and choose to spend longer than planned. Good public spaces can be recognised by the large numbers of people that have chosen to spend time in them."



Vision: A city with attractive and inviting public spaces

Christchurch is in need of more instantly appealing and inviting public spaces.

A lack of public life is a self perpetuating process; a lot of public life tends to generate more life, while a lack of public life has the opposite effect. Many of the existing public spaces provide a limited range of activities.

The Central City is still perceived as a place for offices, bars, restaurants and shops. One of the goals of the Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy is to increase the number of residents in Central City. An important way of achieving this goal is to develop public spaces which provide for the needs of Central City residents, recognising that private open spaces will be limited in the inner city.

A guiding principle is to develop a hierarchy of accessible and attractive public spaces which provide for a variety of activities and a wide range of users.

"To create a fine grained and attractive network of public spaces a programme of public space upgrades and a streetscape plan specifying design and detailing is recommended along with other exciting projects including public art and directional signage. In time the public spaces will evolve to be as important for the city's identity, history and culture as the built form."





A City for People Action Plan - Top 5

Five actions that make the most difference

	AC	TION		TARGETS				New
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1	1 2 3	Create a high quality walk along Colombo Street from Victoria Square to new Transport Interchange square. Investigate changing Colombo Street to shared priority for pedestrians, cyclists and public transport (excluding private vehicles). Provide waiting time displays at traffic lights to increase pedestrian priority.	Develop a concept plan for a Colombo Street upgrade from Victoria Square to new Transport Interchange Square (including investigation of shared priority for pedestrians, cyclists and public transport/ pedestrian waiting time displays at traffic lights/excluding private vehicles)	Develop Concept Plan				NEW
2	8	Reallocate street widths to accommodate wider footpaths, public seating and street trees	Central City street upgrades to improve pedestrian priority and amenity; establish 30kph 'slow core'					1
3	36	Create continuous walk along the Avon River by providing direct crossing points at intersections with roads	Develop concept plans for street crossing upgrade to complete the Avon River walkway	Develop Concept Plans				NEW
	57	Upgrade Latimer Square to provide an 'urban garden' and opportunities for inner city residents to play and relax		Develop Concept Plan				NEW
4	58	Upgrade Cranmer Square to provide a recreational green space for residents and visitors	Investigate options and develop concept plans to upgrade under utilised public spaces, including Latimer Square, the Art		Develop Concept Plan			NEW
	59	Upgrade the Art Gallery forecourt to provide a space for people and public art	Gallery forecourt and Cranmer Square			Develop Concept Plan		NEW
5	40	Investigate how priority can be given to the retention and reuse of heritage buildings and their surroundings	Adopt and Implement Heritage Review recommendations	Adopt Recommendations				NEW

KEY New New Project Requires Alignment Existing Project LTCCP Funds

Implementation



Pedestrian Friendly City

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4	Increase pedestrian priority at intersections	Review LTCCP levels of service to provide better recognition of pedestrians	Review levels of				Ö _ö
-	including reduced waiting times	Review traffic light (SCATS) operations with the objective of providing higher pedestrian priority including extended 'green person' crossing times	service			• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Ō _ĝ
5	Complete priority pedestrian routes including more public seating and street trees	Include Central City pedestrian routes in Christchurch Transport Plan (CTP)	Develop Priority Pedestrian Routes				NEW
6	Improved footpath surfaces including fewer vehicle crossings and interruptions, better quality tactile indicators and disabled crossings	Implement RTS 14 Guidelines for facilities for blind and vision-impaired pedestrians as part of street renewals and upgrades					Ø.
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7	Provide wayfinding signage for pedestrians	Installed December 2009		- - - - - -		- - - - -	\checkmark
8	Reallocate street widths to accommodate wider footpaths, public seating and street trees	Central City street upgrades to improve pedestrian priority and amenity and establish 30kph 'slow core'		TOP	ΑΟΤΙΟ	N	
9	Improve the walking experience on Manchester Street including improved lighting and wider footpaths	Part of Streetscape upgrade programme 2012 - 2019					

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Cycle Friendly City

AC #	TION Public Space Public Life Recommendations	A City for People Plan Recommendations	TARGETS LTCCP 2009- 2019	LTCCP 2012- 2022	LTCCP 2015- 2025	LTCCP 2018- 2028	New Aligned Existing
10	Link and extend existing cycle lanes to complete cycling network	Review LTCCP levels of service to provide better recognition of cycling	Review cycling network				Ô
11	Promote cycling for visitors - implement cycle signage with distances and destinations	Develop concept for city cycle signage	Develop Concept Plans				NEW
12	Introduce 'Copenhagen style' cycle tracks between parking and footpath	Develop a plan for separate cycle ways running parallel to main roads to provide safe, accessible routes about the city as part of the Christchurch	Develop separated				
13	Introduce cycle lights at intersections	Transport Plan	cycleway plan				NEW
14	Introduce 3 second head start for cycles at traffic lights	Develop a trial for separated cycle ways between key destinations such as the Central City and the University of Canterbury.	Develop concept plans				
15	Create 'green waves' for cycles (traffic lights adjusted to cycle speeds)	Consider when share of cycling commuter trips reaches 8 percent					NEW
16	Introduce recreational cycle routes linking city with natural features, for example along Avon River	Investigate opportunities for recreational cycle routes including routing part of 'national cycle trail' through Christchurch	Investigate opportunities				NEW
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17	Provide accessible and safe cycle parking facilities	50 new cycle parks to be installed in Central City. Investigate further parking facilities.		Investigate further options			
18	Replace some on-street car parking with cycle parking	Implemented as part of street upgrade programme					
19	Require cycle parking in new buildings	Requirement for cycle parking in multi-unit developments included in proposed L3-L4 Plan Change / cycle parking facilities included in new Transport Interchange		Investigate further options			
20	Ensure cycle tracks are at least 1.5 metres wide	Implement as part of cycle lane renewal and upgrades					

Public Transport for the 21st Century

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#	Public Space Public Life Recommendations	A City for People Action Plan Recommendations	LTCCP 2009- 2019	LTCCP 2012- 2022	LTCCP 2015- 2025	LTCCP 2018- 2028	Aligned Existing
21	Investigate reducing the high frequency of buses along Colombo Street and through Cathedral Square by creating 'bus ring' around 'heart of city'	Consider as part of Christchurch Transport Interchange project	Identification of route options				Ô
22	Investigate replacing bus routes with light rail (along Colombo Street) as long term demand grows	Preliminary investigation of light rail options to protect future routes	Preliminary investigation				NEW
23	Increase seating at bus stops and use public seating for bus waiting	New seating and shelters at existing bus stops					Ö.
24	Improve existing Colombo Street Transport Interchange entrance and waiting facilities	New entrance and waiting facilities on Colombo Street completed					
25	Provide dedicated bus lanes into Central City	Cranford / Hornby / New Brighton / Sumner / Orbiter / Metrostar / Halswell Bus Priority Routes			1		
26	Extend the existing tram line and reduce ticket price	Tram extension to Lichfield Street and CPIT in two stages					
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Traffic Calmed City

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29	Investigate converting Central City one-way streets to two-way - starting with Durham and Montreal Streets	Investigate conversion of Durham and Montreal Streets to two-way	Investigation				NEW
30	Introduce a traffic-calmed 'slow core' with 30kph speed zone in Central City	Review Central City Transport Concept and Develop Central City Street Function Plan Review LTCCP levels of service for transport hierarchy	Central				00
31	Investigate reducing through traffic in Central City					Ö _ö	
32	Provide gateways into Central City to signal 30kph zone		hierarchy				NEW
33	Improve the ground floor frontages of car parking buildings	Feasibility study of renovation and lease opportunities for alternative uses on the ground floor of Council car parking buildings			Feasibility Study		NEW
		Deductions to see and increase in					
34	Review planning rules to reduce car parking requirements for new developments	Reductions to car parking requirements in L3-L4 Plan Change and investigate parking provisions in other zones		Investigate further zones			
25	Progressively reduce the number of on- street car parks over 20 year period	Review Central City Parking to support Central City Revitalisation	Consider in Christchurch Transport			1	

A Garden City that celebrates its amenities

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Make east-west streets green connectors from city-to-park	Adopt Central City Street Trees and Gardens Masterplan and integrate into Infrastructure Design Standard	Adopt Masterplan	_			NEW	
Investigate planning rules to reduce height limits for buildings in parts of the Central City	City Plan review of Central City Height Limits	Develop Issues and options paper		I		NEW	
Investigate better connections between city centre and parks by providing new pedestrian bridge to Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens	New pedestrian bridge - Botanic Gardens Visitor Centre	Develop Design				NEW	
Investigate how priority can be given to the retention and reuse of heritage buildings and their surroundings	Adopt and Implement Heritage Review recommendations	Adopt recommendations	TOP	5 AC	TION	NEW	
Develop lighting schemes for heritage buildings to enhance city scapes	Heritage lighting project	Investigate options				NEW	
"Add 'something extra' to Central City (eg. interpretation, temporary art installations, light features, water features, lanes)"	Develop options for urban renewal projects						
Include public art in city spaces	Continue capital investment in Public Art						
Develop a coordinated programme for public art	Review Public Art Plan	Develop Public Art Plan					
Plant more street trees	Adopt Central City Street Trees and Gardens Masterplan and implement through Central City Street Upgrades and tree planting programme (see Action 8)	Adopt Central City Street Trees and Gardens Masterplan					
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A city with a wide range of people and activities



A great place to live, work and play

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46	Introduce new playgrounds for children in Central City	Identify location and design for new Central City Playground	Develop Concept Plans				NEW
47	Provide improved amenities for elderly in Central City (eg. public toilets and seating)	Investigate improved Central City amenities, including additional public toilets and seating to make more attractive for elderly		Scoping Report			NEW
48	Promote student accommodation in the Central City	Work with tertiary institutions to promote student accommodation					Ø _ö
49	Develop planning rules / guidelines for active ground floor frontages in central city	Include in Central City / Business 2 Urban Design Plan Change	CC / B2 Plan Change				
50	Promote more mixed use developments in Central City (30% residential use in new buildings desirable)	Central City Revitalisation Strategy / Central City South Masterplan					
51	Encourage increased residential living in Central City	Support Central City residential developments through associated public space upgrades					
52	Introduce diverse events and activities in Central City all year round	Continue and to develop the Events and Festivals programme					
53	Introduce an ice rink to the Cathedral Square in winter	Ice rink installed as part of Christchurch Arts Festival. Staff investigating feasibility of outdoor rink.	Feasibility study				
54	Encourage a variety of functions to take place throughout the Central City (as opposed to areas with a single use)	Central City Revitalisation Strategy / Central City South Masterplan					\checkmark
55	Encourage Cathedral Square market to sell fresh produce and crafts seven days a week	Incorporated in current review of Cathedral Square market leases	Complete review				

A city with attractive and inviting public spaces

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A fine grained public space network

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56	Adopt the Draft Central City Streetscape Plan and integrate into the Infrastructure Design Standard and City Plan	Adopt and Implement Central City Streetscape Plan (see Action 8)	Adopt draft Streetscape Plan				NEW
57	Upgrade Latimer Square to provide an 'urban garden' and opportunities for inner city residents to play and relax	Investigate options and develop concept plans to upgrade under utilised public spaces,	Develop Concept Plan	ТОР	5 AC ⁻	TION	NEW
58	Upgrade Cranmer Square to provide a recreational green space for residents and visitors	including Latimer Square, Art Gallery forecourt and Cranmer Square		Develop Concept Plan	_		NEW
59	Upgrade the Art Gallery forecourt to provide a space for people and public art	Note: order of actions may change			Develop Concept Plan		NEW
60	Introduce more pocket parks in Central City to provide amenity and green 'lungs'	Central City Neighbourhood Parks included in Draft Open Space Strategy					Ö,
61	Remove car parking from in front of the Cathedral	Negotiate with Anglican Church to remove parking in Cathedral Square					NEW
62	Develop a 'public space plan' for Central City Public Spaces	Central City Open Space Plan included in draft Open Space Strategy	Adopt draft Open Space Strategy				\checkmark
63	Develop the lanes as secondary public spaces with a human scale and mixed use	Adopt and Implement Lanes Design Guidelines (see Action 8)	Adopt Lanes Design Guidelines				Vand
64	Create a new 'transit square' linking the new transport interchange to Colombo Street providing 'a welcome to Christchurch'	Provision for public spaces as part of new Transport Interchange					
65	Give distinctive identities to Central City streets	Included in Central City street upgrade programme (see Action 8)					Viel
66	Promote active edges around Cathedral Square	Investigate requirement to provide active edges around Cathedral Square as part of Central City - B2 Urban Design Plan Change	CC/B2 Plan change				

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