

Healthy Greater Christchurch Interim Group



The Healthy Greater Christchurch Interim Group had its second meeting in June.

Key points from the June 2017 meeting

- The Committee agreed on four general areas of a workplan to organise the group's actions:
 - Information conduit
 - Supporting community signatory work
 - Greater Christchurch Partnership Resilience Plan implementation support
 - Other projects
- The group considered one aspect of the workplan and identified areas of commonality.
- Engagement with community/signatories is a priority.

Who is a part of the Interim Group?

The Interim Group is made up of participants similar to those who participated on the Advisory Group. Participants may change as the Interim Group becomes clearer about what it needs to do.

Current participating organisations include:

- Christchurch City Council – Helen Beaumont
- Community & Public Health – Sandy Brinsdon and Sara Epperson
- Environment Canterbury – Vanessa Scott
- Greater Christchurch Partnership – Keith Tallentire
- Ministry of Social Development – Shane Carter
- NGO signatories/SEWN – Sharon Torstonson
- Selwyn District Council – Lisa Larkin
- Mana Whenua ki Waitaha – Wendy Dallas-Katoa
- Waimakariri District Council – Tessa Sturley

Thanks also to Claire Bryant, Rex Gibson, Gail McLauchlan and Marie Ward for participating in the meeting.

Why an Interim Group?

The [Greater Christchurch Partnership](#) identified Healthy Christchurch as a lead for the 'Health & Communities' stream of the [Urban Development Strategy](#), along with the Selwyn and Waimakariri District Councils. This means we have an opportunity to formally strengthen and expand our network and enhance its regional relevance.

The Interim Group will formalise a decision about whether to expand the network or not. The group will also be tasked with developing a Terms of Reference for the next Advisory Group, developing a high-level work programme and continuing to engage with signatories throughout its processes.

Like the existing initiative, an expanded network would still lead new projects, be a vehicle for communication and consultation with communities, and provide a mechanism to be voice at decision making tables around the region.