

NEWS FROM THE CANTERBURY MAYORAL FORUM

August 2017

About the Mayoral Forum

The Mayoral Forum comprises the Mayors of the ten territorial authorities and the Chair of the Canterbury Regional Council – from Kaikōura in the north, to Waitaki in the south.

Mayor Lianne Dalziel (Christchurch City) is the Chair for this local government term.

A key focus of the Mayoral Forum is ongoing development and implementation of the Canterbury Regional Economic Development Strategy (CREDS).

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CREDS WORKSHOP, 24 AUGUST 2017

- The Mayoral Forum met with its CREDS reference group at the University of Canterbury. This was preceded by a campus tour, to look at rebuild and new developments.
- Jim Palmer, chair of the Chief Executives Forum, presented an update on CREDS priority actions and progress since the [CREDS for this local government term](#) was launched on 23 June 2017.
- Tom Hooper, Chief Executive of ChristchurchNZ, presented a new look [CREDS indicators report](#).
- The workshop focused on the contribution of tertiary education to the economic and social development of Canterbury, with presentations from Prof. Robin Pollard, Vice-Chancellor of Lincoln University; Toni Laming, Chief Executive of the Lincoln Hub; and Dr Rod Carr and Prof. Ian Wright from the University of Canterbury.
- The workshop was followed by the Committee for Canterbury's launch of [Canterbury @ 1.5 Million](#).
- The Mayoral Forum met for informal discussion over dinner with members of the Local Government Commission.

MAYORAL FORUM HIGHLIGHTS, 25 AUGUST 2017

- The Forum agreed to write to elected/List MPs in Canterbury and incoming Ministers following the General Election on 23 September 2017.
- Dave Cull, Mayor of Dunedin and the new President of LGNZ, outlined National Council priorities and discussed these with Canterbury Mayors.
- Mayor Winton Dalley reminded the Forum of how the Canterbury Water Management Strategy began, and why it continues to be developed and implemented under the governance of the Mayoral Forum. Cr Claire McKay (Environment Canterbury) and Dr Andy Pearce (chair of the CWMS Regional Committee) presented the 2017 CWMS targets progress report, which was approved by the Mayoral Forum for publication.
- The Forum agreed to explore opportunities for a region-to-region relationship with Nagano Prefecture, Japan.

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... a strong regional economy with resilient, connected communities and a better quality of life for all.

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