

NEWS FROM THE CANTERBURY POLICY FORUM

October 2017

The regional forums Secretariat circulates a summary of key points from meetings of the Canterbury Mayoral Forum, Chief Executives Forum and Canterbury Policy Forum for forum members to share with colleagues.

This news page, and meeting papers with confirmed minutes, are published on the Mayoral Forum's website at: www.canterburymayors.org.nz

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COMING UP

Chief Executives meet on **Monday 30 October 2017**.

The Mayoral Forum meets on **Friday 1 December**.

A schedule of regional forum meetings for 2018 will be considered by Chief Executives and Mayors, then circulated to all Councils.

CANTERBURY POLICY FORUM

The Canterbury Policy Forum met on 6 October 2017 and agreed to:

- hold Policy Forum levies at the current rate for the next three financial years
- organise a joint end-of-year function for the Policy, Corporate and Operations Forums on Friday 8 December 2017, with presentations on 'what the 2017 general election means for Canterbury' (details to come)
- organise a regional training workshop in 2018 on using population data in policy and planning, with input from demography staff of Statistics New Zealand. This will help prepare staff to access and use data from the Census of Population and Dwellings scheduled for 6 March 2018.



Other agenda items included:

- a presentation by Ronnie Cooper (Strategy and Influence, Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu) on Mana Whakahono a Rohe iwi participation agreements (Resource Management Act 1991 Sub-part 2, 58L–58U) and iwi claims lodged under the Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2011
- schedule of expected regional submissions
- discussion of Environment Canterbury's draft regional community outcomes
- addressing New Zealand's biodiversity challenge
- the CWMS Targets Progress Report 2017 and national water initiatives
- an update from the Canterbury Planning Managers Group and its ongoing programme of engaging with industry and peak bodies
- an update from the newly formed climate change working group.

The Canterbury Policy Forum meets quarterly and is chaired by Bill Bayfield (Environment Canterbury). Members are Carolyn Johns (Waimate), Hamish Dobbie (Hurunui), Jill Atkinson (Environment Canterbury), Mark Low (Timaru), Mike Roesler (Waitaki), Brendan Anstiss (Christchurch), David Ward (Selwyn), Simon Markham and Geoff Meadows (Waimakariri), Angela Oosthuizen (Kaikōura), Toni Morrison (Mackenzie) and Vincie Billante (Ashburton).

The role of the Canterbury Policy Forum

- joint analysis and submissions (one strong Canterbury voice)
- reduce duplication of policy effort (efficient local government)
- implement joint initiatives (collaborate to get better results).

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