

Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy

Report To: UDS Implementation Committee (UDSIC)
Subject: UDS Bi-Monthly Implementation Report
Report Author(s): Independent Chair & Implementation Manager
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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to provide a bi-monthly update to the Committee on UDS implementation.

2. IMPLEMENTATION

2.1 Strategic Partners' Forum

SPF met on Monday 13 October at the Convention Centre and were provided with presentations on the Christchurch City Council's Healthy Environment work programme. There was significant interest from many members in the content of the presentations especially regarding biodiversity and drinking water. The presentations are to be made to UDSIC and Strategic Partner Forum representatives wish to address UDSIC on matters relating to the presentations and the work being undertaken relating to them.

2.2 RPS PC1

(An oral update will be provided at the meeting)

2.3 Central Government

Following the 8 November General Election, National will form the next government with confidence and supply guaranteed by ACT and United Future. This will have an almost immediate effect on the UDS in terms of changes to the RMA. (See separate report.)

2.4 Transport

The New Zealand Transport Agency has appointed Mark Yaxley to be the Regional Director for Canterbury and the West Coast. Mark will be a member of NZTA's Senior Leadership Team and the senior representative of the Agency in Christchurch.

ECan has now signed, on behalf of the Canterbury region, the Memorandum of Understanding giving operational effect to the Crown Funding Package that was announced as part of Budget 2008. The MOU commits the region to continued progress in implementing the UDS and anchoring the land-use pattern in the RPS.

2.6 Action Plan Update

See separate report

2.5 Risk Profile

There are several key risks which this implementation phase of the project faces between now and the end of 2008:

Nature of Risk	Ranking as at July 2008 (1 = low 10 = high) Previous score in brackets
Adequate and consistent resourcing in a timely manner. This covers both purely budgetary and staff resourcing. (CEAG to address risk in the first instance)	4 (5)
RPS PC1 slippage (note based on new timeframe)	3 (4)
Failing to successfully implement, in a form intended by the UDS partners, the growth management strategy through the Regional Policy Statement.	8 (4)
Inconsistent communications/Lack of alignment	4 (4)
Government Engagement alignment	8 (8)
Partners placing an uneven emphasis on implementation actions and not achieving the outcomes agreed. (CEAG to address risk in the first instance)	3 (4)
Actions being reinterpreted by staff of partners (CEAG to address in the first instance)	3 (3)
Achieving a Crown Transport Assistance Package in a form acceptable both sub-regionally and regionally	3 (6)
Essential Tangata Whenua input not being achieved in a timely manner	8 (8)

3. RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 That the monthly report of the Independent Chair and Implementation Manager be received.*
- 3.3 That the next meeting of the UDSIC be on Monday 16 February 2009 commencing at 1.30 pm at Environment Canterbury and that the attached bi-monthly meeting schedule for 2009 be approved*

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