

ELECTION OF TWO (2) COUNCILLORS FOR THE HEATHCOTE WARD



Oscar ALPERS

Independent for Christchurch 2021

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Paul DE SPA

Green for Christchurch 2021

I hope to become Christchurch's first Green city councillor and community board member, promoting locally-based policies with a global outlook, to make Christchurch more socially, economically and environmentally successful. I support clean, efficient transport, for safer streets and neighbourhoods; a zero-waste economy, using innovative technologies to reduce, re-use, recycle; employment opportunities through supporting local businesses, especially those sustaining green initiatives; improving recreational facilities; well-designed, energy-efficient homes and communities; a sustainable garden city, for healthy people, environment and economy. I am 32 and live with my partner Justine. Our two children. Luka (8) and Connor (5) attend the Steiner School in Opawa, where I am a Board of Trustees member. A former primary teacher, I currently work for the Selwyn District Council, researching cycleway development. I am a trustee of the Organic Garden City Trust and committee member for the Opawa Community Garden. Phone 389 2938.

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Ian HOWELL

Independent Citizens

Ian Howell, your current councillor for six years, uses community awareness and business know-how to serve Christchurch. He was Manufacturers' Association chief executive and Community Trust chairman; now a director of the Canterbury Development Corporation and the city's recycling company. Finance, policy, street care, drainage and monitoring the new art gallery are his special council interests. Long-time resident with his family in this ward, Ian sees Heathcote's proposed innovative library as evidence of how the community improves physical and social assets. 'We need improvements without extravagance,' he argues. 'Rates increases must be contained.' The next three years: 'Upgrading basic services, an environment-friendly sewerage system, and a safer city' lead his goals. 'Our quality of life also depends on more employment opportunities. The council must do its best to inspire confidence and growth to ensure more jobs for our future.' Ian, phone 332-0668, keenly offers his experience to achieve these goals.



Sue WELLS

Independent Citizens

Sue Wells (35) lives near Opawa School, which her two sons attend. She is completing her first term as your City Councillor, and has six years Community Board experience. She now chairs the Resource Management Committee, and the Neighbourhood Week Committee for both the Spreydon-Heathcote Community Board and Christchurch overall. She is a proud, active trustee of the Sydenham Heritage Church. Sue believes good leadership comes from listening, and that Council needs to do that better. She pushed for the new South Library, supported the retention of low emission logburners and opposed housing on Montgomery Spur. After re-election, she wants more attention paid to our riverbanks, and planting that will make us the Garden City again. Her special interests are the RMA, libraries, neighbourhood safety and e-democracy. She has a BA, a broadcasting background, recently published her first novel, and thoroughly enjoys her work as your City Councillor. Phone 332-1611.

ELECTION OF THREE (3) HEATHCOTE WARD MEMBERS OF THE SPREYDON-HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY BOARD



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Lynda CARTER

Alliance for Christchurch 2021

I am an elected member of the present Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board. I have lived in Christchurch for 28 years and have a sales and clerical background. I currently work as an office administrator. I have been a volunteer member of Civil Defence since 1998 and enjoy working with people and helping my local community. My priorities are working to ensure a more democratic and caring community, to provide a safe clean, green and sustainable environment, and to maintain public ownership and control of our city's services and assets. I believe the role of the Community Board is to improve the quality of life for the whole community through provision of essential services, protection and enhancement of our environment and the preservation of significant historic buildings. If re-elected I will work hard for my community and consult and communicate as widely as possible with the local people. Phone 3371569.