

Agenda 2023

Transport, Urban Development, and Air Quality Committee

Date: Wednesday, 9 August 2023
Time: 10.30AM
Venue: Council Chamber
Environment Canterbury
200 Tuam Street, Christchurch



Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee

Membership

Committee Chair: Chair Peter Scott

Committee Deputy Chair: Councillor Vicky Southworth

Committee Members:

- Councillor Greg Byrnes
- Councillor Iaeen Cranwell
- Councillor Joe Davies
- Councillor Paul Dietsche
- Councillor David East
- Councillor Grant Edge
- Councillor Tutehounuku Korako
- Councillor Ian Mackenzie
- Councillor Claire McKay
- Councillor Craig Pauling
- Councillor Genevieve Robinson
- Councillor John Sunckell
- Councillor Deon Swiggs
- Councillor Nick Ward

TRANSPORT, URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND AIR QUALITY COMMITTEE

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Adopted by Council 14 December 2022

REPORTING TO:	Council
MEMBERSHIP:	All members of Council
QUORUM:	Eight (8)
MEETING FREQUENCY:	Six meetings per annum
CHAIR:	One Chair One Deputy Chair

A. PURPOSE

1. To oversee the development, implementation and review of Council's:
 - a. strategic direction and policies for transport and mode-shift;
 - b. set the operational direction to deliver public transport and mode-shift;
 - c. provide input into joint transport-related projects and initiatives;
 - d. development of integrated land use and regional transport; and
 - e. development of Council's position on regionally significant matters such as spatial planning.
 - f. To work in the spirit of genuine partnership and assist the Council in fulfilling its duties as a partner with Ngāi Tahu and in alignment with the principles contained within the Tuia Agreement. In particular, the committee will support effective partnerships with Papatipu Rūnanga, recognise the relevance of Te Ao Māori and affirm the importance of an enduring and collaborative relationship between Environment Canterbury and Ngāi Tahu Papatipu Rūnanga.

B. SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES

2. Approve strategies, policies and guidelines to deliver clean air in Canterbury.
3. Approve transport strategies, policies, plans programmes and initiatives related to transport demand management and active mode promotion, including relevant aspects of the Regional Policy Statement;
4. Review and monitor performance trends related to public transport activities.

5. Advocate for the alignment of initiatives across the region with transport implications including spatial planning and land use planning including liaison with:
 - a. the Regional Transport Committee;
 - b. the Greater Christchurch Partnership Committee; and
 - c. territorial authorities in relation to the urban planning aspects of their District Plans.
6. Ensure that the Committee's decision making:
 - a. Considers climate-change related risks; and
 - b. Is consistent with Council's plans and initiatives to give effect to Council's declaration of a climate emergency on 16 May 2019.

C. DELEGATIONS

7. Subject to sections 8 and 9 below, Council delegates to the Committee all the powers, functions and duties necessary to perform the Committee's responsibilities, except those that must not be delegated.
8. The Committee may make decisions on matters with a financial impact only where the related costs are budgeted for within a current, adopted Long Term Plan or Annual Plan, otherwise the matter must be referred to the Council for decision.
9. The Committee may not make a decision that is materially inconsistent with the Council's Long-Term Plan or Annual Plan.

Document history and version control

Version	Date approved	Approved by	Brief description
1.0	29 April 2021	Council	New Committee Terms of Reference.
1.1	13 April 2022	Council	Reporting on Air Quality is transferred from the Natural Environment Committee to the Transport and Urban Development Committee.
1.2	14 December 2022	Council	Changed name of committee Removed references to Tumu Taiao Updated meeting frequency Changed from Co-chairs to Chair and Deputy Chair

Common Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Acronyms

CEF	Chief Executives Forum
CPF	Canterbury Policy Forum
CREDS	Canterbury Regional Economic Development Strategy
FAR	Funding Assistance Rate
FED	Fuel Excise Duty
GPS	Government Policy Statement on Land Transport
IDMF	Investment Decision Making Framework
LTMA	Land Transport Management Act
NLTF	National Land Transport Fund
NLTP	National land Transport Programme
ONRC	One Network Road Classification
PGF	Provincial Growth Fund
REG	Road Efficiency Group
RFT	Regional Fuel Tax
RLTP	Regional Land Transport Plan
RPS	Regional Policy Statement
RPTP	Regional Public Transport Plan
RRSWG	Regional Road Safety Working Group
RTC	Canterbury Regional Transport Committee
RUC	Road User Charges
SNP	Safe Network Programme
TEFAR	Targeted Enhanced Funding Assistance Rate
TSIG	Transport Special Interest Group
TOG	Transport Officers Group
TUDAQC	Transport, Urban Development, and Air Quality Committee

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1. Karakia/Mihi Timatanga - Opening

The meeting will be opened with a karakia, followed by a member of the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee with mihi whakatau.

2. Apologies

At the time the agenda closed there were no apologies received.

3. Conflicts of Interest

Members are reminded to be vigilant and to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a representative and any private or other external interest they might have.

4. Public Forum, Deputations, and Petitions

There were no requests for public forum, deputations and petitions at the time the agenda was prepared.

5. Extraordinary and Urgent Business

The Chairperson will give notice of items requiring urgent attention not on the agenda as follows.

Matters Requiring Urgent Attention as Determined by Resolution of the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee:

A meeting may deal with an item of business that is not on the agenda where the meeting resolves to deal with that item and the Chairperson provides the following information during the public part of the meeting:

1. The reason why the item is not on the agenda; and
2. The reason why discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

Items not on the agenda may be brought before the meeting through a report from either the chief executive or the Chairperson.

The item may be allowed onto the agenda by resolution of the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee.

Minor Matters relating to the General Business of the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee:

A meeting may discuss an item that is not on the agenda only if it is a minor matter relating to the general business of the meeting and Chairperson explains at the beginning of the public part of the meeting that the item will be discussed. The meeting may not make a resolution, decision or recommendation about the item, except to refer it to a subsequent meeting for further discussion.

6. Notices of Motion

At the time the agenda closed there were no notices of motion received.

7. Minutes

7.1. Unconfirmed Minutes - Transport, Urban Development, and Air Quality - 14 June 2023

Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee

Date of meeting	Wednesday, 9 August 2023
Author	Vivienne Ong, Committee Advisor
Endorsed by	Catherine McMillan, General Manager Governance

Purpose

1. The previously circulated minutes from the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee on 14 June 2023 are to be confirmed.

Recommendations

That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee:

1. **Confirms the minutes from the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee meeting held on 14 June 2023.**

Attachments

1. UNCONFIRMED Minutes - Transport, Urban Development, and Air Quality Committee Meeting 14 June 2023 [7.1.1 - 5 pages]

Minutes of the Transport, Urban Development, and Air Quality Committee held at Environment Canterbury, Council Chamber, 200 Tuam Street, Christchurch, on Wednesday, 14 June 2023 at 10.33am

Present

Committee Chair Peter Scott, Committee Deputy Chair Vicky Southworth, Councillors Greg Byrnes, Iaeen Cranwell, Joe Davies, Paul Dietsche, Grant Edge, Tutehounuku Korako, Claire McKay, Craig Pauling, Genevieve Robinson, John Sunckell* and Deon Swiggs.

*via audio/visual link.

1. Mihi / Karakia Timatanga - Opening

Cr Edge opened the meeting with a karakia, followed by Cr Korako with a mihi whakatau.

Chair Scott advised the meeting that there would be an additional Report from the Chair, that would be taken as item 8.5, acknowledging the recent passing of Clare Williams. The item was not on the agenda because the information was not available at the time, and it could not be delayed because the Committee wanted to express their sympathies.

Cr McKay left the meeting at 10.35am during the meeting opening.

2. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cr David East who was away on Council Business and Councillors Ian Mackenzie and Nick Ward.

3. Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest reported.

4. Public Forum, Deputations, and Petitions

There were no requests for public forum, deputations, and petitions.

5. Extraordinary and Urgent Business

Chair Scott raised an item of extraordinary business relating to the passing of Clare Williams. This item was taken after item 8.4.

6. Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

7. Minutes

Refer pages 9-15 of the agenda.

7.1 Unconfirmed Minutes - Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee - 5 April 2023

Refer to pages 10-15 of the agenda.

Resolved TUDAQC/2023/12

Staff recommendation adopted without change.

That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee:

1. Confirms the minutes from the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee meeting held on 5 April 2023.

Cr Byrnes/Cr Edge
CARRIED

8. Report Items

Refer pages 16-32 of the agenda.

8.1 Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee Resolutions Status Report - June 2023

Refer pages 16-21 of the agenda.

Staff provided visibility on the status of resolutions made by the Committee.

Resolved TUDAQC/2023/13

Staff recommendation adopted without change.

That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee:

1. Notes the status of previous resolutions provided in the Status of Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee Resolutions report June 2023.

Cr Swiggs/Cr Southworth
CARRIED

Cr McKay returned to the meeting at 10.42am during discussion on after item 8.1.

8.2 Portfolio Work Programme Update Including Public Transport Performance

Refer pages 22-26 of the agenda.

Staff updated the Committee on the progress of the work programme of the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality portfolio, including Public Transport.

Resolved TUDAQC/2023/14

Staff recommendation adopted without change.

That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee:

1. Receives the work programme report for updates to work programmes since the April 2023 committee meeting.

Cr McKay/Cr Southworth
CARRIED

8.3 2024 Government Policy Statement on Land Transport

Refer pages 27-30 of the agenda.

Staff provided an update on the 2024 Government Policy Statement on Land Transport (GPS) and sought delegation for the Chair of the Committee to approve a Canterbury Regional Council submission when consultation on the GPS opens.

Resolved TUDAQC/2023/15

Staff recommendation adopted without change.

That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee:

1. Delegates authority to the Chair of the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee to approve a submission on the draft 2024 Government Policy Statement on land transport, prior to the submission closing date.
2. Agrees that (at a minimum) any draft submission will be circulated via email to all Committee members for feedback and input, with a minimum of three working days to provide feedback.
3. Notes that the Chair will retain final discretion over any sought changes to the draft submission.

Cr Edge/Cr McKay
CARRIED

8.4 Report from the Chair

Refer pages 31-32 of the agenda.

Chair Scott gave visibility to matters of current interest to the Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio, particularly in the public transport space, and any emerging issues.

Cr Korako left the meeting at 11.25am, and returned at 11.29am during discussion on item 8.4.

Resolved TUDAQC/2023/16

Staff recommendation adopted without change.

That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee:

1. Receives the Chair's report for the Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio.

Cr Pauling/Cr Swiggs
CARRIED

5. Extraordinary and Urgent Business (Continued)

Chair Scott provided an opportunity for Councillors to make comment and share their memories upon the passing of Clare Williams, former Chairperson of Te Ngāi Tūāhuriri Rūnanga and founding member of the Waimakariri and Selwyn Waihora water management zone committees. These comments largely noted the strength of the leadership she provided and her passion for the environment in the various roles she took throughout the Waitaha region. Councillors and the Chair passed on their condolences at the loss to the Williams whanau.

Resolved TUDAQC/2023/17

Staff recommendation adopted without change.

That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee:

1. Extends their sympathy to the Williams whanau on the passing of Clare Williams.

Cr McKay/Cr Korako
CARRIED

Cr Robinson left the meeting at 11.39am and returned at 11.42am before item 9.

9. Resolution to go into Public Excluded

Refer pages 33-34 of the agenda.

Resolved TUDAQC/2023/18

That Jesse Burgess, Senior Strategy Manager, Jeremy Dickson, Manager – Public Transport Business Services and Improvement, Robyn Fitchett, General Counsel, Stewart Gibbon, General Manager – PT, and Sarah Trevethick, Consultant, Waka Kotahi be permitted to remain after the public have been excluded for item 9.1.1 of the public excluded agenda as they have knowledge that is relevant to that item that will assist the Committee.

AND

That at 11.44am the resolution to exclude the public set out on pages 33 to 34 of the agenda be adopted.

Cr Pauling/Cr Cranwell
CARRIED

The public were re-admitted to the meeting at 12.30pm.

10. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on 9 August 2023.

11. Mihi / Karakia Whakamutunga - Closing

A karakia was provided by Cr Edge.

Meeting concluded at 12.32pm.

CONFIRMED 9 AUGUST 2023

Chair Peter Scott
Chair, Environment Canterbury

8. Report Items

8.1. Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee Resolutions Status Report - August 2023

Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee report

Date of meeting	Wednesday, 9 August 2023
Author	Oliver Neal, Committee Advisor
Responsible Director	Katherine Trought, Director Strategy and Planning

Purpose

1. To provide visibility on the status of resolutions made by Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee.

Recommendations

That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee:

1. **Notes the status of previous resolutions provided in the Status of Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee Resolutions report August 2023.**

Status Reporting

2. The status of resolutions is reported at each ordinary Committee meeting. The report includes all resolutions from the previous meeting. Comments and progress updates on incomplete actions are provided where applicable. For this report there are no outstanding resolutions to be addressed.

Cost, compliance, and communication

Financial implications

3. The report was compiled using existing staff resources, therefore there were no additional financial implications.

Risk assessment and legal compliance

4. This gives visibility to the Committee of matters outstanding to ensure appropriate actions have been taken as resolved.

Engagement, Significance and Māori Participation

5. Not applicable.

Consistency with council policy

6. Under Environment Canterbury Standing Orders 28.3 discussion of minutes is limited to their correctness. This report allows members to be updated on the status of resolutions and to monitor progress.

Climate Change Impacts

7. Not applicable.

Communication

8. Not applicable.

Next steps

9. An updated report will be provided to the 11 October 2023 meeting of the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee.

Attachments

1. TUDAQC Resolutions Status Report - Last Meeting - August 2023 [8.1.1 - 2 pages]

Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee Resolutions Status Report - Last Meeting (14 June 2023) - For August 2023

Meeting Name	Report	Resolution Number	Resolution	Status
Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee 2023-06-14	7.1 Unconfirmed Minutes – Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee – 5 April 2023	TUDAQC/2023/12	That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee: 1. Confirms the minutes from the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee meeting held on 5 April 2023.	Complete
Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee 2023-06-14	8.1 Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee Resolutions Status Report - June 2023	TUDAQC/2023/13	That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee: 1. Notes the status of previous resolutions provided in the Status of Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee Resolutions report June 2023.	Complete
Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee 2023-06-14	8.2 Portfolio Work Programme Update Including Public Transport Performance	TUDAQC/2023/14	That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee: 1. Receives the work programme report for updates to work programmes since the April 2023 committee meeting.	Complete
Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee 2023-06-14	8.3 2024 Government Policy Statement on Land Transport	TUDAQC/2023/15	That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee: 1. Delegates authority to the Chair of the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee to approve a submission on the draft 2024 Government Policy Statement on land transport, prior to the submission closing date. 2. Agrees that (at a minimum) any draft submission will be circulated via email to all Committee members for feedback and input, with a minimum of three working days to provide feedback. 3. Notes that the Chair will retain final discretion over any sought changes to the draft submission	In Progress

Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee Resolutions Status Report
- Last Meeting (14 June 2023) - For August 2023

Meeting Name	Report	Resolution Number	Resolution	Status
Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee 2023-06-14	8.4 Report from the Chair	TUDAQC/2023/16	That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee: 1. Receives the Chair's report for the Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio	Complete
Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee 2023-06-14	8.5 Report from the Chair (Supplementary)	TUDAQC/2023/17	That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee: 1. Extends their sympathy to the Williams whanau on the passing of Clare Williams	Complete

8.2. Portfolio Work Programme Update Including PT Performance and Clean Air Winter Programme

Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee report

Date of meeting	Wednesday, 9 August 2023
Author	Pip Moore, Principal Advisor - Portfolio Management
Responsible Director	Katherine Trought, Director Strategy and Planning

Purpose

1. To update the Committee on the progress of the Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio.

Recommendations

That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee:

1. **Receives the work programme report for quarter four 2022/23 for the Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio.**

Background

2. On 17 June 2021, the Council adopted its Long-Term Plan 2021-31 (LTP) which established the Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio.
3. Through the Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio: We are prioritising sustainable and healthy living and working environments; connecting communities with a safe multi-modal transport network; and ensuring this enhances social, cultural, economic, and environmental wellbeing now and in the future. The programmes within this portfolio are:
 - Clean air
 - Transforming public transport
 - Integrating urban land use, and regional transport
4. The Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio has a total budget of \$114.38 million for the 2022-23 year. This was established through the LTP and updated where necessary in the Annual Plan 2022-23.

Key updates to the work programme

5. Key updates to the work programme will be reported to the Committee as at the end of the nearest quarter to the Committee date. This report related to the period up to the end of quarter four, i.e. to end June 2023.
6. The updates for the Levels of Service and Key Initiatives for the programmes reported to this committee are provided as Attachment 8.2.1.
7. For the 2022/23 financial year there are three levels of service that report to this committee, with twelve targets. Provisional results indicate that all targets were achieved except for 29.1a. A national bus driver shortage that was exacerbated by impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic resulted in instances over several months of scheduled bus trips not starting on time, or in some cases, at all. While efforts to mitigate have been effective during quarter three and quarter four, our target of ensuring that more than 95% of trips depart their timetabled location on time, could not be achieved for the year.
8. The PT Performance update is provided as Attachment 8.2.2.
9. The Clean Air Winter work programme summary is provided as Attachment 8.2.3.

Notable recent achievements/issues

Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development

- The Warmer Cheaper communications programme has been refreshed and was launched in May 2023 with updates to the website and new social media, radio and print media releases: <https://www.warmercheaper.co.nz/>. The focus is on heating homes efficiently with low emissions through better burning technique, using dry wood (including promotion of Environment Canterbury audited Good Wood providers) and maintaining wood burners. We will also introduce articles on checking burner compliance this winter.
- A Spring education and awareness campaign is being developed to inform the public that many wood burners will become non-compliant over coming years (up to 1500 per year in Christchurch from 2024 over the next 10 years). The campaign will include social and print media campaigns and letters sent to homes with expired and expiring burners in Clean Air Zones. Environment Canterbury staff have booked a stand at the October Home Show to provide education and advice to the public.
- With the close of the Healthier Homes Canterbury rates advance scheme, we will continue to provide targeted rates-funded subsidies to support low-income households transition to low emission, energy efficient forms of home heating. Low interest/interest free loans are also available from several banks for those not eligible for the Environment Canterbury subsidy or Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority (EECA) funding.

- Following an open tender process, new contracts for delivery of home heating subsidy services have been awarded to BrightR for services in Christchurch, Rangiora, Kaiapoi and Ashburton, and to EnergySmart for services in Timaru, Geraldine and Waimate. The subsidy scheme uses funds from targeted rates and reserves to support low-income homeowners to replace expired or expiring wood burners and can be used in conjunction with the Warmer Kiwi Homes scheme from EECA, which is also administered by the subsidy providers. The refreshed scheme provides funding to Community Services Card holders in Clean Air Zones for up to 100% of the costs of a heat pump or wood burner which meets the requirements of the Canterbury Air Regional Plan (CARP). Environment Canterbury and the providers will promote the refreshed subsidy scheme from July 2023.
- The National Environmental Standard for Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Industrial Process Heat was gazetted in June 2023. This legislation aims to phase out the use of fossil fuels in industrial processes. Analysis of implications and implementation requirements is underway.
- The Whakawhanake Kāinga Komiti approved the draft Greater Christchurch Spatial Plan for consultation at their meeting on 12 May 2023 and this was also endorsed by the Partner Councils at their meetings on 16 and 17 May 2023. Public consultation opened on 19 June 2023 and runs through until 23 July 2023.
- The Whakawhanake Kāinga Komiti also endorsed the draft Mass Rapid Transit Indicative Business Case at their meeting on 12 May 2023 and Partner Councils also endorsed the Business Case at their meetings on 16 and 17 May 2023. The next step in that process is for the Waka Kotahi Board to consider the business case at their meeting in July 2023 and identify funding for the next phase of the business case process.
- The proposed 10-year policies for the draft Canterbury Regional Speed Management Plan were agreed by the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee. These proposed speed management policies align to the Waka Kotahi safe speed principles and the state highway speed management plan. These policies are as follows:
 - Survivable speeds, ensuring safety for all.
 - Safe speeds to support health, wellbeing and liveable places for all.
 - Safe speeds that contribute to emissions reduction, including having streets where people feel safe to walk, ride, cycle, scoot and access public transport.
 - Safe speeds that support land use changes as growth occurs.
 - Consistent speed limits across the Canterbury region.
 - We will build and honour relationships with Rūnanga to achieve safe speeds, especially around locations of significance.
- Our network has returned to normal service levels with driver numbers now sufficient to operate our full network. The orbiter service returned to 10-minute frequency on 3 July, 2023 as planned.

- June patronage achieved a significant milestone reaching 100.9% of pre-COVID numbers compared to June 2019. It is very encouraging to see our community continue to engage with public transport in increasing numbers, despite the service disruptions that had been experienced earlier this fiscal year.
- High level results from our Metro User Survey confirm an overall customer satisfaction rating of 95% for the year which is very pleasing. We will provide Council with further insights from these surveys once we have received and analysed final versions.
- The team have been very focused on preparing for the introduction of Councils Universal Flat Fare trial, commencing on 1 July, 2023, following the announcement in Budget 2023 that the 50% fares initiative would come to an end. Coupled with this, we have been working to enable a range of national concessions announced by Government in May also, as approved by Council. We will therefore be ready to launch the following concessions on 1 July, 2023:
 - Community Service Card 50% concession
 - Under 25 50% Concession
 - Total Mobility 50% Concession
- The under 13 free concession is somewhat more complex for us, given the limitations of our ticketing system, but we expect to be able to accommodate this in August.
- Timaru patronage reached a significant milestone this fiscal year accepting over 229,806 customer trips. This represents the highest annual patronage for Timaru for the last 10 years.

Cost, compliance and communication

Financial implications

10. No decisions concerning funding are required through this report, and financial portfolio and programme reporting is provided to the Audit, Finance and Risk Committee.

Risk assessment and legal compliance

11. No legal compliance issues have been identified for this progress report.

Engagement, Significance and Māori Participation

12. Engagement with ngā Papatipu Rūnanga, mana whenua and the community are an important aspect of much of the work that occurs in these programmes and is embedded within the programmes.

Consistency with council policy

13. The levels of service, programmes and initiatives outlined in this report are consistent with the LTP.

Climate Change Impacts

14. The work being reported to this committee is central to addressing the impacts of climate change.

Communication

15. The information included in this report will be available online (<https://www.ecan.govt.nz/reporting-back/>) on Environment Canterbury's website. This reports the progress of our work to our communities.

Next steps

16. Staff will continue to deliver the work programme and provide quarterly updates to the Committee on the progress made.
17. Key initiatives to be reported will be reviewed and refreshed for 2023/24 reporting.

Attachments










1. Portfolio Work Programme LoS Key Ini [8.2.1 - 5 pages]
2. PT Dashboard June 2023 [8.2.2 - 1 page]
3. TUDAQ Air quality slides draft July 2023 [8.2.3 - 2 pages]

Legal review	
Peer reviewers	Paul Hopwood, Principal Implementation Advisor - Water and Land Stewart Gibbon, General Manager - Public Transport

Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Work Programme Update

Levels of Service Update for Quarter Four 2022/23

The LOS status columns show the overall achievement for a Level of Service, comparing last year's results with FY 2022/23. Many of the Levels of Service are made up of multiple targets. The Target status column on the right provides the status for each target. For a Level of service to be considered achieved, all targets being measured in the financial year must be achieved.

Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development Levels of Service Reporting				
Level of Service	LOS status 21/22	LOS status 22/23	Commentary	Target status 22/23
28. Support communities across Canterbury to improve air quality			Target 28.1 Deliver at least one campaign that addresses specific air quality matters The 2022/23 Warmer Cheaper campaign was launched in May 2023 on the Warmer Cheaper website (www.warmercheaper.co.nz).	
			Target 28.2 Airshed monitoring and reporting is completed to the National Environmental Standard for Air Quality requirements; For the 2022/23 year, the data collected across the eight airsheds met the requirements of the National Environmental Standards for Air Quality (NESAQ). The data collected is available on our website and on the Land, Air, Water Aotearoa (LAWA) website.	
			Target 28.3 Process ≥ 80% of completed applications within 10 working days We received five applications for the home heating subsidies scheme in 2022/23. 100% of applications were processed within 10 working days. This was not achieved in 2021/22 due to COVID-19 impacts on staff and panellist health preventing their availability to process applications within the specified timeframe of Target 28.3.	
29. Deliver quality, cost effective public transport service that meets the needs of the community and results in increased patronage			LOS target 29.1a Ensure ≥95% of all trips depart their timetabled starting location on time. Issues around driver shortages throughout much of the year meant that the target could not be achieved. These issues have been resolved as reflected by May and June 2023 trip departures achieving the target. In 2022/23, a total of 91% of trips departed their timetabled starting location on time.	
			Target 29.1b Ensure the operational vehicle fleet achieves an average quality score ≥ 80% from audit; We undertake quality audits of the vehicle fleet on a continual basis throughout the year and aim to audit each vehicle at least once per quarter. Each audit includes	

			inspecting the exterior and interior of the vehicle. For 2022/23 there were 2303 full audits completed, resulting in an average quality score for the total fleet of 86%.	
			Target 29.1c Ensure ≥95% of passengers are satisfied or better with the overall service The Metro Users Survey confirms satisfaction levels of passengers across our network. Independent company Research First conducted two surveys on our behalf this year. The first survey was completed between October and November 2022 and the second survey completed between April and May 2023. The final summary reports from Research First were received in December 2022 and June 2023. The results of the survey confirmed that 95% of passengers in Christchurch, 95% of passengers in Timaru, and 95% of passengers in Canterbury overall reported they were satisfied, or better, with the overall public transport service.	✓
			Target 29.2a Ensure ≥95% of registered customers are satisfied or better with the service they receive when they engage with a Total Mobility provider; As with the Metro Users Survey, the Total Mobility Survey was conducted twice this year by independent company Research First to confirm customer satisfaction levels. The first survey was completed between October and November 2022 and the second survey completed between April and May 2023. The final summary reports from Research First were received in December 2022 and June 2023. The results of the survey confirmed that 97% of customers reported they were satisfied, or better, with the Total Mobility Service they receive.	✓
			Target 29.2b Offer support to all groups that approach Environment Canterbury (that meet the criteria) regarding vehicle trusts Community Vehicle Trusts in Temuka and Hanmer Springs have been enabled and supported, continuing the progress made with these communities in 2021-22.	✓
			Target 29.3 Ensure all new vehicles entering the fleet will be EuroVI or better; or zero emissions A total of 16 new electric buses went into service on the Metro network in 2022/23, joining the 28 electric buses already in service. All new vehicles that entered the fleet over the past year are ultra-low emission EuroVI or better.	✓
30. Support well-functioning transport networks and urban environments across the region	✓	✓	Target 30.1a Provide secretariat support at all meetings of the Regional Transport Committee The Canterbury Regional Transport Committee met three times in 2022/23. We provided secretarial support for these meetings. The strategy team provided 18 papers to the committee during the year.	✓
			Target 30.1b Report annually to the Regional Transport Committee on the monitoring framework measures included in the Regional Land Transport Plan 2021-2031 The first annual monitoring report to the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee on the 2021-31 Canterbury Regional Land Transport Plan was circulated to members on 1 December 2022 in the interest of ensuring the content remained relevant and timely (the reporting period is to year	✓

		end 30 June). The monitoring report was approved at the 23 February meeting of the Committee.	
		<p>Target 30.2 Provide information, advice and policy support, and attend ≥ 90% of Greater Christchurch Partnership Committee meetings</p> <p>The Greater Christchurch Partnership Committee met three times, and the Whakawhanake Kāinga Komiti met once, during 2022/23. Our representatives attended all of these meetings.</p> <p>These committees are supported by a Chief Executives Advisory Group, Senior Officials Group, Planning Managers Group and Transport Managers Group. These groups develop and provide a range of information, advice and policy support for the committees. The Council is represented on each of these groups, including chairing the Senior Officials Group, Planning Managers Group and Transport Managers Group.</p>	✓

Air Quality, Transportation and Urban Development – work programme key initiatives update

Please note, this list does not reflect much of our 'business-as-usual' work or work that supports delivery across the organisation.

Status key:

On track	Monitor	Requires attention	Complete	Not yet started
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Key Initiative name	Q4 status	Q3 22/23 progress	Q4 22/23 progress	FY 23/24 next steps
Clean Air Winter Work programme	On track	We are preparing a mail drop to approximately 700 Christchurch households regarding upgrading outdated burners.	Warmer cheaper programme refreshed and launched in May. Mailout delayed due to healthier homes subsidy review announcement and tendering process with new subsidy providers.	Mail drop will go out in Spring. Programme of mailouts and promotional activity throughout FY 23/24 to address expiring burners. Home Show scheduled for October.
Fares package development and delivery	Complete	Government's extension of the half price fares initiative has delayed our fare trial. We are currently working through options and implications. Tertiary Student Metrocard launched during the tertiary orientation period.	Continued preparations for implementation of fares trial and announced national concessions at end of Q4 following conclusion of Government half price fare initiative. Tertiary concessions in place.	Deliver key initiative through transition to our new Universal Flat Fare Trial and national concessions from 1 July 2023. Monitor trial.
National driver shortage & response mitigation	Complete	We have had some new drivers join the network and are receiving regular updates from our operators. This remains a nationwide issue. Operators continue to drive recruitment activity.	Mitigation measures successful and missed trips as a result of driver shortages have been alleviated based on May and June result. Planning for	All routes are restored to full schedules in Greater Christchurch in July 2023.

			route and schedule restoration.	
PT Safety enhancement investigation	On track	The four workstreams are progressing with interchange safety improvements ongoing but generally delivered. Cash on buses to be aligned with national ticketing system; Metro Code of Conduct is being finalised after substantial public engagement; Completed a request for information for Metro network security officers, request for proposals now in development.	Council have approved funding for a trial of safety officers for Greater Christchurch network as part of Annual Plan 2023-24 adoption.	Procure safety officer resources, implement trial and monitor.
Regional Public Transport Plan review	On track	The Regional Transport Committee were briefed at their February meeting and we are working with Greater Christchurch Partnership on delivery of the plan	Planning and drafting RPTP content is well underway. Reconfirming scope to accommodate significant changes in legislation and policy.	Seek stakeholder and community feedback to help inform RPTP content.
Public Transport Futures strategy and planning (with GCP)	On track	This work has been paused while staff attend to more immediate matters.	Preparing recommended next steps to consider accelerating service improvements aligned to the accelerated PT Futures infrastructure programme.	Present PT Futures Acceleration Feasibility study to the Greater Christchurch Partnership at their September 2023 meeting.
Routes 17 & 28 service enhancements	On track	Contract price agreed with operators for seven new buses for expected operational deployment in September 2023.	Vehicles have been ordered, awaiting delivery.	Expect services to commence in September 2023.
Route 7 corridor and supporting routes service enhancements	On track	This work has been paused while staff attend to more immediate matters.	Work has begun on economics for frequency uplift for Route 7 to become part of the turn up and go route core network. Council paper and business case being drafted.	Service improvements approved by all partners through the PT Futures Indicative Business Case.
National Ticketing System (project NEXT)	Monitor	National Ticketing Programme is well underway. Attended national programme plan, national design and configuration workshops in March.	Design and transition planning activity underway, as planned.	Complete design & planning activity ready for transition in Q2 2023/24
Electric vehicles procurement and planning	On track	More electric vehicles will come on stream as new vehicles are purchased over the year ahead.	Additional electric vehicles ordered.	Continue developing transition strategy for remainder of fleet
Greater Christchurch Mass Rapid Transit indicative business case	On track	Turn up and go transport and future commercial and residential development are currently out for community consultation.	Waka Kotahi leading this work. MRT Indicative business case with recommended suite of interim work activities submitted to Waka Kotahi board.	Receive approval of MRT Indicative business case and implement recommendations
Greater Christchurch 2050	On track	The Greater Christchurch Partnership is developing the strategic framework and plan in consultation with	The strategic framework and plan continue to be refined.	Continue towards finalising the strategic framework in consultation with mana whenua and other partners.

		mana whenua and other partners.		
Greater Christchurch Spatial Plan	On track	Community engagement on the Greater Christchurch Urban Growth Programme was held from 23 February to 26 March. This programme covers the Greater Christchurch Spatial Plan, Mass Rapid Transit Indicative Business Case, and Greater Christchurch Transport Plan and Investment Programme.	Draft plan was agreed for public consultation in May. Consultation commenced 19 June 2023.	Consultation feedback will be analysed for hearings and deliberations, likely to be held in October and November 2023.
Greater Christchurch Transport Plan and Transport Investment programme	On track	Community engagement on the Greater Christchurch Urban Growth Programme was held from 23 February to 26 March.	Government announcement of VKT Reduction changes but funding, national plan and targets still to come. Formed small working group with local Territorial Authorities to align VKT and Transport Plans.	Continue work towards Transport and VKT reduction plans.
Regional Speed Management Plan	On track	Implementation options paper successfully taken to the Regional Transport Committee, continuing to work with Waka Kotahi and Territorial Authorities.	The proposed 10-year policies for the draft Canterbury Regional Speed Management Plan were agreed by the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee in June.	Engagement will commence.
Canterbury Regional Land Transport Plan mid-term review	On track	The Canterbury Regional Transport Committee agreed to expand the strategic framework in the Canterbury Regional Land Transport Plan in regards to emissions reduction, freight, growth, and maintenance.	The monitoring framework, significance criteria and significance policy approved by the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee in June. Progressing work on engagement, prioritization, strategic narrative, funding and financing options and effectiveness for Māori.	Updates will be delivered to the CE Forum in July and Regional Transport Committee in August. We will seek input from Te Paiherenga on the opportunity to inform integrated central and local government climate change investment for regional transport system outcomes.

Public Transport Delivery Dashboard – June 2023

Financial

\$ in Million	Year to Date							
	Act	Bud	Var \$	Var %	For	Var \$	Var %	
FUNDING OF SERVICES - REVENUE								
Rates	41.82	41.68	0.14	0%	41.49	0.33	1%	
Grants	62.94	50.42	12.52	25%	56.92	6.02	11%	
User pays and other	9.79	12.02	(2.23)	-19%	9.70	0.09	1%	
Total Revenue	114.55	104.12	10.43	10%	108.11	6.44	6%	
DELIVERY OF SERVICES - EXPENDITURE								
Bus and ferry services	84.22	87.93	(3.71)	-4%	83.85	0.37	0%	
Community transport services	8.66	4.13	4.53	110%	8.39	0.27	3%	
Supporting services	9.67	10.24	(0.57)	-6%	9.08	0.59	6%	
National Ticketing System project	0.52	4.19	(3.67)	-88%	0.69	(0.17)	-25%	
PT Infrastructure claim	1.92	2.12	(0.20)	-9%	2.12	(0.20)	-9%	
Total Expenditure	104.99	108.61	(3.62)	-3%	104.13	0.86	1%	
Reserve Accumulation / (Use)								
Total Surplus / (Deficit)	9.56	(4.49)	14.05		3.98	5.58		

Public Transport Reserves

\$ in Million	End of Quarter 1	End of Quarter 2	End of Quarter 3	@ 30/06/2023	@ 30/06/2024
	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	AP2023/24
PT BAU Operating Reserve	5.04	5.03	6.58	14.49	12.34
PT NTS Operating Reserve	0.36	0.52	0.66	0.74	(0.90)
PT Capital Reserve / (Borrowing)	(1.61)	(1.61)	(1.61)	(1.45)	(1.82)

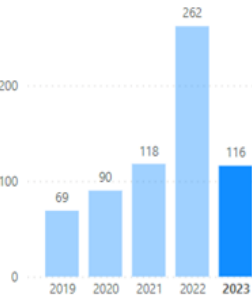
Farebox Recovery

	June23 Quarter	FYTD (2022-23)	FYTD (2021-22)
Farebox Recovery	30.8%	27.5%	21.4%

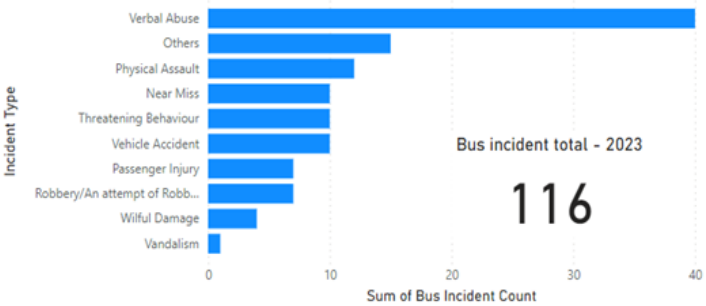
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Bus Incident Trend – Calendar year

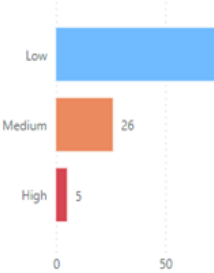
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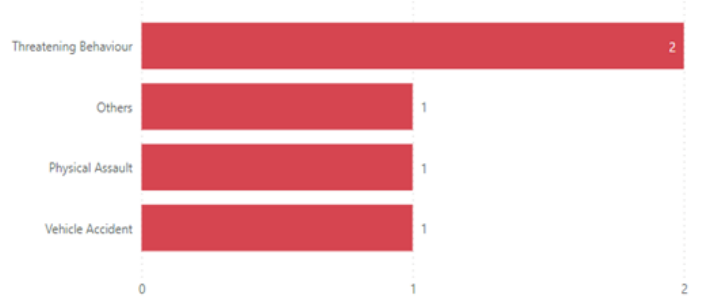
Incidents by type - 2023



Incident Seriousness - 2023



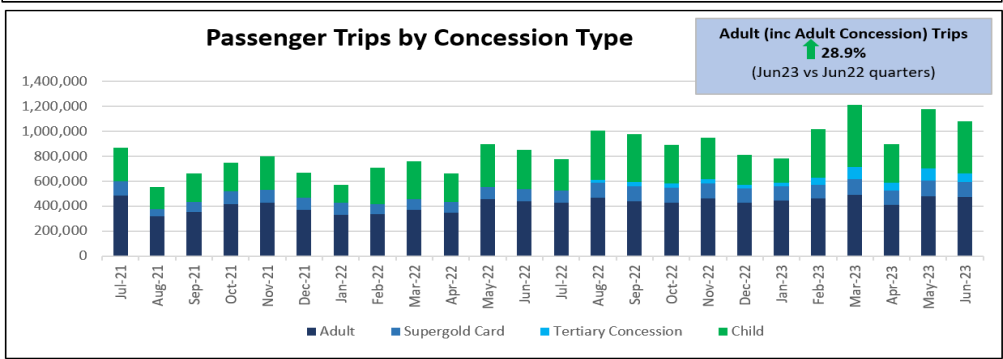
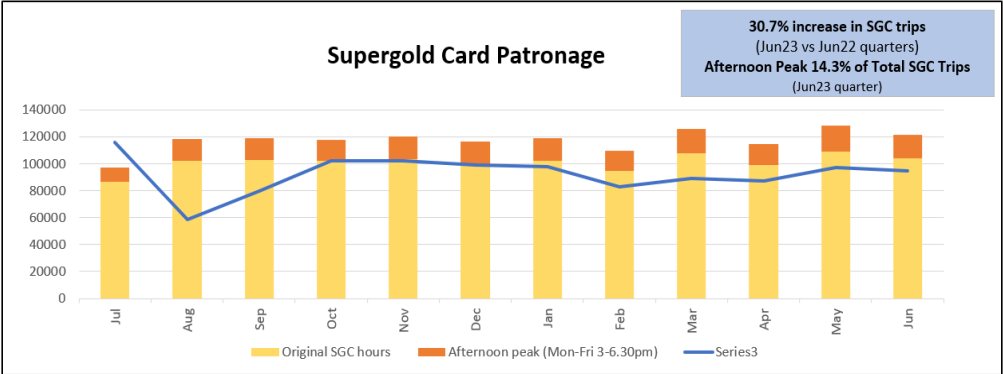
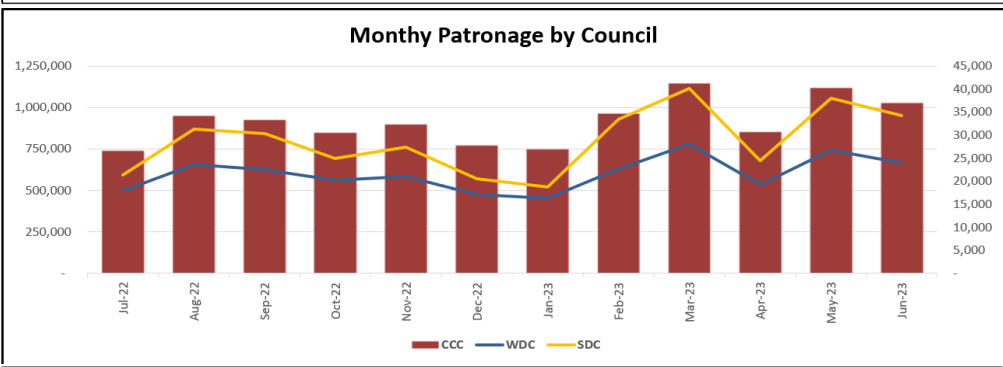
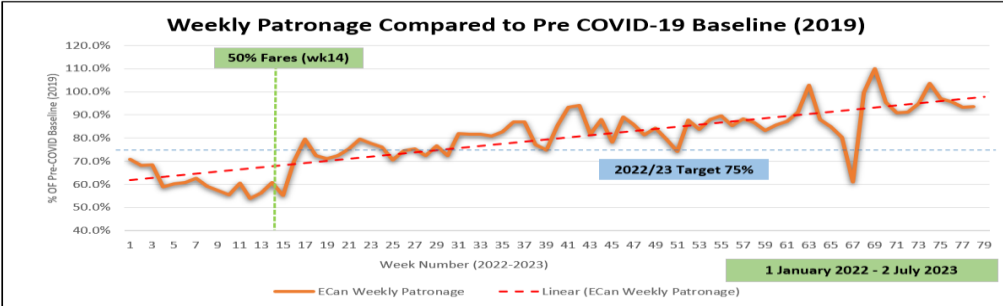
Serious incidents by type - 2023



6,177,481
2023 Passenger Trips

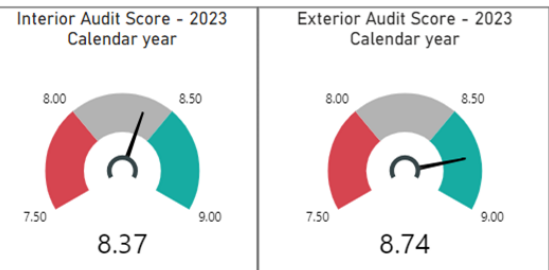
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Patronage

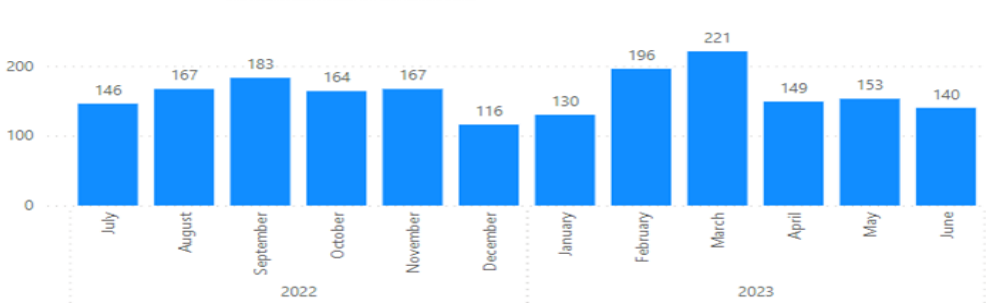
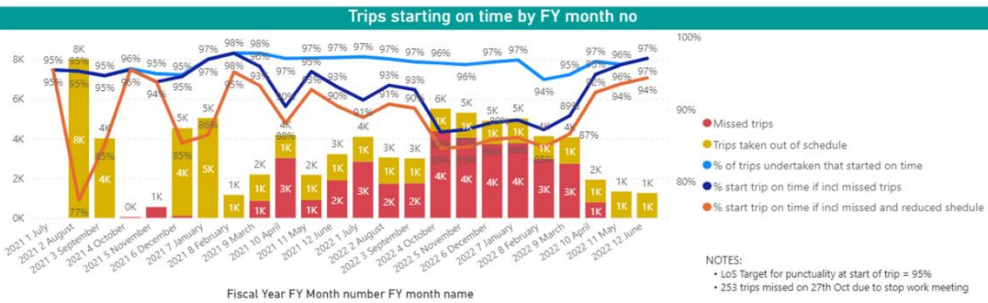


Performance

Vehicle Quality Audit Bus Score

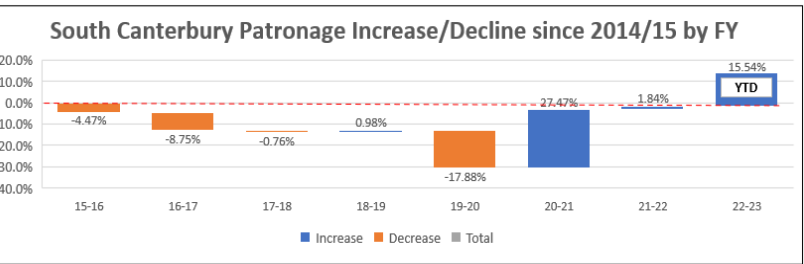


Canterbury Customer
Satisfaction Rating
95%



South Canterbury

MyWay by Metro



Average
MyWay

My Way
Avg Rating out of 5



Summary

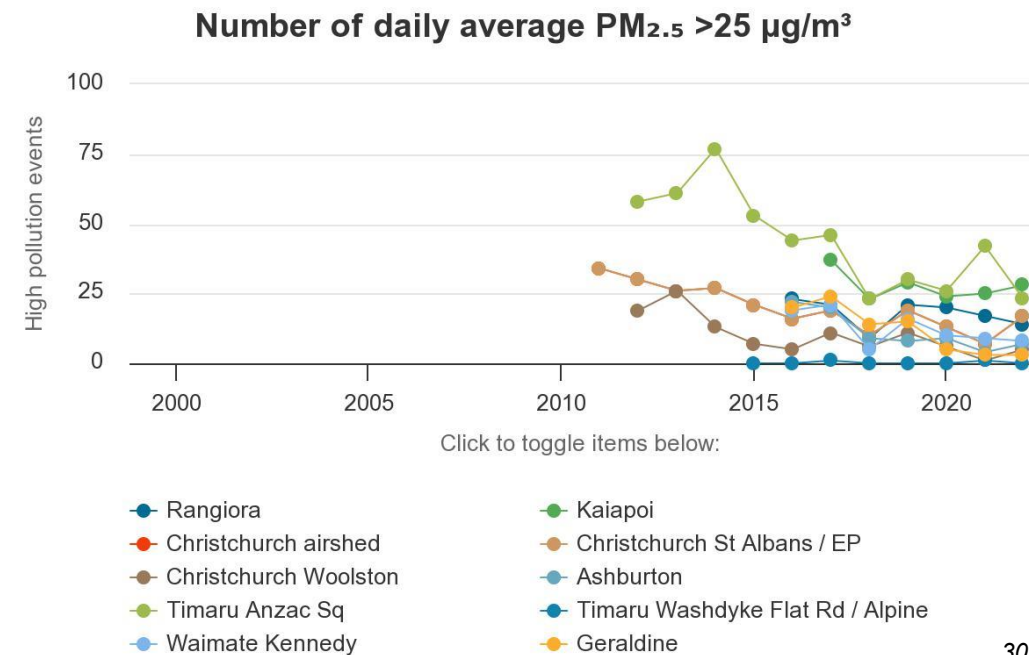
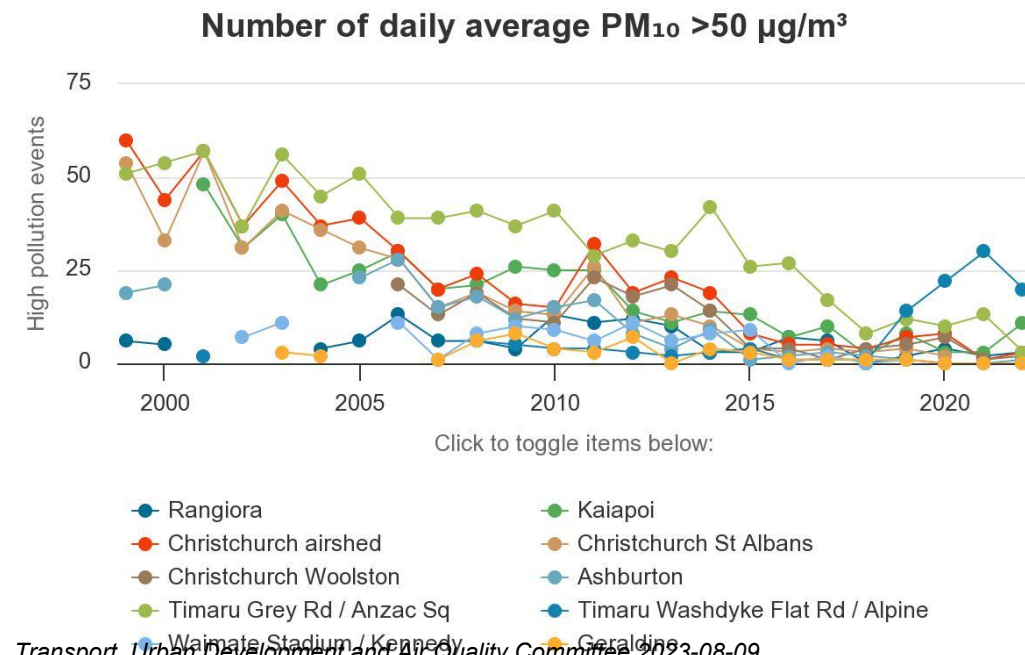
- Patronage continues to trend positively, finishing the fiscal year at 85% of pre-COVID numbers. June reached 100.9% of pre-COVID which is very encouraging as we move to the new universal flat fare trial
- Missed trips have now resolved as driver numbers are now at sufficient levels.
- Trips starting on time is now above our Level of Service threshold, at 97% and the Orbiter will return to full 10min service on July 3
- PT Reserve forecast is healthy due to reduced costs from missed trips, higher than forecast fare revenue and additional retrospective grant funding to address Total Mobility cost increases and wider COVID impacts on revenue, announced in Budget 2023.
- Timaru patronage continues to see very positive engagement with June seeing total trips of 22,193, the highest for June since FY2003/04. The year finished at 229,806. This is the highest annual patronage for Timaru since FY2004/05.
- Customer complaint rates remain consistent with a rate for the year of 164.7 complaints per million passenger trips. The peaks in Feb/Mar correspond with our highest patronage months
- Customer satisfaction rating from metro user survey for FY2022/23 (measured twice in the year) sits at 95% for Canterbury (combining Gtr Christchurch & Timaru) which meets our agreed Level of Service

Winter air quality programme update

Home wood burners are the main source of air pollution in most towns during winter.

- Other sources include vehicle emissions, outdoor burning, industry, dust, and sea spray.
- Breathing polluted air, particularly smoke from fuel burning, can lead to respiratory illness, high blood pressure, and even premature death.

Graphs of annual daily exceedances of National and Regional air quality standards



Winter work programme 2023

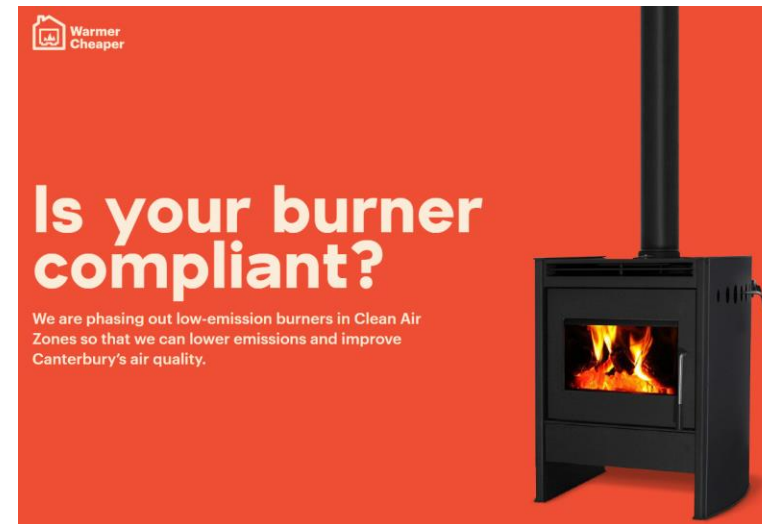
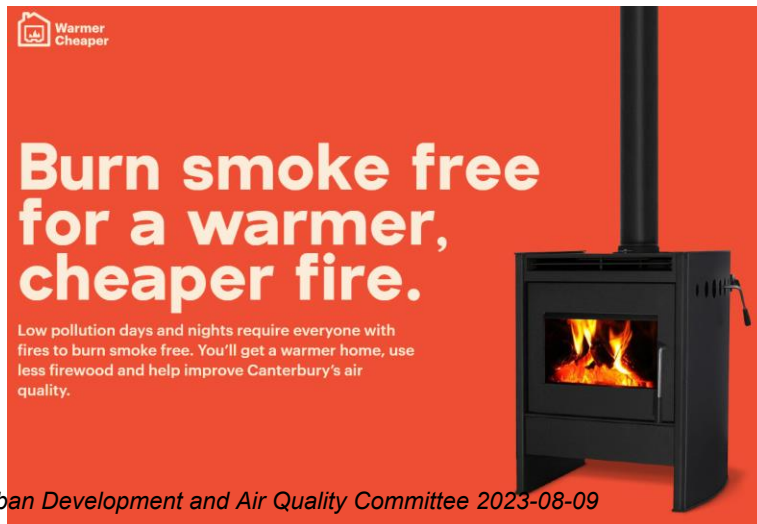
Warmer Cheaper winter communications campaign: Better burning, using dry fuel

- Promotion of Good Wood merchants
- Prompt to check burner compliance
- Promotion of new home heating subsidy providers – BrightR and Energy Smart

Response to smoky chimney complaints: education and compliance

Burner expiry – increase in numbers of burners expiring in Christchurch from 2024

- Mailouts to properties from Spring
- Home Show exhibit with subsidy providers in October
- Education and awareness through media, real estate press



8.3. Report from the Chair

Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee report

Date of meeting	Wednesday, 9 August 2023
Author	Peter Scott, Council Chair

Purpose

1. The purpose of this report is to raise matters of current interest and/or emerging issues in regard to the Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio, particularly for the Transforming Public Transport programme.

Recommendations

That the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee:

1. **Receives the Chair's report for the Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio.**

Key points

2. The Chair's report is an opportunity to provide Councillors with visibility of matters of current interest and/or emerging issues in regard to the Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio.
3. Matters of current interest and/or emerging issues covered in this report include:
 - New Metro fares launched
 - Public transport patronage surpasses pre-COVID levels
 - Draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport 2024 delay

Matters of current interest and emerging issues

New Metro fares launched

4. The universal flat-fare trial, which was announced as part of the Council's Annual Plan 2022/23, was launched on 1 July 2023. The new fares provide a universal adult fare of \$2 for Metrocard users in Christchurch, Selwyn and Waimakariri, along with 50% concessions for under 25s, Community Service Card holders and Total Mobility users. The new fares launch coincided with the end of the national half-price fares promotion on 30 June 2023.

5. The details around the Government's Community Connect concession of free public transport for children aged 5–12, which was announced as part of Budget 2023, are also currently being worked through by staff. It is anticipated that this concession will be rolled out in August 2023.

Public transport patronage surpasses pre-COVID levels

6. Public transport patronage in Greater Christchurch was higher than pre-COVID levels for the first time in June 2023. There were 1,083,709 public transport boardings recorded across the network for the month of June, which was 100.9% more than the last equivalent pre-COVID month in June 2019.
7. The year-to-date figures for the 2023 calendar year also signal continued growth in community engagement with public transport services in Greater Christchurch, with patronage figures now sitting at about 92% of pre-COVID levels.
8. Public transport patronage has also reached a significant milestone in Timaru. The 229,806 public transport boardings recorded in Timaru for the 2022/23 financial year (year ending 30 June) was its highest annual patronage figure for ten years. The previous five years each recorded annual patronage figures of less than 200,000.

Draft Government Policy Statement on land transport 2024 delay

9. The Government Policy Statement on land transport (GPS) sets out how money from the National Land Transport Fund is allocated towards achieving the Government's transport priorities. It's likely that the GPS will also provide direction for investment of other Crown funding, such as the Climate Emergency Response Fund.
10. The Ministry of Transport is developing the next GPS, which will set the Government's priorities for land transport for the period 2024/25 – 2033/34. The Ministry signalled it would begin consultation on the draft GPS in May 2023; however this has yet to occur.
11. The Chair, in his capacity as Chair of the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee, and the Mayor of Timaru, in his capacity as Chair of the Canterbury Mayoral Forum, wrote to the Minister of Transport in July 2023 requesting an update on the expected release of the GPS. The letter noted the impact of the delay on development of the Canterbury Regional Land Transport Plan 2024-34.

Cost, compliance and communication

Financial implications

12. The report was compiled using existing staff resources, meaning there were no additional financial implications related to producing this report.
13. No decisions concerning funding are sought through this report. Financial portfolio and programme reporting is provided to the Audit, Finance and Risk Committee.

Risk assessment and legal compliance

14. No legal compliance issues have been identified for this report.
15. The report provides visibility to the Committee of matters of current interest and/or emerging issues for the Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio.

Engagement, Significance and Māori Participation

16. Engagement with Papatipu Rūnanga, mana whenua and the community are an important aspect of much of the work that occurs in this portfolio.

Consistency with council policy

17. The levels of service, programmes and initiatives outlined in this report are consistent with the Council's Long-Term Plan 2021-31.

Climate Change Impacts

18. The work being reported to this Committee is central to addressing the impacts of climate change.

Next steps

19. Staff will continue to deliver the work programmes and provide the Council and/or the Committee with regular updates on matters of current interest and/or emerging issues for the Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio.

Attachments

Nil

Peer reviewers	Jesse Burgess, Senior Strategy Manager Sam Bellamy, Team Leader Strategy and Planning
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9. Resolution to go into Public Excluded

Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee report

Date of meeting	Wednesday, 9 August 2023
Author	Vivienne Ong, Committee Advisor
Endorsed by	Catherine McMillan, General Manager Governance

Recommendations

Section 48, Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

I move that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely items listed overleaf.

Reason for passing this resolution: good reason to withhold exists under section 7.
Specific grounds under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution: Section 48(1)(a)

Note

Section 48(4) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 provides as follows:

- “(4) Every resolution to exclude the public shall be put at a time when the meeting is open to the public, and the text of that resolution (or copies thereof):
- a) Shall be available to any member of the public who is present; and
 - b) Shall form part of the minutes of the local authority.”

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

ITEM NO.	GENERAL SUBJECT OF EACH MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED	SECTION	SUBCLAUSE AND REASON UNDER THE ACT	PLAIN ENGLISH REASON	WHEN REPORTS CAN BE RELEASED
9.1.1	Unconfirmed Public Excluded Minutes - Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality – 14 June 2023			Refer to the previous public excluded reason in the agendas for these meetings.	Any decisions recorded in the minutes will be released separately dependent on specified criteria being met.
9.2.1	Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Resolutions Status Report Public Excluded - August 2023			Refer to the previous public excluded reason in the agendas for these meetings.	

10. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, 11 October 2023 at 10.30am. Any changes to this time will be publicly advertised and updated on the Environment Canterbury website.

11. Karakia/Whakamutunga - Closing

The meeting will conclude with a karakia by a member of the Transport, Urban Development and Air Quality Committee.