Notice of Meeting:
An ordinary meeting of the Christchurch City Council will be held on:

Date: Thursday 11 April 2019
Time: 9.30am
Venue: Council Chambers, Civic Offices, 53 Hereford Street, Christchurch

Membership
Chairperson
Mayor Lianne Dalziel
Deputy Chairperson
Deputy Mayor Andrew Turner
Members
Councillor Vicki Buck
Councillor Jimmy Chen
Councillor Phil Clearwater
Councillor Pauline Cotter
Councillor Mike Davidson
Councillor David East
Councillor Anne Galloway
Councillor Jamie Gough
Councillor Yani Johanson
Councillor Aaron Keown
Councillor Glenn Livingstone
Councillor Raf Manji
Councillor Tim Scandrett
Councillor Deon Swiggs
Councillor Sara Templeton

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38. Resolution to Include Supplementary Reports

1. **Background**
   
   1.1 Approval is sought to submit the following reports to the Council meeting on 11 April 2019:
   
   39. Lyttelton Seafarers Welfare
   
   40. Mayor’s Monthly Report - March 2019
   
   1.2 The reason, in terms of section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, why the reports were not included on the main agenda is that they were not available at the time the agenda was prepared.
   
   1.3 It is appropriate that the Council receive the reports at the current meeting.

2. **Recommendation**

   2.1 That the reports be received and considered at the Council meeting on 11 April 2019.

   39. Lyttelton Seafarers Welfare

   40. Mayor’s Monthly Report - March 2019
39. Lyttelton Seafarers Welfare

Reference: 19/282581  
Presenter(s): Joan Blatchford – Community Governance Manager

Secretarial note: At the Council meeting on 14 March the Council resolved to leave this report to lie on the table to enable staff to provide additional information. This information is included as Attachment A and an updated staff recommendation is detailed in section 4. below.

1. Banks Peninsula Community Board Consideration

The Board considered it was appropriate to ask the Council directly, to consider including provision relating to seafarers welfare in the the Letter of Expectation and Statement of Intent for Christchurch City Holdings Limited (CCHL) and the Lyttelton Port Company (LPC).

2. Staff Recommendations

That the Te Pātaka o Rākaihautū/Banks Peninsula Community Board recommend to the Council that it:

1. Ask staff to investigate whether Council can include a provision in the Letter of Expectation and Statement of Intent for Christchurch City Holdings Limited (CCHL) and the Lyttelton Port Company (LPC) or other mechanisms which provide for the Council, CCHL or LPC to assist with meeting the desired outcomes for the Lyttelton Seafarers’ Centre in line with the recommendations from the February 2018 Council meeting.

3. Banks Peninsula Community Board Recommendation to Council

Part A

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4. Updated Staff Recommendations

That the Council:

1. Request Christchurch City Holdings Limited to engage with Lyttelton Port Company on options for the ongoing financial support of the Lyttelton Seafarers’ Centre and report back to a Councillor work shop to be convened in the next two months on this matter.
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1. Purpose and Origin of Report

Purpose of Report
1.1 The purpose of this report is for the Te Pātaka o Rākaihautū / Banks Peninsula Community Board to recommend to the Council that it seek staff advice on whether Council can include a provision in the Letter of Expectation and Statement of Intent for Christchurch City Holdings and the Lyttelton Port Company (LPC) that LPC assist with funding for the Lyttelton Seafarers Centre.

Origin of Report
1.2 This report is staff generated to progress a request of the Banks Peninsula Community Board from its 10 September 2018 meeting, where the Board had noted its concern, and community expectations, about seafarers' welfare in Lyttelton. The Board had asked for advice from staff by the end of the year on how those concerns can be taken into account in the Letter of Expectation and Statement of Intent processes for Christchurch City Holdings Ltd and Lyttelton Port Company, and how the Board could influence those processes.

1.3 At the 10 September Board meeting the Board had heard from John McLister who spoke on behalf of the Lyttelton Seafarers Trust. He told the Board he believed there needs to be a plan in place for seamen visiting Lyttelton, along with appropriate funding to implement the plan. Reverend McLister said the Lyttelton Seafarers Trust wanted to partner with the Council in providing a service for seafarers, and he asked that the Board advocate to the Council to source funding through a levy on ships visiting Lyttelton Port. It was noted that the Lyttelton community had indicated its support for a fully functioning seafarers centre in Lyttelton at a recent public meeting.

2. Significance

2.1 The decision in this report is of low significance in relation to the Christchurch City Council’s Significance and Engagement Policy.

2.1.1 The level of significance was determined by assessment against the criteria in the Significance and Engagement Policy.

2.1.2 The community engagement and consultation outlined in this report reflect the assessment.

3. Staff Recommendation

That the Te Pātaka o Rākaihautū/Banks Peninsula Community Board recommend to the Council that it:

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4. **Key Points**

4.1 The Banks Peninsula Community Board has advocated for a long time for the welfare of seafarers visiting Lyttelton. In particular the Board has sought funding for the Lyttelton Seafarers Centre through a levy on visiting ships.

4.2 The Board strongly supports the Maritime Labour Convention, of which New Zealand has become a member state. The Board specifically supports provisions relating to access to *shore based welfare facilities*. The Board is aware that the Convention suggests that one method to secure funding for shore-based seafarers welfare centres is through a levy on shipping (MLC B4.4.4).

4.3 The Board has resolved to *support the introduction of a levy on ships in Lyttelton to support seafarers’ welfare, and to advocate for this to appropriate authorities.*

4.4 Board members believe that New Zealand has an opportunity to be a world leader in seafarer welfare. The Board also believes that it is the responsibility of New Zealand and New Zealanders to demonstrate Manaakitanga to guests from overseas, and the provision of high quality facilities for seafarers is a simple way to achieve this.

5. **Context/Background**

5.1 At its meeting on 1 February 2018, the Council received a report from the Banks Peninsula Community Board which asked the Council to consider if it has “*a moral obligation to voluntarily uphold the Maritime Labour Convention*”.

5.2 In response the Council resolved that it:

1. Receive the report and attached legal advice, noting the provisions of the Maritime Labour Convention regarding seafarers’ welfare centres.

2. Supports the provision of access to shore based welfare facilities as set out in the Maritime Labour Convention.

3. Note the challenges facing the Seafarer’s Centre regarding the resources required to provide these services and the constraints they face due to a short-fall in funding.

4. Note the provisions of the Maritime Labour Convention which suggest methods of funding, which include a levy on ships.

5. Note that staff are continuing to discuss with the Seafarers Centre the options that may be available to them for seeking funding and grants.

6. Request the Deputy Mayor and staff to meet with the Seafarers’ Centre and Lyttelton Port Company to explore a range of initiatives, including the possibility of a levy on shipping, that could support the Seafarers’ Centre and report back to the Community Board within two months.

5.3 As per Clause 6 of the resolution, the Deputy Mayor and staff have met with the Seafarers Centre and Lyttelton Port Company (LPC) to discuss options to support the Centre, including a possible levy on shipping. LPC do not believe that a levy on shipping is the most appropriate mechanism to support seafarer welfare.

5.4 At the 10 September 2018 meeting of the Board, it was resolved to seek staff advice on how the continuing concerns of the Board and the Lyttelton community, about seafarer welfare, could be included in the considerations for the Letter of Expectation (LOE) and Statement of Intent (SOI) processes for Christchurch City Holdings Ltd (CCHL) and LPC.
5.5 Legal Services staff advised that as the Board is not the decision maker in regard to the LOE and SOI for CCHL and LPC, the Board should recommend to the Council that Council ask staff to investigate whether it can include something in the LOE/SOI. The Council can then consider whether or not this is a matter it wishes staff to investigate/include in the LOE and SOI, in the context of Council’s knowledge of other matters to be set out in the LOE and SOI for CCHL and LPC, and other recent decisions affecting CCOs, including the living wage resolutions.

Attachments

There are no attachments to this report.

Confirmation of Statutory Compliance

| Compliance with Statutory Decision-making Requirements (ss 76 - 81 Local Government Act 2002). |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| (a) This report contains: |
| (i) sufficient information about all reasonably practicable options identified and assessed in terms of their advantages and disadvantages; and |
| (ii) adequate consideration of the views and preferences of affected and interested persons bearing in mind any proposed or previous community engagement. |
| (b) The information reflects the level of significance of the matters covered by the report, as determined in accordance with the Council's significance and engagement policy. |

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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and Councillors
Copy to: Te Pātaka o Rākaiahuātū/Banks Peninsula Community Board
From: Len van Hout, Manager, External Reporting and Governance
Subject: Lyttelton Seafarers Welfare
Date: 29 March 2019

Purpose
The purpose of this memo is to provide the requested information to the Council on the options to meet the outcomes sought by the recommendation from the Te Pātaka o Rākaiahuātū/Banks Peninsula Community Board and Council on the options to meet the desired outcomes for Lyttelton Seafarers welfare.

An updated staff recommendation is provided for Council consideration.

Updated Staff Recommendation
That the Council:

1. Request Christchurch City Holdings Limited to engage with Lyttelton Port Company on options for the ongoing financial support of the Lyttelton Seafarers’ Centre and report back to a Councillor work shop to be convened in the next two months on this matter.

Background
A recent paper to the Council from the Te Pātaka o Rākaiahuātū/Banks Peninsula Community Board was left to lie on the table at the Council meeting on 14 March 2019 to enable staff to provide additional information. The staff recommendation to the Board and the Board’s recommendation to the Council are detailed below:

2. Staff Recommendations
That the Te Pātaka o Rākaiahuātū/Banks Peninsula Community Board recommend to the Council that it:

1. Ask staff to investigate whether Council can include a provision in the Letter of Expectation and Statement of Intent for Christchurch City Holdings Limited (CCHL) and the Lyttelton Port Company (LPC) or other mechanisms which provide for the Council, CCHL or LPC to assist with meeting the desired outcomes for the Lyttelton Seafarers’ Centre in line with the recommendations from the February 2018 Council meeting.
3. Banks Peninsula Community Board Recommendation to Council

Part A

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Figure 1 - Extract from Council Minutes

Councillors requested the additional information be obtained from staff to clarify the mechanisms open to Council particularly as they relate to the governance of subsidiary companies.

In addition, Councillors have asked staff to detail the level of funding required for the ongoing operation of the Seafarers’ Centre.

Options to request financial assistance to the seafarers

Adding a provision in the Letter of Expectation for Christchurch City Holdings Limited - (Not Preferred)

The Letter of Expectation is issued in November each year by the Chief Executive of the Council, as shareholder, to Christchurch City Holdings Limited. Through the Letter of Expectation, Christchurch City Holdings Limited directors are requested to, but are not bound to, include elements into their Statement of Intent for the next financial year and beyond.

By way of an example, a Letter of Expectation may include a request under the health and wellbeing category, to provide additional reporting on work place accidents or incidents that are reported to WorkSafe. The Statement of Intent would then track future accidents or incidents that are reported to WorkSafe.

Prior to the issue of the 2020/21 Letter of Expectation to Christchurch City Holdings Limited in November 2019, staff may explore the opportunity to include a requirement for the port company to provide financial support for the seafarers centre if Councillors so decide.

Adding a provision in the Letter of Expectation for the Lyttelton Port Company - (Not Preferred)

The Chief Executive of the Council, as shareholder, to Christchurch City Holdings Limited does not issue a letter to expectation directly to the directors of the Lyttelton Port Company, as Christchurch City Holdings Limited is the sole shareholder.

This option is not feasible as it is a departure from good governance. Working with CCHL is the desirable option.
Use of the Council’s statutory power under clause 5, schedule 8 of the Local Government Act - (Not Preferred)
The Local Government Act includes a provision that allows a Council to directly influence the content of a Statement of Intent of a Council-controlled organisation including Council-controlled Trading Organisations. The mechanism used in this case is a resolution of Council detailing the issue to be addressed in the Statement of Intent.

A precursor to issuing the resolution is a consultation process between the Council and board of directors of the affected company, in this case it would be the board of Christchurch City Holdings Limited.

As highlighted in the living wage discussion later in this memo, staff advise that this power should be left to major strategic issues only.

Not preferred, a last resort and should be used for strategic issues only plus there are other options available.

Other mechanisms

Negotiation - (Preferred)
The Council meets regularly with Christchurch City Holdings Limited likewise the Lyttelton Port Company Limited meets with Christchurch City Holdings Limited therefore this matter could be included in these discussions to drive a negotiated resolution to arrange future seafarer support to come from the port company. This is particularly important given the possibility of a levy on ships visiting the port.

Council & or Board community grant scheme - (Not Preferred)
Each year the Lyttelton Seafarers Centre may request an operational grant under the contestable community grants scheme. The down side of this arrangement is that it does not give any assurance for future years.

Council long term plan - (Not Preferred)
The future funding of the Lyttelton Seafarers Centre by way of an annual grant recorded in the long term plan is an option. Although not common, there have been occasions in the past where the Council specifically sets aside specific funding of community groups within the long term plan. The merits of an annual grant to the Seafarers Centre being included in the long term plan has not been considered at present but should not be discounted.

Lyttelton Seafarers’ Centre
Funding issues are affecting many organisations like the seafarers as the shipping industry worldwide has undergone significant changes in work practices and manning over the past 10 years. To highlight these issues, the Lyttelton Seafarers have provided some background on the activities of the Centre, which is attached.

Their accommodation on Norwich Quay is a portacom on land owned by a third party. The seafarers are being charged a peppercorn rental, but this may change. The cost to relocate the portacom in the future would be outside the organisation current financial means. The Seafarers Centre is seeking a sustainable long term funding mechanism to support ongoing seafarer welfare.
The background to this issue is recorded in a report to the Te Pātaka o Rākaihautū/Banks Peninsula Community Board on 4/2/2019 attached).

The Council granted the seafarers $4,700 in 2017/18 and $10,000 in 2018/19 to cover operating costs. The port company also contributed $5,000 directly to the seafarers in 2018/19, which had been receiving a large portion of its funding from faith-based organisations.

These funding streams from the Council and port company are by no means permanent and the seafarers are looking for a more secure funding model.

An increase in costs on the port company to assist the seafarers, may mean a reduction in the amount given to Christchurch City Holdings Limited by way of dividend, unless it’s funded through a levy from third parties which is what is suggested by the Maritime Labour Convention.

The centre currently provides only a minimal service to users. They are lacking in proper welfare support and are currently using pastoral care when this is available. A representative of the centre suggests that the operational funding requirement falls between $20,000 and $62,000.

The centre also detailed the potential cost of moving the office / port-a-com should the rent increase significantly or the site be required by the landlord for redevelopment for information purposes only.

**Previous outcomes when requiring the action of a subsidiary**

The Council strives to apply the lessons learnt from previous projects or investment opportunities whenever it can.

Recently the Council has dealt with two significantly different but meaningful opportunities for the Lyttelton community and its largest employer the Lyttelton Port Company, namely the cruise berth and the implementation of the living wage.

**Living Wage**

In May 2018, Council considered extending the living wage to Council-controlled Trading Organisations and their contractors. Advice from Council staff confirmed that use of the statutory power under clause 5, schedule 8 of the Local Government Act 2002 (as a shareholder, to modify a CCO statement of intent) should only be reserved for the most significant strategic issues rather the operational issues. The extension of the living wage was considered as operational as it affected the employment conditions of staff.

Council staff also advised that directing a subsidiary to undertake an activity or incur unreasonable costs could result in unanticipated or unintended consequences including being cast a deemed director in a potential insolvency or inability to source independent directors citing Council interference.

The end result was a negotiated outcome that all Council-controlled Trading Organisations would adopt the living wage over a three year period but the requirement would not be imposed on contractors.
Cruise Berth
In April 2016, Council considered the outcomes from the Lyttelton Port Recovery Plan and the cruise ship berth which was not part of the Lyttelton Port Company’s mandate from a commercial point of view.

Council requested that Mayor send a letter to Christchurch City Holding Limited requesting they initiate the process for developing a business case for the cruise berth.

3. 

Action Points
Peter Davie will formulate a Memorandum of Understanding to assist and inform the working relationship between the members of this working party.

Councillor Jones will request the Mayor to write a letter to CCHL formally requesting the development of a business case for a cruise ship berth at Port of Lyttelton.

Figure 2 - Extract from The minutes of the Lyttelton Cruise Berth meeting dated 7 April 2016

The outcome was a negotiated outcome without resorting to use of the Letter of Expectations to deliver a result.
Re: Seafarers’ Welfare Facility in Lyttelton (Background and Costs)

The Lyttelton Context
Lyttelton has not had a fully functioning seafarers’ centre for a number of years. The previous centre closed due to financial difficulties in 2009; and any buildings capable of housing a seafarers’ centre were destroyed in the 2011 earthquakes. Over 10,000 seafarers (predominately Filipino, Chinese and Russian) arrive in the port annually. This will increase significantly when cruise ships return to Lyttelton.

Without appropriate facilities, seafarers congregate outside the local library, even on cold winter evenings, to connect to the free-wifi to talk to families back home. Among seafarers, Lyttelton has developed the reputation “as the worst port in NZ to arrive in.”

The Lyttelton Seafarers Centre
The Lyttelton Seafarers’ Centre started as a community initiative to meet this need, but due to limited funding and volunteer numbers has been constricted in the services it can offer. However, for 2019 the situation improved somewhat, with the reception of CCC’s Strengthening Community Fund ($10,000) and a small grant from LPC ($5,000).

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* Opening hours reflect best time to call home country
* Operational cost (Insurance, wifi, utilities, etc) are low as a peppercorn rental for land is paid.
* Ship visiting is an essential part of the welfare services offered (portable wifi, free sim cards, a chance for a chat, and opportunity to raise any welfare concerns).
* There would be some increase operation cost with extended hours
* A best practice model is based on the standards outlines in the Maritime Labour Convention (MLC), the internationally agreed standard of welfare for seafarers.

**Funding Crisis**

Funding constraints are not unique to the Lyttelton situation. Seafarers’ centre world-wide are chronically underfunded. This situation has resulted from the decline of the two major sources of revenue. Until the 1980s, most seafarers visiting NZ were reasonably paid, unionised and British. Pre-containerisation, ships were in ports for up to a week. Seafarers’ centres functioned as working men’s clubs and made a tidy profit from providing accommodation, alcohol and food. Now ships are crewed by seafarers from developing counties on minimal wages, and in port for only a few hours.

Also, the operation of these centres were traditional run by faith-based organisation, and were well supported by local churches. This no longer happens, due to increased secularisation.

**Funding options**

In the last few years, those who benefit from the labour of seafarers (shipping companies, port authorities, and local authorities who own ports, have taken over the responsibility of ensuring that seafarers’ welfare centres are adequately funded.

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<td>NorthPort (NZ): $20,000 for seafarers’ centre</td>
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<td>A voluntary welfare levy*</td>
<td>Port of Tyne (UK): £20 to £30 per ship; the Port of Tyne contributes 50p for every £1 collected</td>
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<td>Welfare centre operated by port authority</td>
<td>SouthPort (NZ): centre on port land and financed fully by port</td>
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<td>Mixed model: local authority and port authority</td>
<td>Port Nelson &amp; Nelson City Council: port provides the facility and council the funding</td>
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* LPC have indicted the are not opposed to a voluntary levy system.

**Services Provided by the welfare Centre**
- A shore-based welfare centre for rest and recreation
- Free wi-fi
- Currency exchange at a fair rate (Lyttelton has no bank)
- Transportation from the Centre to port
- Professional staff to support crews
- Advice and support when welfare issues are raised (In March 2019: crew non-payment of wages for 4 months, and refusal to release a seafarer after contract expired.)
- A warm Kiwi welcome

Site for the Seafarers’ Centre
The current seafarers centre consists of two portacoms on land owned by Independent Fisheries (IF). IF rent this land at a peppercorn rental; with the stipulation if the land is required the seafarers centre will have to move. The building has Temporary Accommodation consent due to expire in 2021. Either a new site for the building will need to be found or different premises.

Portacom estimates to move the building are:
Removal $ 24500+gst Reinstatement $46500+gst. Services connection $17000+gst
Total cost $88000 plus $13200gst

The Centre hold some funds in reserve to meet this cost ($30,000)
1. Purpose of Report
   1.1 The purpose of this report is for the Mayor to report on external activities she undertakes in her city and community leadership role; and to report on outcomes and key decisions of the external bodies she attends on behalf of the Council.
   1.2 This report is compiled by the Mayor’s office.

2. Finance and Performance Committee of the Whole Delegations
   2.1 Following the recent establishment of the Finance and Performance Committee of the Whole, it has become clear that the delegations will need to be kept under review, in light of the fact that many of them related to what was a subcommittee of the Council. Now that it is a committee of the whole, it is appropriate that the delegations reflect this.
   2.2 In the past week, two issues have arisen which required the Finance and Performance Committee of the Whole to make recommendations to Council. I am therefore seeking that delegations for the Committee in relation to Section 17A reviews and Development Contributions are considered and formalised.

3. Mayors Recommendations
   That the Council:
   1. Receive the information in this report.
   2. Agree that the delegations to the Finance and Performance Committee of the Whole be kept under review to reflect that it is now a committee of the whole, and make the following changes:
      a. Delegates to the Finance and Performance Committee of the Whole authority to exercise all of the Council’s powers under section 17A of the Local Government Act 2002, relating to service delivery reviews and decisions not to undertake a review.
      b. Delegates to the Finance and Performance Committee of the Whole authority to exercise all of the Council’s powers in relation to development contributions, other than those delegated to the Chief Executive and Council officers as set out in the Council’s Delegations Register:
         i. Any single development contribution rebate in excess of $1,000,000
         ii. Any application for a remission of development contribution charges as provided for in the Council’s Development Contributions Policy in effect at the time
         iii. Any increase in development contributions charges as provided for under section 106 (2A - C) of the Local Government Act 2002
         iv. Any change to the schedule of assets for which development contributions are charged as provided for under section 201A(S) of the Local Government Act 2002.
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Mayor’s Report to Elected Members – March 2019

March 15 Terrorist Attack
On March 15 2019, as school students handed over their open letter to city and government leaders demanding that we take action on climate change, a white supremacist opened fire on a group of people who had gathered in prayer at Al Noor Mosque. He then went to the Linwood Islamic Centre and opened fire once more. 50 people died and as many again were injured—over 100 families directly affected and a whole city and nation in mourning. The overwhelming response to this cowardly attack inspired by hate, has been one of unity, compassion, love and kindness. I have spoken to many members of our Muslim communities, who have told me how comforted they have felt in the wake of what has occurred. I have said we will not be defined by what happened on that day, but by our response. And we will not be defined as a nation by this atrocity, but by the Prime Minister’s response on behalf of the government and a united Parliament.

We need to make that real in all that we say and do. A responsibility to ask the hard questions of ourselves about what comfort any of us might give to people who harbour these extremist views, through anything we might say or do.

Prime Minister leading nation’s response
The Prime Minister, Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern, immediately led a delegation to Christchurch with all the Party leaders by her side—Hon Simon Bridges, Leader of the Opposition, who said there was no place for opposition in the wake of what had occurred; Rt Hon Winston Peters, Deputy PM and Leader of NZ First, fully endorsing the PM’s statements; Hon James Shaw, Co-leader of the Green Party, who also offered full support to the local Muslim communities.

The image captured by CCC Newsline’s Kirk Hargreaves reflects the genuine compassion our Prime Minister has expressed, not only in her words, but her deeds. She has lived up to her promise to take immediate action on gun control—imposing the ban that should have been imposed after the shootings in Aramoana in November 1990. A whole year went by before a watered down Arms Amendment Bill was introduced. I was on the Select Committee. I remember the submission that asked us what it would take—what kind of tragedy would be necessary—for the Parliament to act. We know now.

Friday Call to Prayer
The local Muslim community leaders gracefully extended an invite to the Prime Minister and the people of Christchurch to join them in their regular Friday Call to Prayer exactly a week after the deadly attack on the two Christchurch mosques. Thousands gathered in South Hagley Park facing the Al Noor mosque, while the call to prayer and the nationwide two-minute silence were broadcast live on national media. The words of Imam Gamal Fouda rang out—“we are heartbroken, but we will not be broken’. The sound of the applause enabled those in prayer to hear the scale of the presence of those who had come to support them. It was a very moving occasion and an embodiment of unity in the face of an atrocity designed to divide us.

National Remembrance Service
The National Remembrance Service, Ko Tātou, Tātou: We Are One, was held at North Hagley Park two weeks after the attacks. It was an honour to stand alongside Ngāi Tahu to welcome everyone.

The Prime Minister said:
“Our challenge now is to make the very best of us, a daily reality. Because we are not immune to the viruses of hate, of fear, of other. We never have been. But we can be the nation that discovers the cure. And so to each of us as we go from here, we have work to do, but do not leave the job of combating hate to the Government alone. We each hold the power, in our words and in our actions, in our daily acts of kindness. Let that be the legacy of the 15th of March. To be the nation we believe ourselves to be.”

The most powerful message of love came from Farid Ahmed, whose wife Husna was killed in the brutal attack at El Noor Mosque. He said: “I don’t want to have a heart that is boiling like a volcano. A volcano has anger, fury rage - it doesn’t have peace, it has hatred. It burns itself within, and it burns the surroundings.” His heart was only big enough for love and forgiveness.

“Now I’ve been crying lately; Thinkin’ about the world as it is; Why must we go on hatin’; Why can’t we live in bliss” Peace Train sung by Yusuf/J Cat Stevens

International delegations bring condolences from across the world
Visitors to Christchurch included, Turkish Vice President Mr Fuat Oktay and Foreign Minister Mr Mevlüt Çavuğolu; His Excellency Dr Abdullah Maturuq-Matrouq as the Special Envoy of His Highness Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, Amir of Kuwait; Her Excellency Nabilah Makram, Egypt’s Minister of Immigration and Egyptian Expatriates’ Affairs, on behalf of President Sisi; Dr Ali Rashid Al Naaimi as the UAE Crown Prince His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed’s Special Envoy.

Prince Al Hassan bin Talal visited on behalf of the King of Jordan, to support the affected Jordanian families. His Royal Highness stressed the responsibility that all nations have to promote peace and recognition of human dignity, regardless of religious affiliation.

Lei of Aloha for World Peace from Maui, Hawaii
Maui community members presented a mile-long t-leaf lei to Christchurch in a very moving ceremony. “We are One” was the message. The Lei of Aloha for World Peace was created in 2015 after the bombing in Paris, and since then has become a tradition in the wake of global tragedies; the June 2016 shooting in Orlando, Fl; the October 2017 shooting in Las Vegas and the February 2018 shooting in Parkland, Fl.

“Some say it’s the ocean that separates us, but we in Polynesia know that it is, in fact, the ocean that connects us,” said Ron Panzo, main organizer of the Lei of Aloha for World Peace.

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Official Launch of Portia Law Christchurch March 1
It was a pleasure to join the Minister of Justice, Hon Andrew Little, at the opening of the new Christchurch office of Portia Law in the city centre. The firm started with just three people in 2012, in response to the overwhelming need from local people to access legal aid services.

Farewell and welcome of UC Chancellor and VC Saturday, March 2
It was an honour and a privilege to attend a special event at Tuahiwi Marae, where Ngai Tahu alongside the city & district Mayors said farewell to the former Chancellor and Vice Chancellor of the University of Canterbury (John Woods & Dr Rod Carr), and welcomed Sue McCormack and Cheryl de la Ray to these roles. Minister Woods and I also took the opportunity to meet informally with Cheryl & Sue on International Women’s Day.

Japan Day Celebrations Sunday, March 3
Japan Day 2019 was once again a great day to celebrate all that is special about Japanese culture. I enjoyed the music as well as seeing the children dancing and singing, and performing martial arts.

I was able to observe the traditional tea ceremony with the special seating arrangement I was given.

Our relationship with Japan is very strong, particularly as our sister city relationship with Kurashiki was the first between NZ and Japan.

Christchurch Children’s Day 2019, Sunday March 3
Set aside for the first Sunday in March of each year, Children’s Day is a special day set aside to celebrate the children in our lives. The Avon-Otakaro river corridor again came alive with activities and events designed to bring families together to celebrate children.

It was a pleasure to attend with so many councillors and acknowledge the efforts made by the local community and sponsors for putting together the event.

Meeting with the German-Pacific Friendship Group, March 7
I welcomed the German-Pacific Parliamentary Friendship Group to Christchurch, a visit which had included the Antarctic Centre and the National Centre for Research on Europe at the University of Canterbury. We discussed many issues, with women in leadership a topic of particular interest to the group.

NZ Aerospace Challenge 2019 launch
It was a pleasure to welcome locals and guests from across New Zealand and Australia to Christchurch for the NZ Aerospace challenge for 2019. I talked about our city’s desire to promote innovation and to support opportunities to explore new ideas. This challenge represents a great way to foster our emerging high-tech industries, as well as being a way to bring together members of the industry, business and education sectors to focus on collaborating to meet this challenge.

Nga Punu Wai Sports Hub official opening
While it was a gloomy Friday afternoon that marked the official opening of Nga Punu Wai Sports Hub, the mood of everyone attending was significantly brighter. Along with several Councillors, Local MP & Regeneration Minister Hon Megan Woods, and the Mayors of Waimakariri and Selwyn, I had the honour of welcoming our local legends alongside promising young athletes from each code (Athletics, Hockey, Tennis and Rugby League). It was rewarding to hear everyone speak so positively about the cooperative planning and building process that was followed, and the heartfelt applause for our council team who had led this in such an open and engaging way.

Living With Earthquakes & their Aftermath by Rosie Belton Book Launch
This was the night before the 15th March. It seems so long ago now. The book was launched by Joanna Norris, the CEO of ChristchurchNZ. She described this book as a deeply personal perspective on the events of 22 February and beyond. We are enriched for all the stories that have been told. There are many more to record.

Events and meetings calendar
Mar 01 — Official launch of Portia Law Christchurch
Mar 02 — Farewell and welcome of UC Chancellor and Vice Chancellor
— Attend CSO concert in Christchurch Town Hall
Mar 03 — Attend Japan Day celebrations
— Christchurch Children’s day 2019
Mar 06 — Grand re-launch of the Chch Town Hall Reiger Organ
— Launch of TEDxChristchurch
Mar 07 — Finance and Performance Committee
— Local business lunch with PM Jacinda Ardern, hosted by CECC
— Meeting with German-Pacific Parliamentary Friendship Group
Mar 08 — NZ Aerospace Challenge 2019 Launch
— Nga Punu Wai Sports Hub official opening
Mar 11 — Speak and welcome 52nd Annual Meeting of Pacific Association of Paediatric Surgeons
Mar 13 — CCHL board meeting
Mar 14 — Air New Zealand Mayoral Forum in Auckland
— Book Launch: Living with Earthquakes and their Aftermath by Rosie Belton
Mar 15 — Central City Development Forum
— Strike for Climate Change Action to receive open letter
Mar 18 — INFORM Meeting in response to March 15
— Meeting with Turkish Vice-President and Foreign Minister
— Meeting with NZ Governor General
Mar 19 — Human Rights Commission’s Chief Commissioner meeting with Mayor and Councillors
— Farewell Meeting with Dr Yeadong Kim, Head of KOPRI
— Antarctic Office in Christchurch
— Citizenship ceremony
Mar 20 — City partners meeting re support for the business community in response to March 15
— Councillors and Mayor’s meeting with the Prime Minister
— Meeting with Muslim community leaders
Mar 22 — Meetings with ambassadors from Afghanistan, Egypt, United Arab Emirates and Kuwait
— Attend Call to Prayer opposite Al Noor Mosque with PM
Mar 23 — Student led Christchurch March for Love
— Visit from Prince of Jordan
Mar 25 — Host Omana Hawai’i and accept Lei of Aroha
Mar 27 — Meeting with Australian High Commissioner to NZ
— Meeting with Executive Director of NZ China Council
Mar 28 — Council Meeting
Mar 29 — National Remembrance Service, Ko Tūtou Tūtou We Are One
— Opening of Summer Road
Mar 30 — Meeting with Vice Chair of Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference and Delegation
To our parents and teachers,

Think about the things you want for your children or the young people that you love; happiness, stability, freedom, peace, security, health. Climate breakdown puts all of these things at risk. Beyond reducing, reusing and recycling, we ask you to refuse to take part in systems that pose a threat to our future. Catch the train or bus to work more often, bike when you can, and most importantly, stand with us in this fight for our future. Listen to us, our hopes and dreams for the world, and help us to make them a reality. Your decisions every day, and your vote every three years, count. Empower your children to fight for their future, and stand in solidarity with them as they strike on March 15th.

To our business leaders,

Current business practices are threatening our homes, our families and our communities. We will not stand by while greed for a quick profit undermines our future security. If you want to continue to have the social license to operate, you need to be a part of the solution. We are the future of the economy, and we will not tolerate inaction on climate change. We ask you, our business leaders, to divest your businesses from fossil fuels, and to commit to using your ingenuity and leadership to building the economy of the future, one which doesn’t cost us, and future generations, but safeguards our continued existence on earth.

To our elected leaders,

We demand that you put protecting our future at the forefront of your response to climate change. This means:

- Reaching carbon neutrality by 2050, or sooner.
- Limiting warming to 1.5°C.
- Passing an ambitious and effective Zero Carbon Act that creates a coherent, long term plan to reduce emissions domestically.
- Ensuring our paths to reaching our emissions targets are fast tracked, well planned and transparent so that communities are supported through this change.
- Putting in place mechanisms that will allow us to hold future governments to account.
- Local Governments signing on to the Local Government Leaders’ Climate Change Declaration and preparing for climate change adaptation and building resilience now.
- Ensuring that all plans for climate change mitigation and adaptation are socially and intergenerationally just and honour Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

The government has said that this is the year of action. If so, we demand an explanation of what those actions will be and why they will be effective. We need your bold leadership now.

We, the youth, have started to move. Together, we are going to change the fate of humanity, regardless of the resistance we encounter. United we will rise on the 15th of March. We will continue to do so until we see climate justice. Please work with us, in partnership, for a world that you can be proud to pass on.

So, will you join us?


Support our message by signing our open letter. Found at the ‘SchoolStrike4ClimateNZ’ Facebook page.