

**Te Pātaka o Rākaihautū**  
**Banks Peninsula Community Board**  
**MINUTES ATTACHMENTS**

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**Time:** 10 am  
**Venue:** Lyttelton Community Boardroom,  
25 Canterbury Street, Lyttelton

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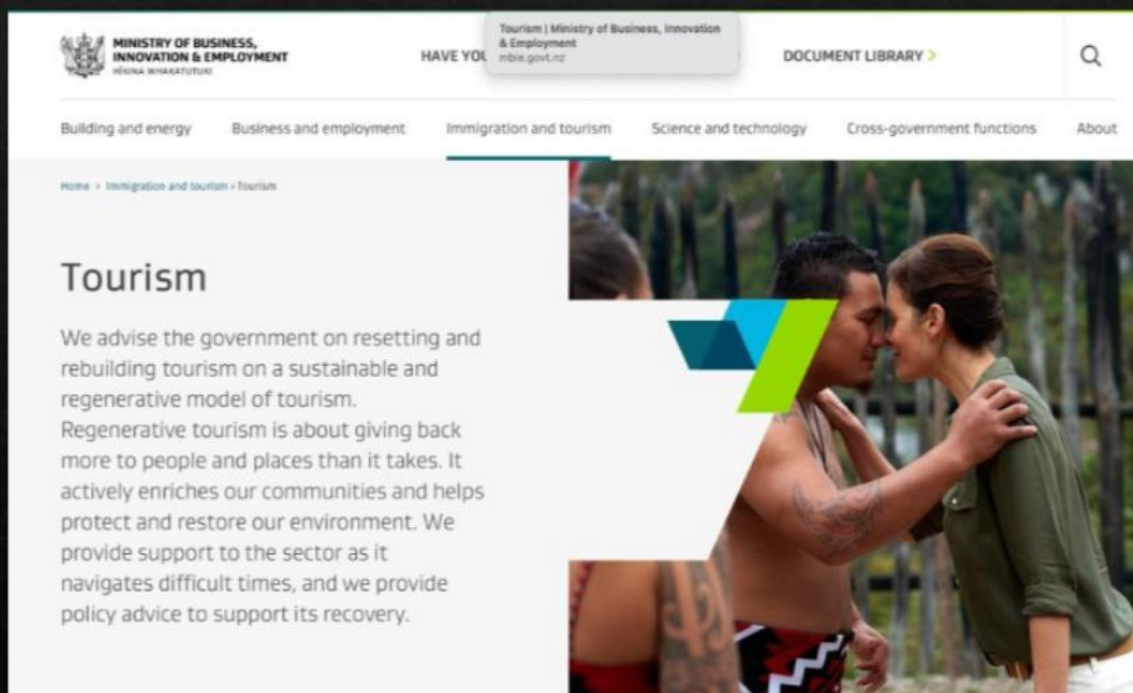
Can we learn from the others?  
Or do we need to make the same mistakes again?

Prepared by: Sarah van der Burch

## Current Situation:

- ◇ Since October, Lyttelton has been swamped by tourists off cruise ships
- ◇ Many members of the Lyttelton community have expressed concerns about the ships – via emails and Facebook.
- ◇ Until very recently there has been little visible response from our locally elected representatives. I would say we have had a leadership vacuum.
- ◇ I understand that there was representation at the Lyttelton Farmer's Market as a 'Meet and Greet', which I highly applaud
- ◇ Lyttelton Information Centre has been doing a good job providing information but it's not their role to make decisions for us – that is our job together
- ◇ Our Community is asking for a voice in the discussion about what is sustainable tourism

What MBIE says is our goal for tourism. Is this what we are experiencing with these ships?



# So what is your role:

## Local Government Act of 2002

Section 10: Sets out the purpose of Local Government:

### 10 Purpose of local government

- ◆ (1) *The purpose of local government is—*
  - ◆ (a) *to enable democratic local decision-making and action **by**, and on behalf of, communities; and*
  - ◆ (b) *to promote the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of communities in the present and for the future.*
- ◆ **“By” - the little word that changes everything**
  - ◆ It means that elected members don't just exist to make decisions and take action on behalf of their communities. It means they also exist to enable communities to make decisions and take action themselves.
  - ◆ This is a big shift in thinking - and one that's easy to miss in everyday council activity. \*
- ◆ \* Peter McKinlay of the [Local Government Think Tank](#) and [McKinlay Douglas](#)

# Consultation vs Engagement:

## What's the difference between engagement and consultation?

| CONSULTATION   | ENGAGEMENT   |
|--|--|
| <b>One-off:</b> Consultation is a one-off process for a specific project, policy or strategy                   | <b>Ongoing:</b> Engagement is an ongoing process   |
| <b>Top-down:</b> The institution decides what to discuss and how   | <b>Equal:</b> The institution and communities decide what to discuss and how                   |
| <b>One-way:</b> Communities speak to the institution   | <b>Two-way:</b> Communities speak to the institution and to each other                         |
| <b>Institution-focused:</b> The focus is on what the institution needs to achieve its aims                     | <b>Community-focused:</b> The focus is on what communities need to achieve their aims          |
| <b>Does not build communities' capability:</b> Consultation does not strengthen communities' capability to act | <b>Builds community capability:</b> Engagement leaves communities with extra capability to act |
| <b>Competitive culture:</b> Consultation puts the institution on defence and the community on offence          | <b>Collaborative culture:</b> Engagement creates a collaborative culture of shared ownership   |

## The right process...

- ◆ Develops long term engagement, ownership and ‘buy-in’ of the outcomes
- ◆ Moves decisions beyond ‘squeaky wheel’ syndrome
- ◆ Models an ‘and’ mindset over ‘either/or’
- ◆ Supports a way forward beyond divisiveness and vitriol through measured conversation and engagement
- ◆ The scale of the decision required determines the appropriate process to be used

## Considerations for you:

- ◇ What are the roles of Local Government and the Community in the decision-making process of larger issues?
- ◇ Where should the power lie between Local Government and the Community relative to decision-making?
- ◇ How might the outcomes of the decision-making process differ using 'consultation' vs 'engagement'?
- ◇ Will the Destination Management Plan (DMP), as it is currently being implemented, create the MBIE outcome of 'building tourism that gives back more than it takes'?

## Way Forward on Cruise Ships and Sustainable Local Tourism – My Thoughts:

- ◇ Ensure the DMP process effectively reflects MBIE Purpose.
  - ◇ We have a population of over 3,000 in Lyttelton and I don't know anyone who actually completed the on-line document other than myself. (I am hoping you all did) Who's voice are we hearing?
- ◇ Feels like the DMP is happening too fast. This is a big issue and the outcome will be with us for years
- ◇ We should be working together to achieve the best possible outcomes

# Potential Options:

## ◆ Citizen Assembly:

Has worked very well in other countries with big, thorny issues

Builds engagement and can provide a very considered response to a complex questions

Quality of the Question is key: e.g. “What does sustainable tourism look like for Whakaraupo/Lyttelton/Banks Peninsula?” (depending on scope)

## ◆ Facilitated Community Conversations:

Lower cost; can be very effective; skill exists currently

Create a mindset of working together

Let people talk and listen to each other

Thank you!



# Appendix

# The Economics of Cruise Ships- The Hustle

- ◆ Cruise lines will generally pay a small head tax (\$4-\$15 per passenger) to call on a port. According to Klein, these countries often spend more on maintaining facilities for cruise ships than they make through the fees.
- ◆ They might also promise a boost to the economies they frequent. But Klein says they work out deals with local vendors where they take up to 70% of the onshore revenue — and studies have shown that local populations in foreign ports don't get much out of such partnerships.
- ◆ The standard contract for a crew member like a cleaner or dishwasher requires a mandatory 308 hours per month — 11 hours a day, 7 days a week, for as long as 8-10 months, with no days off — for the equivalent of \$400-700 per month, or \$1.62 to \$2.27 per hour
- ◆ According to annual report filings, the major cruise lines pay an average tax rate of 0.8% — far below the 21% US corporate tax rate.
- ◆ Is this what we want? Does this align to our values as a nation?
- ◆ <https://thehustle.co/the-economics-of-cruise-ships/> May 2020

# Cruise Ship Impact Presentation - by Sara Campbell

See google slides:

[https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1Uwl5i\\_2H0QahTy8jOJf-ndtgLOBGlnXys\\_ZeiButVNU/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1Uwl5i_2H0QahTy8jOJf-ndtgLOBGlnXys_ZeiButVNU/edit?usp=sharing)

## The Climate and Ecological Emergency

The last eight years have been the hottest on record.

2022 was the hottest year for the ocean.

NASA state "This upward trend will continue as long as we keep emitting greenhouse gases at our current rate."

"Our graphics only go up to 5 degrees above normal, but now that we're increasingly seeing even higher temperatures it may be time to change the scale. The warming is literally off the scale." - Metservice

"What we do over the next three to four years, I believe, is going to determine the future of humanity. We are in a very, very desperate situation." Sir David King who was chief scientific adviser to successive UK governments.

"The collapse of civilization and the natural world is on the horizon." - Sir David Attenborough

"Greenhouse gas emissions keep growing, global temperatures keep rising, and our planet is fast approaching tipping points that will make climate chaos irreversible," he adds. "We are on a highway to climate hell with our foot still on the accelerator,". Anttonio Guterres UN Secretary General.

Our city and regional council both declared a climate and ecological emergency in 2019. Our government declared a climate emergency in 2022.

## Environmental Impacts of Cruise Ships

A cruise produces 2 to 4 times more CO<sub>2</sub> per passenger, per mile than a flying holiday that includes hotel stays. I've included a link to a paper of the most comprehensive research review

to date on the Environmental and human health impacts of cruise tourism. The review, finds that cruising is a major source of environmental pollution and degradation. In 2019 Cruise tourism accounted for about 9% of international visitor arrivals but only 3% of international tourist spending. I seriously question how determined our government bodies are to address this climate and ecological crisis when they still consider this High impact, low value form of tourism acceptable.

## Overseas community impacts.

There are places overseas who after experiencing negative impacts on their environment and communities are enforcing restrictions. (NZ environmental regulations?). Restrictions include limiting the number of ships, the number of passengers the ship carries, banning them on weekends and banning them altogether. Introducing tougher environmental restrictions. Some have introduced significant taxing of cruise passengers.

The negative impacts referred are:

Pollution

Overcrowding

Heavy demand on public infrastructure - incl. Transport systems.

Too many souvenir shops and low-price-and-quality restaurants.

The disappearance of many local shops and activities, as well as artisans' shops and authentic traditions.

Feeling like Disneyland

Disrupting the serenity of the city.

Increasing conflict in the community.

'Cruise ship overtourism in Barcelona - Spain, Bruges - Spain, Dubrovnik - Croatia, Dublin - Ireland, Venice - Italy, French Polynesia Tahiti. Florida.

Personally I love this move by the Tahiti

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In November 2020, voters in the southern tip of Florida approved three ballot questions that would restrict the number of daily cruise ship visitors to 1,500, ban vessels carrying more than 1,300 passengers, and prioritize docking for cruise lines with the best health and environmental records...unfortunately this was overturned by the governor.

## Akaroa Community Impacts

These quotes were made by Akaroa locals and found in a case study by the Environmental Defense Society funded by Environment Canterbury.

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"Locals would have a schedule of cruise ship visits on their fridge door and if a ship was coming in they would not go into town."

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"Several quality gift shops and galleries in Akaroa being replaced by souvenir shops."

"People say we have lost the personal New Zealand made quirky and arty gifts and that we have gone to little plastic dolls and tea towels. But that's what sells."


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## Lyttelton Community Impacts

I asked around 40 Lyttelton businesses to fill in a survey.

(  Cruise Ships.xlsx )

I asked the following questions:

1a. Cruise ships have a positive impact on my business.

2a. I believe cruise ships visiting Lyttelton have a positive impact on Lyttelton residents and non-cruise ship visitors.

3a. Cruise ships have a high negative environmental impact, for example cruise ships emit 2 to 4 times more carbon dioxide per passenger per kilometre than a passenger jet (more information on this and other relevant pollution here:

<https://www.rnz.co.nz/news/on-the-inside/473378/cruise-ships-back-in-nz-waters-should-we-really-be-welcoming-them>).

Considering the high negative impact on the environment, I support the government introducing legislation to prohibit cruise ships from entering New Zealand waters.

I found it heartwarming that some of those that say they are benefiting financially have a greater priority for a healthy community and environment.

Obviously this is not a thorough survey but it does challenge the narrative that cruise ships are beneficial to local businesses and it also challenges the narrative that benefiting financially from cruise ships is a priority.

Because the harbour coop has many owners instead of filling in the survey, some of the staff discussed their experience and Heather sent me an email.

The general consensus echos what I know some other businesses in Lyttelton (and in Akaroa back when they were getting boats in) feel- that when a cruise is in, the town tends to be very full of the passengers and we spend the day busy answering a lot of questions etc, but at the end of the day the total takings are not much higher (or no different at all) than a regular day.

We've also noticed we see a lot less of our regulars in the store and less locals on the street when there's a cruise in. It seems that locals may be avoiding coming down to town when they see a cruise in port. One lady told me she's even driven through the tunnel to do grocery shopping, as the crowded street gives her anxiety. Our regulars from the community are our main support, so this is worrying."

I'd like to finish with these two quotes:

"From the pile driving building the berth to the town being riddled with floaters. It's all money orientated. Money that the community doesn't benefit from. I work in local hospitality and am frequently being told that I must appreciate "all the extra business". We don't. We're busy enough without them. Business is fine. The floaters drive the locals away. ...Knowing what these floating malls do to our planet makes it hard for me to be polite. It's actually got to a point that I dread waking to another one in port. I've got the 10th of April circled in my calendar as a celebration day. The last cruise of the season. I'm sad and angry and powerless. I'm not the only one." - Popi Newbury a Lyttelton resident

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I also wonder, long term about the impact of the cruise ships, every summer on the kinds of businesses we have. Trinket shops selling Kiwiana? A starbucks? How will this impact on the 'feel' of Lyttelton. That 'feel' is important, it influences other visitor numbers, quality of life and more." - Coralie Winn - Winn Ceramics operating out of Ata Ceramics.

With 85 cruise ships this season and currently 98 booked for next. I ask you to please gather information, listen to experts many are saying we need to value slow tourism over fast tourism, listen to those in communities who have been in the situation that we find ourselves in now. Inform our community. Help us to hear each other and find a solution together. Make sure we are included in the decisions that impact us.

End of Presentation.

## Articles relevant to the presentation

### Cruise ship impact on environment:

<https://theicct.org/marine-cruising-flying-may22/>

<https://www.rnz.co.nz/news/on-the-inside/473378/cruise-ships-back-in-nz-waters-should-we-really-be-welcoming-them>

<https://theconversation.com/without-stricter-conditions-nz-should-be-in-no-hurry-to-reopen-its-border-to-cruise-ships-181607?fbclid=IwAR2UpXsWwMMwhbRqpzvql6ZXshl508So3j4jfDIXKVBku36vPypX1Gq-t4I>

Article about the following study.

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2021/09/210928193815.htm>

'Many cruise ships still treat sewage with traditional Marine Sanitation Devices, which often do not perform as expected and contain significant amounts of fecal bacteria, heavy metals, and nutrients in excess of clean water quality standards (Caric et al., 2019; Loehr et al., 2006). Therefore, major cruise companies score poorly with regards to sewage treatment, with all 18 companies reviewed in the Cruise Ship Report Card (FOE, 2020) reporting a card score 'C' or lower (on a scale of F to A).'

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1\\_S7WwhUDeC05tzcKAXj0pMLDfaF6M0AC/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1_S7WwhUDeC05tzcKAXj0pMLDfaF6M0AC/view?usp=sharing)

Carbon emissions from international cruise ship passengers' travel to and from New Zealand

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1bdv-EgGzQdXOTQJlhuOy\\_jP4qtlmESZ7/view?usp=drivesdk](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1bdv-EgGzQdXOTQJlhuOy_jP4qtlmESZ7/view?usp=drivesdk)

NABU cruise ship environmental ratings- not good.

<https://en.nabu.de/news/2018/25037.html>

1 billion gallons of waste ?

<https://theconversation.com/time-to-rock-the-boat-cruise-ships-can-destroy-the-very-destinations-they-sell-to-us-55245>

The tourism minister has repeatedly stated there will be [no return to the old ways](#) and that the country must make "structural change for regenerative tourism".

<https://www.beehive.govt.nz/speech/otago-university-tourism-policy-school-%E2%80%99Cstructural-change-regenerative-tourism%E2%80%99D>

## Cruise ship impact on community

Cruise ship overtourism in Barcelona - Spain, Bruges - Spain, Dubrovnik - Croatia, Dublin - Ireland, Venice - Italy, French Polynesia Tahiti.

"It's getting like Disneyland",

Low Value, High Impact.

Quality Not Quantity.

"Too few spending money instead breaking the calm serenity of the city." stopped advertising that targets day trippers instead opting for slow tourism. Fast tourism is destroying the character of their city.

The shops became fixed on tourists and sell trinkets, chocolate and beer.

Dubrovnik restricted the number of cruise ships and the total number of passengers they can carry.

Dublin reduced cruise ships due to port capacity, chose not to expand due to public opposition.

Amsterdam enforced a day tourist tax on cruise travelers, which led to fewer cruise ships. This move was aimed at tackling the increase in day-trippers and to encourage travelers to invest more time in the Dutch city as well as deal with heavy demands by visitors on the city's public areas.

Barcelona's mayor Ada Colau is pushing regional authorities to restrict the number of cruise ships allowed in port, which would halve the number of cruise tourists during the peak summer season to 200,000 a month.

Santorini - Greece capped the number of cruise passengers the influx of cruise visitors was causing social and environmental problems including traffic issues, overcrowding, burden on infrastructure. Agitated locals.

Last week the mayor, Dirk De fauw, elected in October under the slogan "Go with De fauw", announced that the municipality would no longer advertise or promote day trips to the city. Measures would also be taken to cut back the number of cruise ships able to dock at nearby Zeebrugge from five a day to just two. Cruise companies will also be asked to dock during the week rather than at weekends to help spread the crowds.

<https://amp.theguardian.com/world/2019/jun/16/bruges-crackdown-tourist-numbers>  
<https://www.ft.com/content/9f261daa-dabb-4549-82da-67d01026f099>

Now tensions that have simmered for decades are boiling over as the city's vanishing population of 55,000 fight back against the tourist tide.

Caberlotto, 25, represents a generation of Venetians being priced and crowded out of their city by tourists who come in search of history and bad pizza. They have had enough. The city's population is now shrinking by about 1,000 people a year as property prices and rents soar. Landlords are increasingly renting space via Airbnb.

<https://www.courthousenews.com/its-back-to-normal-in-venice-but-for-venetians-thats-also-a-gloomy-prospect/>

On the other hand, since Venice has experienced a sudden increase of cruise passengers, an overwhelming number of souvenirs shops and low-price-and-quality restaurants have opened, targeting day (or hour) trippers. This kind of business has contributed greatly to the increase of rents and the disappearance of many local shops and activities, as well as artisans' shops and authentic traditions.

<https://veneziaautentica.com/cruise-ships-in-venice-italy/>

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/shortcuts/2016/sep/27/dont-look-now-venice-tourists-locals-sick-of-you-cruise-liners>

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<https://cruiseradio.net/florida-governor-signs-bill-overturning-key-west-cruise-ship-restrictions/>

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<https://www.cntraveler.com/story/as-more-ports-ban-mega-cruise-ships-what-is-the-future-of-the-largest-vessels/amp>

## Akaroa

Resident Perceptions on Cruise Tourism in Akaroa As part of a qualitative study of the phenomenon of overtourism across New Zealand in February 2020, we interviewed residents in Akaroa. Their responses provided valuable insights into the problems with cruise ship visits in that small community, and a foundation for possible future strategies. Based on the interviews, we identified three main themes relating to problems with cruise ship visits: Pollution, crowding/congestion, and conflict within the community.

Tacky things in shops, buses everywhere, avoiding the township, overwhelming, stressful, community unable to socialize and relax together, some businesses doing well, others worse off, a once peaceful community divided.

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1NHsYsxN\\_88XKonyY5cqKulLd\\_LjeoVLI/view?usp=share\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1NHsYsxN_88XKonyY5cqKulLd_LjeoVLI/view?usp=share_link)

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"Some people benefit, while others have little say and feel imposed upon." 'On whose terms' tourism is conducted emerges as a key question.

RESTORING TE PĀTAKA O RĀKAIHAUTŪ BANKS PENINSULA - A case study by EDS  
(Environmental Defense Society funded by Environment.)

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1VZEcOOy647xN9kF9kBULdOZlIxnU1MS6/view?usp=share\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1VZEcOOy647xN9kF9kBULdOZlIxnU1MS6/view?usp=share_link)

Regional Harbourmaster Jim Dilley said that the 2022/23 cruise ship season would allow the community to understand how a lower volume of cruise vessels affects the area. "The community can compare this season with previous years and decide if this represents a good balance," he said. Yes please. I'd like to see these residents survey

<https://www.ecan.govt.nz/get-involved/news-and-events/2022/getting-ready-for-the-return-of-cruise-ships-to-akaroa/>

<https://pce.parliament.nz/publications/not-100-but-four-steps-closer-to-sustainable-tourism>

## Lyttelton

85 this season at least 98 next season

We should be encouraging tourists to travel less and spend longer in a destination.

Community members feeling unlistened to, railroaded and powerless.

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## Unethical industry

The cruise industry is reluctant to engage with any criticism. And while perhaps it's unfair to suggest this is different to any other similarly-sized commercial entities, it is irrefutable that cruise lines are able to generate huge profits because they are incorporated in tax havens such as Bermuda, Liberia and Panama. These open shipping registries, commonly known as [flags of convenience](#), means minimal regulation to comply with in terms of labour costs, environmental regulations and safety standards.

While legal and applicable to all shipping, cruise lines rely heavily on their workforce to satisfy their passengers' high service expectations. That these same companies take any opportunity to avoid any legislation that would offer these workers wage protection and job security is just one of a long line of criticisms the industry is seemingly reluctant to acknowledge, let alone address. In a world that since the [Panama Papers](#) is increasingly aware of such issues, the industry cannot afford to ignore it much longer.

<https://theconversation.com/cruise-lines-promise-big-payouts-but-the-tourist-money-stays-at-sea-66350>

"Cruise lines want to register somewhere where they pay no taxes, are exempt from labor and wage statutes, and don't have to follow health and safety codes," says Jim Walker, a Miami-based maritime lawyer. "They're looking for a place that will leave them alone, not oversee their operations."

For the most part, that's what cruise companies have gotten: According to annual report filings, the major cruise lines pay an average tax rate of 0.8% — for below the 21% US corporate tax rate.

<https://thehustle.co/the-economics-of-cruise-ships/#:~:text=After%20subtracting%20overhead%20costs%2C%20a,during%20one%207%2Dday%20excursion.>

## Economy

Cruise tourism accounts for about 9% of international visitor arrivals (about 350,000 cruise passengers and crew) but only 3% of international tourist expenditure in New Zealand.

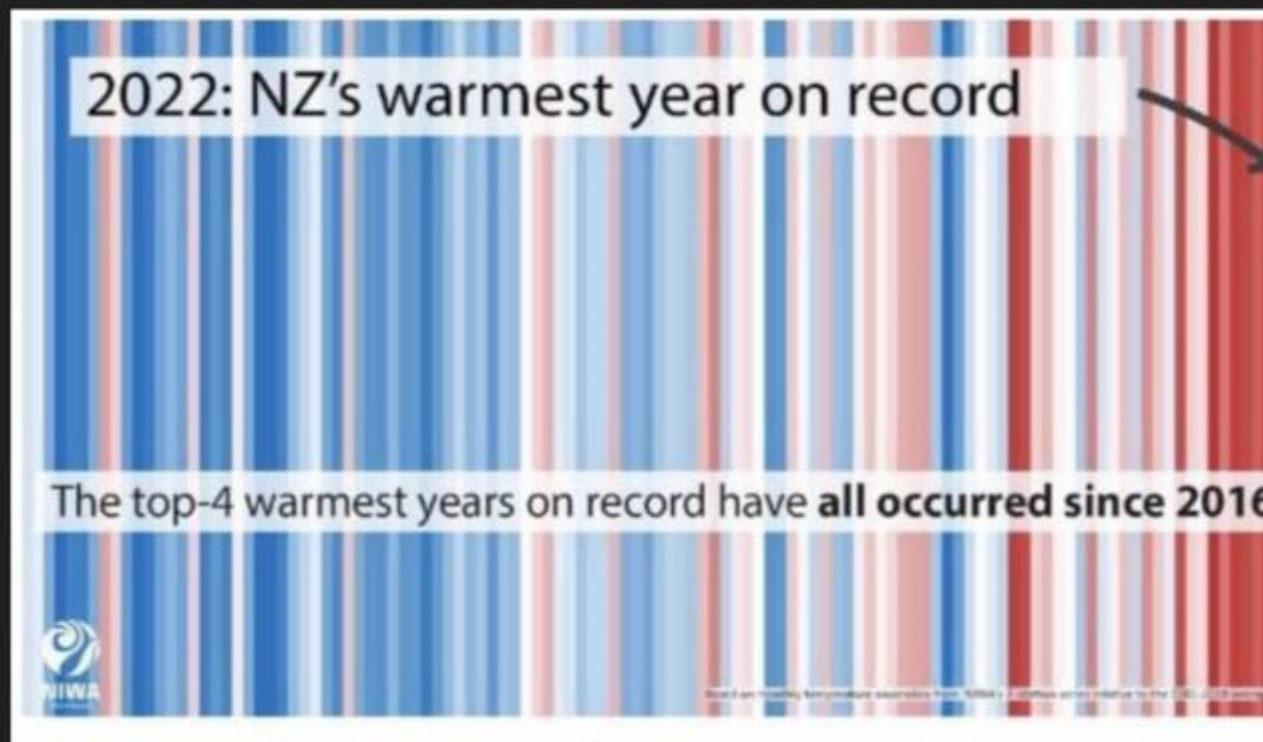
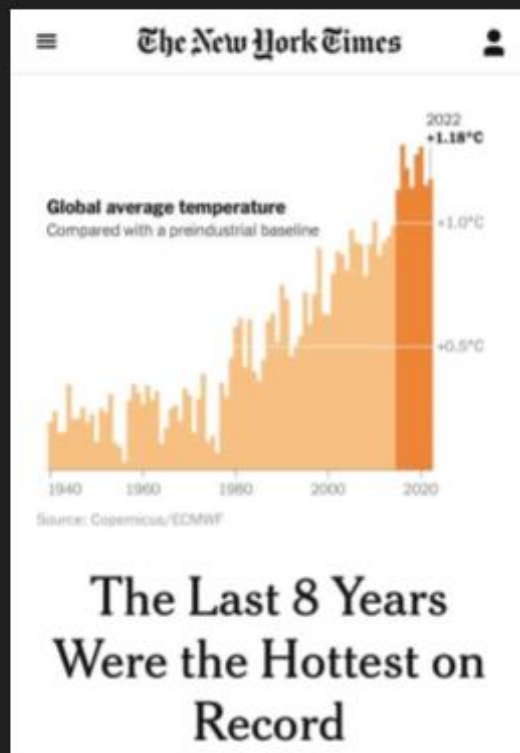
Domestic tourism accounted for 58% of total tourism spending

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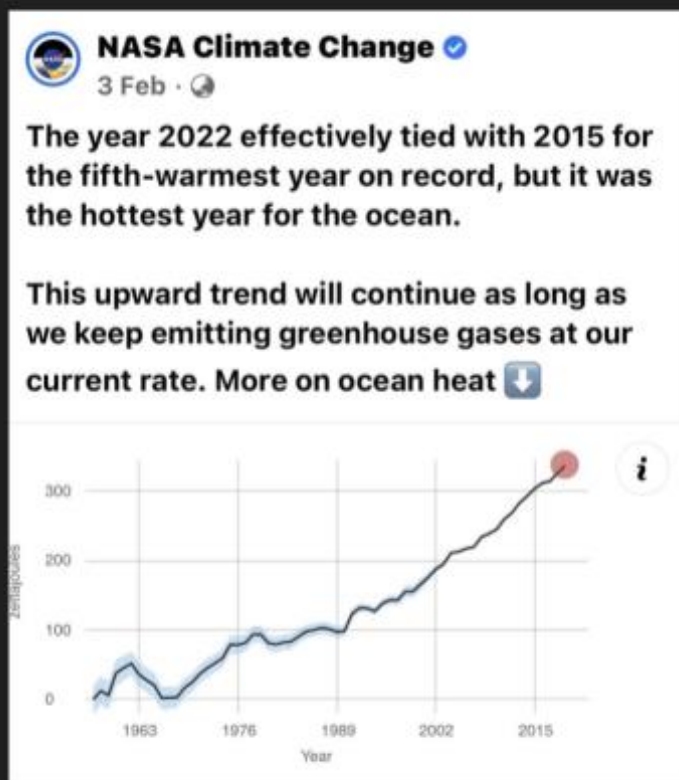
# Cruise Ships - Environmental and Social Impacts

Presentation by Sara Campbell (a Lyttelton local)

# The Climate and Ecological Emergency



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# Lyttelton Business Survey

## Business name.

≡ (14 Responses)

Nama sushi

Air, Sea and Land gallery

SUPER

London St Books

Henry Trading

Leslie's Bookshop

Lyttelton Pharmacy

Eruption Brewing

Winn Ceramics operating out of  
Ata Ceramics

Arbour Bar Ltd

Lyttelton Coffee Co Ltd

Hope River Pies

Lyttelton SuperValue

London Fish&Chips

## Your name.

≡ (14 Responses)

Gihan shin

Malcolm Carne

Sahni

Deborah Clark

MAREE HENRY

Paul Leslie

John Thrupp

Steve Leftly

Coralie Winn

Megan Hancox

Stephen Mateer

Craig Minehan

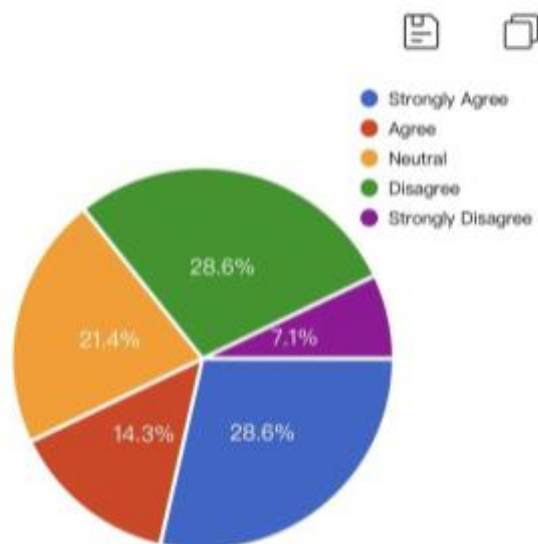
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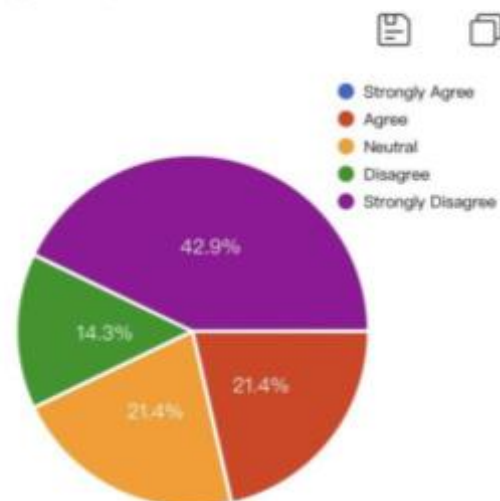
1a. Cruise ships have a positive impact on my business.

☉ (14 Responses)



2a. I believe cruise ships visiting Lyttelton have a positive impact on Lyttelton residents and non-cruise ship visitors.

☉ (14 Responses)

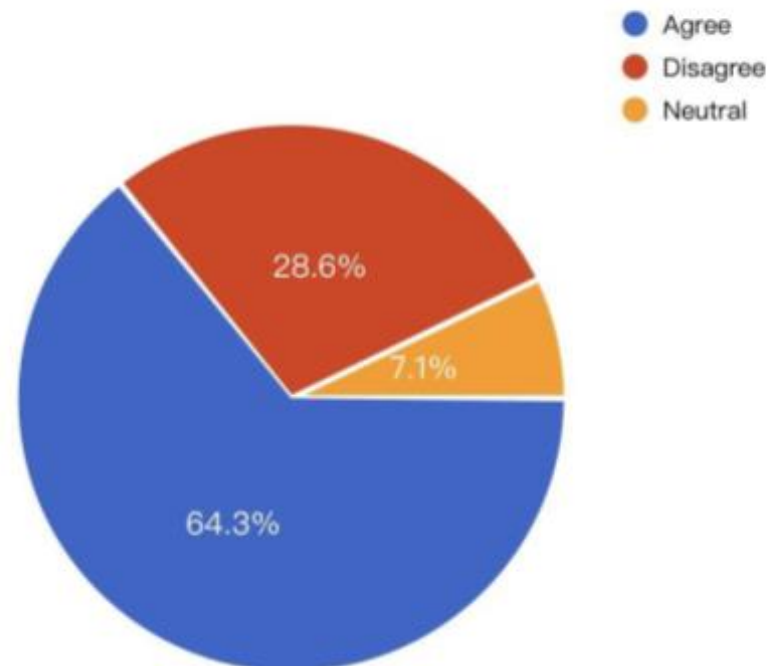


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3a. Cruise ships have a high negative environmental impact, for example cruise ships emit 2 to 4 times more carbon dioxide per passenger per kilometre than a passenger jet (more information on this and other relevant pollution here: <https://www.rnz.co.nz/news/on-the-inside/473378/cruise-ships-back-in-nz-waters-should-we-really-be-welcoming-them>).

Considering the high negative impact on the environment, I support the government introducing legislation to prohibit cruise ships from entering New Zealand waters.

● (14 Responses)





2 February at 11:08 · 🌐

Avoiding a the Bus stop block - use the wharf stop - only a few  
Diamond Harbour people down there.



Bit of a vent and a warning to catch an earlier or later bus while the ship is in 😊  
8.40am bus this morning after the cruise ship has come in, there's just as many still waiting outside on the stop. Didn't leave Lyttelton till 9am and we just had to drive past and elderly lady in Opawa and an older man near Colombo street as the bus is too full 😊 I catch this bus most mornings and a lot of ppl catch it to go to work and school.  
I understand it has positives but I wish metro had organised something. I've emailed them but n very hopeful...



This is the deal now at the bus exchange. You queue up and wait for the Lyttelton bus behind these fences, which cost \$3,000 to install and \$1,500, per day.

Today I waited in line for an hour and I said that I was a local, but was told that the cruise ship company have complained of discrimination. Now locals are no longer allowed to have priority to board the bus.

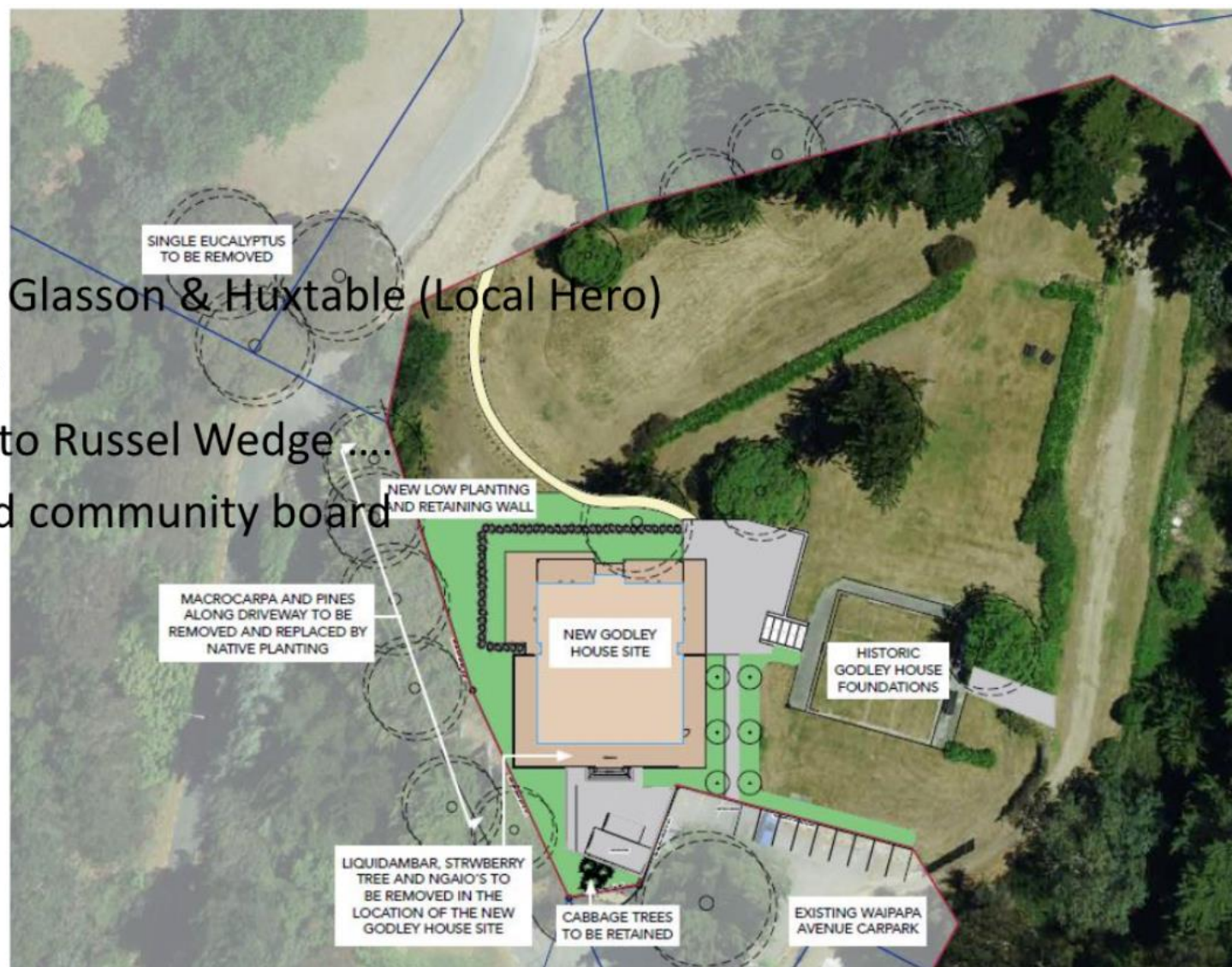




# Godley House Development

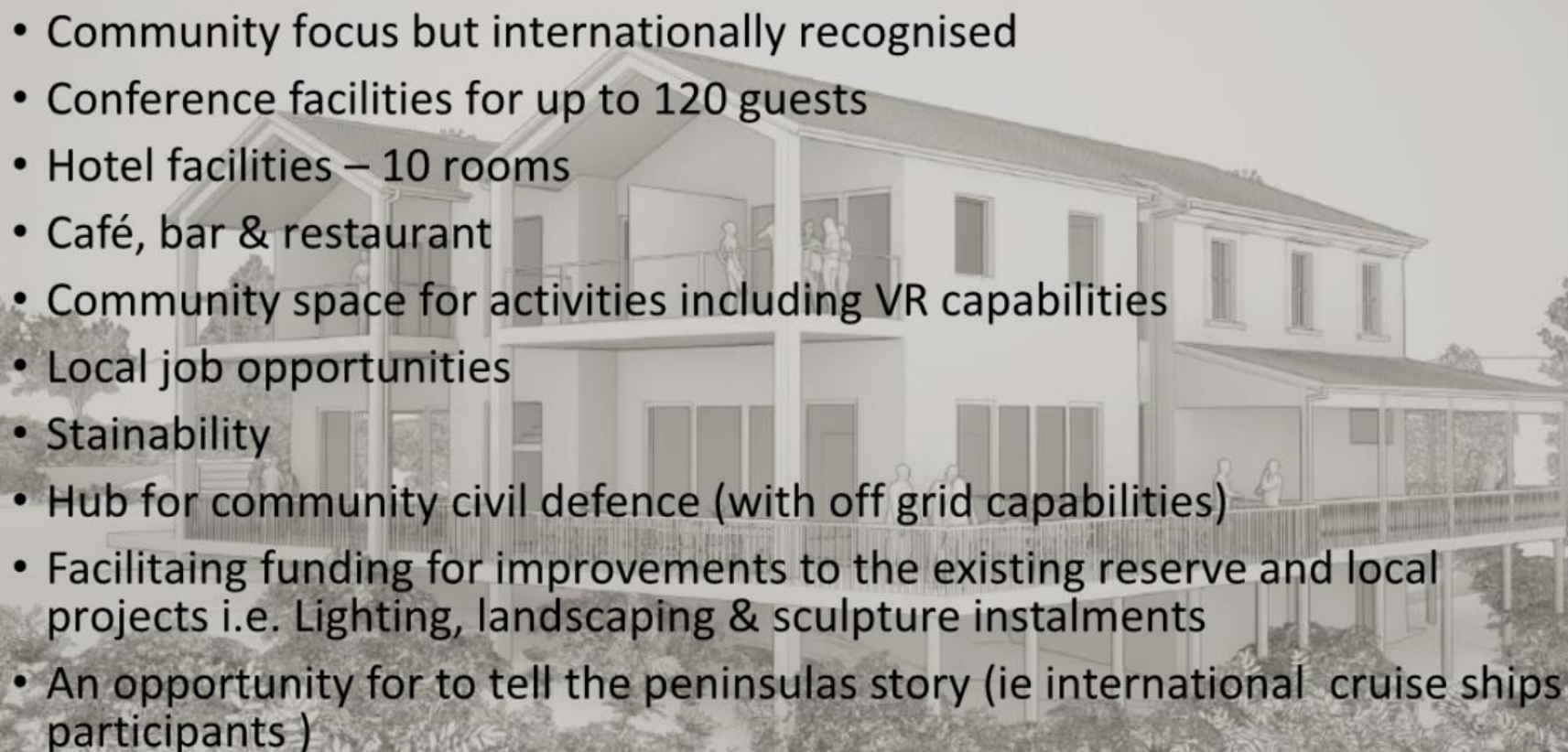
# Thanks

- Chris Glasson / Glasson & Huxtable (Local Hero)
- Sans Architects
- Biggest thanks to Russel Wedge
- Community and community board



- Initial investment - \$50,000 (gone burger)
- Second investment - \$700,000 (once lease agreement is settled)
- In talks with future investment capital , need lease etc Chicken and egg



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- Community focus but internationally recognised
  - Conference facilities for up to 120 guests
  - Hotel facilities – 10 rooms
  - Café, bar & restaurant
  - Community space for activities including VR capabilities
  - Local job opportunities
  - Stainability
  - Hub for community civil defence (with off grid capabilities)
  - Facilitaing funding for improvements to the existing reserve and local projects i.e. Lighting, landscaping & sculpture instalments
  - An opportunity for to tell the peninsulas story (ie international cruise ships participants )

BUT ...

- We would like to split the lease payment between the council and the local community. For things like funding car parking as per Diamond Harbour Development Plan 2012.
- We would also appreciate an easy path to leasing 300m<sup>2</sup> on the flat for lease of regular functions without drama or added costs. ie Weddings



Cannot wait to see you all there, look forward to  
pouring you a brew

