
Waipuna Halswell-Hornby-Riccarton Community Board Information Session/Workshop AGENDA

Notice of Information Session/Workshop Te Pānui o te Hui:

A Waipuna Halswell-Hornby-Riccarton Community Board Information Session/Workshop will be held on:

Date: Thursday 27 November 2025
Time: 3 pm
Venue: Horoeaka Room, Rārākau: Riccarton Centre,
199 Clarence Street, Christchurch

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1. Apologies Ngā Whakapāha

Apologies will be recorded at the Information Session/Workshop.

2. Whakatā Christchurch Cemetery draft development plan consultation results

Reference Te Tohutoro: 25/1530932

Presenter(s) Te Kaipāhō: Eric Banks, Senior Network Planner Parks
Hannah Ballantyne, Senior Engagement Advisor

1. Detail Te Whakamahuki

Timing	This information session is expected to last for 30 minutes.
Purpose / Origin of the Information Session	The Community Board chair has requested an information session to discuss the consultation results of the draft Whakatā Christchurch Cemetery development plan prior to considering the decision report.
Background	- Following Council resolution CNCL/2019/0023, staff prepared a draft development plan which underwent consultation June / July 2025. The draft plan, consultation results, and the proposed amendments to the draft plan are to be discussed at this information session. - The draft development plan for Whakatā Cemetery was prepared following extensive engagement with faith and cultural communities, funeral-based stakeholder groups, and the Templeton community over 2019/2020, Attachment B. Amended plan following consultation at Attachment C. - Consultation on the draft plan opened on 5 June and ran until 7 July 2025. - Feedback was received by five recognised organisations and 46 individuals. - Overall, 38% of submitters supported the plan, 22% somewhat supported, 30% did not support and 13% 'didn't know'. - A full report on the consultation and a summary of submissions is available in Attachment A.
Key Issues	- The majority of submitters either supported or somewhat supported the plan. Templeton-based residents and organisations were less likely to be supportive of the plans than those living elsewhere. - Submissions relating to the proximity of residential property to some proposed cemetery facilities resulted in modifications to the draft plan including removal of proposed pathways adjacent to mutual boundaries, removal of one of the two toilet blocks, placing greater distance between residents and the children's area and the sexton's facility. Greater distance between specimen trees near the boundaries was made to emphasise the preservation of views while also providing the additional screening.
Next Steps	- Part A decision report to be considered by the Community Board - Council decision. - Detailed design and consenting, including further engagement with adjacent residents.

Useful Links	
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Attachments Ngā Tāpirihanga

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A  	Consultation and summary of submissions report - Whakatā Templeton Cemetery	25/2279717	7
B  	Whakatā Christchurch Cemetery Development Plan Stage 1 consultation plan	25/1504652	10
C  	Whakatā Christchurch Cemetery amended stage 1 development plan	25/1503098	11
D  	Whakatā Christchurch Cemetery at Templeton location diagram	25/1503099	12

Signatories Ngā Kaiwaitohu

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Approved By	Kelly Hansen - Manager Parks Planning & Asset Management Al Hardy - Manager Community Parks Rupert Bool - Head of Parks

Consultation report – Whakatā Templeton Cemetery

Community Impacts and Views Ngā Mariu ā-Hāpori

- 1.1 Extensive engagement with faith and cultural communities, funeral-based stakeholder groups, and the Templeton community occurred from 2019-2020. This included in person and online meetings. These conversations shaped the layout of the draft cemetery.
- 1.2 Over April and May 2025 some early conversations were had with the Templeton Residents' Association regarding scale and consultation timeline.
- 1.3 Consultation started on 5 June and ran until 7 July 2025.
- 1.4 Consultation details including links to the project information shared on the [Kōrero mai | Let's Talk](#) webpage were advertised via:
 - 1.4.1 An email sent to 1,300 identified stakeholders, including the faith and cultural communities engaged to-date, Templeton residents and businesses engaged to-date, funeral-based stakeholders.
 - 1.4.2 Consultation documents delivered to Templeton residents and owners of property in Templeton.
 - 1.4.3 A [Newline story](#) posted (viewed 10,559 times) and shared to Council's Facebook page, as well as the local Templeton community page twice.
 - 1.4.4 Paid advertising on social media and in The Star newspaper.
 - 1.4.5 Posters in libraries and service centres.
- 1.5 The [Kōrero mai | Let's Talk](#) page had 1,595 views throughout the consultation period.
- 1.6 A drop-in session at Templeton School was held on 2 July 2025 and attended by approximately 25 people. The themes discussed as this session are accurately represented through the submission feedback.

Summary of Submissions Ngā Tāpaetanga

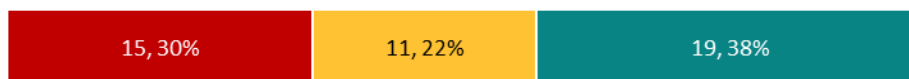
- 1.7 Submissions were made by five recognised organisations and 46 individuals. All submissions are available on the [Kōrero mai webpage](#).
 - **Templeton Residents Association** – somewhat supported the plan. They understood the need for the cemetery but question any benefit to the local community. Other concerns included neighbours retaining rural mountain views, drainage, security and lighting, and traffic. They questioned why stage 2 couldn't be developed first.
 - **Templeton RSA** – supported the plan overall, noting their agreement with the layout. They questioned whether parking would be an issue and if there are RSA plots (the latter was confirmed during consultation with them).
 - **Kirant Society of New Zealand Incorporated** – supported the plan, particularly the specific area for the Kirant ethnic group.
 - **Dharma Yodha New Zealand Incorporated** – submitted representing multiple Hindu community groups. They felt that the current area allocated to the Hindu community was insufficient to account for population growth. They requested a meeting/prayer hall with

various rooms including a kitchen and bathroom, and an outdoor area exclusively for the Hindu community with trees and shaded seating. They expressed concern around the practicalities of a shared ceremonial space, with their ceremonies time-bound between the 10th and 13th days.

- **Disabled Persons Assembly (DPA) New Zealand** – supported the plan, particularly the shared ceremonial space and the adequate number of accessible toilets. They requested accessible seating and footpaths, and that the children’s remembrance area be made wheelchair accessible.

- 1.8 Overall, 38% of submitters supported the plans, 22% somewhat supported, 30% did not support, with the remaining 13% (6) not knowing. All of those who did not support the plans were Templeton residents and businesses. 83% of submitters from outside of Templeton supported the plans.

Overall support for the Whakatā Cemetery plans (n=51)



Residents and organisations outside of Templeton (n=12)



Templeton residents and organisations (n=39)



■ No ■ Somewhat ■ Yes

- 1.9 What submitters liked about the plan was:

- That it provides a park-like asset/the landscaping (15)
- That it responds to diverse needs (10)
- The layout (6)
- That it seems peaceful (6)

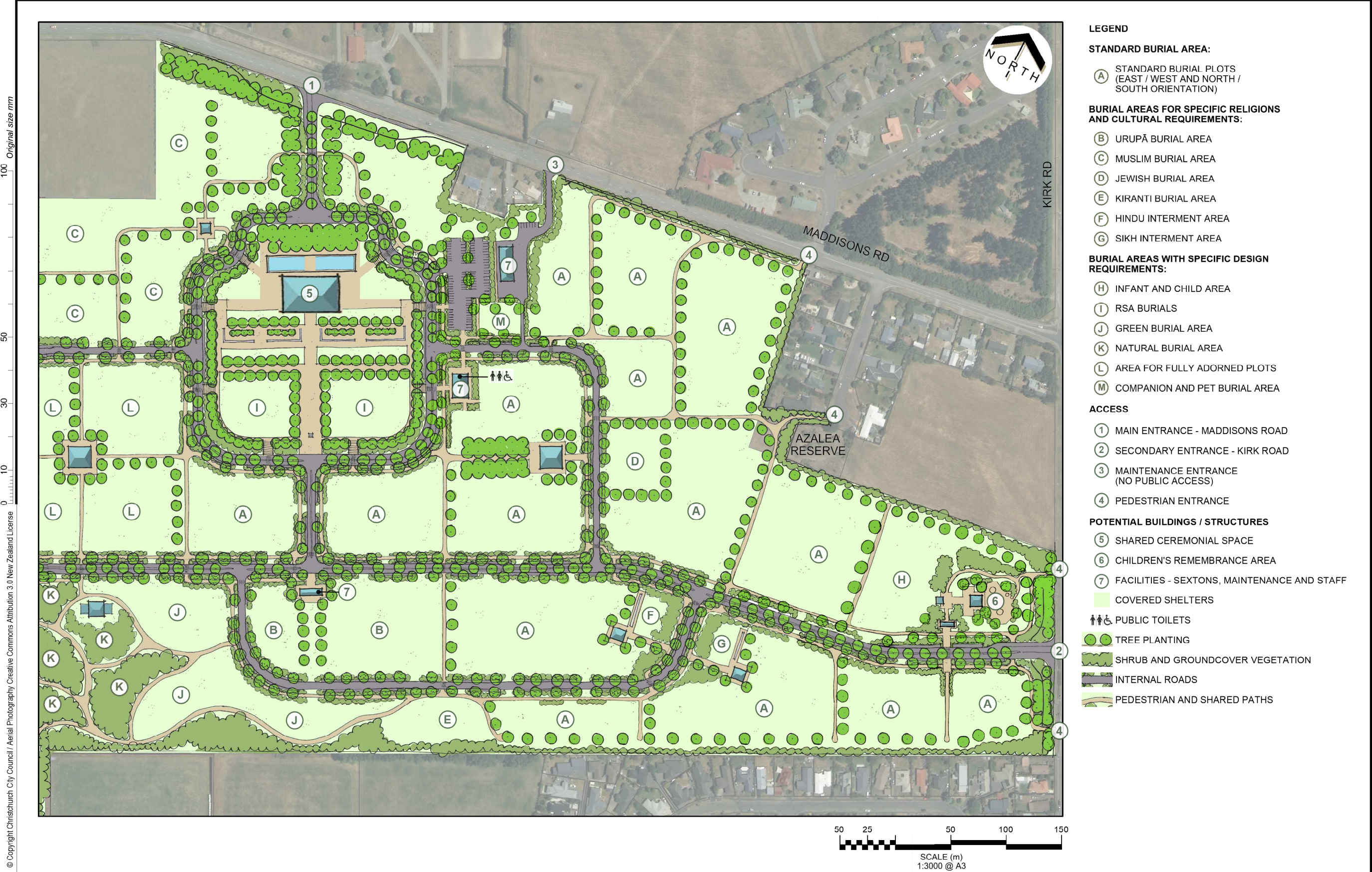
- 1.10 What submitters didn’t like was:

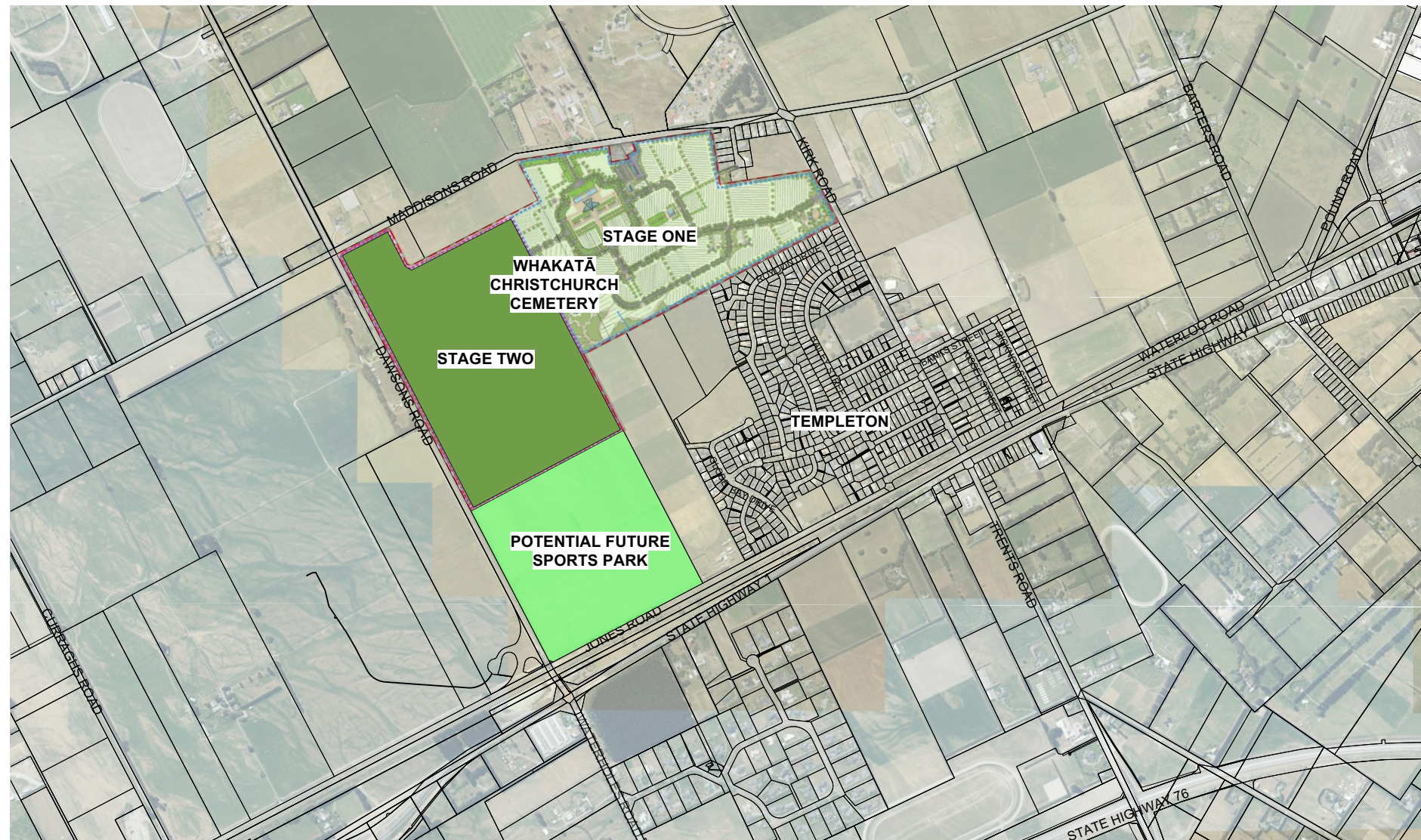
- Increased traffic resulting from the development, with impacts particularly on Kirk Road which some locals described as already dangerous (11)
- Fears of the cemetery devaluing local properties including through proximity to a cemetery and loss of view (8)
- Safety concerns surrounding the cemetery i.e. anti-social behaviour (7)
- The infant burial area being inappropriate due to its close proximity to young families and/or the school (7)
- The pathway being too close to residential property on Roydon Drive (5)

- 1.11 Submitters requested:

- For phase two to be developed first (8)
- For existing traffic issues (particularly on Kirk Road) to be addressed prior to adding more traffic to the area (6)







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3. City Planning - Update on plan change programme and other priority projects

Reference Te Tohutoro: 25/2346488

Presenter(s) Te Kaipāhō: Sarah Oliver, City Planning Team Leader and Darren Bridgett, City Planning Team Leader

1. Detail Te Whakamahuki

Timing	This information session is expected to last 30 minutes (includes question time).
Purpose / Origin of the Information Session	The purpose of this session is to provide an update on the Plan Change programme with a specific focus on what plan changes are most relevant to the Halswell, Hornby and Riccarton wards. This will include an update on the Council led plan changes for which approval is sought from the Minister as exemptions to the “plan stop” direction. It will also cover the Private Plan Change rezoning requests (and Fast Track applications) within the Community Board’s area.
Background	This information session follows on from other information sessions provided to the previous Council (links to those presentations can be provided upon request).
Key Issues	• Implications of land use changes sought through Council-led and Private Plan Changes.
Next Steps	• Not applicable
Useful Links	• Information on specific plan changes are available here Christchurch District Plan : Christchurch City Council.

Attachments Ngā Tāpirihanga

There are no attachments to this coversheet.

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4. Hornby Local Area Plan and associated transport programmes

Reference Te Tohutoro: 25/2352360

Sarah Oliver, City Planning Team Leader; Jane Cameron, Strategic

Presenter(s) Te Kaipāhō: Transport Team Leader; Salina Li, NZTA Principal Planning Advisor, System Planning

1. Detail Te Whakamahuki

Timing	This information session is expected to last for 40 minutes (includes 10 mins questions).
Purpose / Origin of the Information Session	The purpose of this information session is to update the Community Board on progress in developing the Hornby Local Area Plan (LAP) and interrelated major transport projects and programmes. The first part of the session will cover the first phase of the Hornby LAP project and approach to engagement, including the input, support and direction sought from the Community Board. The second part of the session will focus on three transport programmes: Mass Rapid Transit Route Protection, Public Transport Futures, and NZTA's SH1 Hornby Access and Development Strategic Transport Plan.
Background	The Community Board have been briefed on the Ōtautahi Christchurch Planning Programme (endorsed by Council in November 2024) and the Greater Christchurch Spatial Plan. Both these documents identify Hornby as a priority area of focus for Council's future planning and investment. The proposed 'turn up and go' rapid transit service will run along a city spine from Hornby to Belfast, via the central city. The MRT project builds on the goal of increasing patronage from the Public Transport Futures programme. NZ Transport Agency is developing a programme of improvements to the state highway network through Hornby and the airport surrounds to manage growth and increased freight movements.
Key Issues	• Achieving a well-functioning urban environment. • Supporting investment. • Managing growth impacts and demands. • Improving the quality of urban environments, specifically neighbourhoods facing the greatest change in terms of density.
Next Steps	• Endorsement of the approach to engagement for the Hornby LAP
Useful Links	• WEB-INF7906-Otautahi-Christchurch-Future-Transport-Plan-2024-54.pdf • Ōtautahi Christchurch Planning Programme : Christchurch City Council • Greater Christchurch Spatial Plan : Greater Christchurch.

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