

CENTRAL CITY PLAN (DRAFT CENTRAL CITY RECOVERY PLAN FOR MINISTERIAL APPROVAL, DECEMBER 2011)

WHERE DID THE PROJECT HAPPEN?

Christchurch.

WHAT ORGANISATION CREATED THE PROJECT?

Christchurch City Council.

WHO WERE THE MAIN PEOPLE WHO WORKED ON THE PROJECT?

Multi-disciplinary team including Christchurch City Council elected members and staff, and local and international consultants.

WHAT OTHER ORGANISATIONS WERE INVOLVED?

Developed by Christchurch City Council in collaboration with the community, key stakeholders and partners Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority (CERA), Environment Canterbury (ECan), and Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu.

WHICH PROFESSIONS/DISCIPLINES WORKED ON THE PROJECT?

Multidisciplinary team including urban designers, planners, landscape architects, architects, business and property advisors, sustainability advisors.

HOW MANY PEOPLE WERE INVOLVED IN CREATING THE PROJECT?

Many thousands through the ideas and feedback provided by the public and key stakeholders.

PUBLIC START DATE OR MONTH:

Final draft document December 2011. Draft plan for consultation August 2011.

HOW LONG DID IT TAKE TO ORGANISE?

9 months, plan developed and consultation undertaken between April and December 2011.

HOW LONG DID IT LAST FOR?

The plan was provided to the Minister for Earthquake Recovery for consideration and approval 21 December 2011. This informed the development of the Christchurch Central Recovery Plan which was released at the end of July 2012.

DID THE PROJECT REQUIRE CONSENTS OR PLANNING PERMISSION OR OTHER?

The Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Act (CER Act) required the Christchurch City Council to develop a draft Recovery Plan (Central City Plan) for the Central Business District (CBD) which was presented to the Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery within nine months of the legislation being enacted.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

A recovery plan for the rebuilding of Christchurch's central city after the devastating earthquakes of 2010 and 2011, inspired by over 106,000 ideas from the public through Share an Idea, key stakeholder feedback, and a 48 hour design challenge.

Share an Idea was a public engagement campaign launched within ten weeks of the February 2011 earthquake to maximise the community involvement in the redevelopment of the central city. The campaign was the overall winner of the 2011 Co-creation Award, issued by the Netherlands-based Co-Creation Association to recognise and celebrate the most original and successful co-creation initiatives. 2011 is the first time the award has gone to an initiative outside Europe.

The Central City Plan was also awarded the New Zealand Award for Project of the Year in 2012 by the International Association for Public Participation (IAP2) Australasia.

