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[https://christchurch.infocouncil.biz/Open/2020/06/LCBSC\\_20200611\\_MAT\\_4850\\_WEB.htm](https://christchurch.infocouncil.biz/Open/2020/06/LCBSC_20200611_MAT_4850_WEB.htm)

"The Board have identified:

- Community Wellbeing is Supported and Improved
- Progress Suburban Centres Masterplans Projects

5.2. Development Contributions Policy – Post 2010/11 Canterbury Earthquakes the community within the Linwood-Central-Heathcote Community Board area has witnessed a large amount of high housing intensification which has led to the decrease to the established communities' amenities.

Board request: The Board requests that the Council's Development Contributions Policy be reviewed to allow contributions that are collected from new residential developments to be tagged and used to improve amenities within the area that these developments are constructed."

**2. Submission to CCC Updated Draft Annual Plan 2020/2021 by Joanna Gould**

<https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/ccc-draft-annual-plan-2020-2021-feedback/>

<https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/CCCDraftAnnualPlan2020JoannaGould.pdf>

Includes: my research/ideas/suggestions for the Christchurch City Council, especially at this time while in COVID-19 lockdown, to help support individual/social well-being & civic infrastructure in Christchurch moving forward.

Page 3-5 of the .pdf highlights parts of the Canterbury Wellbeing Index & how I see the Government/Council/NGOs could share resources & use civic infrastructure to address well-being & social issues in our communities.

Page 6 of the .pdf highlights the different well-being models, our 1st place (home)/2nd place (work)/3rd place (social), opportunities in our social places for connections & networks, opportunities for the Government/Council/NGOs to work together in our civic facilities to provide community education for all.

I see the following gaps in the Christchurch Community Facilities Network Plan: Page 9-12 of the .pdf, that could provide opportunities for community education to all Christchurch residents: Shirley Centre, Sutton's Place, Māori Heritage Park, River Bank Centre. These centres are based on the link between creativity and well-being, and could address: occupational health, social health, mental health, emotional health, & environmental health, in collaboration with the Govt Ministry's (Health, Education, Social Development, Tourism etc.)/Christchurch City Council/NGOs.

Just as we have seen the exponential growth of one person infected with the COVID-19 virus, I can see the positive ripple affect one person can have in their home/work/social places if the Government/Council/NGOs work together to provide community education in our civic facilities throughout NZ.

Includes: Canterbury Wellbeing Index, Canterbury Wellbeing Survey, Papanui-Innes Draft Community Board Plan "Have Your Say" Consultation (February - March 2020) Feedback, Christchurch City Council Community Facilities Network Plan: Plan Feedback, 10 Shirley Road, Mapping Tool/Online Booking System, Shirley Community, Papanui-Innes Community Board Plan 2017-2019, CCC Draft Annual Plan 2020-2021 Suggestions.



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### 3. Submission to Papanui-Innes Draft Community Board Plan "Have Your Say" 2020 by Joanna Gould

<https://www.ccc.govt.nz/the-council/consultations-and-submissions/haveyoursay/show/293>

"Improve community facilities in the Papanui-Innes Wards:

- Engage with the community over future developments of 10 Shirley Road

Vulnerable Communities are supported:

- Advocate for targeted funding to support youth, elderly, and social isolation issues
- Advocate for the Long Term Plan to include increased services and funding for social isolation issues
- Build strong relationships and well-connected networks with external agencies

Encourage civic participation in local decision making:

- Increase community engagement opportunities (which can include public meetings and targeted opportunities with organisation leaders)
- Encourage community networks
- Increase volunteerism within the community."

In my opinion, the top priority for the Papanui-Innes Community Board should be the planning/building of a new Shirley Centre on 10 Shirley Road. New Inclusive Civic Centre with: Shirley Library | Learning Spaces | Service Centre. Supporting our communities: Identity | Well-being | Learning.

Since 1915 this location has been important part of our identity, first as the original Shirley Primary School, then as the Shirley Community Centre, until the building was demolished in 2012 due to earthquake damage.

- citizen hub for: community education & learning, 'DIY How To' civic engagement & education sessions, civil defence education, citizenship education.
- connecting NGOs with residents through 'Hello my name is...' intro sessions based in the learning spaces, 'you are here', 'go where the people are'.
- community directory to inform & direct residents out from the hub, connecting residents into activities/groups/ other community centres.
- park setting location, with significant trees, Dudley Creek and playground/half basketball court, with off street & on street parking.
- centrally located between our four remaining schools: Mairehau High School, Shirley Primary School, Shirley Intermediate & new Banks Avenue School.
- bus stops for the Orange Line/Orbiter/100 routes, are located outside 10 Shirley Road, and across the road, by Shirley Primary School.

The current Shirley Library is situated inside the Coastal-Burwood ward, although it is seen as a Shirley/Richmond facility. Currently the Innes ward has no 'suburban' library. Approx 25,000 people live in the Innes ward, with our population increasing due to in fill housing & social housing developments.

'Our Space 2018-2048: Greater Christchurch Settlement Pattern Update' identifies Shirley as a 'Key Activity Centre' for 'new residential/commercial opportunities, meeting the demands arising from the growing population'.

'Resilient Greater Christchurch Plan' identifies Shirley as 'Under performing Commercial Centre, Mall dominated centres with higher levels of vacancy, crime, reducing retail turnover'.

Unfortunately due to the location of the library in the car park of The Palms mall, the library continues to attract anti-social behaviour, requiring a security guard to be present.

The Shirley Library & Service Centre is soon to be refurbished to include NZ Post services, in an already congested building with Shirley Library, Service Centre & Coastal-Burwood Governance unit.

This library is smaller than most 'suburban' libraries in Christchurch & yet is consistently one of the top providers of events/activities, even with no dedicated learning spaces.

We need a new community facility to serve the wider communities of Shirley, Richmond, Mairehau, Edgeware and St Albans east of Cranford Street, <https://www.10shirleyroad.org.nz/where-is-our-community-centre-petition/>.

Citizen hubs become landmarks in a community. They are a safe place to go to. Their familiarity brings comfort in stressful times. They are the only third place that offers education & entertainment in the one place, & transforms to fulfil the communities needs during a local emergency.

<https://www.10shirleyroad.org.nz/this-is-what-a-librarian-looks-like/>

### 4. Submission to CCC Draft Strategy for Arts and Creativity 2019–2024 by Joanna Gould

<https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/toi-otautahi-christchurch-arts-strategy/>

<https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/CCCDraftArtsStrategyJune2019JoannaGould.pdf>

"International research now shows the importance and impact creativity has on a individual and their well-being, with engagement in arts/crafts being increasingly seen as an effective way to help manage the stresses and strains of this modern digital world. Studies show that for those with mental health issues, from anxiety and depression to neuro-degenerative diseases like dementia, art therapy can profoundly improve lives."

Includes: Our People (Identity, Well-being, Learning, Business, Community, Economy) "Tangata ako ana i te kāenga, te tūrangā ki te marae, tau ana. A person nurtured in the community contributes strongly to society." Our Places (Creative Books, Learning Spaces, Street Art, Sutton's Place, Māori Heritage Park, River Bank Centre) "He muka harakeke, he whītau tangata. The harakeke is woven with the human strand – binding people and places together."



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## 5. Submission to CCC Draft Annual Plan for 2019/2020 by Joanna Gould

<https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/ccc-draft-annual-plan-2019/>

<https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/CCCDraftAnnualPlanMar2019JoannaGould.pdf>

Includes: Q. Is the 10 Shirley Road site the best place for a community centre?, Q. Why do we need another community centre?, Q. Why are you suggesting we move the Shirley Library to the 10 Shirley Road site?, Q. Why do we need Learning Spaces in a library?, Q. Why not just leave the 10 Shirley Road site as a park?, Q. What is one word to describe your idea, that represents your "why" this centre is needed?

Includes: Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy, Citizen Hub Strategy, Multicultural Strategy, Strengthening Communities Strategy, Community Wellbeing Research Review, Social Wellbeing Policy, Christchurch City Health & Wellbeing Profile.

## 6. Waikura/Linwood-Central-Heathcote Community Board: Plan 2020-22

<https://christchurch.infocouncil.biz/Open/2020/06/>

[LCHB\\_20200629\\_AGN\\_4662\\_AT.htm#PDF3\\_Attachment\\_27689\\_1](https://christchurch.infocouncil.biz/Open/2020/06/LCHB_20200629_AGN_4662_AT.htm#PDF3_Attachment_27689_1)

"Community wellbeing is supported and improved

Why this matters:

- Well-connected neighbourhoods and communities improve wellbeing.
- Bumping places, both formal and informal, increase wellbeing.

What the board will do:

- Listen and respond to local concerns about community wellbeing.
- Directly sponsor collaborative local projects that improve the wellbeing of specific locations or groups in the board area.
- Support funding applications that maximise outcomes and reduce duplication.
- Provide strengthening communities funding to local groups whose work achieves wellbeing outcomes.
- Support capacity building within communities wishing to grow community wellbeing."

## 7. Waikura/Linwood-Central-Heathcote Community Board Meeting, 14 November 2018

[https://christchurch.infocouncil.biz/Open/2018/11/LCHB\\_20181114\\_AGN\\_2606\\_AT\\_WEB.htm](https://christchurch.infocouncil.biz/Open/2018/11/LCHB_20181114_AGN_2606_AT_WEB.htm)

"15. Waikura/Linwood-Central-Heathcote Community Board Area Report - November 2018

5. Significant Community Issues, Events and Projects in the Board Area

### 5.1 Richmond Residents and Business Association

The Richmond Residents and Business Association (RR & BA) was established in May 2018 to give voice to the concerns of the residents of Richmond. The association's area is defined as the area bound by Fitzgerald Ave, Whitmore Street, Hills Road, Shirley Road, North Parade, Banks Ave and River Road. The area is half in the precinct of the Papanui-Innes Community Board and half in the precinct of the Linwood-Central-Heathcote Community Board with North Avon Road as the boundary. The setting up of the association, its initial concerns and progress were reported to the Board in June 2018.

### 5.2 Richmond Village Revitalisation

The revitalisation of the Richmond Village area is seen by the association as a significant project that is likely to take a number of years to complete. The Richmond Village area is defined as Stanmore Road from Avonside Drive to North Avon Road and a block or so either side. The Council has produced a Richmond Commercial Centre Fact Sheet (<https://www.ccc.govt.nz/assets/Documents/Culture-Community/Stats-and-facts-on-Christchurch/Community-Ward-Profiles/Commercial-Centre-Factsheets/Richmond.pdf>) as part of its Commercial Centre Fact Sheet series. The fact sheet notes that the centre is lineal in nature, lacks identity and focus, has a limited range of retail offerings and has a fragmented pattern of ownership. The rebuilding of Richmond Club, roughly in the middle of the centre, is likely re-establish some focus to the area while the village green is a widely appreciated and widely used green space. The association sees the proximity of the Richmond Village to the Avon Ōtākaro River corridor as a huge source of potential development that it would like to see better utilised.

### 5.3 Enliven Places Programme

The council's enliven places programme aims to create interesting, fun and welcoming communities for both residents and visitors by assisting communities to identify issues and generate solutions in identified urban regeneration priority areas. Suburban Centre project. Funding is available to activate vacant spaces in identified suburban centres, including Richmond Village. Initial discussions have been held between Council staff and the association to identify possible sites and activities or projects. The association will also survey members to get their ideas for potential sites and activities. Initial activities have focused on placing some planter boxes in strategic positions in the village and placing a community notice board in the village green opposite the supermarket. The planter boxes will be supplied by the council and maintained by the community.

### 5.4 Richmond Community Needs Analysis Survey

A contract has been let to independent social researcher, Sarah Wylie, to undertake a Community Needs Analysis for Richmond."

"The Papanui-Innes Community Board and Governance Team see Richmond as a priority area, researcher Sarah Wylie will look at the strengths, needs and gaps of the area."

(Email from Papanui-Innes Community Board, October 2018)



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## 8. Richmond Community Needs Analysis Survey

<https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Richmond-Community-Needs-Analysis-Report.pdf>  
"Community Needs Analysis for Richmond: Interim Report, December 2018, Prepared for Christine Lane, Community Governance Manager, Papanui-Innes Governance Team, Christchurch City Council, By Sarah Wylie, Independent Social Researcher."

<https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/richmond-community-needs-analysis/>

<https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/RichmondResearchJoannaGould.pdf>

When we know who we are (identity), what we need to be healthy (well-being), and the importance of a growth mindset (learning), this causes a positive ripple effect in our businesses, community and economy.

Includes: Observations & Opportunities: Shirley Library, 10 Shirley Road, Dudley Creek, Richmond Village, Kai Town, Street Art, Sutton's Place, Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor, Avon-Ōtākaro Cycle Route, Richmond Community Garden, Avebury House, River Road Park, River Bank Centre, Māori Heritage Centre.

## 9. CCC Community Facilities Network Plan

[https://christchurch.infocouncil.biz/Open/2019/07/SOC\\_20190731\\_AGN\\_3438\\_AT.PDF](https://christchurch.infocouncil.biz/Open/2019/07/SOC_20190731_AGN_3438_AT.PDF)

Social, Community Development and Housing Committee, 31 July 2019, Item 10. Community Facilities Network Plan. Includes: Community Facilities Network Plan CCC Staff Report Page 31-37, CFNP Map All Facilities Page 38, CFNP Map Community Facilities with Buffers Page 39, Community Facilities Network Plan Draft Report by Global Leisure Group Ltd (Peter Burley, Anna Coleman and David Allan) Page 40-73.

Figure 9. Community Facilities | Linwood-Central-Heathcote | July 2019, Page 65

Avebury House is not included in any of the maps in the Global Leisure Group Ltd report nor in the "Linwood-Central-Heathcote Community Board Area & Number of Facilities" or the "Papanui-Innes Community Board Area & Number of Facilities" tables.

<https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/community-facilities-network-plan/>

<https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/ChchCommCentreNetworkPlanJoannaGould.pdf>

Includes: Shirley Community Centre, Identity/Well-being/Learning, Hauora, Ways to Wellbeing, Shirley Library, Libraries 2025 Facilities Plan, Shirley Village Project.

## 10. CCC Richmond Neighbourhood Improvement Area Report 1987

<https://www.aveburyhouse.co.nz/richmond-history-group/1987-ccc-report-richmond-neighbourhood-improvement-area>

"This report was prepared by the Christchurch City Council and published in 1987. The document consists of nine sections and includes descriptions of the Richmond area as it was in the late 1980s, as well as suggestions for improving the appearance, function and traffic flows in and around the area. So, it is an interesting snapshot of Richmond as it was thirty years ago as well as an insight into the thinking at the time, of people seeking to improve the area."

"Richmond Playground has a very important central location. It justifies development as the focal open space for Richmond. It could be re-named to reflect this focal role in the community, eg Richmond Village Green."

"Proposed developments include additional shrub borders on the northern and western sides, children's play equipment and a seating area at the south eastern entry to the park. A community notice board would be incorporated in the seating area." (Richmond 'Village Green' Landscape Design Plan, Page 22 of .pdf)

## 11. Richmond Village Green History

<https://www.aveburyhouse.co.nz/richmond-history-group/a-snapshot-of-bingsland-1879>

<https://christchurchcitylibraries.com/Heritage/Maps/120813.asp>, Plan of Christchurch and suburbs 1879

"In 1879, George Alfred Buck published a Christchurch and Suburban Directory. The 379-page directory offers a snapshot of Christchurch only 29 years after its founding. At this time there was no suburb of Richmond; this area was known as Bingsland, after Morice Bing (1830–1877) who had owned land in the area. By 1879, Bingsland was becoming more closely settled; the area's growing population meant Bingsland was included in the directory as one of Christchurch's suburbs, outside the city area bounded by the four town belts (now the four avenues). In 1868, a Methodist Church had been established on Stanmore Road, on land donated by Mr Bing.

The Bingsland School had opened on its Stanmore Road site [Richmond Village Green] in 1875. These developments reflected an increasing local population and were beginning to set the area apart from much of the rest of the largely rural surrounding area." (Richmond History Group, David Hollander)

<https://www.aveburyhouse.co.nz/richmond-history-group/george-walshs-book-about-richmond>

<https://www.aveburyhouse.co.nz/richmond-history-group/richmond-primary-school-50th-jubilee-booklet-1925>

## 12. Richmond Neighbourhood Cottage

[https://www.aveburyhouse.co.nz/uploads/4/7/2/0/47203855/rcn-024-april\\_2005.pdf](https://www.aveburyhouse.co.nz/uploads/4/7/2/0/47203855/rcn-024-april_2005.pdf)

"Richmond Caretakers Cottage. In 1873 the Bingsland School was built on land that is now known as the 'Village Green'. Behind the school headmasters house - built in 1876, was the caretakers cottage, located on the corner of London and Cumberland (now Pavitt) Street. The headmasters house was demolished in 1912, but the caretakers' house still remains today. After the school was moved to a different site, the old grounds became public recreation ground with the swimming baths still on this site on the southwest corner. In 1978 renovations to save the historic cottage began and in 1982 it was officially opened as the Richmond Neighbourhood Cottage."

(Richmond Community News, Jennifer Pope)



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<https://www.ccc.govt.nz/culture-and-community/venues-for-hire/richmond-neighbourhood-cottage>  
 “The cottage is situated next to Richmond Village Green. Address: Corner London & Pavitt Streets, Richmond.  
 Cost: \$12.30 per hour community group, \$21.00 per hour self-employed tutor, \$31.50 per hour private social functions, \$63.00 per hour commercial events, seminars and corporate events, \$30.50 per hour community events and fundraisers, \$66.50 security charge to ensure that the facility has been left fit for purpose, \$500.00 bond required for social bookings, \$150 cleaning charge retained from the bond if the venue is not left fit for purpose.  
 Capacity: 30 standing, 25 seated  
 Hours of hire: Richmond Neighbourhood Cottage is available for hire Monday to Sunday, 9am to 9pm.  
 Disabled access: This centre has disabled access and an accessible toilet.  
 Parking: There are 10 car parks in front of the facility and four car parks to the rear of the property.”

### 13. Richmond Commercial Centre Factsheet 2017

<https://www.ccc.govt.nz/assets/Documents/Culture-Community/Stats-and-facts-on-Christchurch/Community-Ward-Profiles/Commercial-Centre-Factsheets/Richmond.pdf>

“Overall the centre currently lacks identity/focus”  
 “The environment of the centre is dominated by Stanmore Road and off street parking areas, although the village green and maturing landscaping around the supermarket offer attractive streetscape elements.”  
 “Stanmore Road has a higher road safety risk score which may influence perceptions of cyclists.”  
 “Strengths: Supermarket and Village Green are good anchor presences. Accessible to its immediate catchment and the Central City.”  
 “Opportunities: Richmond Club redevelopment. Nearby Avon/Ōtakāro corridor regeneration.”  
 “Weaknesses: Lack of identity and limited range of retail offer.”  
 “Economic Wellbeing: 76% Food Retail, 24% Non Food Retail.”  
 “Social Amenity: Sit Down/Eating/Drinking, Community Run Facilities.”  
 “Catchment Deprivation Profile: 8-10 Most Deprived Households.”  
 “Network Safety: Safety (accident data) High Risk Corridor = Stanmore Road.”  
 “Transport Overview: Pedestrian/Cycling/Public Transport, higher than average across Neighbourhood Centres.”

### 14. Richmond Business Directory

<https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/richmond-business-directory/>  
 During Covid-19 lockdown, I created a Richmond Business Directory, to promote the local businesses in Richmond. Features: Google My Maps (legend with categories, each business icon is clickable & provides business info, zoom in/out street view) & Richmond Business Directory Listing (filtered by category, sorted alphabetically, same info included in the Google My Maps: Name, Address, Phone No, Google (listing/directions), Facebook & Website) I also create “Spotlight on Richmond” posts on the Facebook Rise Up Richmond Community Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2070060349907745/>, to highlight a different local business & regularly share Richmond business Facebook posts to the group.

### 15. Bishopdale Village Mall Revitalisation

<https://newsline.ccc.govt.nz/news/story/nature-of-mural-puts-bishopdale-in-selfie-spotlight>  
 “A selfie-friendly mural with an “interactive” kea aims to draw people to the new-look Bishopdale Village Green. Created by local street artist Jake Clark, Mr Clark believes that areas like The Village Green are essential to the regeneration of Christchurch and the local community. The new work – on a local business wall – contributes to a regeneration programme for the central area, including the development of the former library and community centre site. Supported by the Waimāero/Fendalton-Waimairi-Harewood Community Board and local business and community groups including the Bishopdale Community Trust and Enliven Bishopdale Group, several improvements are under way, including the Village Green. The open space will include seating, picnic tables, cherry trees and a drinking fountain. Waimāero/Fendalton-Waimairi-Harewood Community Board Chairperson David Cartwright says the mural and panels – along with other improvements – bring a vibrant scene to life in the heart of Bishopdale.”

<https://www.alliedconcrete.co.nz/about/sustainability/our-community/>  
 “Bishopdale Village Mall: A group of locals joined forces to form the Bishopdale Beautification Project group. Lindsay Dell, of the Enliven Bishopdale Group, is one of the members of the BBP, and he hoped the way the community has been involved could be a good model for other groups in the city. The project is led by the city council, but run by the community, with multiple organisations being involved and local businesses offering resources for the project. A path, water fountain and planting on the new village green are complete. The path is orange and yellow – the colours of Bishopdale Village Mall, it curves through the village green and is lined by flowering cherry trees. Mr Greenwood said workers from Allied Concrete played a big role in the path, the two members that poured the concrete, Dave Barker and Mike Smith gave their time freely and spent an extra two hours applying a non-slip coating to the path.”

[https://christchurch.infocouncil.biz/Open/2019/07/FWHB\\_20190729\\_AGN\\_3499\\_AT.htm](https://christchurch.infocouncil.biz/Open/2019/07/FWHB_20190729_AGN_3499_AT.htm)  
 “10. Waimāero/Fendalton-Waimairi-Harewood Community Board Area Report - August 2019

5.2 Other partnerships with the community and organisations

5.2.1 Bishopdale Village Mall Beautification Project - Update

The core project group (Chris Coles – Bishopdale Community Trust, Bill Greenwood and Lindsay Dell – Enliven Bishopdale Group, Clare Whatmough - Bishopdale Centre Association and the Fendalton-Waimairi-Harewood, City Council Community Development Advisor) are progressing the Bishopdale Beautification projects.



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The mural project for the wall that faces onto the grassed area (formerly the site of the Bishopdale Library at the Bishopdale Village Mall) known as the "village green" is progressing nicely. In consultation with the School of Business, who own the wall, the project group are in the process of developing a draft artist brief for a central piece of art on the wall. Schools are also part of the project and it is envisaged that their art panels will go around this central art piece. Five schools have shown an interest in participating in the project to date, Isleworth, Breen's, Emmanuel, Casebrook, and Papanui High. They will look at completing their panels as part of term three or four projects.

The Christchurch City Council's Graffiti Projects Co-ordinator is working with the project group taking it on as one of their first projects for the new financial year, providing support and resources for the project.

Resene have also pitched in and will provide some paint for this community project as well. The broad theme for the mural is 'Windows over Bishopdale'."

[https://christchurch.infocouncil.biz/Open/2019/08/FWHB\\_20190826\\_AGN\\_3297\\_AT\\_WEB.htm](https://christchurch.infocouncil.biz/Open/2019/08/FWHB_20190826_AGN_3297_AT_WEB.htm)

"8. Bishopdale Village Mall Revitalisation Programme Update, Joshua Neville, Planner – Urban Regeneration

4.1 Over the past few years there has been increasing community concern about the ongoing viability of Bishopdale Village Mall, and its capacity to fulfil its role as a Neighbourhood Centre. This latest interest follows a range of previous investigations and calls for action.

4.4 Any financial commitment to capital spending by the Council would need to follow the usual Annual Plan and Long Term Plan processes, as well as aligning with the Council's key strategic policies and priorities. To date no requests for financial commitment have been supported through the Annual Plan process.

4.6 Investigations by the Council and DCL staff since 2017 have concluded that, without intervention, Bishopdale Village Mall will likely continue to decline with a range of complex and largely negative implications for multiple stakeholders. These stakeholders include the Council, which is both an asset owner and an agency with responsibilities and functions under the Local Government Act.

4.7 Community Governance staff have also been working with local community groups and members on temporary activation and beautification projects."

[https://christchurch.infocouncil.biz/Open/2019/08/ISDC\\_20190826\\_AGN\\_3421\\_AT.htm#PDF3\\_Attachment\\_24545\\_1](https://christchurch.infocouncil.biz/Open/2019/08/ISDC_20190826_AGN_3421_AT.htm#PDF3_Attachment_24545_1)

Innovation and Sustainable Development Committee Meeting, 26 August 2019

Staff Reports: 7. Bishopdale Village Mall Revitalisation Programme Update

Council Ownership, Responsibility, and Maintenance: 1.6 The Council also has a peppercorn lease on a toilet block in the mall. Includes: Bishopdale Commercial Centre Fact Sheet 2017

## 16. Richmond Village Revitalisation Ideas

Nearly two years ago I wrote this blog post <https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/planning-a-bright-future-for-richmond/>.  
<https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/research/>

### 16.1 Richmond Village Revitalisation Ideas | Richmond Village

<https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/richmond-village/>

This area does need a makeover to help tell the Richmond Village story. We have an identity, we have a rich Māori heritage and early settlers/archaeological/architectural history, but we haven't been sharing this story with the Christchurch locals and our international visitors.

- Richmond Village website, with a page for each: business address on Stanmore Road, community facilities & groups.

We need a "Richmond Village Master Plan" similar to the "Edgeware Village Master Plan".

<https://www.ccc.govt.nz/assets/Documents/The-Council/Plans-Strategies-Policies-Bylaws/Plans/suburban-plans/EdgewareVillageFinalMasterPlan.pdf>

Action 1a: Develop a pedestrian priority environment

Action 1b: Incorporate major cycleway

Action 1c: Reconfigure parking and taxi arrangements

Action 1e: Install amenity planting

Action 1f: Install street furniture, cycle stands and lighting

Action 2a: Access and wayfinding improvements

Action 2b: Install wayfinding signage

Action 12: Support development of an Edgeware Village market

Action 14: Develop transitional activities/beautification projects

Action 15: Improve building signage

The "Richmond Village Master Plan" could also include a 'walkable centre', with lower 40km/h traffic speed, making the area safer for pedestrians and cyclists.

As part of the "Richmond Village Master Plan" we could change the look of Stanmore Road to create a more welcoming environment, with 'wayfinding signage', more street lighting with colourful flags of the different countries in our community, landscaping and outdoor seating/picnic space, and more events like a Richmond Village Market to utilise the Richmond Village Green, and "Rise Up Richmond".

- Cycle Route: connect existing cycle route from River Road, by Eveleyn Couzins Ave, to North Parade, to avoid the Hi Frequency Bus Route & known safety issues on Stanmore Road, connect with <https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/avon-otakaro-cycle-route/>.



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- Parking Sign: on lamp post opposite London Street, to indicate there are car parking spaces beside the Richmond Village Green.

- Lower/remove hedge Stanmore Road frontage on the Richmond Village Green, for better visibility of the green space available (for those driving along Stanmore Road) & the Richmond Neighbourhood Cottage car parks on London Street.

- Remove/relocate steel planter boxes currently down Stanmore Road to the Richmond Village Green. Due to the size, they encroach on the footpath & restrict ability to open car doors when parked beside them. Repaint & replant with a small tree or repurpose into seating?

- Richmond Village Directory/Noticeboard: Corner of Stanmore Road/London Street, by the bus stop. Map of area (highlighting shops/community facilities/groups), with QR Code links to website/s (create new pages on the CCC Community Board <https://ccc.govt.nz/the-council/how-the-council-works/elected-members/community-boards/> & ChristchurchNZ Richmond Suburb <https://www.christchurchnz.com/explore/explore-your-place>), so people can use their smart phone to use Google Maps & our non English speakers can use Google Translate.

- Picnic Tables: located on the outer edge of Richmond Village Green, outdoor dining for people buying takeaways (76% Food Retail, 13. Richmond Commercial Centre Factsheet 2017), bumping spaces, social wellbeing, enjoy nature/green space.

- Toilets? Installed by the playground, use the same services as connected to the Richmond Neighbourhood Cottage?

- Water Fountain?

- Playground: add accessible equipment that caters for younger children & children with different abilities.

- Bike Stand: for local cyclists shopping & cyclists using the Avon-Ōtākaro Cycle Route.

- StoryWalk: <https://letsmovelibraries.org/storywalk/> "Typically, pages from a children's book are installed along a path. As you stroll along the path, you're directed to the next page in the story. Pages frequently are accompanied by activities or information."

- Footpath Obstacle Course: painted gross motor skills movements/exercises on footpath going through the Richmond Village Green, <https://www.facebook.com/kendallyounglibrary/videos/258362138811833/>

- Aromatherapy/Sensory/Butterfly Garden: create a sensory/wellbeing garden by the playground near Pavitt Street. Involve students from Arahina ki Ōtautahi & Seabrook McKenzie Centre/The Jean Seabrook Memorial School. <https://www.kingslea.school.nz/locations/arahina-ki-otautahi-christchurch/>

"Arahina ki Ōtautahi (former Richmond Primary School, 19 Pavitt Street) is located in Richmond, Christchurch. We work with children and young people (age 10 – 16 years) in the care of Oranga Tamariki to increase engagement and participation in education."

<https://www.seabrookmckenzie.net/> & <https://www.seabrookmckenzie.net/the-jean-seabrook-memorial-school/>  
"In February 2005 The Seabrook McKenzie Trust opened a full-time school. This was the culmination of years of planning, sparked by frequent requests for this type of service from parents who had children with severe SLD that were not coping emotionally or educationally in the mainstream. The school is divided into two levels (approximately 6 to 8 years and approximately 9 to 11 years). Each class has a maximum of twelve students. Social Skills Instruction and Occupational Therapy are part of the programme for all children – individually or in small groups as appropriate. Specialist Music and Art Teachers take the classes once a week."

## 16.2 Richmond Village Revitalisation Ideas | Street Art

- <https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/street-art/>

Street Art would make a difference to Richmond's streetscape, if blank shop walls facing the street, told a different part of Richmond's history/heritage.

Street Art would brighten up the area and become interactive photo opportunities for not only the locals, but also our Christchurch visitors to the area and tourists.

Street Art is our modern day "visual postcard". "Wish You Were Here?" photos are posted on social media. Selfies in front of Street Art from around the world, can be found throughout the internet, posted on Facebook, Pinterest and Instagram. Street Art has become our "new" landmarks. We have lost a lot of "iconic" buildings that were our landmarks, in Christchurch since the earthquakes.

Create a Street Art Competition "Watch This Space", a wall/hoarding in Richmond Village Green, prime location opposite New World, and visible from Stanmore Road, with link to Richmond website showing Street Art entries, residents/visitors participation through voting via social media, engagement opportunities for youth/emerging local artists/arts community in Christchurch.

Invite more local artists/NZ/Overseas to participate in events, time-lapse videos saved/upload to Richmond Village website.

## 16.3 Richmond Village Revitalisation Ideas | Kai Town

<https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/kai-town/>

Kai Town creates an identity for this area, to promote the international smorgasboard of takeaways & restaurants, located throughout Stanmore Road in the Richmond Village.

Market untenanted commercial properties on Stanmore Road to potential restaurants/takeaways to become a part of Kai Town?



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Make better use of the Richmond Village Green, opposite New World, redevelop landscaping so this area is “more visible” from the road, and create more outdoor seating/picnic space for Kai Town customers to enjoy their food. Creating the Kai Town brand could help the small business owners, to combine resources to create a website and marketing materials so it is more affordable for each business.

When you have visitors coming from overseas, and you don't know what to feed them...Come to Kai Town, your local international smorgasbord, all within walking distance, through Stanmore Road, Richmond, Christchurch.

#### 16.4 Richmond Village Revitalisation Ideas | Avebury House & Richmond Community Garden

“Avebury House dates from 1885 and is a fine example of a grand Victorian home. Like many of Christchurch's garden parks, Avebury Park was once a private garden surrounding a substantial homestead. The house was leased by the Youth Hostels Association of New Zealand for many years and was known as the Cora Wilding Hostel, but currently operates as Avebury House community centre and is available for hire.”

Where? How do you get to it? Few people know that it exists and where it is in our community.

Rename/Rebrand 'Avebury House & Richmond Community Garden' to 'Richmond House & Gardens', similar destination space as 'Riccarton House & Bush'.

Create an identity based on Richmond location, making it easier to find. A name more befitting the grandness of this historic building, that has had many lives/uses over the years & linking it to the Richmond area as a destination space for locals & visitors to enjoy beside the Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor.

“It has an English style park setting with expansive lawns and large deciduous trees including specimens of lime, elm and oak.” Avebury House is situated at the beginning of the Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor, its position is ideal as an information centre/cafe (similar to Riccarton House), for local “Red Zone Futures” attractions, Heritage Trails, Richmond History Group, Event Hire etc.

Guided tours by appointment? Basic gardening classes? Propagation classes? Monarch Butterfly classes?

Signage, description of plant, uses. QR code links to Richmond Community Garden website, visitors can use Google translate to change English into their language.

Glasshouse to propagate new plants for the garden/for sale.

Create new car park (between 46-64 Vogel Street), easier access off Stanmore Road down Vogel/Forth Street, for visitors to Richmond Community Garden/Avebury House/River Road.

#### 16.5 Richmond Village Revitalisation Ideas | Dudley Creek

<https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/dudley-creek/>

Create “Dudley Creek Trail” follow footpaths along newly landscaped Dudley Creek from 10 Shirley Road to Medway Street, “turning a negative into a positive” experience.

Tell the Flockton Basin story and why/how the flood remediation plan, has saved this community from flooding.

Educational opportunity to share the story through ‘wayfinding’ signage, to teach our local primary/intermediate/secondary school students, the rest of Christchurch and New Zealand and our overseas visitors.

Share the technical behind-the-scenes information and lessons learnt, with the professional visitors to this site, whose jobs are to design/implement flooding remediation projects for their communities.

Create a connection from 10 Shirley Road to Richmond, as you follow along the “Dudley Creek Trail”.

#### 16.6 Richmond Village Revitalisation Ideas | Sutton's Place

<https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/suttons-place/>

Interactive Learning Experience: showcasing Bill Sutton's life, art, creativity & his legacy to Christchurch.

Outdoor natural wood easels for painting, picnic tables and park benches along River Road in front of the river.

Landscape design that creates a “picture” you want to capture, with whatever medium you like to use as an artist.

Outdoor natural wood picture frames, that frame a view, and/or create an opportunity to take a selfie or group photo, to share on social media.

Sutton's Garden for Outdoor Teaching, Art/Sculpture Park, Arts/Crafts Market, Outdoor Arts Related Events, set in a beautiful garden setting over looking the Avon River, for all types of artists to come and be a part of Sutton's legacy.

Car parking and bike stands for those using the Avon-Ōtākaro Cycle Route.

Parking by the tennis courts (less impact on Harvey Terrace residents and also provides parking for visitors to Sutton's Place and the tennis courts). Parking for traffic coming from the north, on the corner of Harvey Tce & Fitzgerald Ave and for traffic coming from the south, on the corner of Draper St & Stanmore Rd. Bus stops are already located here, so tourist buses could use these bus stops also to drop off/pick up visitors. Why? Harvey Tce, Heywood Tce & Draper Street are narrow with on street parking bays. We don't want to direct more traffic through this neighbourhood, than the occupants of previous houses did.

#### 16.7 Richmond Village Revitalisation Ideas | River Road Park

<https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/river-road-park/>

- River Road

Becomes a multi use pathway from Swanns Road Bridge to the new Medway Street Bridge.

Accessible for bikes, scooters, wheelchairs, mobility scooters, strollers etc. No vehicle access.

The new Medway Street Bridge and existing Swanns Road Bridge, create a loop from River Road to Avonside Drive.

- Medway Street Bridge

Install a new wider bridge, from River Road/Medway Street to Avonside Drive.

Accessible for bikes, wheelchairs, strollers, scooters etc. No vehicle access.



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<https://ccc.govt.nz/parks-and-gardens/christchurch-botanic-gardens/visit/tours>

Botanic Garden Caterpillar Tour: Botanic Garden Tours operate a guided audio tour of the Gardens in electric shuttles. Create a "Red Zone" Caterpillar Tour from River Road over the Medway Street Bridge, down Avonside Drive, over the Swanns Road Bridge, back to River Road.

Acknowledge the "Red Zone" street names in the bridge design, streets now gone from either side of the bridge.

#### - Medway Street Bridge Memorial

Install Richmond's section of the original Medway Street Bridge (currently in storage at Ferrymead Heritage Park), as a memorial to the Christchurch Earthquakes.

Could include the names of those who died, and the street names of the residential Red Zone area.

#### - R. B. Owen Lime Trees

"In a ceremony on 1 September 1929, politicians local and national planted 53 lime trees on the north bank between the Swanns Road bridge and Medway Street." <https://www.riseuprichmond.nz/richmond-people/>

It would be nice to replant these 53 lime trees to honor and tell R. B. Owen's story.

#### - Avon-Ōtākaro Cycle Route

Starts in Draper Street, across Stanmore Road, to Swanns Road, where you can turn left on to River Road, or go straight ahead across the Swanns Road Bridge, connecting up with the Retreat Road Parks ('Learn to Ride' Park, Skate/Scooter/BMX Combo Park, Natural Playgrounds and Accessible/Sensory Playground).

#### - Park Benches/Picnic Tables

To honor the families that had a home in the residential Red Zone along River Road, I would like a park bench or picnic table to be installed between the footpath and the road, with a named plaque, to honor what they have lost, and so they can come back to visit and have somewhere to sit and enjoy the Avon River views again.

#### - 'White Picket Fence' Garden

Keep the remaining garden plants along the front of the residential Red Zone along River Road. Plant native trees/plants behind these garden plants, to create a tiered effect.

<https://christchurchcitylibraries.com/Heritage/Publications/RiccartonBush/>

Use a white picket paling, to mark the address of each house, with the house number on the paling, and a QR code, to link to a website/street view map, to remember and show visitors to the area the homes along River Road, from the 1900s to pre Christchurch earthquakes.

<https://apps.canterburymaps.govt.nz/CanterburyHistoricAerialImagery/>

<https://ccc.govt.nz/culture-and-community/community-led-development/enliven-places-programme/councils-city-making-partners/>

Council's placemaking partners: Council proudly works with and supports urban regeneration groups whose projects help make the city more vibrant.

Gap Filler (<https://gapfiller.org.nz/>), The Green Lab (<http://thegreenlab.co.nz/>), Te Pūtahi: Christchurch centre for architecture and city-making (<https://teputahi.org.nz/>) & Life in Vacant Spaces (<https://lives.org.nz/>).

### 17. CCC Business Improvement District Grant Plan

<https://ccc.govt.nz/culture-and-community/community-funding/bid-grant-fund>

"Business Improvement District Grant Fund

Christchurch City Council believes vibrant and thriving business districts are important to having strong and successful communities. Interesting and successful business districts help make Christchurch a great place to live and visit and strengthen the distinctive lifestyle, qualities and identity we share. The Council's Business Improvement District (BID) programme enables businesses to lead local initiatives to improve their business environment."

### 18. CCC Business Improvement District Policy

<https://ccc.govt.nz/the-council/plans-strategies-policies-and-bylaws/policies/business-policies/business-improvement-district-policy>

"Business Improvement District Policy

Business Improvement District programmes enable businesses within a defined area to work with their local community board, the Council and other key organisations to improve the local business environment.

Business Improvement District (BID) programmes enable businesses within a defined geographic area to work with their local community board, the Council and other key stakeholder organisations to improve the local business environment. Working together can create stronger town centres and business districts that are better positioned to take advantage of economic opportunities and are resilient to economic shocks.

Town centres are about people and people's needs, they are places with a history and a community story. They provide convenience, choice, value, comfort, leisure, entertainment and a sense of place. Centres are about place-making, and place-making is about communities having ownership, a sense of belonging and pride.

This policy provides direction on how to establish a BID programme and the Council's expectations of how a BID programme should function. The Council can assist with the establishment of a BID programme and support the implementation of the programme to leverage the contribution local communities make to the economic wellbeing of the district as a whole. The BID programme also provides a mechanism to advocate to the Council for appropriate infrastructure, facilities and services to support business activity and to have a business perspective inform Council policies and initiatives."



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