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ENVIRONMENT CANTERBURY RECEIVES LPC PORT LYTTTELTON PLAN INFORMATION

Lyttelton Port of Christchurch's (LPC) extensive consultation for its Port Lyttelton Plan (PLP) is now over. Environment Canterbury (ECan) will now prepare a preliminary draft Lyttelton Port Recovery Plan, using the information LPC has supplied relating to the Port's post-earthquake redevelopment plans, and consult further with the community.

This follows Environment Canterbury today confirming LPC has provided the necessary information.

In June the Port released the PLP, its 30-year vision for the rebuild and enhancement of the Port to allow it to cater for Canterbury's freight demands now and into the future. The PLP was the starting point for a large series of effects assessments and an extensive communications and engagement process, along with the preparation of proposed changes to regulatory documents. These formed the basis of the information LPC provided to Environment Canterbury.

"We are pleased that Environment Canterbury has confirmed LPC has provided the necessary information," said Peter Davie, LPC Chief Executive. "This is a significant milestone for the recovery of the Port and is the culmination of five months of intensive work by a large team of staff and specialists."

"We now look forward to the development of the preliminary draft Lyttelton Port Recovery Plan by Environment Canterbury. We are committed to continuing engagement with the community, Environment Canterbury and other stakeholders to ensure the best outcome for the Port, our customers and the Canterbury region.

"Our Plan includes enhancing community access to the Lyttelton waterfront, as operations move east onto reclaimed land in Te Awaparahi Bay. Feedback from the community shows the proposed development of Dampier Bay has been well received, with most responses being about this aspect of the Plan.

"The PLP is our vision to ensure LPC will continue to sustainably contribute to the region's economy and support Canterbury's freight requirements now and in the future."

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