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New CEO appointed for Lyttelton Port

The Board of LPC has announced the appointment of Graeme Sumner as the Port's new Chief Executive Officer.



Graeme was most recently an advisor and consultant to multiple companies and boards, and up until June 2022, he was the CEO of Airways New Zealand, the State-owned enterprise (SOE) responsible for the management and control of New Zealand's airspace, as well as having an extensive international business providing products and services to 33 countries worldwide.

Graeme started at LPC on Wednesday 20 September 2023.

LPC Chair Barry Bragg says Graeme is a seasoned Chief Executive with a track record in turning around and growing companies across a number of industries, and the board is delighted to announce his appointment to LPC.

"Graeme brings strong operational leadership capability, having led over 4,000 employees and contractors at Service

Stream and nearly 3,500 at Transfield. He understands critical infrastructure businesses with significant capital programmes," says Barry.

"Graeme led Service Stream to become the largest installer of smart metering systems across Australia's electricity sector and navigated the construction of two new air traffic control centres in Auckland and Christchurch with Airways New Zealand."

"Graeme has also worked in a public sector environment and is committed to building on the long-term social and economic value of LPC."

Graeme says he's looking forward to leading LPC and becoming a part of the Port family.

"LPC is a Port with a long and proud history, and I recognise the important part it plays in both the economic and social and

fabric of the Canterbury region," says Graeme.

"I'm excited to be involved in an organisation that is so critical to the success of the South Island and wider New Zealand. I'm also pleased I'm able to get my feet on the ground at LPC so quickly."

Before joining Airways New Zealand in 2017, Graeme held various leadership roles in New Zealand and Australia, including Managing Director of Service Stream, Managing Director of Transfield Services New Zealand and Managing Director of Siemens New Zealand. Earlier, Graeme held General Manager level roles with New Zealand Post, Contact Energy and Telecom.

Graeme started his career in Sweden and the UK working for IBM. He holds a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Auckland, and an MBA from Massey University.

▲ LPC's new CEO
Graeme Sumner.



Barry Bragg takes the top seat

Board Chair Barry Bragg joined our whānau in April and since then, has been working closely with our Executive Leadership Team to understand LPC's strategic direction and priorities.

"There has been quite a significant change in the last 10 years, so I'm looking forward to getting on and doing our mahi," says Barry. "It's a privilege to pick up the work that has already taken place and move it forward."

Barry has whakapapa to Ngāi Tahu and has been involved with a multitude of companies in the public sector, iwi sector and private sector at a director or chair level – including the Chair of Te Kaha, Christchurch's new stadium.

Joining Barry are seven other Directors with a diverse range of backgrounds and industry experience.


"Right now we are coming together as a team. It's really important for me that how the Board operates sets the scene in terms of the leadership and values that we show at Lyttelton Port.

Annual General Meeting

31 October 2023 11.00am,
The Loons, Lyttelton

This year, LPC will be hosting a public Annual General Meeting.

Hear from our CEO and Chair about the Financial Year 2023 results along with the plans for the future.



Lpc Lyttelton Port Company

◀ Barry Bragg speaking at the opening of Te Whare Whakatika, our new maintenance workshop.

Steeling a glimpse of the stadium

Christchurch's resurgence following the earthquakes continues to take shape with the rise of Te Kaha, Canterbury's Multi-Use Arena.

LPC has worked alongside local company Champion Freight to facilitate the transportation of steel for the stadium.

Dave Ireton, LPC Operations Manager, said the steel is fabricated in China and shipped on flat racks and inside standard containers.

Lyttelton is one of the last stops for the steel beams before they head through the Lyttelton Tunnel for the Champion Freight team to unload, store and package at their Woolston site before being trucked to the construction site.

"We are very proud to be playing a part in the construction of the new stadium, and our team work with Champion and the trucking firms to get the steel components off the vessels and to the construction site on schedule," said Dave.

Champion Freight's Managing Director, Hamish Gain, emphasised that the project is in its initial phases but anticipates its momentum will surge as construction advances. He expressed their commitment to transporting over 900 containers within 18 to 24 months.

Describing the challenges of the project, Hamish remarked, "efficiently stacking the steel in the yard to ensure its timely availability feels akin to assembling a complex jigsaw puzzle."

Reflecting on the company's roots, he added, "as a company that originated in Christchurch over two decades ago, it's truly special for us to be a part of this project, which holds significant importance in the city's rebuild."

The 30,000-seat new stadium with a roof cover is located in the heart of Christchurch for \$683 million.

The bowl's structure steel construction with the western and southern stand is well underway and will hold tiered seats.

Oversized structural steel components will be delivered over the coming months, with the stadium due for completion in 2025.

▼ Steel used to build Te Kaha, at Champion Freight's Woolston site.



'Natural partnership' with BPCT

The Banks Peninsula Conservation Trust (BPCT) has its sights set on its 2050 ecological vision, and as the principal sponsor, LPC is committed to the journey.

The recently refreshed vision has two new goals, taking the total to 10.

These goals provide a roadmap and cover pest management, ecosystems, and protection of indigenous flora and fauna, among others.

BPCT General Manager Maree Burnett says the organisation has grown enormously in the last five years, so now they are working to embed the plan they have.

The trust is currently running seven programs of work – one of these being habitat protection.

"We currently have 101 covenants in place over the Banks Ecological Region covering 1609ha in total," says Maree.

This includes the covenant LPC signed to protect 11.4 hectares of land above Gollans Bay Quarry.

Another section of work has been volunteer programs the trust runs.

"The hugely successful partnership around the Port Saddle continues to provide significant community benefits as the area's biodiversity is enhanced through ecological restoration."

At this year's annual planting day, volunteers planted 300 trees on the saddle.

This work has also been recognised by the Sustainable Awards with the BPCT and LPC finalists in the Regenerating Nature category of Aotearoa New Zealand's leading sustainability awards.

The relationship between LPC and BPCT is significant to both parties.

"Over the years, as an organisation, we have got really confident that the Port has some clear goals around sustainability and is taking a particular interest in biodiversity. I think it makes for a really natural partnership."

"There is no doubt that the financial contribution is significant; it provides us certainty and allows us to cover some of our operational costs, which gives us the structure to complete the range of work."

"The Port Saddle and Gollans Bay are great examples of how we can also partner in a meaningful way on the ground to



deliver projects that are beneficial for the community and have a positive biodiversity outcome."

While Maree says all the projects are inspirational in their own way, the best part of the job is the people she engages with.

"Everyone we work with without exception is a wonderful person trying to do good things – and that makes it enormously positive."

"Whether that's a school child engaging in the education programme or a landowner who wants to protect a remnant for future generations or a Lyttelton resident who is excited because they have seen a tui in their fruit tree for the first time."

Maree says the community's dedication is encouraging, and she continues to welcome support from the locals.

"Through experience, we know that the Banks Peninsula community really cares about their environment. Certainly, any support that people can offer the trust is well received in terms of volunteer time or one-off/ongoing donations."

If you want to learn more about Banks Peninsula Conservation Trust, check out their website, where you can sign up for their newsletters.

11.4 ha
of land LPC signed to protect above Gollans Bay Quarry.

300
Trees planted by Volunteers at Port Saddle.

10
Goals on the BPCT 2050 ecological vision.

Seven Programs

Habitat protection
Delivered through conservation covenants, an agreement with landowners to provide a legacy and gift for future generations through perpetual protection.

Volunteer programme
Hundreds of volunteers carry out restoration work on multiple sites around the peninsula. Working with schools, corporate groups, not-for-profit groups and community members.

Tui translocation
Two populations of tui were translocated over 10 years ago. A highly successful community monitoring programme continues for the tui, and to date, 18,290 community observations of the birds have been reported. There are now well more than 200 banded birds, which allows easy identification of individuals and modelling of the population growth.

Biodiversity hubs
The trust is currently working on three hubs, of at least 1000 hectares of contiguous habitat that are legally protected and collaboratively managed for biodiversity outcomes. These hubs include summit-to-sea protection to support species susceptible to the impacts of climate change.

Pest-free Banks Peninsula
The trust facilitates the work agreed upon by 14 partners to remove pests from the peninsula to a level that no longer impacts biodiversity. This includes possums, mustelids, feral cats, goats and pigs.

A recent highlight was after years of a collaborative effort by the trust, Christchurch City Council, Department of Conservation, Environment Canterbury and landowners; feral goats have been completely removed from Banks Peninsula up to Gebbies Pass.

Community engagement and education programme
Working with almost all the schools in the peninsula, landowners, and the public. Supporting the learning about biodiversity and special treasures found in the peninsula.

Farm biodiversity support programme
A new programme which has just launched, the trust is looking to create resources available for every farmer on the peninsula to engage with, providing support around planning for biodiversity management.

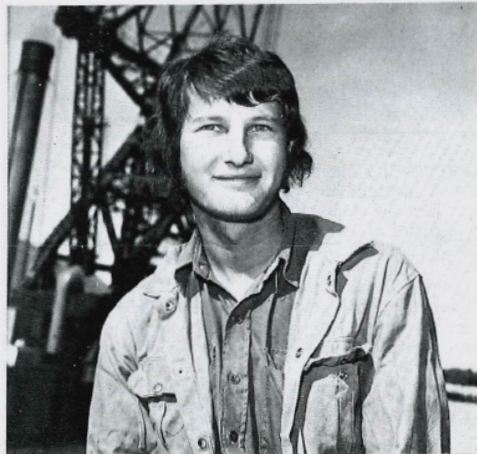
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October, 1973

Two from the Redcliffs contingent



CHARLIE LOCKTON



GAVIN LOCKTON



◀ Luke Lockton leaves LPC, with his grandad starting here in 1952.

Ending of the Lockton legacy

The 71-year legacy of Lockton's at the Port has ended. After 12 years at LPC, Health and Safety Business Partner Luke Lockton is leaving, ending what his grandfather began in 1952.

Starting as a part time cargo handler in 2011, he soon went full-time before eventually becoming a member of the health and safety team.

"It is leaving behind a huge part of my life; LPC is a massive part of our family. It's been a good twelve years, and I have a lot of fond memories of the place for sure," says Luke.

Luke's grandfather worked at LPC for 34 years, with his father starting in 1972 and was here for 44 years.

"For a pretty big part of that, there's been two; grandad worked with Dad for a number of years, then he left, and I started and worked with my father."

Growing up in Governors Bay, Luke was a local at the Port long before he worked here.

"It was a great place to grow up; when we weren't in the sea, we were up in the hills.

"One of the go-to activities for birthday parties was to come down and fish off the inner harbour wharves."

With different safety standards in the 90s, Luke would spend time in operational areas with his Dad.

"When my old man would be doing lines jobs, I'd be down on the wharf with all the guys – before us, health and safety people stopped that.

"We would go down to coal and go in the front-end loaders, even up straddles and up the cranes cause my dad was a crane driver for most of his time here."

Part of why he joined the port was the good memories he had here – his childhood cementing the decision.

"I left school and went to university and did that for a couple of years, but it wasn't for me. Then I started plumbing, which was cool, but again, the port was an itch I had to scratch.

"I always saw myself coming to the port, so eventually, I just decided I'm going to do it."

Since joining in 2011, Luke has held several roles. "As a cargo handler, I became a health

and safety rep, and then I became the chair for the container terminal."

While working a secondment, a full-time position came up, and he was recommended to apply.

"That's the thing you keep in your head; you just never know what little changes you help make, or you're part of that might have prevented something that was potentially going to happen one day."

Health and safety has changed significantly in his time at the Port in both the culture and the investment in infrastructure.

"When I started here, we were safety conscious, but it wasn't as front of mind as it is now; very seldom would you hear health and safety conversations happening in the amenities; now it's very common to hear people discussing hazards or potential improvements.

"The investment in infrastructure has also significantly increased, particularly with the focus on designing the risk out. The new workshop, the inner harbour development, the CityDepot upgrades, and the reefer towers are all great examples of this.

"These two big changes alone mean LPC is on a great path to becoming a healthy and safe workplace".

PORT NEWS

Te Whare Whakatika is open

The opening of LPC's new Te Whare Whakatika workshop completes the \$85m Eastern Development project.

The workshop was officially opened by the Mayor of Christchurch, Phil Mager, at a special event at LPC in late August.

The \$20m workshop houses 65 staff and includes a 25m high service bay for four straddles, workshop spaces, offices, break rooms and amenities.

LPC Interim CEO Jim Quinn said he was "thrilled with the facility that will last for generations".

"It's a wonderful facility and takes our people from the 1970s into 2023" said Jim.

"When you renew infrastructure that is to last a long time, it is essential you do it well."

The official opening was later followed by a family day – for the first time in many years, the family of staff were

invited to the Port to check out the fantastic new facilities.

Families were able to see first-hand the equipment their loved ones work on including straddles, cranes and loaders.



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