



Invigorating Latimer and the South-East through blue-green infrastructure:

Planning for liveability around the Canterbury Multi-Use Arena



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Project aim

To inform the CCC on essential infrastructure and amenities in Latimer and South East following the development of Te Kaha / Canterbury Multi-Use Arena.

Research question

What amenities need priority development to respond to an increased population density of Latimer and South East areas of Christchurch's inner city?

Background

The CCC seeks to guide development in the area surrounding Te Kaha. The study area consists of four topologies, open space (north-west), residential (north-east), educational (south), and light industrial and warehousing (south-east). The light industrial areas currently have low land valuations and potential for development into high-density residential use.



Methods



Mapping results



Findings

- Current amenities consist primarily of schools, restaurants, cafes and supermarkets.
- In the surrounding perimeter, there are more essential amenities within walking distance.
- Large greenspaces exist within Latimer, but there is a lack of blue-green infrastructure in the light industrial area.
- The residential suburbs lack food and entertainment amenities.



Recommendations

Micro-green space development

To encourage active mobility and investment through improved aesthetics, wellbeing, and safety.



Area for future park development

The optimum area to increase access to, and utilization of, green space.



Cycle lane extension

To increase Te Kaha and CBD accessibility for southern suburbs.

