

Moving up the hierarchy together:

Auckland Council and Localised scaling Tāmaki Makaurau's
Resource Recovery Network (RRN)

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Getting our own house in order

One of the top priorities for Eric Park as the new Sustainable Christchurch Leader was to take stock of the sustainability of his own organisation, the Christchurch City Council.

"The simple act of decisions on what sustainability means to the people of Christchurch, what it should mean to Christchurch City the corporation and how we should measure, evaluate and move forward are huge questions to which we have some, but not all, of the answers," he says.

What is clear, he says, is that the organisation needs to be a model for best practice in creating a sustainable organisation. "That means getting our house in order."

A small staff group, with the support of councillors, has started on projects that move the CCC toward the goal of being a sustainable organisation.

"We have the advantage of working with, and comparing ourselves to other leading organisations like the nine companies which committed to sustainable actions at the inaugural redesigning resources conference in mid-2000.

"We've made huge strides in some areas already, cutting Council's energy bill by around \$2 million a year and reducing CO2 emissions by 21% after appointing of an energy manager in 1993," says Mr Park. "Sustainability is about doing things like this that are good for the environment, good for people and good for the economy."



Eric Park

Sustainable Christchurch Leader

Eric Park spent four years in London as a civil engineer before returning to Christchurch to work as a consultant on environmental issues, specialising in contaminated site assessment and remediation.

"Moving up the pipe" from cleaning up spills to reducing waste and eliminating the possibility of spills, he became an environmental engineer with the Christchurch City Council.

By the end of 2000, following the redesigning resources conference of that year, the Council had decided it needed a person with specific

responsibility for co-ordinating, initiating and nurturing sustainability in Christchurch. Eric began working in the role of Sustainable Christchurch Leader soon afterwards.

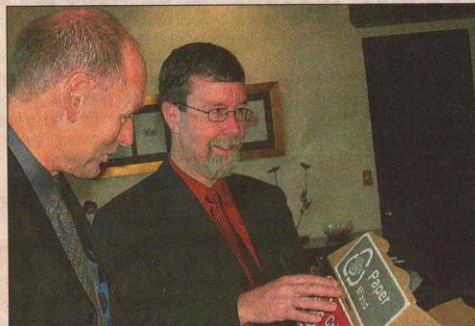
Two years later, he says he loves the enthusiasm people have for the sustainability message across the organisation and the city.

"People want to do the right thing and help save the planet. It's exciting to part of an organisation that is leading the way, not only in New Zealand, but internationally," he says.

www.ccc.govt.nz/sustainablechristchurch/

As well as the Council's website — www.ccc.govt.nz — other web sites that may be of interest are:

- Natural Capitalism — www.natcap.org/
- Redesigning Resources — www.redesigningresources.org/
- Sustainable Energy Forum — www.sef.org.nz/
- Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment — www.pce.govt.nz



Fighting the paper war

Every month the Christchurch City Council goes through more than a million pieces of A4 paper.

In an effort to reduce that use, most photocopiers used by CCC now have both-sides printing — duplexing — automatically on its photocopiers and the Council is also moving to use machines that are combination printers and photocopiers.

These multi-function devices (MFDs) allow the organisation to save floor space, use less paper and give staff better functionality wherever they are in an office.

While thinking about paper and how to cut down the amount being used, the staff experimented with the type styles (font) being used in printed reports and the size of text being

has resulted in significant savings in printing and paper costs, as well as taking less space to store minute books.

The smaller font has reduced the size of agendas by about 37 per cent, with corresponding paper and cost savings. Taken across the Council as a whole, the resulting saving is estimated at more than \$60,000 a year.

Committee reports and agendas are all available online at www.ccc.govt.nz/council/Agendas/ for those with access to the internet. This too has cut down on the number of printed copies posted out.

What can you do?

- Use paper on both sides

AUCKLAND RESOURCE RECOVERY NETWORK TIMELINE

2005 – 2031

KEY

□ Action

○ CRC opening



Kanohi ki te Kanohi – Verbal Tendering

Auckland Council Procurement



Kanohi ki te kanohi
**Verbal Tendering
for working with
Construction SME's**



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aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Process

- Provides an alternative way of evaluating a tender – with the use of running verbal evaluations, combined with a written response evaluation, to select a preferred supplier.
- Written response includes, at minimum:
 - Programme schedule
 - Health and safety procedures
 - Confirmation of contract terms/deviations
 - References
 - Pricing

Benefits

- Build early relationship and trust with suppliers
- Significantly reduce tendering effort and cost for Suppliers
- Ability to more effectively (and efficiently) evaluate suppliers through verbal interviews
- Create a more culturally suitable way for Auckland Council to engage with Māori and Pasifika suppliers and Community Enterprises
- Reduce the barriers to entry



RESOURCE RECOVERY NETWORK

Collective Impact of Auckland's 13 Community Recycling Centres (CRCs)

Operating 1st July 2024 – 30th June 2025

+20 more jobs than last year
152
Full & part time jobs
= 102 FTEs

+12 more FTEs than last year



+56,214 more than last year
279,467
community interactions

+2,247 more than last year
11,370
tonnes diverted from landfill

+19,371 more than last year
98,017m³
diverted from landfill



Over **660** events or workshops held



473
community groups & partners engaged with

+367 more than last year
10,252
hours volunteered



Key Relationships



Conditions for Success

Kanohi ki tea (The Seen Face)

- How we present ourselves
- The way we show up

Whanaungatanga

- Our connection to the community
- How we be whanau



Conditions for Success

Āta titiro, Āta whakarongo, Āta kōrero

- How we are seen in the community , how we are seen,
- How we listen, what do we hear, how are we heard
- How we Speak
- How we are received



Conditions for Success

Manaakitanga

- The process of showing support , reciprocity
- Problem solving together

Āta Haere

- Moving forward with mindfulness



Conditions for Success

CONDITIONS	ENGAGEMENT	
	Council & Localised Collaboration	Community
Kanohi kitea (The seen face)	Hui, and how we present ourselves	The way we show up
Whanaungatanga	Our connection to our community.	The way of being Whanau
Āta titiro, Āta whakarongo, Āta kōrero	How we look, How we listen, How we speak with each other.	How we are received, listening with understanding
Manaakitanga	Values, Problem Solving together	Generosity & Care
Āta haere	Move forward with mindfulness	Moving forward together



**"Ehara taku toa i te toa
takitahi, engari he toa takitini"**
Success is not the work of an
individual, but the work of
many.

