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GREATER CHRISTCHURCH EDUCATION RENEWAL PROCESS

 I propose that Cabinet notes the decisions I intend to make, in accordance with the Education Act 1989, about which schools in greater Christchurch should close or merge; the communications strategy for announcing the decisions; and the next steps in the process to support education renewal in the area.

Executive Summary

- In 2012 Cabinet agreed to a \$1 billion investment in the renewal of education in greater Christchurch over the next ten years to address both pre-existing and earthquake related issues, and, in September I announced the overall plan for education renewal, including proposals for 38 schools to close or merge.
- 3. The affected schools were given a longer than usual period to consult with their communities and respond to proposals. The thirty one schools asked to provide their feedback on the proposal affecting their school by 7 December 2012 did so. The Ministry of Education established a cross-disciplinary team to thoroughly analyse the submissions and provide detailed advice to me on each of the proposals. Five schools in Aranui will provide their feedback by 7 March 2013. Two schools that sought voluntary closure did so on 27 January 2013.
- 4. Under the statutory process established by the Education Act 1989, at this stage I need to decide whether schools 'should' close or merge, and then make a final decision following a further period of consultation. Of the thirteen schools proposed to close, I intend that six schools should close, that further consultation should be undertaken before a decision is made on two schools, and that five should remain open. Of the nine mergers initially proposed, I intend that six should proceed (one on a different site to that originally proposed). Accordingly, of the 31 schools covered by this report, I intend to proceed with 20, and to not close or merge 11 of them.
- 5. It is important that communication of this next round of decisions reflects lessons from the September announcements and tries to respect schools' sensitivities, insofar as it is possible given the interest from the media and wider community. The situation this time is somewhat eased by not having to balance the need of all 215 schools to also be advised. I have sought advice from the Canterbury Primary Principals Association, the Association of Intermediate and Middle Schools, the Canterbury West Coast Secondary Principals Association on behalf of principals and the NZ School Trustees Association on behalf of Boards of Trustees and I have adopted the advice they have given. Ministry officials will meet the affected schools on 7 February, to outline and receive feedback on the process for relaying the decisions to them, the next steps and the information and support which will be available.

- 6. I propose that each of the schools affected is visited and the school leadership is told about decisions by senior Ministry of Education staff on the morning of 18 February. I will make a formal media announcement later that day, and also invite all Board chairs and Principals to meet with me in the afternoon after the announcement. Briefings for key stakeholders will also be held in the afternoon. Notwithstanding these efforts, it is important to be aware that closure or status change of any school is always difficult, and the greater Christchurch communities are continuing to deal with the unique post-quake context. In the end, however, no matter how thoughtfully an unpalatable decision is communicated, it will be difficult.
- 7. This report also provides an update on wider work on the educational renewal programme for Christchurch, Selwyn and Waimakariri (known as greater Christchurch).

Background

- 8. Raising learner achievement, as reflected in our Better Public Service targets, and ensuring that all children and young people can access high quality teaching in modern education environments is one of our Government's priorities, as is the rebuild of Christchurch. In this context there is considerable opportunity in Christchurch to provide existing and future children with greatly enhanced access to quality education.
- 9. While the necessary investment in infrastructure provides a platform for promoting access to quality education, I am also focused on enhanced quality of teaching and leadership, both of which are at the heart of learner achievement. The concurrent work being done by the 39 geographical Learning Community Clusters to develop and implement plans to maximise achievement is critical. These plans will be developed by the end of June 2013.
- 10. The earthquakes of 2010-11 caused massive disruption and loss for the people of greater Christchurch. Schools played a crucial role in supporting their children, families and whānau through the immediate aftermath of the earthquakes. While very mindful of the situation many in Christchurch are still working through, I consider we can continue to provide support to children, parents and teachers who need it while at the same time working to provide a significantly improved education environment.
- 11. The extent of damage to land and buildings, and people movement in the wake of the earthquakes mean that the school network cannot be restored to the way it was in September 2010. There were 5,000 surplus places in the network before the earthquakes, and the July 2012 roll returns from schools show that there are 4,311 fewer learners in the system than prior to the earthquakes. There are now over 9,300 surplus places in the network in greater Christchurch approximately equivalent to the entire learner population in Gisborne. Moreover, projected growth for which we are making provision with new schools, is not in the same areas.
- 12. On 13 August 2012, Cabinet agreed to an interim Business Case seeking to invest in a significant renewal programme for education in the greater Christchurch area over the next ten years [CAB Min (12) 29/3A refers]. This interim business case explained the need to address earthquake damage and other problems with buildings, respond to population movement and deal with existing over-capacity. It deliberately looked across the whole school network in greater Christchurch and took an education based approach which would balance the challenges of repairing earthquake damaged schools, meeting demand and investing to improve education performance.
- 13. It also set out the opportunity to improve existing buildings and provide new property in order to give learners access to high quality modern learning environments. These property

improvements are planned to encourage collaborative teaching and promote better engaged learners. Schools in Christchurch will be some of the first in New Zealand to access ultra-fast broadband. Investments in information and communications technology (ICT) can be aligned to ensure that learners will be supported by the latest information technology and are able to develop high levels of digital literacy. Shared facilities between schools and with other agencies will allow more learners to access specialised facilities and services, while delivering benefits for the wider community.

- 14. On 13 September, I announced the overall plan which is designed to revitalise the schooling network and progress wider education renewal, supported by an investment of up to \$1 billion. As part of this renewal programme, I set out proposals for a series of school closures and mergers affecting 38 of the 215 schools. I also announced the provision of six new schools (now four as two are proposed to be relocations) and that six schools (now eight) would be relocated, together with repairs and rebuilds of 32 schools, and 23 swimming pools. Eighteen swimming pools will be ready for the start of the new term.
- 15. The wider education renewal programme organised the 215 schools in the greater Christchurch area (Christchurch, Selwyn and Waimakariri districts) into 39 Learning Community Clusters. These geographical clusters which also include early childhood education (ECE) centres are designed to encourage and allow local schools and ECE centres to work together to develop plans that are innovative, collaborative, and optimise investment of resources to improve the quality of education they are able to offer, particularly for our priority learners. We also established additional specialist clusters to consider secondary education, special education, Māori medium and technology provision across greater Christchurch.
- 16. In November, I updated Cabinet on progress and agreed to provide a further update [CAB Min (12) 40/11 refers]. The Ministry's focus has been on:
 - supporting the consultation process for schools with a proposal for closure or merger, then analysing schools' responses and providing comprehensive advice to me;
 - continuing to work with Learning Community Clusters to develop their planning, and considering what additional support may be needed to promote educational renewal; and,
 - extending its communications work to ensure stronger engagement with the community around the opportunities available through the education renewal programme.

Consultation with schools for closure or merger

- 17. On 13 September 2012, I announced specific proposals for 38 schools to close or merge:
 - 13 schools were proposed to close with their learners being accommodated elsewhere in the network;
 - 18 schools were proposed to merge to create 9 schools;
 - 5 schools in Aranui were proposed to close and a year 1-13 campus to be formed on an as yet undetermined site; and,
 - 2 schools in Akaroa were proposed to close and become part of the Akaroa Area School, whilst continuing to operate on their existing sites.
- 18. The school closure and merger process is governed by sections 154, 156A and 157 of the Education Act 1989 (the Act). These sections require the Minister of Education to consult the Board of the school concerned and the Boards of any state schools where the roll might be affected before making an initial decision to close or merge a school. The Minister then

gives the Board of the school proposed for **closure** 28 days in which to provide any further arguments or information in favour of the decision not proceeding. I intend to provide the same opportunity to Boards where schools have a proposed **merger**.

- On 28 September 2012, I wrote to the Board chair of each of the 38 schools, copied to the Principal, and Ministry staff hand delivered each letter to the affected school. The letter initiated the formal consultation phase set out by the Education Act 1989. It also outlined the timetable for the process, with schools having 10 weeks until 7 December 2012 to return their feedback on the proposals to the Ministry of Education. This was a longer than usual timeframe for consultation and reflected my recognition of the unique situation in which these changes were proposed. Hammersley Park and Le Bons Bay Schools had previously requested voluntary closure at the beginning of 2013, so they were given a shorter deadline of 26 October. These schools closed on 27 January 2013. The Ministry also consulted 70 Boards of schools whose rolls may be affected if the proposals are to go ahead.
- 20. In further recognition of the unique circumstances in greater Christchurch a number of additional supports were put in place. These included:
 - a. Providing schools with \$5,000 to appoint an independent facilitator to gather information, coordinate community consultation and draft the school's submission
 - b. An 0.2 relief teacher per school allowing a staff member a day per week to focus on the process
 - c. A Teachers Only Day
 - d. Establishing an online digital community forum to facilitate greater participation
- 21. In addition, the Ministry established a dedicated taskforce, appointed a sector facing specialist advisor (Trevor McIntyre, who stepped down from his position as Headmaster of Christchurch Boys High School), and facilitated the establishment of three community based advisory groups to oversee the educational renewal programme, Māori and Pasifika involvement and interests. I also appointed a Ministerial Advisor, Karen Sewell (former Secretary of Education, Chief Review Officer, and Chief Executive of the NZ Qualifications Authority) to maintain relationships and communications directly with schools.
- 22. After the school holidays, on 12 October, the Ministry provided each school with a detailed rationale for the proposal affecting them. This included information about each school's land and buildings issues (and an indicative cost to remediate them), as well as updated information about school rolls based on new July 2012 enrolment data and local population changes. The Ministry offered to meet all affected schools to discuss the rationale, and clarify any of the information provided. This included arranging meetings with the engineers who had undertaken the land and buildings assessments at each school.
- 23. On 16 October, I wrote to the Boards of the 36 schools¹ offering to meet them and their communities to directly hear their concerns and feedback. Thirty-five Boards accepted my invitation (North New Brighton did not), and I visited each of the schools in late October and early November 2012. Individual boards determined how the meetings would run, and in some cases over 100 parents and other interested people attended. Principals and/or teachers spoke at every meeting. Overall, over 2,000 people attended the meetings.
- 24. I was able to hear first-hand from parents, principals, teachers and other staff about the impact that the earthquakes have had and are continuing to have on them, their children and the wider community. A wide range of views were expressed, and it was clear that a number of Boards had been giving serious thought to alternative proposals. A small number

¹ Excluding Hammersley Park and Le Bons Bay Schools

of Boards asked for an extension to the consultation process to allow their communities more time to consider the issues. However, this was not a widespread request, and some schools specifically asked to maintain the proposed timetable. Given the complexity of the proposal for Aranui, I extended the consultation period for those five schools until 7 March 2013.

- 25. The remaining 31 schools all submitted their responses by the deadline of 7 December 2012. On 14 December, the Ministry provided me with a copy of each submission, including all the material the Boards used to support their analysis and proposals.
- The Ministry established a cross-disciplinary team to thoroughly analyse all submissions. This team included staff members with substantial experience of working directly with schools in greater Christchurch. Additional expertise was brought in from property, the school network, and early childhood education teams. Where necessary, this team commissioned and considered additional data about demographics and the local school network, as well as property and financial information. It drew on information from the Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy, which has been developed by Environment Canterbury, Christchurch City Council, Selwyn District Council, Waimakariri District Council, the New Zealand Transport Agency and Ngāi Tahu. This allowed an informed consideration about all the options which Boards had raised.
- 27. The Ministry's legal advisers have been involved throughout this period to ensure that the analysis and process were robust and met the Ministry's responsibilities under the Act. They also reviewed draft education reports about the individual proposals. Additional independent legal advice has also been provided about the quality of the consultation process and the subsequent analysis
- 28. On 22 January 2013, the Ministry provided me with a detailed education report for each proposal. I have been carefully considering the case for each school, while ensuring that I consider the impact of the proposals more widely and the viability of the school network in greater Christchurch overall. The Ministry's reports carefully consider each argument and proposal which have been made by Boards in their submissions, and set out the Ministry's response and final recommendation. They include the Ministry's analysis of the effect of proposals on children's access to school provision, and the financial and property implications of different options. Before being submitted, each report was considered by a governance group consisting of senior officials from Christchurch and Wellington, and the final report was signed off by the Deputy Secretary, Regional Operations. I have subsequently had meetings with officials to carefully consider the analysis and recommendations, as well as commissioning further detailed advice about aspects of provision in greater Christchurch.
- 29. Alongside the education reports on each of the proposals, the Ministry provided me with an overall report about the proposals. This report examined the evidence on the quality of education in middle and intermediate schools and small schools. Although not required, I had invited submissions from the Canterbury District Health Board (CDHB), the Post Primary Teachers' Association (PPTA), New Zealand Educational Institute (NZEI) and other interested bodies to ensure the voices of significant stakeholders have been heard. The Ministry's report includes analysis of these submissions. It provided me with advice on the implications of the proposals on the overall provision of high-quality early childhood education, Māori medium, special education and technology provision. It set out how the Ministry will support schools through the closure and merger process.
- 30. Following my discussion with officials, I sought further information on the provision of Māori medium education in greater Christchurch, technology provision and likely school rolls as a result of decisions. I received this information on 25 January 2013.

31. It is important that schools are able in a timely way to see the information I considered when making decisions and, learning from the September announcement, I intend to publish all the education reports at the same time as I announce my decisions.

Decisions about individual proposals

- 32. As set out by the Act, decisions about school closures and mergers are the responsibility of the Minister of Education. At this stage of the process, the Act requires that I make decisions about whether schools 'should' close, followed by final decisions about whether they 'will' close after Boards have had 28 days to provide further feedback by 22 March. I will follow the same process for schools proposed to merge. My thinking about the schools which should close and merge is set out in a table as Appendix 1. Maps showing provision before the earthquakes and the effects of my intended decisions are included as Appendix 2. The individual school reports prepared by the Ministry are also available.
- 33. Of the 13 schools proposed for outright closure, Hammersley Park and Le Bons Bay Schools have already closed. Following consideration of the detailed education reports on each of the individual proposals, my intended decision is that six should close as originally planned. They are:
 - Branston Intermediate School
 - Glenmoor School
 - Greenpark School
 - Kendal School
 - Richmond School
 - Shirley Intermediate School
- 34. There are three schools that I am proposing not proceed with closure:
 - Ouruhia Model School the Board of Ouruhia Model School has proposed in its submission that the school should remain open in order to reduce the pressure on Belfast School and the relocated Marshlands School. My original proposal was for future population growth in Belfast to be accommodated through a satellite of Belfast School. Ouruhia is not essential in the network where it is currently located, but I intend that it is retained and then relocated to serve population growth in Belfast at the appropriate time in the future.
 - Burnside School the Board of Burnside School developed a proposal to rebuild the school with a modern learning environment, combined with a community education hub and shared facilities with Cobham Intermediate School. This provides the opportunity for a strong collaborative approach between Burnside School, Cobham Intermediate School and Burnside High School. Cobham Intermediate also requires considerable investment, so the opportunity for shared facilities is considerable. This model of three schools working together presents a valuable opportunity for the future to test a different way of managing Year 1-13 education. There was evidence of strong support for the proposals from across the cluster. The Ministry would work with other agencies to consider co-locating health and other services on the site. I am also mindful of the particular group of refugee and immigrant learners Burnside serves and consider that this proposal offers an opportunity to develop innovative and collaborative practices to support their diverse needs.
 - Burnham School the Board of Burnham School set out their school's role in meeting the
 particular needs of the large number of children whose parents serve in the New Zealand
 Defence Force, and suggested that its roll may grow due to future increases in population

in Rolleston. While I am persuaded that there is a distinctive defence community to be served and supported, most of the growth is in other parts of the town and the high cost of rebuilding and repairing the buildings on the current site is prohibitive. I intend to retain Burnham in the network, explore with the Board and its community how its distinctive defence features can be reflected and respected, and relocate it so that it can better serve the areas of Rolleston with a rapidly growing population which includes much of the defence establishment, as well as its existing population.

- 35. I proposed that **Duvauchelle** and **Okains Bay Schools** would close but remain on their sites as satellites of Akaroa Area School. My intended decision is not to proceed with this. Instead I intend to ask the Ministry to work with both Duvauchelle and Okains Bay schools to develop extended collaboration, including considering shared governance arrangements. This offers the opportunity of achieving the original rationale of better access to high-quality education provision for local learners, without having to implement closure processes.
- I propose a further period of consultation before making a decision about Linwood Intermediate and Manning Intermediate Schools. My initial proposal was that both schools should close, and local primary schools should extend their provision to accommodate Year 7 and 8 learners. I have not seen any evidence to make me change the proposal for the schools to close, but the consultation did indicate that there may be support in the community for providing Year 7 and 8 education as part of secondary schools (Linwood College and Hillmorton High School respectively). Evidence shows that the needs of Year 7 and 8 learners can be successfully met in a range of settings, so I have therefore decided to consult the Boards of the local secondary and primary schools to allow the community to consider the pattern of provision they would prefer in the event of the intermediate schools closing. Following this consultation, I will make a decision on whether the two intermediate schools should close.
- 37. Of the nine proposed mergers, my intended decision is that six should proceed. They are:
 - Burwood and Windsor Schools
 - Central New Brighton and South New Brighton Schools
 - Lyttelton Main and Lyttelton West Schools
 - North New Brighton and Freeville Schools
 - Phillipstown and Woolston Schools (but using the Woolston site)
 - Unlimited Paenga Tawhiti and Discovery One Schools
- 38. Both the Boards of Unlimited Paenga Tawhiti and Discovery One agreed to the merger, so that will be my final decision about them.
- 39. Following consideration of the Boards' submissions and the Ministry's education reports, I intend to decide not to proceed with three mergers. They are:
 - Bromley and Linwood Avenue Schools my intended decision is that both schools should remain open;
 - Gilberthorpe and Yaldhurst Schools my intended decision is that both schools should remain open;
 - TKKM o Waitaha and TKKM o Te Whanau Tahi my intended decision is that both kura should remain open, but one should relocate to a site on the other side of the city.
- 40. The changes to the proposals for **Phillipstown and Woolston Schools**, and **Linwood Avenue and Bromley Schools** reflect the complex and interrelated issues across Learning Community Clusters in the east of the city. My initial proposals responded to the oversupply

of primary school places in the area, and the fact that the damage to school land and buildings is some of the most significant in the city.

- 41. I proposed that Woolston and Phillipstown Schools merge on the Linwood College site. In their submission, Phillipstown did not agree. In their submission, Woolston proposed that Phillipstown and Bamford Schools should close, with most of their current learners switching to Woolston. One significant advantage of Woolston's proposal is that it would create a local education hub. This would include the new primary school, the relocated Linwood College and its Teen Parent Unit. This hub could also include an expansion of the existing bilingual provision, hosting technology provision and exploring a co-located early childhood education centre. The proposal also includes collaborating with the City Council and CDHB to develop other community facilities on the site. The idea of a hub has the potential to radically improve the provision of education for some of the communities in greater Christchurch that have been most affected by the earthquakes.
- 42. I do not agree with the Woolston submission that Phillipstown should close rather than merge. For this to be a partnership between two schools to support all of the learners in the community, I consider it would be better for the schools to merge. I propose that the schools would merge at the beginning of 2014, ahead of the necessary work to improve and expand buildings on the Woolston site to allow the appointed Board to develop a vision for the merged school. I do not agree that Bamford School should be included in the proposal as it meets needs in the network.
- 43. Taking this alternative proposal has significant implications for the proposed merger of Linwood Avenue and Bromley schools. One of the most important reasons for that proposed merger was that the current Linwood Avenue site is just 1km away from Linwood College, which was the proposed site for the merger of Phillipstown and Woolston Schools. Under the revised proposal, provision at the Linwood Avenue, Bromley and Woolston sites, retains good access to primary schools for all families in the Linwood cluster.
- 44. Having considered the feedback from the Boards of **Gilberthorpe** and **Yaldhurst Schools**, I propose both schools should remain open. As set out in the original rationale, Gilberthorpe is situated in an area with the potential for population growth, and needs significant investment in its buildings. As it is redeveloped and has the potential to grow, Yaldhurst is needed in the network to release over-crowding pressures whilst new patterns of enrolment are established.
- 45. When I proposed the merger of **TKKM o Waitaha** and **TKKM o Te Whanau Tahi**, I wanted the community to explore options to enhance the quality, quantum, and accessibility of Māori medium provision across greater Christchurch. The submissions from the kura contain innovative ideas about easing the transition between full immersion and other levels of Māori medium provision. The submission from Te Runanganui o Ngā Kura Kaupapa Māori also emphasises its support for increased and accessible provision, and more strategic linkages with kōhanga reo. The Ministry is working with Waitaha Advisory Board-Mātauraka Mahaanui to enhance quality and access to Māori language in education.
- 46. The Ministry's analysis of Māori medium provision clearly shows an inequity of access, with little provision north of the city centre (including in the Papanui, Burnside and Parklands Learning Community Clusters, which have relatively high numbers of Māori learners). The original plan responded to this by proposing merging the two existing kura in the south and developing new provision in the north. However, I now propose that both kura are retained in the network, but that there is a further period of consultation about which one should be relocated in order to provide better access. This will be supplemented by other decisions made about ongoing provision through units located in other mainstream schools. I will

invite views from the Māori medium learning cluster and the Waitaha Advisory Board-Mātauraka Mahaanui.

Progress on developing Learning Community Cluster plans

- 47. Each of the 39 geographical clusters has begun their work to develop a comprehensive plan to raise learner achievement across their schools, and through ECE. These plans will reflect the different starting points of the schools, as well as the different needs of local learners. I expect that there will be a strong emphasis on raising participation and achievement of priority learners, and supporting learners' transitions between schools. The Ministry has received outline plans from almost half of the clusters, and will continue to work with all clusters to develop their plans by mid-2013.
- 48. The Ministry is also working with the secondary schools cluster which has a funded facilitator and has been meeting regularly since September to develop proposals for the future of secondary provision in greater Christchurch. Secondary schools have also suffered damage to their land and buildings, and been affected by population movements. There is a surplus of around 1,300 places in the state secondary school network, and long-term projections suggest that demand for places is unlikely to increase significantly. The situation is complicated by the fact that three secondary schools Avonside Girls' High, Christchurch Girls' High, and Shirley Boys' High suffered some of the most severe earthquake damage, and have needed detailed geotechnical assessments of their sites. The Ministry will continue to work with the cluster to develop options for the future of the secondary network, including how schools might extend collaboration to improve learner achievement. I expect to be able to discuss these options with Cabinet in mid-2013.
- 49. The cluster plans will consider how capital investment might be used across each cluster, including the possibility of sharing facilities across schools and with the wider community. As such, they will form a critical part of the information needed to make robust decisions about the \$1 billion investment in greater Christchurch over the next ten years. I therefore propose that Cabinet's consideration of a full business case for this investment is delayed from February [CAB Min (12) 29/3A refers] until August 2013, when we will have this information, as well as a full understanding of the implications of decisions on school mergers and closures. By then, I will also have received geotechnical assessments for Kaiapoi Borough School and Redcliffs School, two primary schools where further work is needed to assess the long-term viability of their sites.
- 50. We expect all clusters to consider how technology provision can best be delivered. It may be that rather than continue with traditional patterns of provision, some clusters may wish to consider how technology can be better integrated across the curriculum, or to work more closely with local secondary schools. I recognise that parents need certainty that appropriate provision will be available in the short term. Of the 26 schools in greater Christchurch which provide technology provision for Year 7 and 8 learners, five are affected by the current proposals (Phillipstown, Branston Intermediate, Linwood Intermediate, Manning Intermediate and Shirley Intermediate).
- 51. I propose that the extensive existing provision on the Phillipstown site (which caters for more than 1,300 learners) is maintained in the short term, and managed by the Board and Principal of the newly merged school. There is already a successful example of a Board of Trustees in Canterbury managing off-site technology provision. Technology provision at the intermediate schools is able to move to the local secondary schools until Learning Community Clusters have developed and implemented longer term plans.
- 52. Learning Community Clusters are also considering how they can develop more inclusive practices to properly support learners with special education needs. I am no longer

proposing the merger of Bromley School with Linwood Avenue School, so only one school which has satellite provision for learners enrolled at a special schools is affected by the proposals. This is Glenmoor School, which the Ministry expects to host seven learners this year. The Ministry will work with the school to ensure that these learners are able to have a successful transition to new provision from January 2014.

Communications with schools and the wider community

- 53. As noted in the November 2012 paper, the Ministry of Education has continued to step up its communications and engagement with schools and the community. Karen Sewell has been working as a conduit between schools with a proposal for closure or merger and myself and officials in the Ministry of Education. She has been involved at a governance level in the process of analysing submissions and developing recommendations, and I have discussed the recommendations with her. Trevor McIntyre, has stepped down from Headmaster of Christchurch Boys' High School, and has been appointed as an Education Renewal Advisor to the Ministry.
- 54. Learning from the September 2012 announcement, communications about this announcement and later final decisions will be focussed on ensuring that schools are carefully informed about decisions about their future, and they have sufficient time to communicate this to their community before any wider announcements through the media. I recognise that the proposed changes have been difficult for learners, parents, school staff and the wider community, and I want to ensure that we do everything possible to support them through the announcement and the process afterwards. Ministry officials have discussed the options for relaying decisions with the Canterbury Primary Principals Association (CPPA), the Association of Intermediate and Middle Schools, the Canterbury West Coast Secondary Principals Associations, and the NZ School Trustees Association and I have adopted their preferred approach.
- 55. On 7 February 2013, the Ministry will hold meetings with the Board chairs and Principals of all 31 schools to outline what the proposed process for the announcements will be and the information they will receive on the day. Given the positive feedback the Ministry has received from the principals associations, I expect that school leadership will be supportive of the proposed approach, but this will provide an opportunity to amend the plans or strengthen the planned support for the announcement in line with any feedback. Ministry officials will also explain what the next steps would be if the decision is to close or merge the school, and the additional support which will be available.
- On the morning of 18 February 2013, senior staff from the Ministry will visit each school to deliver and discuss my initial decision with the Board chair and the Principal, provide the full information pack and the material which supported the decision, and detailed information about the next steps and timescales, including the support which the Ministry will be making available. The school leadership will be offered a follow-up visit in the next 48 hours to go through the information in more detail, once they have had the opportunity to talk to their communities.
- 57. I intend to invite all Board Chairs and Principals to meet me later on the same day. They will already know the decisions at this stage, but the purpose of the meeting is to give them the opportunity to discuss them. Briefings of key stakeholder groups will also occur on the day and I will hold a press conference and release the full list of decisions and supporting material. The press conference will be timed to give schools sufficient time to share the news with their communities before it is released to the media.

- 58. In the interests of wider communities and the media I am also seeking advice on how these legitimate concerns and need for timely information might also be satisfied whilst maintaining the integrity of the process and the priority of schools and their communities.
- 59. On 19 and 20 February 2013, senior staff will meet with a wider group of stakeholders, including representatives from the early childhood education sector, the business community and Canterbury government leaders. These meetings will provide stakeholders with information about the next steps and timescales, including the support which the Ministry will be making available to schools.
- 60. I want to be as open and transparent as possible about the decision-making process, the advice I received from the Ministry and the factors they considered. To support this, when schools are notified of the decision on 18 February, they will receive a copy of the education report relating to their school. The education report which contained the overall advice to me will be emailed to each school immediately after the last school visit occurs. These education reports, as well as the detailed information packs which schools will receive, will be publicly released on the same day.
- I acknowledge that in choosing to inform schools about decisions several hours before the media, it is likely that some will inform the media about the decision relating to their own school or that the information they share with their community may enter the public arena and be communicated by the media. However, I believe that this option is fair to schools' staff and their wider communities. The Ministry's discussions with the principals associations indicate that this option will attract the widest support from schools. I am relying on this professional advice to ensure that we do not have a repeat of the criticisms of the September announcements.

Next steps

- 62. As set out above, the Education Act requires a further period of consultation where I have decided that a school should close, and I have decided to provide the same opportunity where I have decided that schools should merge. The Boards of the six schools that I intend to decide should close² and the ten schools that I intend to decide should merge³ will have until 22 March to provide any additional information to me. I will discuss my final decisions with Cabinet before making an announcement on 13 May.
- 63. I intend to provide a longer period for the consultations about the provision of Year 7 and Year 8 education should Linwood Intermediate and Manning Intermediate Schools close, and the relocations of Burnham School and one of the kura. I will ask Boards to provide their feedback on these proposals by 5 April. This will allow me to make an announcement on 13 May, alongside final decisions on the other mergers and closures.
- 64. In the event that I decide that one or both of Linwood Intermediate and Manning Intermediate Schools should close, the Education Act requires that their Boards have a further period to provide additional information. This period would run until 10 June, allowing me to discuss my final decision with Cabinet before making an announcement by the end of term 2 (12 July).
- 65. The Boards of the five schools in the Aranui Learning Community Cluster have until 7 March to return their submissions. I expect to make an announcement about these schools

² Branston Intermediate School, Glenmoor School, Greenpark School, Kendal School, Richmond School and Shirley Intermediate School.

³ Burwood and Windsor Schools, Central New Brighton and South New Brighton Schools, Lyttelton Main and Lyttelton West Schools, North New Brighton and Freeville Schools, and Phillipstown and Woolston Schools. Unlimited Paenga Tawhiti and Discovery One have already agreed to merge.

before the end of term 1 (19 April). If it is proposed that the closures should continue or that we progress alternative proposals, there will be a further consultation with the Boards.

- 66. I recognise that school Boards and staff will need a range of additional support throughout what will inevitably be a difficult period. The Ministry will appoint a change manager to support the Boards of schools which are closing or merging, helping to maintain the quality of teaching and learning in existing schools, whilst ensuring a smooth transition to the new schools. The Ministry also appoints a residual agent, who has a key role in ensuring that Boards continue to effectively and prudently manage public funds throughout the process. The Ministry's response teams will continue to provide tailored programmes to support the well-being of learners, parents and staff.
- 67. When the initial proposals were made in September, schools were provided with an indicative timeline for implementation. However, where schools are scheduled to close or merge, I believe it is better that this is done quickly to provide certainty for learners, parents, staff and the wider community. For closures, this prevents slow roll decline and the possibility that many of the staff will choose to move to other schools over this period. For mergers, it allows an appointed Board of Trustees to start considering the needs of the whole school community, and to manage its resources and staff appropriately. Where the merged school will have new buildings, it allows the Board and senior leadership team to be involved in their design to ensure it meets their needs.
- 68. I have therefore asked the Ministry to prioritise property work to ensure that there is sufficient capacity for learners who move school as a result of closures, and that new buildings are progressed as quickly as possible for affected schools. This means that we have been able to bring forward the implementation date for the majority of closures and mergers to January 2014, allowing a much greater degree of certainty in those schools most affected. The schools will effectively close at the end of term 4 in December 2013, but they remain open legally to allow staff to be paid during the holiday, as set out in the collective agreements. This earlier timescale also supports developing momentum for the overall recovery of greater Christchurch.
- 69. This work is only part of the investment in infrastructure which we are making in schools in greater Christchurch. In addition to the proposals for the 38 schools, we are providing four entirely new schools to meet additional demand for schooling in areas of population growth. My initial proposals also envisaged new primary provision in Rolleston and west Belfast, but as discussed above, this demand will be met by relocating Burnham and Ouruhia Model Schools. We will also relocate an additional nine schools to new sites⁴. Procurement has already been completed for the new build at Pegasus and Halswell, and the schools will be ready for occupation in 2014. The Ministry has also prioritised rebuilding and repair work on a further 32 schools over the next 2-4 years. Design work for some of these schools will begin in April.
- 70. The capital requirement for this work is dependent on the timing and quantum of the Ministry's insurance settlement in relation to the Canterbury earthquakes. It is anticipated that capital requirements for 2013 and 2014 will be able to be met from this settlement, once the funds are available. The Ministry will work with the Treasury to highlight and address any capital requirements for projects prior to the insurance settlement being finalised, and I expect to submit a Budget 2013 bid to cover any immediate requirement for capital funding.
- 71. Environment Canterbury is leading multi-agency work (with CERA and the greater Christchurch territorial authorities) to develop a draft Land Use Recovery Plan, which will

⁴ This total includes the relocation of Linwood College which is discussed in this paper.

consider appropriate locations for residential areas and therefore school populations. The Plan may also have direct implications for some schools, especially those close to or adjacent to existing red zones. Further changes to the school network may need to be considered as a result of this.

Consultation

72. Treasury, the State Services Commission and the Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Agency have been consulted on this paper, and the Department of the Prime Minster and Cabinet have been informed.

Recommendations

It is recommended that Cabinet Business Committee:

- note that I continue to be mindful of the significant impact of the earthquake on children, parents, school staff and the wider community in greater Christchurch, and I am committed to ensuring appropriate support continues to be provided to students, their parents and teachers as the closure and merger process continues;
- 2 note the process of consultation which I have undertaken with the 38 schools in greater Christchurch proposed for closure or merger;
- 3 note that I intend to decide:
 - 3.1 that Branston Intermediate School, Glenmoor School, Greenpark School, Kendal School, Richmond School, and Shirley Intermediate School should close;
 - 3.2 that Burnham School, Burnside School, Duvauchelle School, Okains Bay School, and Ourhuia Model School, should remain open; and,
 - 3.3 that further consultation should be undertaken on Year 7 and 8 provision before a decision is made about Linwood Intermediate School and Manning Intermediate School;
- 4 note that I intend to decide:
 - 4.1 that Burwood and Windsor Schools, Central New Brighton and South New Brighton Schools, Lyttelton Main and Lyttelton West schools, North New Brighton and Freeville Schools, and Phillipstown and Woolston Schools, should merge;
 - 4.2 that the mergers of Bromley and Linwood Avenue Schools, and Gilberthorpe and Yaldhurst Schools do not proceed; and,
 - 4.3 that the merger of TKKM o Waitaha and TKKM of Te Whanau Tahi does not proceed, but that further consultation is undertaken about the relocation of one of the kura;
- 5 **note** that of the 31 schools considered for closure or merger at this stage, I intend to proceed with 20, and not to close or merge 11;
- 6 **note** that the 28 days of further consultation required by the Act will conclude on 22 March, with final decisions being announced on 13 May;

- 7 **note** the timelines for further consultation, future decisions and announcements and that I will be working to rationalise the number of announcements in the coming months;
- 8 agree that Cabinet consideration of the full business case should now take place in August 2013;
- 9 note that the capital requirement for the Education Renewal Process is dependent on the Ministry's insurance settlement and the Ministry of Education will prepare a Budget 2013 bid to address any immediate capital requirement;
- 10 **note** that Environment Canterbury is leading work on a draft Land Use Recovery Plan, and that this may have implications for the school network; and
- 11 **note** that the communications plan, relying on advice from local professional organisations and the schools themselves, gives full consideration to the manner in which affected schools are informed about decisions, and provides transparency about the decision-making process.

Hon Hekia Parata

Minister of Education

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Appendix 1: Proposals for Closures and Mergers of Schools in greater Christchurch

Next steps	Boards have 28 days to provide additional information or reasons against merger: period ends 22 March Final decision announced by 13 May		Boards have 28 days to provide additional information or reasons against merger: period ends 22 March Final decision announced by 13 May	
Minister's intentions	Merge Central New Brighton School with South New Brighton School as a Year 1-8 school on South New Brighton site Merger effective from January 2014		Merge Freeville School with North New Brighton School as a Year 1-8 school, initially as split site then on the North New Brighton site Merge effective from January 2014	
Board Response	Disagrees with the proposal Proposes that the school remains open and becomes a "Learning Hub" for the community encompassing cultural, educational, environmental resources and support services	Disagrees with the proposal Preferred option is to remain as a separate school with minor changes such as increasing the enrolment zone Second preference is that the schools are merged, with South New Brighton School as the continuing school and its Board of Trustees as the continuing Board	Disagrees with the proposal Preference is to remain as a separate school on its current site and that options to "enhance" the school are explored	Agrees with the proposal
Original Proposal	Merge Central New Brighton School with South New Brighton School as a Year 1-8 school on South New Brighton site Merger effective January 2016		Merge Freeville School with North New Brighton School as a Year 1-8 school on North New Brighton site Merger effective January 2016	
& Costs	\$0.27 million \$3.63 million \$0.45 million \$4.35 million	\$0.99 million \$0.42 million \$1.09 million \$1.31 million \$3.81 million	\$1.75 million \$2.12 million \$1.46 million \$0.38 million \$5.71 million	\$2.51 million \$2.66 million \$0.12 million \$0.40million \$5.69 million
Property Status & Costs	Brighton Learning Community Cluster Central New Earthquake damage Brighton School Earthquake strengthening Weather tightness Total ten year indicative property remediation Cooff	Earthquake damage Earthquake strengthening Weather tightness Condition assessments Total ten year indicative property remediation cost	Earthquake damage Earthquake strengthening Weather tightness Condition assessments Total ten year indicative property remediation cost	Earthquake damage Earthquake strengthening Weather tightness Condition assessments Total ten year indicative property remediation cost
School / Kura	Brighton Learning Central New Brighton School July 2012 roll of 119 learners METIS: 742542		Freeville School July 2012 roll of 299 learners METIS: 742538	North New Brighton School July 2012 roll of 222 learners METIS: 742538

 $^{\mathrm{1}}$ Where the total figure is over \$1 million, the total has been rounded to the nearest \$0.1m

Phillipstown	Phillipstown Earthquake damage	\$2.10 million	Merge Phillipstown School with	• Disagrees with the proposal	Merce Phillipstown School with	Roards have 28 days to provide
School	Earthquake strengthening	\$0.92 million	Woolston School as a Year 1-8	Preference is to remain as a	Woolston School as a Year 1-8	additional information or reasons
	Weather tightness	\$0.02 million	school on current Linwood	separate school and explore	school on Woolston School site	against merger: period ends 22
July 2012 roll of	Condition assessments	\$0.49 million	College site	options such as becoming a Year	 Merger effective from January 	March
155 learners METIS: 741597	Total ten year indicative property remediation	\$3.53million	Merger effective January 2018	1-10 school, the school's technology centre expanding to	2014	 Final decision announced by 13 May
	cost	-		service a wider population, and enhancement of the school's		
		7,		current health and social services provision		
Woolston	Earthquake damage	\$0.33 million		 Disagrees with the proposal 		
School	Earthquake strengthening	\$1.13 million		 Proposes instead that Bamford 		
Into 2012 roll of	Weather tightness	80		School and Phillipstown School		
241 learners	Total for itselfinding	\$0.26 million		Woolston School or alternative		
METIS: 741597	property remediation	1 1 1 1 1 1		local schools		
Bromley School	Earthquake damage	\$0.23 million	Merge Bromley School with	Disagrees with the proposal	Retain as separate schools	Letter sent to Board setting out
	Earthquake strengthening	\$0	Linwood Avenue School as a	 Proposes instead that Bromley 		decision not to merge - no
July 2012 roll of	Weather tightness	\$0.13 million	Year 1-8 school on Bromley	School remains as a separate	 Consultation on local Year 7-8 	further action on merger
253 learners	Condition assessments	\$0.79 million	School site	school and recapitates to Year 1-	options as set out in Linwood	 Further consultation on Year 7-8
ME 115: 7415/0	Total ten year indicative property remediation cost	\$1.15 million	 Merger effective January 2016 	ω	Intermediate proposal below	provision as below
Linwood	Earthquake damage	\$0.12 million		Disagrees with the proposal		
Avenue School	Earthquake strengthening	\$0.29 million		Proposes instead that Linwood		
July 2012 roll of	Condition assessments	\$0.38 million		Avenue School remains as a separate school and recapitates		>
289 learners	Total ten vear indicative	\$1.63 million		to Year 1-8		
METIS: 741570	property remediation					
Linwood	Earthquake damage	\$0.73 million	Close Linwood Intermediate	Disagrees with the proposal	 Proceed with wider consultation 	Wider consultation on Year 7-8
Intermediate	Earthquake strengthening	\$1.80 million	 Closure effective January 2016 	 Proposes instead that the school 	about Year 7-8 provision in the	provision: period ends 5 April
Into 2012 roll of	Weather tightness	\$0		be expanded to a Year 7-9	cluster, including consulting the	 Decision about whether Linwood
123 learners	Condition assessments	\$0.67 million		school	Board of Linwood College about	Intermediate should close
METIS: 741585	Total ten year indicative property remediation	\$3.20 million			 cnange or class to Year /-13 Defer closure decision until after 	announced by 13 May
	cost			5	this consultation	
					College proceeds and decision to	
					Linwood Intermediate would be	
					primaries are recapitated, closure would be effective January 2015	

Richmond Earthquake damage \$10.22 million Condition assessments School	Shirley Learning	Shirley Learning Community Cluster					
Earthquake strengthening \$0.16 million Closure effective January 2014 Proposes that Richmond School Closure effective January 2014 Proposes that Richmond School Closure effective January 2014 Proposes that Richmond School emains on its current site, and so the strengthening \$2.042 million Closure effective January 2017 Proposes that Shirley Intermediate remains open and seasonsments \$1.01 million Closure effective January 2017 Proposes that Shirley Intermediate remains open and experse strengthening \$2.04 million Closure effective January 2017 Proposes that Shirley Intermediate remains open and expense strengthening \$2.04 million Closure effective January 2017 Proposes that Shirley Intermediate remains open and expense strength and community use property remediation Closure effective January 2017 Proposes otherwise that the decision on closure be delayed elither for one year to allow further consultation, or pending a result from the work of the remains of the strength of t	Richmond	Earthquake damage	\$0.22 million		 Disagrees with the proposal 	 Close Richmond School 	 Board has 28 days to provide
Weather tightness \$0.09 million Condition assessments \$0.42 million Total ten year indicative \$0.38 million Total ten year indicative \$0.38 million	School	Earthquake strengthening	\$0.16 million	 Closure effective January 2014 	 Proposes that Richmond School 	 Closure effective January 2014 	additional information or reasons
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					Avon/Otakaro cluster work		

Belfast Learning	Belfast Learning Community Cluster					
Ouruhia Model School	Earthquake damage Earthquake strengthening Weather tightness	\$0.11 million \$0 \$0.40 million	Close Ouruhia Model School Closure effective January 2015	Disagrees with the proposal Proposes that zone is enlarged to encompass east of Belfast	Retain Ouruhia Model School; propose later relocation to a new site in the west of Belfast where it	Letter sent to Board setting out decision not to close — no further action at this stage
July 2012 roll of	Condition assessments	\$0.08 million		cluster, so that the school can	will better serve the growing population	 Non-statutory consulation with Board about relocation at
112 learners	property remediation			provision in other parts of Belfast		appropriate time
	cost			 Proposes that school land be used for special education 		
		-		satellite, Mäori Medium provision, ECE centre		
				-		
Parklands Learn	Parklands Learning Community Cluster					# E
Burwood	Earthquake damage	\$0.76 million •	Merge Burwood School with	Disagrees with the proposal	Merge Burwood School with	 Boards have 28 days to provide
School	Earthquake strengthening	\$1.95 million	Windsor School on the Windsor	 Proposes that enrolment zones 	Windsor School as a Year 1-6	additional information or reasons
to llor 2000 vital	Weather tightness	\$1.28 million	School site	be adjusted to "more equitable"	school, initially on a split-site	against merger: period ends 22
274 learners	Condition assessments	\$0.72 million	Merger effective January 2016	boundaries	basis and then on the Windsor	March
METIS: 742682	Total ten year indicative	\$4.71million		 Proposes the school becomes a 	site	 Final decision announced by 13
	property remediation	3 B		"community hub" and recapitates	 Merger effective January 2014 	May
	1803	4		to Year 1-6 it Chishaitwood Intermediate closes	,	
Windsor School	Earthquake damage	\$0.97 million		 Disagrees with the proposal 		
20 How 0000 11.11	Earthquake strengthening	\$2.99 million		 Proposes that Windsor School 		
July 2012 roll of	Weather tightness	\$1.88 million		remains open and that if		
METIC: 742692	Condition assessments	\$0.66 million		Burwood School was to be		
INIE 113. 144004	Total ten year indicative	\$6.50		closed the Windsor School zone		
	property remediation	million		be expanded to encompass the		
	cost			Burwood community		
				 Also proposes that if 		
				Chisnallwood Intermediate is		
				closed, Windsor School be		
				recapitated to Year 1-8		

Central City Lear.	Central City Learning Community Cluster				
Unlimited Paenga Tawhiti July 2012 roll of 379 learners METIS: 742685	Discovery One School and Unlimited Paenga Tawhiti schools were located in Christchurch's Central Business District (CBD) which was significantly damaged by the February earthquake. Both schools operated from leased premises	Merge Unlimited Paenga Tawhiti and Discovery One on a new site as a Year 1-13 school Merger date to be determined	Agrees with the proposal	Merge Unlimited Paenga Tawhiti and Discovery One as a Year 1-13 school, initially on split sites then on a new site Merger effective January 2014	Final decision announced on 18 February Planning for merger commences; change manager and residual agent appointed
Discovery One July 2012 roll of 168 learners METIS: 742685	Discovery One School and Unlimited Paenga Tawhiti schools were located in Christchurch's Central Business District (CBD) which was significantly damaged by the February earthquake. Both schools operated from leased premises		Agrees with the proposal		

Burnside Learnin	Burnside Learning Community Cluster										
Burnside	Earthquake damage	\$0.11 million		Close Burnside Primary	Disagrees with the proposal		Retain and rebuild Burnside	e e	• Letter	Letter sent to Board setting out	-
Primary School	Earthquake strengthening \$4.97million	\$4.97million		School	Proposes that more effective use	e use	Primary School, forming an	=	decisi	decision not to close	
to lor 2012 roll of	Weather tightness	\$0	۰	Closure effective January	be made of the large site the	(1)	education hub with Cobham	Ē	• Enga	Engagement with Boards about	Ţ,
210 learners	Condition assessments	\$3.81 million		2014	school shares with Cobham		Intermediate and Burnside High	• High	rebuild) <u>P</u>	
METIS: 744947	Total ten year indicative \$8.89 million	\$8.89 million	_		Intermediate to provide a		Schools				
MILIO. 141041	property remediation				community hub for education and	n and					
	cost.				social services						
	Note: repair cost										-
	exceeds new school										
	Note: now cohool build	0 99 0000									
	dependent on roll size	\$7.65 million									
	and excluding potential										
	shared cluster facilities										
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Royvdale Learni	Royvdale Learning Community Cluster					100
Kendal School	Kendal School Earthquake damage	\$0.01 million	\$0.01 million • Close Kendal School	 Disagrees with the proposal 	Close Kendal School	 Board has 28 days to provide
July 2042 gall of	Earthquake strengthening \$2.93 million	\$2.93 million	 Closure effective January 		 Closure effective January 2014 	additional information or reasons
So learners	Weather tightness	\$0	2015	redeveloped as a Learning		against closure: period ends 22
METIC: 741956	Condition assessments	\$0.31 million		Community that provides		March
	Total ten year indicative \$3.25 million	\$3.25 million		preschool and primary education,		 Final decision announced by 13
	property remediation			shared learning resources and a		May
	cost		ω.	centre for		
	ı			professional development		

Rolleston Learnin	Rolleston Learning Community Cluster					
Burnham School July 2012 roll of 133 learners METIS: 741950	Earthquake damage Earthquake strengthening Weather tightness Condition assessments Total ten year indicative property remediation cost	\$0.08 million \$3.19 million \$0.08 million \$3.27 million	Close Burnham School Closure effective January 2016	Disagrees with the proposal Proposes school remains open and identifies three options for addressing property issues	Retain and relocate Burnham School to a new site in Rolleston to cater for local population growth	Non-statutory consultation with Board about relocation: period ends 5 April
Hornby Learning Gilberthorpe School July 2012 roll of 104 learners METIS: 742254	Gilberthorpe School School July 2012 roll of learners METIS: 742254 MeTIS: 742264 Yaldhurst Model Gilberthorpe Earthquake damage Earthquake damage Total ten year indicative property remediation cost	\$0.08 million \$2.18 million \$0.23 million \$2.49 million \$0.08 million	Merge Gilberthorpe School and Yaldhurst Model School as a Year 1-6 school on Gilberthorpe School site Merger effective January 2015	Disagrees with proposal Proposes that if the merger goes ahead, the merged school is a Year 1-8 school Disagrees with proposal	Retain as separate schools	Letters sent to Board setting out decision not to merge
School July 2012 roll of 123 learners METIS: 742254		\$0.81 million \$0.39 million \$1.28 million				
Branston Intermediate School July 2012 roll of 180 learners METIS: 741958	Earthquake damage Earthquake strengthening Weather tightness Condition assessments Total ten year indicative property remediation cost	\$0.11 million \$6.89 million \$0.59 million \$7.92 million	 Close Branston Intermediate School Closure effective January 2015 	Disagrees with the proposal Proposes that Branston Intermediate School expands to be a Year 7-9 school	 Close Branston Intermediate School Closure effective January 2014 	Board has 28 days to provide additional information or reasons against closure: period ends 22 March Consultation with Hornby High about change of class: period ends 5 April Final decision announced by 13 May

Lyttelton Learnin	Lyttelton Learning Community Cluster					
Lyttelton Main	Earthquake damage	\$0.25 million	Merge Lyttelton Main School	Agrees with the proposal	Merge Lyttelton Main School with	Boards have 28 days to provide
School	Earthquake strengthening	\$0.39 million	with Lyttelton West School as a		Lyttelton West School as a Year	additional information or reasons
Inly 2012 roll of	Weather tightness	\$0	Year 1-8 school on the Lyttelton		1-8 school initially on split-sites	against merger: period ends 22
113 learners	Condition assessments	\$0.40 million	Main School site		and then on the Lyttelton Main	March
METIS: 742555	Total ten year indicative property remediation cost	\$1.04 million	 Merger effective January 2016 		School site Merger effective January 2014	 Final decision announced by 13 May
Lyttelton West	Earthquake damage	\$0.35 million		Disagrees with the proposal		
School	Earthquake strengthening	\$0.17 million				
Inly 2012 roll of	Weather tightness	\$0				
134 learners	Condition assessments	\$0.37 million				
METIS: 742555	Total ten year indicative	\$0.89 million				
	property remediation cost					
	Note: The costs do not	н				2
	make any allowance for					i e
	the remediation of the					
	ground, tunnels or					
	addition foundation					100
5	work required. These					
	costs could be					
	significant.			-		
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Akaroa Learning	Akaroa Learning Community Cluster	=				
Duvauchelle	Earthquake damage	\$0	Close Duvauchelle School and	Disagrees with the proposal	Retain as senarate entities but	• letters sent to Boards setting out
School	Earthquake strengthening	\$0	Okains Bay School; use sites as	Proposes that the school be left	Ministry works with these schools	decision not to close
Je lier Choc why	Weather tightness	\$0.10 million	satellites of Akaroa Area School	as a stand-alone entity and	to increase collaboration between	 Ministry will facilitate work with
July 2012 roll of	Condition assessments	\$0.17 million	 Closures effective January 2014 	potentially recapitated	the schools, including	Divarchelle and Okains Bay

	Letters sent to Boards setting out decision not to close Ministry will facilitate work with Duvauchelle and Okains Bay schools to increase collaboration, including the possibility of shared governance	
	Retain as separate entities, but Ministry works with these schools to increase collaboration between the schools, including considering adopting a shared governance model	
	Disagrees with the proposal Proposes that the school be left as a stand-alone entity and potentially recapitated Disagrees with the proposal Proposes that the school remain as a stand-alone entity with an on-site Early Childhood Education centre, and operates	"cultural exchanges" with urban schools
	Close Duvauchelle School and Okains Bay School; use sites as satellites of Akaroa Area School Closures effective January 2014	
	\$0 \$0.10 million \$0.17 million \$0.27 million \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0.11 million \$0 \$0 \$0.17 million	
Akaroa Learning Community Cluster	Earthquake damage Earthquake strengthening Weather tightness Condition assessments Total ten year indicative property remediation cost Earthquake damage Earthquake strengthening Weather tightness Condition assessments Total ten year indicative	property remediation cost
Akaroa Learning	School July 2012 roll of 23 learners METIS: 742248 Okains Bay School July 2012 roll of 18 learners	

Halswell Learnin	Halswell Learning Community Cluster						
Manning	Earthquake damage	\$1.32 million •	 Close Manning Intermediate 	• Disa	Disagrees with the proposal	 Proceed with wider consultation 	 Wider consultation on Year 7-8
Intermediate	Earthquake strengthening	\$3.34 million	 Closure effective January 2015 	• Prop	Proposes Manning Intermediate	about Year 7-8 provision in the	provision: period ends 5 April
to loca CAOC vital	Weather tightness	\$0		and	and Hillmorton High School	cluster, including consultation	 Decision about whether Manning
3419 2012 1911 OI	Condition assessments	\$0.40 million		pecc	become a joint "Centre of	with Board of Hillmorton High	should close announced by 13
METIS: 741052	Total ten year indicative	\$5.06 million		Lear	earning, Achievement and	School about change of class to	May
METEO: 141934	property remediation			onul	nnovation" (proposed legal	Year /-13	2
	cost			struc	structure unclear)	 Defer closure decision until after 	
					æ	this consultation	2
						 If change of class at Hillmorton 	2
•						High School proceeds and a	
						decision to close is made,	
						closure of Manning Intermediate	
	2					would be effective January 2014;	
-						if primaries are recapitated	
	9					closure would be effective	
						January 2015	
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Lincoln Learning	incoln Learning Community Cluster								
Greenpark	Earthquake damage	\$0.20 million	.	\$0.20 million • Close Greenpark School	•	 Disagrees with the proposal 	0	 Close Greenpark School 	Board has 28 days to provide
School	Earthquake strengthening Weather tightness	\$0.03 million \$0	<u>•</u>	Earthquake strengthening \$0.03 million • Closure effective January 2015 Weather tightness \$0	• ,	Proposes that Greenpark School remains open and becomes an	•	 Closure effective January 2014 	additional information or reasons against closure: period ends 22
34 learners	Condition assessments	\$0				"agricultural primary school"			March
591	Total ten year indicative \$0.23 million property remediation	\$0.23 million							 Final decision announced by 13 May
11	cost								

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	 Letters sent to Board setting out 	decision not to close	 Non-statutory consultation about 	the relocation of one kura: period	ends 5 April											
	Retain as separate entities	Consult on relocation of one kura	as part of plans to enhance	quality and access to Māori	language in education. This will	include input from the Maori	medium cluster and the Waltana	Advisory Board-Mātauraka	Mahaanui							
	 Disagrees with the proposal 									 Disagrees with the proposal 	8 8					
	 Merge TKKM o Te Whanau 	Tahi with TKKM o Waitaha on a	site to be determined	 Merger effective January 2015 												
er	\$0.01 million	\$0	\$1.28 million	\$0.26 million	\$1.55 million					\$0.01 million	\$0	\$0	\$0.31 million	\$0.32 million		
Māori Medium Learning Community Cluster	Earthquake damage	Earthquake strengthening	Weather tightness	Condition assessments	Total ten year indicative	property remediation	cost			Earthquake damage	Earthquake strengthening	Weather tightness	Condition assessments	Total ten year indicative \$0.32 million	property remediation	cost
Māori Medium Le	TKKM o Te	Whanau Tahi	1.th, 2040, roll of	72 learners	METIS: 742257					TKKIN o	Waitaha	a llan CAOC vivi	St loaners	METIC: 742257	WE 13. 1444.3	







