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Opportunity for Residents to Have Their Say

The Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority (CERA) is encouraging greater Christchurch residents to have their say and share their post-earthquake experiences and perceptions through a Wellbeing Survey that has gone live at cera.govt.nz today.

The survey, which has been developed in partnership with Waimakariri District Council, Christchurch City Council, Selwyn District Council, the Canterbury District Health Board (CDHB) and Te Runanga o Ngāi Tahu, aims to investigate a range of ways in which people have been affected by the earthquakes. This includes looking at the prevalence and causes of stress, quality of life, social relationships, satisfaction with the recovery and any positive impacts people may be experiencing.

The survey is being undertaken in two parts – a randomly selected representative sample of 2500 residents from the electoral roll in greater Christchurch, and an online component which is open to all residents from today. The survey will be run twice a year for the next three years.

Waimakariri District Mayor David Ayers encourages residents to participate in the survey. "We encourage people to participate no matter where in the District they live. There have been a huge variety of experiences following the earthquakes and people have been affected in many different ways."

"We know there has been an impact on the neighbourhoods in our community and on people's livelihood, jobs and housing. It will be very useful to see as the surveys progress how people are getting on. Our social and business recovery teams will also be able to target assistance where it is most needed."

The CERA Online Wellbeing Survey is now live at cera.govt.nz and can be accessed until Friday 2 November 2012.

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