

Red zone stories help shape area's future

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STORIES ABOUT a wool shed used after World War 2 to store equipment and dragon boating on the Avon have been shared through an online red zone idea-mapping tool.

Regenerate Christchurch has been working to collect people's stories from the land before it makes decisions about the future of the red zone.

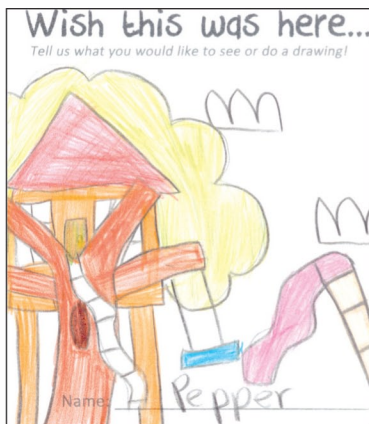
Chief executive Ivan Iafeta said he was open to all ideas from the community, right down to Christchurch's youngest residents.

More than 1000 children's ideas for the red zone have already been collected on postcards. Some asked for theme parks or zoos, but about a quarter asked for green spaces.

"Children are the future users, leaders and residents of our city and we're creating a legacy for them," Mr Iafeta said.

The online feedback on the red zone was originally planned to close this month, but has been extended until April 24.

Next month, workshops for young design teams are set to be held, where they can share their ideas while being helped



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through the process by engineers and designers.

This weekend, a community day will be held, where people can take free guided tours of the red zone, give feedback and share their ideas.

•The red zone community day will run from 10am-3pm on Saturday at Haeata Community Campus, 240 Breezes Rd, Wainoni. Stories and information about red zone land can also be shared online until April 24 at engage.regeneratechristchurch.nz