



**northeast**  
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**committee**

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# Newsletter

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### Local High School Report

The NESE Committee has been working hard on your behalf over the past few months. We've been working alongside agencies in charge of rebuilding Christchurch, attending meetings and spending long hours making submissions to the Christchurch City Council, CERA and Ministry of Education. You can read our submissions on our website [www.nese.org.nz](http://www.nese.org.nz) under the proposal tab on the following:-

- Central City Draft Plan
- Recovery Strategy for Greater Christchurch
- Shaping the future of Education in Christchurch

You also might like to read our Report to the Ministry of Education from Nov 2010. We recommend you consider some of the areas detailed in this report in any education decisions you make personally for your family. It has quite a different focus to the submissions we made as it was written to deliver our messages, whereas with the submissions we have to answer the questions posed.

We would like to send out a huge thank you to those among you who take the time to tell us your thoughts and encourage our efforts. We will continue to work with transparency with the community and education sector. We're here to represent your views. We really appreciate your encouragement and inspiration.

### NESE's AGM

We'll be having a short snappy AGM at 7.00pm Thursday 16 February 2012 in the Parkview Lounge on the playground side of Parklands Community Centre. Please come along to support us and have your questions answered.

### Facebook

We have a new Facebook page for "NESE Inc". We can post quickly to this page so please "like" us to keep up to date.

<http://www.facebook.com/NESEInc>

### Share the News

- If you know someone interested in receiving this newsletter? Please ask them to subscribe to our mailing list by sending an email to [nese.newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:nese.newsletter@gmail.com)
- If you are involved with a local community group please keep them informed about our progress.

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## General Election - Candidates in Christchurch East.

NESE asked all six Christchurch East Electorate Candidates to submit a short statement on education and their opinion about establishing a local high school in North East Christchurch. You may like to consider their thoughts on education in balance with other issues important to you when you vote in the general elections this Saturday. Statements are listed alphabetically.

### **BAKER**, Leighton - Conservative Party

No statement supplied.

### **BRITNELL**, Michael - Aotearoa Legalise Cannabis Party

Our R18 legalise policy will save billions in policing and social costs and make billions more from the new tax potential, meaning with legalisation we can solve our most important issues without borrowing from China or selling assets to build new schools, hospitals and prisons.

Legalising cannabis will save money,,, make money,,, and promote social healing.

Prohibition has created a huge black market and has broken down community respect and co operation by promoting hypocrisy and discrimination.

Our singular policy is the most important practical thing we can do for the economy, the environment and the community, while reducing the National Debt

### **DALZIEL**, Lianne - Labour Party

No statement supplied.

### **GILMORE**, Aaron - National Party

As a parent of two children, and the originator of the Petition seeking a local high school for our kids in the north east of Christchurch, I am 100% behind the initiative for more local high school choice for our kids. Given the horrific earthquakes the need for this has not changed but the probable type of provision given the local rebuilding required of existing schools has.

I am also very supportive of all the wonderful work that all the people in NESE do in working with me and others in the Community to progress this towards the outcome that we all want.

### **MATHERS**, Mojo - Green Party

No statement supplied.

### **MILLER**, Johnny - United Future

Critical to the health and future of any community is the education of its citizens. United Future promotes policy to enable universal access to all levels of education. We must ensure that qualifications are robust and well respected and both the country and individuals get value for their commitment to learning.

On Education United Future has many Policies. I strongly urge your readers to visit [www.unitedfuture.org.nz/education](http://www.unitedfuture.org.nz/education)

As for my personal opinion on establishing a Secondary School in the North East, I believe that this should have been done years ago and I fully support this. Growing up in Parklands we only had the choice of two secondary schools, Shirley Boys or Aranui,

"Authorised by Peter Dunne M.P., United Future Leader, c/o Parliament, Wellington"