



## **LUPA Update**

Hi All

LUPA has had a busy year so far, planning events and gathering new members. We had a great presence at the Clubs Day in O Week, talking to students and raising the club's profile. Following this day we held a Welcome Back drinks event to catch up with old faces, and get to know new ones. Several members of NZPI and staff joined us as well, and this was also a great chance to find out more about the YP Congress that is coming up in Blenheim. Special thanks needs to go to Jess Bould, for catering the event also and making the delicious cupcakes!

Following on from this event, the annual Young Planners Congress was held in Blenheim on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May. It was great to see a few familiar faces again and we had an excellent range of speakers to entertain us and provide some thought provoking discussions. It was fantastic to see a good group of Lincoln students attending. The Young Planners Congress was followed by the annual NZPI Conference.

Our next focus will be organising an event for early in semester two before course loads start to become heavy again. Dates and timing will be confirmed shortly. Also, we will be holding our AGM early in the semester. There will be a few roles opening up so for any new students wanting to become involved make sure you come along to the AGM.

On a regional level, we would like to welcome Claire Lindsay as the new Young Planner representative for the Canterbury/Westland region. Congratulations Claire on your new role and a massive thanks to Daniel Thorne, outgoing Young Planner representative, for all of the effort and work put into organising events for the students and young planners in Canterbury.

Good luck to all of those on the job hunt – don't forget to upgrade your NZPI status to Graduate and to all of those returning to Lincoln for semester two, have a great semester.

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**Co-Chairpeople of LUPA**