

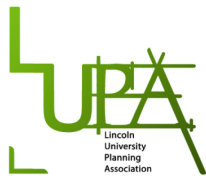
LUPA – Lincoln University Planning Association: The 2013 Year

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ABSTRACT

A regular addition to the Lincoln Planning Review is the update from the Lincoln University Planning Association. LUPA supports all those students studying or with an interest in planning at Lincoln University. The club has a primary goal of bridging the gap from academic studies and being students, to the diverse and practical world planners operate in.



LUPA (The Lincoln University Planning Association) has had a great year building on the work of Jess Bould, Holly Gardiner

and Alyce Melrose. The club continued to grow and offer planning students' excellent events, network opportunities and more. On the leadership front, I have taken over the president role of the club and as Lincoln University's student representative on the Canterbury branch of NZPI. Sara Sahagian and Kimberley Freeman have stepped up to the roles of treasurer and secretary respectively, bringing new ideas to the club with them.

LUPA's first event of the year was a successful 'Meet the Planners' on the 13th March in conjunction with the NZPI Canterbury Young Planners. This speed dating event saw nine young planners volunteer their time to answer questions from students. There was a great turnout with over thirty students participating. Thanks to all those involved, namely Claire Lindsay who helped organise this! A brief snapshot of the event can be seen in Figure 1.

Other successful events held this year included a July screening of the award-winning documentary 'Urbanized' by Gary Hustwitt and an August transport seminar in which

Christchurch City Council Transport Planners Michael Ferigo and Ruth Foxon both presented.



Figure 1: Meet the Planners – a speed dating style event held on campus Wednesday 13th March 2013.

On top of this there have been a few social events, and as we near the end of the university year, an end of year function is also planned. Turnouts at the main events have increased and over 100 students now receive the regular LUPA updates and notifications. The LUPA presence at other planning events in Christchurch held by NZPI, the Young Planners group and the young RMLA has also been more prominent.

After a successful year of LUPA events, the club is beginning to look to 2014 considering new event options. Lastly, many thanks for all the continued support and commitment towards LUPA and LPR.