Migration

Christchurch’s Next Gap Filler

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- Need labour
- Unemployment – Christchurch 4.2% compared with a NZ average of 6.2%
- All sectors are going to experience growth
- Wages inflation
- Feeling labour squeeze
- Pressure on school leavers
- Can’t rely on natural population growth
- Needs more labour during the rebuild than it currently has
- What happens after the rebuild?
- Respond to rapidly changes
- Flex with labour demand dynamics
- Balanced migration across the whole workforce, not just construction
- Bring adventurous, entrepreneurial, innovators to New Zealand
- Ensure temporary labour becomes permanent
- Central government engagement
- Skills hub
- Skills shortage group
- Sector workforce planning (profiling)
- Enhancing workforce information systems so migrants, employers and government have better information to inform decisions