

Christchurch City Council
Spreydon Ward
Electing 1 Councillor



Melanie COKER

The People's Choice - Labour

My principal place of residence is in the Spreydon Ward area.

I am the current Deputy Chair of the Spreydon-Cashmere Community Board. I have a PhD in biochemistry and have been a research scientist for 10 years. I also have business experience as

the director of my own education company AHeadStart Ltd.

While elected I have assisted residents to establish local community groups, and helped to retain community facilities such as the Hoon Hay Community Centre. I have also encouraged diversity and participation in local democracy, especially with a focus on our young people.

Council needs to get the basics right, including fixing footpaths and repairing roads. Financial prudence in decision-making is essential.

My top priorities for Council include pure drinking water with reliable infrastructure; accessible parks and recreational facilities; clean, healthy waterways and ecosystems; planning for climate change; and reliable and safe travel for everyone.

Your vote will enable me to continue to support and advocate for our community.