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Hon Dr Megan Woods, Minister for Housing, Christchurch

Hon Megan Woods is a Christchurch local, and has been the Member of Parliament for Wigram since 2011. Following the 2017 election, she was sworn in as a Minister of the Crown with portfolio responsibilities including the Greater Christchurch Regeneration, Energy and Resources, and Research, Science and Innovation.

In the 2020 Labour Government, Megan was appointed Minister of Housing, Minister of Energy and Resources, and Minister of Research, Science and Innovation, alongside Associate Minister of Finance. Prior to becoming a Member of Parliament, she worked as a Business Manager at Plant & Food Research. Megan holds a PhD in New Zealand history from the University of Canterbury. In between a busy schedule, she enjoys watching cricket, rugby and spending her free time with friends and family.



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