

**SUBMISSION TO:** Christchurch City Council

**ON:** Draft Annual Plan 2005/06 & Long Term Council Community Plan 2006-2016

**BY:** Burwood/Pegasus Community Board

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## **1. INTRODUCTION**

The Burwood/Pegasus Community Board welcomes this opportunity to make a submission on the draft Annual Plan 2005/06 and to identify long-term issues for the Long Term Council Community Plan 2006-16.

The submission addresses a range of issues, including some projects already programmed and some proposals of a long-term nature. The Board does not wish to recommend any project substitutions for 2005/06. Page references for items in the Draft Annual Plan document are detailed in brackets where relevant.

The Board would like to speak in support of this submission.

## **2. PRIORITY ISSUES FOR THE ANNUAL PLAN 2005/06**

### **2.1 Gas Reticulation for QEII**

The Board supports the \$3M budgeted for the reticulation of gas from the Burwood Landfill to QEII Park as it is a sustainable and positive initiative for the city and the environment. (p.60)

### **2.2 Ocean Outfall**

The Board supports the provision of \$2.8M to meet the anticipated resource consent requirements of the Ocean Outfall. (p.69)

### **2.3 Festivals and Events**

The Board supports the level of funding provided in the Annual Plan for festivals and events as it has flow-on effects into the Burwood/Pegasus area where possible, for example the buskers festival events in New Brighton. Festivals and events involve all the city's communities and brings them together with an inclusive focus for fun and enjoyment. (p.37)

### **2.4 Parks and Open Spaces**

The Board supports the level of funding provided in the Annual Plan for capital and operational expenditure for parks and open spaces. There are many parks and open spaces in the Burwood/Pegasus area, and across the city, and the Board recognises the important role these play in the health and well-being of residents. (pp.56-58)

## **2.5 Water Supply**

The Board supports the level of funding provided in the Annual Plan for the conservation and protection of the area's aquifers and maintenance of the city's water supply infrastructure. (pp.76-77)

## **2.6 Flat Water Facility**

The Board supports the \$600,000 provided in the Annual Plan under "Flat Water Facility" for the upgrading of Kerrs Reach to include a launch pad at Owles Terrace and weed control along the river, as per Council resolution. The Board also requests that the details of this item be explained more clearly in the final Annual Plan document. (p.82)

## **2.7 New Brighton Revitalisation**

The Board supports the programmed funding for the New Brighton Revitalisation Project and would like to express its strong desire to see the project proceed with urgency in order for the community to feel satisfied that progress is being made on this important project.

## **2.8 Capital Expenditure Programme – Streets and Transport**

The Board supports the level of funding in the Annual Plan for the Beresford Street, New Brighton Commercial Area Development and Cathedral Square Children's Playground projects. (p.84)

## **2.9 Transport Modal Change**

The Board requests a review of the Council objectives for achieving transport modal change from cars to public transport and cycling. The Board recommends that the target for bus use should be increased to 12%. (p.75)

# **3. LONG-TERM ISSUES FOR THE 2006/16 LONG TERM COUNCIL COMMUNITY PLAN (LTCCP)**

## **3.1 Community Board Funding**

The Board supports the continuation of project funding for community boards and requests that Council give consideration to increasing the funding provided for community boards, at the rate of inflation per year.

## **3.2 Specific Projects**

The Board supports provision for the following specific projects in the LTCCP:

- Locksley Avenue pathway – 2006/07
- An artwork in New Brighton commemorating the area's surfing heritage – 2006/07
- On-street parking in Broomfield Tee at the rear of Burwood Park
- Queenspark public toilets, in partnership with local schools
- Farnborough Street traffic management
- Rothesay Road improvements
- Bexley Wetlands Walkway

### **3.3 QEII Park and Traffic Management**

The Board requests that funding be allocated for traffic management at QEII Park and for new entranceways into the park from Travis Road and from Bower Avenue. The Board would also like to see the Frosts Road Walkway link up with the pathways at Travis Road and at Beach Road. (Link to Travis Road 2006/07; link to Beach Road 2007/08.)

### **3.4 Street Cleaning Service Levels**

The Board requests that the Council review the existing service levels for street cleaning across the city with a view to increasing the quality and frequency of cleaning services. The Board has particular concerns with the condition of the streets and mall in New Brighton.

### **3.5 New Brighton Community Facility**

The Board would like to see long-term provision for a community facility in New Brighton that is multi-use, available for groups to use as needed and that can become a focal point for the New Brighton community. The Board acknowledges that there is a strong desire in the New Brighton community for such a local facility.

### **3.6 Aranui Library Service**

The Board supports the innovative idea of introducing a flexible library service in Aranui with a focus on youth and maybe combined with a homework centre. The intention is to link in with other providers and to consider funding opportunities with other agencies.

### **3.7 Impact of Wastewater Ocean Outfall**

The Board is concerned about the impact of the planned wastewater outfall on the wider coastal community. While appreciating that the Council has addressed measures to compensate the residents in the Jellicoe Street area who will be affected by the planned installation of the pipeline, the wider impact should also be adequately addressed. The Board supports provision for underground service cables along Jellicoe Street and requests that consideration be given to provision of other measures to ameliorate the impact on the affected wider community for the disruption caused from the project.

### **3.8 Water Quality**

The Board is concerned about the long-term protection of the water quality of the Christchurch estuary and its catchments. The Board requests that Council address the impact of stormwater discharges on the quality of river and Estuary water and give high priority to advocating for improvements to stormwater treatment. The Board requests that Council make sufficient long-term provision for monitoring stormwater discharges, researching the causes of contamination, and developing strategies to address them.

### **3.9 Tourist Bus Terminus**

The Board is concerned about the location and nature of the current tourist bus terminus in Worcester Street as it has received feedback from the public about it portraying a poor image to visitors. The Board advocates for investigation and development of a new and more appropriate site for the terminus.