

2005/06 DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN SUBMISSION

Submissions close on 13 May 2005

I do not wish to make a personal submission at the hearings.

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Your Submission:

I am concerned about two areas:

#1 - With the move for increased density numerous neighbourhoods have been given a L3 zoning and in doing so traditional homes have been torn down and replaced with completely unacceptable apartments. Perhaps the best example of destroying a neighbourhood is in the first block of Champion Street. The apartment placed there was done so without any regard to the traditional villas and recent sales suggest housing prices have suffered as a result.

Calls to city officials confirm that no one seems to know how many older homes have been torn down due to this zoning. Is it one a day, one a week, one a month?

#2 - Water. The quality of water in the Christchurch area has tested as less than expected and the presence of nitrates is increasing at an alarming rate. Scientists tell us this is a direct result of increased dairy farming that has no restrictions as to limiting the cows access to running water of streams and river.

Thus far, the council is either in denial over this fact or has clearly chosen to give in the the dairy interests.