



Land Transport NZ

Ikiiki Whenua Aotearoa

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2006 Annual Plan Submissions
Christchurch City Council
P.O. Box 237
CHRISTCHURCH

Dear Sir / Madam

Draft 2005 / 06 Annual Plan

Thank you for the opportunity to submit on the Christchurch City Council Draft Annual Plan 2005 - 2006.

Introduction

Land Transport New Zealand (Land Transport NZ) acknowledges the efforts of local authorities in preparing their Annual Plans and the relationship of these documents to the Long Term Council Community Plan (LTCCP). We recognise that the foremost purpose of these plans is for the Council's own planning. In particular, the Plans have an important role in integrated decision making and co-ordination of resources while providing a long-term focus for the decisions and activities of the Council. The LTCCP, in particular, will also assist Land Transport NZ and others in the transport sector in planning activities so as to contribute to the purpose of the Land Transport Management Act 2003 (LTMA), namely the achievement of an integrated, safe, responsive and sustainable land transport system.

As advised in the letter from our chief executive to your Council of 17 March 2005, Land Transport NZ is committed to working collaboratively with local government and other organisations to develop the land transport system in a strategic manner. In doing this we are committed to an approach that is forward looking, collaborative, accountable and evidence based.

Specific Comments

The 2004 amendment to the Land Transport Management Act 2003 (LTMA) provided for the establishment of Land Transport New Zealand (Land Transport NZ), a new Crown agency that assumed the responsibilities of the Land Transport Safety Authority and Transfund New Zealand as from 1 December 2004. We note there are several references to Transfund and Transfund subsidy in your plan. I ask that you replace

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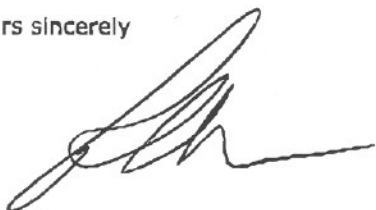
the references to Transfund with Land Transport NZ, and the references to subsidy with 'financial assistance' which is the terminology.

Land Transport NZ is of the view that the significant activity, "Streets and Transport, would be more appropriately titled "Transport". This would be in keeping with the LTMA's requirements for planning and implementing transport solutions rather than road / street based solutions. This wider focus on transport solutions encompasses such matters as policy development and implementation, and pricing initiatives eg car parking fees, demand management etc. We do acknowledge that your plan has identified the need for 'streets and transport' to be managed coherently in order to effectively contribute to various community outcomes. We also acknowledge that "Streets and Transport" is consistent with the Council's 2004 - 2014 LTCCP and therefore it may be more appropriate to change this title when the review of the LTCCP is carried out next year

Land Transport NZ does not wish to present this submission in person at the hearings in May. If you have any questions or queries regarding this submission:

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Yours sincerely



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