

Summary submission form

Instructions

You may send us your submission...

Please read before completing your submission

It will help us process your submission if you clearly state the issue you want the Council to consider, what specific action you think the Council should take, and why that should be done.

If you wish, you can present your submission at a hearing. (if that is the case, please tick the box). The hearings will be held between Thursday 25 May and Wednesday 7 June 2006. Generally, 10 minutes are allocated for hearing each submission, including time for questions.

It will help us if your submission also refers to the page of either the full version or the summary version.

Please note: we are legally required to make all written or electronic submissions available to Councillors and to the public. This includes the name and address of the submitter. All submissions will be published on the Council's website from 10 May 2006.

No anonymous submissions will be accepted.

By mail

Please mail your submission (no stamp is required) to:

Freepost 178
Our Community Plan
Christchurch City Council
PO Box 237
Christchurch 8003

By email

Please email your submission to:
ccc-plan@ccc.govt.nz
Please make sure that your full name and address is included with your submission.

On the internet

You may enter your submission using the form provided on the Council's web site at:
<http://www.ccc.govt.nz>
Please follow all the instructions on the web site.

Please remember to indicate if you wish to present your submission in person at one of the hearings.

Please ensure your submission arrives no later than Friday 5 May 2006.

Your submission

You may use this form for your submission on the draft Our Community Plan if you wish. Whether you use this form or not, please include your name, address and contact telephone number with your submission.

Tick one I do NOT wish to present my submission at the hearing, and ask that this written submission be considered
OR
 I wish to talk to the main points in my written submission at the hearings to be held between Thursday 25 May and Wednesday 7 June 2006

Are you completing this submission: For yourself On behalf of a group or organisation

If you are representing a group or organisation, how many people do you represent?

My submission refers to: Full version Page No. Summary version Page No. 15

Do you also want to respond to: Development Contributions Aquatic Facilities Other

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Closure of libraries and mobile library

I wish to object to the above closures. As a resident of Redwood and Casebrook for the last 25 years, the libraries have been an invaluable source of information for study and leisure for all our family, young and old. They support school and community learning and must be allowed to continue. The loss of the services will severely affect residents in these communities. A library in each community is a valuable asset and contributes to the intellectual health and well-being of the city as a whole. The savings of \$450,000 cannot be justified.

Closure of four suburban pools

I wish to object to the closure of four suburban pools. These should be maintained at a level that complies with health and safety requirements. They are invaluable community assets and must not be allowed to deteriorate, and then closed, as happened with the Papanui Pool. Small community pools fulfill a need for leisure-time involvement by small groups. People who use the suburban pools are happy with the simple pleasures they provide compared to the bigger facilities which, despite their added attractions can be anonymous places (see comments below).

Healthy communities mean a healthy city

In the modern macro-economic and social global scene, sociologists now say that strong, small communities, where a sense of identity can be achieved are essential for the good health of societies. A sense of identity instilled in our young people will give them confidence and a secure base from which to expand into the wider world and be responsible citizens. The local libraries and swimming pools are part of this.

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Do we really need a new pool in the north of the city? The upgrade of Jellie Park and the existing excellent facilities at QE11 and Centennial Pool surely provide amply for residents in the north of Christchurch. I would suggest that putting some of the money saved from building a new pool into existing pools and libraries will be a much healthier and sustainable option for the future health of our local communities.