

Our Community Plan Submission Form

Instructions

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.

You may send us your submission:

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 our draft 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? Templeton Township & Districts

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

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

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Secretary

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Please be as specific as possible to help us understand your views

See list of major projects in the summary document

Questions

① Do you have any comments on the major projects in our draft Community Plan? page number 71

BUS EXCHANGE See Attached

② Do you have any comments on groups of activities (the activities and services that Council provides)? page number 86

Pools & Libraries See Attached
Mobile Library.

PETITION ENCLOSED RE ABOVE.
with 685 signatures.
for your consideration.

③ Do you have any other comments or suggestions you want to make? page number 19 Rates levels.

Urban Development and Expansion See attached

Rates Increase See Attached

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Date referred:

Date required:

Heard: Yes No

You may add more pages if you wish. Thank you for your submission.

CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL COMMUNITY PLAN SUBMISSION FORM

- submitted by the Templeton Residents Association Inc.

Comments on major projects:

BUS EXCHANGE

The Christchurch City Council are looking to spend \$59.5M on a new bus exchange to be opened late in 2010. Rather than this amount to be spent solely on a bus exchange, we would like to see the Council investigate a whole transport linkage system to support the growing population in Christchurch and nearby satellite towns. (eg. Rangiora, Rolleston, etc).

Modes of transport other than buses need to be incorporated to operate like a "transport hub" - such as light rail and trams. If we are to really look to the future, means of transport other than (and in addition to) buses need to be seriously looked at to cater for the ever-increasing number of people travelling to and from the city, while at the same time avoiding city centre congestion.

Christchurch has always looked at ways to encourage more people to the central city and by having reliable and efficient transport to get there would be half the battle. Many people we know of avoid the central city purely because of the hassle of parking or the cost of parking. Introducing a well planned "park and ride" system would, in our opinion, help in this matter.

Ideas to be considered:-

- a). Light rail from places such as Kaiapoi, Rangiora, Lyttelton, Rolleston etc which would link up to transport exchanges for passengers to transfer to buses.
- b). More than one transport exchange depot could be considered. For example, rather than just a central city bus exchange, maybe smaller depots on the edges of town. Perhaps look at an exchange on the western side near Hagley Park which also links rail and bus passengers, or maybe look at Moorhouse Avenue as a site for a rail and bus exchange.
- c). Explore other ideas used overseas eg. Light rail or buses modified so they can actually use some railway lines – quicker routes into town.

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d). Introduce a “park and ride” system - specific parking areas which are cheap and safe for people to leave their cars in order to transfer over to other modes of transport to complete travelling to their destination. This would be an incentive for people travelling in to the city from out of town. Eg. Travellers from south of the city could park at Rolleston and take a train or bus into town. Even a train which then linked to a bus further along, or a bus/rail exchange available at Hornby, could be considered

Even though this community plan is for the Christchurch City Council we cannot ignore the influence from our close neighbours in the Selwyn and Waimakariri council areas. The Selwyn District is one of the fastest growing areas. Many people are choosing to lead a semi-rural life yet live close to town to work. More lifestyle blocks, more people and more cars on the road. Living in Templeton we note the ever-increasing buildup of traffic entering the city and commuters travelling in from such towns as Rolleston and even from Ashburton. We note the roads studied for the new Bus Priority by the Council seems to concentrate on the build up of traffic in the northern part of the city, and it is a concern to see little progress being made on traffic heading into town from the south. Roads of concern are the Main South Road, Blenheim Road and Riccarton Road. These are the main roads into town and they are becoming extremely busy for commuters, especially at peak times. **We feel it is now time and necessary to prioritise a southern motorway to the south of Templeton.**

Investigating rail, bus and tram linkages as major options to move around the city would be beneficial to all, and we believe is crucial to the future of transportation for Christchurch. We believe ideas listed above should be carefully considered by the Council in it’s long term community plan.

Comments on activities the Council provides:

POOLS AND LIBRARIES

As City Council ratepayers we urge you to reconsider the possible closure of suburban pools and some libraries around Christchurch City. As residents of Templeton we are particularly concerned about the council closing the Templeton Pool and the mobile library service.

Templeton considers the pool and library as a crucial service to the community and feel the Christchurch City Council has a moral obligation to continue with these services. Templeton is on the outskirts of the city and amenities such as the library and pool are very important to both young and old alike. There are no other pools and libraries nearby and Templeton residents would be shortchanged indeed if the pool were to close and the mobile library service to cease.

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We attach a petition showing the great support we have from the Templeton and surrounding community to retain the pool and mobile library service. A covering letter is also added listing the main points that the community would like the council to carefully consider before any decision is made about these amenities.

OTHER COMMENTS / SUGGESTIONS:

URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION

As residents of Templeton, and indeed the greater Christchurch City area, we are particularly concerned about the amount of good rural land being used for housing development.

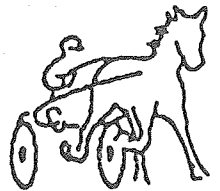
We note that quality marshland is being drained so that houses can be built. This is land that is not being made! The amount of high quality soil being lost to housing is very concerning. This land should be tagged for other uses. Eg. Growing food close to town.

On the outskirts of the city more and more land is being subdivided for commercial use or to develop semi-rural housing developments. The negative impact on rural land, such as that from water use to waste disposal, is something that cannot be reversed.

As a community we need to actively work to protect our natural resources. We need to really look at the impact further developments are having on our existing roading, our sewage and our stormwater. We urge the council to carefully consider future consents for such development. The future of our environment and community is at risk if we do not act now to protect it.

RATES INCREASE

As Christchurch City Council ratepayers we wish to express our concern at any proposed rate increases. As Templeton residents we cannot see how the council can justify any increases in our rates if our community actually loses valuable amenities, such as the suburban pool and mobile library service. As a group we feel very strongly about this. A rate increase in our opinion is not justified in such circumstances. As Templeton ratepayers we need to see that valuable amenities such as our pool and library service continue to be provided to our community, and at the same time, be maintained to an acceptable level.



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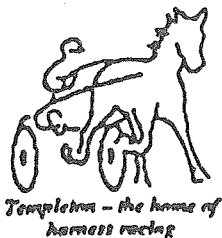
To the Christchurch City Council:

As residents of Templeton, or surrounding area, we would like you to consider the following points when reviewing the decision on whether to possibly close the Templeton Pool and Mobile Library service.

We also attach a petition showing the support to keep the pool open and mobile library in operation.

TEMPLETON SWIMMING POOL

1. There are no other swimming pools west of the city (ie. Sockburn is to close). If the Templeton swimming pool closed this would mean families would miss out on swimming altogether or be forced to drive to pools across town. More congestion on the roads, and these other pools are already crowded.
2. If the Templeton swimming pool closed then the Templeton School would lose its swimming facility. The school uses it daily for all children throughout the swimming season. This affects around 350 children. Transporting these children elsewhere would be a significant cost to the school, not to mention an interruption to valuable class time. Not a viable option. Learning to swim is a most important skill in New Zealand and we feel that by not having access to our community pool that these children (and their families) would be most disadvantaged.
3. The use of the pool has been very high and is often packed to capacity and has great support from the community. There has been some concern that attendance numbers have not been accurately recorded and therefore data may not truly reflect the pool's usage. (This is based on user observation of clipboard markings). We would like to think that the high pool usage would be taken into account.
4. We would like to see that the Templeton swimming pool is maintained and kept open for the benefit of all Templeton families and the wider Templeton community. Swimming and water recreation is of great importance to all New Zealanders and keeping our community pool open will only benefit the people that use it.



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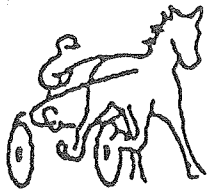
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MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE TO TEMPLETON

1. Templeton is a community made up of many families with young children and also many elderly people. The community benefits from the weekly visit by the Mobile Library. To take this service away would greatly inconvenience them. With no Mobile Library service people would need to make the journey to probably the Hornby library (being the closest one available). This journey would mean a trip by car or bus as the distance is too great to walk. The parking here is very limited, not only for the library itself, but even in adjoining streets. This, we believe, is not a satisfactory option.
2. Templeton Primary School also benefits from the Mobile Library service which conveniently stops right outside the school's main entrance. The Mobile Library is a wonderful compliment to the children's reading program and would be sorely missed if it was to cease.
3. Reading is the foundation of all learning and to have a service such as the Mobile Library taken away would be a disservice to the whole community.

We attach a petition from the community showing the support to keep the pool open and mobile library in operation.

Thank you for your consideration.



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HELP US KEEP OUR POOL AND MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE!

We the undersigned, residents of Templeton or surrounding area, value and appreciate the Templeton Swimming Pool and Mobile Library Service and call on the Christchurch City Council to reconsider the decision to possibly close the pool and cease the mobile library visits.

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