

LTCCP 2006-16 SUBMISSION

Submissions close on 5 May 2006

I do NOT wish to present my submission at the hearing, and ask that this submission be considered.

I am completing this submission:

Number of people you represent:

My submission refers to:
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Your Submission:	Do you have any comments on the major projects in our Draft Community Plan?
	Do you have any comments on groups of activities (The activities and services the Council provides?)
	Do you have any other comments or suggestions you want to make?
	<p>Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this draft community plan. My submission relates to what I consider an overall omission rather than a specific concern.</p> <p>I note that in the stated success factors of the overall Community Vision that there is a strong statement regarding the natural environment, and the protection of biodiversity. However I do not see an specific response to this success factor in the details of the community plan.</p> <p>The section dealing with Parks, open spaces and waterways has no specific outcomes relating to the enhancement of natural ecosystems or the preservation of biodiversity and simply makes reference to the need to maintain parks at a level appreciated by the community.</p> <p>As a long term resident of the Christchurch area I have watched with interest and pleasure the work the Council has undertaken to incorporate natural systems restoration within the Garden City concept. However, I am concerned that excluding specific natural ecosystems goals from the community plan is a reflection of a Council belief that biodiversity enhancement and the management of vibrant, living systems that reflect our local and New Zealand biological heritage is not in the community interest.</p> <p>I am aware that this is often portrayed as a polarised and contentious issue within Christchurch but would like to see the Council taking leadership that reflected its commitment to mediating a path through the diversity of community needs and wishes in this area.</p>