LTCCP 2006-16 SUBMISSION

Submissions close on 5 May 2006

I wish to talk to the main points in my submission at the hearings to be held between Thursday 25 May and Wednesday 7 June 2006.

I am completing this submission: For yourself	Number of people you represent:
My submission refers to: Summary Version of the LTCCP	Page Number: Various

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Your Submission:	Do you have any comments on the major projects in our Draft Community Plan?

I'm surprised and a bit dismayed by the lack of attention given to the Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy in this Plan. I've been following this since its inception (and think it's a fantastic initiative). It is obviously very importance to the sustainability and liveability of Christchurch city in the long-term.

A first (and second) reading of the summary I noticed the largest budget item by far is the Streets and Transport budget (\$140-180m pa), but the format of the LTCCP makes it very hard to identify the relative merits of all individual project. Do I really have to spend all our money here and cut so many other much smaller items elsewhere? And why is this area so opaque?

I strongly support reconsidering implementation of the Christchurch biodiversity strategy.

I strongly support funding support for local community groups and initiatives that support enhancement and restoration of native plant and animal communities around Christchurch and Banks Peninsula.

I strongly support an increase in developer contributions with new subdivisions, particularly for outlying locations. The huge increases in rates (currently and in the future) are largely due to a lot of additional infrastructure development or refurbishment required to address the demands of these new subdivisions and therefore they should help to pay for the consequences.

Based on my research peak oil is real and fuel prices will increase. It's not â?~ifâ?T, it's â?~whenâ?T. Yet this does not seem to rate in the plan - how can the city be sustainable and future proof if this very important factor is not taken into account?

I (and my partner) support proposed cycleway and pedestrian works as proposed in the Metropolitan Christchurch Transport Statement (MCTS). Furthermore these need to be accelerated from their current rate of progress. (I was mystified and a bit appalled by the moratorium on cycleway).

Your Submission (Cont'd):

I also support proposed works to expand the Bus Exchange, provide more 40km/h school zones (although more traffic management works to go with them may be appropriate), develop the Avon River Corridor, and introduce bus priority corridors.

Do you have any comments on groups of activities (The activities and services the Council provides?)

Many, many complements to the CCC Parks & Greenspace Unit. I've worked with many of the staff and/or used the services many times and have never failed to be utterly impressed with the high quality of the staff and the services they provide.

I really enjoy QEII and use it often. (It's gotten awfully busy though.) Ditto for Waimari beach.

I very pleased with our new local library. Thank you!

The renovated Parklands Community Hall is great too but the maintenance is a bit slack and the shower in the woman's room is always locked. Makes changing a bit awkward.

Do you have any other comments or suggestions you want to make?