

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:
On behalf of a group or organisation

Number of people you represent:
Fourteen

My submission refers to:
Summary Version of the LTCCP

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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?)
	. Healthy families are integral to strong, inclusive communities, one of the key outcomes for the 2006 LTCCP. . For over ten years GAIN Canterbury has been supported by the Christchurch City Council, enabling the provision of interactive programmes for parents and teenagers that support healthy, respectful relationships. Set up under the umbrella of the charitable RUR Trust, CCC funding has supported the part-time work of a Co-ordinator and dozens of highly subsidised programmes for parents/whānau and young people aged 12-16 years olds.
	Do you have any other comments or suggestions you want to make?
	. Adolescence is a fragile transition for many young people. There is good evidence to suggest that strong family and community support for teenagers reduces at-risk behaviour, improves school achievement and increases socially-responsible behaviour. . Other agencies provide counselling and crisis support but no-one else brings parents and teens together in a shared learning environment. . Referrals have increased and many groups attract large numbers. Feedback from families and referral agencies continues to be extremely positive.

**Your Submission
(Cont'd):**

. Moulding programmes around the needs of specific communities is vital. Every community is unique and GAIN Canterbury has shown a commitment and facility in addressing the needs of specific communities.

. Regular attendance and presentations by the Co-ordinator at the Council's community networking forums have resulted in excellent collaboration between GAIN Canterbury and a large number of schools, communities, agencies and support organisations within the city.

. It is the strong hope of GAIN Canterbury that continued multi-year funding will enable the continued provision of these quality programmes.