

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:
For yourself

Number of people you represent:

My submission refers to:

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I also want to respond to:

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Your Submission:	<p>Do you have any comments on the major projects in our Draft Community Plan?</p> <p>Do you have any comments on groups of activities (The activities and services the Council provides?)</p> <p>Do you have any other comments or suggestions you want to make?</p> <p>I am writing to express my objection to the closure of the smaller libraries eg: Bishopdale in Christchurch. Christchurch should be a community that supports education and those in need.</p> <p>The people most likely to suffer from this action would be: -school children -the elderly -the sick</p> <p>This group is often limited by transport and finances. Travel for them is often not a viable option. In order for them to access other libraries those in Bishopdale for instance would have to travel to Papanui or Fendalton. I also find it interesting that it is a less fortunate or lower socio economic group that is potentially being targetted... was Fendalton not an option?? Bishopdale is made up largely of families and the elderly- exactly the group people that need a local library.</p> <p>It should not be the vlunerable in our community that must cut costs. Libraries provide a vital service to the community. We expound the virtues of education and literacy and then consider this ridiculous proposal. Please think further than the dollar and support the community- in particular those in need.</p> <p>For your interest I do not live in Bishopdale nor do I fit into the categories above, however I do ask you to reconsider and think for a moment what the impact of closing libraries would do to this group. Library's support so much of what is good in our city- please don't take any of them away!</p>