

Summary submission form

Instructions

You may send us your submission...

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.

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 the draft Our 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?

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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Signature [Signature] Date 19/4/06



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

Questions

See list of major projects in the summary document

① Do you have any comments on the major projects in our draft Our Community Plan? page number ~~10~~ 4

Council Office Refit : \$4.3m
A reminder to council, especially in light of proposed cuts to services that ratepayers are unlikely to be impressed, on visiting refurbished Council offices to see extravagance and expensive furnishings. Surely some savings could be made in the budget for refitting Council offices.

② Do you have any comments on groups of activities (the activities and services that Council provides)? page number ~~10~~ 8

My single greatest concern regarding the services provided by the Council is the proposed closure of libraries - in particular the closure of Bishopdale library as we live in the Bishopdale area. Having been involved in Plunket in Bishopdale for the last five years I have seen from personal experience the large number of young families (especially preschool and primary age) who live in our area and make use of Bishopdale library. We go to the library as a family at least once a week, and our three children look forward to it. We walk to the library and this would certainly not be possible if Bishopdale library

③ ^{contd} Do you have any other comments or suggestions you want to make? page number ~~10~~

closed; and a note to Garry Moore - opening new libraries in Parklands, Upper Riccarton and South Christchurch is of little help to three young kids aged 5, 3 and 1 who couldn't walk from Bishopdale to any of the three new libraries. There is constant talk in the media of obesity being an issue for today's children, well closing suburban libraries will only add to this and people will have to drive, bus etc to get there.

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

② continued

If people were forced to drive to libraries it would create more congestion on already busy roads - that is assuming that some of the elderly library patrons are able to drive or would feel comfortable driving in busier areas. eg. Papanui Library
Our five year old son is an avid reader and is using the library to extend and challenge him more than we could at home, or what the school library could offer. Our children have grown up with Bishopdale library and are such frequent users they are known by the staff and we often have to "juggle" which of their cards we use as they are full with issued books and resources. We also really like that Bishopdale Library has papers from other areas as we have family in Nelson and like to keep up with the news from there. As far as I know Papanui library doesn't hold the Nelson Mail unless things have changed in the last few years.

I asked our sons what they would think if the Bishopdale library was to close and our 3 year old said he would feel "sad, because I want to go there." His 5 year old brother said "it would be bad, because we couldn't go there anymore."

Listen to what the people have to say, Councillors or you may become surplus to our requirements as you seem to think the libraries have become to Bishopdale and other suburban ratepayers.