

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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No. OF QUESTION

Reference - Page 8 - Services Reductions - Library Closures.

- 1) Without the relevant information concerning usage of the libraries mentioned as possible closures as against the catchment area population, it is difficult to justify any closures.
- 2) If the closures are in areas of low library use compared to the catchment population, it would be more important to encourage use through the schools and support the 'Books in Homes' programmes. This should generate more interest in library use in those areas.
- 3) It is noted that \$1.4 million dollars is outstanding in library fines. This equates to nearly 3 times the savings made by closures. While I recognise that the value of the overdue item(s) is included in the fines figure and is credited when the fine is paid, it is still a substantial amount.
- 4) Without discouraging library use, a tougher line should be taken to collect the outstanding fines.
 - (a) the total of \$20 allowed in fines before action is taken should be reduced to \$10.
 - (b) no further items to be borrowed until fines are paid or a payment arrangement made.
 - (c) material within the library would still be available for use by those thus barred.
- 5) I oppose library closures, the outcome of which would result in more TV watching and computer gaming by persons (especially the young) who should be expanding their horizons through access to literature and reference libraries.