



# Our Community Plan Submission Form

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

See list of major projects in the summary document

## Questions

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

My concern is that the Christchurch City Council is prepared to spend \$4.3 million on the new Civic Office and \$10.3 million on a city mall renovation and considering the closure of Redwood, Bishopdale + Spreydon libraries to save \$450,000? Where does the priority of a local council lie? One would have to consider community libraries as essential core services of local council.

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

I understand that there are 180,285 visits to the library and 330,197 items taken from the Bishopdale Library in 2004/5. Where would the people in the North West of the city source their books and community spirit if the Bishopdale library was closed after 30 years of operating. The Bishopdale library and community hall are the hub of the local community.

You make reference on page 1 to Christchurch increasing aging population and page 6 where it is mentioned the Christchurch is built on strong communities and that all people feel a sense of belonging and participation in the community. Please note

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

I believe that all the libraries in question be retained. In Bishopdale case, how about modernising the building? by lowering the ceiling, repaint with bright colours, instal new shelving and new lighting. Give the building a fresh look. For a minimal amount of money spent it would instal confidence beds in the local north west community plus retain that essential service to the people that they are entitled to, by being ratepayers of the city.

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

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