

Our Community Plan Submission Form

Instructions

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.

You may send us your submission:

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 our draft 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 (*I may be away, but am happy to speak if in chch*)

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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SUBMISSION

On behalf of St Mary's, Addington, representing 74 people.

Issue:

Closure of libraries.

Submission refers to P.8 of Summary Version.

Actions recommended to Council:

- 1.) Keep all libraries open.
- 2.) Review the priorities which govern City Planning, placing the people of Christchurch, especially the disadvantaged, first.

Why should that be done?

1.) Keeping all libraries open:

Branch libraries are used by

- a. Elderly people. Many do not drive.
- b. Disabled people - all kinds of disability. Most of these people do not drive.
- c. Schoolchildren, who walk or cycle.
- d. Mothers with preschoolers.

Since many of these people would be unable to travel to a more distant library, if their local library were to close, they would miss out on education, enjoyment, company, a goal for exercise, all summed up as quality of life.

Many of the people in these categories may find it difficult to make a submission, and many could be put off by the complexity of the submission form.

2.) Review the priorities which govern City Planning, attending first to the people of Christchurch, especially the disadvantaged.

- a. So that future planning does not overlook the disadvantaged.
- b. So that the few thousand dollars represented by the Branch Libraries and other community programmes, including Council Housing and Community Cottages, be considered money well spent.

Where can money for libraries come from?

Central City Marketing.

If libraries were closed the saving would be very small against the millions budgeted elsewhere.

Carol J Spain