

Memo to: Christchurch City Council

From: New Brighton Union Parish Council

Re: Submission on Long Term Community Plan (2006-2016)

1. Libraries & Pools (under Recreation & Leisure – page 128ff)

We appreciate that poorly used and high cost maintenance facilities need replacing or upgrading or rationalizing.

Proximity to facilities is especially important in communities where the aged need easier access or where income levels (and cost of fuel etc) preclude people travelling.

Suggest that Community Boards be asked to explore alternative facilities and funding for marginal facilities eg community pool upgrades or new facilities in association with schools and community libraries.

This could leave the City Council providing and maintaining a number of strategically placed community pools and libraries and facilities eg New Brighton, Beckenham, Riccarton-Sockburn and help Community Boards explore alternatives for second tier local neighbourhood facilities.

Strongly support the retention of the Mobile Library Service to ensure regional community library coverage.

2. Tree Replacement vs Wider Environmental Concerns (parks, open spaces etc p 120)

The \$17.2 m allocated to tree replacement between 2006-2016 could be spread out over a longer period, releasing more money for greater planning and action in association with ECAN for better water-river-aqua quality which will certainly be a future government requirement given their intended policy development in this area.

3. \$4.3 Million for New City Council Offices Fit-out (page 72)

Suggest, that if a lease-back deal for the construction of the Offices is being negotiated, then the fit-out estimate of \$4.3 million be included in the developer's budget and a slightly higher annual lease be negotiated to avoid this capital expenditure.

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NB: we do not intend presenting our submission at a hearing

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