

154 Northcote Road,
Christchurch, 8005.

2nd May 2006.

Dear Council,

I wish to add my voice to the many others who are concerned about the possibility of the closure of the Bishopdale Library.

My experience of this library in particular, is that it serves the local community in many ways.

As a senior citizen I appreciate having a quiet place to go after doing my regular shopping in the same location as the library.

I have noticed that a lot of older people use the Mall. Taxis can stop almost outside the entrance to the library and the supermarket. And banks and other shops are not far away.

I certainly prefer to go to Bishopdale than other Shopping Centres. It is relatively small & quiet; parking is close; It is also a good place to take my grandchildren to where there is a playground outside in the fresh air, as well as the library.

Yours sincerely,

Clare S. L. Havely