

# 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:

Freeport 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

Contact Name FRED W. HEAP.

Organisation name (if applicable) -

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Email (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature [Handwritten Signature] Date 1/5/06.

## SUBMISSIONS.

In the 4<sup>th</sup> paragraph of his introduction to, "our community plan 2006". Our Mayor states, "This city must not go back"

My reason for coming forward, to join with most submissions this week is to question, even the remotest possibility, that our community could sanction the closing of any library. That would indeed be a backward step.

It is the last act before someone like ALARIC moves in

Submissions therefore are a good idea. It gives us all an opportunity to clear the air. To see more clearly where we are going and what we are about, and not just cutting back to balance budgets.

The cost of running a library is small. But having a library means that the infrastructure is there, destroy it and you have nothing and it might not be replaced.

Do not close libraries therefore, maintain the infrastructure that others struggled to build. Do not be put off because you cannot measure the benefit for size or quantity. It cannot be assessed.

But it WILL be missed.

Children with homework projects  
Young people looking for answers\  
Older people who value knowledge,  
and language and the books of stories, poems, ideas and dreams.  
All would miss it and life would be so much diminished, and this at a time when we are setting our hopes on a more fruitful future, working to make all things better.

I suggest to you that as we drive forward to expand Christchurch City, making it cleaner, safer, better, we should all agree that part of our goal is to ensure libraries are secure and not to be tampered with. So that in 10 years, 20 years or 50 years, when our Mayor measures the growth in miles of tar sealed roads, clean water supply, efficient bus services and waste controlled, he can always proudly say of our libraries

"WE CANNOT MEASURE THE VAST WEALTH THEY REPRESENT"

OXOXOXOXO

*J. W. Heap*  
*1/5/06*