

LTCCP 2006-16 Submission - Received by Email

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Your Submission:

SUBMISSION TO DRAFT CCC LTCCP

ON BEHALF OF NETWORK WAITANGI OTAUTAHI (NWO)

SECTION 1

The Local Government Act requires local government to "provide opportunities for Maori to contribute to its decision-making processes" [LG Act 2002, section 14 (1) (d)].

It also [under Section 82] requires the Council to ensure that processes are in place for consultation with Maori and these must comply with the general consultation provisions.

Along with these and the provisions in Section 81A, we note that the Crown decision was to devolve to local authorities their Crown Treaty responsibilities for building relationships with Maori [see also Section 4].

This places local government in the position of fulfilling the above statutory responsibilities, focussed on building relationships with Maori, as part of commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

Therefore we submit the LTCCP needs more detail than on page 289, in respect of developing relationships with all those who identify as Maori, using Te Tiriti o Waitangi as the framework.

Specifically we submit that CCC address these issues within a framework based on Te Tiriti o Waitangi - not, for example, using Treaty "Principles". It is our experience that dealing only partially with Te Tiriti o Waitangi leads to incoherence in policy development.

Implementation would require a more direct relationship between the CCC and mana whenua/Papatipu Runanga, with whanau, hapu and iwi being considered likely units for strengthening the customary self-governance of Maori, in conjunction with local and regional councils. The Committee established two years ago with representation from Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu, Ngai Tuahuriri, Te Runaka ki Otautahi o Kai Tahu and Nga Maata a Waka should be re-established and expanded to include the other Papatipu Runaka now within the CCC boundaries, since the amalgamation with Banks Peninsula. In particular the CCC needs to be committed to working within Te Ao Maori with encouragement for constructive dialogue.

This would enable the Council to address its statutory responsibility to build relationships with all Maori and stands alongside the statutory responsibility in the LGA to recognise the diversity of NZ communities.

SECTION 2

NWO has a commitment to sustainable development (see attached background document) and submits that there is close similarity between "taking a sustainable development approach" [LGA Section 14 1 (h)] and development based on Te Tiriti o Waitangi. Keeping valued things going in the long term requires a shift in mindset which is consistent with the shift to an imperative for Kawanatanga (to which CCC contributes) to become consistent with Rangatiratanga.

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SECTION 3

We note that LGA schedule 10 Part 1(e) states a requirement to outline how the local authority will work with other local and regional organisations including non-government organisations.

Therefore we also submit that CCC add a section as to how this will be achieved for NGOs such as ours, and inform us about how we can contribute to the work of CCC, including collaboration in monitoring the Community Outcomes.

SECTION 4

We applaud retention of the more than \$9 million for Community Grants and wish to record our support for the Review of the Community Development Strategy. These Grants are vital for the health of NGOs.

We wish to submit that this Review should include all the funding streams (totalling more than \$9 million) and not be limited to the \$8.2 million that has been publicised.

FINALLY

We wish to have the opportunity to speak to this submission.

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NETWORK



OTAUTAHI

Ka rikihia e
Te Aroha o Rakinui
Ki ruka i te Ao Marama
Te Whenua me te lwi
Kia hono kotahi ai
tatou ki a tatou
Ka lwi
Ka Waka
Kia kotahi ai te hoa

MAIN ACTIVITIES

- * follow-up from introductory workshops, including implementation workshops
- * supporting those developing their Treaty work
- * running introductory workshops - described below
- * organising meetings on topics of interest
- * ensuring a commitment to accountability to each other and to mana whenua

We are a voluntary group, part of a wider national network of groups and individuals who are working for a society based on the Treaty of Waitangi. Our particular focus is on Pakeha responsibility under the Treaty.

INTRODUCTORY WORKSHOPS

These workshops are designed to give everyone in the group the opportunity to learn from each other's experiences. They start from where people are and are non-confrontational. They are aimed at exploring what it means to live in this country, what the Treaty of Waitangi says and how to work for a society based on the Treaty. Anyone is welcome to attend. General areas covered are ancestry and culture, including cultural difference and economic issues; history of pre-Treaty times and events leading to the Treaty; the Treaty documents; post Treaty legislation etc; personal and cultural racism; bicultural / multicultural / partnership issues; colonisation and decolonisation; cultural safety; institutional racism and social statistics, Treaty settlement matters; models and possible actions for moving towards a Treaty based society particularly in relation to sustainable development. Participants are encouraged to develop their plan of action.

We accept a koha for our workshops etc. on the basis of what groups and individuals can afford, while taking into account the need to ensure that any amounts paid to us will not disadvantage mana whenua planning and will not put people off engaging in the workshops and other activities.

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