

LTCCP 2006-16 SUBMISSION

Submissions close on 5 May 2006

I wish to talk to the main points in my submission at the hearings to be held between Thursday 25 May and Wednesday 7 June 2006.

I am completing this submission:
For yourself

Number of people you represent:
supported by four neighbouring land owners.

My submission refers to:
Summary Version of the LTCCP

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I also want to respond to: Development Contributions Aquatic Facilities

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Your Submission:

Do you have any comments on the major projects in our Draft Community Plan?

Do you have any comments on groups of activities (The activities and services the Council provides?)

Having just gone through the process of acquiring a building consent I would like to offer the following constructive comment. Please consider composing small booklets pertaining to the various consents which may be required eg industrial, office, commercial, restaurants, salons, swimming pools, (all important in the health and hygiene area). Separate information needs to be available re Historic buildings. Applicants need to know immediately not after many little lists have been sent, that everything must be illustrated. Nothing can be accepted in verbal or written form. This would enable all the sections of the CCC to be covered in the first application. At present the application is passed from building code, to health and safety, to health and hygiene, to drainage, to historic places. Even if you try to get information prior to application it is often incorrect. Written instruction of your requirements would be much clearer and save time for the CCC and the business community. At present the delays and conflicting comments are a great cost to business. I do not wish to be heard on this comment.

Do you have any other comments or suggestions you want to make?

My submission covers improvements in the Southern Bays and Lake Forsyth area of Banks Peninsula.
I have consulted with the Waiwera Runga of Ngai Tahu and neighbouring landowners, who support this submission. The persons consulted with are

Robin Wybrow of the Waiwera Runga
Doug de Angelis, Bossu Rd.
Peter Fitzgerald of Te-Oka Bay Rd.
Ted Hutchinson of Magnet Bay.
Karl and Nancy Yates, Bossu Rd

**Your Submission
(Cont'd):**

Lake Forsyth is a priority re the health of the environment. Ngai Tahu already have work in progress re the opening of the lake and a permanent crossing between Birdlings Flat and Bossu Rd. They are also making considerable effort re plantings in the area and further afield. No doubt much more can be done re stock access to the lake and the drainage of farm fertiliser into the lake. I have lived in the Canterbury area all my life and have watched the sad deterioration of the lake. Currently it is too unhealthy for fish to survive, stock are endangered if they drink the water and humans certainly can no longer swim in it as we used to as children. Issues such as this type of health of the environment must gain a much higher priority on the council's agenda. The community has every right to expect Lake Forsyth to benefit from modern technology to clean up the aquatic areas. The state of the lake is typical of the low priority the whole Southern Bays area has received in recent decades.

In viewing the peninsula in general the roading is very good with a two lane highway right through the ridge road to the Eastern Bays and good tar sealed roads into the majority of the bays. All the Akaroa roads and link roads to the East Coast Bays are very good. One can say few of us live on Bossu Rd. I do not see many signs of residency on the East Coast ridge road either.

The Southern Bays area is one of the most spectacular scenic parts of the peninsula. There are beautiful beaches and Magnet Bay is one of the most widely used surfing beaches in Canterbury. The access road to Magnet Bay is not good. In parts it is one way and causes all too many accidents. Roading in general in the area is poor and as rate payers, we certainly have not had our share of improvements.

Banks Peninsula is well known as the playground of the population of Canterbury and it is also much used by tourists. Surely the whole area is worthy of a standard befitting the normal services of the 21st century. Signage is still a problem. Yes it was replaced eventually last year, but surely it should be checked regularly. Tourists and locals find the Southern Bays area difficult to navigate due to lack of clear signage.

We seek some definite planning and commitment to the Southern Bays area with realistic time frames reflecting the neglect that has dogged the area in past years. Margaret Yates