

# 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:**

**My submission refers to:**  
Full Version of the LTCCP

**Page Number:**

**I also want to respond to:**

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<b>Your Submission:</b>	<b>Do you have any comments on the major projects in our Draft Community Plan?</b>
	<b>Do you have any comments on groups of activities (The activities and services the Council provides?)</b>
	<b>Do you have any other comments or suggestions you want to make?</b>
	<p>I submit that the council should develop a policy on determining priorities, at least in time for the next LTCCP in 3 years time.</p> <p>The Council has for a variety of reasons, many of which are probably valid, included in the LTCCP provision for many areas of unspecified or aggregated expenditure, in respect of which it is impossible for the community to make meaningful comment. The Council does survey public opinion to gauge the priorities of a sample of its citizens but does not say what will be the Council's priorities for expenditure.</p> <p>For example, the Council presents on pages 71 to 85 of the full version of the LTCCP Capital Works sorted into various priorities, and this is very helpful for those considering the LTCCP, however it is impossible to comment on the funding of \$37.6m for strategic land purchases on page 72 because there is no indication of what will be the Council's priorities for this expenditure. In many areas, it would have been helpful for the Council to have set out its proposed priorities eg safety, environmental protection or enhancement, recreation, community development, cultural development, transport efficiency etc - what will be considered more important and what is less important - when considering how to spend inadequately specified provisions?</p> <p>It would be readily understood by the public and should lead to better public engagement in the process.</p>