

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:
On behalf of a group or organisation

Number of people you represent:
12

My submission refers to:
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I also want to respond to: Development Contributions

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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?)
	Do you have any other comments or suggestions you want to make?
	<p>Ranui House has operated successfully for 13 years from 1 Cambridge Terrace, directly opposite the Riverside Block at Christchurch Hospital. Such is the demand for this patient and family accommodation that a significant expansion from 9 to 26 units is now planned.</p> <p>To construct the new facility it is intended to raise close to \$7 million from a variety of sources including community trusts and gaming fund agencies from around the country. Full design documentation has been completed and this will go to tender late in May 2006.</p> <p>CCC has advised that a Development Contribution of \$192,000 will be due for payment when the building consent is uplifted. We respectfully ask the Council to waive this fee in recognition of our charitable service.</p> <p>Whilst we understand why this fee is charged, it does add to our fundraising burden. We suggest that the Council consider a mechanism for Charitable Trusts (such as ourselves) which provide a public benefit or social service, to seek remission from development contributions. In our view, this relief from fees could be an alternative to a grant, and would demonstrate meaningful Council support for worthy charities.</p> <p>We would be very appreciative if Council would consider this suggestion, and look favourably on our request to waive the development contribution for our expansion project.</p>