

# 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:

Freepost 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.

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

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Please be as specific as possible to help us understand your views

See list of major projects in the summary document

## Questions

1 Do you have any comments on the major projects in our draft Our Community Plan? page number

Major concerns re: safety  
 . increasing amounts of "rat run"  
 traffic  
 . exclusion from the Flockton Cluster  
 Improvement Plan  
 as regards HARRISON STREET

2 Do you have any comments on groups of activities (the activities and services that Council provides)? page number

→ These concerns detailed in a phone  
 call to Mr E. DeLilla (April 2006)  
 and Mr B. Baddy (1/5/06).  
 I am also going to contact Mr G.  
 Condon, our local Councillor

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

Copy of letter to  
 Mr Baddy attached

For office use only

Submission #:

Referred to:

Date referred:

Date required:

Heard:  Yes  No

You may add more pages if you wish. Thank you for your submission.

7 Harrison Street  
Christchurch 1

Monday, 1 May 2006

Mr B. Boddy  
Transport and Streets Unit  
Christchurch City Council

Dear Mr Boddy

This letter is a response to the 'Christchurch City Council Consultation Newsletter – April 2006' regarding the *Flockton Cluster Neighbourhood Improvement Project*.

The improvements already made to this area, particularly to Thornton Street, and the improvements anticipated for other area streets, have and will substantially improve the appearance and safety of the neighbourhood.

I live in Harrison Street, beside the Scout Den and on one side of the dogleg bend in the road. I really like living here as the people are neighbourly and the area is pleasant and – despite the efforts of some developers – beautiful in a style which is different and has a distinct and unique character.

The exclusion of Harrison Street from the proposed upgrades is disappointing and alarming. There are two aspects which it would be good for the Council to consider.

**The most important aspect is that of safety.**

- Harrison Street appears to be increasingly used as a 'ratrun' for motorists who wish to avoid the congestion which can build up on Warrington Street in the evening rush hour. It also represents a short cut to either Aylesford Street or Hills Road. The proposed changes to other streets in this area have the potential to very substantially increase this problem.
- Traffic speeds often appear to be too high for this street. Speed has to be appropriate to the road, and the dogleg in the road completely restricts vision around the corner. Many times it appears that the normal speed limit for city streets is being exceeded in circumstances which are dangerous; whatever, the 'normal' speed limit itself is inappropriate for this street shape. Forcing drivers to drive slower through the use of speed bumps and narrowings would substantially help this problem.
- This street is used by significant numbers of people on foot. There are us locals, with the local children and their friends who live and play in

the street, and there are large numbers of other children and their parents.

- On three nights a week the Scout Den – which is on the dogleg corner – has Keas or Cubs or Scouts, and there are often weekend camps which leave from the Den. They are great neighbours, taking pride in the appearance of their grounds and it's obvious the kids have heaps of fun. But there are safety issues. I have seen occasions when there have been near accidents caused by cars coming around the corner or using the rest of the street too fast: the potential for injury is significant. This is a motorists', not a scouts', problem.

The second aspect is one of **aesthetics**. **Harrison Street is integral to “the special character of the area as a whole”** which is one of the objectives of the Council's project (page 1, bulleted objective 9). At present it is the only neighbourhood street which will not share in the improvements which will add considerable beauty to this area. I think that residents in the area – householders and many of the increasing number of tenants – like and take pride in this street and it would be good to see this recognised through inclusion of Harrison Street in the upgrades.

Thank you for your consideration of all of this. I consider Harrison Street has a very good case for inclusion:

- the safety considerations are real and concerning
- the increase in traffic is discernable and the upgrades being proposed will increase this significantly with their potential for increasing the use of the street in the evening rush hour as a ratrun

and

- the street is part of the wider neighbourhood so it would be very sad if the plan goes ahead without it being included and thus rendering it a sort of 'odd man out'.

I should appreciate your passing this letter on to others involved in the project and in policy decisions for their comments and serious consideration.

Yours sincerely

Ailsa Ryan  
7 Harrison Street