

**18. RESPONSE ON THE DRAFT CANTERBURY DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD STRATEGIC PLAN
DIRECTION 2010 – A HEALTHIER CANTERBURY DIRECTIONS 2010**

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present to the Council a submission on the Canterbury District Health Board's (CDHB) Draft Strategic Plan (A Healthier Canterbury 2010). A draft was discussed with the Creating Strong Communities Portfolio Group. The final submission is due with the CDHB on 30 June 2005.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The Canterbury District Health Board is required to consult on its directions (strategic objectives) and health gain priorities on a three yearly basis. The attached Strategic Plan booklet outlines the challenges faced by the CDHB, directions it wishes to pursue and health issues for the people of Canterbury. It invites participation in and comment on the draft strategic plan.
3. The Strategic Plan contains a submission form outlining the key questions the District Health Board invites responses on and a section for general comment. This format has been followed for the Council's submission.
4. The focus of the Strategic Plan is how to improve the health and wellbeing of people living in Canterbury.
5. Identification of health gain priorities has been based on the health needs assessment completed by the District Health Board in 2004. During the preparation of the CDHB's draft Strategic Plan there has been reference to the LTCCP processes being carried out by all the territorial local authorities within Canterbury. Officers of the territorial local authorities and the CDHB have shared information regarding health and social issues in preparation of their respective documents.
6. There is synergy between the LTCCP process for identification of community outcomes.
7. The CCC has a seminar planned on fluoridation as this issue is of concern to it and the community. Following this seminar the Council will send a separate submission to the CDHB.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

8. N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Council approve this submission and it be forwarded to the Canterbury District Health Board by the due date of 30 June 2005.