

CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL

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I do NOT wish to present my submission at the hearing, and ask that this written submission be considered

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Your Submission:

I do not agree and do not support spending money on the following: \$83.5m on development options for the Central Library, \$3.8m to construct a new Civil Defence building and \$106.7m to develop a new Transport Interchange.

The Central Library is a good building and does not need such major redevelopment. Spend less money to target specific problems if necessary.

You've already spent a lot of money on the current bus exchange and should not spend any more major money to redevelop it. Spend less money to target specific problems if necessary. You should work with what you already have at the Bus Exchange.

As Environment Canterbury has a Civil Defence building I do not think City Council needs one too. Don't spend any money.

I also think that too much money is spent on Community Support (8% of rates contribution) and the budget should be tightened to remove "fluff".

I support keeping rates increases below 5% and think that 3-4% is reasonable, although I believe that you should look at all budgets and remove unnecessary expenditures, i.e. clear excesses in order to keep rates increases as small as possible.

I believe the Council should be spending most emphasis on the basic services, ie roads, rubbish, libraries etc. Some, but less, on niceties such as parks and events. Very minimal on community support.