

# 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**

**Are you completing this submission:**

For yourself

**If you are representing, how many people do you represent?**

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**Your Submission:**

The following issues I wish to support are those relating to biodiversity issues facing Christchurch and the surrounding areas. With the continual loss of habit the local flora and fauna a suffering and indeed some are facing extinction.. Therefore I support

1. The work of the Chch. Biodiversity strategy for example the protection of the canterbury Plains dry grassland areas around McLeans Island; rapid action on biosecurity threats.

2. I support the Erfur Declaration Strategy, that is the protection on urban diversity. Development is likely to make inroads into areas best left protected.

3. I support for formal recognition the Perimeter Walkway. Such a walkway would give the citizens of the city an opportunity to visit those areas of plant and wildlife habitat not seen by many. This project would open up more hearts and minds of people to the important irreplaceable natural habits of our plants and fauna. The educational value of this walkway is immeasurable. Children especially are exposed for the first time in their lives to such important issues.

4. I support Chch becoming a member of the LAB. It is essential in considering matter of biodiversity to have the support of other countries faced with similar problems and issues and that we may make our contributions to other member countries. The more awareness of biodiversity in the wider scale the better the chances of success.

5 I support very much Local Action for Biodiversity. Already much has been

	achieved, eg. The Styx River project, the Groynes, and the many other good works done by the CCC. But much more is is yet to be done. The momentum must be maintained.
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