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UNIQUELY PURAU
SOCIETY INCORPORATED

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To whom it may concern

Please find enclosed our Submission form for the LTCCP. I have also included a comprehensive report from our Purau Community Planning day held on the 28th of February 2009.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Jill Rice'.

Jill Rice
Co-Chair UPSI

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Submission Form

PLEASE READ BEFORE COMPLETING YOUR SUBMISSION

The public consultation period is from Tuesday 10 March 2009 to Thursday 16 April 2009.

It will help us if you clearly:

- state the issue you want the Council to consider;
- state what specific action you think the Council should take, and
- state why that should be done.
- type or use black ink for your submission.

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Submissions must be received (NOT postmarked) at the Tuam Street Civic Offices no later than 5pm on Thursday 16 April 2009. To ensure receipt, hand deliver last-minute submissions to the Civic Offices, 163-173 Tuam Street.

Your submission

If you wish, you can present your submission at a hearing. If that is the case, please tick the appropriate box below. The hearings will be held from 11 May 2009 to 18 May 2009. Five to ten minutes will be allocated for speaking to your submission, including time for questions from the Councillors. The Council will confirm the date and time of your hearing in writing, by email or by telephone call.

Tick one I do NOT wish to discuss my submission at the hearing, and ask that this written submission be considered OR I wish to discuss the main points in my written submission at the hearings to be held between Monday 11 May 2009 and Monday 18 May 2009.

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? 100

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Submission Form

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

What do you want the Council to consider? What specific action you think the Council should take?
Why should this be done?

OPSI asks that the Christchurch City Council:

- 1) Accepts and considers this report as a request for the Council to START the Hettelton Harbour Settlement Study in Pūrau.
- 2) That the Council agrees with the proposal to work with the Pūrau community on a Sustainable Community pilot project, possibly in association with the recently initiated 'Community in transition group'.
- 3) That the Council assesses the feasibility of supplying Pūrau with a low pressure reticulated water supply and helping to fund the upgrading of wastewater disposal systems rather than supply a reticulated sewerage scheme. The *Escherichia coli* contamination of the Pūrau Stream and the beach would be best addressed in this manner.
- 4) acknowledge that OPSI objects to the Pūrau water and sewerage reticulation being dropped from the LTCCP 2009-19 without further discussion with the community.

Jill Rice
Chair OPSI

Clean, green and sustainable

**PURAU – COMMUNITY PLANNING
DAY REPORT**

Held at the Diamond Harbour Memorial Hall and at
Stoddart's Cottage
28th February & 1st March 2009

Bring back the *tui*

Space, views, peace and quiet



A caring, friendly community

Don't change it too much, it is so safe for children

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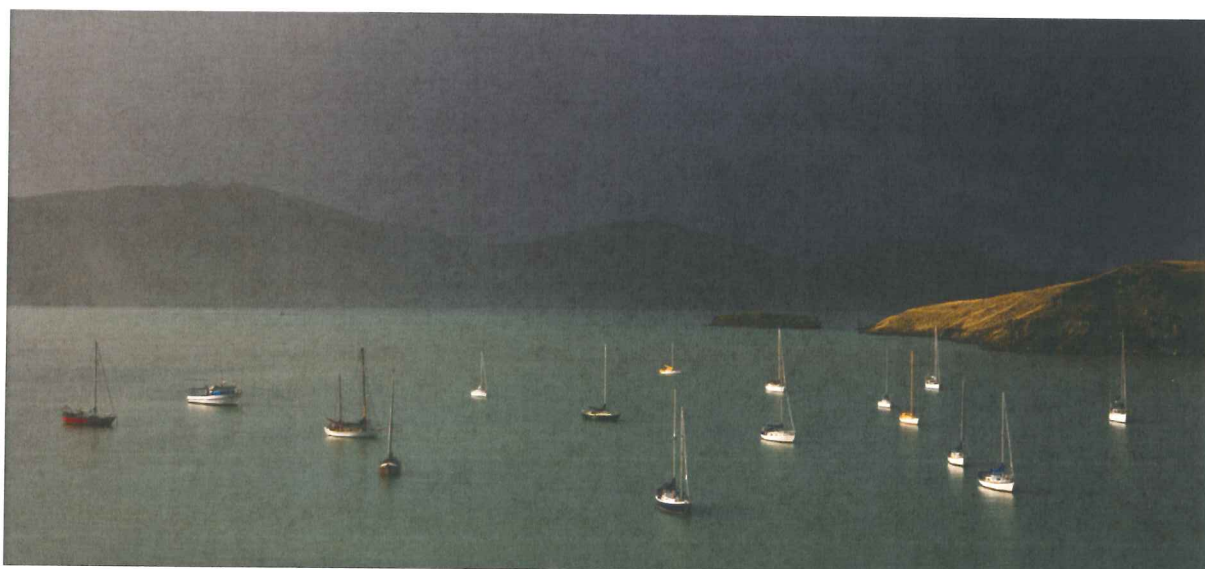
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We also much appreciated working with David Wilson, a professional facilitator from Heritage Futures International.

This report has been produced with the professional assistance of a large number of residents in the area. Our thanks go to Jane Smith for creating and advising. Neil Smith is thanked for permission to use two of his many photographs of the area.



1. Uniquely Purau Society Incorporated (UPSI)

Uniquely Purau Society Incorporated (UPSI) is a non-profit organisation created in 2007 in response to what was considered by its founding members to be an inappropriate housing development proposal for the western flank of Mount Evans (Camp Bay Road, Purau).

The society was created with a number of objectives (see appendix 1 for a full list), with the primary objective being *“to promote the appropriate and sustainable management and development of Purau and the surrounding area having regard to ecological, environmental, historical, cultural and community values.”*

2. Love Purau – Community Planning Event, February 28th – March 1st, 2009

Since its inception UPSI has continued to lobby the Christchurch City Council (CCC) and Environment Canterbury (ECan) on issues of concern regarding development proposals. UPSI considers many of the development issues remain unresolved. In addition, our request to have CCC engage with us in the writing of a comprehensive plan for Purau was turned down.

UPSI believes that only with a proper consultation process informing a robust management and development plan can we maintain the qualities valued by residents and visitors alike.

UPSI, therefore, decided to host a community planning event where anyone with an interest in Purau could attend and provide their views on what they loved and valued about Purau, what they believed was under threat, and how we could improve this unique community (see section 5).

Close to 100 people participated in the event and represented a number of communities from around the harbour. Their contributions are summarised in section 5 and the community's recommendations for a way forward are contained in section 6.

The Diamond Harbour Community Association Inc. is thanked for in-kind contributions and for donating money towards the cost of an independent facilitator, David Wilson of Heritage Futures (see appendix 2).

3. Structure of the Love Purau – Community Planning Event

The Diamond Harbour Memorial Hall was the venue for an all day event on Saturday, February 28th, 2009 from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Participants could contribute in a number of different ways:

- a) by writing their thoughts on pieces of paper and dropping into labelled boxes;
- b) by writing on the question “wall”;
- c) by taking part in structured, facilitated discussions;
- d) by being creative at a ‘dream table’ where various media were available to build and create the ideal Purau; and
- e) by having one-on-one discussions with the UPSI executive.

Comfortable discussion corners were available, and refreshments were served all day.

Local businesses and community organisations were invited to display their business cards, brochures etc. Environment Canterbury was represented by a consents officer, the Christchurch City Council staff were invited, but were unable to attend.

A summary of all the contributions was produced and reported back to the participants by the facilitator on Sunday, March 1st at Stoddart's Cottage (section 5). Participants in this session who did not attend on Saturday were also offered the opportunity to add their views. A lively discussion followed with general agreement with the summary and further detail added to 'the way forward' (section 6). A full list of comments is contained in Appendix 3.

4. Purau, its assets and its history

Purau today consists of a diverse community which is its greatest asset. The mix of organic and traditional farms, the Purau Valley Producers (farmers market), accommodation options from the funky to the up-market, artists, retirees, professionals and non-professionals are all assets that make this community the special place that it is today. The "unimproved" beachfront is a joy to all those who visit and value its non-commercial atmosphere and unpretentious facilities. The 'viewsapes' that surround Purau are, to this community, iconic and are worth preserving for future generations of residents and visitors alike.

Purau has yielded evidence of pre-Ngai Tahu moa-hunting Maori who were then displaced by Ngai Tahu from the North Island. Since the Purau block was sold by Ngai Tahu about 150 years ago, Purau has developed slowly and in keeping with its physical environment. Maori maintain a close connection with the area, including the memorial. There are other tangata whenua connections with a north island hapu who will visit this area for ceremonial reasons "*long after those of us who live here have gone*" (Adrian Te Patu, Chairman of Diamond Harbour Community Association). In a small domain west of Purau Stream lies an old burial site marked by a memorial to one of the early chiefs James Nohomutu. As a community, we value our assets – all of them – and honour our tangata whenua connections.

We are happy to share all that this community has to offer, as long as it does not spoil what we value about this unique place. The summary in section 5 gives a sense of these values.

5. Love Purau – Community Planning Event Summary

Key Issues

We asked our community the following questions:

- What do you love and value about living in Purau?
- How could Purau be improved?
- What do you think is the most under threat and why?
- What sort of development would be appropriate, and under what conditions?

Responses in brief

The principal areas of interest or concern for Purau and surrounding residents were:

What do you love and value about living in Purau?

- We love living here and being part of a rural community which cares for each other and about the place we live in.

How could Purau be improved?

- We are concerned about the wildlife locally and would like to do more to encourage it
- We would like to see the ferry able to reach the jetty and offer commuters an alternative to their cars
- We would like more native reserve areas
- We would like more walkways/bush walks
- We would like noise levels (especially from jet skis) controlled

What is most under threat and why?

- We are worried about surface water and groundwater protection and quality
- We don't want to see the ridge-lines and horizon altered
- We're worried about run-off and slips from unconsidered developments
- We are worried about the increase in traffic and what this means in terms of safety and the impact on the roads
- We don't want the relative peace and quiet of the area to suffer

What kind of development would be appropriate and under what conditions?

- Development in the valley floor and gentles slopes where run-off and slips can be minimised and managed
- Development should be strategic and not ad hoc
- Development should be gradual
- Development should be sustainable:
 - eco-designs
 - rainwater harvesting
 - minimal impact visually
 - appropriate to and in harmony with the surroundings
- Development must be matched with required infrastructure improvement

Additionally we asked:

Christchurch City Council's 'Lyttelton Harbour Basin Settlements Study' starts 1st July 2009. The study will help clarify key issues and solutions for Purau. It is due to start in Lyttelton. Starting in Purau would be of significant support at a time when it is needed most. Would you support the study starting in Purau?

The answer to this question was a unanimous shout of "YES!". Everyone who commented all agreed that we should be included in this Harbour Basin study.

- Yes – we need to be heard.
- Yes – we have issues current and urgent.
- Yes – we need to be part of the bigger picture and not on the periphery.

6. The Way Forward for Purau: a Pilot in Sustainable Living

It is very clear from the contributions received that Purau is regarded as a special place in need of special management. There was consensus that Purau needs its own management or development plan and one that builds on the values of the existing community and which does not detract from these.

The facilitated discussions on both days came to the view that Purau should be considered a pilot project for sustainable living. It was agreed that this should happen in partnership with the community, tangata whenua, developers, Christchurch City Council, and Environment Canterbury.

A working party was established to pursue this idea further. Key elements of what should be further explored are:

- Development to be kept to the valleys and away from valued views (e.g. the western flank of Mount Evans);
- Mix of housing that accommodates young people who wish to remain here, and for the elderly who cannot manage large properties;
- All houses to be in character with the existing community (e.g. no “mansions”);
- All houses to be environmentally friendly – solar, water harvesting, on site disposal of wastewater etc. It was suggested by some that the CCC should provide every resident with a state-of-the-art septic system which would be cheaper than reticulated sewer and more sustainable. This would also mean Purau would only need a low pressure reticulated water supply to top up existing supplies and water harvesting would also continue;
- Native planting requirements;
- Colours to be in keeping with landscape so as to be “invisible”, windows to be non-reflective;
- Increase walking tracks, reserves etc.
- Infrastructure that supports reducing car dependence (e.g. kiss ‘n ride, ferry to come to Purau);
- Keeping the beachfront as natural as possible, avoiding the “beautification” of the shore but increasing native tree/shrub plantings.
- Concerted effort to increase the native birdlife by instituting a native planting programme, particularly to bring back the tomtit, morepork and tui.

Subsequent to the planning weekend, a Diamond Harbour resident, Christine Dann, organised a workshop entitled: “Making a Graceful Transition”, held on March 28th 2009. The workshop was designed to address major challenges associated with sustainable living. This workshop was facilitated by Margaret Jefferies of Project Port Lyttelton and is supported by the Diamond Harbour Community Association. The Purau community views this workshop as step towards developing a Sustainable Community Pilot Project.

7. What do we want from Christchurch City Council?

We ask that the Christchurch City Council:

1. Accepts and considers this report as a request for the Council to start the Lyttelton Harbour Settlement Study in Purau using this report as the starting point.
2. That the Council agrees with the proposal to work with the Purau community on a Sustainable Community Pilot Project, possibly in association with the recently initiated 'community in transition' group¹ and using this report as a starting point.
3. That the Council assesses the feasibility of supplying Purau with a low pressure restricted water supply and helping to fund the upgrading current wastewater disposal systems rather than provide a reticulated sewerage scheme. The *Escherichia coli* contamination of Purau Stream and the beach area would be best addressed in this manner.

¹ 'Graceful transition' meeting held in Diamond Harbour 28th March 2009, facilitated by Margaret Jefferies of Project Lyttelton.

Appendix 1: Object and Methods of Uniquely Purau Society Incorporated

Objects

The objects for which the Society is established are:

- a) To promote the appropriate and sustainable management and development of Purau and the surrounding area having regard to ecological, environmental, historical, cultural and community values.
- b) To promote the preservation and protection of the landscapes and character of Purau and the surrounding area.
- c) To promote and support initiatives and other measures considered to be in the interest of the ratepayers and/or residents and/or businesses of Purau and the surrounding area.
- d) To subscribe to, become a member of and co-operate with any other organisation whether incorporated or not whose objects are altogether or in part similar to those of the Society and to procure from and communicate with any such organisation such information as may be likely to forward or advance the objects of the Society.
- e) To monitor and inform the Purau community of any proposed projects or schemes which may impact on the community's ecological, environmental, historical, cultural or community values.
- f) To involve ratepayers, residents and businesses of Purau and the surrounding area in projects and activities affecting Purau and its environs, and to raise the awareness of issues affecting the Purau community.
- g) To act as an advocate for the Purau area and its community.

Methods

The following are methods or means to accomplish the Society's Objectives:

- To be active in planning/resource management issues involving the Purau community and its residents, ratepayers and businesses.
- To promote the enhancement of Purau and the surrounding area by encouraging re-vegetation and/or remediation of land.
- To initiate, organise and manage projects beneficial to the Purau community and its residents, ratepayers and businesses.
- To raise funds for projects for the Purau community including for representation in Court proceedings, Council hearings, and all other manner of resource management related proceedings and resource management related activities.
- To communicate with the Christchurch City Council or any other regional or territorial authority having jurisdiction over the Purau area.
- To work with the Christchurch City Council and other relevant agencies to write a development plan for the Purau community, Purau Valley and Purau Bay.

Appendix 2: David Wilson, Heritage Futures



MR DAVID A. WILSON

Managing Director HFI

David Wilson is a community innovator and heritage development enthusiast. He is firmly of the belief that communities cannot be developed from the top down or from the outside in, but that communities need to build from the inside out, and their residents need to invest themselves, ideas, assets and resources in the process.

Working from local to international level over the past two decades, including recent work in Somalia, he has assisted over 500 communities to come together for positive collective action on social, environmental and economic issues.

Former New Zealand Government national advisor for fifteen years on small towns, community economic development and Town Centre Revitalisation Programs, he is motivated by the desire to see communities and local economies prosper through innovation, entrepreneurship and strong local leadership.

Appendix 3: Full list of public comments

The following pages list the raw comments placed on the comments wall, or as separate comments on paper, placed in suggestion boxes. Some comments are followed by 'yes', 'sure', etc, indicating subsequent agreement with the preceding comment.

Should the Lyttelton Harbour Basin Settlement Study start in Purau?

- Yes, why would we be left out given the issues facing us?
- Most definitely – absolutely – yes we need to make our voices heard
- Yes definitely but why not including harbour west – you can't just think in small areas. Big pictures wanted, long term solutions.
- Yes I think starting in Purau would be helpful given the perceived threat of development and also the confusion surrounding the Council plans on reticulation.
- Sure
- Yes
- Yes
- Yes we should support it starting in Purau PLUS it has to start here, this is where the pressures are now.
- Might be better to suggest Purau and DH together, how those communities might further develop in sympathy with the UDS principles is challenging and could take longer to address hence start early.
- Yes would support it starting in Purau.

What do we love?

- Rural values, beautiful views, wonderful community atmosphere, peaceful undisturbed haven from the city.
- The unspoiled hills and beach – feeling of a quiet country seaside place with its own community and reason for being. Not a dormitory suburb.
- Great community, unique environment.
- So special with the surrounding hills, always bathed in different colours and light conditions. Vibrant birdlife. Exposed to the elements. Let's reforest and bring back more wildlife and the tui. Sense of belonging and I acknowledge and treasure the history and heritage.
- The views of Mount Evans and slopes, beautiful and always changing.
- I think it is amazing that I live in a place where dolphins live.
- I love swimming.
- Birdsong, bleating lambs, snow on the hills, colour changes on the hills as the seasons progress.
- Community activities – working together – keeping the community safe.
- A living community. A place to grow in. A place to chose to mingle or retire. A quite place to listen to the birds. A place where kereru outnumber the fingers you have to count them
- Landscape, views, walking tracks, peacefulness.
- Co-operation between residents.
- I love the ferry.
- I love kayaking in the harbour.
- The peace and quiet.
- Peace, sea view from boat is amazing.
- Space for my eyes.
- Rural lifestyle.

- Trees including non-native. Different to Diamond Harbour. Contrast is wonderful.
- Space, caring friendly community. Beautiful hills, mist, clouds, snow, sunrise and set, birds. Growing conditions sheltered from nor'west.
- Unspoiled hillside and skyline.
- The people, the peace, the cleanliness, litter free, the freedom.
- Peaceful, everyone gets on well together: residents and visitors most of them respect our area.
- Viewscapes, organic funky neighbours.
- Non-improved beach front.
- Natural peaceful rural environment.
- Living sustainably. Being responsible for harvesting own water and managing wastewater.
- Nice safe and quiet place with lovely friends and neighbours and the beach. PLUS
- Space views peace and quiet country grazing animals free of housing land all rural aspects coastland.
- Clean and green, sustainable. Community garden, farmers market, beautiful landscape, great community spirit, a world away from town, high school, etc. A great place to come home to. Quiet, not many people.
- Beautiful bay, great beach.
- I like the fact that I recognise almost everyone I see.

What is under threat

- Roads will suffer when big lorries thunder up and down to new developments. Look at the state of the roads around Black Point – and they speed and they are dangerous.
- Urbanisation of rural landscape and village.
- Our peace – noise from jet skis, boats, cars, trucks to build more houses etc.
- Community values, rural values, urbanisation of rural land. Pollution of our water, streams and sea.
- Birds and trees threatened by cats, possums and rabbits.
- Stars at night – light pollution.
- Lizards – too many cats with extra housing.
- Pollution of bay through increased traffic and housing.
- To rural and peaceful character, the unspoilt surrounding, the clear and vast night sky. PLUS
- Chipping away at rural land when more could be done with 'brown' sites. Once it's gone, it's gone. PLUS
- Urbanisation.
- Sustainability – too many energy dense new developments using water – producing waste – covering productive land.
- Noise, light pollution, threatening environment.
- Noise from machines and jet skis.
- Until now, people have settled a few at a time realising their dream patches/homes – a great mix of people. If orchestrated development would take place there would be an influx of a particular cross section of society rather than a mix of what makes a community like we know it now. We may lose something special.
- Rural peace.
- Rural peace and country living.
- Darkness at night when street lights get installed. There is no need for lights, moon and stars are beautiful.
- Water pollution and loss of sea life. Losing the quietness and naturalness of a unique area.

- Water quality – inadequate protection measures. Rural/holiday nature, too many suburban style new buildings. Peace and quiet, too many noisemaking machines, especially jet skis but also lawnmowers and stereos etc.
- Our quality of life, threat is unsustainable development.
- Our environment and quality of life.
- Water quality/bay because runoff from building projects and sloping driveways.
- Hillscape, horizon changes losing character of space.
- Not becoming suburbia (keeping its natural values).
- Nature/reserves and views. Traffic past our place, road too narrow.
- Funky self sufficiency due to city people with huge expectations. Peaceful non urban beachfront – attempts to beautify.
- Rural iconic viewsapes due to inappropriate development.
- The loss of the rural environment by subdivision.
- Quiet atmosphere, more people come here the busier it will be. I hope people will appreciate the community atmosphere.
- Solitude, rural atmosphere.
- When the time comes, please roads, phone wires all in one hit, so economical.
- A way of life that is becoming all too rare in this world.
- Access to Pile Bay by selfish landowners.
- Being able to go for a run in solitude to Camp Bay without dust clouds from cars.
- Purau becoming a dormitory.

Ways of improving Purau

- Bring tui back to Purau.
- Skyline/horizon, darkness at night, no street lights needed. PLUS
- No jet skis
- Perfect the way it is.
- Loop walkways.
- Less is more! No more sealed roads, no more car parking designated. Watch developing shore – less not more.
- Bring morepork, tomtit and tui back.
- Coming to an agreement with boaters and jet skiers in the bay.
- Ban jet skis and motor bikes.
- Limit motorised water traffic.
- Don't change it too much – so safe for children.
- It's perfect, don't change it too much.
- Give us a low pressure water supply.
- Bushwalking tracks and a beach zoned free of jet skis.
- Keep what is great, improve what can be improved.
- More native bush by beach where we swim. PLUS
- And more tree planting generally.
- Creation of native reserves, planting along streams.
- It's like an old master, why improve a work of art?
- More butterflies.
- Lyttelton ferry to call at Purau.
- Create public/native reserve on/near Camp Bay road.
- Walking access to Diamond Harbour.
- More trees.
- More green bush.
- A community run childhood centre in Diamond Harbour.
- By having our own sustainable energy, i.e. a wind cluster.
- Jet ski ban.

- Native plantings near beach.
- Foot path from Diamond Harbour and continuing up valley past where current foot path ends.
- More walking tracks, safer water to swim in, controls for jet skis and boats.
- Birdlife/wildlife corridor, community planting project to enhance birdlife.
- Marked walking track up Mount Evans? Other tracks?
- Late ferries every day.
- Discussion about noise from jet skis and motor boats, can be heard from top of Waipapa Ave, should this happen?
- Walking tracks and better access to farmland for walking.
- Walking tracks.
- All weather footpath to Diamond Harbour. PLUS, PLUS safer.
- More shade trees on grass frontage by beach.
- Walkway from Diamond Harbour to Camp Bay. PLUS
- Can it be improved? Should it be improved?
- Ferry extended at times.
- Footpaths on both sides of road.
- Reduce the impact of jet ski noise pollution. PLUS
- By not putting up holiday homes, so locals don't have to live with empty houses.
- Purau is too far from town. Most people will use Purau for holiday homes (buy a floating bach, boat).
- One metre from footpaths and can't see Pile Bay due to broom, vines, passionfruit etc. – volunteer pest clearance groups.
- Less sheep.
- More native plantings.
- Sustainable living – wind farm (micro) and use of water without waste and use of sun and small hydro.
- Mixed development rather than grass, sheep and deer.
- Eco-village, no cats or dogs. Lots of trees and food lots. Gardens and fruit and nut trees.
- Long term thinking including Port Levy, Diamond Harbour etc.
- Development plan with professional input, take advantage of local knowledge, plus people with an eye from distance. PLUS
- Rural development at a slow pace. Keep the hills free from houses.
- Yes, planned development. Individuals joining the community with clear expectation of sustainable (green) buildings which fit into this amazing landscape plus don't stick out like a (*indecipherable*)....
- Less houses into Purau.
- Slow gradual growth allowing strong roots – its the plants/trees that develop over years that survive despite storms.
- Create native planting on public reserve.
- If development occurs, infrastructure needs to be upgraded – water/sewerage, walkways, roading etc. CCC can use the opportunity to upgrade at minimal cost because of developer contribution.
- Eco-design/development only, no suburban sprawl PLUS X 4.
- Development with a strategic direction.
- Planned development, no ad hoc development. Very much support this.
- More people are okay only if they don't take up more productive land.
- Strain already limited, water resources, create more waste problems.
- Sustainable eco-development with community consultation.
- Development needs to be able to harmonise and relate to the rest of Purau Community (visual etc.).

- More people is okay to support school, business, in Diamond Harbour not holiday homes. We want people to live here.
- Playcentre at Stoddarts Cottage?
- Cluster housing not dispersed. PLUS
- Developer responsibility to contribute positively if development goes ahead/plantings/reserves/play areas.
- Native planting.
- Playground.
- The landscape is well known to be physically fragile here. We need to make sure development takes that into account for house buyers and their neighbours.
- Fertile soil used for food production.
- Early childhood centre in DH.
- Don't silt up the bay with runoff.
- What about water? It doesn't make economic or common sense to keep digging up the road to put small pipes in when one big one would serve all.
- Low density housing with appropriate housing.
- Sustainable housing with solar/rainwater harvest. Walking access.
- Keep housing together, not dotted around. PLUS
- Eco-development, consultation with residents.
- No more houses on slopes. Protection of open spaces. No more encroachment on food growing/farmland. All new buildings to be eco-design.
- Modest number of new houses on large section in valley slopes. None on visible contours.
- Keep residential clustering, leave rural to remain rural.
- I pick it the way it is but if we need to have development – only up to a very low level and with minimal effect on the environment (or enhancing the environment) i.e. every new property to plant 1000 native trees, no cats, limits on dogs.
- Keep an eye on the yacht and boat numbers – no club locally to monitor. Perhaps one to two sensible rules. People may start to live on their boats in hard times, need to keep water and shoreline clean.
- On gentle sloping or flat valley areas low i.e. one storey buildings, colours not contrasting with landscape, harvesting rainwater and outside residential area section size 1 ha at least.
- Clean up stream and beach.
- A native bird monitoring system, reintroduction of native birds (tui etc) in Purau.
- A sandy beach.
- Monitor the water in the stream and keep it clean.
- Extension of DH ferry to Purau.
- Improve public toilet but keep current location.
- Native planting.
- Bus shelter under trees on beach side by carpark opposite campground.
- Native planting by trees near bus stop carpark opposite campground. Recycling station on beachfront. More rubbish bins on beachfront to minimise amount of rubbish on the beach. Footpath to DH.
- A jetty so that DH Lyttelton service might access Purau direct.
- Improvement to boat ramp and jetty.
- Dog walking on beach at all times.
- Creative water and sewerage solutions.
- Create Purau water scheme using local watershed and recycling wastewater on land for tree production.
- Open walkways to Mt Evans and down to Little Port Cooper.
- Opportunities to create a sustainable community if we hold the dream.
- I love it as it is. Keep being independent and self sufficient.

- Native trees for shelter at far end of beach.
- Perhaps it doesn't need to be? However, is there a need for some lower cost housing so young people growing up in Purau can stay there and maintain a vibrant community?
- Kiss and ride to the ferry.
- We should be more self sufficient.
- More developments mean more drivers and commuters – what about a ferry jetty for Purau commuters – peak hours only – a pavement for walkers up to DH too.
- Or a model community for a car sharing scheme that made joining it a condition of ownership as in some UK developments.
- A genuinely sustainable development in line with UDS principles which CCC is a signatory too. Needs to ensure any development can be accessed without adding to traffic pressure around harbour to ChCh.
- Totally support what is written above. Have no objection to development providing it is done properly.
- Low key human scale in harmony with environment and wider community values.
- Is there a proven need for significantly more residential development in Purau beyond local land in DH area already available? World wide the pressure for development is easing at present.
- If there are lots of new residents in Purau how will the fire brigade (all voluntary heroes) cope and other health/emergency services?
- Very good point. What would the emergency services view of more residential properties at Purau be? Surely difficult to guarantee good emergency cover if the number of residents increase significantly from current levels. It's effectively at the end of a cul-de-sac.
- A low pressure water supply to Purau would not necessarily require sewage disposal to ChCh we could simply upgrade our septics and clean up Purau Stream in the process.
- Any services such as new water pipes made large enough for all residents. Make regulations later, think of future proofing.
- Limit the amount of excavation that can be carried out. Consult the community.
- Limit the number of properties to make sure Purau can keep its rural atmosphere. Continue consultation with the community.
- Try to build as little as possible new roads.
- Keep in mind that long driveways will be damaged by rain.
- New houses should run on rainwater and have septic tanks like the rest of Purau residents.
- Also use solar power/hot power to have as small as possible an impact on the environment.
- Be sure to keep up environmental standards and keep Purau clean both the land and streams and sea.
- New houses should blend in with the landscape and fit in with the Purau rural atmosphere and landscape. PLUS Ideal location for model of sustainable development of green houses/access etc.

Group Discussion - Session 1 Outcomes

Key areas of concern:

- To have access to water
- To have a proactive community
- Clarification of sewerage and water future direction
- Stay rural and minimise development
- Reforestation with native flora
- * Preserve the environment and the wildlife
- Preserve the rural character of life
- Clarify what can and cannot be allowed to happen
- Maintain access to the sea
- Preserve the higher slopes
- Well-thought-through and sustainable development only

Issues:

- Feasibility of scale
- Infrastructure overload
- Ensure that change is balanced, positive and contained
- Instigate community-led plantings
- Keep beach accessibility
- Use local water resources
- Avoid light pollution
- Minimise travel / number of cars / wear and tear on CHCH road

Purau is already under pressure: Formulating a Community Plan

- Paper road issues
- Polluted Purau stream
- Leaching septic tanks
- Water
- Storm water run-off
- Development a concern
- No one has asked what residents want
- Our views will otherwise be ignored / compromised
- Promised water supply always being delayed
- Split the provisions for sewage and water an option?
- Halt water pollution and repair
- A larger capacity water pipe could encourage more development but could be used as leverage to get the promised supply to Purau on an improved timescale
- Purau would be prepared to appeal to the ombudsman
- Must keep a positive attitude / stay united / act – don't talk endlessly about it
- Monitor actions by developers/Council accurately
- Black Point has breached several agreements with CCC
- Development proposals currently on the table are "the thin end of the wedge"

Group Discussion - Session 2 Outcomes

Additional expanded issues arising from Session 1

- 'Black water' (wastewater discharge) from boats in Purau Bay
- Purau is an attractive mooring as it's very cheap in comparison with other mooring locations
- Community Board will be sent the document arising from this workshop
- "Green Oasis" – 1 section – on unsuitable land for building/farming
- Camp Ground is next due for subdivision – could CCC purchase to retain?
- Low cost housing for local youngsters or older buyers
- Revisit the approach to the relationship with developers
- Could Purau be self-sufficient? – water collection / sewage treatment / gardens / energy
- A "Purau Pilot" – demonstration in living self-sufficiently
- Formation of a local development fund for community initiatives
- Whilst current law and constraints regarding such initiatives must be attended to, there's no need not to be creative
- Travel
 - could the developer help initiate a car-sharing scheme?
 - or fund an upgraded jetty for the ferry?

Next Steps

- Improve communications and relationship with developer and the local community
- Copy of this paper to go to the developer
- Copy of this paper to go to Ngai Tahu
- Finalise and present outcomes
- Offer to meet developer to present an overview
- Offer to meet Community Board to present an overview
- Offer to meet CCC to present an overview
- Offer to meet Ngai Tahu to present an overview and establish relations
- Scope the feasibility of establishing a Sustainable Purau project
- Form a Vision Group within UPSI
- Report back to the wider community on progress – workshops?
- Encourage youth participation and interest
- Partnership with Manu Whenua essential

Partnership with Ngai Tahu

Although Ngai Tahu have not held ownership of Purau since the Purau Block Purchase, they have maintained kaitiakitanga over the territory. It was agreed during the discussion sessions to recommend to UPSI that a relationship be developed and that a new item be offered for inclusion in the objectives of the society.

"To develop and maintain a working relationship with Manu Whenua."

This will be offered for approval by the society at their next meeting.
