

# CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL

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For yourself

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**Your Submission:**

The Council 10 year plan has absolutely no support for additional Hockey Turfs in Christchurch which is completely unacceptable. I am involved in coaching at all levels of the game and we simply do not have enough turf space available to accommodate the players in Christchurch who want to play the sport. Those that are accommodated have to put up with playing and training at unacceptable hours of day and night and yet they are lucky. Others have to train in gymnasiums or various school tennis courts. My junior team games start as early as 7.55am on Saturday morning â My daughters team plays 8.30am Sunday morning â last year it was 8.30 Sunday night. For training they share a turf at Porritt with 4 other teams 8.00pm â 9.00pm (there are kids as young as 14 in the team). Last year we trained at Girls High tennis courts â when the lights were actually working. The primary girls are at Burnside High. If we lived in any other city in the country we would have access to good turf at reasonable times of the day and night. Not only do our numbers suffer in terms of participation but we are running the risks of the standards dropping. Is there any other sport in the city that is unable to accommodate the people who want to play it? We desperately need council assistance to get additional facilities and from all I have read it seem we more than meet the commitments targeted by the Council.