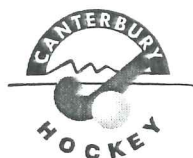


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Please be as specific as possible to help Council understand your views.

Why do you want the Council to consider the provision of additional artificial fields? What specific action you think the Council should take? Why should this be done?

CANTERBURY HOCKEY HAS OUTGROWN THE 3  
ARTIFICIAL PITCHES IN CHRISTCHURCH DUE  
TO NUMBERS OF TEAMS. THIS HAS RESULTED  
IN EITHER COMPETITIONS UNABLE TO  
ACCEPT MORE TEAMS OR MAKE TEAMS  
(JUNIOR / YOUTH) PLAYING ON GRASS. AS A  
NUMBER OF YOUTHS / JUNIORS ARE NOT  
KEEN OR EVEN PREPARED TO PLAY ON GRASS  
THIS MEANS THAT THERE IS THE  
DISTINCT POSSIBILITY OF US LOSING PLAYERS

Please continue on reverse side if further space is required.

Thank you for making this submission.

↳ THE SPORT THROUGH INSUFFICIENT GRASS

- THIS IS AGAINST COUNCIL POLICY (PRIORITY)  
TO INCREASE PARTICIPATION IN SPORT,

THE 3 GROUNDS ARE FULLY USED  
WITH GAMES HAVING TO BE PLAYED  
AT UNSUITABLE HOURS BOTH FOR  
PLAYERS AND CAPACITY ~~AS~~ AS WELL AS  
NEIGHBOURING RESIDENTIAL TO COUNCIL  
GROUNDS

THE USE OF ARTIFICIAL GROUNDS  
DECREASE INCREASES THE % OF GAMES  
ABANDONED / CANCELLED / DEFERRED - LOOK AT  
CAMBRIDGE SOCCER LAST YEAR PLAYING ON  
GRASS - TEAMS WERE LEFT WITHOUT  
GAMES DUE TO WEATHER AND PITCH  
CONDITIONS

3 GROUNDS IS NOT ENOUGH TO  
SUPPORT A SIGNIFICANT SPORT AS  
HOCKEY WHICH HAS NOW BECOME  
STANDARD TO PLAY ON ARTIFICIAL  
TURF.

LACK OF TURF TIME MEANS SOME TEAMS  
HAVE TO PRACTICE ON SUBSTANDARD  
SURFACES AND SIZE.