

Submission to LTCCP

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We wish this submission to be considered.
We would like to speak to the hearing on the Subdivision proposal part of this submission only.

We applaud your proposals to reduce Water usage; Increase the use of Public Transport, to increase energy efficiency and to develop the infrastructure of our communities.

Water Usage: Excess Water Rates should be applied and particularly in areas where water is scarce i.e. the Peninsula, and the absolute sheer waste that we see flying down the gutters would soon be halted. New subdivisions with housing should have mandatory grey water storage for garden and toilet use.

Public Transport: Interchange facilities for the Diamond harbour Ferry and buses and or light rail should be developed to encourage more users. Bus priority lanes should be as proposed in the LTCCP but also extended to Hornby No 5 bus route as it is rarely on time and it is difficult to make connections from the only bus that goes down Blenheim Rd and services large commercial areas. It is underused because of this.

Energy Efficiency: We support the LTCCP initiatives for energy efficiency and any encouragement that can be given to households via incentives to change behaviours should be implemented asap. E.g. free parking for energy efficient cars.

Community Infrastructure. Footpaths for Church Bay have been on the agenda for sometime now and we would like to see these itemised in the LTCCP as well as extensions of water and sewage to Charteris Bay and Purau.

Subdivisions: We would strongly recommend the setting up and funding of a proper subdivision inspection and enforcement department that has got the ability to regularly inspect and enforce consent conditions during the construction phase. This could come from the developers' and we deplore the fact that in the LTCCP the Council are lifting some of what is seen to be a financial burden in the form of levies. The pressure on the present infrastructure of a community by developers' machinery and heavy trucks should not be carried by the existing ratepayers.

Thank you for giving us this opportunity to comment.

Sincerely
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