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Dear Sir/ Madam

Re: Draft Long Term Community Council Plan (LTCCP) 2009-19

I write to provide a submission on the draft Long Term Community Council Plan (LTCCP) 2009-19.

This submission is being submitted by Benjamin Gough a resident of Christchurch City.

A key issue in the LTCCP is Urban Growth and Central City Revitalisation. I wish to confirm my full support of the promotion of urban intensification and revitalisation of the central city. I further confirm my support of the following Capital Expenditure items:

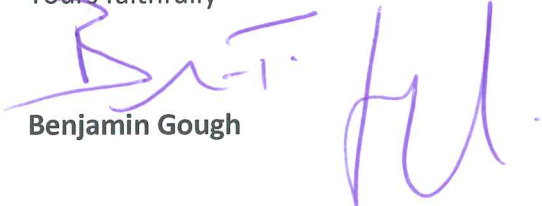
- \$2.8m for urban renewal in the central city.
- \$5.8m for the continuation of the City Mall Revitalisation
- \$11.5m over five years for the extension of the tram along Oxford Terrace, City Mall, High Street and Colombo Street.
- \$7.1m for heritage protection in the central city.

Of particular interest is the proposed extension of the tram. I understand this is to be spread over a five (5) year period. I fully support the proposed tram extension and ask the Council to consider bringing the tram extension program forward for the following reasons:

1. With the recent downturn in the economy coupled with decreasing tourism numbers the tram extension will provide an immediate positive benefit to businesses on and around the tram route.
2. To assist with achieving one of the defined Community Outcomes of "an attractive and well-designed city", it will be desirable to complete the tram extension in time for the influx of tourists attending the 2011 Rugby World Cup.
3. An expedited Tram extension program will reduce disruption and delays to business owners and allow Central City businesses to better compete with Christchurch's large urban shopping centres.

I do not want my submission to be heard at the hearing, however ask that this submission be considered.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to be 'Benjamin Gough', written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned to the right of the printed name.

Benjamin Gough