Extension of the Tram Route Submission - Received by Email

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Sent:	Thu 17/04/2008 5:52 pm
Your Submission:	Tram Extentions Proposed for Central City Route and Central Hagley Park
	Quentin Smith 41 Blue Gum Place Burwood Christchurch 8083 Date: 17/04/2008
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	ANNUAL PLAN SUBMISSION PROPOSED TRAMWAY EXTENSIONS:
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Your Submission (Cont'd):

SUGGESTED PROPOSAL:

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of the Tram Track.

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I have felt strongly about this for some time; I'm sure it would really appeal to tourists and locals alike......Imagine dining on the tram or just taking in the Hagley Gardens Great beauty along this beautiful section of the Avon; no matter what the season be. Where else could you do this!!.....Please give this your consideration. I think it's a timely period this do this. The Tramway is an integral part of Christchurch's Tour activities, this extension would make a substantial contribution: Don't miss the opportunity!!

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I look forward to your considered comments.

Your sincerely,

Quentin (Smith)

PS. I have posted hard copies which include a letter of support and the envisaged tram track around the Central area of Hagley Park.

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From:

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To:

"Quentin Smith" <Q.J@xtra.co.nz> Thursday, 17 April 2008 11:27 a.m.

Sent: Subject:

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ANNUAL PLAN SUBMISSION

LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR TRAMWAY EXTENSION PROJECT

MOOTED BY Q.J.SMITH.

INTRODUCTION;

I have read and discussed the tramway extension with Quentin Smith. I have been a member of the Patea Community Board in South Taranaki Having served two terms as an elected representative (6 years). I write this letter of support while here in Christchurch attending the Greypower

National Conference as the Official Delegate Wanganui Delegate.

TOURISM APPEAL;

Quentins suggested extension route is the key factor in his proposal as this Takes in some of the most spectacular scenery in Christchurch particularly Hagley Park. The potential of extension to attract tourists is of a paramount nature

The Avon river is a natural attraction and the track will show this attribute off

To the betterment of all concerned ie visitors and locals alike. This is an opportunity that should be "grabbed with both hands" as it will I feel sure enrich the city of Christchurch and create a memorable impression in the mind of any visitor.

REALITY CHECK;

The costings and feasibility of the project have to be ascertained however I personally believe that Quentins suggestion is meritorius and is worthy of some very serious consideration.

CONCLUSION;

I think Quentin's suggestions are a valid proposal and his knowledge of the tramway from his working experience have brought about what would be best described as

"a bloody good idea" Please give this proposal your due consideration.

Yours faithfully

Tony Grant-Fargie \ 144/08

