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Asset Manager Water and Wastewater Christchurch City Council P O Box 237 CHRISTCHURCH

ATTENTION: Bruce Henderson

Dear Mr Henderson

REF: WS-003-002-3

The Papanui League Club wish to strongly oppose the proposed increase in water charges for non-residential properties.

We are a non-profitable organisation providing sporting opportunities in the form of softball, league and netball, to our community throughout the year. We have a large membership with approximately 90% being junior members and our committees struggle now to fundraise to enable our members to play sport.

There are a number of sporting organisations in Christchurch who are in the fortunate position of having their changing sheds and toilet blocks situated on council grounds so the imposition of water rates is not an issue. However, as our changing sheds are incorporated into our club rooms we have to bear the cost of water charges.

Our Club hereby strongly request the Council not to impose the increased charges to sporting clubs such as ours.

Yours sincerely

HelenO'Connor

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