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Under the Local Government Act the Council must have a policy on development or financial contributions as part of its funding and financial policies in its Long Term Council Community Plan (LTCCP).

The Council's Development Contributions Policy is an appendix to the Council's LTCCP 2006 to 2016. It is a transitional document pending the amalgamation of the former Banks Peninsula District Council into the Council, so it is structured in two parts: Part A - Development Contributions Policy for Christchurch City and Part B - Development and Financial Contributions Policy for Banks Peninsula.

The Development Contributions Policy aims to get those who contribute to growth in the city to help pay for any new infrastructure needed to service that growth. The Policy details a transparent, consistent and fair method for collecting development contributions to meet Council objectives to:

- Obtain from those responsible for development that places additional demands on the Council's provision of infrastructure, parks and community facilities a fair and reasonable contribution towards the expansion of those services; and
- Ensure that the level of such contribution does not generally act to discourage development, recognising that the contribution will be influenced by the complexity of site works and that this may act to discourage development of a particular area.

The appendix to the LTCCP on the Development Contributions Policy is available on request or at council offices, service centres and libraries. It can also be viewed on the council's website at www.ccc.govt.nz.