## LTCCP 2006-16 SUBMISSION Submissions close on 5 May 2006 I do NOT wish to present my submission at the hearing, and ask that this submission be considered. I am completing this submission: For yourself My submission refers to: Full Version of the LTCCP Page Number: 12014

I also want to respond to:	
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Your Submission:	Do you have any comments on the major projects in our Draft Community Plan?
	ISSUES
	Christchurch City Council includes areas of significant biodiversity value, such as nationally rare habitats (eg McCleans Island grasslands )and endangered species (eg the plains daisy Olearia adenocarpa). Nurturing and improving these habitats is essential to enhance CHCH's 'indigenous' character and provide a sense of place that is distinctly CHCH NZ - as is planting native species generally.
	Enhancing native biodiversity is identified as a key responsibility of local Councils in New Zealand's Biodiversity strategy, and is considered necessary if we are to meet our international obligations agreed to under international protocol, as discussed in the above mentioned strategy. On this, Council are to be congratulated for their excellent work at Travis Swamp and Ferrymead estuary restoration
	Decisions sought
	Council commit to, and adequately fund its Biodiversity Strategy.
	Council increase the use of native plantings generally, but in particular along main arterial roads, traffic islands, waterways etc.
	Council commit to protecting and enhancing the McCleans Island grasslands and savannah woodlands
	Do you have any comments on groups of activities (The activities and services the Council provides?)
	Do you have any other comments or suggestions you want to make?

Council should recognise the potential offered to ratepayers from Banks Peninsula's

biodiveristy and recreational value to create regional parks. Currently there are very few large areas/parks of public land on Banks Peninsula (other than the Port Hills).

natural environment and budget for strategic land purchase of areas of high