

# Our Community Plan Submission Form

## Instructions

### Please read before completing your submission

It will help us process your submission if you clearly state the issue you want the Council to consider, what specific action you think the Council should take, and why that should be done.

If you wish, you can present your submission at a hearing. (If that is the case, please tick the box). The hearings will be held between Thursday 25 May and Wednesday 7 June 2006. Generally, 10 minutes are allocated for hearing each submission, including time for questions.

It will help us if your submission also refers to the page of either the full version or the summary version.

Please note: We are legally required to make all written or electronic submissions available to Councillors and to the public. This includes the name and address of the submitter. All submissions will be published on the Council's website from 10 May 2006.

No anonymous submissions will be accepted.

You may send us your submission:

### By mail

Please mail your submission (no stamp is required) to:

Freepost 178  
Our Community Plan  
Christchurch City Council  
PO Box 237  
Christchurch 8003

### By email

Please email your submission to:  
ccc-plan@ccc.govt.nz  
Please make sure that your full name and address is included with your submission.

### On the internet

You may enter your submission using the form provided on the Council's web site at  
<http://www.ccc.govt.nz>  
Please follow all the instructions on the web site.

Please remember to indicate if you wish to present your submission in person at one of the hearings.

Please ensure your submission arrives no later than Friday 5 May 2006.

## Your submission

You may use this form for your submission on our draft Community Plan if you wish. Whether you use this form or not, please include your name, address and contact telephone number with your submission.

Tick one ☐ I do NOT wish to present my submission at the hearing, and ask that this written submission be considered OR ☒ I wish to talk to the main points in my written submission at the hearings to be held between Thursday 25 May and Wednesday 7 June 2006

Are you completing this submission: ☒ For yourself ☐ On behalf of a group or organisation

If you are representing a group or organisation, how many people do you represent?

My submission refers to: ☒ Full version ☐ Page No. ☐ Summary version ☐ Page No.

Do you also want to respond to: ☐ Development Contributions ☐ Aquatic Facilities ☐ Other

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## LTCCP SUBMISSION

### 1. PROJECTS (Page 74)

I request the reinstatement of the whole of the Biodiversity Strategy into to Plan. With the future densification of the City, increased congestion, smaller domestic sections and greater urbanization in general, the natural environment and open spaces circling the City will continue to increase in importance for the physical and spiritual well being of its citizens. Protection and enhancement of the biodiversity adjacent to the City should be a paramount goal of the LTCCP. Community Outcomes on Page 44 of the Draft Plan states that success will be measured when , " biodiversity is restored protected and enhanced". To attempt to achieve these outcomes the whole of the Biodiversity Strategy should be included in the Plan. The economic value of the natural environment and open spaces of the hills, wetlands and waterways cannot readily be measured, but is well recognized in these times of increasing urbanization that access to these spaces contribute significantly to to well being of the community.

I ask that: The sum of \$25 million for implementing the Council's Biodiversity Strategy be reinstated in the City's LTCCP.

### 2. ACTIVITIES : Parks, Open Spaces, and Waterways ( Page 121)

Emphasis in this section of the LTCCP is on urban parks and reserves. It should be remembered that the whole of Banks Peninsular is now the responsibility of the CCC. I believe that in this Section, Regional Parks especially those on the Port Hills should be specifically identified as their requirements for development and management are different to urban parks. For recreation, physical exercise, health, environmental education, scenic grandeur and for experiencing the natural world they are as important as urban parks. Enhancing biodiversity in these parks by pest and weed control should be specifically mentioned in this section just as removing leaf litter from drainage gates is. (Page 124) Encouraging regeneration of native forest and increased native bird life by pest and weed control in regional parks, is a service to the citizens the CCC should be responsible for.

### 3 OTHER COMMENTS

The Port Hills of Christchurch directly adjacent to the urban metropolis are of inestimable value to the well being of the City's citizens, tourists and other visitors to the region. Past Councils have recognized the value of these Hills by purchasing and developing land on the Hills for reserves. The process of purchasing land on the Hills for reserves as it becomes available should continue. Purchasing should be financed in part by borrowings to ensure future generations bear some of the capital cost of acquisition. As reserves areas increase, budgets for development and management should increase to ensure responsible care taking. It would be desirable and proof of the CCC's commitment to this policy if it could be spelt out in the Plan more clearly

I ask that: Of the \$37.6 million set aside for land acquisition \$20 million is earmarked for the purchase of lands for reserves on the Port Hills and other areas of Banks Peninsular and that this should be stated in the Plan.

