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:

Number of people you represent:

For yourself

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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? |
| | The proposals to cut back on suburban library services (I have no faith in reassurances to the contrary) and to use NZ Post for all Council payments |

The proposals to cut back on suburban library services (I have no faith in reassurances to the contrary) and to use NZ Post for all Council payments are both likely to have a negative effect on an increasingly elderly and less mobile population. With petrol prices rising and road congestion becoming a concern the Council should be working to make local community access to these services easier and more efficient rather than cutting them back. Existing NZ POst outlets are often crowded and doing business with them time-consuming and inefficient.

Reducing library services hardly contributes to the aim of making Christchurch A City of Lifelong Learning. These are facilities that the whole population can afford and visit - unlike Jade Stadium which establishes pricing and availability of tickets so that locals have very limited opportunity to attemd events if they wish. Any further contribution to establishements such as this should not even be considered in a climate where library and service centre facilities are to be curtailed.

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?

Bus services should be a priority - to make them cheaper, more frequent and attractive to users.