# Summary 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 the draft Our Community Plan if you wish. Whether you use this form or not, please include your name, address and contact telephone number with your submission.

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### Christchurch City Council Community Plan 2006

#### **Draft Submission**

Sumner School Board of Trustees is very concerned that local libraries and schools are being closed to the detriment of local communities. These proposed closures are being discussed in the Community Plan, which in the same breath is proposing to spend \$12.5m on new leisure facilities. Many sections of the community will not use these proposed facilities, namely parents of pre-school children, the elderly and low-income families, together with schools themselves, who will find both the distance and additional costs prohibitive.

In addition, these proposals come at a time when fuel prices are at an all time high; concerns about environmental pollution are widespread and the impact of additional traffic on major arterial routes to take local people to major facilities will only lead to even more congestion on our already busy roads.

We wish to register a very strong endorsement for our own local library and community pool. Any proposal to close the library would be met with the strongest possible objections on the part of the whole community.

It is also important to note that the Sumner community pool is run entirely by volunteers with an annual turnover of c. \$28,000. The Council would be making very cost-effective use of its funds if it could contribute towards the running and/or one-off capital costs of the pool which must be borne by the local community. Surely it is the interests of the Council to support community and voluntary sector activities, given the added value this sector contributes to services in Christchurch.