

Christchurch City Council
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Dear Carol

Consultation Document

1. I am writing to confirm our review of the Consultation Document (**CD**) for legal compliance with the relevant provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 (**LGA**). Our particular focus has been on sections 93B and 93C of the LGA.
2. This opinion is provided on the basis of our perusal of version 13 (received at 12.04pm on 15 February 2017) against the background of our review of earlier versions and feedback to the authors in recent weeks.
3. We have not seen all the underlying information for the purposes of section 93G, although we have seen the financial strategy, and reviewed the revenue and financing policy, and rates policy (funding impact statement). Subject to our commentary on individual documents we have reviewed, we are not in a position to comment on the accuracy or appropriateness of the underlying information. We have assumed for the purposes of this advice, that there are no material inconsistencies between any of this information and the information contained in the CD.
4. Against this background we have formed the opinion that the CD provides a fair representation of the matters proposed for inclusion in the long term plan (**LTP**) and in a way that can be readily understood by interested or affected people.
5. We have therefore concluded there is appropriate compliance with sections 93B and 93C.
6. Subject to the assumptions and reservations noted above, in our opinion the CD is in order for adoption by the Council as the basis for the LTP consultation.

Yours faithfully
SIMPSON GRIERSON

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Jonathan Salter', written over the typed name.

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