

Christchurch City Council
Draft Annual Plan 2022-23
AGENDA

Notice of Meeting:

An ordinary meeting of the Christchurch City Council will be held on:

Date: **Thursday 5 May 2022**
Time: **2pm**
Venue: **Council Chambers, Civic Offices,
53 Hereford Street, Christchurch**

Membership

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	Councillor Aaron Keown
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1. Apologies Ngā Whakapāha

At the close of the agenda no apologies had been received.

2. Declarations of Interest Ngā Whakapuaki Aronga

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant and to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as an elected representative and any private or other external interest they might have.

3. Hearing of Verbal Submissions for the Draft Annual Plan 2022-23 (and other concurrent consultations) - Thursday 5 May 2022

Reference / Te Tohutoro: 22/532833




Report of / Te Pou
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1. Brief Summary

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is for the Council to receive the attached volume of submissions of those wishing to be heard at the Draft Annual Plan 2022-2023 hearing held on Thursday 5 May 2022.
- 1.2 Attachment A contains the hearings schedule and Attachment B contains a volume of submissions.
- 1.3 The Council will also hear verbal submissions from those who provided a submission on the following consultations, submissions can be found in Attachment C (Under Separate Cover):
 - 1.3.1 Opting out of kerbside collection and targeted rate
 - 1.3.2 Proposed extension of kerbside collection service in Wairewa
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Nil	Nil

Confirmation of Statutory Compliance / Te Whakatūtutanga ā-Ture

Compliance with Statutory Decision-making Requirements (ss 76 - 81 Local Government Act 2002).

- (a) This report contains:
- (i) sufficient information about all reasonably practicable options identified and assessed in terms of their advantages and disadvantages; and
 - (ii) adequate consideration of the views and preferences of affected and interested persons bearing in mind any proposed or previous community engagement.
- (b) The information reflects the level of significance of the matters covered by the report, as determined in accordance with the Council's significance and engagement policy.

Signatories / Ngā Kaiwaitohu

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Approved By	Samantha Kelly - Team Leader Hearings & Committee Support

Annual Plan 2022/23 Hearings Panel
Thursday 5 May 2022

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Our Draft Annual Plan 2022/23 from Young, Amy

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Submitter Details
First name: Amy Last name: Young

Your role in the organisation and the number of people your organisation represents:

Postal address:

Would you like to speak to the Council about your submission?
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If yes, please provide a daytime phone number above so we can arrange a speaking time with you. Hearings will be held in May (specific dates are to be confirmed).

Feedback

1.2 Do you have any comments about our proposed changes to revenue, spending and borrowing?
I noticed that there is a proposed reduction on Capital programme spending. Should this go ahead, I would urge the council to prioritize and bring forward urgent and overdue infrastructure work needed in the Phillipstown area. It is unacceptable to see roads being worked and re-worked when roads, curbs and footpaths still have not been repaired following the earthquakes. Take a walk around the streets, Ideally with a pram and children. Work needs to be done.

1.3 We're proposing some changes to our Revenue and Financing and Rates Remission policies – do you have any comments?
Increasing rates should be reflected in an increased or even improved council upkeep of the neighbourhood.

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1.5 Do you have any comments about our capital programme (for example, our roads and footpaths, our water, wastewater, surface water and waterways, our facilities and our parks)?

The dangerous and ambiguous bi-directional shared stretch of road, footpath and cycleway outside the properties of [REDACTED] Ferry Road urgently needs attention.

This is the access to the homes on this stretch and when accessing our homes we need to negotiate scooters, bikes and vehicles cutting through this section to avoid the traffic lights - often travelling at speed. This is also a footpath and the whole stretch is stressful and dangerous to use. Even one of your own Council vans reversed straight into the side of my vehicle as i was leaving home one day.

There is no adequate signage, median or instruction that it is a shared road. It desperately needs addressing. There are many small accidents and close-calls outside our property every week.

The Cross Street reserve playground is very outdated but worse, there is no path to the playground and in the colder months it is almost inaccessible to young families as the entrances become too flooded and muddy to get a pram or small children through to access the playground which is located in the farthest corner from the footpath. One path would resolve this issue.

Ferry Road desperately needs to have cars separated from pedestrians. [REDACTED] and sharing the footpath with cars is simply unacceptable. It is dangerous having cars pull onto the footpath to park alongside young children who are walking.

1.6 Any further comments

We have owned and lived in our home since 2008. Aside from the cycleway we have seen little resource put into this neighbourhood and very little actual community consultation from council. The cycleway consultation didn't appear to take on board any of the feedback from residents.

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2022 Annual Plan Submission - We speak for the trees

17 April 2022

Greg Partridge

Bebe Frayle

Two years ago in May 2019, the Christchurch City Council declared a climate change emergency. In speaking to the action, Mayor Dalziel said:

"Ironically the costs will only increase if we don't take action now. For every \$1 invested in resilience, there is a return of between \$4 and \$10," [...] In other words there is a financial cost, so if we don't invest now, we are simply deferring what will be a significantly greater cost in the medium term."

This was followed, in December 2020, by Prime Minister Ardern declaring the same for New Zealand, saying:

"This is a declaration that will need to be supported by ongoing, continual action and activity. It sits behind the work that we did in our first term of office: our plan to plant one billion trees..."

This Annual Plan lists climate change as one of its priorities, with the main focus on mitigating impacts of climate change on our city. The main activity around this is looking at the impact of sea level rise and how we will mitigate this. This is important and urgent work, however we believe that we must also focus on the things that we can do right now that will have a positive benefit for our residents, for example maintaining and increasing our tree canopy.

Yet, instead of that, our tree canopy has declined in the last 5 years - from 16% to 13% cover. In some of our less affluent suburbs, the canopy cover is less than 10%, for example, only 9% in Linwood and 7% in Hornby. This is at a time when Council has made a commitment to increase the tree canopy with its policy of replacing every tree cut down with at least one tree, and where possible, two. Christchurch should have a goal of 30% canopy cover, and Council must make a commitment to fund this now. The longer we wait, the worse the impacts will be.

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No trees on private property in Christchurch have been added to the list of protected trees by the Council since it declared a Climate and Ecological Emergency, in spite of repeated deputations from concerned Christchurch residents and community groups for more trees to be given that status in order to prevent them from being felled.

At the Council's Urban Development and Transport Committee Meeting (31 March 2022), Councillor Sara Templeton identified that close to 900 trees, which are currently listed as protected, are at serious risk of losing that status as a direct result of the Christchurch City Council's failure to act. After further questioning, Council staff said the work required has not been done, that they do not have the resources to go out and assess those 900 trees in order to ensure their protection.

Christchurch (a city that was one of the first in Aotearoa New Zealand to declare a Climate Emergency and is the largest city in the South Island) has the lowest percentage of tree canopy coverage of any of the major New Zealand metropolitan centres. Why is that? How is that in any way shape or form acceptable in 2022 when there is so much information on climate change, the impact it is having on the planet, and what we can do to mitigate it?

The Local Government Act requires all local government organisations to set community outcomes. In terms of community outcomes here in Ōtautahi Christchurch, the Council's Strategic Framework describes the aim to achieve and promote social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing of our community.

Is the Council doing that in terms of protecting what little tree canopy coverage remains of the existing urban forest in our residential areas, in the streets on which people live, rather than just in parks and reserves? The fact no additional trees have been listed as protected on private property since 2019 would suggest otherwise.

Trees are the lungs of the planet. They provide habitat for native fauna to feed, nest and live. They filter pollutants through their leaves and root systems. Those same leaves and root systems assist with the management of stormwater by trapping rainfall in the canopy of the trees and absorbing rainfall into the tree once it reaches the soil. That in turn reduces flooding and sedimentary deposits entering the stormwater system and prevents the polluting of our rivers.

Trees provide cooling shade, preventing urban heat islands which contribute to global warming. They also provide economic and social community benefits in addition to their aesthetic values. By removing existing established trees in our neighbourhoods, we run the

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risk of urban heat islands developing in those areas where more densely packed housing development is constructed.

The less green cover a city has, the higher the temperatures will be. Trees cool the city by providing shade, and through the evaporation from their leaves - a process similar to the function of human sweat. Removing trees and paving over the area disturbs this process, trapping and preventing evaporation of heat.

It is also a well-known trend that lower-income parts of cities tend to have less green cover. This is evident in Christchurch, with wealthier suburbs having tree-line avenues, while the inner-city East have seen the wholesale removal of old trees to make way for cheap medium-density housing.

International data indicates that lower-income parts of cities tend to have less green cover, and as a result of that, lower socio-economic neighbourhoods are more likely to be hotter than their wealthier counterparts. Residents exposed to that extra heat are often a city's most vulnerable, and disproportionately people of colour.

Here in Christchurch the evidence reflects that too with the lowest percentages of tree canopy cover being in working class and underprivileged suburbs, rather than Fendalton, Cashmere and the more affluent neighbourhoods. Arguably the same could be said to be true in relation to the fact that it is the suburbs that have fewer trees and are those in which more Māori live. With that in mind, and having allowed the city to be stripped of trees, is the Council living up to its Treaty of Waitangi obligations?

Existing established trees should be protected in our city, and more should be planted to boost tree numbers and canopy coverage in order to further mitigate against climate change, and that should be a factor included in all public policy in order to future-proof the liveability of Christchurch.

Global warming is definitely having a marked impact on Canterbury's hot dry summer temperatures, so heat islands are something we can ill afford. Clear-felling existing established trees in our Tier 1 cities is counter intuitive in the battle against climate change, global warming, as well as the mental and physical health, and general well-being of city residents.

This Annual Plan, and every future Annual Plan and Long Term Plan must demonstrate a commitment to increasing our tree canopy. We would like to see Council's proposed activities specifically documented and budgeted so that it is clear to residents that Council is taking immediate and sustained action to reverse years of lack of attention to this issue.

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Our Draft Annual Plan 2022/23 from Frayle, Bebe

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Submitter Details
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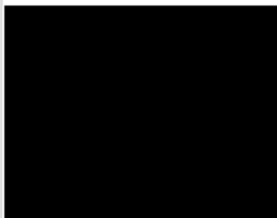
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Feedback

1.6 Any further comments
See attached document

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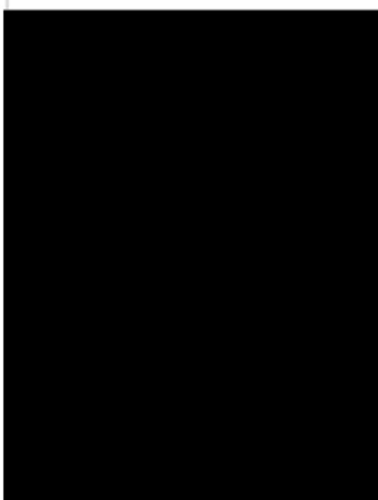
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Submitter Details

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Your role in the organisation and the number of people your organisation represents:



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Feedback

1.1 What do you think of our proposed average residential rates increase of 4.86% and 4.96% across all ratepayers (which is lower than the 4.97% signalled in the Long Term Plan 2021–31)?

Good plan

1.5 Do you have any comments about our capital programme (for example, our roads and footpaths, our water, wastewater, surface water and waterways, our facilities and our parks)?

I am incredibly relieved that the area next to the Performing Arts Precinct/New Court Theatre is not being turned into a carpark. There is a wonderful opportunity for a temporary space (5yrs, 10yrs... 20yrs?) for emerging and

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community arts organisations to have space within the central city - this will benefit the organisations involved, local businesses as well as the city itself with enlivenment via community engagement.

Rent in the CBD is pushing creatives and not-for-profit communities out. This doesn't bode well for the making of a vibrant city. We need spaces that are affordable, approachable and serve the community. I think that it's more important to get it done sooner - use existing portacombs as opposed to a new build that takes many years. Take the time of this temporary set up to consult, plan and fundraise for a permanent outcome, but for now we need space that we're not precious about; a space which is lived in and accessible. I want to see a Performing Arts Precinct that welcomes a wide range of communities and makes space for youth, emerging artists, students, migrant communities and more.

I'll be speaking to a more detailed proposal to be delivered in May, which will cover governance and production of this idea.

This proposal includes:

- an outdoor amphitheatre for low-cost public performances, buskers, public gatherings.
- space for studios, classrooms and workshops
- space for low-cost food trucks - so many food outlets in the city are in the high price range. We need affordable, cheap and cheerful food onsite.

We will work to develop the space in partnership with GapFiller, Green Lab, Little Andromeda, Movement Art Practice, The Physics Room, Canterbury Museum, WORD Christchurch, Ōtautahi Creative Spaces and more. It will be community-led and culturally inclusive Please let our amazing creative communities take the lead on this and allow funding to make it happen.

As a local artist and producer who has been working in public space, community engagement and the Arts for over a decade, this is a wonderful opportunity to invest in the future of our youth and emerging artists and performers. Having space like this available will keep them in Ōtautahi and help them to thrive.

I would also encourage you to consider closing Gloucester St from New Regent St to Te Pae, to make the precinct even bigger, and safer for children at Tūranga and to be more pedestrian focussed.

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Our Draft Annual Plan 2022/23 from Bagozzi, Daniela

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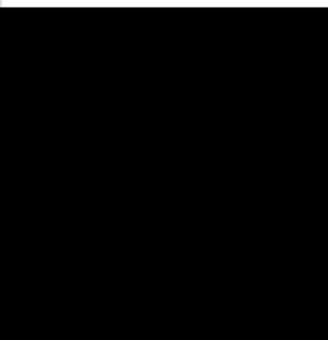
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Your role in the organisation and the number of people your organisation represents:

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Would you like to speak to the Council about your submission?

☒ Yes

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Feedback

1.1 What do you think of our proposed average residential rates increase of 4.86% and 4.96% across all ratepayers (which is lower than the 4.97% signalled in the Long Term Plan 2021–31)?

I commend the efforts this Council is making in trying to curb increases in rates HOWEVER, reductions in spending must not come at the expense of essential infrastructure work, especially in the lower income areas of the city, and especially where they impact on safety.

(For example: there are areas of Phillipstown where urgent work is needed to ensure safety - I trust this sort of

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work will be given higher priority)

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1.4 Do you have any comments on our proposed changes to fees and charges?

Lower charges at Metro Refuse Centres may encourage some people to dispose of their rubbish more responsibly - however, I suspect a more effective way of dealing with the issue of rubbish in the lower income areas would be to adopt a more targeted support of community initiatives to remove rubbish and educate residents.

Some of the people who are leaving rubbish on the street do so in the mistaken belief that others will be able to use the items, some do it because they have no transport to take items to the Metro Refuse Centre, some do it because they see others doing it, some do it because 'it's quicker and the Council will clean it up'...

1.5 Do you have any comments about our capital programme (for example, our roads and footpaths, our water, wastewater, surface water and waterways, our facilities and our parks)?

I support the allocation of funding for community facilities in the lower income areas (for example, Phillipstown, Inner City East), safe pedestrian crossings along busy routes (for example Ferry Road in the Phillipstown area).

Given the very rapid population increase in some of these lower income areas, it would be important to bring forward funding for these community facilities.

1.6 Any further comments

I have observed how the rapid increase in housing density in our suburb (Inner City East/Phillipstown area) has brought about many undesirable effects: loss of trees, difficulty of access to properties because of parking issues (this especially affects those relying on carers and nurses attending to their physical or mental health needs), increased tension among neighbours ('parking wars' have been reported by some). It is important that Council is more cautious when approving intensification of housing.

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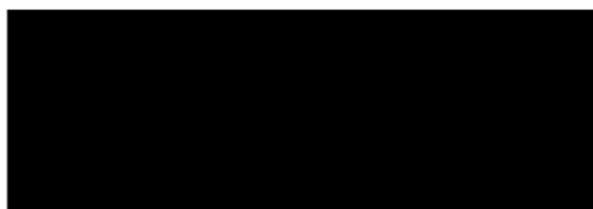
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Submission from Alison Allsop, Draft Annual Plan 2022/23
Uploaded Sunday 17 April 2022

First Name: Alison

Last Name: Allsop



Would you like to speak to the Council about your submission? Yes



Questions to think about when making your submission

What do you think of our proposed average residential rates increase of 4.86% and 4.96% across all ratepayers (which is lower than the 4.97% signalled in the Long Term Plan 2021-31)?

Still too high

Do you have any comments about our proposed changes to revenue, spending and borrowing?

I support the increased grant proposed for Edgeware pool.

Re: the Edgeware Pool grant increase – Some key points:

Before this pool and it's operation was mercilessly undermined and destroyed by the CCC more than 20 years ago, it was the most popular and well attended CCC summer pool in the city.

It had the greatest number of people arrive via active transport – bikes, walking, scootering. There were not the number of people/homes in the area then that there are now. The local primary school was not as big as it is now.

There also used to be an outdoor ccc pool on Cranford St (the Papanui pool) before mistakes saw the renewal of the bottom create a pool so shallow that your finger tips touched the bottom while swimming – no kidding – so they closed it.

This is not only about having "a pool" in the area; it's also about having an "outdoor pool" in the area. Graham Condon isn't outdoors; Metro sports will not be outdoors. Asthma and sinus sufferers find indoor pools very uncomfortable.

Climate change: bussing kids to pools for 20mins of swimming is nuts.

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Traffic (amount, speed, etc) on the roads to Graham Condon are not ideal for kids to travelling the 5km from St Albans to Papanui.

Better amenity, more community facilities are needed in this area with the high density housing.

Drowning stats are appalling. Our kids need to have easy, cheap, local access to swimming – outdoor pools are the best!

We're proposing some changes to our Revenue and Financing and Rates Remission policies – do you have any comments?

CCC should be lobbying central govt to change the legislation that stops any change to a struck rate, after July 1. Chch has seen hundreds of homes demolished with a significant number still to be demolished and yet people have been paying more than a property is worth, because the rate amount cannot be changed after July 1, because of legislation. This is unfair.

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Executive Summary.

I have completed this presentation because I believe the CCC has unfairly targeted ratepayers who have pride in their properties.

I am not against charging for water as long as it is based strictly on usage and everyone pays the same for every litre used.

I want to be treated the same as everyone else. I do not want to pay a single cent more than my neighbour or less for each litre of water used.

I want the capital value for water removed and replaced with a flat fixed charge plus a charge for every litre used.

For those ratepayers that are on shared meters that a uniform flat rate be applied.

I strongly object to what is proposed for the following reasons.

- The 700 litre daily allowance and charging ratepayers based on capital value are inequitable. Why should I pay over \$2.29 per cubic metres for 700 litres water that I may or never use?
- The CCC will bill every 3 months and charge if more than 700 litres are used in that 3 monthly period plus ratepayers will still be paying their capital rates charge via their rates account.
- What happens if the meter is not read? The CCC will estimate usage. (A response from the council)
- What happens if there is an incorrect reading? How will the CCC correct this? The CCC has estimated that 650 error reads will occur every 3 monthly period. My estimate is that it is likely to be double this.
- Water meters are one of the most difficult meters to read. Due to their location and access to the meter.
- What a huge waste of money reading the meters every 3 months as the CCC believes only 20 to 22% of ratepayers will pay excesses that will probably apply only in the peak summer months. My summary to date indicates the CCC is totally wrong with their assumptions.
- Shared meters details, as supplied by the CCC, is 24%. Where is the need or the pressure for these ratepayers to conserve water? There are no excess charges for shared water meter ratepayers.
- Talking to friends, most ratepayers have no knowledge of how water is charged for via the CCC. For example they do not know water was charged by capital value and a water allowance that was based on the capital water charge. I acknowledge in a few cases excess water charges applied.

Conclusion.

.To my knowledge no other Council in NZ is charging for water based on capital value and a set allowance. It is either a capital charge with a variable allowance or a standard fixed charge and water charged by the litre.

The CCC based its assumptions based on water meter readings every 2 years prior to 2021. Is that reasonable?

I want the current proposal dropped and a more equitable charging process put in place.

I **do not** support the Three Waters proposal the Government is trying to force onto Councils.

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WATER

Since my last presentation to the CCC I have undertaken further research.

In short council staff failed to present to councillors and ratepayers the true effect to ratepayers of the water charges. It was smoothed over that only 20% of households' users will pay excess water charges.

In brief the proposal appears to be to charge for excess water was: "LEAVE THE WATER CHARGES BASED ON CAPITAL VALUE, LOWER OR INCREASE THE PREVIOUS DAILY WATER ALLOWANCE TO 700 LITRES PER DAY AND CHARGE FOR ANY EXCESS AVERAGE WATER USAGE OVER AND ABOVE IN 3 MONTHLY WINDOWS."

This policy can simply be put as "INCREASED REVENUE FOR THE CCC AND HAS NO CONSERVATION BENEFIT TO THE CITY"

From my IOA request to the Christchurch Council last year I asked two questions.

MY QUESTION. What was the sample of such results? Details please.

Christchurch City Council Response

Could you please clarify the information you are wanting to obtain as we are unclear on what is being requested.

My Response is

Simply the CCC did not know otherwise they would have been able to answer the question. This is confirmed by the CCC response below.

MY QUESTION. Was the sample taken over a 12 month period and if so what were the meter reading cycle?

Christchurch City Council Response

Historically we read residential water meters every two years, commercial every year and our very high users every three months. Commercial and our very high users have always paid for excess water rates. We are now reading every meter in Christchurch every three months. The data we used was based on the more recent residential water meter reads. As we have increased the frequency of water meter reads for residential properties more up to date data will be used.

My Response

This response makes the whole previous presentation to the Council irresponsible in 2021. Simply the council staff has guessed their way through. To put it bluntly." Let's put it every household on 700 litres per day billed 3 monthly. Any excess over 700 litres per day is a bonus to council.

When this was presented to the Council in 2021 The Council staff appears to have no idea what the excess will raise.

It used the word "think" in other words staff are purely guessing. Where was the proper research?

From the 2021 presentation in what CCC said.

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We think the residential excess water rate will raise around \$2 million to \$4 million (excl GST) in 2021/22, although much depends on the extent to which households respond to the rate by managing their usage. For budgeting purposes we are forecasting the lower figure of \$2 million. We think the commercial excess water rate will raise around \$4.16 million. These are relatively small amounts compared with the amount we raise from the capital value-based Water Supply Targeted Rate, which is \$65.1 million (excl GST). For more information on our water supply

From my random surveys there is a large number of NO READS or shared reads.

We did come across one street that had only one "NO READ". The meters in this street were within the footpath and clearly identified.

My estimate is that NO READS are averaging about 20%. Shared meters about 22%.

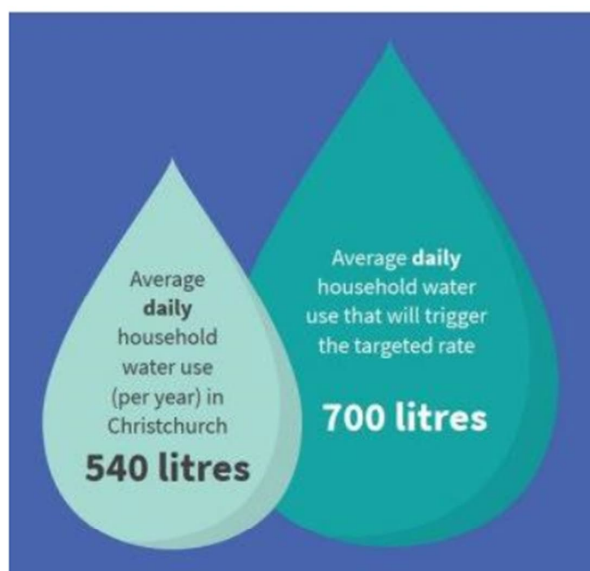
Please note that a shared meter is at least 2 properties.

I also noted a few low reads and I would expect this to be faulty meters rather than low usage. My experience is that faulty water meters either read low or stop.

As the Council described the cost to ratepayers. Average use per year is 540 litres per day. No mention of how the excess cost will be implemented .

Most households are average water users and won't use enough to receive an invoice.

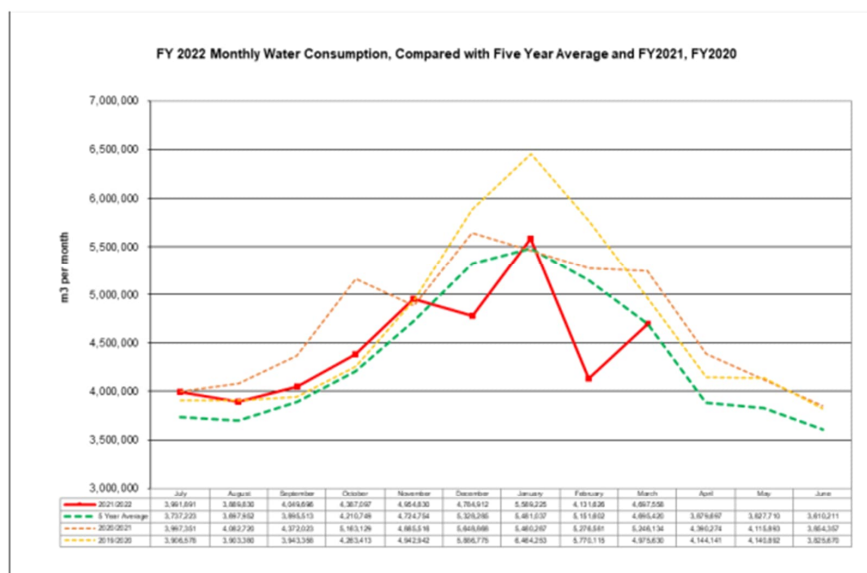
Was the above comment based on the promotional advice below?



Average over 12 months. Is 540 litres. The CCC has not taken into account Christchurch generally has a very dry summer.

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This graph, supplied by the CCC, highlights water usage on a monthly basis. We are not certain that this applies only to Christchurch.



Please note the lower water usage in February this year due to the wet February.

Christchurch in February 2022 79.4mm of rain

Christchurch in February 2021 16.2mm of rain

Christchurch in February 2020 18.0mm of rain.

Water consumption was down approximately 10% on previous years for February.

Put simply Christchurch residents need to water their gardens when there is insufficient rain.

This year's February rainfall does not reflect a typical summer and hence the water usage is well down on previous years and will give confusing messages to residents as to average usage.

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Reads.

According to the council presentation

20 % of reads will be cost effective. Most of those only during the summer.

80% will generate no income at all.

I have taken the data off the CCC website for Redwood Springs.

The results are this.

	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	
Approx Reading Dates	14-Jul	1-Dec	11-Mar	
Total Properties	220	220	220	
Actual Reads	186	186	179	
Number of NO Reads	64	34	41	
No Reads as %	34.4%	18.3%	22.9%	
Average of meters read				
Highest average Litres per day	3017	3514	2566	
Lowest average Litres per day	108	100	131	
Average Litres per day	664	721	825	
Total Properties Charged	68	75	96	
As a percentage of actual reads	37%	40%	54%	
Average Charged of Properties Charged	\$ 42.76	\$ 76.11	\$ 56.73	
Highest Charged	\$ 372.23	\$ 827.66	\$ 249.39	
Total Recovery \$ from properties read	\$ 2,907.47	\$ 5,708.54	\$ 5,445.83	

The meters were read in Redwood Springs typically over 2 days. Not all meters could be found. In one case there was faulty data.

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These are other areas I completed surveys on.

Total Recovery				\$ 391.78	\$ 291.88	\$ 771.46
Highest				\$ 204.06	\$ 206.48	\$ 397.30
Total Properties Charged				4	5	7
As a percentage of actual reads				27%	33%	47%
Total Addresses				30	30	30
No Reads				6	6	7
Shares a Meter				8	8	8
No Reads				20%	20%	23%
Shares a Meter				27%	27%	27%
No Reads & Share as a %				47%	47%	50%

Random

Total Recovery				\$ 1,415.73	\$ 435.26	\$ 586.26
Highest				\$ 232.88	\$ 101.00	\$ 186.47
Total Properties Charged				22	13	15
As a percentage of actual reads				49%	29%	33%
Total Addresses				45	45	45
No Reads				-	-	1
Shares a Meter				-	-	-
No Reads				0%	0%	2%
Shares a Meter				0%	0%	0%
No Reads & Share as a %				0%	0%	2%

Random

Total Recovery				\$ 130.61	\$ 554.49	\$ 634.11
Highest				\$ 89.93	\$ 215.10	\$ 214.12
Total Properties Charged				4	5	7
As a percentage of actual reads				27%	33%	47%
Total Addresses				30	30	30
No Reads				6	6	7
Shares a Meter				8	8	8
No Reads				20%	20%	23%
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Random

Total Recovery		\$ 516.51	\$ 1,424.83	\$ 359.36
Highest		\$ 436.97	\$ 905.22	\$ 183.25
Total Properties Charged		4	6	4
As a percentage of actual reads		27%	40%	27%
Total Addresses		15	15	15
No Reads		3	3	3
Shares a Meter		2	2	2
No Reads		20%	20%	20%
Shares a Meter		13%	13%	13%

Sent 1 August 2021. Christchurch City Council.

Dear Alistair,

Thank you for your email, received on 14 July. You requested the following information, under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA):

Please find below information provided by our Three Waters and Waste staff in response to your request:

1. Who will be reading the water meters and the cost involved? Cost per meter please.

My initial estimate was \$1.50 to \$2.00 per meter. I note that the meter reader is taking about 2 days to read 200 plus meters. At \$1.50 per read the meter reader would get approximately 75 cents per read. That is \$75 to \$100 gross per day.

Currently AD Riley have the contract for reading the water meters. That contract expires later this year and we are in the process of evaluating tenders. The cost per meter is commercially sensitive so we are therefore withholding this information under the following section of the LGOIMA:

- 7(2)(b)(ii) – to protect the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information

2. The minutes of the staff/Council meeting where the decision was made to charge for the excess water.

The decision was a part of the Council Long Term Plan 2021-2031 (LTP) which was adopted 23 June 2021. A copy of the LTP can be found here: <https://ccc.govt.nz/the-council/plans-strategies-policies-and-bylaws/plans/long-term-plan-and-annual-plans/long/>.

The minutes for the Excess Water Use targeted rate sign off can be found here: https://christchurch.infocouncil.biz/Open/2021/06/C-LTP_20210621_MIN_5408_AT_WEB.htm (See Resolution C-LTP/2021/00117).

Did not answer the question

3. The Council calculations for the expected income of the residential water charges? Rates recovery and excess charges.

Please refer to the LTP where this information can be found within the Funding Impact Statement (FIS). Also refer to Question 6.

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4. What was the sample of such results? Details please.

Could you please clarify the information you are wanting to obtain as we are unclear on what is being requested.

Simply the CCC did not know otherwise they would have answered the question. This is confirmed by CCC response below.

5. Was the sample taken over a 12 month period and if so what were the meter reading cycle?

Historically we read residential water meters every two years, commercial every year and our very high users every three months. Commercial and our very high users have always paid for excess water rates. We are now reading every meter in Christchurch every three months. The data we used was based on the more recent residential water meter reads. As we have increased the frequency of water meter reads for residential properties more up to date data will be used.

This response makes the whole presentation to the Council irresponsible. Simply the council staff have guessed there way. To put it bluntly. "Let's put every household on 700 litres per day billed 3 monthly. Any excess over 700 litres per day is a bonus to council.

6. What other options were considered and what were the proposed water charges to ratepayers under the different scenarios.

Council can only ever recover the cost to deliver the service so the total revenues doesn't really change. Going forward the revenue that Council will receive will be from the Water supply targeted rate and from those using over 700 litres per day. Over the next year of two there will be a balancing where very high users will start paying for excess water, this may result in a slight reduction for the targeted rates as a percentage of the population pay for their water when they use in excess of 700 litres per day. The total revenue received will stay the same.

We did consider other "allowances" however the key driver was not about additional revenue, it was about reducing the amount of water residents uses especially during peak use times. We didn't undertake significant financial modelling for other allowance limits.

The average annual water use for households in Christchurch is 540 litres per day. This is already significantly higher than the household average for other major New Zealand cities. We arrived at 700 litres per day based on the latest Census data, including average household water use and the average number of occupants per household in Christchurch.

There is no balancing. This part of the reply is confusing and is very contradictory. Why will there be additional revenue when the CCC claims there won't.

I hope this information assists, however please let me know if you have further questions or if you would like a staff member to call you to discuss further.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review our decision. Complaints can be sent by email to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

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Publication of responses to LGOIMA requests

Please note: our LGOIMA responses may be published on the Christchurch City Council website a month after they have been responded to, with requesters' personal details withheld. If you have any concerns about this please contact the Official Information team on officialinformation@ccc.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely,



Office of the Mayor and Chief Executive

Please find below information I sought from the CCC and council press releases.

I receive a further response under the official information act on 14 April 2022.

My responses are in red

Dear Alistair,

Thank you for your patience. Please let us know if you need any additional time to complete your submission.

Staff have responded to your questions below:

The number of residential properties in the Christchurch ratable area that will receive a charge for water used in access of the 700 litre daily allowance?

2021 figures indicate that 23, 560 residential properties would have had received a charge in 2021. We expect a similar number for FY22.

What is the total income to date from excess water charges?

The residential charge for excess water will be implemented on the 1st of July so there is no income from the activity to date. **I should have used the words "what would have been the recovery if charges had been applied in the current year".**

What is the projected income to the end of the financial year?

As above, \$0. **As above. I am seeking clarification.**

What is the total cubic meters of water delivered just to residential properties to date and projected to the end of the financial year?

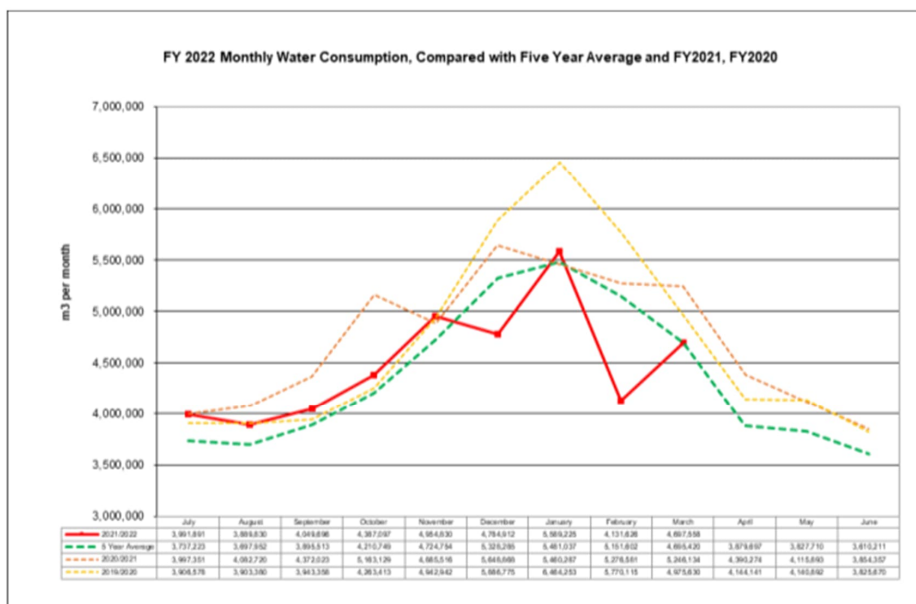
The following graph may help answer this question. Water NZ also have benchmarking information on their website. This includes water consumption for Christchurch City.

Sadly this graph does not define what area the water usage is for. Surely the CCC knows this information for Christchurch from its residential meter reads.

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What is the total cost of reading the meters for the full financial year?

We can't provide specific numbers as this is commercially sensitive. If an estimate is acceptable you can allow \$1.00 - \$1.20 per read. **Don't think so. Nearly 2 days to read Redwood Springs.**

What is the budgeted cost of administration for the management of managing the water charging?

Projected water supply budgets are in the annual plan documents. **Could not find it.**

What is the success rate of actual meter reads?

In 2021. The read attainment was 90.6% for residential properties single connection

Where there is a "no read" what are the percentages to actual reads.

In 2021, 9.6% of the residential could not read in any quarter. **My average is closer to 20%**

Are there reports available from the meter reading company that provides information as to the cause of "no reads"? E.g. No access, meter covered, cannot find meter, zero use etc.

Yes, the top 6 reasons are: Cannot locate, meter replaced, box flooded, plants overgrown, buried meter and box clean out required

A list of the codes used would be helpful.

Available from attached spreadsheet

What digits of the meter do the meter readers' record. E.g. Just cubic metres. Litres or parts there of?

Cubic meters, generally the white dials on most residential water meters.

What error rate does the council expect of actual meter readings?

Less than 0.5%

Will the council be using estimated readings?

We will avoid this where ever possible. Our data shows that most water meters that have not been read are obstructed (vegetation, landscape etc.), we already send communication to residents who have meter that are not accessible to read but unfortunately there will be times when estimates may have to be used.

Will the council provide actual meter readings on the Invoices issued?

The intention is to provide this on invoices.

What is the number of residential properties that are houses?

109,256 residential single connection.

What is the total number of apartments?

29,238 properties in shared connection.

You have the right to request the Ombudsman to review this decision. Complaints can be sent by email to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz, by fax to (04) 471 2254, or by post to The Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Kind regards,

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A copy of the Council press release 2021.. My comments are in red.

Christchurch households that regularly use large amounts of water will begin paying an extra charge from July next year to cover the cost of supplying it.

The excess water use targeted rate, which was put forward for public feedback under Christchurch City Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2021-31, was approved today by councillors.

From 1 July 2022, the targeted rate will apply to any household that uses, on average, more than 700 litres a day – roughly equivalent to 100 toilet flushes or taking seven baths. (It is not any household only those with a water meter)

Property owners in Christchurch and Banks Peninsula will pay a fixed rate of \$1.35 for every 1,000 litres they use over the limit, with water usage recorded and billed for on a quarterly basis.

Christchurch households currently use an annual average of 540 litres a day – the highest household average of all the larger cities in New Zealand. (Only because we have the lowest rainfall of all the main centres)

"Under the new scheme, where a property owner regularly uses significantly more water than the average household, they will contribute to the cost of supplying that extra water, which is fair," says Chair of the Council's Three Waters, Infrastructure and Environment Committee, Pauline Cotter. (What is fair when some of these property owners contribute a lot more via their water capital connected charge.)

"We know the top 20 per cent of household water users in Christchurch use half the total residential water supplied to the city. (Where is the proof?)

"So the problem is that a small proportion of households are using an extremely large amount of water – while putting a heavy burden on parts of the water supply network, mostly over summer.

"Charging for excess water use will help us manage the water demand better and also reduce our pumping costs over summer.

"Long term, we won't need to spend as much money expanding our water supply network and it will also improve the sustainability of our city's water supply, which aligns with our climate change goals."

The Council received a total of 403 submissions on its proposal to charge for excess water use, with 207 of those indicating they supported it. A further 67 submitters said they supported the idea of charging residential water users in various ways.

Last summer Christchurch recorded its highest single day of residential water use in a decade – an average of 1,324 litres per household.

Ms Cotter says those property owners who receive an excess water use charge will likely only receive it for the summer months, when water use is at its highest. (Indicates that the CCC does not really know.)

"It's likely the first invoices will be sent out towards the end of 2022. Even then, we would expect the average charge to be in the realm of tens of dollars rather than hundreds," she says. (Once again the CCC does not know.)

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“This isn’t about penalising people – it’s about getting people thinking about the way they use their water.

(What about the nearly 30,000 households without meters that will not be charged.)

“Later this year we’ll be rolling out further information, including a way for people to easily access their quarterly water usage online, so they can see how they’re tracking and modify their use before the excess charge comes into effect next year. In some cases, this will also help people to see they have a water leak on their property, allowing them to get it fixed.”

The Council estimates the excess water use targeted rate will affect about 20,000 to 30,000 properties and bring in an additional \$2 million in revenue in the first year. (The council should know the true figure but they seem to be unable to produce it.)

Exemptions will apply for unexpected water leaks – with proof the leak was repaired promptly – or for personal circumstances such as medical conditions.

Where multiple properties are served by a single water meter, the Council will not charge for excess water use until separate water meters are installed, unless there is a special arrangement in place specifying which property is responsible for payment.

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Submitter Details

First name: Alistair Last name: Price

Your role in the organisation and the number of people your organisation represents:

Postal address:

Suburb:

City:

Country:

New Zealand


Postcode:

Would you like to speak to the Council about your submission?

☒ Yes

☐ I do NOT wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following submission be fully considered.

If yes, please provide a daytime phone number above so we can arrange a speaking time with you. Hearings will be held in May (specific dates are to be confirmed).



Feedback


1.1 What do you think of our proposed average residential rates increase of 4.86% and 4.96% across all ratepayers (which is lower than the 4.97% signalled in the Long Term Plan 2021–31)?
Still too high. With the proposed water charges many ratepayers will be paying a lot more.

1.2 Do you have any comments about our proposed changes to revenue, spending and borrowing?
Just want to see the CCC not wasting money.

1.5 Do you have any comments about our capital programme (for example, our roads and footpaths, our water, wastewater, surface water and

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waterways, our facilities and our parks)?

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Just get the city moving. Please put people first so they can go about their business.

Too much time wasting on cycleways for the benefit of just a few.

I do support the cycleways that are not part of the roading system.

Cars, Buses, Trucks etc play a very important role in moving people and stock.

The CCC needs to refocus to get the city moving.

1.6 Any further comments

I am totally against the proposed water charges.

I want all ratepayers to pay the same for water they use. No Capital Value based charges for water.

Please see my submission attached.

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Submitter Details
First name: Finn Last name: Jackson

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Postal address:


Suburb:

City:



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Feedback

1.1 What do you think of our proposed average residential rates increase of 4.86% and 4.96% across all ratepayers (which is lower than the 4.97% signalled in the Long Term Plan 2021–31)?
Support.

1.5 Do you have any comments about our capital programme (for example, our roads and footpaths, our water, wastewater, surface water and waterways, our facilities and our parks)?
See attached submission.

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Kia ora Christchurch City Council

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this plan. This submission is on behalf of myself, my partner, my brother, and a friend.

Our priorities for the city are the need to create livable neighbourhoods, progress climate change mitigation (through both sequestration and actual emission reduction efforts), and continued work on increasing transparency, openness, and general democracy at the city council.

Livable Neighbourhoods

Livable neighbourhoods are the building blocks of a great city. Done well they foster community spirit and enable comfortable, convenient living in a sustainable manner.

One of the big challenges being faced by neighbourhoods across the city is traffic. With limited road space available and roads becoming increasingly congested by polluting vehicles, we need to prioritise getting people out of cars and into more sustainable and space-efficient methods of transport. None of our household own a car, with our main methods of transport being walking, cycling, and taking the bus. We support the proposed capital spend on cycleways and other cycling facilities, and would like to see this programme accelerated if possible – especially the construction of the Southern Lights cycleway and permanent central city cycle connections. We support the proposed spend on footpath renewals, and would like to see the budget for this maintained or increased. We would also like to see an expansion of the slow-speed neighbourhoods programme, with additional funding for physical traffic calming measures.

Another significant challenge being faced by local neighbourhoods is loss of tree canopy cover due to loss of trees on private land as a result of greater housing intensification. We support the proposed spend on street trees as a part of the “Greening the East” project and would like to see consideration of a city-wide street tree rollout programme take place this year, with an eye to including it in the next annual or long-term plan.

Climate change mitigation

Our previous comments on traffic should also be read as a part of this section, as the projects we support in relation to that will also reduce emissions. The rest of this section is focused primarily on carbon sequestration.

We support the proposed spend on the Otakaro-Avon river corridor. We’re excited by the opportunities provided by this project for regenerating native biodiversity and habitats, and its’ emissions sequestration potential. We’d like to see a particular focus on regeneration and creation of wetlands due to their positive effects on water quality, carbon sequestration, and providing protection from flooding and storm surges.

We’d also like to express our support for the request by the Summit Road Protection Authority for the development of a Port Hills Management Plan to be given “appropriate prioritisation”. My brother and I have strong connections to the Port Hills, with some reserves and areas bearing the names of our ancestors. We strongly support the development of a management plan, and would like to see preliminary development work begin as soon as possible. The Port Hills are a landmark for the city which should be treated with appropriate respect.

Democracy

It has been really good over the last few years to see the effort being made to open up the council's decision-making processes and the breaking down of barriers to engagement with the public. We'd especially like to mention the establishment of the new Engagement Working Group, live-streaming of community board meetings on YouTube, and the public briefing on the annual plan held late last year. We are concerned however that this plan does little to embed those changes for the future, and does not appear to break new ground.

We would like to see the live streaming of community board meetings on YouTube made permanent. We'd also like to see this expanded to all other committee, sub-committee, and working group meetings. It would be particularly ironic if meetings of the Engagement Working Group were not open to the public in this way.

We would also like to see all briefings and workshops minuted and live streamed. Currently it is difficult to find out if minutes are actually available, despite the council committing to minuting most briefings in response to the Ombudsman's 2019 investigation into LGOIMA practice and compliance at the city council. Fundamentally we don't agree with meetings of elected representatives taking place behind closed doors, which is why we would like to see them live-streamed or recorded and posted on YouTube.

Finally, we note that the local body elections are coming up later this year. We would like to propose that post-election a forum be held by the Chief Executive to examine what the council and other community groups did to promote engagement in the process and voter turnout, to analyse the efficacy of these actions, and to suggest actions which could form a part of an action plan to increase voter turnout and engagement at the next local body election. We note that it is a requirement of section 42(2) (da) Local Government Act that the Chief Executive "facilitate and foster representative and substantial elector participation in elections and polls held under the Local Electoral Act 2001 (sic)". It would be hard to do so effectively without a proper understanding of what went wrong, what went right, and how the public responded to previous attempts to lift voter turnout.

Conclusion

Thanks again for the chance to comment. It's always fun to get down into the weeds and work out how to make our aspirations for the city into reality!

Regards

Finn Jackson, et al.

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Submitter Details
First name: Andrei Last name: Moore

Your role in the organisation and the number of people your organisation represents:

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Would you like to speak to the Council about your submission?
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Feedback

1.5 Do you have any comments about our capital programme (for example, our roads and footpaths, our water, wastewater, surface water and waterways, our facilities and our parks)?
As the fastest growing area in Christchurch, the infrastructure in Halswell is not keeping up. Our community has many missing pedestrian links dotted around the area. Somehow, new sub-divisions can be built without accessible pedestrian access to nearby amenities, leaving the issue of playing catch up later on.

In my submission, I am asking Council to draw its attention to one project in particular, the Milns/Sparks/Sutherlands Road intersection improvements (Project ID 1344), which are currently budgeted for the 2027/2028 year.

This intersection already poses a danger in that it is two intersections sitting side by side, worsened by the fact that the turn out

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from Milns Road is a blind turn.

Furthermore, this is an area with numerous developments taking place around it right now, including a new retirement village, a new preschool and hundreds of new homes.

The Halswell Downs development is situated on Sutherlands Road and is now a well-connected community, home to many residents, including many families. Unfortunately, due to a lack of foresight and planning, this community is poorly connected to the rest of Halswell. The residents of Halswell Downs don't even have pedestrian access to nearby shops. They have to walk in the grass and dirt to get there, and in winter, they'll have to walk through mud. There is no access whatsoever for anyone in a wheelchair or mobility scooter, which is shameful and simply not good enough.

Improvements along Sparks Road are budgeted for the 2022/2023 & 2023/2024 years, but the intersection improvements aren't budgeted for until 2027/2028, which makes little to no sense given it's right in the middle of where the Sparks Road improvements will occur.

I've received emails from families who have to drive to the nearest playground on Milns Road, just a couple of hundred metres away. There is nowhere safe to cross the road at this intersection. Not only are there no footpaths, there are no pedestrian islands, refuges or crossings, and it's unacceptable that the situation won't be improved for another 5 or 6 years.

When residents move into a new suburban area, I think reasonable access to nearby amenities is a reasonable expectation. With the significant number of developments around this intersection, significant amounts of development contributions are being paid. I believe that if Council is willing to approve a new retirement village, a new preschool along with hundreds of new homes while bringing in a large amount of money from these, then it's extremely inappropriate for Council to put off funding this intersection's improvements for another 5 or 6 years.

I am urging Council to bring this project forward to the 2022/2023 year.

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Te Mahere Rautaki ā tau Our Draft Annual Plan 2022/23

Submission form

We'd like your feedback on the Draft Annual Plan 2022/23. Written submissions can be made from **Friday 11 March 2022 until 11.59pm on Monday 18 April 2022**. There are a number of ways you can give feedback:

Written feedback

Written submissions can be made from **Friday 11 March 2022 until 11.59pm on Monday 18 April 2022**.

- ✉ Fill out our online submission form at **ccc.govt.nz/haveyoursay**
This is your quickest and easiest option.
- ✉ Fill out this submission form and send to:
Freeport 178 (no stamp required)
Draft Annual Plan submissions
Christchurch City Council
PO Box 73017
Christchurch 8154
- 📍 Or deliver to any of our libraries or service centres, or to the Te Hononga Civic Offices at 53 Hereford Street.
- ✉ Email your feedback to **cccplan@ccc.govt.nz**

You need to include your **full name, postal address, postcode and email address** on your submission. If you wish to speak to your submission at the public hearings, please also provide a daytime phone number.

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- 📘 Go to our Facebook page **facebook.com/ChristchurchCityCouncil** and include **#cccplan** in your post.
- 🐦 Tweet us your feedback using **#cccplan**

ccc.govt.nz/haveyoursay

Want to talk to us in person?

Please let us know if you'd like us to attend your community meeting or event. Or call us directly if you have any questions:

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ann.tomlinson@ccc.govt.nz

Be heard in person

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Public hearings and oral submissions will be held in May 2022 (specific hearings dates to be confirmed).

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Te Mahere Rautaki ā tau
**Our Draft Annual Plan 2022/23
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Your details:

Full name Peter Scholes

[Redacted]

If you are responding on behalf of a recognised organisation please provide:

Organisation name

Your role

Number of people your organisation represents

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Would you like to speak to the Council about your submission? ☐ No ☒ Yes

If yes, please provide a daytime phone number so we can arrange a speaking time with you:

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Questions to think about when making your submission

What do you think of our proposed average residential rates increase of 4.86% and 4.96% across all ratepayers (which is lower than the 4.97% signalled in the Long Term Plan 2021-31)?

That the fixed dollar charges
- Uniform Annual General Charge
- Waste Minimisation
- Active Travel Rate
- Heritage (Cathedral)
All be changed to Capital Value Rates
for greater equity and make it more affordable

Do you have any comments about our proposed changes to revenue, spending and borrowing?

We're proposing some changes to our Revenue and Financing and Rates Remission policies – do you have any comments?

We're also proposing some changes to rates as part of separate consultations:

- Wheelie bin kerbside collection area changes and 'opt out' arrangements
- A new general rate differential for vacant central city land
- A new Policy on Remission and Postponement of Rates on Māori Freehold Land

You can find out more about them here: ccc.govt.nz/haveyoursay

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Do you have any comments on our proposed changes to fees and charges?

That after consultation like this the
Council increase the
- Applications for new alcohol licence
- Change of ownership
- Never been licenced or changes to licence
fees/charges to \$10,000 per application
To help with the high borrowing the
Council has

Do you have any comments about our capital programme (for example, our roads and footpaths, our
water, wastewater, surface water and waterways, our facilities and our parks)?

Building go down in value year
on year and last not a like time
Art works last a Thousand years and
double in value in your life time
Invest in art to make our city last
and last for ever

Any further comments



Thank you for your submission

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Our Draft Annual Plan 2022/23 from Neave, Rosemary

Our Draft Annual Plan 2022/23

Submitter Details

First name: Rosemary Last name: Neave

Your role in the organisation and the number of people your organisation represents:



Would you like to speak to the Council about your submission?

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Feedback

1.2 Do you have any comments about our proposed changes to revenue, spending and borrowing?

1. I notice a reduction of spending on elections. I believe CCC needs to invest in promoting both elections and more participatory democracy, and such things as Residents forums
2. As someone active in a community project enhancing Te Awa Kura Barnett Park in Redcliffs, it is imperative that there is enough ranger time to support local projects like this which have large volunteer buy in.
3. I support the Redcliffs Residents and ratepayers submission about progressing Barnett Park track remediation

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4. I support finishing our Major cycle ways as soon as possible - while I am happy cycling on an unseparated road, many of my friends do not feel safe, and I note the recent death of a cyclist who was 'doored'
5. Climate Change - current initiatives either by Council or Government are simply not enough. We need strong leadership in this space, and investment.

1.5 Do you have any comments about our capital programme (for example, our roads and footpaths, our water, wastewater, surface water and waterways, our facilities and our parks)?

Referencing Climate Change, we need to focus Capital programme beyond nuts and bolts to what can make the most difference to our emissions and mode shift in transport.

- cycleways
- busways
- planting more native trees
- planning around 15 minute cities
- planning for trees not just buildings - on the streets and in local parks, playgrounds and community gardens

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Submitter Details

Submission Date: 11/04/2022

First name: Eric Last name: Pawson

Your role in the organisation and the number of people your organisation represents:

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Feedback

1.6 Further Comments

The appearance of the Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor Activity Plan is good to see, and the motivation behind it is commendable. This submission is about how it will work in practice from a public point of view.

On page 7, it says: 'The Parks Unit is responsible for coordinating the cross-Council programme, reporting to the co-governance body and engaging with the community'. How that interface works, and the extent to which it is facilitative, is what interests me. After many years of waiting for red zone matters to get to the action stage, it would be good to know that the mechanisms connecting members of the public with council staff are easy to navigate.

I urge council to ensure that some effort and resources are applied to ensuring that the interface is fit for purpose. Merely having an interface does not of itself solve the problems that can arise when people try to interact with bureaucracy. Also although one point of entry is very helpful, it is often what happens beyond that point which can be very challenging.

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Submitter Details

First name: Raewyn
Last name: Willocks

Your role in the organisation and the number of people your organisation represents:

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Feedback

1.5 Do you have any comments about our capital programme (for example, our roads and footpaths, our water, wastewater, surface water and waterways, our facilities and our parks)?

The intersection of Milns/Sparks/Sutherlands Road would have to be one of the most dangerous ones in Christchurch. Turning left out of Milns Road onto Sparks Road is very difficult as the cars coming towards you are travelling at 60km as Sparks Road is L2 highway and cars speed along this road. Turning right is virtually impossible and very scary. Crossing as a pedestrian is extremely dangerous and if you are walking your dog you just have to go as fast as you can with them in tow. There is very limited vision either way. It is only a

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matter of time before there is a fatality at this intersection.

There also needs to be a footpath along Milns Road from Sparks Road to Six Silvers Ave as this is an extremely dangerous piece of road for pedestrians and cyclists alike.

Further along Sparks Road by Meadowlands Subdivision the road is so skinny that it is hard for cars to stay on their own side of the road. You have a wide cycle lane on one side of the road and on the other side there is a wide footpath and then a wide reserve. It seems that the road has been an afterthought. I have complained to the CCC to no response.

This whole area is going to have hundreds more cars travelling on the roads and no matter how much the council wants to get people out of cars, the reality is it won't happen and you need to do your job and look after ALL ratepayers and not just the selected few that your staff favour. I question whether your staff ever get out of their office chairs and actually go and look at things to see how, in reality, it will work.

As I said Sparks Road is a L2 highway and should be treated as such.. To think you are not looking to have funds available until 2027/2028 is absolutely mind boggling and totally unacceptable. You will be getting rates from the hundreds of new houses being built in the area and that rate money should go back to make the area safe.

1.6 Any further comments

I have rung the council several times regarding a footpath along Milns Road to Six Silvers Ave and also regarding the dangerous Road outside Meadowlands Subdivision. When I call back to see what is happening with my query I will be told the job has been closed. I will also get a text telling me my job is closed. How can it be closed when no-one even contacts me about my query? It is so frustrating trying to get action out of this council. Your staff appear to be disinterested in talking to ratepayers and just pay lip service to jobs that they are sent. In the real world these staff would not be able to keep their jobs, there would be accountability and KPI's, something that seems to be missing from the council. It is no wonder we all think the CCC is the worst council in NZ, you just seem so focused on cycle lanes and nothing else.

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27 March 2022

SUBMISSION BY THE GOVERNORS BAY JETTY RESTORATION TRUST – CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN 2022/2023

Executive Summary

Governors Bay Jetty Restoration Trust (**Trust**) requests that Christchurch City Council (**Council**) please:

1. Formally commit to contribute 50% of the total project cost of the Governors Bay Jetty rebuild in the 2022/23 and 2023/24 (to the extent required) annual plans; and
2. Allocates capital funding of \$815,000 in the 2022/2023 annual plan for the jetty rebuild.

Background

The Trust owns Governors Bay Jetty under a transfer agreement with the Council, which transferred the jetty to the Trust for \$1. The agreement anticipates that the Trust will undertake the demolition and rebuild of the 300m-long jetty and upon completion, transfer ownership back to the Council.

There has always been an understanding, certainly by the Trust, that the Council would contribute to the total project cost on a dollar-for-dollar basis. To date, Council has already contributed \$935,000 on a fund matching basis through the 2015 and 2021 long-term plans and annual plans from 2018 onwards.

On 10 March 2022, Council approved a community loan application by the Trust for up to \$1,575,000. This approval allowed the Trust to sign construction contracts to allow the rebuild to commence 1 August 2022. The construction programme duration is 5 to 6 months, which means a completion date of approximately February 2023. The hardwood has now been ordered from Australia and is expected to arrive during the months of August and September.

The total project cost is \$3,500,000 (plus GST). Below is a summary of the breakdown:

Total Project Cost:

Geotechnical investigation	\$76,000
Consenting fees (resource and building consents)	\$21,000
Design	\$51,000
Procurement, legal, engineering pro bono services to date	\$342,000
Eucalyptus Globoides Timber (harvesting, transport, milling)	\$100,000
Hardwood supply	\$1,350,000
Main contractor lump sum contract	\$1,425,000
Future costs: Project management, insurance, legal, engineering, project management	\$135,000
Total	\$3,500,000



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1. Council 50% Capital Contribution

Council's half share of \$3,500,000 amounts to \$1,750,000. As mentioned above, Council has already contributed \$935,000 and the Trust has already raised \$920,000. See below.

Council Capital Contribution:

2019/2020 (carried forward from 2018/2019):	\$535,000
2019/2020:	\$50,000
2020/2021 (released 2021/2022):	\$350,000
Total:	\$935,000

Trust Funds Raised (as at March 2022):

Pro Bono Professional Services/works provided:	\$340,000
Cash raised through donations, sales, grants:	\$505,000
Pro Bono Professional Services during rebuild:	\$65,000
Total:	\$920,000

Council staff have recently emphasised to the trustees that, although it has been talked about right from the beginning, currently there is no formal written agreement between the Trust and Council establishing a fund-matching / equal-sharing / dollar-for-dollar arrangement.

We understand the predicament for Council to commit to equal cost sharing at a time when there was no certainty around the total project cost or whether it would even be completed. Without any control over the project itself and if costs significantly escalated (particularly in the current construction environment), Council's liability may be greater than originally anticipated. However, given the stage the project is now at, there are a number of specific circumstances that limit this risk to Council.

1. The Trust has already completed the design and procurement and signed fixed price contracts with a start date of 1 August 2022.
2. The Trust has financial backing through its own fundraising, Council's capital contributions to date, and the approval of the Council loan to ensure that the project can be completed by approximately February 2023.
3. The trustees of the Trust have proven their abilities to date. They are made up of professionals experienced in their particular fields, including in the engineering and legal disciplines, who are capable of seeing this project through to completion.
4. The community, including businesses, who are providing donations and pro bono services have been doing so on the understanding that each dollar committed by them is matched by the Council (up to \$935,000), which has provided extra incentive.

The Trust requests formal commitment from Council to contribute 50% of the total project cost. This assurance will assist the Trust in its ongoing fundraising communications with the community and allow the Trust to continue to communicate to the community and businesses that the Council is matching the Trust funds raised for the entire project.



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2. Capital Request 2022/2023

If Council agree to formalise the Trust's request to a 50% sharing arrangement, then (based on the Total Project Cost of \$3.5 million) Council's remaining capital contribution amounts to \$815,000. The Trust request that this amount be made available in the 2022/2023 annual plan.

The Trust has significant front-end costs which are due not only to the nature of this unique construction project, but which are required in order to secure fixed pricing. By the time construction commences on site in August, the Trust will have already paid for the equivalent of 70% of the total project cost. See below:

Design and Pre-construction	14%
Materials	47%
Escrow Account	9%
Total:	70%

The Trust has negotiated ownership in all materials, for which payments are required up front.

Given these significant front-end costs, the Trust requests that the capital contribution of \$815,000 be released to the Trust in July 2022, i.e. the beginning of the 2022/23 financial year. To the extent that this capital is released, the Trust will not need to draw the equivalent amount from the community loan. Loan interest costs will increase the total project cost, so making this capital available up front will reduce the cost to Council overall.

Although the total project cost is as fixed as possible, there is still a risk of contract variations and unforeseeable delays. If the total project cost exceeds \$3.5 million, then the Trust anticipates making a final capital request to Council in the 2023/2024 annual plan (following completion of construction) to cover Council's half share of those additional costs (which will not be known until completion of the rebuild in early 2023).

Summary

In summary, we refer to the 2022/2023 draft annual plan key principles in relation to capital expenditure – affordability and deliverability.

This rebuild project has been led and managed by a capable group of professionals who have strong community support and who have proven their abilities in bringing this project through the design and procurement stages, now ready for construction.

Through their abilities, expertise, and engagement with community, and with the support of Council's capital funding, this unique community waterfront facility will be returned to Council as a brand-new asset with a lifespan of at least 50 years. Based on a total project cost of \$3.5 million and equal cost sharing, the cost to Council will be just 22% of Council's 2015 estimate. What an example to set for other community-led projects, particularly in these current times!

The requested capital expenditure by Council and a commitment to share the costs equally with the Trust undoubtedly satisfy the affordability and deliverability themes of the 2022/2023 annual plan.



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For and on behalf of the Trustees of the Governors Bay Jetty Restoration Trust



Prue Miller, Chair



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charitable trust with total of 8 current trustees.
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Our Draft Annual Plan 2022/23

Submitter Details

First name: Prudence Last name: Miller

If you are responding on behalf of a recognised organisation please provide organisation name:

Governors Bay Jetty Restoration Trust

Your role in the organisation and the number of people your organisation represents:

Chairperson of charitable trust with total of 8 current trustees.



Would you like to speak to the Council about your submission?

☒ Yes

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Feedback

1.1 What do you think of our proposed average residential rates increase of 4.86% and 4.96% across all ratepayers (which is lower than the 4.97% signalled in the Long Term Plan 2021–31)?

No comment.

1.2 Do you have any comments about our proposed changes to revenue, spending and borrowing?

No


1.3 We're proposing some changes to our Revenue and Financing and Rates Remission policies – do you have any comments?

No

1.4 Do you have any comments on our proposed changes to fees and charges?

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charitable trust with total of 8 current trustees.

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No

1.5 Do you have any comments about our capital programme (for example, our roads and footpaths, our water, wastewater, surface water and waterways, our facilities and our parks)?

Yes please see attached our submission to request capital funding in the 2022/23 Draft Plan.

1.6 Any further comments

No

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The Christchurch City Council (CCC) website lists the women's only sessions as a way 'to encourage all women and girls to feel more confident in our pools, and to help support women and girls to access and use the pool facilities'. While this is a fantastic initiative, it doesn't provide access for all women and girls.

Since 2018, the CCC and Green Prescription (GRx) have partnered to support GRx clients to access CCC facilities. A GRx pool-card is offered to clients who are facing financial, physical and/or social barriers to physical activity. The pool-card provides clients with free access to the pools for four months between the hours of 9am-3pm, Mon-Fri. This initiative has supported many clients to engage and access the CCC facilities who would not have otherwise, especially those who require a low impact option, are facing financial barriers and/or are new/returning to exercise.

This has been an excellent offer, with great uptake and feedback, however due to the time restriction on the card, it does not allow those who cannot attend during those hours to use the card – particularly those women who cannot attend the usual open timings due to cultural or religious beliefs.

Over the past year (April 2021-March 2022), Green Prescription has supported a total of 1,863 women in Christchurch with their physical activity, with 79 of these women living in the Linwood area, and a further 157 women living within the suburbs surrounding Linwood. While not all clients choose to take-up a GRx pool card, it is a popular option and often a preference for female clients who cannot exercise with men, due to cultural/religious/personal beliefs. Unfortunately, we cannot provide these women with a pool card with the current time restrictions associated with the card.

By allowing women to be able to use the GRx pool card during the Te Pou Toetoe 'women's only sessions' it would not only support the council's reasoning for providing a women's only session, but also be extremely favourable for our female GRx clients who can only attend these pool sessions due to religious and cultural beliefs.

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Green Prescription
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Submitter Details

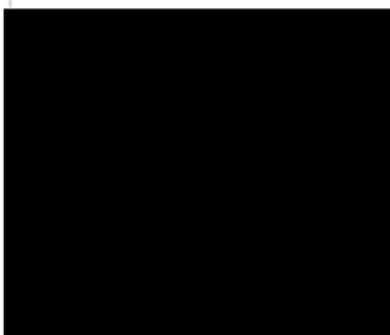
First name: Abby Last name: Wilson

If you are responding on behalf of a recognised organisation please provide organisation name:

Sport Canterbury - Green Prescription

Your role in the organisation and the number of people your organisation represents:

Sport Canterbury - Green Prescription



Would you like to speak to the Council about your submission?

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CCC Annual Plan - Womens Swimming

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Submission to the:
CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL

on the:
CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL'S DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN 2022-2023

Submission from:
TENNIS CANTERBURY REGION (INC.)

This submission is representing the 10,000+ members and casual participants of Tennis Canterbury Region Inc., including the 6,000+ that reside in Christchurch City.

Date:
18 April 2022

Representatives of Tennis Canterbury Region (Inc.) wish to discuss the main points in this written submission at a hearing.

Address for contact:
Tim Shannahan
Transition Manager
Tennis Canterbury Region Inc.
[Redacted]
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Introduction

Tennis Canterbury Region (Inc.) is one of six regional tennis organisations recognised by Tennis New Zealand as responsible for the delivery of grass-roots tennis. Created in 2007, Tennis Canterbury Region services the upper part of the South Island, specifically Canterbury, Marlborough, Mid Canterbury, Nelson and the West Coast.

Tennis Canterbury has four key focus areas, which are:

- Enable participation – support our members and communities to be successful by providing player & club-centric services, programmes and capability;
- Performance – enable Canterbury players, coaches and officials to be visible in our community and to succeed on the national and international stage.
- Partnership & Collaboration – foster whakawhanaungatanga that strengthen and support the future of our game, and make our game accessible and inclusive for all; and
- Organisational excellence – be the kaitiaki of tennis; leading an efficient, effective and sustainable tennis structure with quality facilities.

Access to suitable tennis facilities is critical to these focus areas. In Christchurch City there are a total of just over 200 tennis courts situated across Wilding Park (33 courts), Ngā Puna Wai (12 courts) and 29 tennis clubs. These courts are all used to capacity at peak times, being weekends across the summer season.

Tennis Court Maintenance

There are various surfaces used for these tennis courts in Christchurch City, with synthetic paving, grass, artificial turf, artificial grass, artificial clay and asphalt all present. Irrespective of the type of surface used (with the exception of grass), the maintenance costs to re-surface are similar, ranging from between \$1,500 and \$2,000 per court per year when spreading the re-surfacing cost across the life of each surface. The life of a surface ranges from ten years for a synthetic paved surface to 30 years plus for an asphalt surface. A grass court does not have re-surfacing costs, but does have an annual maintenance cost of approximately \$7,500.

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When these re-surfacing costs fall due they have historically been met through levies collected from tennis participants. In this way, the sport of tennis is contributing an estimated \$400,000 annually towards the provision of its playing surfaces.

Additional Costs

The costs of re-surfacing are not the full extent of the costs met each year by tennis in operating tennis courts. In addition courts incur insurance costs, electricity costs for lighting, equipment costs (i.e. tennis nets) and general maintenance costs (e.g. moss and algae treatment; perimeter fencing replacement) to ensure courts remain usable and available in both the short- and long-term.

Comparisons with Other Sports

When considering the costs incurred in providing tennis courts, the comparison with other mainstream sports (i.e. more than 2,500 participants in Christchurch City) demonstrates an inequity. Whereas tennis meets the costs of providing its playing surfaces, other sports have the Christchurch City Council making sizeable financial contributions to subsidise costs. These subsidies take on many forms, including:

- Provision and maintenance of grass fields for sports such as cricket, rugby, football, rugby league, touch
- Provision of indoor courts for sports such as netball, basketball, volleyball
- Provision of aquatic facilities for sports such as swimming
- Provision of specialised venues for sports such as athletics
- Funding towards artificial surfaces for sports such as hockey and football

Council Support for Tennis

On the basis of an equitable approach to subsidising the costs of sport facility provision, Council would provide funding and services annually to support tennis. Such funding and services would be fair and equitable when considering the funding and service support Council provides to other sport codes.

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Council itself has historically acknowledged this inequity. Prior to the Canterbury earthquakes (2010 and 2011), Council was providing Tennis Canterbury Region with an annual grant of \$90,000 to support the costs of maintaining Wilding Park. This grant was provided by way of the Strengthening Communities Fund as that was the most convenient way for Council to provide this funding.

Unfortunately, subsequent to the Canterbury Earthquakes the funding available by way of the Strengthening Communities Fund has diminished and this has seen the funds made available to Tennis Canterbury also diminish. For the past few years Tennis Canterbury has only received \$25,000 annually.

Compare this to the support provided to other sports, who are generally still receiving support comparable to pre-earthquake levels, despite the associated costs of maintaining fields, courts and pools having increased significantly.

Requested Support

In seeking what would be an equitable level of funding and support to other sports, Tennis Canterbury asks Council to identify a means to establish annual support for tennis in Canterbury on the following basis:

- \$105,000 to support Wilding Park costs, and ensure the regional venue for tennis in Canterbury continues to be available to host international, national and local tournaments and competitions;
- \$45,000 to support clubs in the re-surfacing of their courts, which will be distributed by Tennis Canterbury to clubs on a pro rata basis as courts are re-surfaced; and
- Council's parks team maintain the nine grass courts at Wilding Park, which are adjacent to Woodham Park. We would appreciate the council's expertise in turf management with the maintenance of these courts.

It is asked that the funding component of the requested support be formally ring-fenced to protect it from diminishing again in the future.

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Conclusion

Thank you to the Christchurch City Council for the support it has provided to tennis in Canterbury in the past. This has included funding by way of the Strengthening Communities Fund and the Small Sports Events Fund. Thank you also for partnering with Tennis Canterbury in developing 12 tennis courts at Ngā Puna Wai, noting that the funds contributed by Tennis Canterbury and the Wilding Park Foundation Trust covered the costs of the courts, with Council contributing the land and the supporting infrastructure utilised by all sports present at the multi-sport facility.

Tennis Canterbury is asking Council consider establishing annual funding and service provision to the sport of tennis on a fair and equitable basis to the provisions provided to benefit other sports in Christchurch.

The specific request is that Council commits to provide the following annually in support of tennis:

- \$105,000 to support Wilding Park costs;
- \$45,000 to support clubs in the re-surfacing of their courts; and
- Council's parks team maintain the nine grass courts at Wilding Park.

Representatives of Tennis Canterbury look forward to speaking with Councillors and Council staff about this submission in the near future.

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10,000+
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Submitter Details

First name: Tim Last name: Shannahan

If you are responding on behalf of a recognised organisation please provide organisation name:

Tennis Canterbury Region Inc.

Your role in the organisation and the number of people your organisation represents:

Transition Manager; 10,000+

Postal address:

Suburb:

City:

Country:

New Zealand

Postcode:

Daytime Phone: [REDACTED]

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Feedback

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See attached submission document.

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