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Dear Nicholas

Submission on Plan Change 5 to the Ashburton District Plan

Canterbury Regional Council (CRC) appreciates the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed Plan Change 5 (PC5) to the Ashburton District Plan. We wish to acknowledge the work undertaken by the Council in preparing the proposed Plan Change.

CRC recognises that PC5 proposes to amend provisions as they relate to mobility parking, cycle parking and parking design, to update the roading hierarchy and also introduce provisions relating to 'high-traffic generating activities'. Our feedback relates to the proposed plan change content where it is relevant to the functions of the CRC, or the extent to which the proposed amendments give effect to the Canterbury Regional Policy Statement (2013; CRPS).

CRC supports the Ashburton District Council in seeking to improve the effectiveness of the Operative District Plan and make amendments to better give effect to the objectives, policies and methods of the CRPS. Overall, the CRC is in support of proposed PC5 and considers that the changes give effect to the CRPS.

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed PC5. For any clarification on the submission, please contact Alanna Hollier (regional.planning@ecan.govt.nz) and she will be happy to assist.

Yours sincerely



Jeff Smith
Team Leader Planning & Strategy

Encl: The CRC's submission on Plan Change 5 to the Ashburton District Plan.

Notice of Submission on Plan Change 5 to the Ashburton District Plan – Ashburton District Council

Submission made by electronic means

1. SUBMITTER DETAILS

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2. SUBMISSION DETAILS

Environment Canterbury could not* gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.

*I am not directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that—

(a) adversely affects the environment; and

(b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

3. COMMENTS ON PLAN CHANGE 5

1. The Canterbury Regional Council generally supports Plan Change 5 (PC5) to the Ashburton District Plan.
2. Appendix 3 of the section 32 report refers to provisions contained within Chapter 6 of the Canterbury Regional Policy Statement (2013; CRPS), being Objective 6.2.4 and Policy 6.3.4. The provisions within Chapter 6 of the CRPS apply to Greater Christchurch, specifically as indicated on 'Map A – Greenfield Priority Areas and Future Development Areas'. As such the provisions of Chapter 6 are not applicable to PC5 and do not specifically need to be given effect to (as required under section 75(3) of the Resource Management Act (1991)).

3. As acknowledged within the Section 32 report, Objective 5.2.3 of the CRPS seeks a safe, efficient and effective transport system through managing the adverse effects of transport use and its provision, providing an acceptable level of accessibility and ensuring that the roading hierarchy is consistent with the Regional Land Transport Strategy. Policy 5.3.7 relates to the strategic land transport network and arterial roads, and the avoidance of development which adversely affects the safe, efficient and effective functioning of this network. Policy 5.3.8 seeks the integration of land use and transport planning in a way that promotes a safe, efficient and effective network and avoids, or manages, conflicts with incompatible activities and adverse effects on natural and physical resources.
4. Policy 5.3.3 specifically relates to substantial developments and will include activities identified as 'high traffic generating activities' under PC5. This policy applies methods to territorial authorities to demonstrate accordance with Policy 5.3.3 including by way of plan provisions, and/or concept plans submitted at the time of application.
5. Policy 14.3.2 includes methods for territorial authorities to promote walking, cycling and where appropriate, passenger transport as a part of the design of new subdivisions and built development.
6. As the PC5 amendments promote active transport and improved accessibility for mobility park users, update the roading hierarchy to reflect current road usage and associated land use activities, and require greater consideration of high traffic generating activities, parking space design and manoeuvring, the Canterbury Regional Council considers that PC5 gives effect to the aforementioned provisions of the CRPS.

4. ATTENDANCE AT THE HEARING

We wish to be heard in support of our submission.

5. SIGNATURE

Team Leader Planning & Strategy

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Jeff Smith