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**From:** Styler Phil  
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**To:** ECInfo; Environment Canterbury; Services Customer; Services Customer  
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Hi,

Please stop planting the rivers, streams, ponds and lakes out of sight and access. These water features should be showcased not hidden by plant zealots.

The Avon river is being planted out of sight and access. It is also on its way to looking like a scruffy ugly creek. I don't believe this is what the people of Christchurch will accept in the long term. The plantings within the CBD in and around the Avon river have gone too far. Virtually all the park benches located in front of the Avon river within the CBD, now have no view of the river. The view is obstructed by giant tussocks or scruffy weeds. Rivers like the Avon provide an aesthetic calming effect and this continues to be lost with the overzealous planting. Rivers like the Avon need to be made more visible and more accessible.

A distinction and compromise should be made between making the waterways healthier and planting every piece of visible waterway out of sight and access.

Please stop referring to beautification when actually referring to water health.

Please stop hiding and uglying every part of the water ways with overzealous plantings.

Phil Styler

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