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Hi,

I wish to submit on the Long Term Plan document, please see my comments below.

Regards,

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Generally I support the document, and the priorities set out on page 4 of the summary document.

ECan's purpose of "Facilitating sustainable development" could use some work. I believe that ECan should be a protector of the region, who can facilitate development where necessary, but also have the strength to refuse or curtail development that would have a negative impact on the region.

Public Transport:

As a resident of Westmorland I am disappointed that the bus route may be discontinued. There are many residents who rely on the bus, particularly the elderly and school children. I agree that it is presently underutilised, however I believe that this is largely due to the fact that the route does not go to the exchange, meaning that multiple bus changes are required to get to many places in the city, and the resulting routes are impractically long. I suggest that Westmorland needs a bus route to the CBD/exchange, which could be established most easily by extending the existing Blue line.

I support car and bike share schemes within the city, and the ongoing construction of bike lanes.

Biodiversity & Biosecurity

Yes, these need to be priorities, and we need a step change in effort to halt the decline in biodiversity. I agree with a focus on braided rivers and wetlands, but these areas need more resourcing.

It is important to maintain a network of environmental groups and give them the support they need to do their work. Helping groups such as Working Waters Trust, who already do excellent work, is important.

Marine biodiversity should receive more funding.

Hazards & Risk Resilience:

I agree with the climate change program, but it needs more resourcing.

Yes, continue to build and add to the LLUR in the rest of Canterbury, it is an excellent resource. I think that ECan needs to work on helping to find practical solutions to manage contaminated sites, to encourage their clean up.

Freshwater Management:

Yes, ECan should conduct catchment wide consent reviews.

Air Quality:

I agree with the healthy homes proposal.

Planning and Compliance:

There should be more monitoring of permitted activities.