

# Canterbury

District Health Board

Te Poari Hauora o Waitaha

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## Submission on Waimakariri District Council Draft Annual Plan 2019-2020

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**To:** Waimakariri District Council

**Submitter:** Community & Public Health  
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**Proposal:** Waimakariri District Council is consulting on their 2019/20  
Annual Plan

## SUBMISSION ON WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT COUNCIL DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN

### Details of submitter

1. Canterbury District Health Board (CDHB)
2. The CDHB is responsible for promoting the reduction of adverse environmental effects on the health of people and communities and to improve, promote and protect their health pursuant to the New Zealand Public Health and Disability Act 2000 and the Health Act 1956.
3. These statutory obligations are the responsibility of the Ministry of Health and, in the Canterbury District, are carried out under contract by Community and Public Health under Crown funding agreements on behalf of the Canterbury District Health Board.

### General comments

4. Health and wellbeing (overall quality of life) is influenced by a wide range of factors beyond the health sector. These influences can be described as the conditions in which people are born, grow, live, work and age, and are impacted by environmental, social and behavioural factors. They are often referred to as the 'social determinants of health'<sup>1</sup>. Barton and Grant's Health Map<sup>2</sup> shows how various influences on health are complex and interlinked.
5. The CDHB continues to support the top priorities as signalled in the LTP and in this annual plan as per our submission last year including actions relating to regeneration projects, constructing the stadium, kerbside recycling and investigating park and ride facilities.
6. The CDHB supports adequate funding for use of universal design principles in all projects and new builds, including the stadium. It is important that community facilities are fully accessible for all people to use, no matter their age or abilities. The CDHB recommends that the Waimakariri District Council consider signing up to the principles of the Accessibility Charter (see attachment).

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<sup>1</sup> Public Health Advisory Committee. 2004. *The Health of People and Communities. A Way Forward: Public Policy and the Economic Determinants of Health*. Public Health Advisory Committee: Wellington.

<sup>2</sup> Barton, H. and Grant, M. (2006) *A health map for the local human habitat*. *The Journal for the Royal Society for the Promotion of Health*, 126 (6). pp. 252-253. SSN 1466-4240 Available from: <http://eprints.uwe.ac.uk/7863>

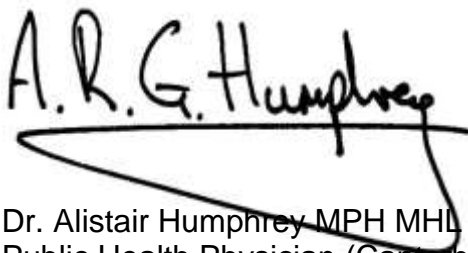
7. The CDHB supports the introduction of UV treatment across all Council public water supply schemes across the District and supports Option A – charging a uniform rate for this – as this fairly distributes the cost of this important upgrade to protect drinking water across the community.
8. The CDHB supports the development of a publicly owned tennis court facility in Rangiora. Access to facilities that support physical activity and community connection are important for maintaining health and providing public facilities reduces some of the barriers to participation.
9. The CDHB supports the Council’s vision for sustainability and encourages the Council to take a lead in moving to a more sustainable future. Climate Change is already impacting upon the health of our population, and these effects will amplify over time. Collaborative action at a local, regional, national and international level is required urgently to mitigate and adapt to these effects and ensure the health of our population, which is intrinsically linked to the health of the environment, is protected.

## Conclusion

10. The CDHB does not wish to be heard in support of this submission.
11. Thank you for the opportunity to submit on Waimakariri District Council’s draft Annual Plan.

**Person making the submission**

**Date: 8<sup>th</sup> April 2019**



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## Te Arataki Taero Kore: The Accessibility Charter

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Industry, business, groups and individuals play a role in the creation of an accessible region. Accessibility is good for us all; it benefits whānau, business, tourism, economic development, iwi, and health and wellbeing.

### Vision

Our region will become a model of best-practice accessibility through our community and business leaders advocating for places and spaces that are accessible for all people.

### Purpose

By signing this Charter, we are:

- Ensuring that places and spaces in our region become universally accessible
- Enabling residents and visitors to live, work, learn, explore and play equally
- Setting an expectation of best-practice design and development, which goes beyond minimum expectations of the Building Code.

### Commitments and Actions

Our organisation supports the vision and purpose of this Charter. We will implement the following Charter Commitments and Actions and formally review our progress in these areas:

#### Hautūtanga - Leadership

Our leaders will demonstrate a pro-active commitment to best-practice accessibility when setting policy and practice expectations, budgets and accountability provisions.

#### Mātauranga - Education

Our organisation will ensure staff are equipped with the skills and knowledge they need to apply best-practice accessibility throughout the design and development process. We will also provide information and training to help staff understand the benefits of accessible design and the consequences and barriers created by poor design.

#### Tohungatanga - Technical Expertise

We will seek the technical advice and guidance of professional and independent universal-design experts, appropriate to the scale and type of projects we undertake.

#### Te Oranga o te Tangata - Health and Wellbeing

We will actively promote the link between the creation of accessible places and spaces, and the health and wellbeing of our people.