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Wants to be heard at hearing? Yes

Q1

Agree with 5 Strategic Directions? Partly Support

Comments: The village character of Lincoln will be severely compromised if a town of approx 8-9000 households are allowed within the town boundary. If this is accepted Lincoln will become a dormitory suburb of Christchurch as Prebbleton has become, with little or no green space between it and other nearby villages. Lincon has a special character all of it's own located at the headwaters of the Liffy with mature trees and a small shopping centre still retaining the sense of the original village market square. This, along with a slower pace of life with the square within walking distance from anywhere in the township is what makes people choose to live here as much if not more than proximity to Christchurch. A green leafy historic place with a quaint history; a place to find some quiet peace away from the hustle and stress of the city traffic and congestion. 8000 households is a town not a village. If this is adopted as policy the 'village' character of Lincoln will be no more.

Q2 Priorities:

The biggest priority for the future of Selwyn and Lincoln is to retain, and where it has been degraded to restore our drinking water in it's purest state. There is absolutely no excuse for the degrading of natural resources which ensure the health and well-being of all to further the profit-making of the few. Having to treat what was once pure water for ecoli pollution and other degradation is evidence of the failure of those who are elected to protect us and our environment. The Draft plan has made no statement of the standard required to protect the people and the water from further degradation or to restore what degradation has already occurred. 'On-going monitoring' with regard to water quality is all that is stated in the plan as a future requirement. The plan needs to state clearly that water quality will be returned to it's best quality over the past 30 years within a defined and stated time-frame. This standard should then govern all future use of the resource.

Q3 Growth in the remainder:

Only to ensure the existing small villages such as Lincoln, Tai Tapu, Prebbleton, Springston are kept at a size to maintain the quality of life that currently exists within them. It would be better to build new townships to the west and south than to ruin the character of these villages. We need diversification in our semi-urban communities to maintain the richness of the life and history of the Selwyn District and not let all of these little communities be swallowed up by city-type subdivisions. In years to come these towns will become precious, highly valued unique examples of the history of the settlement of the Plains. While only a certain number can live there they will be close enough to each other and the city to cater for all to visit and enjoy.

Q4 Rural subdivision:

Yes. See above. Create more small communities with their own character than a few sprawling miniature

Christchurch cities.

Q5a - Township network:

I agree and support this policy. See above. Selwyn needs to promote itself as a district full of different communities all with their unique character who welcome visitors on day trips from the city. With Christchurch becoming highly modernised Selwyn can fill the space left by the old city.

Q5b - Activity Centre network:

Q6 Self sufficiency:

I agree with this up to a point. With the townships in easy proximity to each other there is no need for every township to provide every service. The range of services could be provided within a cluster of townships. The Lincoln Events Centre and the Rolleston aquatic centre are two examples of this.

Q7 Housing options:

yes. There needs to be diversification in style and size of housing - within a set of guidelines which reflect the unique character of each small community.

Q8 Layout and pathways:

New housing areas need to be connected by cycleways and walkways with each other and the village/town centre. Easy road access through and around is also important. Smaller shopping hubs such as a dairy and café could be located at the further edge of a town and not just in the centre.

Q9 Strong community:

Lincoln needs a bigger medical centre to cater for the growing population. Ensure the make-up of the Council reflects the growing urbanisation of Selwyn and not the archaic rural landowner model whose interests are centred on the use of, and increasingly the exploitation of natural resources for their own profit rather than what is best for the whole Selwyn community. Create interest groups from many areas of the community - women, older people, youth, disabled, Maori, uni students, residents, visitors, people with young families, arts groups, cultural

Further comments:

- 1. Make a walkway/cycleway from source to sea down the Liffy and keep the water clear of debris
- 2.No trucks through the mainstrett of Lincoln. Seal Tancreds road as a diversion
- 3. Remove the eyesore of the Chinese Takeway building and and ask them to relocate. Make more car parks and garden areas on the site
- 4. No more liquor outlets in Lincoln
- 5. Dogs to be on leash at all times in public and in parks. Voice control is a myth and a danger to the public
- 6. No more loans to CPW. Let the jobs come from river planting/fencing/maintenance. No more pollution from farming. Keep Selwyn clean!
- 7. Screen in Lincoln Library to be transparent to prevent grooming by child sex offenders of children. Closed circuit tv also for monitoring
- 8. 30 mins parking in front of shops to assist businesses and customers
- 9. Library to have café and meeting room
- 10. Giveway signs at exit of Challenge Garage opp. supermarket
- 11. Plant more trees in the town keep Lincoln Green