

Clause 6 of First Schedule, Resource Management Act 1991

4. †I seek the following decision from Selwyn District Council:

REFER ATTACHED

†Give precise details, including the nature of any change sought. Continue on a separate sheet if necessary.

5. I WISH / DO NOT WISH to be heard in support of my submission (delete as applicable)
6. If others make a similar submission, I will consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing
(delete if you would not consider presenting a joint case)

7. FOR GW WEST LIMITED LTD 10 June 2011
Signature of submitter (or person authorised to sign on their behalf) Date

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3. My submission in support of the proposed Plan Change is:

I support the Plan Change (PC30) in its entirety however more specifically for the following reasons.

Retail services within the West Melton township are confined to the existing service station located on the corner of Weedons Ross Road and State Highway 67. No Business zoned land is currently provided for within the West Melton township. The purpose of the Proposed Plan Change is to enable a suitable central location to provide a local shopping centre for existing and new West Melton residents, catering for the recent and foreseeable growth.

It is considered beneficial that a small local retail shopping centre is provided in the West Melton township to meet the needs of the local community. The proposed Business 1 zoned land will provide convenience shopping that local residents would otherwise need to source in other more distant locations such as Rolleston, Darfield, Upper Riccarton, Riccarton Mall, or Christchurch.

Given the proposed relatively small size of the retail floor area proposed, the centre will not have a major adverse financial effect on the other retail areas within the District or greater Christchurch.

A considerable increase in residential development has occurred and will occur in the future within the West Melton township.

Based on current average household person numbers, a total of approximately 1,900 to 2,000 persons are expected to live within the immediate West Melton residential (Living zoned) area (within the MUL area) by 2041.

The Proposed Plan Change to rezone the Butt site of 8,330 square metres in the centre of the West Melton township is considered to be an appropriate method to achieve the objectives and policies of the Selwyn District Plan, the Canterbury Regional Policy Statement, and to achieve the purpose of the Resource Management Act in a way which enables the West Melton community and surrounding residents in the locality to provide for their social, economic, and cultural well-being.

The Proposed Plan Change will have an overall cost-effective beneficial effect on the West Melton township and surrounding residents by providing a convenient commercial focus to the township, reducing trip distance and energy usage, encouraging walking and cycling, and enabling greater convenience.

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SDC approve the Plan Change as applied in its entirety.