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Submissions on Proposed demolition of HQ Engineers House

May 08, 2026 - May 29, 2026

Please note: these are all accepted submissions on the proposed demolition of Halswell Quarry Engineers House. The views are those of the submitters and may include mis- or disinformation, hearsay and offensive or discriminatory language.

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice On behalf of a recognised organisation or business

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text Kennedys Bush Road Neighbourhood Association

Q3 Your role

Short Text supporter

Q4 Full name

Short Text sylvia lukey

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text The Building is in a very bad state. It has no architectural merit and adds nothing to the context of the Halswell Quarry Park.
The hill area behind the "English Garden" is a great opportunity for the CCC to plant some significant deciduous trees for the future of the city.
This neighbourhood contributes much in the way of urban canopy cover and walks by people in the neighbourhood are enjoyed by many who are not able to plant large trees on their property.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text Christchurch and Halswell in particular has lost an enormous of mature large tree cover.
Over a 200 + year lifetime, an English Oak in Christchurch provides monumental environmental benefits. It absorbs hundreds of kilograms of carbon dioxide annually, cools the city's streets to counter global warming, filters air pollutants, and supports local biodiversity by hosting thousands of insect, bird, and fungal species. ie - from the CCC website
Key Environmental ContributionsCarbon Sequestration: A single mature oak can store multiple tons of CO_2 over its lifespan. As it grows, it continuously locks away atmospheric carbon in its trunk, roots, and branches.Biodiversity Support: English oaks support a remarkably high level of biodiversity, providing vital food (acorns, leaves) and habitat for over 2,000 species of wildlife, insects, and fungi.Urban Cooling: The massive, spreading canopy provides significant shade. This helps reduce the "urban heat island" effect in Christchurch and minimizes glare and reflected heat from concrete.Air & Water Quality: The leaves naturally filter particulate matter and air pollution, while its extensive root system manages stormwater by aiding water infiltration and percolation into the soil.Soil Enrichment: Each autumn, an oak drops up to 700,000 leaves. Their decomposition adds rich organic matter to the soil, recycling nutrients and storing carbon below ground.

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice On behalf of a recognised organisation or business

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text Historic Places Canterbury

Q3 Your role

Short Text Secretary

Q4 Full name

Short Text Lynne Lochhead

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice No

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text Although the 2009 Managment Plan indicates removal of the building, a heritage assessment carried out by Tony Ussher in 2021 considers that the building has historical and social significance for its association with the quarry engineers and their families who lived there. It has moderate cultural significance for the insights it provides into the role of the quarry engineer in the functioning of the quarry as well as moderate cultural, aesthetic, architectural and technological significance reflecting the limitations austerity imposed on building as a consequence of World War and building standards developed in response to the Napier earthquake. It is surprising that the Managment plan for what is a significant site of industrial heritage totally fails to consider the significance of a building which is an important component of the functioning of the quarry. Though this is a modest building compared with the stone structures on the site, it reflects the hierarchy of housing provided for staff and thus is a signifcant element of the industrial heritage of the site.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text Removing the house would eliminate an important component of the larger story of the site. Renovation would allow the house to be tenanted so that the cost of repair could be recouped over time. The council should not be setting a bad example of demolition by neglect by using the current state of the building and the fact that it has attracted unauthorised activities because it has been allowed to remain unoccupied as justification for removal.

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice On behalf of a recognised organisation or business

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga

Q3 Your role

Short Text Planner

Q4 Full name

Short Text Mitzie Bisnar

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Don't know / Not sure

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text Insufficient information available as to whether all alternatives have been fully assessed before demolition proposed. Please see attached submission.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text Please see attached submission.

Please see attachment on the following pages.



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27 May 2026

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Tēnā koe,

PROPOSED DEMOLITION OF HALSWELL QUARRY ENGINEER'S HOUSE

Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga (HNZPT) is an autonomous Crown Entity with statutory responsibility under the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014 (HNZPTA) for the identification, protection, preservation and conservation of New Zealand's historic heritage. HNZPT advocates for the ongoing use including adaptive reuse, continued maintenance and longevity of New Zealand's historic heritage items.

HNZPT has an interest in the Christchurch City Council's (the Council) proposal to demolish the Halswell Quarry Engineer's House. While the building is not listed on the New Zealand Heritage List/Rārangi Kōrero, the building is included within the Former Halswell Quarry, scheduled as a Highly Significant historic heritage item, (Item no. 648), under the Christchurch District Plan.

Although the Halswell Quarry Engineer's House is not individually scheduled as an historic heritage item, it holds historical, social, architectural, and contextual significance. Designed during the post-Depression and pre-World War II era, the house holds historical and social significance by reflecting housing and resource shortages of the time and its direct association with the longest running city quarry, the former Halswell Quarry which operated between 1861 and 1990. The house embodies a decorative Moderne style, influenced by the government's state housing criteria at the time, and reflects contextual significance through its connection to the wider heritage landscape of the quarry.

Given the heritage values of the Engineer's House, HNZPT encourages the Community Board to consider alternative options before proceeding with their current proposal to demolish. The information available to inform public consultation on this demolition proposal is currently limited and does not detail alternative options considered and/or exhausted by the Council to protect the building from demolition, particularly in light of the Condition & Maintenance Report, dated 9/11/2021, concluding that the house is considered to be in serviceable condition requiring significant repair and replacement work.

The protection of historic heritage from inappropriate subdivision, use and development is a matter of national importance, pursuant to Section 6F of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA). If the proposal to demolish the Engineer's House proceeds to the resource consenting process, sufficient information should be provided to demonstrate consideration of alternative options including efforts to repair or retain the building, and thereby justify demolition. Recovery of any salvageable heritage fabric or materials should also be considered.



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Further to the above, if the Community Board proceeds with demolition, regard must be made to archaeological obligations pursuant to the HNZPTA. An archaeological site is defined in the HNZPTA as any place occupied prior to 1900 that may provide archaeological information on the history of New Zealand. An archaeological authority is required to modify or destroy an archaeological site.

The Engineer's House was constructed in the 1940s, therefore, its demolition would not, in itself, require an archaeological authority. However, any associated earthworks, such as the removal of foundations, may require archaeological consideration, as the property lies within the heritage setting of the former Halswell Quarry. There is potential for 19th century archaeological remains associated with the early operation of the quarry to be present. An oven/adze found immediately north of the heritage setting also indicates potential for archaeology associated with sites of significance to Māori. Halswell Quarry is also recorded in ArchSite as an archaeological site (M36/97).

As such, HNZPT recommends that any ground disturbance or earthworks at this property be assessed by a consultant archaeologist. This assessment would consider the historical use of the site, the scope of the proposed works, and whether an archaeological authority is required. If required, the assessment would form the basis of an authority application.

HNZPT also recommends that consultation with Ngāi Tahu is undertaken to discuss the proposal and pathways for ensuring appropriate monitoring, notification and participation where necessary, in the event that cultural material is discovered.

Ngā mihi,

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Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice On behalf of a recognised organisation or business

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text Halswell residents Association

Q3 Your role

Short Text secretary

Q4 Full name

Short Text Adele Geradts

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text Due to the cost of repairing, we agree demolition is responsible

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text This land should be saved for community use - potentially as a site for the Playcentre, or Halswell pottery group if they choose to build a centre there.

Response No:
5

Contribution ID: 43893

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Rob Vosslander

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text It is not fit for repair, an eyesore, and not of heritage value. The land would add to a very busy public park in a rapidly growing urban area. It would also allow for more street access to the quarry.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text The land should not be sold but added to the Quarry Reserve and made publicly accessible.

Response No:
6

Contribution ID: 43677

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Lesley Clouston

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text cannot see anything about the property to justify the cost of repair

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text

Response No:
7

Contribution ID: 43684

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Gwyneth Carson

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Somewhat

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text Do not agree with demolition of this building if the land will be used for workshop/yard/storage as this will attract as much negative behaviour on Kennedys Bush Road as the current situation does.

However, if the land was included in the park landscaping, or perhaps build a cafe I believe this would be an asset for the park.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text A commercial yard/workshop would detract from the beauty of the park frontage & would not discourage the antisocial behaviour that you claim to be trying to curb.

Response No:
8

Contribution ID: 43690

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice

As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text

Elvira Dommissie

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice

No

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text

If you neglect any house, it will eventually become dilapidated. This house has good bones and is no doubt a solid timber structure. It would look great as a restored older house with a history. Please consider doing this to maintain the sense of history and character of the park. It could be done by volunteers and/or charitable sponsors who have either the money or skills (or both) to do this.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text

We have so few character houses and buildings left after the earthquakes and now with the invasive townhouse blocks everywhere. What are being demolished? Historic buildings and residences. Soon there will be very few left. An average-sized villa in Beckenham just sold for \$1.3 million or thereabouts. That's how much some people are prepared to pay for old, restored character houses.

Response No:
9

Contribution ID: 43697

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Hans smeets

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice No

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text This area is designated as a highly significant heritage area. This grants it protection. Stop destroying our heritage, enough has gone as it is

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text

Response No:
10

Contribution ID: 43724

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Emma Richardson

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text Not of huge historical significance. It's an eyesore and too far gone to repair.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text Build a small structure to commemorate to use of the area for the engineer - like a gazebo style sitting area.

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice

As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text

colleen edwards

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice

Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text

it is derelict and no use to any one .A real eye sore.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text

I do not agree to the site being used as a work shop etc .This is a residential area and the land should be incorporated back into the Quarry.

Response No:
12

Contribution ID: 43846

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Jeannie Matthews

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text The building is in disrepair, a fire risk and would be better if the land is cleared to be part of the park

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text Why is the cost to demolish so high?

Response No:
13

Contribution ID: 43892

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Lynda Joy Broadbent

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text It's not that quaint or historic enough to justify the expense to restore

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text

Response No:
14

Contribution ID: 43676

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Adele Geradts

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice No

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text I think this space could be repaired and used for the halswell pottery group, who are looking for a long-term space to meet in and do there pottery. It would be a great asset to the community.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Robert Joseph Webster

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text It's a boring building with no architectural merit.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text It would be good to plant the area up and thus add to the value of the Quarry Reserve. This would have the benefit of adding to the tree cover of the local area, which has suffered significant loss due to recent subdivisions. I would not support the extension of the English Garden theme. Many of the species planted tlin the English Garden are weedy and are already invading other parts of the reserve e.g. yew, oak, and rowan. The Council needs to move away from such plantings in favour of natives wherever possible.

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text John McKirdy

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text The building is unremarkable in construction, being a fairly standard weatherboard house, so not worth saving in that respect. It does not have significant historical value. It is badly decayed; a restoration would actually be a replica rebuild. The money to rebuild would be better spent building a new toilet block elsewhere in the park.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text Please also remove the other detritus on site, the internal fence and macrocarpa hedge. Plant another couple of trees in keeping with the Christchurch, England theme of adjacent area. Or remove back fence and allow sheep to keep grass down. The extra public space will be good.

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Sidney Weil

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Somewhat

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text It is sad to see a building of some historical significance demolished. If the cost to fully restore it cannot be obtained, for example, as a donation from one or more of the developers who have developed huge areas of the land neighbouring the Halswell Quarry Reserve then, unfortunately, the house will need to be demolished.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text If the house is demolished, the property should be incorporated into the Halswell Quarry Reserve, preferably as an extension to the English Sister Garden, with appropriate plantings, or alternatively with a large quantity of native plantings. This would, to a very small extent, compensate for the destruction of well over a hundred mature gum trees in the Kennedy's Green development. It would also be a minor contribution to recreating our city's denuded canopy coverage, which was recently estimated to be 57th in New Zealand by a University of Canterbury study. If any buildings are built on the vacant land after demolition, careful attention should be paid to increased traffic flow of large vehicles in a quiet residential area. I strongly oppose this taking place, as traffic flows have increased significantly since the ongoing, large developments in Kennedy's Bush Road of recent years.

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice

As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text

Lyall Lukey

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice

Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text

Submission: Proposed demolition of Halswell Quarry Engineer's House

1. Land Use Proposal

- Recommendation: Demolish the old Engineer's house to extend the English Garden, to which it is adjacent in the Halswell Quarry Park, a highly significant heritage area.
- Justification: Being close to residential Kennedys Bush Road the site of the house is much more suitable for planting in keeping with the semirural character of the park than new buildings, which would be quite out of place. The adjacent slopes are ideal for more large deciduous trees, directly supporting Council's 43% urban canopy goal.
- Workshop Opposition: Park staff currently operate successfully from existing quarry buildings inside the park in less visible places. Constructing a new workshop on the demolition site is unnecessary and inconsistent with the neighbourhood character.
- Alternative Location: If required long-term, any future workshop etc should be sited on the road between the coffee cart and the stone house not immediately adjacent to Kennedys Bush Road..

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text

2. Tree Planting Leadership-Strategic Context & Canopy Deficit

- Current Status: University of Canterbury research reveals Christchurch's urban canopy sits at just 13.5%, the lowest among major New Zealand cities.
- Causes: This deficit stems from rapid urban growth, housing intensification, and the removal of mature tree protections in the 2016 District Plan.
- Subdivision Impact: Recent developments—such as the removal of mature oak trees at the Sparks and Milnes Road intersection—demonstrate how small section sizes compromise established tree cover.
- Enhancing the Halswell Quarry Park The demolition of the old house provides the Council with an opportunity to enhance the Halswell Quarry Park if the tree planting suggestion is followed. Building new workshops and a storage yard either on or near the demolished house site would spoil not enhance the park itself and the wider neighbourhood.
- Long Term Ecological Values The small extension of tree planting by the Council suggested is much more consistent with long term ecological values. Taking a long-term perspective would recognize the high return on investment provided by mature species like the English Oak, which delivers documented benefits in carbon sequestration, biodiversity, urban cooling, stormwater management, and heritage preservation.

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Clare Reid

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text

I have lived in the area for over 20 years and always wondered why the house was neglected when the last tenant left in 2017.

It could have been repaired and relet. I object to the suggestion that the section should be used for workshops and storage. This is a residential area not a commercial or industrial area. I would favour the house being demolished and the section sold for residential redevelopment.

The Quarry is very popular throughout the year. I understand the thinking behind workshops and storage areas however there are less visible places that these could go. The section the house sits on must be very valuable and would be a good deposit for building workshops elsewhere if it was sold. This would also enhance the residential area and avoid traffic problems with trucks and trailers using Kennedys Bush Rd which is relatively narrow and the house is just past the first bend creating more problems.

I would say yes to demolish and sell, yes to rebuild residential and NO to workshops and storage facilities.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice

As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text

John Walker

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice

Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text

1. There are far better uses for council money.
2. The building has no intrinsic value/interest to the general public (even for those living in kennedys bush road).
3. It is just another call on the busy park rangers.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text

Council has more urgent calls on its resources, eg the climate emergency - water, flooding, relocation, fire etc.
Personally, I'd welcome an increase in council rates to address real need.

Response No:
21

Contribution ID: 43453

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text scarlet shannon

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice No

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text Because I believe that the historical HQ engineer house should be turn into a place of history and learn and that it teach people about the house history but also the local community as well

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text Well once it gone they no way to undo the danger and that you need to think about future people who would be grateful to have it still standing.

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text James Tarrant

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice No

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text It's it of Historical significance. We have lost so much heritage.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text Maybe try to get a polytechnic etc to take it on as a project for students to restore and train future apprentices with working on it. CCC cover costs etc.

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Andrew Bruce Thomas

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text It is an eyesore that has been left for too long. It would now be too expensive to repair. It has little architectural significance and has no stonework to link this house to the quarry to speak of.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text If you demolish it keep as many trees as possible. Build a facility with aesthetic street value relevant to the quarries history, perhaps using some quarry stone to link it.
If it's to be a quarry facility building consider having its main access from the back for convenience and less traffic congestion.

Response No:
24

Contribution ID: 43471

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text gwyn edwards

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text Fully support this. It has been a waste of money putting fencing around to stop vandalism.
It is too expensive to repair .
It

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text

Response No:
25

Contribution ID: 43472

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice

As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text

Celyn Edwards

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice

Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text

Waste of money, not particularly historical.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Nicky Edwards

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text A waste of money repairing the house. It is not an architectural structure, nor holds significant historical value. It's an eyesore that is disintegrating. Money has been spent on it: fencing, security cameras, scaffolding. More could be done for the community with these funds and the site.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Sandra Elizabeth probert

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Somewhat

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text I hope that the proposed building remains in character with the area and that the yards do not become a dumping ground for council trucks or machinery. The current house is an eyesore but I would not want council to substitute one eyesore with another.
Also, I hope that this will not add to the traffic flowing down Kennedy's Bush Rd.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text I hope that the proposed building remains in character with the area and that the yards do not become a dumping ground for council trucks or machinery. The current house is an eyesore but I would not want council to substitute one eyesore with another.
Also, I hope that this will not add to the traffic flowing down Kennedy's Bush Rd.

Response No:
28

Contribution ID: 43478

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Dean Schroeder

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice No

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text i grew up in this house from the age of 3 till i was 21 , my father worked at the Haswell quarry during this time so the years 1970 till 1991 , i would be very keen to help with the knowledge i have of this time period and the value of this building to both the stone managers house and the quarry its self
you are able to email on deanschroeder40@yahoo.com or call me 0274356894
Regards Dean

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text this house was used by staff of the quarry and holds a lot of history to the area

Response No:
29

Contribution ID: 43424

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Peter Mitchell

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text The Ratepayers of the Christchurch District cannot afford to keep paying for restoration of "nice to have" buildings. Had the building been maintained over the years, it may be a different outcome.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Sonia Terry Bell

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text Might be an old house but nothing special about an old weatherboard house.

As previously suggested sections could be relocated to Red Zone temporary shelter for homeless. Social services could easily find them and start rehabilitation.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text Pay a community group to relocate, cheaper than council doing this.
Shore up the structure to be safe.

Response No:
31

Contribution ID: 43510

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Benn Dickie

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text I acknowledge there is moderate historical significance to the house in its context of the Halswell Quarry. I do not think this warrants restoration.

The council should demolish and replant the land with native bush. Alternatively demolish and sell off the land, to fund additional planting or land purchase in a more ecologically significant area adjacent to Halswell Quarry.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text

Response No:
32

Contribution ID: 43517

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice

As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text

Jo Wells-Folau

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice

Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text

It is derelict.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Judith Matthews

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice No

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text I lived in HALSWELL until recently. When I lived there the house was fine. It was a great insight into the quarry and those who lived and worked there.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text The cost of restoration is nonsense. Plenty of houses cost less than that to build new!! No need to make every tiny bit genuine. Creating a house that had the look and feel of the original would be better than demolition.

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Cody Cooper

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Somewhat

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text While I don't feel strongly either way about keeping or demolishing this building, it is disappointing to see that it has been allowed to fall into this sorry state of repair.

Given limited funding available for capital projects (especially heritage projects), if I was tasked with having to prioritise between all heritage building city-wide (including the major ones, like the Cathedral, Museum, Arts Centre, etc.), it would be my preference to prioritise investment into those with city-wide heritage value first over a building such as this which is proposed for demolition.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text This is written in my individual capacity only.

Response No:
35

Contribution ID: 43631

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice

As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text

Marco Duff

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice

Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text

The cost to bring back to standard is excessive in times of restraint and its an eyesore currently in what is a beautiful park.

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text

Response No:
36

Contribution ID: 43655

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text Sarah clarke

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice Yes

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text Most cost effective and house holds little significance

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text No

Response No:
37

Contribution ID: 43674

Q1 Are you responding:

Multi Choice

As an individual

Q2 Name of organisation/business

Short Text

Q3 Your role

Short Text

Q4 Full name

Short Text

Gideon clark

Q8 Overall, do you support the plan to demolish HQ Engineer's House?

Multi Choice

No

Q9 Why/why not?

Long Text

It's not in a state of disrepair its in not bad condition

Q10 Is there anything else the Council needs to consider?

Long Text