

299 Cashmere Rd  
Westmorland  
Christchurch  
5/3/13

Dear Sir,

re Lake Tekapo Forest Plantation

We are the owners of 3 Burnett Place Lake Tekapo. Thank you for your letter 3/3/13 re above. It is disappointing to learn that the Forestry Board and the Community Board have decided to remove the trees in Section A. Their removal will result in less protection from the southerly winds but more importantly will irrevocably impair the visual aspect. Replanting as suggested, will take years to establish and will not provide the solid appearance of the block of pines.

The excuse of "public safety" is often used to justify removal of trees. Could you please give us the particulars of what the public requires protection from. Also could you let us know the number of accidents or deaths which the trees in Section A have been responsible for over, say, the last 25 years. Yours faithfully  
John & Barbara Bisphan

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The Chairman  
Forestry Board  
MacKenzie District Council  
P O Box 52  
FAIRLIE

Hello,

As a concerned resident of Tekapo, I find that the decisions made regards our Forestry and associated areas are done pretty much at Council level and not advertised for public and residential comments. My family and mostly all the residents of Burnett Place and Murray Place are a bit taken back by the dictatorial attitude of the Council or Community Board – what is a Community without unity? Personally, I think the Revenue gained by this type of action will seriously impact on the looks of the area – look at the mess down the road to the Power Station.

I do agree that selective logging along Murray Place and even Burnett Place may need to happen, but to rape and pillage this area is rubbish. Remember short term gain will create long tern pain, ie the area from Mt John and from tourist flights will look awful. Although selective logging in the area marked will not return as much money the overall look will remain and I presume new plantings will take place.

This is a very popular track and area for walking, mountain biking and tourists and visitors to get an amazing look over our beautiful little town. You guys forget the appeal of Tekapo is that it is still pretty much surrounded by nature and all we ask is an opportunity to see or speak to the people involved to get a satisfactory conclusion to this. Considerable work is going into the area's to maintain all the tracks etc and trees for us and our children and their children and you guys are just interested in a revenue stream.

Please do not hesitate to contact me as I can have a group of people that would like to meet with Council and the MacKenzie Forestry Board – let's do this and clear up any misunderstandings because you guys have got this wrong so far.

I remain,

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Bevan Cunningham', written over a circular scribble.

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## Murray Cox

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**From:** Sid McAuley [Sid@coolpak.co.nz]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 7 March 2013 10:05 a.m.  
**To:** 'm.cox@xtra.co.nz'  
**Subject:** Re: Plantations.

Greetings Murray,  
I own No. 8,9,10 Burnett place.  
I support your proposal dated 4 March 2013.

I would like the council to look at removing the gum and pine trees from the area east of section A which is across the track from our house.

This area has amenity trees planted which are now being restricted by the gums and pines.

I will be at the house 14/15 March so would be keen to catch up with you and inspect the area.

Kind Regards  
Sid McAuley  
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