

#### 4.8 Did we miss anything out?

We asked participants whether they thought there was something that should be a priority for the Buller region that was not included in the draft list. We asked whether they strongly disagreed with any of the draft outcomes that had been identified.



A small number of comments were received, most highlighted aspects that were covered by one or more of the draft outcomes. These included comments regarding the need for additional health services, better access to sports and recreational facilities etc.

Some general comments were received, a sample of these is listed below.

##### Comments –

“Don’t disagree with any of the outcomes.”

*“A positive image of Buller needs to be a priority. If youth can gain respect and pride for their community, it may help prevent vandalism” (from a student).*

“I think the outcomes lead us in the right direction. It would be good to see statistics to know exactly where we’re heading, and how much, and what needs most improving.”

*“Very good survey and questionnaire.”*

“Survey is overly simplistic and not enough space.”

*“The pride we feel for our community should be reflected in what we say and how we care for it. This should then reflect positive concepts of the region throughout the country, and make Buller a more attractive prospect for health and education professionals considering moving here.”*

“In the last more than 70 years, I have seen Westport grow and change enormously. Keep trying, and keep achieving. Thank you.”

*“I don’t have any problems with the outcomes identified.”*

“I think some of the outcomes identified are government issues rather than local issues – health, education, policing etc.”

*“Thinking big, thinking best and thinking ahead. Constant thinking.”*

“Nothing has been missed. But I’m tired of seeing possible plans for use of resources given the thumbs down under pressure from extremist groups etc.”

*“No, it’s a good list.”*

“More co-operation between DoC, BDC, Transit etc, to develop integrated plans for area/community development.”

*“We need to have more positive publicity about our great region around the country.... I spoke to a Doctor in Christchurch, she said doctors don’t want to move to areas renowned for low socioeconomics and alcoholism.”*

“I don’t disagree with any of the outcomes.”

*“We need to prioritise our community needs – sewerage, water, health services... and stay focused on basics. No ad-hoc funding, strong community 10 year plan.”*

“I don’t disagree with any of the outcomes, it was well planned out, and what was discussed should be done to most places on the Coast.”