

**Submission to Ashburton District Council
on Long Term Plan re: location of second
Ashburton Bridge**

I strongly disagree with the Council's current proposal to build the second bridge along Chalmers Avenue.

1. There will be too much disruption to the Hampstead/~~Netherby~~ suburbs with the extra traffic volumes. Taking trucks along this route will create huge problems.

2. Schools and pre-schools and elderly along this route will be heavily impacted.

Two possible options to consider:

1. Following the line of West Street over the railway line and running a new highway directly adjacent to the current highway with the new bridge between the rail and existing bridges.

Or 2. Straight along West Street, demolish Spraymarks building, with the bridge on the West side of the rail bridge then continuing down the green strip **next to** (but not including) Melcombe Street.

Signed Rayne Donald Date 15/4/21

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