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Subject: FW: Long-Term Plan submission form [#48] EMAIL:04932725

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Hello Team

This email came in through our Customer Services email. Can you please workflow?

Ngā mihi

Christine

Customer Services

----- Original Message -----

From: Woodward Derek Received: 5/04/2015 4:22 p.m.

To: ECInfo; Environment Canterbury; Services Customer; Services Customer;

Webmaster@ecan.govt.nz

Subject: Long-Term Plan submission form [#48]

Your name *	Jon Birtles
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Postcode	
Contact phone number *	
Mobile number	
Email	
Date	Saturday 29 January 1972
Contact details	• I do not wish my contact details to be made public

Your submission

This is how I feel about your proposal, I believe that a increase in rates would leave most of Canterbury struggling to pay their yearly rates, we have been dealing with a very high amount of stress because of the earthquakes, relating to trying to get our properties fixed, the cost unlike what EQC and the council believe has been a financial drain in itself, If you were to increase the rates it could potentially make people sell their properties because they could not afford the rates, which for us personally at the moment is not easy, we will really struggle to cope if you put the rates up as far as you are going to, we have just gone down to one wage as we are starting a family and have not budgeted for this or expected it I think your proposal lacks consideration for the elderly and young alike, I know the council has had to pay out a lot of money because of damage caused by the earthquakes but wonder why the council as a business can not manage to run a company (considering how much monies are received) so they make a profit, as this is the basis of running a company.

Why is it this country makes stupid decisions, example; trans rail, and the people are the ones, not the companies that suffer.

If we had good leadership this council would not be in this predicament.

What do you want Environment Canterbury to do?

Think of other ways to come up with the money, I assume either way its going to be us that pay the money out not the people who cant seem to manage their business in a profitable manner. If the rates need to be increased at least have a long term plan not the so called long term plan you have proposed. Think of it as a ten year plan and start thinking about how your proposals would impact on the people and their lives.