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Public Transport Options

Public Transport is one of the programmes in the Transport and Urban Development portfolio. For the first year of the Long-Term Plan 2018-28 we are proposing changes to the Public Transport programme as outlined in the **Consultation Document**.(on page 14)

To make comment on the Public Transport proposed changes please complete the selection panel below.

To make comment on the the whole Transport and Urban Development portfolio, please use the tab on the left.

Please review the options in the Consultation Document and indicate which option you support: Option 4 – none of the above. (Please provide comment/ideas for an alternative solution)

Public Transport Comments

Please provide any comments.

Councils in Otago and Southland are future proofing 20-30 years ahead.

Why is ECAN only looking at just a 10-year plan, this is just putting a bandaid on transport issues surrounding greater Christchurch and not a 20-30 year plan – get it right once!

ECAN does not just serve Christchurch, you also receive rates from many rural areas that are often forgotten. Even before 2010 there were issues, why have these not been taken into account as Canterbury rebuilds?

Since 2010, thousands of families have moved out of Christchurch and are living in Rangiora, Ashburton, Rakaia and other satellite towns in the Waimakariri and Hurunui and other wider Canterbury areas. Commuting daily to Christchurch for work can take me from 45 minutes – 1 hour 15 minutes both ways to travel 50km. Take into consideration the CO2 emissions we are supposed to be cutting down and

all the other 'green' things we are claiming we do in our advertising to the world, why is rail not being looked at? It would benefit the region, tourists maybe going further afield eg Waipara Wineries, smaller country towns have a lot to offer and could put themselves on the tourist maps on main routes etc.

Cars start travelling on State highway 1 from 5.30am in the morning – I live in Amberley now and wake each morning to it's hum building, it quietens down about 9.30pm at night. I used to commute from Culverden, a nightmare now with the roads in repair. Then in the night you have trucks going through town in the early hours using their air brakes – not pleasant when you are woken by them in the night, trains are back on, set your clocks by them!

Commuters from Hanmer, Waiau, Culverden, Waikari, Cheviot could leave their cars at purposed carparking at Waipara, the train stopping -> Amberley-> Rangiora-> Christchurch Train Stn, buses going to the Bus Depot or main business hubs eg Lincoln, Christchurch Hospital. Others commute from Ashburton-> Rakaia-> etc to Chch Train Station and Springfield-> Darfield etc. All would need carparking – but it works in other NZ cities and overseas, we need to be ahead of the game not always behind the 8 ball.

I would prefer to take train/light rail as we did in Sydney when our family of 6 lived there in the early 2000's (I am in my 50 's). Look also to the aging populations in some of the towns in wider Canterbury, they would hop on a train, I would too if I was in my 70's rather than battle driving and car parks, it would enable them to be mobile and independent.

Canvass the people in the towns and rural areas of greater Canterbury to get their feedback, don't forget us and remember a lot of retired people live in these communities.

Thank you