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Transport and Urban Development Support/Oppose

See page 13 of the Consultation Document.

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I generally disagree with the activity proposed for

Transport and Urban Development.

Transport and Urban Development Comments

Please provide any comments

The increasing of levies to fund these services I see an unavoidable, therefore I am impartial to which of the three options is taken. However, I don't believe that any of these options will solve the underlying issues that are contributing to the symptoms described as needed financing.

Stuff did a news article on this issue a few months ago

(https://www.stuff.co.nz/the-press/news/100454714/why-is-christchurch-the-driving-city-not-taking-the-bus) - the extensive feedback in the comment section of this article commonly describes the christchurch public transport system as inconvenient, with many examples of people opting for e.g. a 10min car ride over a 2hr bus transit. I myself commute from Hei Hei to Lincoln every day for work, its 15min drive or a 1.5hr transit using the bus system. A few years ago I lived in the CBD and worked at Univ. Cant. - again 15min drive or 1.5-2hr bus transit. This is the fundamental flaw in the christchurch public transport system that is minimising the number of people using it - hence minimising revenue from fares, etc... (classic downward spiral scenario)