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Long-Term Plan 2018-28

Comments on any other policies or strategies in the Full Draft Long-Term Plan.

Comments.

Public Transport options.

The bus cutback especially Burwood to Brighton should stay on..I work with older people and they are hurting. Losing their banks, now the bus.

There needs to be a committment to rail to reduce congestion and pollution. Areas like Rolleston and rangiora should be linked by rail.

More focus on encouraging biking to schools...cycle ways to schools, protection around schools for pedestrians and cyclists. In my area...3 schools and 2 rest homes...speed around the river needs to be lower.

Smaller buses in areas of low use and off peak times. the large buses are like elephants around town.

Keep up with cycleways...markings on the road good..but less waste with concrete beams. Cycleways need to continue not run out after the lights..like Brougham Street.

Pedestrians need to have footpaths maintained to a safe standard, many are overgrown by weeds. They are not disability friendly. Poor maintenance overall.

Include disability access in planning.

Freshwater management.

Reduce plastic and rubbish in our waterways. by aiming for plastic bag free Christchurch. Higher fines for littering.

Run off from roadworks and housing development is causing silting of rivers and streams, increasing flooding. Gutters and drains need cleaning more frequently.

RMA and ECAN have not protected our water. Allowing large scale dairy farms, housing developments and overseas bottling companies to take our water, pollute our aquifers has to stop legally.

Heavier fines for littering.

Increasing green spaces, wetlands and trees to flourish mitigates pollution, absorbs water in times of extreme rainfall/storms.

BIODIVERSITY

Strategic placing of roads and motorways, housing development. Once again, urban sprawl is one of the biggest threats to the environment. Areas such as prestons road are an example and Travis wetlands. Road kill and pollution, run off from cars. Slower speeds are needed. Build away from wetlands!

Native plantings and green spaces are needed. Every block of flats going up should have some plantings that mitigate the loss of soil that absorbs rainfall and run off to drains and gives shelter to our birdlife.

AIR Quality

Once again building more highways is increasing more trucks and cars on the road. We need alternatives like rail to reduce Co2 emissions. if you can afford to build highways then we can afford rail.

Stop any business from burning coal, such as Christchurch hospital. Why pick on domestic heating when big business gets away with it? farmers can burn off rubbish and trees, clear land. That is wasteful and polluting.

Transport and urban development

Rail, bus...mini buses off peak and low useage areas. get rid of the big buses..they are polluting the city and are seldom full.

Target cycleways near schools to encourage children to bike more to school...Too may parents driving children to school across town. Cut down speed of cars around sensitive areas like rivers, schools, rest homes, wetlands.

Environment Canterbury

Restore to a democratic process please.

Hazards risk and resilience.

Exits away from coastal areas...people living in coastal areas ..planned strategic exits needs to be clear...

Contribute to reduce climate change as a council it is our responsibiltiy to reduce Co2 emmissions, reduce pollution in our rivers and seas, to protect our marine life, to reduce destruction of habitat for wildlife.

I would also like to see the maintenance of what we have funded. Christchurch was the garden city. Now people dump rubbish in the streets, gutters are filthy, weeds run rampant over pavements, potholes everywhere, the smell of sewerage and davis gelatine is disgusting. This neglect is not as rampant on the other side of town. About time a campaign for stop littering and cut out plastic bags began if you want to protect bio diversity.

The urban sprawl needs to stop. the green belt and fertile land is gone forever thanks to ECAN lack of managment and vision. Stop pandering to cars and developers.