# Long-Term Plan 2018-28

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Environment Canterbury is the regional council for this magnificent region. We need your input to ensure our Long-Term Plan will deliver the outcomes the community wants.

The Long-Term Plan 2018-28 outlines the framework for the types of activities we will undertake from July 2018. It also details the measures that we have put against these activities, and the corresponding financial information, policies and strategies.

#### Feedback closes at 5pm on Monday 26 March, 2018.

You may send your feedback:

By mail (no stamp required): Freepost 1201, Environment Canterbury, PO Box 345, CHRISTCHURCH 8140. Online: Use the online form provided on our website www.ecan.govt.nz/haveyoursay. Please follow the online instructions provided.

By email: mailroom@ecan.govt.nz. Ensure your full name and address is included.

## Use this form to tell us what you think

By providing feedback you agree that Environment Canterbury may use, and may publish, that feedback, including your name and the contact details you provide.

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(If you wish to meet with Councillors to discuss your submission please also complete Q12.)

The work of Environment Canterbury is reported on under six portfolios as outlined in the draft Long-Term Plan document. Our website outlines many of the areas we work in, in more detail. On this form you are asked for feedback on the activity planned under each portfolio as well as on the entire plan and specifically on the Public Transport options. In the comments section under each portfolio, please tell us what you support/don't support about the planned activity, and if there is anything you would like to see more or less of.

Please view our short Consultation Document and full Long-Term Plan supplementary document on www.ecan.govt.nz.

#### 1. Whole Plan

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I generally agree with the activity proposed for the Long-Term Plan. I generally disagree with the activity proposed for the Long-Term Plan.

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#### 2. Public Transport Options

Comments:

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 go to Q7.

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Options
Please review the options in the Consultation Document and indicate which option you support: (please select one answer)
Option 1 – A combination of routes, fares and (targeted) rates changes: small fare and rates increases, reduced Total Mobility subsidy and six routes discontinued.
Option 2 – As Option 1 but larger rates increase, no fare increase: larger (targeted) rates increase, no fare increase, reduced Total Mobility subsidy and six routes discontinued.
Option 3 – As Option 1 but larger fare increase, smaller (targeted) rates increase: minimal rates increase, larger fare increase, reduced Total Mobility subsidy and six routes discontinued.
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3. Freshwater Management See page 6 of the Consultation Document.
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See page 10 of the Consultation Document.
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5. Hazards, Risk and Resilience

8. Regional Leadership See page 5 of the Consultation Document.
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13. Citizens' Panel
In 2018 we will be setting up a 'citizens' panel'. This will enable us to ask for input during the year from a cross section of the community. If you would be willing to be contacted about being part of the panel, please tick the box and provide your email address. Ticking the box now will not commit you to being on the panel.
Please select one of the following:
I am willing to be contacted.
I do not wish to be contacted.
Please write your email address:

# Thank you

11. Supporting Policies and Strategies

Thank you for taking the time to give us your feedback on the draft Long-Term Plan 2018-28.

If you have indicated that you would like to meet with Councillors, please ensure you have given us your contact email and/or phone number. We will be in touch after submissions close on 26 March.

Deliberations take place from 26 March with the final Long-Term Plan 2018-28 being adopted by Council on 21 June 2018.

(If you haven't already please ensure you also have your say on the Long-Term Plan for your local District or City Council).

# Water bottling triggers legal action

#### **DOMINIC HARRIS**

Campaigners are taking legal action against the regional council for allowing bottling companies to take billions of litres of water from underground Christchurch aquifers.

Actearoa Water Action (AWA) believes Environment Canterbury (ECan) "bent the law" by letting two firms, Cloud Ocean Water and Rapaki Natural Resources, to siphon off water from neighbouring bottling plants in Belfast.

AWA spokesman Peter Richardson said the group is taking legal proceedings against all three groups in an attempt to overturn the consents.

He said: "We believe we have a very strong case. We think ECan has bent the law to enable these consents to be granted.

"The council [ECan] is allowing Christchurch's water security to be put at risk for the benefit of a few corporations. They simply don't have the evidence to show that this level of extraction is sustainable or safe."

The two bottling companies have permission to take 8.8 billion litres of water a year - the equivalent of more than 24 million litres a day - but only have to pay a pittance for the privilege.

Due to the Government's position that no-one owns water, it cannot be priced, allowing companies to take and export water at negligible cost. Between them the companies have permission to



The site of a water bottling plant in Christchurch, which used to home the Kaputone Wool Scour.

PHOTO: ALDEN WILLIAMS/STUFF

bottle water from nine bores across the sites, one a former Silver Fern Farms and the other the old Kaputone wool scour, the latter owned by Cloud Ocean Water, though bottling has not yet commenced from any.

A tenth bore, which Stuff reported in December the Chinaowned Cloud Ocean Water had consent to drill, was completed last month and is being "surged" for testing, though ECan is yet to receive an application to bottle water from it.

The Christchurch City Council has concerns the bore, at 186 metres – more than five times deeper than any of the others – could take water from the same aquifer as wells used for the city's drinking water.

The council raised its doubts twice with ECan in July, and a document from December revealed officials are adamant no bottling should take place before tests are carried out.

It said: "It is critical that well interference testing is undertaken prior to any consent being granted for a new 'take' from the new well, even though this 'replaces' the take from the existing shallow well.

"City council staff consider that a consent to take water should not be granted until [they] have had the opportunity to review and get advice on the results of well interference testing."

AWA argues groundwater in the area where the two plants are is already fully allocated, and that previous consents for the companies originally on the sites, dating back around 20 years, should not have been amended and amalgamated in the way they have been to allow for bottling.

Richardson said: "Our view is that [the process] has no basis whatsoever in law, it's just a device that was thought up by ECan to enable them to grant these consents.

"Because they didn't treat it as they should have treated it—as an application to take and use water— ECan took the view that they weren't required to have regard to any of the environmental effects generated by a take of water.

"They simply assumed that because there was an existing right to take water, albeit for a different purpose, they weren't required to consider these effects. We think that's completely wrong."

Richardson said ECan and the two bottling firms have been notified that legal action is being taken against them.

ECan lawyer Catherine Schache said the council would not comment as the issue has been filed with the courts, but said they were "confident in our decisionmaking processes".

A Cloud Ocean Water spokeswoman said the company is yet to receive any notice of legal proceedings against it, but that it has "followed due process" over applications for resource consents.

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