

Comments

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Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation? No, I'm submitting as an individual

Are you willing to tell us more about yourself? Yes

Which age category are you in? 65+ years old

Which suburb or area do you live in?

Do you think we've prioritised the right issues and opportunities? Yes

Which of the proposed options would you like to see us progress with? Option 1: statutory work, prior commitments and accelerating key initiatives

It is important that we hear what you would like to keep in the plan, what you think should be removed, and anything that you think we have missed?

1. Continue emphasis on cleaning up waterways.
2. I have doubts about the public transport proposal only because (in my opinion) the Christchurch public transport system has not been successful simply because of the "wheel spoke" nature of the city. It has been a noose around the Regional Council's neck for years and only a very small percentage of the city population ever use it. With that in mind I consider a huge rethink on how this system might operate in the future otherwise we'll have another 10 years of costs to the Regional Council albeit with pollution free buses but still travelling the city with very few people in them.

Do you generally support the activities proposed in the following portfolios:

Water and Land	Yes
Biodiversity and Biosecurity	Yes
Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development	No
Regional and Strategic Leadership	Yes

Do you have any further comments on the activities proposed in specific portfolio/s (please select all those you wish to comment on): . Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development

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Is the proposed increase in rates affordable for your household? Option 1 is affordable

Any further comments on affordability for your household?

If the public transport was effective there may be a benefit to the residents as well as an improvement in air quality and a possible savings in outgoings

Is the proposed increase in rates affordable as a whole for the Canterbury community? Don't know

Any further comments on affordability for the community?

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Do you support the changes we're proposing to how we apply Uniform Annual General Charges? Yes

Would you support the use of borrowing for operating expenditure to offset some of the first year rates? Yes

Any further comments on the use of borrowing for operating expenditure?

Low interest rates make borrowing an option. Obviously with an eye to future possible interest rate increases

Do you support the rationale and proposed changes in the draft Fees and Charges Policy? Yes

Where do you live in Canterbury? Select your district below: Christchurch city including Banks Peninsula

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Kaikoura

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Hurunui

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Waimakariri

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Christchurch

On-demand public transport services
Using aquifer recharge to manage freshwater quality

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Selwyn

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Ashburton

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Mackenzie

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Timaru

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Waimate

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Waitaki

Do you wish to speak to your submission? No

Would you like to be kept up-to-date with the outcome of this consultation? No

How did you find out about giving feedback? Postcard

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There is personal information/contact details in my submission I do not want disclosed: No