

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
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 2: statutory work and prior commitments

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?

Plan is good

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

Water and Land	Yes
Biodiversity and Biosecurity	Yes
Climate Change and Community Resilience	Yes
Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development	Yes

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):

Is the proposed increase in rates affordable for your household? Neither option is affordable

Any further comments on affordability for your household?

As a retired couple on NZ Super only, we are finding the cost of rates to be more than we can afford and the increases do not keep pace with any increase in our income. There are many people like us on low and fixed income so please keep us in mind when costing any plans you have. If councils (both local and regional) kept rates increases at the same level as our NZ Super increases, then the problem wouldn't exist the same. But the increases to cover sports complexes and bike lanes alone is ridiculous. We played footy in the daytime on a rough old paddock but seems today's mamby pambies need all the comforts - well, let them pay for it in admission prices. In other words, user pays. I know once coucillors are elected they are keen to make their mark - just remember though, it is not your money being committed and the necessities of life need to come first. Be realistic - I'm sure many of us wish we were driving a Ferrari instead of a used Jap Import.

Is the proposed increase in rates affordable as a whole for the Canterbury community? No

Any further comments on affordability for the community?

Keep the costs realistic and in line with everyones income.

Do you support the changes we're proposing to how we apply Uniform Annual General Charges? No

Would you support the use of borrowing for operating expenditure to offset some of the first year rates? No

Do you support the rationale and proposed changes in the draft Fees and Charges Policy? Don't know

Where do you live in Canterbury? Select your district below: Waimakariri district

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

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

Any further comments?

Try and get everyone to contribute - all of us renting or owning properties have to pay rates either directly or indirectly, but what about the churches and other so called charities like Brian Tamaki's organisation who run around on Harley Davidsons. Are they paying their fair share considering their income and lifestyle.

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