

## Comments

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<b>Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation?</b>	No, I'm submitting as an individual
<b>Are you willing to tell us more about yourself?</b>	Yes
<b>Which age category are you in?</b>	40-64 years old
<b>Do you think we've prioritised the right issues and opportunities?</b>	Yes
<b>Which of the proposed options would you like to see us progress with?</b>	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?**

A strong link with council on the social issues that run in parallel to the environmental ones....

1. Penalties for carbon emitting vehicles
2. Incentives for E-vehicles and bikes and public transport
3. A dis-incentive for ongoing commercial building development when we have empty shops and office space around the city.
4. An end to relentless property price increases - lobbying the Government to actually take action on this...We could afford to do a lot more for the environment if people weren't slaves to high mortgages due to profiteering property investors. The Capital gains tax needs to be brought in. Too many lower decile citizens will never own homes. Working with groups like NZ Housing Foundation to get more people into home ownership.
5. Enviro-schools in all schools - but also school garden and cooking programmes that teach children how to grow and prepare healthy food.

6. Upskilling longterm out of work individuals on growing vegetables.
7. Not allowing any young person to leave school and go on a benefit. Redirecting them into Enviro-initiatives such as seaweed planting programmes, cleaning up our waterways, cleaning up litter, becoming ambassadors for the environment.

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

<b>Water and Land</b>	Yes
<b>Biodiversity and Biosecurity</b>	Yes
<b>Climate Change and Community Resilience</b>	Yes
<b>Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development</b>	Yes
<b>Regional and Strategic Leadership</b>	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?** Option 1 is affordable

**Any further comments on affordability for your household?**

We can't afford not to do these things. If we have to give something up to afford it - then so be it

**Is the proposed increase in rates affordable as a whole for the Canterbury community?** Yes

**Any further comments on affordability for the community?**

We have a lot of people who are not working and who would like to find ways to fit in. I know this because I work in healthcare and meet these folks everyday. We need to find ways to include them in our economy. Handouts are demeaning and leave them feeling unvalued and hopeless. How can we get folks on benefits to give back and find meaning? How can we upskill them to grow food, eat better etc?

**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

**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**

**Any further comments?**

Thank you for the excellent planning you have done to date and the clear directions you have set. Implementing is obviously going to be challenging. Educating the public on the need to actually LIVE differently is very important. Starting with children makes sense...and not forgetting the marginalised - who actually may have the time to help out!

**Do you wish to speak to your submission?** No

**Would you like to be kept up-to-date with the outcome of this consultation?** Yes

**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