

## 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?** 40-64 years old

**Which suburb or area do you live in?**

**Do you think we've prioritised the right issues and opportunities?** No

**What do you feel are the significant challenges and opportunities we face?**

More resources to educate the community and encourage the removal of any pest plants. Create programs for private and commercial land owners. Change voluntary compliance to mandatory. I believe this is important to maximize current efforts being undertaken throughout the region

**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?**

Put more resources into education and enforcement of the removal by everyone

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

<b>Water and Land</b>	Unsure
<b>Biodiversity and Biosecurity</b>	Yes
<b>Climate Change and Community Resilience</b>	Unsure
<b>Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development</b>	No
<b>Regional and Strategic Leadership</b>	No

**Do you have any further comments on the activities proposed in specific portfolio/s (please select all those you wish to comment on):** . Biodiversity and Biosecurity

**Biodiversity and Biosecurity portfolio comments:**

Pest free NZ is a joke.

We need to up our game if we're going to really make a difference. Aucklands has a major pest plant problem that is not being managed as effectively as it could be. Areas such as maungakeikei currently has an emerging moth plant and maderia vine infestation not to mention privet pampas , climbing dock, BMG, fennel and everything else you can imagine.

More resources need to be focused on education and removal within the community.

Your parks and reserves are being managed however the residential properties are not. Currently residential properties are providing a seed source making any efforts pointless. I believe the solution is in Educating private and commercial land owners and residence on pest plants and encourage to remove. Changing voluntary compliance to mandatory.

Focusing on properties surrounding parks and reserve actively encouraging problem properties to remove or offering such a service.

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

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

Educating and getting the community by in will actually result is costing less and achieving more towards long term goal for pest free and healthy environment

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

An unhealthy environment will cost everyone way more than money if we don't address the invading plant species in our communities.

**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?** Don't know

**Do you support the rationale and proposed changes in the draft Fees and Charges Policy?** No

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

**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?**

Why does this say I live in Canterbury?  
I live in Auckland

**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?**

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