

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?	Very concerned about the spending on renewing the sub regional plans
Which of the proposed options would you like to see us progress with?	Other option (please specify)
	A 25% rate increase is irresponsible. Ecan needs to reduce spending .
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?	Stop wasting money on redoing Sub regional plans Review non core spending.

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

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

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

- . Water and Land
- . Biodiversity and Biosecurity
- . Climate Change and Community Resilience
- . Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development
- . Regional and Strategic Leadership

Water and Land portfolio comments:

Progress has being made towards many of the outcomes in the EFW, no need to redo the plans.
Should lobby central govt.

Biodiversity and Biosecurity portfolio comments:

Support Zone committees and wet land restoration.

Climate Change and Community Resilience portfolio comments:

Happy to fund flood protection, rest should be central govt.

Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio comments:

I cannot access public transport, so should be user pays

Regional and Strategic Leadership portfolio comments:

Central govt to fund

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

Any further comments on affordability for your household?

This 25% increase in rates will reduce the amount that we can reinvest in our business to improve the environmental outcomes for the catchment.

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

Any further comments on affordability for the community?

There seems to be no accountability for the extra spending and it is spread unevenly across the community.

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

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

Regional govt should budget and spend what is rated. When interest rates rise the extra costs can offset any benefit.

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

Any further comments on the Fees and Charges Policy?

Fees are too high, huge compliance cost for business.

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

The Hekeao Hinds Managed Aquifer Recharge is a pilot of environmental infrastructure to address water quality. To continue enhancing this infrastructure, the project would require ongoing targeted rates from the Ashburton district. Find out more [\[link\]](#). Do you want to see this project continue? Yes

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? Yes

How did you find out about giving feedback?

- . Social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter)
- . Meeting, hui or event

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