

## 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?** No

**Which age category are you 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?

As I read about your difficulties, I am thinking of mine faced with a 24% rate increase when according to the NZ Reserve Bank the Cost Price Index has gone up by 2% a year since 2000. How can such rate increases possibly be justified against this background?

**Which of the proposed options would you like to see us progress with?** Other option (please specify)

An option that is within coee of of the long term Cost Price Index

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

Water and Land	Yes
Biodiversity and Biosecurity	Unsure

<b>Climate Change and Community Resilience</b>	Unsure
<b>Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development</b>	Unsure
<b>Regional and Strategic Leadership</b>	Unsure

**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?**

My pension is based on the CPI. Why are your rates increase an order of magnitude higher?

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

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

**Any further comments on Uniform Annual General Charges?**

Clearly the proposed changes in UAGC's is just another way of putting up rates and charging more for small blocks of land.

**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?**

Surely the fairest way of levying rates is : firstly to have them as low as possible and then on capital value.

**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**

**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?**

No thank you

**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?** . Meeting, hui or event

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