

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

Which suburb or area do you live in?

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 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?

I am supportive of the plan but would like some changes. 1. I want the regulations and laws enforced with real consequences. I am sick to death of hearing how when friends and family have reported cows in rivers and streams, the consequence for the offending businessman has been "education". Imagine if that was the Police response to speeding on our roads? Or "we have a good relationship"... I see this as an example of white supremacy. Where white middle class people can treat the law with impunity. 2. I want increased protection for the very special braided rivers in our district. One way of accomplishing this is to stop flood protection within a reasonable distance of a braided river. It is a huge part of ECAN's budget and I am concerned at how much is spent in reestablishing paddocks that were originally part of the river and taken into private ownership by stealth. I want ECAN to prioritise the environment over

all business interests and I want ECAN to prioritise public interests over private interests. I want the use of Commissioners to make important political decisions stopped. Where is a commissioners accountability? And to who? It is very undemocratic and clearly a mechanism for making decisions that are unpopular.

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):	. Water and Land
	. Biodiversity and Biosecurity
	. Climate Change and Community Resilience
	. Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development

Water and Land portfolio comments:

I am very concerned about the issue of Nitrates in fresh water. This is an issue that is particularly relevant to Canterbury because of our gravel soil and the huge expansion of Industrial agriculture within Canterbury in the last 2 decades. I want the nitrate polluters to pay heavily if they fail to address these issues. I want ECAN to establish rules that cut the number of cows allowed on our soils. I am concerned that farmers are being blamed when they are just doing what good businessmen do..... optimize their profits, when it is the Government agencies and ECAN who are failing to set rules and boundaries and enforce them. In fact, responsible farmers will be expected to compete unfairly with their neighbours who ignore the rules. The Time for softly softly and education is bloody over!

Biodiversity and Biosecurity portfolio comments:

Like the rest of the world, our biodiversity is under threat from development and imported pests. I would like driving banned from the beaches and four wheel drives banned from river beds. I would like all cats to have the same restrictions as dogs, ie, registered and chipped, with a limited number per household. I understand this is the City council but ECAN needs to protect our native species. I am supportive of the plans as proposed.

Climate Change and Community Resilience portfolio comments:

this is very important so that the population understands the reasons for the direction taken. I would like the education to emphaize systemic change rather than individual consumer changes.

Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio comments:

I would like more funding to develop mass public transport. We have lost train access from Rangiora to the city since the Earthquake. It feels like we have gone backwards. Rolleston and Rangiora are two obvious links to Christchurch. I support cheap or free public transport and bring it back into public ownership. The contracting out trial has been a failure. I would like cycling and public transport prioritized over car use.

Is the proposed increase in rates affordable for your household?	Option 1 is affordable
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Is the proposed increase in rates affordable as a whole for the Canterbury community? Yes

Do you support the changes we're proposing to how we apply Uniform Annual General Charges? Don't know

Any further comments on Uniform Annual General Charges?

I want ECAN to move towards progressive ways of funding its activities. This is accomplished by reducing the component of rates that all pay equally and emphasizing the progressive payments.

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? Don't know

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?

Yes. The surest way to make sure that the contaminants in water get into the lowest and purest aquifers is to "recharge" these aquifers. You must stop the pollution at the source, it is your job! Stop looking for anything that allows you to avoid doing what you are there for. Such a dangerous idea!

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?

- . Word of mouth
- . Email

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