

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?

Ecan should priorities should be flood control land and water management biosecurity and biodiversity protection

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

No more than %10 rate rise Ecan should focuses on its core activities

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?

Remove renewing sub regional plans by 2024 we have already spent a lot of money in developing plans

Things like leading community resilience youth engagement climate change resilience enviro youth all look like they will cost a lot of rate payers money for no real gain

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):

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

Any further comments on affordability for your household?

Our rates could more than double to over \$7000 on top of that we have increased compliant cost and fees as well as investment to meet GMP. It looks to me that the rural rate payers are been made to pay for Ecan as well as when we have to use Ecan

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

Any further comments on affordability for the community?

Ecan should reduce its budget to what is affordable.

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?

It should be at least \$100 and be used for projects that benefit people not property. Needs to be shouldered more by the urban rate payer as they get more benefit form the projects

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?

Ecan should set an affordable budget with a responsible rate rise. Borrowing doesn't save money it has to be payed. We all want it now but sometimes we have to wait till we can afford it

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?

No as it will cost rural rate payers a lot more than urban rate payers who will get most of the benefit.
Looks like you are trying to rip off the low voter base and look after the urban vote.

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 . Other initiative/s

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

Any further comments on Hekeao Hinds Managed Aquifer Recharge? Yes

It has been proven to be making improvements and think that it will bring good outcomes for the catchment

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? . Meeting, hui or event

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