

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?	No
What do you feel are the significant challenges and opportunities we face?	Water - having clean, pure water
Do you generally support the activities proposed in the following portfolios:	
Water and Land	No
Biodiversity and Biosecurity	No
Climate Change and Community Resilience	No
Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development	Yes
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
.	Regional and Strategic Leadership

Water and Land portfolio comments:

Ecan's track record on water is not good. Our water ways, the aqua flows have become polluted under your watch. You are also allowing precious water to be taken and sold by international companies making a big profit off-shore. This track record gives no confidence that you can effectively manage this precious resource. Growing up in Christchurch as a child, we had the best water supply, clean unpolluted rivers, water flows that allowed swimming holes - now dried up or polluted.

Regional and Strategic Leadership portfolio comments:

If so much damage has been done to water, this has come from a lack of leadership - there is a lack of leadership and strategic thinking.

Is the proposed increase in rates affordable for your household?

Neither option is affordable

Any further comments on affordability for your household?

I think asking for a 24% increase is simply wrong.

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

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?

Cut the operating expenditure - then you don't need to borrow nor increase the charges

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:

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

. On-demand public transport services
. Using aquifer recharge to manage freshwater quality

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 - I think that there needs to be a re-visit of the strategic direction of Environment Canterbury with a focus on sorting the damage to the water infrastructure of Canterbury, the polluting of the land and rivers that Ecan have aided and supported and stop allowing water to be sold off at a profit internationally when water use restrictions are imposed on citizen's of Christchurch.

Do you wish to speak to your submission? Yes

We may use your phone number to contact you to arrange attendance at a hearing. This information will be kept private.

Phone number

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)

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