

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?	Yes
Which of the proposed options would you like to see us progress with?	Option 1: statutory work, prior commitments and accelerating key initiatives
<p>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?</p> <p>Investing in infrastructure is vitally important as we consider damage to our climate, what effects that will have on our environment and water systems in particular. I think that ECan has found a good balance of investing in things that are overdue for further development. Public transport is key to enable people to move around the town to live full life at work, play and to access health services.</p>	
<p>Do you generally support the activities proposed in the following portfolios:</p>	
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):

☐ Climate Change and Community Resilience
☐ Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development

Climate Change and Community Resilience portfolio comments:

Community resilience and connectedness is key to thriving communities. Being able to visit and get to places of interest around town without relying on car use will support resilience. Public transport does this and contributes to lower emissions compared to household cars. With more frequent extreme weather events this and other water infrastructure is vital.

Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio comments:

As above, plus with the hail storm 2019 we have as a household relied on public transport as a way to get our family around town. Air quality, infrastructure and urban development support health and growing community resilience. Commend ECan on the priority statements and the transformational opportunities in the consultation.

Is the proposed increase in rates affordable for your household? Option 1 is affordable

Any further comments on affordability for your household?

While this is a large increase by percentage of rates, the weekly cost is under \$1 per person- that is tiny compared to having to get a second car, and I am happy to pay a little more so that everyone can have access to clean water, public transport and to support clean air.

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? Yes

Would you support the use of borrowing for operating expenditure to offset some of the first year rates? Yes

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

Interest rates are currently low and the investment in the future is overdue

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: Timaru 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

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 . Using aquifer recharge to manage freshwater quality

Should we continue investing in MyWay by Metro, Timaru's on-demand public transport service, after the trial period is completed? Yes

Any further comments on MyWay by Metro? Yes

My way has been one of the main modes of transport for our family in the past year. It is a fantastic and cheap way to get around. It has helped me when I couldn't drive through injury and to reduce our dependence on single trip car use. Because it goes to all of Timaru, there are people who have access to transport that didn't have before now. We lost a car in the hail storm and have used this for our family's transport. If we were to go back to a set route only, this would be a step backwards. I've heard lots of people from other centres say how great on demand transport would be for their community- Eg mosgiel, ashburton. At our workplace we have also added my way as a travel option for travel to work meetings in town, a way we can reduce our footprint with limited budgets. I would advocate for a long-term adoption of MyWay, to support community resilience, climate change, urban development, kaitiakitanga, māiatanga, whanaungatanga me hauora.

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?

Plenty of comments on facebook on the ltp have your say, were very supportive of the My Way bus service. Not sure if these are captured.

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)
- . Environment Canterbury website
- . Postcard

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There is personal information/contact details in my submission I do not want disclosed: Yes

Tell us which information you do not want disclosed: Phone and email