

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?

The challenges we face are from the costs, mental health and stress placed upon businesses to meet unrealistic targets placed upon the few to satisfy the majority that don't understand where their food and wellbeing comes from for they only think they know

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

more realistic proposals with achievable results for the communities with common sense targets

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?

the difficulties in your plan are unrealistic due to the excessive costs placed upon mum and dad businesses when considering all the public have a roll in our environment and should be paying equally per person meaning [we all make waste, we all pollute the air due to our human activities]

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

Water and Land	No
Biodiversity and Biosecurity	No
Climate Change and Community Resilience	Unsure
Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development	No
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
- Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development
- Regional and Strategic Leadership

Water and Land portfolio comments:

water and land use has been encouraged to use man made products from university graduates to improve the productivity from the land. now we are being punished and made to pay for the advice past onto us by these experts. the towns and cities have prospered from the proceeds and are blaming us farmers for all the countries problems which is unfair for we are a minority and easy to pick on.

Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio comments:

air quality could be improved with the use of hydrogen fuel vehicles. what is Ecan going to do with all the dead toxic batteries from old electric cars. what is Ecan going to do about worn out tires [they should have two years for people to collect tire for Ecan to dispose of free of charge then recycling them into fuel, heat, cement or to generate electricity.] Ecan should be removed for the operation of the christchurch city buses they have been entirely inadequate at running the bus company as regards to the considerable millions that they have absolutely wasted at rate payers expense and with absolute disregard and disrespect to the rate payers. urban development is a city council requirement not ecan or regional council requirement.

Regional and Strategic Leadership portfolio comments:

ecan has no regional leadership the persons heading these departments are simply overpaid department heads and should be disposed of because they employ consultants to do the work for them and they just become the mouthpiece of the department

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

Any further comments on affordability for your household?

regional council need to be accountable for their increase in charges [which they are not] a 50% reduction in staff would be a starting point because the council is unable to reduce costs in its own organization it appears to apply charges at will to cover their incredible increase in costs. it is acting as an unemployment agency employing people and consultants when a lot of the work has already been done outside and supplied to the council at the consenters cost

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

Any further comments on affordability for the community?

ecan needs to concentrate on its core business [land, air and water] and stop trying to run bus companies and giving money away to charities. the increase in charges has stopped individuals donating to life saving and good will charities [ambulance helicopters, hospitals, sports]

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?

ecan doesn't need to borrow money it seems quite capable of increasing the rates to pay for what they need without any emotional consideration for its community. borrowing in one year only extends to another year and so on.

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?

ecan is an overpaid organization and to cover its costs is quite happy to charge what it likes with no regard for its community

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 No

targeted rates from the Ashburton district. Find out more [\[link\]](#). Do you want to see this project continue?

Any further comments on Hekeao Hinds Managed Aquifer Recharge? No

we do not understand why it costs millions of dollars to dig a leaky pond with no real mechanical maintenance required or is it just ecan charges soaking up the millions of dollars in consents and overheads to operate a leaky pond

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?

I would like this to be read out by Jenny Hughey at the hearing
Ecan needs to start respecting the community and people that it is suppose to be working for and not just employing people and constantly increasing its charges to justify its existence with no respect to it community it has become a dictator to its community

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

How did you find out about giving feedback? . Newspaper

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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: names, emails, addresses, phone numbers and personal information