

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? No

Do you think we've prioritised the right issues and opportunities? No

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

Very difficult to force such high rate increases on in straightened economic times. Continue with committed projects and undertake additional projects if they are core activities and rates rise can be maintained at or under 5%.
Showcasing and promoting extravagant programmes demonstrates a lack of connectivity with ratepayers.

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?

Priority should be given to land
, water and flood management bio security and priority habitat protection and restoration

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

Water and Land	Yes
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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?

Rates increase is too high

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

Any further comments on Uniform Annual General Charges?

UAGC is very low, would like to see this increased, the measure of affordability is archaic

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?

Using borrowing as a way to access projects that are unaffordable demonstrates ECANS lack of discipline and also connection with the submitters on requesting a reduction in rates.

Do you support the rationale and proposed changes in the draft Fees and Charges Policy? Yes

Any further comments on the Fees and Charges Policy?

Support charges as long as rates increase is reasonable

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

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

I support this if it is supported by the people that are required to support it. It is a very successful programme but needs to be consulted to those being targeted

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?

- . Social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter)
- . Environment Canterbury website
- . Word of mouth
- . Newspaper
- . Meeting, hui or event

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No