

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

I am unable to choose, as neither option completely covers what needs to be done.

**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?**

Fire risk has not been covered. You have rightly pointed out that climate change will lead to hotter and drier conditions, particularly on the East Coast. Pine and eucalyptus plantations are numerous, and in many cases are dangerously close to settlements, presenting a very real fire risk. We know that fires are becoming far more numerous, and spread very quickly in the dry conditions. Further plantations are planned. There must be planning for fire risk by replanting with more fire resistant native trees. This requires careful management where trees were originally planted to lessen erosion and rock fall.

I don't see enough detail in your report, and would like to know what serious action is being planned around nitrates in the water and the huge amount of irrigation being used to irrigate overstocked dairy farms. We have lost access to clean water and our rivers are drying up and becoming eutrophied and toxic. Urgent action is needed, and support for farmers to move towards regenerative farming. Bus routes in Christchurch are inadequate, particularly since Ecan has cut some and re-routed others. To get people out of cars, reducing congestion, emissions and improving air quality, we need better bus routes, timetables and buses need to be free. Central Government should be supporting this.

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

<b>Water and Land</b>	Yes
<b>Biodiversity and Biosecurity</b>	Yes
<b>Climate Change and Community Resilience</b>	Yes
<b>Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development</b>	Yes
<b>Regional and Strategic Leadership</b>	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
- ☐ Climate Change and Community Resilience
- ☐ Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development

**Water and Land portfolio comments:**

Already commented above.

**Climate Change and Community Resilience portfolio comments:**

Please see comments in previous section.

**Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio comments:**

Please see comment in previous section.

**Is the proposed increase in rates affordable for your household?** Option 2 is affordable

**Any further comments on affordability for your household?**

It is only just affordable. Perhaps those in higher income brackets could contribute more.

**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?** Don't know

**Any further comments on Uniform Annual General Charges?**

The Climate Change Commission has made some similar recommendations, though they have not gone far enough. If Wellington is to act upon their recommendations, then it seems logical to work in with Central Government when it comes to planning and finances.

<b>Would you support the use of borrowing for operating expenditure to offset some of the first year rates?</b>	Yes
<b>Do you support the rationale and proposed changes in the draft Fees and Charges Policy?</b>	Yes
<b>Where do you live in Canterbury? Select your district below:</b>	Christchurch city including Banks Peninsula
<b>Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Kaikoura</b>	
<b>Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Hurunui</b>	
<b>Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Waimakariri</b>	
<b>Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Christchurch</b>	On-demand public transport services
<b>Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Selwyn</b>	
<b>Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Ashburton</b>	
<b>Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Mackenzie</b>	
<b>Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Timaru</b>	
<b>Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Waimate</b>	
<b>Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Waitaki</b>	
<b>Any further comments?</b>	
Please could you use community expertise, particularly where water quality is concerned. I recommend Dr Mike Joy.	
<b>Do you wish to speak to your submission?</b>	No
<b>Would you like to be kept up-to-date with the outcome of this consultation?</b>	Yes

**How did you find out about giving feedback?**

- . Social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter)
- . Postcard
- . Word of mouth
- . Meeting, hui or event

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