

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

#### What do you feel are the significant challenges and opportunities we face?

'E-Cans 10 Year Plan' completely disregards the current sub-regional investment plan that has already been heavily invested in by rate payers to date (\$60 million). E-Can should demand that Central Government recognises these current plans that have already been funded by Canterbury ratepayers. E-Can MUST take this to Central Government to further argue Canterbury's already implemented plan. E-Can must forget it's political alliance with the Labour Party and work for the good of ratepayers and Canterbury's environmental future.

#### Which of the proposed options would you like to see us progress with?

Other option (please specify)

Rate rises should be limited to under 10%. Focus on core activities only.

#### 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?

Remove: renewing of the sub-regional plans. Scale back (or drop) spending money on expenditure items such as: community resilience, investing for the future, enviro schools, youth engagement, climate change resilience and Me uru Rakau. These are expensive programmes with no tangible outcomes. Give priority to: Land & Water, flood protection, Biosecurity & Habitat protection & restoration.

**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>	No
<b>Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development</b>	No
<b>Regional and Strategic Leadership</b>	No

<b>Do you have any further comments on the activities proposed in specific portfolio/s (please select all those you wish to comment on):</b>	. Water and Land
	. Biodiversity and Biosecurity
	. Climate Change and Community Resilience
	. Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development
	. Regional and Strategic Leadership

**Water and Land portfolio comments:**

Do not redo our plans (has E-Can wasted our money in the last 10 years?)

**Biodiversity and Biosecurity portfolio comments:**

Support Biosecurity and some of the biodiversity plans e.g Wetlands, Habitat protection etc. Review all other projects in this portfolio as they high cost to implement without significant benefit.

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

Support: Leading Flood & River Resilience. Oppose: Leading Community & Climate Change Resilience. They sound like a waste of time and money.

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

Urban transport should be continued to be paid for largely by targeted rates. E-Can should not allow urban sprawl into rural areas to continue as it against the recommendations of Rod Carr's Climate Change report.

**Regional and Strategic Leadership portfolio comments:**

Regional & Strategic Leadership should not be the priority or responsibility of E-Can and hence it's ratepayers.

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

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

Most of the financial burden of the Long Term Plan (2021-2031) funding should NOT fall on rural ratepayers.

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

**Any further comments on affordability for the community?**

E can needs to produce an affordable budget and not waste money already invested in developing environmental plans.

**Do you support the changes we're proposing to how we apply Uniform Annual General Charges?** No

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

More financial burden should fall on Christchurch ratepayers.

**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?**

It will continue to affect rate pricing for further into the future.

**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?**

The proposed excessive rate rise will fall disproportionately on the rural ratepayer. We oppose these changes as they will end up costing farmers & business's twice.

**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 targeted rates from the Ashburton district. Find out more [link]. Do you want to see this project continue?** Yes

**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?** . Other (please specify)

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