

## Comments

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**Email address**

**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?** Option 1: statutory work, prior commitments and accelerating key initiatives

**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?**

Retain

\*Climate change resilience,

\*Support the requirements of the National Biodiversity and Freshwater policies

\* Coastal decisive actions

\* Regeneration of the natural environment

\* Continue data collection and sharing peer reviewed information.

x Review

Effectiveness of MAR. It does not address the underlying cause of pollution which regulatory processes should.

**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
- ☐ Biodiversity and Biosecurity
- ☐ Climate Change and Community Resilience

**Water and Land portfolio comments:**

The delay in reinstating the optimum flow (10.9cms DOC) in the Ashburton river has been unacceptable. Consent review 'solutions' from surface water take to 40 metres deep ground water is not acceptable as it still has an effect on the river especially in dry periods.  
The priority should be to reinstate the rivers

**Biodiversity and Biosecurity portfolio comments:**

Many are dismayed by the weed ridden state of the smaller braided rivers in Canterbury. Thousands of Southern Black Backed gulls in the Ashburton deter the other braided river species year after year. Control is a priority.  
Infestation of grey willow in previously unaffected areas in the upper Ashburton is extremely disappointing.  
The proliferation of wallabies should never been allowed to happen. Their control must be a priority  
I support a well funded and effective biodiversity and biosecurity portfolio

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

Climate change focus on a sustainable indigenous biodiversity particularly dryland ecosystems. This loss has been expediential since CWMS  
Plantation tree planting and inappropriate native planting must not be at the expense of native and regenerating shrublands

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

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

We are prepared to pay increased rate.  
User-pays and targeted rates would make the increased rates for our household more acceptable

**Is the proposed increase in rates affordable as a whole for the Canterbury community?**      Don't know

**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?**

No Comment

**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?**

No comment

**Do you support the rationale and proposed changes in the draft Fees and Charges Policy?** Don't know

**Any further comments on the Fees and Charges Policy?**

No comment

**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**

**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?** . Meeting, hui or event

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