

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 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)

The cost of both options is too high. The rates increase should be kept to the Councils self imposed 5.7% average increase over 10 years.

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

Water and Land	Yes
Biodiversity and Biosecurity	Yes
Climate Change and Community Resilience	Yes
Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development	Unsure
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

Water and Land portfolio comments:

It appears that there are different standards for farmers to meeting in relation to GMP depending whether they are in or out of an aggregated consent. The requirements should be standardised for all operators. (LoS9)

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

Any further comments on affordability for your household?

Keep the rate rises to the self imposed 5.7% increase.

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

Any further comments on affordability for the community?

No. Keep the increase to 5.7% or less.

Do you support the changes we're proposing to how we apply Uniform Annual General Charges? Yes

Any further comments on Uniform Annual General Charges?

RD5 Farming supports uniform annual general charges for all activities that benefit all rate payers.

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?

Today's Council should not borrow at the expense of tomorrow's Council.

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?

RD5 Farming supports the fees and charges providing targeted rates do not tax the the users who pay fees and charges a second time through rates increases.

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

This is an important part of plan change 2.

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? . Word of mouth

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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:

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