

## 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?**

You have failed to prioritize the proposed cost increases, you need to look at the areas where cost cuts can be made and non essential activities can be dropped to make it affordable and sustainable

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

The planned funding has to be equitable to support the majority of the community not only the majority which live in Christchurch  
To priorities plans which make it affordable and sustainable

**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?**

Delete items which are not core activities and expenditures which can not be quantified. ECan must have clear and concise goals & targets & avoid huge expenditure on self promotion. Enabling different

sectors of the community to work together therefore less money will be required to build relationships with communities who have been treated poorly. Ecan are capable of going to great lengths - with the concept of the carrot appears visible, there is very little recognition for benefits provided that doesn't come from rates

**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

**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
- . Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development
- . Regional and Strategic Leadership

**Water and Land portfolio comments:**

To stand up to and work closer to Central Government and make them understand the 60M Ecan have spent of rate payers money developing our Essential Fresh Water package can be a staged transition over a longer period of time 2035 not there new date of 2025 so that we don't have to spent tens of millions more .

**Biodiversity and Biosecurity portfolio comments:**

Ecan should not try to deliver the improvements on it's own. Partnerships need to be formed so bulk costs don't fall directly on communities outside of Christchurch for the benefit of all, it's unfair not equitable and will be unsuccessful. We need Ecan to be more transparent, honest and not use our money to litigate against its ratepayers.

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

Need to spend ratepayers money carefully and minimize expenses.  
Climate change will be challenging but everyone needs responsible and start with their local communities.

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

We have (the World) has learnt so much in the last 12 months since our small period of lockdown and some continued lockdowns the continued benefits this has had on the global air quality. Less freight on trucks more on rail. We now have data to support changes and the larger countries have step up, NZL can't afford to lead the world. We still have the same amount of cows globally during the past 12 months

**Regional and Strategic Leadership portfolio comments:**

The discriminatory proposed in rate increases doesn't provide for a cohesive community to work together to achieve shared goals and values.

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

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

It's impossible to talk about affordability with the proposed rates increase being excess of 150% for some in the community. Ecan has a stated policy of limiting rates increase to 5.3% above inflation and CPI. Comparatively little especially for those in Christchurch of 10% according to Jenny Hughey Press article - How is this FAIR?

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

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

The difficulties through COVID - it's unbelievable and irresponsible to propose an average of 24.5% and other government bodies are also increasing rates and charges well above the rate of inflation. This will impacted people in society who can't afford it.

**Do you support the changes we're proposing to how we apply Uniform Annual General Charges?** Don't know

**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's unfair on future generations.

**Do you support the rationale and proposed changes in the draft Fees and Charges Policy?** No

**Where do you live in Canterbury? Select your district below:** Hurunui 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** . Other initiative/s (please specify)

**Other initiative/s (please specify) Hurunui**

Water capture and storage projects/programmes  
Lakes on the foothills piped - would supply all of Canterbury.  
A one off cost.

**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**

**Any further comments?**

Pest control is an on going cost to the farming community, shooting, trapping, and poisoning vermin and pests. Inequality of pest control charges, the 2050 goal, should be funded by all.

**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:** No