

Comments

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I definitely want to support Option 1, but want Ecan to go further .

**The Climate emergency cannot wait , so I want you to do the most you can, and NOW !
It won't be any good looking back and wishing we'd done more.
We have no option but to pay for the actions that are needed now, both through rates
and by borrowing...if not, it will cost us the earth !**

Transport is a huge percentage of our city's GHGs, so I want more investment in public transport, **bus and rail** (and more combined work with NZTA/CCC to improve PT). Bus fares could be reduced, services improved in frequency and routes, and one or more free (electric) buses around the central city, linking up well with other bus routes. We have to also spend money on comms to make these car-free options attractive. Habits need to change, but the change needs to be attractive and easy !

Investing in electric buses will be essential.

On-demand bus services could be encouraged in certain areas. Also promotion of rural ride-share options.

Rail would be so suitable for the Canterbury area, both light and heavy.

Ecan is showing some leadership on transport, thank you !...but please spend/do even more !

We need more spending on **planting**, the regeneration of native forests, and improving our rivers and wetlands.

Fire risk must be part of the planning of planting, esp in Port Hills. Natives not pines.

Environmental Education and Enviro Schools need extra funding, more staff, our young people are vital to progress on climate and environmental matters.

More funding must be available to support **projects run by local environmental groups**.

Also more spending on **coastal protection**.

Budget for more staff to ensure **compliance with water quality** issues, to drastically cut both rural and urban water pollution.

Prioritise river reviews.

These will all cost money, but we ratepayers must be prepared to pay for the urgent actions needed to **slow down Climate Change and to protect our environment** .

Borrowing for some projects with long term benefits would make sense.

In order for rates increases not to disproportionately hit the lower income households, perhaps there could be more targeted rates.

I would also like to see an **STV poll** with the 2022 elections.

Thank you for the opportunity to have some input,

Prue Stringer