

Comments

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Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation?	No, I'm submitting as an individual
Which age category are you in?	-
Do you have any further comments on the activities proposed in specific portfolio/s (please select all those you wish to comment on):	
Where do you live in Canterbury? Select your district below:	-
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

How did you find out about giving feedback?

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Feedback form

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Canterbury Regional Council (Environment Canterbury) is the regional council for Waitaha the Canterbury region. We are taking action together to shape a thriving and resilient Canterbury, now and for future generations.

Our Long-Term Plan sets out the activities, priorities and work programmes we propose to deliver over a 10-year period. It also outlines the costs and how they could be funded.

Please review the Consultation Document and Supplementary Information at haveyoursay.ecan.govt.nz/LTP for more details.

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Consultation closes Sunday 11 April 2021.

Ways to submit this form:

- By mail (no stamp required):** LTP submission, Freepost 1201, Environment Canterbury, PO Box 345, Christchurch 8140
- By email:** mailroom@ecan.govt.nz subject line: LTP submission
- Online:** You can fill out an online version of this form at haveyoursay.ecan.govt.nz/LTP

Tell us what you think

By making a submission you agree that Environment Canterbury may use and publish that feedback, including your name and contact details. If you do not wish for your personal details to be made public, please indicate this in your submission.

Your information is held and administered by Environment Canterbury in accordance with the Privacy Act 2020 and Environment Canterbury's Privacy Policy.

Tell us about you

Name Cathryn McDowell

Address _____

Postcode _____

Phone number _____ Mobile number _____

Email _____

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation?

- ☐ Yes, I'm submitting on behalf of an organisation
- ☒ No, I'm submitting as an individual

Which organisation are you submitting on behalf of?

The following questions are optional, but will help us make better decisions and ensure we're hearing from people across the region.

Which age category are you in?

- ☐ 0-14 ☐ 15-24 ☐ 25-39 ☒ 40-64 ☐ 65+

Do you think we've prioritised the right issues and opportunities?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No
☐ Don't know

Any further comments?

Ecan needs to focus on key items, biosecurity, land and water resource management, flood control

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

- ☐ Option 1: statutory work, prior commitments and accelerating key initiatives
☐ Option 2: statutory work and prior commitments
☒ Other option (please specify)

Ecan needs to get back to its primary goals and learn to work within its budget. A realistic minimal, budget increase not an excessive one.

Tell us what you would like to keep in the plan, what you think should be removed, and anything that you think we have missed?

keep biodiversity and biosecurity protection, managing contaminated land, land and water projects, developing regional parks, flood protection

Remove enviro school funding, climate change resilience, community resilience,

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

- | | | | |
|---|---|--|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water and Land | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biodiversity and Biosecurity | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Climate Change and Community Resilience | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regional and Strategic Leadership | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure |

Water and Land portfolio comments:

Biodiversity and Biosecurity comments:

Climate Change and Community Resilience comments:

only agree with flood and river resilience

Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development comments:

Urban transport should be paid for by those in the urban areas that can access it not those in the rural areas

Regional and Strategic Leadership comments:

The government should be funding enviro schools not ratepayers

Affordability/how we're proposing to pay for these activities

Tell us your view on the affordability of the proposed increase in total rates revenue (under Option 1 or Option 2). Please check our rates calculator ratescalculator.ecan.govt.nz as the increase will be different for different ratepayers, depending on your property and land value and location.

Is the proposed increase in rates affordable for your household?

- ☐ Option 1 is affordable
☐ Option 2 is affordable
☒ Neither option is affordable

Any further comments on affordability?

The huge increase in rates, of over \$3000 is certainly not what I and most rural families would consider

affordable. We now have a lot of addition compliance costs and fees to pay.

Is the proposed increase in rates affordable as a whole for the Canterbury community?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No
☐ Don't know

Any further comments on affordability for the community?

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

- ☐ Yes
☒ No
☐ Don't know

Any further comments on how we apply Uniform Annual General Charges?

Borrowing

Borrowing can be used to spread the burden of a high-cost activity over several years. We usually consider it appropriate to spread the cost of an activity because the benefit of the activity lasts the same time or longer than the repayment period. With a potential 10-year loan period, repayments would have some impact on rates for 13 years.

Would you support the use of borrowing for operating expenditure to offset some of the first year rates?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No
☐ Don't know

Any further comments on borrowing for operating expenditure to offset some of the first year rates?

borrowing money doesn't decrease the amount of money that eventually has to be paid back.

Fees and Charges

Our Fees and Charges Policy sets out how much users will pay for activities like consents, compliance and monitoring, harbourmaster and navigation safety, and holding events in regional parks and forests.

Do you support the rationale and proposed changes in the draft Fees and Charges Policy?

- ☒ Yes
☒ No
☐ Don't know

Any further comments on the draft Fees and Charges Policy?

I agree with user pays as this makes it fair for those not having to pay for a service not used. However I don't think we should have to pay the increase in rates for services that are not used

Those It would seem unfair to have user pays and a huge rate increase to cover the costs, as people would end up paying for things twice

Local projects and new initiatives

We're also seeking feedback on whether we should continue investing in some of our existing projects that are funded by targeted rates or try these new initiatives in other districts. New projects will not commence until 2024.

Should we continue investing in MyWay by Metro, Timaru's on-demand public transport service, after the trial period is completed?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No
- ☐ Don't know

Any further comments?

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 to the local Hinds Plains community between the Ashburton and Rangitata Rivers. Do you want to see this project continue?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Don't know

Any further comments?

I agree with user pays, however if the people in this area are also having to pay a large increase in their rates to cover this will they not be actually be paying for it twice

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area?
(please select all those that apply)

- ☐ On-demand public transport services
- ☒ Using aquifer recharge to manage freshwater quality
- ☐ Other initiative/s (please specify)

Supporting documents

Please attach any documents to support your submission.



Public hearings

If you would like to speak to your submission at a hearing with Environment Canterbury's Council let us know. We will be in touch to arrange once submissions have closed. Hearings will be held on 27, 28 April and 4 May 2021.

Do you wish to speak to your submission?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

There is personal information/contact details in my submission I do not want disclosed

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

Tell us which information you do not want disclosed:

Where did you hear about the consultation?

- ☒ Meeting, hui or event ☐ Environment Canterbury website ☐ Social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter) ☐ Radio
☐ Postcard ☐ Newspaper ☐ Email ☐ Word of mouth ☐ Other (please specify) _____

Any further comments?

Thank you

Thank you for taking the time to make a submission on the draft Long-Term Plan 2021-31.