

From: Environment Canterbury
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To: Have your Say
Subject: Submission on draft Annual Plan 2022/23

Anonymous User just submitted 'Draft Annual Plan 2022/23 submission' with the responses below.

First name

Amy

Last name

Wells

Email address

Suburb

Lincoln, Lincoln

Phone number

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation?

No, I'm submitting as an individual

Which age category are you in?

15– 24 years old

Do you wish to speak to your submission at a Council hearing?

No

Which bus fare structure option would you like to see trialled?

Option 1 (preferred): Fare-free for under 25s, students, Total Mobility and Community Services card holders

Tell us more about why you support the selected bus fare option.

Like many people, I care about our environment. Public transport has the potential to decrease our collective transport emissions, decongest roads and car parks and make travelling around the city more accessible. Like many students, the current bus prices are prohibitive and often it's cheaper just to drive. However, option 1 is especially important because it benefits community service and total mobility card holders. This is a no brainer. One of my friends cannot get a drivers license due to her disability. Bussing enables her independence and freedom. She can go to work or visit friends and not rely on someone else to drive her. One of her disabilities means that walking tires her out more than it would for most people and so we bus or drive a distance that on my own I would walk. Mobility card holders like my friend face many barriers and higher costs to living so this is a fantastic way to help improve the quality of their life rather than them having to pay for every bus ride. Community services card holders are already struggling to make ends meet and it would be great if this was a discrete discount.

Is borrowing and repaying through general rates the right approach for this regionally significant event?

Don't know

Which option for distribution of rates in Ashburton River rating district do you support?

Option 2 (status quo): Keep the current distribution of rates in the Ashburton River rating district.

Would you support a levy to accelerate action in response to climate change?

Yes

What current or future projects or activities would you like to see funded by such a levy?

More solar panels and wind turbines and green energy in Christchurch. More convenient public transport- particularly for students. Free parking at the start of routes so that people can drive to the edge of the city and bus the rest of the way to work. Train network to connect people outside of Christchurch Mitigation - we will have more frequent droughts, floods and storms. Peoples homes and livelihoods will be impacted. How can we reduce the risk and support their recovery.

Any other comments on future funding for responding to climate change?

This is our future. Please prioritise it.

Where did you hear about the consultation?

Word of mouth
Social media (Facebook, Instagram)
