

**From:** Environment Canterbury  
**Sent:** Friday, 11 March 2022 4:59 pm  
**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**

William

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**Last name**

Miller

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**Email address**

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**Suburb**

Upper Riccarton, Christchurch

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**Phone number**

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**Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation?**

No, I'm submitting as an individual

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**Which age category are you in?**

15– 24 years old

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

No

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**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

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

Under 25s and CSC card holders are generally very sensitive to price changes, so making public transport indisputably cheaper than driving into town will encourage much more uptake

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**Any other comments on bus fares?**

Having a reduction in paying customers could lead to a reduction in service numbers/frequency. I urge Ecan to not let this happen, as frequent services are even more essential to PT use than cost. An increase in borrowing or rates could pay for the loss of income, but if it's a straight choice between free, less-frequent services or option 2 with more frequent services I would prefer to see option 2

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

Yes

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

I don't have a preference

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

Yes

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

Acceleration of the cycleway network builds and more cycle lanes added to the network

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**Where did you hear about the consultation?**

Word of mouth

Social media (Facebook, Instagram)

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