

**From:** Environment Canterbury  
**Sent:** Friday, 4 March 2022 4:30 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**

Kirsty

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**Last name**

McMillan

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**Email address**

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**Suburb**

New Brighton, 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?**

40-64 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 2: \$2 flat fare for adults and \$1.20 for children across bus zones 1, 2 and 3

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

People across all age groups are suffering financial hardship and it is fairest to all to follow Option 2.

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**Any other comments on bus fares?**

Rates and other service charges are rising rapidly while income is not. There is not enough parking in the city - and it is very costly. Although I enjoy biking to work as well as busing, biking comes with dangers, especially in bad weather. Please be fair with fees across all Christchurch council services, including buses. Option 2 is the fairest and least complex.

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

No

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**How else might we pay for our share of this work?**

By halting the increasing payrates within council, including the Chief Executive's salary. Many Christchurch residents have been struggling to survive since earthquakes and citizens have been treated unfairly, especially in eastern suburbs where poverty is rife.

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**How do you think recovery from flooding of this scale – events that impact state highways, bridges, rail and power for example – should be funded in the future?**

Through Earthquake commission for infrastructure failures in addressing flooding, roading etc. The rest paid by council by freezing pay.

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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?**

No

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

We need to do it but this needs to be via Government not local government. this needs a co-ordinated response across NZ, not just in Canterbury. I also think Dairy farming needs to disappear pronto. It wrecks our ecosystem and is ethically wrong in terms of animal 'care'. Our rivers and lakes are polluted and run dry due to intensive farming and irrigation. Canterbury does not suit dairy farming - crops and, if needed, sheep, suits this ecosystem.

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**Any other comments on Environment Canterbury's draft Annual Plan or other matters?**

Expecting ratepayers to increasingly pay growing rates, especially when we see little in terms of results, is unfair. Please make Canterbury liveable for all - ratepayers and renters. In this time of inflation and probable economic peril please stop increasing the suffering of the people.

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

Social media (Facebook, Instagram)

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