

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.

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Suburb

Templeton, Christchurch

Phone number

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation?

No, I'm submitting as an individual

Which age category are you in?

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

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

I feel that the full price fare is too high. With option 1, you are simply gaining customers that are financially the most strapped. But you will not change the behaviour of the majority, who will continue to find their car a more comfortable and financially comparable option to using the bus. And since the purpose should be behaviour change of the majority for climate change goals, none of your options is really making any progress.

Any other comments on bus fares?

I don't understand why you are not introducing subscription as is commonly used in Europe. If an adult subscription was, say, \$50/month payable upfront, you'd find that people might actually change their behaviour and use the bus whenever possible - wanting to get their money's worth! You could also do a really good value subscription for children & Community card holders, say \$20/month. I have no doubt this would get bums on seats. I have a reasonably direct bus route from home to work, but I will continue using my car - petrol costs me less than your adult fare.

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

Don't know

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?

I think there should be a mix of council rates, government infrastructure, and there should also be a climate change fund that helps. Not necessarily to restore what is damaged, but sometimes the money

should be used to relocate or make changes, if it is clear that future events will become more frequent and the status quo is just not tenable.

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

I don't have a preference

Any other comments on flood protection in Ashburton?

It's not only about protection / restoration, please start making changes, preparing for a future that will bring more of these events. Stop throwing money after something that will never again be permanently safe.

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?

relocations of houses that are now too low lying, clean up of old rubbish tips which are being exposed by the water levels, moving roads & infrastructure inland and withdraw from areas that are not going to be tenable in the long term. Do not throw out precious money trying to hold back the rising oceans.

Where did you hear about the consultation?

Email
