

From: Environment Canterbury
Sent: Thursday, 3 March 2022 1:51 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

Jill

Last name

Borland

Email address

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 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.

I unreservedly support free access for these groups as from an equity perspective, as this will enable more equal access to services and experiences - especially to those who need it most - well done ECAN!

Any other comments on bus fares?

Though I support option 1, from a climate change perspective, however, I support option two as it hits those who work and would be an incentive for people to bus instead of take their car. We are a professional working couple. Our kids bike/walk to school. While we would prefer to use the bus to get to and from work each day, with us both travelling, it is more expensive for us to both bus, than it is for us to drive one car and park it in town. We also object VERY strongly to giving Wilsons Parking more money... but still we do it because the financial economics of bussing just don't stack up. Could the fares be reduced to make two fares below the price of a Wilsons Carpark to incentivise people to leave their cars at home and contribute to our climate change response as part of our Team of 500,000"? It would make an environmental difference, and likely increase patronage meaning a balance in the longer term. We are happy to be change champions to share our story of converting to bus use (we only started after lockdown last year)

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?

Anything that helps to clean up our rivers and return our natural flora and fauna - especially initiatives that are community or sector led and evaluated.

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

Make sure there is a clear (yet adaptive) and actionable roadmap please and a means of evaluation and holding people to account for action. Too much time has been lost talking - its time for doing.

Where did you hear about the consultation?

Social media (Facebook, Instagram)
