

From: Environment Canterbury
Sent: Thursday, 24 March 2022 10:14 am
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

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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.

Some students who cannot afford bus fares or the rising petrol prices will be choosing to study from home, which would be a less effective study environment and could lead to loss of potential and greater grades in their studies. Free bus fares would benefit them, not only in their studies but also financially. Secondly, free fares for Community Services card holders would add to the financial help given to those with low incomes (the card holders). This could open opportunities for those individuals, such as giving easier access to employment further away from their home or local area which may provide a larger income for that individual and/or family. Both of these examples and more, would help reduce financial strain on students, young adults and those with a low economic status and income.

Any other comments on bus fares?

As the models have shown, lowering bus fares or iradicating them for selected groups, would increase the amount of passengers, therefore decreasing the amount of gas emissions from individual cars on their daily commutes. This would lead to a very positive improvement in greenhouse gas emissions and decrease the amount of damage done on the environment. This would be an excellent step in the right direction to slow down the damages already made so our future children will have clean, breathable air and a better environment to live in.

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

Yes
