From:	Environment Canterbury
Sent:	Thursday, 24 March 2022 2:14 pm
To:	Have your Say
Subject:	Submission on draft Annual Plan 2022/23
Anonymous User just sub	omitted 'Draft Annual Plan 2022/23 submission' with the responses below.
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Email address	
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Phone number	
Are you submitting on be	half of an organisation?
No, I'm submitting as an i	ndividual
Which age category are y	ou in?
65+ 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.
Nothing is free. A manageable if minimal fee would encourage more to use a bus. As bus services require walking and waiting people would feel they were getting value for money and recognition of the constraints they undergo in their contribution to climate change
Any other comments on bus fares?
It would be interesting to read the figures for gold card users v. ordinary paying passengers. A flat rate for the latter might help dispelled the notion that buses are for old people and children
Is borrowing and repaying through general rates the right approach for this regionally significant event?
Yes
Which option for distribution of rates in Ashburton River rating district do you support?
I don't have a preference
Would you support a levy to accelerate action in response to climate change?
Yes

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

I know that the fleet of new buses was an expensive investment but even at peak hours the buses do not seem to be full. Smaller vehicles for the less busy times would be more economical and probably be run more frequently. Also an increase in bus passengers would need better shelter and especially seating than is presently set up at some stops. The present system is an asset to the community but it needs a more positive press .

## Where did you hear about the consultation?

Postcard Word of mouth