

From: Environment Canterbury
Sent: Wednesday, 23 March 2022 2:02 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

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Last name

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Email address

Suburb

Burnside, 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 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 am currently a single mum studying at uni and have a community services card so this would apply for me. My eldest uses the bus to and from school everyday so again being under 25 years they would be able to use the bus for free. It's a great encouragement to get people using the bus system more.

Any other comments on bus fares?

I don't use the bus to get to uni even though this is an option because currently costs me about the same to take my car. As the time at uni is more than two hours I am unable to use transfer and it makes no sense to take a bus for time and convenience if it is going to cost me more than a car trip. I would use the bus system if the cost was less than taking my car. My eldest child also takes the bus to and from school everyday and I believe the cost of this for a student is quite a lot. We are all struggling with the cost of living and we are encouraged to use the public system however we need help with these things and I believe reducing fares as much as possible is a great way to help students especially.

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

Don't know

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

Don't know

Where did you hear about the consultation?

Other (please specify) - University of Canterbury
