

**From:** Environment Canterbury  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 23 March 2022 2:29 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.

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**Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation?**

Yes, I'm submitting on behalf of an organisation

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**Which organisation are you submitting on behalf of?**

The Water and Wildlife Habitat Trust

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**Which age category are you in?**

65+ years old

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**Do you wish to speak to your submission at a Council hearing?**

Yes

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**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

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

supports needy people by reducing cost of living , learning and working .

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

No

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**How else might we pay for our share of this work?**

Boost rating within existing and expanded river rating districts , based upon land user pays approach

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**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?**

general and specific rating system for climate change adaptation combined with a national Climate Change Adaptation Fund

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

Option 1 (preferred): Redistribute rates in the Ashburton River rating district.

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**Any other comments on flood protection in Ashburton?**

Flood management approach preferred where wider riparian reserves established to allow the higher flows within the stop banks. Past high flow restrictions with banks is causing problems with more extreme rainfall event coming. Rates also go to maintaining these wider riparian flood reserves.

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

Yes

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**What current or future projects or activities would you like to see funded by such a levy?**

Healthy waterways adapting to climate change -where levy funds in part go to restoring wider riparian areas along waterways and wetlands in high priority catchments that have high environmental and social values, e.g. Otukaikino catchment, to make the waterways, riparian and wetland habitats more resilient, sequester more carbon and are more use and enjoyable to our community.

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

Implement a community awareness campaign about the risk to our lifestyles and natural environment of a changing climate and practical ways to adapt and improve resilience. Flood control projects, e.g stop banks and willow removal, must include restoring wide riparian reserves with indigenous vegetation to build flooding and wildlife resilience and sequester more Co2

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

Yes, ECan funding of the Community grant programs for landscape and waterways/wetlands restoration needs to be tripled. ECan funding to the Water Management Zone Committees which support community on-ground project needs to be tripled for next year.

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**Where did you hear about the consultation?**

Email  
Meeting or event

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