

From: Environment Canterbury
Sent: Wednesday, 23 March 2022 3:07 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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Suburb

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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?

40-64 years old

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

Yes

Which bus fare structure option would you like to see trialled?

Option 3: Tertiary student concession

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

You should not be raising any rates. You have raised rates enough. You need to reduce spending not increase it and innovate and fine efficiencies.

Any other comments on bus fares?

Why do you not have other alternatives for funding options 1&2 other than raising rates??? This is not really acceptable and shows a lack of creative thinking.

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

No

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

Cut back and make hard decisions. Perhaps review council salaries and bring these in line to the NZ Median income. Decentralize management and move this back to local communities. Why is technology and innovation not providing efficiencies??? Perhaps this a direct council failing that needs to be addressed.

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?

I thought this is what fuel duty's and excise are used to fund???

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.

Any other comments on flood protection in Ashburton?

Let local communities decide on what services they wish to fund and contribute to....I would have more tolerance for use of general rates if I knew the money was being wisely spent. I do not believe this is the case....

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

No

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

If this needs to be a priority then re-prioritize existing council funding.

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

Shows an apparent contempt for members of the public in that you seem to think we are a piggy bank you can keep raiding.....why the perpetual increase in rates and additional fees well above the rate of inflation???? why any increases at all??? we need to find a better way....

Where did you hear about the consultation?

Social media (Facebook, Instagram)
