

From: Environment Canterbury
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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

Johns

Email address

Suburb

Redcliffs, 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 3: Tertiary student concession

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

Option 1 - I disagree with only because under 25's who are working have more expendable income and normally are not paying rates. Giving them free bus fares is totally removing their ability to contribute to reducing climate change, and they are already the ones who will most benefit from reducing any climate change measures so they absolutely should contribute, at least by paying the bus fare and subsidising other users with less financial freedom. They have to pay if they don't take the bus, they have options. I totally support free bus fares for children, Total Mobility and reduced fares for CSC and students. Lets actually help those who need it due to reduced financial circumstances out side their control, and those who are striving to become more - ie students. Option 2 is ok, but not targeting those who need help - I am happy to pay in full when I bus, as I can afford to, and I hope I am subsidising those who can't. Option is one step towards supporting those who are doing something to help themselves and others. Without penalising a small working minority again (the rate payers).

Any other comments on bus fares?

Totally support discounted / free fares for our vulnerable and isolated and those who are studying / working to improve themselves. 100% oppose discounted fares for financially able adults.

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?

Was this a surprise flood in an area with no known history of flooding and no man made problems? If not -targeted Rates / Insurance levies on flood prone areas for people who chose to live there, use the money for future proofing rather than regular repairs.

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?

District wide solutions need to be funded by the district and a small proportion by national, ie those used for nationwide transport

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

I don't have a preference

Any other comments on flood protection in Ashburton?

Applying learning to make necessary future proof changes is good

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

Yes

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

Support for local groups working in this area already. Regenerating native bush to reduce erosion, increase water catchments / ability to deal with higher rainfall or drought. Protection and clean up of waterways, urgently! Helpful education and support for farmers to reduce damage to land and waterways.

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

Win wins always good ie encouraging Farmers to convert streamside areas to natives, brings back bees, could add diversity of income to farm via hives or pollinating crops.

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

Rate payers are a finite resource, we can't just keep making more money. Perhaps ECan needs to relook at the old methods of having assets to aid with finances

Where did you hear about the consultation?

Email
