

**From:** Environment Canterbury  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 22 March 2022 10:35 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**

Nicholas

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**Last name**

Slegers

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**Email address**

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**Suburb**

Upper Riccarton, Christchurch

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**Phone number**

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

No, I'm submitting as an individual

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**Which age category are you in?**

15– 24 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.**

I am 21 year old uni student, I am obviously cost conscious, so of course I would want a free fare as it is in my best interest. But I also want to use my car as little as possible for environmental reasons, we MUST reduce carbon emissions, change is going to have to happen eventually, and it will, so it is great that chch is planning to get ahead by implementing a no fare plan. I bike and the busses work great with bikes to get around the entire city. However, it is reasonable often that I forget my metro pass, and can't get a bud home or to a venue, forcing me to either Uber home or drive myself. Additionally, the council often host events for many other demographics, like family fairs. As a young student, I feel it is only fair that as I pay rates (through my rent) that I get something that serves me and my demographic as well. We often don't get a voice in local government (mostly because we don't vote) so it will be great if a bus fare scheme is implemented which will allow chch to get ahead of the future, while also enabling its citizens to reduce their carbon emissions

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

Yes

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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?**

Yes

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

I don't have a preference

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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?**

A greening of the red zone native plants would be fantastic, providing incentives for greener businesses, zoning to allow increased den city in city center, light rail

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

Social media (Facebook, Instagram)

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