

From: Environment Canterbury
Sent: Tuesday, 22 March 2022 4:48 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

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 2: \$2 flat fare for adults and \$1.20 for children across bus zones 1, 2 and 3

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

As a Diamond harbour resident, I feel that I get little service out of the rates that i do pay and Option 2 (with \$4 ferry fares) would be the best option for me. This is for the following reasons: 1) The Diamond harbour ferry is the ONLY means of public transport in the area. If the Regional Council is serious about getting people to use this service (instead of driving around the harbour) then a fare subsidy is a good measure. 2) As a DH resident, it is not fair that I be charged a targeted rate for the 'preferred option' (Option1) when I get little or no benefit. 3) The 'preferred option' (Option 1) is far too restrictive in the application of the incentive. Surely any incentive should apply for ALL of the community. Option 1 suggests that ratepayers would be targeted for the benefit of those who may not pay as many rates (eg: Under 25's). How can this be fair? 4) The 'preferred option' (Option 1) imposed the largest addition cost burden on the ratepayers. Although Option 2 has lower CO2 emissions reductions, the savings are still significant and show the best balance between extra rates costs to the ratepayer and emission reductions.

Any other comments on bus fares?

If Option 1 is chosen, then the Regional Council should consider the application of the reduced Diamond Harbour ferry fare for actual Diamond Harbour residents and the full fare for the 'day trippers'.

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

No

Where did you hear about the consultation?

Social media (Facebook, Instagram)
