

From: Environment Canterbury
Sent: Tuesday, 22 March 2022 4:36 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

Alex

Last name

Lewis

Email address

Suburb

Ilam, Christchurch

Phone number

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation?

No, I'm submitting as an individual

Which age category are you in?

15– 24 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 1 (preferred): Fare-free for under 25s, students, Total Mobility and Community Services card holders

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

Christchurch is a very wide city that prioritises driving as a means of transport. I don't own a car and live in the university area, which means that my prime means of getting around Christchurch is through bus, bike or walking. If public transport was free for under 25s, I think it would motivate me much more to travel into town, and to other places in Christchurch to go shopping, enjoy the sights and for work. Currently I spend too much of my limited income as a student on transport to go to work. Biking is a useful way of getting around but there are many parts of Christchurch that are cut off from safe bike lanes.

Any other comments on bus fares?

Public transport is a necessity, and I think that because of the way the Christchurch bus pricing works, charging once no matter how far you go on one line, is disproportionately affecting people like me who mainly use the bus to go relatively short distances such as from the university campus to Riccarton Mall or into town, rather than all the way to Sumner.

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

Yes

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

I don't know

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 think it should be funded through things such as the Emissions trading scheme and other methods that are designed to curb the effects of climate change, seeing as they are the causes for the increasing frequency of flooding

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

I don't have a preference

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

Yes

Where did you hear about the consultation?

Print ad or billboard
Social media (Facebook, Instagram)
