

From: Environment Canterbury
Sent: Friday, 18 March 2022 5:25 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.

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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?

25-39 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.

Public transport is an essential part of addressing the climate crisis, so I support option 1 on the grounds it will have the greatest impact on emissions. I also support that it provides targeted assistance to more vulnerable groups who may not have access to alternative transport options. Giving better car-free access to the city to a wide range of people also encourages a more vibrant and inclusive cityscape.

Any other comments on bus fares?

Although I support specifically supporting at need populations; I think it's also important that the council continue developing and advocating the bus system as a viable alternative to using a car, rather than just an option for people who are unable to drive. I would like to see more experimentation and investment in fare structure and services to try and encourage a broad range of riders. The current fuel price spike and potential government funding for public transport give opportunities to expand usage of the network and to make up for the drop in ridership during the pandemic.

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

Yes

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?

No Answer

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

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

Expansions of the public transport and bike lane networks. Supporting farmers to move away from emission and water intensive dairy farming to more sustainable options.

Where did you hear about the consultation?

Email
