

**From:** Environment Canterbury  
**Sent:** Friday, 18 March 2022 12:15 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**

Glenda

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**Last name**

Hicks

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**Email address**

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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?**

65+ years old

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**Do you wish to speak to your submission at a Council hearing?**

No

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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.**

Option 1 targets the most needy, and would encourage these people to get out and about. Also helps with shopping. It would also be good to encourage young adults to use public transport.

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**Any other comments on bus fares?**

Please consider extending free pensioner fares to all hours. I find it annoying that they stop after 3.00 pm. I use the bus to and from the airport and my flights don't necessarily fit with the current policy. When I visit a friend in Auckland, I can get free bus and ferry fares at all hours.

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

No

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

City rate payers should not have to pay for remedial flood work in rural areas. It is unclear what is meant by "our share."

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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?**

1. Funded by central government. 2. ECAN should take a lead in recognising scientific facts about human interference with braided river systems. This is a significant part of the cause of human consequences, including farms and properties next to rivers. You can be part of the problem, or part of the long term solution, depending on your vision. Short term fix is not always wise.

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

Option 1 (preferred): Redistribute rates in the Ashburton River rating district.

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**Any other comments on flood protection in Ashburton?**

See above. 14.

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

No

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

A levy will make not one bit of difference - any more than a "carbon tax" does. Efforts should go into education and enabling of people to do what they can to make a difference. eg. planting trees. Utilising research from eg Lincoln University. Electrifying public transport.

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

Other (please specify) - Anglican Action web site

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