

**From:** Environment Canterbury  
**Sent:** Monday, 28 March 2022 4:08 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**

Rochelle

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**Last name**

Thomson

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**Email address**

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**Suburb**

Rangiora, Rangiora

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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?**

25-39 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.**

I'm a student, so this would radically impact my choices in terms of driving vs bussing into town every day. While I often need to travel with lots of equipment due to the nature of my degree, the days I don't, this gives me a really clear and inviting alternative in terms of free transport vs the cost of my car.

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**Any other comments on bus fares?**

It hurts that there isn't currently a tertiary student discount - it costs a lot already to live and I can't work full time right now. With intentions to become a teacher, I'm going to be in service to our rangatahi for the rest of my career. It feels pretty short sighted that I'm having to work so hard to exist in order to get this study done.

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

Don't know

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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?**

Better composting support in households across the region

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

Social media (Facebook, Instagram)

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