

From: Environment Canterbury
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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.

If Canterbury is to do its part in reducing emissions, public transport accessibility and increased options must be improved. For those that cannot afford or use bikes or electric vehicles, public transport should be free.

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

No

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

Farmers that choose to encroach on Crown land close to rivers should be fined and forced to remove their stock from these areas. Farmers that use land in high risk areas should pay higher rates to help pay for the protection mechanisms, why do everyone else have to pay for their privilege to farm the land?

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?

Highways, rail & essential bridges should be funded by NZTA. Access to electricity is fundamental need - this should also be insured by the local council and funded by rates.

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.

Any other comments on flood protection in Ashburton?

Those that farm in high risk flooding areas should be subject to increasing rates to 'insure' their land so that the general ratepayers are not paying for their business. Land near to braided rivers should be reclaimed by the crown over time and reinstated as wetlands, braided river pathways and ecological reserves. The risk and annual expectations ie. 1in 20 or 1 in 50 years clearly need revising based on new climate change information as these events are obviously increasing in occurrence and will continue to do so as long as we continue such intensive farming.

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?

This levy should be placed on businesses (especially farms) that have the greatest impact on climate change.

Where did you hear about the consultation?

Meeting or event
Social media (Facebook, Instagram)
