

**From:** Environment Canterbury  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 30 March 2022 12:32 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**

Petra

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**Last name**

Arthur

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**Email address**

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**Suburb**

No Answer

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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?**

15– 24 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 fully support making fares free for under 25s, students, Total Mobility and Community Services card holders. In Christchurch 53% of our carbon dioxide emissions come from transport. An equitable, accessible public transport system is vital if we are to meet our goal of becoming carbon neutral by 2050. By doing this it would make buses more accessible and appealing for the wider population to use. For many people in Christchurch it is still cheaper to travel in a private car, despite the ownership costs, the harmful emissions and the increased congestion this causes. By making this move more people would be encouraged to take action towards cutting their carbon emissions, which would overall lower Christchurch's emissions. It also signals ECan's commitment to lowering Christchurch's emissions. The climate crisis is happening now and now is the time to support people to choose sustainable transport. We cannot afford to wait.

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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?**

As long as people's needs are still available for a sustainable cost.

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

Word of mouth  
Meeting or event  
Social media (Facebook, Instagram)

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