

**From:** Environment Canterbury  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 29 March 2022 10:19 am  
**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**

Sarah

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**Last name**

Flanagan

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**Email address**

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**Suburb**

Avonhead, Christchurch

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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 2: \$2 flat fare for adults and \$1.20 for children across bus zones 1, 2 and 3

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**Tell us more about why you support the selected bus fare option.**

I think that making the bus fares more affordable for all people will help increase the usage of the bus system beyond those who are already likely to use it. I would like to see the bus be viewed as a more affordable option to personal car use, especially and including people who commute a longer distance. A simple, easy-to-understand, and low rate for all potential users is the most likely way to achieve this goal, in my opinion.

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**Any other comments on bus fares?**

I strongly believe that tertiary students need lower bus rates, the same as or similar to the rates for children. I also find Option 1 to be appealing, but I do not think it would increase uptake of the bus routes for the people who are commuting daily from places such as Rolleston, which is a group I do think that we should be targeting to try to reduce the commuter personal car usage in Christchurch.

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

Yes

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

The only other option that would be feasible (that I can come up with) would be to pull money from other funded projects, which does not seem like a good idea.

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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?**

I think that each year funds should be allocated in the budgets to help cover these events, as they are likely to become commonplace. If those funds are not spent at the end of the year, they could roll over to the next year.

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

Yes

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

I would hope that the funds would also go to trying to prevent devastation due to climate change.

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

Email  
Postcard

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