

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?

65+ 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

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?

Buy adequate insurance to cover damage.

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?

Central government can provide funds from the consolidated fund or better still apply the quantitative easing approach when and after events happen.

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

I don't have a preference

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

No

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

Any plans or schemes by ECan to alter climate will be absolutely futile. What fool thinks that any activity from a minuscule little area administered by ECan could have any effect on global climate. This proposal is a means of bleeding more money out of ratepayers that are already stretched to the limit.

Any other comments on Environment Canterbury's draft Annual Plan or other matters?

Councillors should be sticking to the basics of ECan responsibilities and seeking ways to reduce the ever-growing burden on ratepayers. Look at ways of reducing rates rather than seeking to spend more. Every councillor and staff member at ECan should spend a minute of each working day before he begins his days work, thinking and paying homage to the people from whence the money comes. This might have the effect of having staff make better judgements when it comes to spending money that is supplied by ratepayers. Before any person from ECan spends a single \$. He should ask himself 3 small questions. 1. Is this good for the ratepayers 2. Is the ratepayer getting good value for the spend. 3. Is this good business. Hopefully then ECan can arrest some of the ridiculous and vast amounts of wastage that occurs people have the ability to spend public money.
