

From: Environment Canterbury
Sent: Sunday, 3 April 2022 12:49 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

Anthony

Last name

Blackstock

Email address

Suburb

Seadown, Seadown

Phone number

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?

I don't have a preference

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

I am outside of any bus routes and so travelling by bus is not an option.

Any other comments on bus fares?

There is a cost and in the end someone has to pay. My opinion would be Free for Total Mobility, \$2 for student and Community Services card holders and \$1 for children across bus zones 1, 2 and 3.

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

Yes

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

I qualify my yes with the proviso "to an extent"

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?

The Government needs to provide more funds and I am saying up to 75% of the repair bill. Infrastructure such as highways, bridges(especially on State Highways) and rail are national assets so ratepayers are facing demands to subsidise repairs.

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

I don't have a preference

Any other comments on flood protection in Ashburton?

I live outside the district and cannot make any comment.

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?

The planet has always been subjected to severe weather patterns which cause death and destruction so no change down through the ages. We have little or no influence on our climate like we have no influence on earthquakes or projectiles that enter the earth's atmosphere from outer space.

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

Severe flooding can cause more damage to riparian infrastructure if river beds are not kept clear of instream vegetation(e.g the Hinds River) or existing river channels are sealed off(e.g The South Branch of the Rangitata River). Environment Canterbury needs to be more proactive than reactive when severe flooding occurs and it will be found that the repair bill will be far more conservative.

If you would like to give feedback via video, add a link to YouTube clip or Dropbox file below

None

Where did you hear about the consultation?

News article
