

**From:** Environment Canterbury  
**Sent:** Saturday, 2 April 2022 2:42 pm  
**To:** Have your Say  
**Subject:** Submission on draft Annual Plan 2022/23

torfrida just submitted 'Draft Annual Plan 2022/23 submission' with the responses below.

**First name**

Torfrida

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**Last name**

Wainwright

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**Email address**

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**Suburb**

South New Brighton, 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?**

65+ years old

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**Do you wish to speak to your submission at a Council hearing?**

Yes

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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.**

My primary concern is the climate/ecosystem crisis. We have no hope of bringing in effective measures to manage these crises unless we bring everyone with us, and we can only do that by addressing the big inequities of wealth and income in Aotearoa. Free fares for these groups goes towards redressing these inequities.

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**Any other comments on bus fares?**

I support free public transport for everyone. I support a living wage and public ownership of the bus system, to improve staff wages and conditions Time is also important - Id like to see the My Way Timaru bus trial tried in Christchurch. Living in South Brighton it takes me 4 buses and 1.5 hours to get to Lyttelton, Sumner or even Woolston.

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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 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?**

Partly through local council rates and partly through central government measures to fund climate adaptation eg removal of carbon credit subsidies on high-emitting industries. I strongly support ECan to lobby central government to take responsibility for its lack of effective climate action and support councils in funding what is needed to deal with the climate-related disasters. More detail - i n 2020 over

\$190 million in carbon credits were given away for free to major polluters under the Emissions Trading Scheme. The price of carbon credits has risen substantially, so the value of the “free allocations” are likely to be much higher now than \$190 million. Despite beginning a phase out process, many large polluters will still be receiving free carbon credits by 2050 at a time when the country is legally required to reach net zero carbon emissions. We need to stop giving away free carbon credits and start using the money to create a fairer and more just world.

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

I don't have a preference

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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?**

I strongly support the activities you are proposing in the current annual plan and commend you for taking the climate/ecosystem crisis seriously and seeing its links to social inequities.

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

(to be added)

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

Social media (Facebook, Instagram)

Word of mouth

Email

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