

**From:** Environment Canterbury  
**Sent:** Saturday, 2 April 2022 4:02 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**

Rebeka

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**Last name**

Martinka

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**Email address**

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**Suburb**

Woolston, Christchurch

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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 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 think it is an excellent option because it helps the people who need it most. Under 25s, students and TM and CS card holders generally have less financial stability than other groups and rely on public transport more. I fit into more than one of those categories and I know that it would have been a massive help for me to be able to use public transport for free. I use the bus to get to uni and get home from uni pretty much every weekday and this initiative could have saved me thousands of dollars in the last five years. Recently I had some unexpected costs come up and with the addition of the current living cost crisis I was only able to get to uni 2 or 3 times a week because I couldn't afford more than that in bus fares. Having fare-free transport would have been a massive help in this situation, so this option would definitely have very tangible positive consequences for the groups mentioned above.

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

Don't know

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

No Answer

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

Email  
Word of mouth

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