

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?

40-64 years old

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

Yes

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

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

I feel it is a healthy balance. Besides, I believe if there is no cost, the free-fare users may not respect the service as much. Munich's MVV tried a similar plan and found more problems and disruptions because suddenly there were disruptive youth using the free system that wouldn't have gone on the buses and trains in Munich if they still had to pay a portion of the fare, but since there was no cost, there was no downside to being disruptive and disrespectful of other passengers. The moment they reverted to a minimum fare, the troublemakers stopped using the service and overall ridership experience improved again.

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?

The farmers diverting rivers and not implementing flood mitigation on their lands should also be charged a fee that could pay for the flood damage and repairs. Some farmers are responsible, but others cut costs, and one of the places they cut costs is in dealing with land management of so-called hundred year flood plains. Agricultural land needs to have a significant rates increase with a rebate for those farmers showing water runoff management (including their pesticide and fertiliser usage)

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?

The current flood protection doesn't seem to have a provision to address toxic runoff from fertilisers and pesticides.

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

Yes

What current or future projects or activities would you like to see funded by such a levy?

The ocean surge is going to have the biggest impact on Canterbury within the next 30 years. We need to invest in sea storm water barriers now, not wait until they are flooding out Christchurch. We need to stop all burning of grasses and trees both in urban and rural areas. The amount of CO2 from burning is a major part of the problem.

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

Clean water. We need to stop adding poison to the water in the form of chlorination (ban the use of chlorine and chloramine in our water system). Environment Canterbury should also immediately test for chlorine and chloramine along with sulphur and nitrate testing of all water ways and drinking systems. Environment Canterbury should monitor and advise Taomata Arowai with regards to any and all water treatment and the impact on the environment and the people.

Where did you hear about the consultation?

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