

Help develop Auckland's climate action plan



Auckland Council is looking for your input into addressing rising carbon emissions and the effects of our region's changing climate.

We will use this feedback to draft Auckland's Climate Action Plan, which will then go out for public consultation in early 2019.

An independent advisory group of national and international technical experts will be appointed to rigorously check and challenge the work, and to ensure implementation stays on track.

The start of council's work on developing a climate action plan coincides with the beginning of public consultation on the government's Zero Carbon Bill.

Why do we need a climate action plan?

Auckland's climate is changing. We're already experiencing higher temperatures, increased drought, more intense rainfall and sea-level rise and we expect to see more change over the next 100 years. Climate change will impact us – our communities, infrastructure, economy and the natural environment.

The government has signalled its intention for New Zealand to achieve net zero emissions by 2050 but Auckland's carbon emissions are not decreasing. Auckland is already taking action but there is more work to do. New Zealand has made a commitment, via the Paris agreement, to keeping temperature increases below 1.5° Celsius.

Auckland's Climate Action Plan is how we will help New Zealand achieve this by rapidly reducing greenhouse gas emissions and improving the resilience of the region.

- Read the [full article](#)

Climate change and climate risks are big subjects affecting New Zealand cities, towns and local centres.

Auckland business associations have experienced emergency situations relating to our climate recently. These include increasing temperatures, extreme weather like the floods in New Lynn and Panmure, and rising sea levels affecting Orewa and our other coastal centres.

Risk management is an important part of centre management and BID programme operation and changes in our climate could be considered a risks that impact on business operation.

Please tell us:

- 1. What climate changes have you noticed as potential risks to your town centre and BID programme?**
- 2. What do you need to be better prepared to the impacts of these climate changes?**
- 3. What do you see as future priorities relating to climate change?**
- 4. What can you suggest is the best way to engage with your business community to help us all be better prepared for climate change and managing climate risk?**
- 5. What other organisations or partners would you like to work with and engage with on this subject?**

