## **Climate Committee** (A Committee of the Whole)

# 1 Purposes

- 1.1 Oversee, review and report to Council on the management and delivery of Greater Wellington's strategies, policies, plans, programmes, initiatives and indicators for climate change mitigation and adaptation.
- 1.2 Provide effective leadership on climate change for Greater Wellington and the Wellington Region on climate change mitigation and adaptation.

## 2 Specific responsibilities

- 2.1 Apply Council's Te Tiriti o Waitangi principles when conducting the Committee's business and making decisions.
- 2.2 Oversee the development and review of Council's climate change strategies, policies, plans, programmes, initiatives and indicators; and recommend these matters (and variations) to Council for adoption.
- 2.3 Review and monitor, by considering regular reports from relevant activity areas, Greater Wellington's progress towards delivering on and achieving Council's climate change strategies, policies, plans, programmes, initiatives and indicators.
- 2.4 Advise Council on how best to incorporate climate change mitigation and adaptation into other strategies, policies, plans, programmes, initiatives and indicators, including consideration of local, regional, and international best practice approaches.
- 2.5 Advise Council's representative on the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee on Greater Wellington's position on regional climate change projects (including the Regional Climate Emissions Reduction Plan and Regional Climate Adaptation Plan).
- 2.6 Advocate for the alignment and advancement of central government's and other external organisations' programmes and initiatives in climate change programmes and initiatives, working alongside the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee.

## 3 Delegations

- 3.1 The Committee has the authority to approve submissions to external organisations on matters pertaining directly to the Committee's purpose.
- 3.2 Where a matter proposed for consideration by the Committee (including during the development of proposed Greater Wellington plans and policies) is of strategic importance to the Wairarapa Constituency, that matter shall first be referred to the Wairarapa Committee or its members for their consideration.

#### 4 Members

All thirteen Councillors.

#### 5 Quorum

Seven Committee members.

# 6 Meeting frequency

The Committee shall meet twice each year, with additional meetings as required.