



# Briefing: Regional Emissions Reduction Plan – Project Update

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**11 October 2023 – 4.00pm**

## Attendees

**Elected Members:** Cr Briggs (via audio-visual link), Cr Dyer, Cr Edwards, Deputy Mayor Lewis, Cr Mitchell, Cr Morgan, Cr Parkin, Cr Shaw, Cr Stallinger, Cr Tupou, K Yung (Petone Community Board).

**Staff:** J Griffiths, Director Strategy and Engagement (via audio-visual link); J Kingsbury, Acting Director Economy and Development; A Geddes, Director Environment and Sustainability; C Parish, Head of Mayors Office (via audio-visual link); M Randall, Senior Advisor – Climate and Sustainability; J Scherzer, Head of Climate and Solid Waste; H Singh, Advisor Strategic Planning and Business; R Hardie, Head of Strategy and Planning; V Gilmour, Democracy Advisor.

## Apologies

Mayor Barry, M Henderson (Petone Community Board), T Harker (Wainuiomata Community Board).

## Absent

Cr Barratt, Cr Brown

## **Presenter**

Arya Franklyn, Project Lead – Regional Emissions Reduction Plan, Greater Wellington Regional Council.

## **Introduction and Key Objectives of the Briefing**

The purpose of the briefing is to update Council on the current work of the Carbon Reduction Plan and what the next steps are to get the region's emissions down.

## **Presentation by A Franklyn, Project Lead – Regional Emissions Reduction Plan from Greater Wellington Regional Council**

### **Slide 1 - (Header)**

### **Slide 2 – Wellington Regional Leadership Committee (WRLC)**

The purpose of the committee is to focus on the big regional issues and opportunities that cross boundaries, like transport, housing, climate change and iwi capacity.

### **Slide 3 – Wellington Regional Leadership Committee Programme**

There are 19 projects within the WRLC programme at varying levels of progress – three are climate change projects.

### **Slide 4 – How will we do this?**

By identifying the key shifts that the region needs to make to reduce emissions.

### **Slide 5 – Core group**

The core group help run the project. There is a representative from each Council, as well as other sectors and areas.

### **Slide 6 – Steering group**

The steering group is the Central Government representation who provide another layer of guidance and direction to the project team, ensuring the project remains on track and reaches its goals and objectives.

### **Slide 7 – Carbon emissions inventory 2021/22**

Change in gross emissions between 2018/19 – 2021/22

### **Slide 8 – Total gross emissions 2021/22**

The three biggest areas for emissions in the region.

### **Slide 9 – Total gross emissions 2021/22**

Other areas of emissions to keep an eye on.

### **Slide 10 – Regional Carbon Modelling graph**

### **Slide 11 – Regional Carbon Modelling – uncommitted and committed actions**

The uncommitted and committed actions scenario shows the gap between our net emissions and target.

### **Slide 12 – Regional Emissions Stakeholder and Partners Forum**

### **Slide 13 – Next steps**

## Questions and discussion points

- The Regional Emissions Reduction Project is on track to be completed by March 2024. A plan has been developed and identified key areas to reduce carbon emissions at a regional level within this time.
- The Future Development Strategy (FDS) is under consultation. The FDS Project Lead is on the WRLC core team to keep projects connected. Work is ongoing to have the projects in sync with one another.
- The WRLC is aware the plan is operating outside of the LTP process, where Council's funding for climate change is likely going to local projects.

## Next steps

- End of October 2023 - have a draft strategic framework developed, with focus areas, potential actions and advocacy opportunities.
- Present this draft to the WRLC at a workshop being held on 30 October 2023.
- By end of December 2023, following further refinement, the draft plan will be presented to the WRLC, with final sign off by March 2024.

## Briefing materials

**Attachment 1** – Presentation: Regional Emissions Reduction plan – Project Update.

**The briefing closed at 4.45pm**