Environmental Review Group: Areas of Interest (Meeting summary from 1 October 2012)

Strategic Area	Work Programme	Key Pieces of Work	ERG Interest
Transport	Regional projects (including	Basin Reserve to Airport	Co chairs for transport & ERG to get together
	long haul flights)	 Improved transport and economic outcomes 	Track Airport company Master Plan
		 from Port Access from State Highway 1 	Note possible impacts of port and rail
	Encourage sustainable transport	Walking and Cycling (mode share, point of	Focus on public & alternative transport and
		• difference)	community impacts
		Public Transport Spine study	OAP focus
		 Options for the trolley bus network 	
Economy &	Attract talent	Long Haul Aircraft landing in Wellington	Runway extension impacts
Jobs		Destination Wellington	Runway noise
	'Open for Business' services	Open for Business (understanding business	Green growth development opportunities
		 drivers and working to enhance them) 	
Capital City	Investment partnerships with	Memorial Park & physical enhancements	
Status	government	Civics Programme	
		 Strong Government Partnerships 	
		Strong Links with Education	
	International relationships	Strong International Relations leveraging our	
		capital city status	
Earthquake	Resilience planning	Earthquake Prone Buildings Policy and	Climate change impacts (e.g. sea level rise,
Resilience		Strengthening	extreme weather events)
		Options to manage Heritage and Earthquake	Community/neighbourhood resilience
		Resilience	(including business continuity, rainwater
		Sea level Rise (informed debate and	storage, community gardens)
		engagement on the issues)	Overlaps with CDEM

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Eco-City	National/international recognition	 An Open Spaces Framework that protects and enhances our City Waste Management Minimisation / Water Conservation Partnerships with Victoria University, business and govt to enhance and develop our credentials 	 Open Spaces Framework Waste management/minimisation Water Conservation Biodiversity action plan implementation Town belt (defining feature) Maritime/harbour focus
Community Participation	Develop a volunteering strategy Community engagement	 Volunteering Strategy Regional Affordable Housing Strategy Engagement Framework 	 Impact of losing GWRC care groups Community projects (e.g. eco-restoration, community gardens) Community engagement for environmental issues & opportunities
Reform & Governance	Local government reform engagement	 Productivity commission Local Government Reform Financial Sustainability policy implications / asset management planning assumptions District Plan review Review currency of Council strategies 	 Support school environmental programmes? Environmental topics from District Plan Review (new scope) National policy statement on indigenous biodiversity Local government reform impacts on environmental monitoring/protection
Other			 Earthworks (gully filling, watercourse culverting & sediment control) Sustainable energy generation Pest management (ecosystem impacts)