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## ORDINARY MEETING

OF

## WELLINGTON REGION WASTE MANAGEMENT AND MINIMISATION PLAN JOINT COMMITTEE

### AGENDA

**Time:** 09:30am  
**Date:** Monday, 10 July 2017  
**Venue:** Committee Room 1  
Ground Floor, Council Offices  
101 Wakefield Street  
Wellington

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### MEMBERSHIP

Councillor McLeod	Upper Hutt City Council
Councillor Peterson	Masterton District Council
Councillor Pannett	Wellington City Council
Councillor Greathead	Carterton District Council
Councillor Craig	South Wairarapa District Council
Councillor Bridson	Hutt City Council
Councillor Elliot	Kapiti Coast District Council
Councillor Gaylor	Greater Wellington Regional Council
Councillor Ford	Porirua City Council



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## **AREA OF FOCUS**

Under the Waste Minimisation Act 2008 territorial authorities were required to develop a Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (WMMP) by 2012.

In 2011, 8 Councils in the greater Wellington region adopted the first regional WMMP. The Councils agreed that a Joint Committee should be established to oversee the implementation of the WMMP.

**Quorum:** 4 members

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## **1 Meeting Conduct**

### **1.1 Apologies**

The Chairperson invites notice from members of apologies, including apologies for lateness and early departure from the meeting, where leave of absence has not previously been granted.

### **1.2 Conflict of Interest Declarations**

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have.

### **1.3 Confirmation of Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 June 2017 will be put to the Wellington Region Waste Management and Minimisation Plan Joint Committee for confirmation.

### **1.4 Public Participation**

A maximum of 60 minutes is set aside for public participation at the commencement of any meeting of the Council or committee that is open to the public. Under Standing Order 3.23.3 a written, oral or electronic application to address the meeting setting forth the subject, is required to be lodged with the Chief Executive by 12.00 noon of the working day prior to the meeting concerned, and subsequently approved by the Chairperson.

### **1.5 Items not on the Agenda**

The Chairperson will give notice of items not on the agenda as follows:

***Matters Requiring Urgent Attention as Determined by Resolution of the Wellington Region Waste Management and Minimisation Plan Joint Committee.***

1. The reason why the item is not on the agenda; and
2. The reason why discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

***Minor Matters relating to the General Business of the Wellington Region Waste Management and Minimisation Plan Joint Committee.***

No resolution, decision, or recommendation may be made in respect of the item except to refer it to a subsequent meeting of the Wellington Region Waste Management and Minimisation Plan Joint Committee for further discussion.



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## **2. General Business**

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# **DRAFT WASTE MINIMISATION AND MANAGEMENT PLAN 2017-2023: REGIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS PAPER (FOLLOWING PUBLIC CONSULTATION AND LOCAL DECISIONS)**

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**Item 2.1**

### **Purpose**

1. To provide an overview of the regional feedback received during public consultation processes for the Draft Wellington Region Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (WMMP) (2017-2023).
2. To detail the amendments to be made to Draft WMMP Local Action Plans, as directed by the territorial authorities (TAs) of the Wellington region.
3. To detail recommendations made by TAs to the Joint WMMP Committee (otherwise referred to the Joint Committee), to amend regional (non-operational) aspects of the draft WMMP.
4. To inform Joint Committee discussion and decision making with respect to WMMP amendments.

### **Summary**

5. This report sets out the high level outcomes of TA WMMP consultation processes within the Wellington Region.
6. Detail of TA decisions and recommendations can be found in Attachment 1 to this report.
7. In summary and as indicated below, across the region a total of 836 written submissions were received on the WMMP.
8. The submissions received signal a strong level of support (between 85%-100%) for the proposed primary regional target, which is to reduce the waste sent to municipal (class 1) landfills from 600kg per person per annum to 400kg per person per annum by 2026.
9. Submitter feedback also illustrates that there is a high level of support for the proposed regional actions, as well as for the suite of local level TA action plans.
10. In response to the submissions received, seven out of the eight TAs have amended their local WMMP Action Plan's.
11. Territorial authorities have also referred several regional matters to the Joint Committee for their consideration. These matters are discussed in more detail in the body of this report.

### **Recommendations**

That the Wellington Region Waste Management and Minimisation Plan Joint Committee:

1. Receive the information.
2. Note the amendments made by territorial authorities to their respective Draft WMMP Action Plan's (as detailed in Attachment One).
3. Review the recommendations made by territorial authorities of the Wellington Region pertaining to regional (non-operational) aspects of the draft plan (as detailed in Attachment One).
4. Agree to the following plan amendments:
  - (i) Add reference to "*The Litter Act (1979)*" in the bullet point list on Page 10 of the Draft WMMP.
  - (ii) Under section 1.1.1 'Why work together?' add a new sixth bullet point (a. below), and a new paragraph immediately following that bullet point (b. below):
    - a. *"Supporting tangata whenua in the exercise of kaitiakitanga, which broadly refers to the exercise of guardianship by the tangata whenua of an area in accordance with tikanga Māori in relation to natural and physical resources. Kaitiakitanga also includes the ethic of stewardship, and includes the responsibility of ensuring that a resource is secured and in a fit state to pass onto future generations.*
    - b. *The tangata whenua view of reality is that the world is interrelated and interconnected. Therefore tangata whenua are bound, through whakapapa (lineage and genealogical descent) to the natural environment. Issues of waste management are therefore of concern to iwi, as well as to the wider community."*
5. Agree that the following recommended 'new action' be added to the plan:
  - (i) Add a new regional action (R.LM.5) "*In conjunction with the wider work on the resilience of the Wellington region, undertake analysis on the resilience of our waste systems in the Wellington region, and through regional engagement provide advice on how to deal with waste in an emergency*". (Action title proposed as "*Resilient waste management systems*" under Leadership and Management).

## **Background**

12. On 27<sup>th</sup> February 2017 the Joint WMMP Committee agreed that the draft Wellington Region WMMP (2017-2023), together with the Wellington Region Waste Assessment, should be released for public consultation. These documents were then referred back to eight Wellington TAs for consultation.
13. Each TA then initiated a public notification and consultation process, as required in accordance with the special consultative procedure prescribed within section 83 of the Local Government Act (2002). As part of this process Councils held hearings, and provided submitters an opportunity to speak to their submission with decision makers.
14. In support of the eight individual TA consultation processes, on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> January, Council officers met and consulted (respectively) with iwi representatives of

Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira Incorporated and the Port Nicholson Block Settlement Trust.

15. As a result of this consultation, it was established that these iwi organisations remain interested in waste management and minimisation issues within their rohe (territorial boundaries). It was further established and agreed with Ngati Toa, that prior to any new and significant waste management and minimisation projects being publicly consulted on via any subsequent Annual Plan (or Long Term Plan) process, that the relevant TAs will first discuss such potential projects with the iwi representatives.
16. In addition to regional iwi consultation, Council officers also notified 54 key waste industry stakeholders (via letter) of the proposed WMMP.
17. Territorial authorities also collectively ran a series of WMMP promotional radio adverts, which ran for a period of 10 days in early May. It is noted that this advertising campaign intersected with all of the eight TA WMMP consultation phases within the region.
18. To support the individual TAs in their consultation process and to help ensure regional consistency in the provision of information on the Draft WMMP, a joint consultation website titled “Waste Free, Together” ([www.wgtnregionwasteplan.govt.nz](http://www.wgtnregionwasteplan.govt.nz)) was developed. The site is still live and now reflects that the consultation is closed and that the final plan is expected to be adopted by each Council in August 2017. The site could also be utilised beyond the adoption of the draft plan to provide information updates on implementation, where appropriate to do so.
19. In response to the eight TA public consultation processes, a total of 836 written submissions were received on the WMMP. As noted below, the majority of these submissions were received by Hutt City Council.

<b>Territorial Authority</b>	<b>Total # written Submissions Received</b>
Hutt City Council	530
Kapiti Coast District Council	36
Upper Hutt City Council	73
Porirua City Council	71
Wairarapa Councils (combined)	20
Wellington City Council	109
<b>Total</b>	<b>836</b>

20. The eight TAs have now completed their local hearings processes, and have subsequently identified a range of amendments to be made to their local Action Plans contained within the WMMP.
21. Territorial authorities have also identified a number of regional matters for the Joint Committee’s consideration.

## **Results**

22. Between the 22<sup>nd</sup> March – 19<sup>th</sup> May, the eight TAs of the Wellington Region publicly consulted on the Draft WMMP. Across the region, Councils consistently consulted on the three primary aspects of the plan, including the:
  - Proposed primary regional target
  - Proposed regional actions

- Proposed local actions

23. Council's also additionally asked whether submitters had any additional feedback on the draft plan.
24. In addition to the regionally consistent aspects of consultation, Wellington City Council asked some specific local action questions. These questions focused on:
- What else submitters would like to see in WCC's local action plan
  - Collaboration between the region's local councils (around waste minimisation)
  - The option of a more comprehensive kerbside collection (including organics)
  - Further investigation into the establishment of a more comprehensive kerbside collection
25. A statistical summary of the regional consultation feedback is provided in the table below. Please note that not all submitters responded to all the questions. As such, the percentage calculations are based on the total number of submitters who answered the relevant consultation question.

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**26. Regional Overview of WMMP - Percentage of Submissions In Support**

<b>Question:</b>	<b>Hutt City Council</b>	<b>Upper Hutt City Council</b>	<b>Kapiti Coast District Council</b>	<b>Wellington City Council</b>	<b>Wairarapa Councils</b>	<b>Porirua Council</b>
'Do you agree with the following'?	Support %	Support %	Support %	Support %	Support %	Support %
Proposed Primary Regional Target	92%	85%	86%	97%	100%	86%
Regional Action: R.R.1: Develop & Implement a Regional Bylaw	87.5%	86%	71%	92.7%	88.9%	78%
Regional Action: R.D.1: Implement Waste Data Framework	84.1%	88%	62%	98.8%	100%	78%
Regional Action: R.E.1:Regional Engagement	86%	93%	62%	100%	100%	84%
Regional Action: R.C.1: Optimise Collections Systems	92.6%	93%	67%	97.9%	100%	84%
Regional Action: R.IN.1: Resource Recovery Network	91.5%	95%	80%	98%	100%	77%
Regional Action: R.IN.2: Beneficial use of biosolids	90%	92%	79%	96%	88.9%	81%
Regional Action: R.LM.1: Shared Governance & Service Delivery	88.4%	94%	71%	97.9%	100%	83%
Regional Action: R.LM.2: Proposed Regional Action: Resourcing for Regional Actions	81%	89%	57%	96.8%	100%	70%
Regional Action: R.LM.3: Proposed Regional Action: Collaborate	86.9%	94%	60%	99%	100%	79%
Regional Action: R.LM.4: Proposed Regional Action: Lobby	85.6%	89%	64%	93.6%	88.9%	78%
Local Action Plan	92.32%	71%	72%	95.7%	87.5%	79.6% (average)

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## Discussion

27. Following the submission process, each of the eight TAs held individual hearings, deliberations and decision making processes.
28. As part of the decision making process, each Council was required to:
  - (1) Make decisions on all local operational WMMP matters; and
  - (2) Consider making recommendations to the regional WMMP Joint Committee to deliberate on as non-operational WMMP matters.
29. In line with the Terms of Reference for the Joint Committee, the Committee is now asked to consider the recommendations received from TAs, and to make decisions on the scope of the draft plan amendments.

### **Territorial Authority Recommendations for the Joint WMMP Committee:**

30. The following discussion outlines and contextualises the six recommendations made by the TAs to the Joint Committee. These recommendations are also noted in Attachment One.
  - **Support for the regional waste minimisation target**
31. As indicated within the table above, the regional submissions process has signalled that there is a strong level of support for the draft plan's proposed regional target to reduce waste by a third over the next ten years. Written submissions convey an associated regional support rate of between 85-100% in favour.
32. Notwithstanding this support, a number of submissions have requested that the plan adopts a more ambitious target that is more in line with the "waste free" (zero waste) vision.
33. In response to the support expressed for the proposed regional target, and in light of the requests made for the adoption of a more ambitious targets, Councils have predominately responded by recommending that the Joint Committee retain the proposed regional target, to reduce waste by a third over the next 10 years (as recommended by the Wairarapa Councils; PCC; UHCC; KCDC and WCC).
34. The Wairarapa Councils have specifically noted that they consider the existing regional target to be appropriate, as preliminary modelling has indicated that this target is potentially achievable, and because it remains an aspirational goal for Councils within the region.
35. Porirua City Council has additionally noted the potential implications of a more ambitious waste reduction target. Consequently, when considering submitter requests for a more ambitious target, they have asked that the Joint Committee consider the potential implications for TAs of such an action.
  - **Managing hazardous waste (including hazardous medical waste)**
36. At a high level, TA submissions have reinforced the importance of, and need for safe and effective forms of hazardous waste management.
37. As highlighted within a submission made by Interwaste to the Wellington City Council, Kapiti Coast District Council, Porirua City Council and the Wairarapa Councils, the management of hazardous medical waste exists as an associated matter that requires attention by Councils within the region.

38. In response to the Interwaste submission, the Wairarapa Councils have specifically recommended that the disposal of hazardous medical waste be recognised as being a regional issue.
39. Porirua City Council further recommended that the management of household medical wastes, sharps, pharmaceutical waste, mercury and sanitary waste be considered in the proposed investigation of a regional solid waste bylaw, with consideration given to the scope of the problem and implications of including this into the bylaw.
40. Wellington City Council has specifically included a new local action to: “Investigate options for domestic hazardous waste tracking and safe disposal.”
41. As noted by Kapiti Coast District Council, the current wording of regional action R.R.1 provides a mandate to investigate this issue, and if appropriate, to regulate the disposal of hazardous medical waste management through bylaw provisions.
  - **Recognising the implications of landfill pricing**
42. The issue of landfill pricing has been identified in submissions received by Wellington City Council, Porirua City Council, Kapiti Coast District Council and the three Wairarapa Councils.
43. In response to a request to raise landfill prices as a means to drive waste minimisation, Porirua City Council have recommended that this matter be considered by the Joint Committee for inclusion as part of promoting and investigation options for shared governance and service delivery arrangements (being regional action R.LM.1). The Wairarapa Councils have similarly recommended that this matter be considered by regional committee.
44. Within the submissions received, it is suggested that the cost of landfill disposal does not adequately reflect the true, longer term (environmental and social) cost of landfill disposal.
45. A Wellington City submitter has further elaborated that:

*“Landfill fees in the Wellington Region are unreasonably cheap – low cost and high accessibility has led to competition between landfills, which has further reduced the cost, undermining diversion activities” (WCC s#103).*
46. In terms of addressing this issue, it is reiterated that Council officers will have the mandate to investigate this issue in accordance with regional action R.LM.1 shared governance arrangement.
47. It is also be noted that, although the majority of relevant submissions advocate for an increase in landfill pricing in order to incentivise waste minimisation, some submitters have indicated concern over the affordability of landfill disposal.
  - **Acknowledging the importance of kaitiakitanga**
48. The Joint Committee are asked to recognise the importance of kaitiakitanga within the draft Plan. As broadly understood, kaitiakitanga refers to the exercise of guardianship by the tangata whenua of an area in accordance with tikanga Māori in relation to natural and physical resources.

49. Within a submission received by Wellington City Council, a submitter has requested that the plan's text be amended to acknowledge that importance of tangata whenua as kaitiaki of the land and waterways; and to acknowledge the special interest Māori have in protecting the environment from pollution from landfills and littering for future generations.
50. Wellington City Council therefore recommends that Joint Committee amend the WMMP in a manner that recognises the importance kaitiakitanga.
51. As detailed in the recommendations contained in Attachment 1, the proposed amendment seeks to recognise that kaitiakitanga also includes responsibility of ensuring that a resource is secured and in a fit state to pass on to future generations. The amendment therefore provides explicit acknowledgment that waste management is a concern to iwi, as well as to the wider community.
- ***Recognising the need for resilient forms of waste management***
52. Wellington City Council further recommends that the Joint Committee consider the establishment of a new action advocating the need for resilient forms of waste management within the region.
53. The new addition is primarily focused on promoting the effective and safe management of regional and local waste streams in the case of an emergency.
54. As recommended by Wellington City Council, the new action would sit under the regional category of 'Leadership and Management', and is proposed as follows:
- [R.LM.5] "In conjunction with the wider work on the resilience of the Wellington region, include through our communication and educational channels, advice on how to deal with waste in an emergency as well as undertaking further analysis on the resiliency of our waste systems in the Wellington region.
55. Following the Joint Committee's consideration of this proposed action, and subject to their support of the new action in principle, it is suggested that the Joint Committee review the wording of this action.
56. To enhance the clarity of the proposed action, a revised version of the action is suggested below:
- "In conjunction with the wider work on the resilience of the Wellington region, undertake analysis on the resilience of our waste systems in the Wellington region, and through regional engagement provide advice on how to deal with waste in an emergency".
- ***The importance of regional lobbying***
57. The importance of regional lobbying was very apparent within submissions received across the region. The issue of single use plastic bags is noted as being a particular lobbying issue for the region.
58. The Wairarapa Councils further noted that the use of polystyrene exists as an issue requiring lobbying attention.
59. As highlighted within a submission made to the South Wairarapa District Council, some supermarkets within the Wairarapa are continuing to use polystyrene meat trays. As

requested by the submitter, Council(s) should be explaining what steps are being taken either to:

*“... dissuade supermarkets and other retailers from stocking items with such packing materials, or to find ways to dispose of them that do not involve land-filling” (s#10).*

60. Although the Wairarapa Councils acknowledge that associated forms of lobbying can be undertaken in accordance with the existing regional action R.LM.4, it is noted here to bring this matter to the Joint Committee’s attention.

**Other matters:**

61. In addition to the specific recommendations made to the Joint Committee, it is important to note the existence of a regionally consistent submission theme connecting to service delivery optimisation.
62. Across the region submitters have reiterated the need for cost-effective forms of service delivery optimisation. Within submissions received by Hutt City, Upper Hutt City Council, Porirua City Council and Kapiti Coast District Council, submissions further convey a preference for cost-neutral forms of service delivery optimisation. Within the submissions received from Wellington City Council (relating to localised consultation questions), a small proportion of submitters also indicated the need for costing information in order to establish their waste management service preferences.
63. As more implicitly recognised within a range of submissions received across the eight TAs, when considering the matter of cost-effectiveness, it is important that Councils recognise the environmental costs of landfilling.
64. While this regional submission theme primarily relies on the operational work programmes relative to each Council, and therefore is not a matter for Joint Committee consideration, it clearly highlights the importance of further Council work investigating the options for advancing cost-effective forms of service delivery that enhance landfill diversion.
65. A final point to be noted by the Joint Committee, is the establishment of a new Wellington City Council action relating to landfill capacity.
66. As a consequence of the submissions process and in the response to the landfill price issue raised, the Wellington City Council have included the following new action:  
*“Work in collaboration with other councils to review landfill capacity with the potential for the closure of one landfill regionally, in the future”.*
67. This action is highlighted here as the implementation of this action will rely on ongoing communication and collaboration with other TAs within the region, particularly Hutt City Council and Porirua City Council.

**Next Actions**

68. The Joint Committee is now asked to consider and approve the changes proposed to the regional parts of the draft WMMP.
69. Subject to the Joint Committee supporting the recommendations made in this report, the Committee will meet again on the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2017 to review and accept the plan changes.

70. Once approved by the Joint Committee, the draft plan will then return to the TAs for their review and adoption.

**Attachments**

Attachment 1. Territorial Authority Draft WMMP Decisions and Recommendations

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## **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

### **Engagement and Consultation**

Consultation was undertaken in accordance with the Special Consultative Procedure by all eight TAs of the Wellington region.

Early engagement workshops were held with council officers, Ngati Toa and Port Nicholson Block Settlement Trust representatives prior to adoption of the draft plan for public consultation.

### **Treaty of Waitangi considerations**

Not applicable at this time.

### **Financial implications**

The financial implications of the (non-operational) regional actions detailed in this report will be primarily limited to officer time for investigations and implementation of the WMMP.

All responsibility for direct costs associated with operational delivery of waste management and minimisation action plans, including investigations and projects, will continue to reside with the respective TAs delivering the action.

### **Policy and legislative implications**

1. The following have been given consideration in development of the Draft WMMP:

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- The Waste Minimisation Act 2008
- The Local Government Act 2002
- The Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996
- The Resource Management Act 1991
- The Health Act 1956
- The Health and Safety at Work Act 2015
- The Litter Act 1979
- Climate Change (Emission Trading) Amendment Act 2008
- The New Zealand Waste Strategy
- Waste Assessments and Waste Management and Minimisation Planning: A Guide for Territorial Authorities (2015)
- Regional Policy Statement for the Wellington Region (2013)
- The constituent councils' Long-term Plans

A detailed explanation of how this legislation, policy and guidance has been considered is available in the Regional Waste Assessment (2016) which was also adopted for consultation alongside the draft plan.

### **Risks / legal**

The review of the Draft WMMP is a statutory requirement under the Waste Minimisation Act (2008) at least every six years.

### **Climate Change impact and considerations**

Regionally, waste management emissions (primarily the practice of landfilling and transport) has an impact on climate. Adopting the plan with a target to reduce waste by a third would likely significantly reduce sector specific emissions if/when the actions are implemented.

The potential impact of options and decisions (positive or negative) on emissions can be explored as a part of the cost benefit analysis for any future proposal to be considered by each TA.

**Communications Plan**

Not applicable at this time.

**Health and Safety Impact considered**

The Draft WMMP includes actions that will either directly or indirectly contribute to improved understanding and future management of safety hazards and risks associated with Waste Operations in the Wellington region. These actions include:

- a. Draft WMMP Action R.R.1:  
*'Investigate and if feasible develop, implement and oversee monitoring and enforcement of the regional bylaw, or a suite of regionally consistent bylaws.*
- b. Recommended Draft WMMP Action R.LM.5  
*'In conjunction with the wider work on the resilience of the Wellington region, undertake analysis on the resilience of our waste systems in the Wellington region, and through regional engagement provide advice on how to deal with waste in an emergency'.*

Attachment One: **Wellington Region Territorial Authority WMMP Decisions and Recommendations**

<b>Kapiti Coast District Council</b>		
<b>Submission Summary</b>	<b>Local Decision</b>	<b>Regional Recommendations</b>
<b>Regulation</b>		
Prohibit disposal of medical household waste, sharps, pharmaceuticals, dental amalgam, mercury-containing light bulbs, sanitary waste, incontinence products to landfill/sewers/trade waste other than in accordance with NZS4304 (New Zealand Standard for Management of Healthcare Waste), and fund enforcement. (17AP-90)	Potential to include in bylaw review, R.2. No change required.	Potential to include in regional bylaw, R.R.1. No change required.
Stop licencing rubbish collectors to use the very large 240 litre bins for refuse/ ban 240 l wheelie bins (17AP-35, 96, 100)	Can be investigated under action R.1. No change required.	Can be investigated under action R.R.1. No change required.
Reviews bylaws on the keeping of chooks and pigs with a view to maximising opportunities for food scraps being used at home.(17AP-35)	Pertains to keeping of animals – outside of scope of WMMP	
Tighten up bylaw to ensure recycling is put into recycling bins rather than rubbish bins.(17AP-35)	Can be investigated under action R.1. No change required.	Can be investigated under action R.R.1. No change required
Prohibit greenwaste disposal mixed with household waste (17AP-100)	Can be investigated under action R.1. No change required.	Can be investigated under action R.R.1. No change required
Waste business must be under firm regional and council control, not the private sector (17AP-125)	Can be investigated under action R.1. No change required.	Can be investigated under action R.R.1. No change required
<b>Data</b>		
That Kapiti Coast District Council conducts a survey to find out from householders what changes they have made in the last ten years in disposing of their green waste, what options they believe would help them compost it on site or taking it to a council transfer station themselves. Would they like an	Could be investigated as part of a targeted educational campaign under action E.5.	R.LM.3

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## Item 2.1 Attachment 1

option to hire a council owned mulcher on the condition they are trained to use it properly? (17AP-35)		
Conduct a waste audit to discover how much green waste and food scraps are in the mix of household rubbish (17AP-35)	Part of action D.1. SWAP surveys including this data are undertaken every 3-4 yrs.	
<b>Engagement</b>		
Educate people to reduce the use of plastic shopping bags at supermarkets (17AP-4)	This type of action can be undertaken under existing actions E.3, E.5. No change.	
Supportive of action E.4 (17AP-19)	Keep action E.4 unchanged	
That the council place focus on separation of organics at source so that green waste can go to the composting facility and the trend will go back to keeping food waste from entering the council's transfer stations at all (i.e. promote home treatment of food waste). (17AP-35, 96)	This type of action can be undertaken under existing actions E.3, E.5. No change.	
Consult with Neville Burt (of zing bokashi) who trains council officers to teach composting skills by various methods including bokashi bins for restaurant and institution use. (17AP-35)	Can be investigated under action E.7	
Shift emphasis from recycling to reusing items already bought / refuse reduce, reuse and on to education on consumer choices. (17AP-35, 96)	This type of action can be undertaken under existing actions E.3, E.5. In line with waste hierarchy. No change	
Council to run a tool library (17AP-35)	Can potentially be addressed under action E.4 as a community-led initiative	
Working with supermarkets to minimise packaging waste going to landfill. (17AP-35, 96)	Possible under E.7.	
Continue to support and appropriately fund Enviroschools programme. Move to long-term funding and partnership agreements. (17AP-68)	Support for Enviroschools programme is explicitly mentioned under action E.1	
Recognise importance of Enviroschools programme's contribution to action R.E.1 (17Ap-68)		Explicitly mentioned under local action E.1. No change to R.E.1.
Strong support for action E.1. Enviroschools can contribute to actions E.2, E.4,	Retain actions unchanged	

E.5 and E.6.(17AP-68)		
Educate the public about the correct disposal of medical household waste, sharps, pharmaceuticals, dental amalgam, mercury-containing light bulbs, sanitary waste, incontinence products to landfill/sewers/trade waste other than in accordance with NZS4304 (17AP-90).	Can be undertaken under E.5 and E.7 (working with DHBs)	
Incentivise local businesses to reduce, reuse, recycle (17AP-124)	Retain E.7 unchanged.	

<b>Collections</b>		
Focus on fixing current flawed waste system rather than reinvent the wheel; consider overseas models (17AP-9)	Covered under C.1. No change.	
Move from multiple collection systems to one system/company (17AP-11, 119, 124).	Covered under C.1. No change.	
Make provisions for the collection and recycling of bulky (inorganic) waste and particularly e-waste. (17AP-34)	Can be investigated under actions C.1, IN.1 and LM.6	
Move back to bags for general waste, plus wheelie bins for recycling and kitchen & green waste (17AP-35)	Can be investigated under action C.1	
Council should resume taking care of waste collection so they more easily control policy. (17AP-35)	Can be investigated under action C.1	
Implement collection scheme for the correct disposal of medical household waste through DHBs (17AP-90)	LM.6	R.LM.3
Provide separate bins for greenwaste (17AP-119)	Can be investigated under action C.1	
Get local recyclers to take number 7 plastics (17AP-124)	They already do – no additional action.	
Concern about carbon emissions from multiple rubbish trucks and greenwaste/kitchenwaste in landfill (17AP-35, 96)	C.1	R.C.1
<b>Infrastructure</b>		
Change planning regime to allow construction of a high temperature low volume incinerator for the appropriate disposal of pharmaceuticals (17AP-90)	District Plan/RMA	R.LM.3
Commission an inquiry into vermiculture and anaerobic digestion options in order to find a cheaper process than hot composting of food waste.(17AP-35).	Can be investigated under actions IN.2 and IN.3.	Can be investigated under action R.IN.1
Explore options for disposal of greenwaste, incl. greenwaste to energy options (17AP-96, 100)	Can be investigated under actions IN.2 and IN.3.	Can be investigated under action R.IN.1
Reduce greenwaste charges / make green waste drop-off free (17AP-12, 35, 87, 96, 119)	Can be investigated under action IN.2	
Improve recycling and economical disposal of electronic gear, batteries and agrichemicals (17AP-125)	Can be investigated under action IN.1	

<b>Leadership and Management</b>		
Adopt a more ambitious reduction target for the region (17AP-68, 90, 118)	LM.6	Noted
Lift the price of accepting rubbish at landfills (higher gate fees or levies) (17AP-35, 90, 96, 100)		Could be investigated under R.LM.1 shared governance arrangements.
Recognise importance of Enviroschools programme's contribution to action R.LM.3 and R.LM.4 (17AP-68)		No change to R.LM.3 and R.LM.4 required.
Stronger statement and programme of advocacy to reduce waste production at source (17AP-100)		R.LM.4
Adopt strategic goal of creating a waste minimisation economy which encourages the emergence of an independent waste recovery business sector and includes specific programmes to incentivise this approach. (17AP-100)	LM.6	R.LM.3
Include an agreement amongst all participating Councils to explore over the next three years the establishment of a regional entity to manage the region's landfills based on a true pricing regime (increase disposal prices) and waste minimisation framework (17AP-100)		R.LM.1
Include Laybys NZ in the formulation of such an endeavour as the WMMP (17AP-102)	LM.6 / E.7	
Include Silica Glass Crushers Ltd in the formation of the WMMP to reduce waste to Class 1 landfills.(17AP-104)	LM.6 / E.7	
<b>Other</b>		
Don't increase costs to ratepayers/ implement actions only within existing resources (17AP-43, 91, 126)	Currently the WMMP has no cost implications	
Include scenarios for future waste projections based on changes in systems and drivers in plan. (17AP-68)	Modelling was done to inform WMMP	R.LM.3
Use more positive, inspirational language in the plan (17AP-68)	Noted	
The plan and actions are irrelevant because we dispose of our own waste, composting and recycling (17AP-69)	Noted. E.3	

<b>Hutt City Council</b>		
<b>Submission Summary</b>	<b>Local Decisions/Amendments</b>	<b>Regional Recommendations</b>
<b>Regulation</b>		
87.5% (written submission) support for R.R.1: Develop & Implement a Regional Bylaw		No changes to Regional Actions have been recommended to the Joint Committee
<b>Data</b>		
84.1% (written submission) support for R.D.1: Implement Waste Data Framework	(1) Within the funding column delete 'licensing fees and General Rate rise' and replace with 'waste levy' for action D1;	No changes to Regional Actions have been recommended to the Joint Committee
<b>Engagement</b>		
86% (written submission) support for R.E.1: Regional Engagement - Requests for more composting (1 submitter);		No changes to Regional Actions have been recommended to the Joint Committee
<b>Infrastructure</b>		
91.5% (written submission) support for R.IN.1: Resource Recovery Network Resource Recovery Network  90% (written submission) support for R.IN.2: Proposed Regional Action Beneficial use of biosolids  Additional comments: - Request for a recycling centre at Silverstream Landfill (1 submitter) - Need for more litter bins around the city	(1) Within the funding column delete 'waste levy' for actions IN10;  (2) Within the funding column delete 'targeted rate' for actions IN6  (3) Within the funding column delete 'user charges' for actions IN11	No changes to Regional Actions have been recommended to the Joint Committee

(1 submitter).		
<b>Collections</b>		
<p>92.6% (written submission) support for R.C.!: Optimise Collections Systems</p> <p>Additional comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Requests for improved and extended recycling service (8 submitters)</li> <li>- Requests for kerbside recycling bins changed to wheelie bins (6 submitters)</li> </ul>	<p>(1) Within the funding column delete 'licensing fees and General Rate rise' and replace with 'waste levy' for action C1;</p> <p>(2) Within the funding column delete 'waste levy' for actions C4;</p> <p>(3) Within the funding column delete 'targeted rate' for actions C6, C7, and C8.</p>	<p>No changes to Regional Actions have been recommended to the Joint Committee</p>
<b>Leadership and Management</b>		
<p>88.4% (written submission) support for R.LM.1: Shared Governance &amp; Service Delivery</p> <p>81% (written submission) support for R.LM.2: Resourcing for Regional Actions</p> <p>86.9% (written submission) support for R.LM.3: Collaborate</p> <p>85.6% (written submission) support for R.LM.4: Lobby</p> <p>Additional comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- reduce plastic bag use (3 submitters)</li> <li>- better product stewardship (1 submitter)</li> </ul>	<p>(1) Local Action LM2 (WDC4) to delete the reference to 'Earthlink' and replace with 'an appropriate supplier';</p> <p>(2) Within the funding column delete 'user charges' for actions LM12.</p>	<p>No changes to Regional Actions have been recommended to the Joint Committee</p>

<b>Other</b>		
Other comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Requests for an increase in the target to lower waste to landfill (3 submitters);</li><li>- Request to reduce illegal dumping (1 submitter);</li><li>- Opposition expressed to the waste minimisation focus of the WMMP (5 submitters).</li></ul>		

<b>Upper Hutt City Council</b>		
<b>Submission Summary</b>	<b>Local Decisions/Amendments</b>	<b>Regional Recommendations</b>
<b>Regulation</b>		
86% support from submitters. Comments on further information being required about how a regional bylaw would work; and that bylaws should be regionally consistent and equally enforced.	No changes to the Upper Hutt local action plan.	Recommend no changes to the draft WMMP.
<b>Data</b>		
88% support from submitters. Comments on better waste data, transparency and information to be made available about what happens to recycling.	No changes to the Upper Hutt local action plan.	Recommend no changes to the draft WMMP.
<b>Engagement</b>		
93% support from submitters. Comments received supporting initiatives to achieve behaviour change and education to reduce and reuse, not only to recycle.	No changes to the Upper Hutt local action plan.	Recommend no changes to the draft WMMP.
<b>Collections</b>		
93% support from submitters. Comments expressing support for more/better collections including hazardous waste collection, waste minimisation in schools and businesses, kerbside recycling, rural recycling and public place recycling.	No changes to the Upper Hutt local action plan.	Recommend no changes to the draft WMMP.

Submission Summary	Local Decision	Regional Recommendations
<b>Infrastructure</b>		
95% (action R.IN.1) and (92% (action R.IN.2) support from submitters. Comments expressing support for more/better recycling services and facilities including drop off point(s).	Based on submissions supporting the recycling drop off station and associated requests to extend provision of drop off facilities elsewhere in the city, the wording of action IN.2 (page 80 of the WMMP) is amended to allow flexibility as follows:  IN.2: <del>Maintenance of the recycling drop-off station</del> Provision of recycling drop-off facilities  Provide recycling drop-off facilities, including <del>Support and maintain</del> the recycling drop-off point that was funded as part of the Annual Plan 2016-17.  An assessment to determine its success will be made at the end of the trial period. Any ongoing commitment by Council will be made at that stage.	Recommend no changes to the draft WMMP.
<b>Leadership and Management</b>		
94% (R.LM1), 89% (R.LM.2), 94% (R.LM.3) and 89% (R.LM.4) support from submitters. Comments expressing support for product stewardship and minimising waste at source.	No changes made to the Upper Hutt local action plan.	Recommend no changes to the draft WMMP.

<b>Porirua City Council</b>		
<b>Submission Summary</b>	<b>Local Decision</b>	<b>Regional Recommendations</b>
<b>Regulation</b>		
A submitter requested the proactive management of household medical wastes, sharps, pharmaceutical waste, mercury and sanitary waste via bylaws, enforcement, education and resourcing by councils.		That the management of household medical wastes, sharps, pharmaceutical waste, mercury and sanitary waste be considered in the proposed investigation of a regional solid waste bylaw, with consideration given to the scope of the problem and implications of including this into the bylaw.
(also see under "Other" for recommendations which apply to all actions)		
<b>Data</b>		
(also see under "Other" for recommendations which apply to all actions)		
<b>Engagement</b>		
A submitter strongly supported Porirua City Engagement E.1 and requested it be retained with the addition of the words "and early learning centres" after schools. The same supporter requested that the progress achieved for 2016-17 is acknowledged.	Add the words "and early learning centres" after "schools" in Local Action E.1 under 10.3.3 Porirua City Engagement so it reads "Continue to provide funding for the Enviroschools programme to engage with local schools and early learning centres".	
A submitter requested that a long term partnership agreement of at least six years be formed between Porirua City Council and Enviroschools, which would include increasing the hourly rates and expense costs over time, in line with inflation.	Agree to explore the option of a six year partnership with the Enviroschools programme.	
(also see under "Other" for recommendations which applies to all actions)		

<b>Collections</b>		
(also see under "Other" for recommendations which applies to all actions)		
<b>Infrastructure</b>		
(also see under "Other" for recommendations which applies to all actions)		
<b>Leadership and Management</b>		
A submitter requested the inclusion of a contestable fund to act as an incentive for people to bring fresh and innovative ideas with regards to waste minimisation, similar to that provided in Kapiti Coast - Leadership and Management (LM1 - Contestable Waste Reduction Grant).	Request officers investigate a contestable fund and report back, looking at the Kapiti Coast District Council model and other models as part of the Contestable Waste Reduction Grant.	
A submitter stated that higher landfill fees were the Council's primary tool to drive diversion from the landfill.		That the submitter's request for increasing landfill prices to drive waste minimisation be considered by the WMMP Governance Group for inclusion as part of regional action seven.
(also see under "Other" for recommendations which applies to all actions)		
<b>Other</b>		
<b>Regional Target</b> Of the 50 submissions responding to the question, 86% (including all 10 schools that submitted) supported the regional target and 14% did not.	Note the strong support for the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan regional target.	Note the strong support for the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan regional target.  That the WMMP Governance Group retains the regional target and actions, and the proposed local actions in the final WMMP.

<p><b>Regional Target</b> Two submitters requested that the target be more ambitious or aspirational.</p>		<p>That the WMMP Governance Group notes that while there are environmental benefits of a more ambitious waste reduction target, there are regional cost implications to consider as well.</p>
<p><b>Regional Actions</b> There is strong support for all the regional actions. Fifty-two submissions were received, with 70% to 84% of submitters supporting the individual actions.</p>	<p>Note the strong support for the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan regional actions.</p>	<p>Note the strong support for the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan regional actions. That the WMMP Governance Group retains the regional target, and actions, and the proposed local actions in the final WMMP.</p>
<p><b>Local Actions</b> There is very strong support for the local actions. Forty-one submissions were received, with 71% to 85% of submitters supporting the individual actions.</p>	<p>Note the strong support for the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan proposed local actions.</p>	<p>Note the strong support for the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan proposed local actions. That the WMMP Governance Group retain the regional target, and actions, and the proposed local actions in the final WMMP.</p>

Wairarapa Councils		
Submission summary/themes	Local Decision	Regional Recommendations
<b>Regulation</b>		
Appropriate disposal, management and regulation of hazardous waste is required (s7, 10).	Can include in bylaw review, R4. No change required.	Recommend that the Joint Committee recognise that the disposal of hazardous medical waste is a regional issue.
Support for a bylaw to require recycling (s6).	Can be investigated under R1. No change.	RC1. No change required.
<b>Engagement</b>		
Education is required regarding the availability and location of waste disposal drop-off facilities and hazardous waste disposal options (s10).	Can be investigated under E2 and IN6. No change required.	RE1. No change required.
Requests for additional community group funding to support waste minimisation (S4, 12).	Recognise that community groups are important stakeholders for the promotion and education on the issue of waste minimisation by <b>amending local action E3</b> , as follows:  'Liaise with the Ministry for the Environment, the Department of Conservation, and Greater Wellington Regional Council and community stakeholders (including but not limited to: toy libraries, Waiwaste Food Rescue Group and Enviroschools) to ensure a consistent approach to education and promotion'.	

Request for TAs to work with community groups to support education and waste minimisation (s9,3,17 – all being submissions from enviroschools; and s20).	<p>Recognise that community groups are important stakeholders for the promotion and education on the issue of waste minimisation by <b>amending local action E3</b>, as follows:</p> <p>'Liaise with the Ministry for the Environment, the Department of Conservation, <del>and</del> Greater Wellington Regional Council <u>and community stakeholders (including but not limited to: toy libraries, Waiwaste Food Rescue Group and Enviroschools)</u> to ensure a consistent approach to education and promotion'.</p> <p>Also, amend LM.4, as follows:</p> <p>Amend title: Partnering with groups <u>outside the Wairarapa</u>.</p> <p>Amend action: Partnering with community groups, businesses, <u>and other</u> local authorities <u>outside the Wairarapa</u>.</p>	
<b>Collections</b>		
Request polystyrene collection points in the Wairarapa (s18).	<p><b>Amend the action plan to include a new local action</b>, as follows:</p> <p><u>'Consider the viability of recycling and/or re-processing polystyrene in the Wairarapa'</u>.</p>	
Request that organic (food waste) collection provision is considered by (Masterton) Council (s20).	<p>Will be investigated under the Solid Waste Contract renewal.</p> <p>Investigate under C3. No change required.</p>	RIN1 & 2. No change required.
<b>Infrastructure</b>		
There is a need for an e-waste drop-off point for the Wairarapa (s18).	<p>Will be investigated under the Solid Waste Contract renewal.</p> <p>Investigate under IN3. No change required.</p>	RLM3 & 4. No change required.

<b>Leadership and Management</b>		
Support is signalled for the proposed waste reduction target – to reduce waste by a third (s2, 7, 8).	Will be implemented under LM1. No change required.	Recommend that the Joint Committee maintain the draft WMMP waste reduction target.
More ambitious targets for waste reduction are required (s1, 7, 11).	Will be implemented under LM1. No change required.	Recommend that the Joint Committee maintain the draft WMMP waste reduction target (to reduce waste across the region by a third by 2026). Preliminary background work has signalled that this target is potentially achievable, but at the same time it remains an aspirational goal for all TAs.
Review the price of landfill disposal (s7).		The Wairarapa does not operate any landfills; therefore the matter of landfill pricing is considered a regional matter for Joint Committee consideration.
Extend lobbying to address the use of polystyrene meat trays (s10).	Can be investigated under E6. No change required.	Although this issue is potentially already covered by the regional lobbying actions, it has been referred onto the Joint Committee to highlight the need for (regional) lobbying on this issue.
Suggest the appointment of a full-time dedicated waste minimisation (and education) officer (s20).	Already covered under LM3. No change required.	
Encourage local business to be more waste conscious and provide more attention to 'clean fill' CBD waste (s20).	Can be investigated under E1, 6 & 8 and LM9. No change required.	RE1 & RN1.
<b>Other</b>		
Plastic bags: - There is a need for soft plastic	Can be investigated under C1. No change	

recycling (s11). - People should use recyclable bags opposed to plastic bags at supermarkets (s5).	required. "Boomerang Bags" added as a stakeholder in E3. Can also be investigated under E1 & 8. No change required.	RC1. No change required.
Excessive packaging is an issue (s16).	Can be investigated under E4.	RLM4.
The plan is difficult to understand (s16).	Noted	
Request that food rescue be included in the WMMP (s19).	Can be investigated under C1 & 3 and E3 with added community stakeholders.	RIN1 & 2.

<b>Wellington City Council</b>		
<b>Submission Summary</b>	<b>Local Decision</b>	<b>Regional Recommendations</b>
<b>Regulation</b>		
93% support (for R.R.1) from submitters. Comments often asking for increased regulation and enforcement: Key areas: single use plastics banned/taxed, District Plan/MUDs recycling space, pollution and hazardous wastes controls and litter.	<p>Amend the title of R3 to: "<i>Building Waste Management Facilities</i>" and amend the description to include all buildings by removing the word "<i>new</i>" (page 101)</p> <p>Add '<i>Actively enforce, control and reduce littering and illegal dumping.</i>' (under Regulation).</p> <p>Add "Ensure systems and resources are in place for actively enforcing, controlling and reducing littering and illegal dumping." (Action title proposed as "Actively enforce, control and reduce littering and illegal dumping" under Regulation).</p>	
<b>Data</b>		
99% support (for R.D.1) from submitters. Comments on better waste data, transparency and information to be made available and more frequently.		
<b>Engagement</b>		
100% support (for R.E.1) from submitters. Comments received generally requested "more" education and engagement. Key areas: information provision, support for composting, business and industry engagement, subsidies and funding requests, Para Kore, EnviroSchools, etc.	<p>Amend the description of local action E4: Promote and support the reduction and diversion of organic waste, to include "<i>Predator Free home composting</i>" e.g. "...For example (but not limited to) the Love Food Hate Waste campaign, <i>Predator Free home composting, etc.</i>" (page 103)</p> <p>Amend E.6: title to "Promote, <i>educate</i> and support</p>	

	residents to minimise waste" (page 105)	
<b>Collections</b>		
98% support (for R.C.1) from submitters. Comments expressing support for improved collections including organics, hazardous waste, CBD services and public place recycling.	Amend the title and description of local action C4:Household Food Waste collection, to include "green waste" e.g. "Household Food and /or Green Waste Collection" (page 105)  Amend the description of local action "C2: CBD recycling collection" to: "Continue to deliver and optimize CBD recycling and waste services and support increased diversion of other wastes given the special needs of apartment and multi-unit development residents." (page 105)	
<b>Infrastructure</b>		
100% (action R.IN.1) and 100% (action R.IN.2) support from submitters. Comments expressing support for more/better recycling services (CBD and urban) and drop off point(s) for polystyrene and domestic hazardous wastes. Landfill fees to low and Southern Landfill to close.	Amend the description of local action IN2: Resource Recovery Centre, and remove the words "where appropriate". (page 106)  Add "Work in collaboration with other councils to review landfill capacity with potential for closure of one landfill regionally, in the future." (Action title proposed as "Landfill capacity review". under Infrastructure)	
<b>Leadership and Management</b>		
98% (R.LM1), 97% (R.LM.2), 99% (R.LM.3) and 94% (R.LM.4) support from submitters. Comments expressing support for stronger leadership stewardship, banning single use plastics, lobbying govt., container deposit scheme, product stewardship, inclusion of Kaitiakitanga principles and minimising waste at source.	Add "Investigate the option for WCC construction and demolition procurement activities to include the requirement for waste minimisation and management plans." (Action title proposed as "Procurement policy " under Leadership and Management) Add "Promote the reduction of adverse environmental impacts from waste management and disposal within the district." (Action title proposed as "Limiting adverse environmental	Add a new regional action (R.LM.5) "In conjunction with the wider work on the resilience of the Wellington region, include through our communication and educational channels, advice on how to deal with waste in an emergency as well as undertaking further analysis on the resiliency of our waste systems in Wellington City" (Action title proposed as "Resilient waste management systems" under Leadership and Management).

	<p>impacts” under Leadership and Management).</p> <p>Add “Investigate options for domestic hazardous waste tracking and safe disposal.” (Action title proposed as “Managing hazardous waste” under Leadership and Management)</p> <p>Add “Investigate, support and implement initiatives to reduce junk mail.” (Action title proposed as “Reducing junk mail” under Leadership and Management)</p> <p>Add “In conjunction with the wider work on the resilience of the Wellington region include through our communication and educational channels, how to deal with waste in an emergency.” (Action title proposed as “Resilient waste management systems” under Leadership and Management)</p> <p>Amend the description of local action “LM5: Advocacy and lobbying”, to include “ewaste” as another example of a “priority waste stream” (page 110)</p> <p>Amend the title of LM6 to: “Collaborate with private sector and community <i>to work with local groups and waste companies.</i>” (page 110)</p>	
<b>Other</b>		
		<p>Adding reference to “<i>The Litter Act (1979)</i>” in the bullet point list on Page 10 of the Draft WMMP</p> <p>Under section 1.1.1 ‘Why work together?’ add a new sixth bullet point (a. below), and a new paragraph immediately following that bullet point (b. below):</p> <p>a. “<i>Supporting tangata whenua in the</i></p>

		<p><i>exercise of kaitiakitanga, which broadly refers to the exercise of guardianship by the tangata whenua of an area in accordance with tikanga Māori in relation to natural and physical resources. Kaitiakitanga also includes the ethic of stewardship, and includes the responsibility of ensuring that a resource is secured and in a fit state to pass onto future generations.</i></p> <p>b. <i>The tangata whenua view of reality is that the world is interrelated and interconnected. Therefore tangata whenua are bound, through whakapapa (lineage and genealogical descent) to the natural environment. Issues of waste management are therefore of concern to iwi, as well as to the wider community."</i></p> <p>Recommend to the Wellington Regional WMMP Joint Committee, that following their deliberations, the proposed regional target and proposed regional actions be recommended to each Territorial Authority for final approval.</p>
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