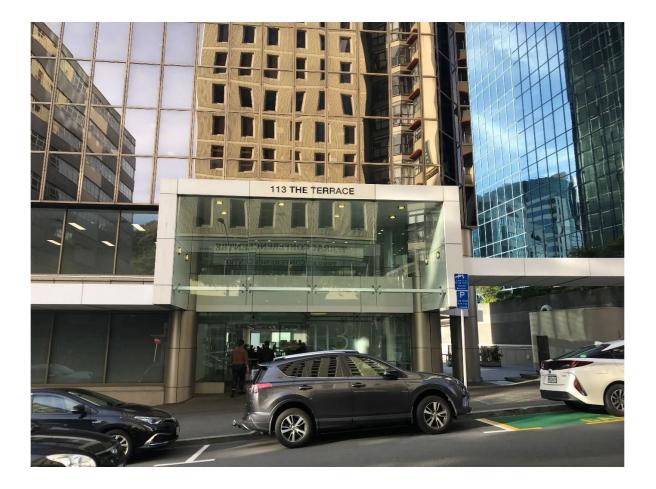
# **Social Story**

# Visiting The Wellington City Council Chambers

Absolutely Positively Wellington City Council Me Heke Ki Pöneke

#### Introduction

Today we are visiting the Wellington City Council. We are going to speak to the Councillors. We may see many different people.



#### Entrance

When we arrive:We'll see sliding glass doors to walk through.We'll see a big 113 on the front of the building.Different cars will be parked outside.The building is big, and very secure.



### Lobby

We will enter through the glass sliding doors to the Lobby.

There is a Café here.

People will be sitting, talking and eating.

It may be noisy.

We won't be in the Lobby for very long.



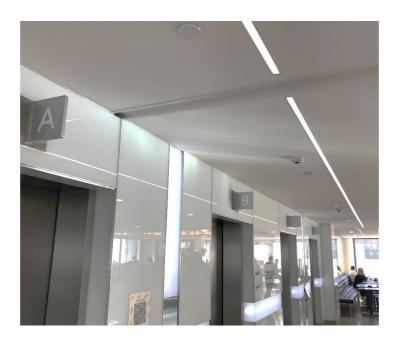
## **Using the Elevators**

We are going to take an elevator up to the Council Chambers, on Floor 16.

There are four elevators, with the letter A, B, C or D on them.

We will press 16 on the touchpad, to go to Floor 16.

The screen will show us which elevator to take.





## **Taking the Elevator**

The elevator is very strong and safe.

Other people may also take the elevator.

It may stop at different floors.

The screen will show us when we arrive at Floor 16.



#### Reception

The elevator will take us to Floor 16.

This is where Reception is.

The Receptionists are friendly and helpful.

We can ask them to guide us to the Council Chambers.

The receptionist may be a different person.



### **Finding the Council Chambers**

We will turn right, and walk down the hall. This takes us to the Council Chambers.



# The Council Chambers

We have arrived at the Council Chambers for the meeting. There will be a helpful staff member to welcome us. We will tell them our name.



#### **The Meeting**

We will be seated in the audience.

There may be many people in the room.

- If it is too noisy, we can ask for earplugs.
- We can leave at any time.

#### **The Councillors**

These are the Councillors and Tākai Here representatives that may be seated at the Council table.

The Mayor may also be at a table.

They are going to listen to our ideas, and other people's ideas.



Mayor Tory Whanau

Councillor Ray Chung

Councillor Diane Calvert



Councillor Teri O'Neill

Councillor Nicola Young

Councillor John Apanowicz



Deputy Mayor Laurie Foon Councillor Rebecca Matthews





**Councillor Sarah Free** 



**Councillor Iona Pannett** 



Councillor Nīkau Wi Neera



Councillor Tony Randle

Councillor Nureddin -Abdurahman



Councillor Geordie Rogers



**Councillor Tim Brown** 



Tākai Here representative, Pouiwi Liz Kelly

Tākai Here representative, Pouiwi Holden Hohaia

#### **How Public Participation Works**

The chairperson will ask us to sit at the Council table. There will be a timer in the corner of the room, so we know how long we have left to speak.

We don't need to speak for the full time, we can leave time for Councillors to ask us questions, if we want.

When we speak, other people will be quiet for us. When other people speak, we will be quiet for them.

#### **More Information**

Toilets:

If you are facing the reception desk, **women's toilets** are on the left.

If you are facing the reception desk, **men's toilets** are on the right.

There is an **accessible, gender neutral toilet** on the right.

You can ask the receptionist to guide you.