
ORDINARY MEETING

OF

GOVERNANCE, FINANCE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTE ITEM ATTACHMENTS

Time: 9.15am
Date: Thursday, 25 August 2016
Venue: Committee Room 1
Ground Floor, Council Offices
101 Wakefield Street
Wellington

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TPP @ WCC Governance, Finance &
Planning Committee meeting 25 August 2016.

Presentation by TPP Free Wellington

If TPP is the answer -
what was the question?

Aotearoa New Zealand Values

In terms of values, New Zealanders responded to the call of what we Stand For with 43,000 individual contributions during the recent Flag Referendum process. Go to the [webpage](http://www.standfor.co.nz/) where our Stand For values are hosted - <http://www.standfor.co.nz/> and view the word cloud of most frequent values expressed by the NZ public. Here is the image from the website.



None of the above suggest TPP. 43,000 people is a large sample of the 4.5 million NZ population.

TPP Evidence - **Civil Society Opposes the TPP!**

The Foreign Affairs Defence and Trade (FADT) select committee treaty examination process motivated thousands to make contribute their interest.

Hundreds attending hearings in Wellington, Christchurch and Auckland.

The Vice Chancellors of all eight (8) NZ universities oppose the TPP.

Their thesis, 'TPP is not in our interests.'

The Vice Chancellors evidence is supremely authoritative!

They oppose TPP for its alteration of IP and copyright law, for the imposition of ISDS amongst other reasons.

Pressures on Local Government in NZ

- Local Government Act (LGA) 2002 Amendment Dec 2012
removes Four Wellbeings; Social, Environmental, Economic
and Social and more...
- LGA Amendments 2014 attempt to reorder local government
giving more power to the Local Government Commission (LGC)
to promote council amalgamations, and encourage council
assets into Council Controlled Organisations (CCOs)
- LGA 2002 Amendment Bill #2 (2016) gives more power to the
LGC to propose amalgamations, proposes CCOs without direct
Council representation, removes LGOIA accountability
- Resource Management Act amendments likely to expedite
environmental degradation – Water Quality is one example
- Local Government is scapegoated for Housing Crisis – Central
Government Fiscal Policy is culprit

TPP – RCEP – TiSA - PACER?

Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP)

Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP)

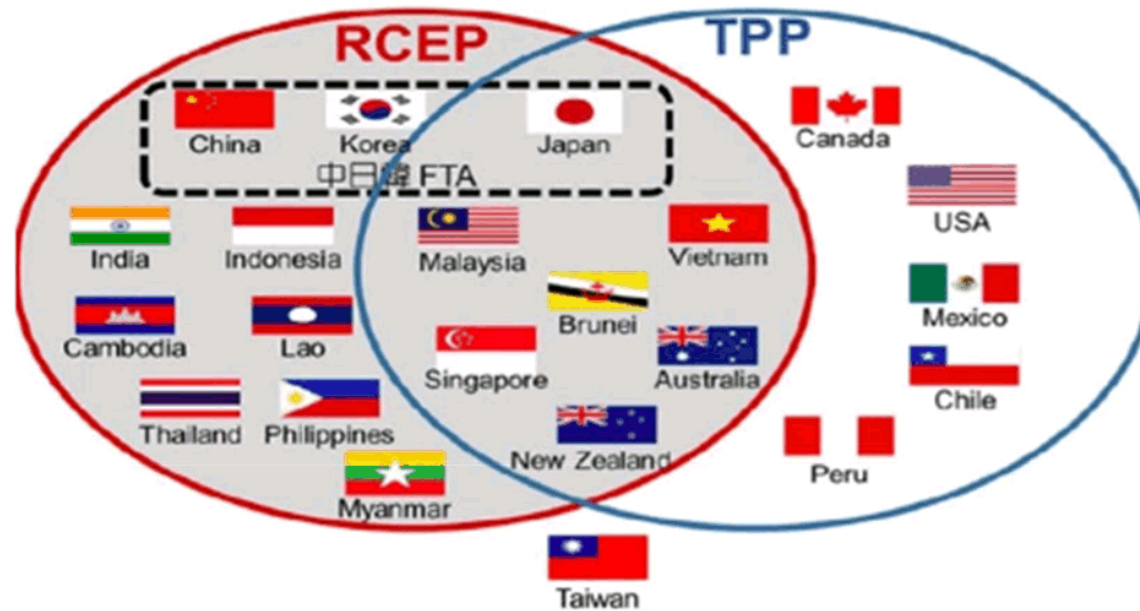
Trade in Services Agreement (TiSA)

Pacific Agreement on Closer Economic Relations
(PACER)

PACER Plus (PACER + Australia and New Zealand)

Proposed negotiations with EU, Saudi Arabia, Russia etc

TPP vs RCEP

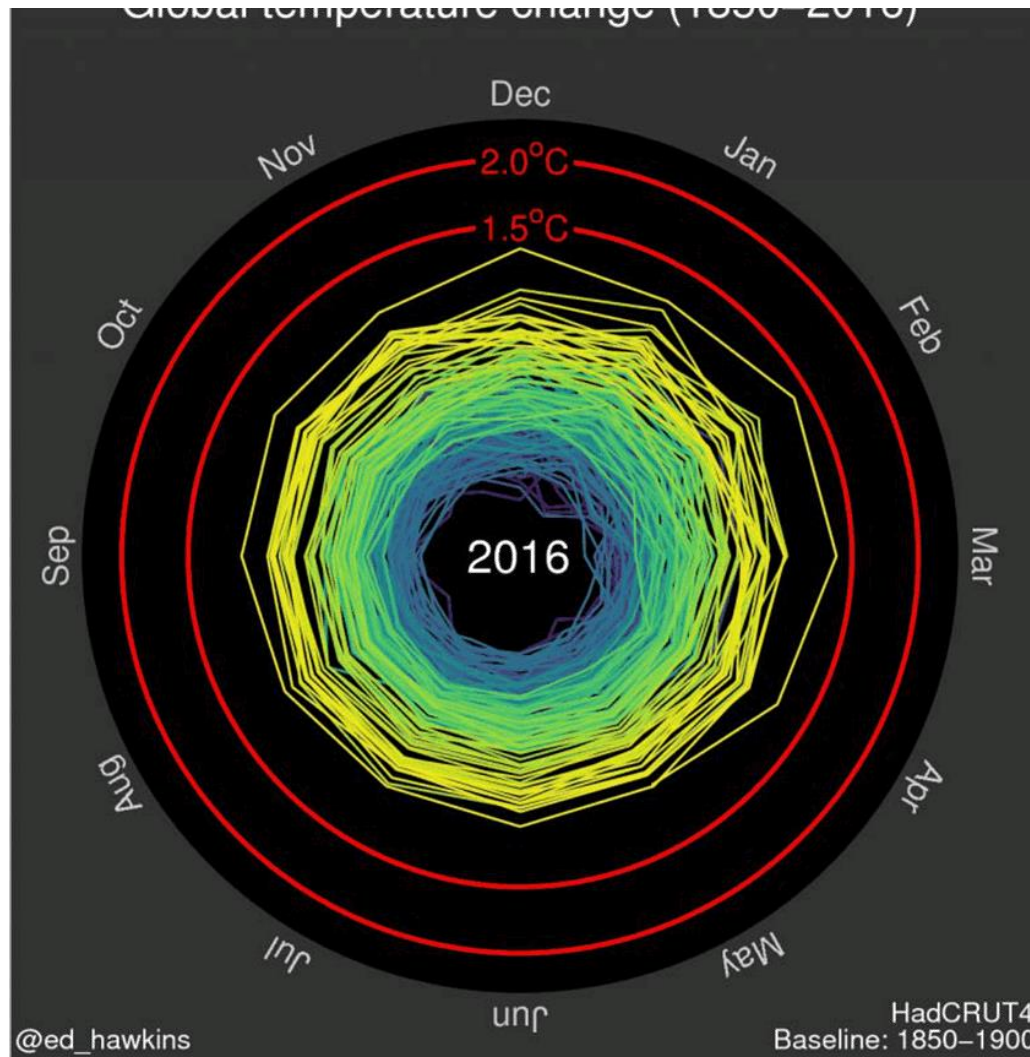


THE OVERLAP BETWEEN RCEP AND TPP COUNTRIES. PHOTO CREDIT: ATUC



*The June 2013 storm showed the vulnerability of Wellington's South Coast, including these Lyall Bay properties.
Photo: KEVIN STENT/FAIRFAX NZ*

July 2013: <http://www.stuff.co.nz/dominion-post/news/74458132/how-sea-level-rise-will-affect-the-wellington-region-and-possible-solutions>



<http://www.climate-lab-book.ac.uk/spirals/>



The Context and the Puzzle

War versus Peace

Planetary Boundaries and Human Pressures

Quality of Life

Human development and progress

Two issues before New Zealand;

- What to do to ensure the TPP does not undermine public good and sustainability of the Aotearoa NZ and elsewhere?
- What standard and process to be travelled in considering RCEP, TiSA, and any other trade and investment treaty?

12 Point TPP Policy Solution Adopted By Councils

The TPP policy has been adopted by Auckland City, Nelson City, Tasman District, Christchurch City, Dunedin City, Wellington City, Hutt City, Upper Hutt City, Kapiti Coast District, Palmerston North City, Tauranga City and South Wairarapa District Councils.

These Councils represent 60% of the population of New Zealand.

http://www.actionstation.org.nz/tpp_policy_solution

TPP Free Zone remit - clause 7

7. Declares until such time as there is robust debate and convincing protection of local government decision-making for the benefit of residents, citizens and ratepayers, and an analysis of how these issues will be addressed at local government level, Council is a TPP* Free Zone where the constraints imposed by the TPP, and the changes to national and local legislation to make our area comply with TPP requirements are not supported by the Council. *TPP plus all the others.

IPP Free Zones United States

Cities and counties that have passed TPP Free Zone ordinances or resolutions, with links to some texts and media. Red pins indicate passage, yellow indicate a resolution in progress.



TTIP Free Zones UK and EU

UK Legend (left image) - Green passed, Brown pending, Red lost.





Local Government
positions - TPP

TPP Policy Solution
adoptions

Blue Icons.

TPP Free Zone
Adoptions

Red Icons.

TPP Activism the Success to Date

- TPP contains 30 Chapters of which a few are about trade. Most of the chapters intrude into behind the border arrangements and regulation.

New Zealand's TPP negotiators were able to defer inclusion of the application of two chapters to New Zealand;

- Government procurement at the Sub-Local Government level for three (3) years
- State Owned Enterprises for Five (5) years

Additional wins include;

- The retention of the Pharmac Model (the efficacy of the win will depend on the level of funding and patent extension impacts)
- Tobacco Control carveout from ISDS arbitration (a state party must elect for this – NZ has signalled that it will)

10 Sept 2016 - Rally for Democracy
<https://itsourfuture.org.nz/day-of-action-across-aotearoa/>
Image TPP Rally 8 Nov 2014

