



# NEXT STEPS FOR OUR CLIMATE FUTURE: TE PAE TAWHITI O KIRIKIROA

**Our plan for 2022-23**



**Hamilton  
City Council**  
Te kaunihera o Kirikiriroa



This document outlines the steps we will take over this financial year (2022-23), to begin delivering on our vision *'Hamilton Kirikiriroa is a thriving, low-carbon city that responds and adapts to climate change'* and to build a solid foundation for developing our action plan.

We will develop the action plan in partnership with our community and key stakeholders. It will outline the projects and initiatives that we'll implement over the next 3-5 years to begin delivering Our Climate Future: Te Pae Tawhiti o Kirikiriroa.

# Outcome one: By acting together, our emissions are reducing

He mahi tahi noo maatou, e mimiti haere ana ngaa paanga parakino

## Establish and implement emissions reduction pathways for our city and our organisation's emissions.

### We will:

- Develop an emissions reduction pathway for Hamilton City's emissions by March 2023.
- Update the emissions reduction roadmap for Hamilton City Council's emissions by December 2022.
- Report on our city's emissions for 2021/22 by June 2023.
- Report on our Council emissions for 2021/22 by December 2022.

## Develop a low-emissions transport network and system.

### Council will:

- Formally adopt the updated transport strategy, Access Hamilton, by September 2022.

### We will:

- Start to implement the adopted Access Hamilton strategy.



## Support our businesses and community through the low-carbon transition and to reduce their emissions

### We will:

- Provide an emissions measurement tool for our community by March 2023.
- Partner with businesses through our Climate Accord to identify emissions reduction opportunities.
- Assess how the low-carbon transition will impact on our diverse communities by March 2023.
- Pilot a small business emissions reduction support programme by March 2023.

## Embed circular economy principles in all activities.

### We will:

- Review the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (2024-2030) to incorporate circular economy.



## Make Hamilton a centre of excellence for climate response innovation.

### We will:

- Build relationships with key partners and assess where Council can support emissions reduction actions.

Daily CO<sub>2</sub> Level

↓ 1.5% decrease



# Outcome two: Our neighbourhoods enable low-carbon living

Maa oo tatou takiwaa nohanga e ora ai te ao waro-hakahaka

## ● Create a 20-minute city of compact, connected and healthy neighbourhoods, with a focus on sustainable urban intensification

### Council will:

- Formally adopt the updated Hamilton Urban Growth Strategy by March 2023.
- Approve District Plan Change 12 – Growing Up for public notification in August 2022, in response to the National Policy Statement for Urban Development and the Resource Management (Enabling Housing Supply and Other Matters) Act.



## ● Enable low-carbon infrastructure and buildings, and opportunities for renewable energy solutions

### We will:

- Identify the tools and levers available for Council by March 2023.
- Complete an inventory of current Council building efficiency by December 2022.

## ● Support community sharing networks to reduce emissions and enable other co-benefits

### We will:

- Complete a stocktake of existing community sharing networks and assess Council's role in growing these networks by March 2023.



# Outcome three: Our city is ready for Hamilton's climate

Kei te rite too taatou taaone moo te aahuarangi o Kirikiriroa

## Future-proof existing and new infrastructure to be climate resilient

### We will:

- Implement the Climate Change Policy to ensure that climate change is considered in Council's decisions.
- Review climate considerations in our Asset/Activity Management Plans for consideration in the next Long Term Plan by June 2023.



## Improve our community's resilience and reduce the impacts of climate change on their wellbeing

### We will:

- Roll out Neighbourhood Climate Resilience Booklets, starting with a booklet for the new Peacocke suburb by June 2023.
- Begin Climate Change Risk Assessment for the city by September 2022.



## Regenerate our natural environment, to improve the resilience of our gullies and other natural areas

### We will:

- Continuedelivering the Nature in the City Strategy, starting with investing in Donny Park and pest control at specific locations.



## Encourage sustainable water use and conservation measures to protect the Waikato River

### We will:

- Start to implement our Water Sustainability Strategy, an internal strategy for Hamilton City Council that will guide our water supply activities and help us embed climate change considerations into our water planning processes.



## Build the right things in the right place to reduce our climate risk exposure

### We will:

- Collate existing climate change data and information to have 'one source of truth' for decision-making by June 2023.

