Have your say on the Emissions Reduction Plan

The government is currently forming a plan of specific actions that will be part of its climate change response. They will finalise the plan in May 2022 and are seeking public input. This is an important opportunity to have your say on policies that will affect the next 15 years and beyond.

Name:

Which region are you in?

Northland Auckland Waikato Bay of Plenty Gisborne

Hawke's Bay Taranaki Manawatū-Whanganui Wellington Tasman

Nelson Marlborough West Coast Canterbury Otago / Southland

Note: Submitters' names and their full submissions may be published on the Ministry for the Environment website and/or released under the Official Information Act. Your email address will NOT be published.

1. What support from the government would help you personally reduce emissions in your own household, church or workplace?

Anglican Movement has made this quick submission form (also available online at: tinyurl.com/EmissionsReductionPlan).

To make a more detailed submission, and to read the government's discussion document, go to: consult.environment.govt.nz/climate/emissionsreduction-plan/.

Email address:

What church are you part of?

Please tell me about future justice advocacy opportunities from Anglican Movement: Yes / No

You could say something like:

- I am trying to reduce emissions by [using public transport] but am limited by [the cost]. The government could help by [subsidising bus fares.]
- My church would love to [travel to our camp by train instead of private cars]. But [the train is often cancelled in the weekends]. Please [invest more in our train networks].

2. What initiatives would you include in an Emissions Reduction Plan for Aotearoa? Why do you want to see this included?

3. What ideas do you have to ensure that while our country reduces emissions, the process is fair, and vulnerable people are looked after?

4. Is there anything else you want to say?

You could say something like:

- I would like to see free public transport for children, students and Community Service Card holders. This would directly benefit people on low incomes; encourage a shift to cleaner transport and improve community connection.
- I would like to see funding for farmers to switch to regenerative farming practices that protect soil, water and air quality.
- Please end the burning of coal in electricity generation and industry by investing in clean alternatives.
- Please direct the ACC Fund and Super Fund to stop investing in fossil fuels and other activities that cause climate change. (In 2014 the Anglican Province of Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia voted to divest its money from fossil fuels. Government funds have not taken this step.)
- Please ensure accessible training and welfare support for people who need to change jobs.
- Not everyone can afford electric cars! Please provide subsidies that people on low incomes can access too.
- It is important to me that New Zealand does our fair share to limit warming to 1.5 degrees. Please ensure the combined policies in the Emissions Reduction Plan enable this.
- Thanks for reading my submission. My prayers for your team as you finalise this important plan.