

# Overview of Sustainability Action

## in Aotearoa New Zealand

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## Religious and Spiritual

### Anglican Church

[DCCAG](#) Diocesan Climate Change Action Group – Auckland [Richard Milne](#)  
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**Wellington Diocese** – [Rev John Flenley](#) 06 357 6844  
Tree propagation and planting

[Geoh](#) Connection (God's Earth Our Home)

[A Rocha Aotearoa NZ Kristel van Houte](#), Director P O Box 19104 Hamilton 3244

*A Rocha is passionate about restoring New Zealand's eco systems and the people, plants and animals that depend upon them.* A Rocha is an international environmental organisation with a Christian ethos, now operating in 20 countries. We actively work to engage and mobilise ordinary Kiwis to care for the natural environment through hands-on, community based projects and education.

### Catholic Church

[Caritas](#) [Martin de Jong](#) Ph 04 496 1782

The Catholic Bishops' agency for justice, peace and development. We are working for a world free of poverty and injustice through community development, advocacy, education, and emergency relief.

[Justice & Peace Commission](#) Auckland [Mary Betz](#)

The Commission strives to live out God's love by providing resources for justice awareness; initiating and publicising opportunities for action by parishes and individuals; monitoring public policy and making submission where appropriate to local and national bodies.

**Bahai** - [Bev Watson](#)

International Resources:

[International Environment Forum](#): [Institute for Studies in Global Prosperity](#): [Bahá'í International Community](#):

**Eco Theology** – Professor Elaine Wainwright, University of Auckland

[Interchurch Bioethics Council](#) [Email](#)

[Real, Urgent and Personal](#) – A Christian Approach to Climate Change - 2008  
[Sustainability Resources](#)

### Kaitiakitanga

Kaitiakitanga is a different way of looking at our world; where we know we do not own the earth (or the plot of land we think we have title to) to exploit as we wish. Instead we understand that we and all life is created from Papatuanuku (Mother Earth) and supported by her in a very inter-connected way.

[PCE Report](#) (Parliamentary Commissioner on the Environment)

## **Methodist Church** [Betsan Martin](#)

[Public Issues Network](#)

Care for creation resources Economy: [Oram](#) Climate: [Tate](#) Energy: [Sims](#) Theology: [Harris](#)

## **NZ Christian Network** –

[Statements](#) on environmental issues addressed to Christians

## **Presbyterian Church**

Review of activities Angela Singer - [Spanz 08](#)

[Resources](#)

[Caring for Creation](#)

[Living Sustainably in God's World](#) – Report on Leith Valley activities, Bill Lee and Phil Scadden

Presbyterian Church Ecological Task Group – [report 2008](#)

“[Caring for Creation](#)” Study Booklet

## **Quakers**

Quaker Futures Committee on the [Environment](#), [Sustainability](#)

[Marvin Hubbard](#) - 03 473 9188

Climate Change Newsletter - [Tony Maturin](#)

## **Soka Gakkai** [Joycelyn Foo](#)

A Buddhist association which promotes peace through individual transformation and contribution to society

## **Tipu Ake Lifecycle** [Peter Goldsbury](#)

We share the [Tipu Ake ki te Ora Lifecycle](#) - an easily applied, and action focused leadership model that exploits Kiwi style teamwork. It provides new tools for organisations that wish to grow into dynamic living entities, rather than just behaving like machines.

## **Conference**

**Christianity and the Ecological Crisis: Lament, Hope , Action.** 5-7<sup>th</sup> Oct 2012 Wellington

[Program and list of Speakers](#)

[Bishop Cullinane Speech](#)

Jonathan Boston Speech available on request.

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### **Amnesty International** [Email](#)

Protecting the rights of the dispossessed, including those affected by climate change.

### **Greenpeace** [Bunny McDiarmid](#), Director

Undertakes a wide range of strategic initiatives to defend the environment.

### **Oxfam** [Email](#) [Barry Coates](#) - CEO 0800 400 666

Provides a range of international aid programs with sustainability and climate change dimensions.

### **Transparency NZ** [email](#)

Actively promoting the highest levels of transparency, accountability, integrity and public participation in government and civil society in NZ, the Pacific Islands and the world.

### **UNANZ** (United Nations Association of New Zealand) [Office](#).

Monitoring and interpreting global UN sustainability and climate change activities to NZ.

### **UNICEF** [Pip Bennett](#)

Promotes the activities and interests of children and youth.

[WWF](#) [Chris Howe](#) Executive Director

Stop the degradation of the planet's natural environment and to build a future in which people live in harmony with nature. This is achieved by working on the ground with local communities, and in partnership with government and industry, using the best possible science to advocate change and effective conservation policy.

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[Sustainability Council](#) [Simon Terry](#)

The Council focuses principally on climate change and emerging technologies (GM and nanotechnology). It is a research and advocacy org that undertakes analytical work involving: science, governance, economics and strategy.

[350.org](#)

Building a movement to create climate change solutions the Kiwi way.

[Generation Zero](#) [Facebook](#)

A movement of young New Zealanders working together to catalyse political action on climate change to create a safe and thriving zero carbon Aotearoa.

[Powershift Conference on Climate Change](#) – 7-9 Dec 2012 – Auckland

Shifting power to youth to respond to climate change

Organised by 350.org and Generation Zero

[100% Possible](#) Encouraging youth action to move beyond fossil fuels.

[G-Force](#) – Older generations supporting youth in creating their visions. [Gray Southon](#)

[NZ Youth Delegations](#) attend global Climate Change Conferences and files reports

[Living Economies](#) [Helen Dew](#)

Strengthen and help sustain regional economies by promoting interest-free means of exchange - currencies based on and respecting the living systems of our planet - to complement money in local communities.

[Coal Action Network](#) Email [coalactionnetwork@gmail.com](mailto:coalactionnetwork@gmail.com)

A group of climate justice campaigners committed to fighting the continuation of coal mining in Aotearoa New Zealand.

[Climate Justice Aotearoa](#) [email](#)

[Climate Justice in Aotearoa](#) booklet

A diverse and creative climate justice movement, at the heart which is a principle which connects its diverse and localised efforts and differentiates it from other approaches to dealing with climate change: a recognition that the massive environmental crises we face are consequences of deep, fundamental and unequal economic and social power relations.

[Carbon Zero](#) [Alana Vallance](#) (Admin) 03 321 9818

Recognised certifier for greenhouse gas footprint measurement, emissions reduction and carbon neutral claims to international standards. Best practice that ensures consistency of emissions measurement, credibility of reduction and offsetting activity, and integrity of market claims.

[The Bank of Real Solutions](#) [Laurence Boomert](#)

It brings forward the success stories of the individuals and communities who are; using resources more wisely, reducing financial overheads, fixing social ills, restoring ecosystems, creating jobs, enhancing the aesthetics of where they live, becoming more self-determining. The focus is that which makes us more; resilient, vibrant, healthier, happier and better connected - in our households, our neighbourhoods, regions and as a nation.

[Sustainable Energy Forum](#) [Email](#)

a group of individuals and corporate organisations promoting information and supporting action which will help move New Zealand towards a sustainable energy future.

### [Anew NZ](#) [Dave Breuer](#)

An organisation that offers public awareness of the wide range of issues and opportunities essential for achieving a sustainable future - inspiring holistic change through an informed and inspired public and civil society, working with business and government - for New Zealand to achieve wellbeing and prosperity for all of its people - and the future of all of our children.

### [Sustainable Dunedin City Inc.](#) Formed in February 2007

#### **Vision:**

The Society aims to facilitate a positive, secure and sustainable future for Dunedin City in the face of challenges posed by climate change and unsustainable resource use.

#### **Objectives:**

(a) The Society conducts research and disseminates information on climate change and sustainability, promoting awareness of these issues to the wider community.

(b) The Society aims to influence individuals, businesses and governments to adapt their behaviours and policies to reflect the importance of these issues.

(c) The Society fosters linkages between organisations with objectives similar to, or complementary to, the Society

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### [ECO](#) (Environment and Conservation Organisations of Aotearoa New Zealand)

[Debby Rosin](#) - executive officer (04) 385 7545

An umbrella organisation for NZ environmental groups. See website for lists.

### **Environment Centres** ref list on [EnviroHub Bay of Plenty](#) Ph 07 578 6664

### [Forest and Bird Society](#), [Office](#) 04 385 7374 Five regional officers and many branches

Originally established to protect our native forests and birds, our role has been extended in recent years to include protection of all native species and wild places – on land and in our oceans, lakes and rivers. Work on local and national environmental issues

### Fonterra [Sustainability Program](#)

[Clean Streams Accord](#) A voluntary environmental initiative designed to contribute towards clean, healthy freshwater resources including streams, rivers, lakes, groundwater and wetlands in dairying areas. It expires at the end of 2012 with final results reported at year-end.

[Climate Change](#) - A genuine issue and greenhouse gas emissions must be reduced.

### [NZ Landcare Trust](#) [Office](#)

NZ Landcare Trust works with farmers, landowners and community groups to improve the sustainability of our landscapes and waterways.

### [NZAEE](#) (New Zealand Association for Environmental Education) [Email](#)

Promotes and supports lifelong learning and encourages behaviours that lead to sustainability for New Zealand/Aotearoa. An independent voice for environmental education, empowering people to respect and nurture the environment, recognising its link with the social, cultural and economic aspects of sustainability.

### [GE Free NZ](#) [Office](#)

**Newsletter** which includes the newest information about developments concerning Genetic Engineering - local - national – international

### [Safe Food Campaign](#) [Alison White](#)

### [Pesticide Action Network Aotearoa NZ](#) [office](#)

### [Environmental Defence Society](#) [Gary Taylor](#) – Executive Director 64 9 835 4350

Committed to improving environmental outcomes within New Zealand.

### [Soil & Health Association of New Zealand \(publishers of Organic NZ\)](#) [Sandra Donley](#) Manager (09) 419 4536

Committed to advocating our maxim "Healthy Soil - Healthy Food - Healthy People" and to creating an organic New Zealand.

### [Sustainable Coastlines](#) [Email](#)

We coordinate and support large-scale coastal clean-up events, educational programs, public awareness campaigns, riparian planting activities and other projects. Through these efforts we motivate volunteers and communities around Aotearoa / New Zealand and the Pacific to look after the coastlines we all love.

### [Biodynamic Farming and Gardening Association](#) [Email](#)

Biodynamic methods work toward the development of the farm or garden as a balanced and sustainable unit. They include organic practices such as crop rotation, recycling through composts and liquid manures, and increasing plant and animal bio diversity. Special plant, animal and mineral preparations are used.

### [Waikato Biodiversity Forum](#), [Moira Cursey](#) Coordinator

A partnership between research and management agencies, iwi groups, private landowners, communities and projects in relation to native biodiversity in the Waikato region of New Zealand.

### [Trees for Survival](#) [Don Roa](#) National Manager

An environmental education programme which involves young people growing and planting native trees to help landowners revegetate erosion prone land, improve stream flow and water quality and increase biodiversity.

### [Kaipatiki Project](#) [Email](#)

The largest urban restoration project being carried out by a single group in New Zealand. We care for and protect over 70 hectares of beautiful native bush in Glenfield on Auckland's North Shore.

### [Superhood:](#) Street Based Community Engagement

A study of the systems and implementation of sustainable practice

### **Biodiversity Defence Society**, [Francis Mountier](#) 0211757484

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### [Enviroschools](#)

[Heidi Mardon](#) National Director 07 959 7321

Provides leadership, support, and opportunities that empower children and young people to work in intergenerational ways to create healthy, peaceful and resilient communities.

### [Transition Towns](#) (locally driven organisation – please check web site for local group)

International grassroots movement that brings people together to explore how we – as communities - can respond to the environmental, economic and social challenges arising from climate change, resource depletion and an economy based on growth.

### [Inspiring Communities](#) [The Team](#) [email](#)

*"We want to create a way of working as a whole community, agencies and us together, that creates hope and optimism"* *Georgie Thompson, Ruapotaka Marae, Tamaki*

### [ReGeneration](#) [Billy Matheson](#) Project Founder and Trustee Ph 021-688-770

A way to develop a new and very different way of learning: one that is up to the task of dealing with the very new and different set of challenges that young people face today. From the personal to the global - climate change, economic instability, radical population growth, peak oil, and massive income and resource inequity are changing the way we think and act in the world. These are complex and holistic problems. If we are to heal these problems, rather than simply trying to manage them, we need our young people to be thinking in complex and holistic ways.

### [Hikurangi Foundation](#) [email](#)

Supports and grows social enterprises and ambitious communities to deliver solutions to climate change, resource limits and environmental degradation.

### [Project Litefoot](#) [Katya Olykan](#)

We want future generations of New Zealanders to look back on this time as an era of great leadership and bold decision-making that ensured the preservation of our natural environment and our ongoing sustainability.

### [Sustainability Trust](#) [email](#)

To work with households and communities in the Wellington region to reduce their environmental impact and improve their well-being by providing access to advice, resources, services, and products.

### [Heart Politics](#) [Peter Crowe](#) Ph 021 355506

Heart Politics is a diverse collection of social entrepreneurs, educators, community change agents, artists, parents, children, thinkers, and doers. It exists to network and support anyone working for community change, to evolve ideas and promote ways to speak across difference, and to celebrate the many alternatives that are always available when creative, committed and open-hearted people meet together for long enough to get beyond their personal agendas.

### [Green Drinks](#)

Local sharing meetings on green practice

### [Homestar](#) [Email](#)

Homestar™ helps you improve the performance of your home – making it better. Better to live in, better for the planet and better value in the market.

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### [Wise Response](#) [Alan Mark](#)

Calling on the NZ Parliament to face up to the the links between climate change, current fossil fuel extraction and combustion, and a stable economy and dispassionately assess the risks in five key priority areas and from those recommendations, design cross-party policies to avert any confirmed threats to give future generations the very best chance of security, peace, social justice and opportunity.

### [Good Magazine](#) [Sarah Heeringa](#) — editor

Good is the magazine for people who think and care about the everyday choices they make. Good is all about making better choices for your home, health, family and the community around you. It celebrates handcrafted, natural and simple pleasures and helps you to reconnect with things that really matter.

### [Elements Magazine](#) : [James Russell](#) Editor

### [Organic NZ](#) [Philippa Jamieson](#) Editor

Aotearoa New Zealand's leading organics and sustainability magazine. Handy info about organic gardening and farming, organic food and consumer issues, natural health, eco building, news and views. Published by the Soil & Health Association.

### [Celsias](#) [Vicki Buck](#)

Websites aimed at action on climate change with business orientation.  
[International Site](#)

### [Green Ideas](#)

### [Carbon News](#) [Editor](#)

See [MagMag](#) for other mags

### [Colin James](#) — [Email](#)

[The Anthropocene and the “more” principle](#)

### [Rod Oram](#)

[Growth at any price foolish](#)

### [Russell McVeagh](#)

[Climate Change Alert](#)

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### **The Sustainability Society** [Vicky Adin](#), Secretariat Mb 027 2305 365

A Learned Society established to foster sustainability engineering. The Society provides training and fosters dialogue on sustainability through workshops, seminars, forums and international conferences. It takes a complex systems approach to sustainability, recognising that human and natural systems are increasingly interconnected and interdependent. A special group of IPENZ (Institute of Engineers NZ)

### **Engineers without Borders** [Sam Davies Talwar](#)

Professionals and students who share a vision to confront global challenges of poverty, sustainable development and social inequity by undertaking initiatives that will directly improve the quality of life in communities within New Zealand and in the South Pacific region.

### **Engineers for Social Responsibility** [John La Roche](#)

Being knowledgeable in the field of technology means that they also have a special obligation to the public at large. This includes raising the awareness of the engineering profession to the consequences of its activities and explaining and discussing the ramifications of developments in engineering and engineering works to the public.

### **Sustainable Cities** [Professor Philippa Howden-Chapman](#)

An inter-disciplinary research centre dedicated to providing the research base for innovative solutions to the economic, social, environmental and cultural development of our urban centres.

### **Environmental Issues Group** (New Zealand Institute of Architects) [Alec Couchman](#)

### **Building Biology and Ecology Institute** [Email](#)

Provides information on how buildings affect the health of people and the environment, and ways of building healthier and more sustainable homes . It promotes the [Principles of Ecological Building & Design](#) with [publications](#), [workshops and courses](#), seminars and research.

### **EMANZ** – Energy Management Association of New Zealand [Email](#)

Dedicated to educating in the area of facilities management to maximise the efficient use of energy – an underlying sustainable principle

### **Ora Taiao** NZ Climate and Health Council [Dr. Rhys Jones](#)

Senior doctors and other health professionals in Aotearoa/New Zealand concerned about the effects of climate change on population health. We are part of a worldwide movement of health professional authorities urgently focusing on the health challenges and opportunities of climate change.

### **Intersect** [Email](#)

Our purpose is to resource [purposeful young professionals](#) to be more powerful in creating a world that works better for everyone.

### **Physicians and Scientists for Global Responsibility** [Jean Anderson](#) Ph 075765721

PSGR comprises medical and scientific professionals concerned about the potential effects the new the technologies of genetic engineering, nanotechnology, synthetic biology and bio-geo-engineering will have on the human and physical environment;

**See extensive** listing of [associated organisations](#)

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### **ESR** (Environmental Science and Research) [Email](#)

[Sustainable Development](#) The Human Dimension Programme has been designed to do two things: better understand drivers of, and barriers to participative processes, as well as trial participative methods or mechanisms that could potentially improve community and tangata whenua participation in decision-making.

### [Landcare Research](#) [Richard Gordon](#)

Our goal is to both protect and enhance the land environment and grow the country's prosperity. Sustainability is embedded throughout our organisation and evidenced in both our research focus and our day-to-day operational activities. We report comprehensively on this in the [sustainability section](#).

### [Futures Thinking Aotearoa](#) [Yvonne Curtis](#)

Our aim is to provide credible, timely information on major changes likely to impact on our way of life, particularly in New Zealand, and to promote discussion in the wider community on how we might best react to them.

### [McGuinness Institute](#) [Wendy McGuinness](#)

The purpose of the McGuinness Institute is to ensure the long-term sustainable future of New Zealand and the wellbeing of its people. The Institute understands the challenges of a rapidly changing environment, nationally and globally, and the need to work collaboratively across all sectors to realise the changes that will ensure the (economic, environmental, social and cultural) wellbeing of the country over the next forty years. It does this by working openly with people of all ages, and cultivating the importance of strategic and future thinking for the long term benefit of New Zealand.

### [Ecologic](#) [Guy Salmon](#) – Executive Director

At Ecologic, we conduct research, consulting and advocacy on the management of natural resources to help find pathways to sustainable development.

### [Cawthron Institute](#) [Email](#)

Provides research based solutions to enable the sustainable management and development of New Zealand's coastal and freshwater systems and resources for the benefit of the region and the nation.

### [NZ Climate Change Centre](#) [David Wratt](#) Ph 04 386 0588

The New Zealand Climate Change Centre (NZCCC) is a joint initiative by New Zealand's Crown Research Institutes and three universities (University of Canterbury, Victoria University of Wellington, and Massey University). *"To enhance the capacity of New Zealand, both domestically and in partnership with other countries, to anticipate, mitigate, and adapt to climate change."*

### [NIWA](#) (National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research) [Email](#)

NIWA's mission is to conduct leading environmental science to enable the sustainable management of natural resources for New Zealand and the planet.

### [Centre for Sustainability](#): [Dr. Janet Stephenson](#) Director Tel: 03 479-8779

Agriculture, Food, Energy, Environment. The Centre's research includes agricultural sustainability, indigenous environmental management, energy transitions and societal responses to climate change.

### **Beacon Pathway** – Glenda Lock, [glendal@beaconpathway.co.nz](mailto:glendal@beaconpathway.co.nz)

A research group dedicated to sustainable research in the building field

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### **Auckland** [Sustainability and Environment](#) [Lesley Stone](#) Manager

The University of Auckland acknowledges the importance of the environment and sustainable practices. It is a commitment that is formalised in our strategic plan, the Environmental policy and our signing of the Universitas 21 Statement on Sustainability.

[Nikki Harre](#) – Psychology of Climate Change and Action

[Prof. Elaine Wainwright](#) – Eco theology

[Help Green our Uni](#)

**AUT Sustainability Taskforce** AUT is committed to sustainability and this is reflected in AUT's Strategic Plan that sees AUT contributing to the social, cultural, environmental and economic wellbeing and development of Auckland and New Zealand. The Vice Chancellor's Sustainability Taskforce has been charged with progressing our Sustainability Strategy through to action. This covers both academic and non-academic areas.

[Sustainability Research Cluster](#) [Dr Helen Tregidga](#) or [Vernon Rive](#)

The group comprises of over 35 academics and PhD candidates who are engaged in sustainability-related research and supervision. The SRC endeavours to encourage and facilitate quality, engaged and interdisciplinary research on the broadly defined area of sustainability.

**[AuSM](#)** – Auckland Student Movement at AUT [Nathan Bromberg](#) Sustainability Coordinator

Aims to be an exemplar of social, environmental, financial and organisational sustainability. We take a holistic and interconnected approach to engagement and our services, along with our sustainability plan which enables us to work on:

- Assisting all students able to engage with, participate in, and belong to our community
- Nurturing students to value social responsibility
- Supporting community and local initiatives that promote sustainability
- Ensuring that all AuSM engagements are socially inclusive and accepting
- Seeking and secure sustainable sources of organisational funding and sponsorship for initiatives

## Waikato University

**[International Global Change Institute](#)** [Dr. Wei Ye](#)

Integrated modelling of climate change; water resource systems

**[Waikato Management School](#)** [Sustainability Research](#) Prof. Delwyn N. Clark

The Waikato Management School is distinctive in its commitment 'to inspire the world with fresh understandings of sustainable success'. We see education and research as key factors in enabling New Zealand to be a sustainable nation and sustainability as central to the future of business.

## Massey University

**[Sustainability Program](#)** [Dr. Allan Ryan](#)

At Massey we are committed to developing applied, real world opportunities for sustainability-related teaching and research by drawing on a wide range of fundamental science, critical social science, design thinking and business knowledge

**[Future U](#)** Sharing in your future

## Victoria University

**[New Zealand Climate Change Research Institute](#)** [Ralph Chapman](#) Ph 04 463 6153

mission is to carry out excellent policy-facing climate research. We aim to:

- Undertake internationally significant climate change research that can inform policy debates in New Zealand and elsewhere.
- Contribute significantly and constructively to public debates about climate change.
- Develop and deliver high quality, interdisciplinary taught courses to students and practitioners.

**[GECKO](#)** club [email](#)

The environmental group on campus that works on both local and global issues.

**Student Association** sustainability officer on [Rick Zwaan](#)

"Carbon Neutral Campus". recycling at Uni, lobbying for Fairer Fares for students on public transport, Healthy Homes, rooftop gardens and planting fruit trees around the campuses.

**[Institute for Governance and Policy Studies \(IGPS\)](#)** [Jonathan Boston](#)

fosters discussion, research and publication of current issues of domestic and foreign policy. We particularly link academic research and public policy by providing opportunities for independent and detached study, and for neutral and informed discussion of important and relevant issues.

See *Policy Quarterly* - [special issue](#) on sustainability

**[Campus Sustainability Program](#)** Promoting a sustainable campus

**[Tourism 2050](#)** Exploring the future of tourism.

## Canterbury University

**[Sustainability at UC](#)** Advocate [Dr Matt Morris](#) Ph 03 364 3495

The University of Canterbury recognises long-term sustainability as one of the key strategic issues that will increasingly affect both the University and wider society. This site is intended to showcase the University's efforts in sustainability, and provide an information hub for sustainability-related events, activities and courses on campus.

## Lincoln University

**[Sustainability Advisory Group for our Environment](#)** [Greg Ryan](#) Group Chair

## Otago University

[Centre for Theology and Public Issues](#) Dr. [Andrew Bradstock](#) – Director

The first research centre in New Zealand to examine political, social and economic issues from a theological perspective.

## Otago Polytechnic

[Centre for Sustainable Practice](#) [email](#) [Information Site](#)

Our mission is to **inspire capability for real change**.

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Note: this section covers principally organisations serving business, but not to the many businesses which are undertaking sustainable practice of some sort.

## [Sustainable Business Network \(SBN\)](#) [Rachel Brown](#) - Chief Executive Officer P: 09 826 0952 Ext: 8582

Sustainable Business Network members are charting a path to profit we can all be proud of – profit that benefits communities, employees and the natural environment as well as shareholders – profit for the 21st century.

## [Sustainable Business Council](#) [Penny Nelson](#) Executive Director

A CEO led group of companies that catalyses the New Zealand business community to have a leading role in creating a sustainable future for business, society and the environment

[Report on WBCSD](#) (World Business Council for Sustainable Development)

[Vision 2050 Program](#)

## [Prometheus](#) [Email](#)

Environmentally Sustainable and Socially Responsible Finance. Prometheus lends to projects/proposals that have positive effects in relation to ecosystems, natural resources, public health, social structures, cultural heritage, animal welfare and human rights.

## [NZ Green Building Council](#) [Alex Cutler](#) Chief Executive Phone: +64 9 379 3996 extn. 910

An industry organisation dedicated to accelerating the development and adoption of market-based green building practices.

## [The Natural Step \(TNS\)](#) [Simon Harvey](#)

The Natural Step NZ is a leading provider of advisory services, training and support for kiwi organisations recognising the financial benefits of a strategic approach to sustainability.

## [Conscious Consumers](#) [Ben Gleisner](#) Director

A business accreditation scheme and consumer movement that helps hospitality businesses respond effectively to increasing consumer demand for environmentally and socially responsible products and services.

## [Pure Advantage](#) [Email](#)

By embracing green growth, New Zealand can realise a wealthier future that's more sustainable in every sense. And in coming to terms with the fact that economic growth and environmental sustainability are not necessarily mutually exclusive, we can arrest both our relative economic decline and our continued environmental degradation.

## [Sustainability Matters](#) [Ray Skinner](#) Principal

Produces an e-Newsletter fortnightly, four pages garnered from a wide range of local and international sources. Covers a broad range of topics and issues. Advocates for 'sustainability'. Has a business and accounting flavour.

## [Just Good Business](#) Editor: [Vicki Jayne](#) Ph 027 278 6316

A resource for those who want to build organisations that are not only commercially savvy but future fit and strategically oriented to thrive in a rapidly changing world. It's where New Zealand enterprise can find the know-how it needs to build sustainability into everyday business operations.

## [Sustainable 60](#): [Tresna Cuttle](#) Sustainable 60 Project Manager Ph 09-909 -6868

Being Sustainable is being SMART. It means you have a business that is Strategic, Measurable, Advanced, Resilient and of course PROFITable. From people to processes, it's about being around for the long haul and helping grow and sustain the New Zealand economy.

[Unlimited initiative](#)

**[Enviro-State](#)** [Calum Revfem](#) Manager 07 5759266, 021499177

Envirostate provides businesses with a comprehensive range of sustainability services using internationally recognised standards and systems:

**[ZeroWaste NZ](#)** [Bruce Trask](#) Director

Encouraging and motivating all sectors of New Zealand society to work towards a target of Zero Waste.

**[Waste Watchers](#)** [Bruce Trask](#) Director

Waste Watchers Ltd works directly with business, industry, local government and schools. We design and manage recycling programmes, waste minimization schemes and industry cleaner production and resource efficiency projects. Our team conduct on-site waste audits, work with employees, cleaning contractors, waste and recycling service providers and assist your company or council with implementing sustainable business practices.

**[Celsias](#)** [Kate](#)

supporting sustainable business

**[Union Climate Action Aotearoa](#)** [Stephen Day](#)

Climate campaigners WWF and 350 Aotearoa, and unions the PSA, NZNO, TEU, and SFWU have joined forces to take action on climate change. Called 'Union Climate Action', this campaign will give you the opportunity to take action in your own workplace.

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### **National Party**

[BlueGreens](#) [Geoff Thompson](#) National Convenor 04 499 3280

The Bluegreens are the National Party's advisory group on environmental issues.

### **Labour Party**

Energy and Climate Change Spokesperson [Moana Mackey](#)

### **Green Party**

Sustainability, Energy and Climate Change Spokesperson [Kennedy Graham](#)

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**Minister for Climate Change Issues** [Tim Groser](#), Associate Minister [Simon Bridges](#)

[Climate Change web site](#)

**[Ministry for the Environment](#)** [email](#) Ph 04 439 7400, Minister [Amy Adams](#)

The environment supports New Zealand's economy through our use of natural resources. At the same time, the health of the environment is affected by the way every New Zealander behaves.

**[Dept of Conservation](#)** [Email](#) 0 4 471 0726

We're doing our part to make New Zealand the greatest living space on Earth by looking after our environment so all of us can enjoy it and get the benefits from it that we need for our health and well-being and our wealth. This includes things like: clean air to breathe; fresh water to drink and to run our industries; healthy soils to grow our food; places where we can find adventure and solitude, and much more.

**[Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment](#)** [Jan Wright](#)

The Commissioner has wide powers to investigate and report on any matter where, in her opinion, the environment may be, or has been, adversely affected. Parliament or any parliamentary select committee may also ask her to report on environmental matters.

**[EECA](#)** – Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority [email](#)

The government agency that works to improve the energy efficiency of New Zealand's homes and businesses, and encourage the uptake of renewable energy.

**Local Government** [Back to Contents](#)

Many local government have sustainability activities which should be available on their web sites. These may include: efficiency initiatives, sea level rise policies, and environmental protection. For instance:

**[Auckland Council](#)** Sustainability team - [Kate Jessep](#)  
[Make a Difference](#) Youth Sustainability Development Programme

**Wellington Council** [Eco City Goal](#)

The Council is committed to developing Wellington as a sustainable eco-city. It is important that Wellington takes an environmental leadership role, as the capital city of clean and green New Zealand.

**[Wellington Regional Council](#)**

**Supporting sustainability regionally; in homes, businesses and schools.**

**Christchurch Council** [Target Sustainability](#)

Target Sustainability provides free support to help Christchurch businesses become sustainable through reducing waste and being energy and water efficient.

**Dunedin Council** [Sustainability Education](#) [Maria Ioannou](#) Sustainability Advisor

Provide education over a wider range of sustainability issues.

[Enviroschools](#) [Jenny Neilson](#)

[Sustainable Dunedin City](#) [Vivienne Bryner](#) (SDC's secretary) [secretary@sustainabledunedin.org.nz](mailto:secretary@sustainabledunedin.org.nz)

Community group promoting sustainability.

**[Sustainable Living Trust](#)** [Eion Scott](#) (Chair) [Rhys](#) (South Island) [Partner Councils](#)

Education programs for sustainable living.

**[Eco Design Advisors Group](#)** – contact [Eion Scott](#),

Your local Eco Design Advisor is able to provide you with independent, factual and practical building information:

- Smart ideas on energy, water, material and waste issues
- Quick-start tips for your house-building project
- Essentials on low carbon living

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