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**A climate law like the Zero Carbon Act is important because...**

We need to change the way we interact with our environment.

**Long-term target**

I support the most ambitious target of reducing total greenhouse gases to net zero by 2050. I also support taking a science-based approach to ensure our efforts to reduce emissions are as impactful as possible: we should aim for negative levels of long-lived gases, while reducing short-lived gases to sustainable levels. This target should be reached by reducing our own emissions and not by using international carbon credits.

**Climate Commission**

I support the establishment of an independent Climate Commission that is made up of experts and provides advice, but does not make final decisions.

**Adaptation**

I support a plan for adaptation being included in the Zero Carbon Act.

**Climate justice**

A Zero Carbon Act must be just and fair in that it honours Te Tiriti o Waitangi; ensures a just transition for workers and communities; and avoids passing on the costs to future generations.

**Further comments**

We need to base our use of resources on those that are renewable and part of the natural life cycle in the right proportions to keep our systems balanced.

We need to ensure that the realignment of our economy is in a manner that is more inclusive than the one we have at present (so that more of our disadvantaged population feel included in our society).

We need to ensure that as the affects of our pollution begin to affect our neighbours we are in a position to help them or assimilate them into our society. (the likes of the pacific peoples that are displaced by rising sea levels)

If we don't act now then as our population increases we will cause more population of the nest we call earth.