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**A climate law like the Zero Carbon Act is important because...**  
I am concerned about human-induced climate change, and I think there are also other, strong reasons for moving away from fossil fuels. This includes global conflicts caused by mining them, and the pollution and health issues caused by burning them. I also enjoy intensive cities that are dominated by public transport, cycling and walking, far more than use of private vehicles. I would prefer to see us move towards this model in our urban areas, regardless of uptake of electric cars.

**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 must honour Te Tiriti o Waitangi. It must ensure a healthy transition for workers and communities, and help us prevent passing on the costs of climate change and/ or carbon emissions to future generations.

**Further comments**  
New Zealand is poorly placed to address climate change currently, but will feel the effects of rising sea levels and possibly of global conflicts. However we are well-placed to turn our climate policy around, if we do this under the current government with strong climate policy and ethics. Let's do this!