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Mankind's Greatest Challenge: A Good Life within our ONE Planet's Means



'Have Your Say': The proposed Government **Zero Carbon Bill** designed to address **Climate Change** is currently out for public Consultation. The closing day for 'Have Your Say' submissions is 19 July 2018. To read the **One Point Zero Submissions** [click here](#)

"No Mr Minister, Zero Carbon is NOT a 'No Brainer'!"

Climate Change seems so daunting, and yet 'Zero Carbon' seems to speak to a '*Simple and Perfect*' solution. Add the feeling created in The Bill that it is 'very achievable', and its easy to see why many read no further, and 'Have their Say':

"Yes, Mr Minister, No brainer, let's just get on and do it".

This e-letter lays out why it is Not the '*Right Choice*' for NZ, Nor 'The World'. And why the decision to follow the UK with Zero Carbon is a strange break in NZ's legacy approaches to 'globally significant' issues.

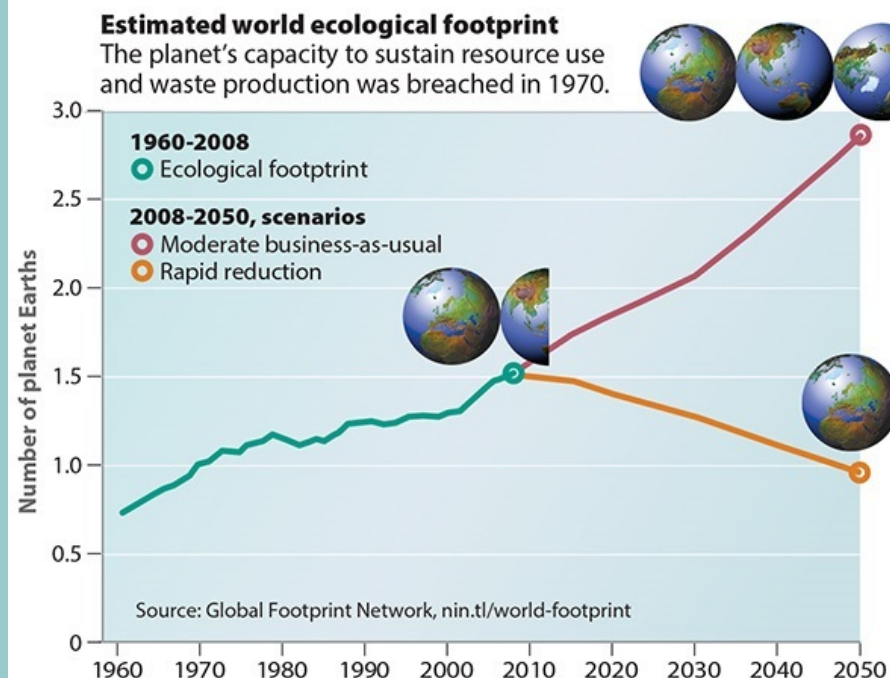
On the surface of the Government's Bill proposal, it would seem that NZ is just following the trusted wisdom of its colonial parent! But as will be shown below, Trump is involved in this '*Out of Character*' move!

One Point Zero believes it important to share these perspectives, and encourage others to support its Government Submissions: To hopefully get the Government to stop and think what really is 'The Right Goal' for the journey to 2050?

Unlike the UK, and most developed nations, NZ has time on its side...

'One Planet' vs 'Zero Carbon'?: Setting 'The Right Goal' for 2050





'We' all agree: (Except Trump!!)

Humanity has a *Climate Change* Problem, and the main contributor to this problem is *Global Warming*: Whose main cause is directly linked to the the huge quantity of anthropogenic 'carbon' based emissions, spewed into the biosphere each day.

The **Zero Carbon Bill**, in name alone, would seem like taking this problem 'Completely' and 'Conveniently' away? But it's not as simple as that:

Firstly, The Real Problem isn't a *Climate Change* nor *Global Warming*, it's a 'Sustainability Problem':

As the graph above shows, on our current trajectory we will need almost **Three Point Zero** planet earths by 2050! Our 2017 **Biocapacity Deficit** is more than 70%.

If ever one lived like the average New Zealander we would need more than **Three Point Zero** Planets today. (Global Footprint Network)

Beyond the comfort of the **Zero Carbon** illusion, NZ (and the nations of the world) need to have a single meaningful goals that are focused on getting the **Three Point Zero** down to **One Point Zero**. ie From the '*Huge Biological Debt*' today, to '*No Debt*' by 2050, and then on to '*Acceptable Credit*' by 2100! Read our submission here

Yes, 'Carbon' is a key part of getting 'there', but this needs a different management agenda to the one proposed by **Zero Carbon**.

The 'Zero' Illusion. The Devil is in The Detail!

The 'Zero Bar' (right) creates the enticing illusion that it is a chocolate bar that has zero calories?: Yet for my North Pole trip, it was the 'chocolate of choice', as it had the highest calories per 'precious gram hauled', of any chocolate in the world!



In these times of rife, 'alternate fact': It all depends on 'The Detail', and for Carbon accounting, there's lots of detail, with lots of '*Flaws and Leakage*' ... Read this Submission here.

In fact in using the same system, the UK could approach **Zero Carbon**, by just importing all it needs, while its population all fly off overseas on high emission, NZ vacations!!

That because the emissions linked to imports and international travel, are not deemed as being UK emissions!

It goes without saying that the more NZ exports to the UK the more difficult it is to for NZ to reach **Zero Carbon**!

These are just examples, read why following the UK with Zero Carbon is flawed, in this [One Point Zero Submission](#) here

Climate Change is serious, and *The Global Biocapacity Deficit* above is surely *The Most serious challenge facing Humanity*.

Yes, like chocolate, it is about our 'diet'! This applies to our Fossil Fuel diet, our Meat and Dairy diet, our Tourism diet, and our Conspicuous Consumption diet.

If the main goal is to solve 'The Real Problem! above, we need to be accounting for chocolate and all our 'dietary' consumption the right way! *The Zero Carbon* doesn't do that.

In the worst case, it could be the 'nightmare' chocolate bar solution: One 'we' thought would help 'us' but actually just delayed 'us' getting off the inevitable chocolate!

Accepting its 'obesity', NZ should set the right 'Target Weight Goals' as its measure of success. Then use a holistic diet management system that includes a proper 'chocolate' (Carbon) management one, that can collectively 'take' the nation to 'The Goal'.

Further, Obesity being a deep, systemic problem, will not be solved by a narrow, 'bolt on' *Climate Change* agenda:

Solution needs a broader, deeper, *Socio Economic Transformation*, agenda. [Read more here](#)

"Time for Change": Is the Following 'The Zero' Blinding to the Opportunity?



The Labour Party won the election on a promise of 'Socio Economic Transformation'. The Green Party brought a vision to do 'The Right Thing for a Sustainable NZ', and to 'help The World solve *Climate Change*'. The Coalition has promised 'Unified Change'.

The perfect set of ingredients for *The Change* needed!

One Point Zero, is the ultimate definition of a 'Sustainable World', but as the obesity analogy above infers, eliminating the *Biocapacity Deficit* needs a holistic treatment: *Socio Economic Transformation*. *Zero*

The *Zero Carbon Bill* is a 'bolt on', *Illusion of Change*. In the process the *Socio Economic Transformation* opportunity that NZ and 'The World' needs today is being lost. Read 'Why?', in the [One Point Zero Submission](#) here

Achieving a *One Point Zero* world requires courage and a vision to explore the unknown. The urgency of our problem requires of every government and leader in the world to seize every opportunity presented.

It also requires an electorate that, individually and collectively, have imperatives to get to 'Target Weight'. In that desire the electorate 'demand' of the government the deepest courage and resolve: To provide the inspiring and enabling socio economic reform that facilitates the nation's collective 'Weight Loss Success'.

Zero Carbon: NZ, the 'Out of Character' Follower? Why..?



The Zero Carbon Bill is a strange break with a legacy of leading, 'The Kiwi Way'? The NZ lead in Womens Suffrage as just one example of NZ courage and resolve, to 'punch way above it's fighting weight', in often singularly, expanding the boundaries of humanity's moral myopia.

The same courage and sense of adventure into the 'morally right unknown' is needed with *Climate Change* and our chronic Biocapacity Deficit problem.

But why then Zero Carbon, and being 'a follower' using a '2008 technology' solution'?

It can't be because its British, and the Government needed to appease the Queen!

'Following the UK is at NZ's peril, Read [here](#)

Maybe it was just a 'quick, easy and convenient', 'off the shelf', solution, when as the new Government needed to show early 'runs on the board'?

Maybe it is because the new Government is needing to 'not rock the boat', and rather 'go for popularity' by handing out desirable 'Zero' chocolate bars?

All possible contributors, but not quite stacking up..?

Aah, it's The 'Mr Trump Factor'!

On 1 June 2017, in deciding to walk away from the *Climate Change* agenda he has split The Team, that was needed to solve *The Team Problem*: Eliminating our chronic, Biocapacity Debt.



Not only has he split *The Team*, but in now fearing there is no team, nations, communities and individuals are bunkering down, to prepare for the worst, and just look after themselves. At an individual level, I can feel it in those I talk to from my network around the world. I'm sure you feel this too..?

Obviously, this is not good news for a new government just settling in, and then being faced with decisions on whether to step up to the increased risk of a Leadership, Global Activism, role.

This is the time when the Moral Warriors, and Real Adventurers in leadership are needed. And then armed with innovative 'adventure strategies', suitable for exploring risky, unknown territory. Read the **One Point Zero**, 'Have your Say', Submission about 'NZ as an Activist Nation' [here](#)

As we know NZ makes up a mere 0.02% of the world's population, and with the Trump onslaught, and NZ's relatively imune position, it has to be tempting to just go the 'Zero Bar' way...? Add a few minor chocolate recipe changes, work on the packaging, and then 'Sell it like hell'!

The Tourists, will come in bigger droves, the Meat and Dairy industry will boom, GDP will hit new records, the number of Foreigners moving to NZ will rocket to fill the jobs of the ever demanding economy. Property prices will soar, the young and lower rungs less able to afford, and supply overstretched. In the process the wealth gap will continue its society splitting path, and people will be less more competitive and less caring.

The necessary reductions in emissions will be done to 'just bridge' the perception gap between reality, and the packaging's illusion. In the process as the Zero Carbon Bill points out, the lower income rungs of the nation will be further compromised. Society's higher rungs will continue to use evermore than their 'fairshare' on the nation's Biocapacity 'allowance', but in the accounting this won't be noticed. Neither will the lower rungs susibisation of this inequity.

The above path option is now a valid option, because Mr Trump has split the world, and in each's future different 'Success', will lie two completely different societies.

But maybe there is only one real choice? Maybe its about being true to 'The Soul', and what best for The Nation as a collective?

The other option is the voluntary, and world leading, Socio Economic Transformation. One that has **One Point Zero** standards, and 'Zero Debt' living as its goals. By necessity it will have the opposite trends to the option above. Far away from USA's '*Trump Success*': A fairer, less intruded, less materialistic, and more 'soul pleasing', NZ.

Read about this Socio Economic Transformation option for NZ, in this **One Point Zero**, 'Have you Say' Submission, [here](#).

From my personal **One Point Zero** journey to from today, living a plus **Ten Point Zero** life to where I am today, I can only say that learning to live within my 'fairshare' of the planet's chronically short, Biocapacity has been both challenging to my core, and hugely personally rewarding, in its learning: The learning of how we humans are 'supposed to live' in a 2018 world with chronic **Biocapacity Debt!** In saying that it is the transformational experience that is relevant here. There are many in NZ who have long lived stable flourishing lives within their 'fairshare' Biocapacity 'allowance'.

Understanding what '**Without Nature We are Nothing**' really means, and finding power in that submission. Sadly, an impossible challenge for 'Mr Trump'!

PS: Only last week I chatted with Greenpeace NZ to explore the possibility of a campaign to start boycotting American brands / companies doing business in NZ (Other countries). Why isn't the US as a society doing something about Trump's, Climate Change withdrawal? I sense in maybe related to everyone enjoying chocolate, and now having a 'Trump excuse' for not having to 'stop'!

'Have Your Say' now! Support the One Point Zero Submissions



Hopefully in understanding and seeing why we need to resist the 'Zero Bar' temptation, you will now support the **One Point Zero Government Submissions**. To view them all [click here](#).

To do your own, quick 'Have your Say' email submission supporting the One Point Zero submissions, download the simple form [here here](#)


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