

**Title: Meeting on 28 October 2021 with Open Government Partnership Expert Advisory Panel and Civil Society Representatives**

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Minister: Hon Chris Hipkins, Minister for the Public Service

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Purpose Providing support material for meeting

Date of meeting 28 October 2021

Proposal You are meeting (via Zoom) with the OGP Expert Advisory Panel (EAP) and Civil Society Organisation (CSO) representatives to consider a Joint Report. The report discusses potential focus areas for New Zealand's fourth National Action Plan based on ideas received from the public.

Supporting Material We have attached an agenda, speaking points and brief bios for the EAP and CSO representatives. You are being provided separately with the Joint Report: *Potential focus areas for New Zealand's fourth Open Government Partnership National Action Plan*.

Key Issues EAP, CSOs and agencies have worked together to develop a Joint Report updating you on progress in the development of the NAP4. We have completed the idea gathering phase and are entering the commitment development phase. We received around 1500 ideas through public consultation and are now in the process of determining which ideas to take forward and how these could be grouped together under sub-themes. The Joint Report asks you to consider which sub-themes you would like to progress for further work towards commitments under NAP4:

- Enabling participation by individuals and groups;
- Access to and usability of public information;
- Government use of data and personal information; and
- Information to support financial accountability of the government.

The Joint Report also discusses ideas received relating to environmental and climate change issues. We will include these ideas under other relevant subthemes for NAP4 (such as participation) and will consider what opportunities there are as commitments are developed. CSOs have indicated an interest in exploring NZ's accession to, and implementation of, the Aarhus Convention. It is likely that this issue will be raised at your meeting.

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Agenda and speaking notes for meeting with OGP Expert Advisory Panel and Civil Society Organisation representatives on 28 October 2021

Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions (Suzanne Snively ONZM, DNZM will make a few introductory remarks on behalf of the Expert Advisory Group and Ms Julie Haggie would like to make a few introductory remarks on behalf of the Civil Society Organisations).
- Opening remarks (Hon Chris Hipkins, Minister for the Public Service).
- Discussion of Joint Report: *Potential focus areas for New Zealand's fourth Open Government Partnership National Action Plan*.
- Closing remarks.

Suggested speaking notes

Welcome Expert Advisory Panel and Civil Society Organisation representatives (acknowledging that you have been provided with brief bios).

Ask [Suzanne Snively ONZM, DNZM and Julie Haggie] if they have any brief opening remarks they want to make ahead of a discussion of the recommendations in the Joint Report (we have been advised that two representatives will make some opening comments).

Thank attendees for the work that has gone into preparing the Joint Report: *Potential focus areas for New Zealand's fourth Open Government Partnership National Action Plan* (which you have been provided with separately).

Recognise the collaborative approach that has been taken.

Indicate that you look forward to this approach continuing as the Plan is drafted and commitments further developed in the coming months.

Invite discussion on the Joint Report.

At end of the meeting

Ms Rochelle Stewart-Allen (Hui-E! Aotearoa) has indicated she would welcome the opportunity to make some closing remarks.

You may wish to signal that you intend to take the proposed Plan to Cabinet in mid-2022, and note that you:

- are pleased that the EAP, agencies and civil society and have been working together on this important work.
- look forward to meeting with you again in 2022.
- are encouraged by the potential for the next action plan.
- have asked the Commission to keep you updated on progress as your work proceeds.

Members of the Expert Advisory Panel

Sean Audain



Sean is the Chief Innovation Lead at the Wellington City Council. He brings together communities and technologies to unlock insight and action towards the future of cities. Sean has worked with CivicTech and Digital Professionals across the city to grow and support Civic Hackathon groups and digital engagement. Sean has also been a supporter and organiser for several community data groups.

Sarah Colcord



Sarah is the founder of New Zealand's largest Facebook Group, Chooice (formerly New Zealand Made Products) and the co-founder and Managing Director of the e-commerce version Chooice.co.nz. She has extensive knowledge and experience in youth participation, local government, and project & event management. Sarah is a former elected member of the Manurewa Local Board, elected to Auckland Council when she was 20 years old and the General Manager for Auckland Youth Voice, Auckland's leading network for Youth Participation. She is also a Duffy Book Role Model for low decile schools, a Board member for the YWCA Auckland. Sarah is a two-time Kiwibank Local Hero Medal Recipient.

Jacqueline Paul



Jacqueline is of Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāpuhi and Ngāti Tūwharetoa descent. She is a researcher at Ngā Wai a Te Tūi Māori and Indigenous Research Centre, Lecturer at Unitec Institute of Technology and previously a member of the Auckland Youth Advisory Panel at Auckland Council.

Jacqueline is a proactive advocate for better youth inclusiveness in the development of planning the future of our cities and communities. She participated in the process to develop the OGP National Action Plan 2018-20 (attending the Auckland Workshop and being a delegate at the Synthesis Workshop).

Rachel Roberts



Rachel works with organisations on strategic and operational communications, as well as project-based work. She has worked across not-for-profit organisations, business, and government agencies, as diverse as philanthropy and Search and Rescue. She has supported, driven, and consulted on a wide range of activities. She has worked on several cross-sector projects and forums aimed at creating collaborative responses to the issues at hand. Rachel is most interested in delivering communication leadership that provides clarity and leads to practical outcomes that are fit for purpose and achievable.

Suzanne Snively ONZM, DNZM



Suzanne is a past chair of Transparency International New Zealand and was a joint Co-Director of the comprehensive Integrity Plus 2013 New Zealand National Integrity System Assessment. She is leading the TINZ (Transparency International New Zealand) Financial Integrity System Assessment that provides an opportunity for accounting, legal, audit, risk management and strategic development knowledge to demonstrate the strengths, and advise on ways to enhance the integrity, of New Zealand's financial system. She has been on the EAP since its inception.

Dr Farib Sos MNZM



Farib is Cambodian by birth. Farib is a commercially minded and experienced board member who has engaged with diverse stakeholders. He is a member of the Victoria University of Wellington Council, and a Trustee of the University's Foundation, Director of the Asia Pacific Research Institute and Executive Chair of the Asia Forum. He has previously Chaired Volunteer Service Abroad NZ.

Simon Wright



Simon is an engagement specialist with wide experience as a practitioner, researcher, and teacher. He has a strong commitment to democratic governance and the aims of the Open Government Partnership (OGP). He participated in the development of New Zealand's Third National Action Plan. Simon co-organised a session on deliberative democracy at the OGP's 2018 regional meeting in Seoul.

Civil Society Organisations

Name	Organisation
Lisa Woods	Amnesty International - through determined campaigning, Amnesty International help fight abuses of human rights worldwide, bring torturers to justice, change oppressive laws and free people jailed for voicing their opinion.
Julie Haggie & Laurence Millar	Transparency International NZ - by exposing the systems and networks that both enable and frustrate corruption, TINZ holds power to account for the common good.
Maureen Gillon	Trust Democracy NZ - strengthening public discourse, education, and research on the state of democracy in Aotearoa, working towards a society that values participation through public deliberation.
Rochelle Stewart-Allen	Hui E! Aotearoa is the peak body for the tangata whenua, community and voluntary sector championing it for a fair and just Aotearoa through hui, awhina and kōrero, and the spirit of te Tiriti.
Katherine Peet	Network Waitangi Otautahi supports the development of a Treaty-based, multicultural future through education to enhance understanding of the indigenous status of Tangata Whenua and the role of everyone else as Tangata Tiriti.
Michelle Kitney	Volunteering NZ is the kaitiaki of Mahi Aroha, empowering volunteers to enrich Aotearoa New Zealand. Their aspiration is that volunteering is valued as part of who we are as a nation.



Andrew Ecclestone & Thomas Beagle	NZ Council of Civil Liberties is a watchdog for rights and freedoms in New Zealand. The Council works through education and advocacy to promote a rights-based society and prevent the erosion of civil liberties by government or any other parties.
Andrea Fromm	The Public Service Association represents and supports more than 80,000 workers across central government, state-owned enterprises, local councils, health boards and community groups. The PSA is also a public voice, arguing for policies that improve public services and the working conditions of those who deliver them.
Cath Wallace	ECO (Environment & Conservation Orgs of NZ) works to protect New Zealand's unique natural heritage and to foster the relationship New Zealanders have with it. The natural environment is central to our culture, economy and identity. ECO acts to protect it for recreation, for its intrinsic quality and for our children and grandchildren to enjoy.
Laura Bond	Child Poverty Action Group's vision is an Aotearoa where all children flourish from poverty, He kai tahu me kikini, he kai tahu me tihore, mā te tamaiti te iho. CPAG works to eliminate child poverty in New Zealand through research, education and advocacy.
Nicola Brown	Internet NZ contributes to a more secure and accessible Internet for all Kiwis with a range of tools and services. It also gets involved with, and contributes to, discussions on the direction the Internet takes in New Zealand.