

Climate Action Aotearoa - Tika Transition Guide

This guide draws from Dr Maria Bargh's [A Tika Transition](#) (University of Victoria, Wellington), to support action on the seven Funder Commitments

Reflecting Te Tiriti o Waitangi and supporting Māori aspirations regarding climate action

We commit to the spirit of partnership with Iwi, Hapū / Māori to address the causes and impacts of climate change. We will seek to enable Māori aspirations and recognise mātauranga Māori in climate action, respecting whakapapa, tino rangatiratanga, rite tahi (equity) and kaitiakitanga.

Tika Transition questions to guide our commitment journey:

Whanaungatanga	Kaitiakitanga	Utu	Mana
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is partnering with Mana Whenua an underpinning value to our transition work? • How are we nurturing relationships with Mana Whenua in our rohe? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are Māori enabled to practice kaitiaki duties? • What are the aspirations of Māori in our rohe? • How do we support these aspirations? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is our partnership one of reciprocity? • How do we recognise and value mātauranga Māori in climate action? • How are we enabling Māori -led climate action? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do transition proposals impact on Treaty settlement commitments? • How is the mana of all parties enhanced?

Tika Transition Actions and measures of commitment progress:



Take

(The breach - Journey of acknowledgement)

*Identify and acknowledge your existing Te Tiriti partnership status.

*Resource relationship development with mana whenua and community.



Utu

(Balancing the Breach)

*Be guided by mana whenua/Māori on how best to support aspirations.

*With mana whenua and community, develop shared climate goals and action.



Ea

(Resolution)

*Co-governance

*Co-leadership

*Community collective climate action, including mana whenua

See also:



Governance



Strategy

An equitable transition

We will take action on how we invest and fund, to enable greater equity in the transition to a low carbon society. We will support initiatives that foster equitable transition, and we will support vulnerable communities burdened by the impacts arising from the transition.

Tika Transition questions to guide our commitment journey:

Whanaungatanga	Kaitiakitanga	Utu	Mana
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do we know how different communities will be impacted? • Are future generations being considered? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How will iwi/Māori be impacted? • Is our Tika Transition plan consistent with resource management and Kaitiaki concerns? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How are risks and benefits allocated? • How will equity be improved, for whom? • Are our resources benefitting those most in need? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has mana been considered? • Do transition proposals impact on Treaty settlement commitments? • Are biases identified or disclosed by decision makers?

Tika Transition Actions and measures of commitment progress:



Take

(The breach - Journey of acknowledgement)

*Ensure capacity to develop and implement your approach toward an equitable and tika transition.

*Review your mission and climate goals. Review policies. Identify the links, gaps and opportunities.



Utu

(Balancing the breach)

*Engage experts to facilitate wānanga, with the goal of developing an equitable tika transition plan.

*Collaborate with other funders - share intelligence and explore projects together.



Ea

(Resolution)

***Formalised Tika Transition Plan**

***Phased out funding or support for activities that are not consistent with Tika principles**

***Rangatiratanga**

See also:



Strategy



Grantmaking

Enable Leadership

We will support and grow the leadership in our communities, especially in tangata whenua, rangatahi and marginalised communities to accelerate an equitable transition. We will actively support community-led action and systems change to enable an equitable transition.

Tika Transition questions to guide our commitment journey:

Whanaungatanga	Kaitiakitanga	Utu	Mana
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How are we engaging and enabling community-led action? • What does community leadership need from us? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can we enhance Māori and rangatahi ability to practice kaitiaki duties? • How can we support kaititakitanga leadership? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is our community leadership support based on identified need and opportunity? • Is it reaching those most underserved and impacted by climate change? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has mana been considered? • How is mana whenua, rangatahi and community leadership supported within our Tika Transition?

Tika Transition Actions and measures of commitment progress:



Take

(The breach - Journey of acknowledgement)

*Engage suitable capacity to enable Climate Action Leadership within your organisation and community.



Utu

(Balancing the breach)

*Identify leadership capability and resources required to enable Climate Action Leadership. Identify gaps.

*Focus community leadership resourcing on those most marginalised.



Ea

(Resolution)

*Co-governance

*Co-leadership

*Community collective climate action

*Tika Transition Leadership

*Rangatiratanga

See also:



Operations



Strategy

Commit and share resources

We will take opportunities to contribute to and support mitigation and adaptation to climate change impacts. We will commit resources to accelerate work addressing the causes and impacts of climate change and identify opportunities to co-fund initiatives.

Tika Transition questions to guide our commitment journey:

Whanaungatanga	Kaitiakitanga	Utu	Mana
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is collaboration a core value and priority for our transition work? • Have relationships been nurtured towards collaboration? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How are we collaborating and partnering to support Māori aspirations? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What resources are we contributing to climate action? • Who is benefitting? • What resources are we leveraging through collaboration? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do transition proposals impact on Treaty settlement commitments? • Whose mana is being enhanced through our resources and collaboration?

Tika Transition Actions and measures of commitment progress:



Take

(The breach - Journey of acknowledgement)

- *Engage and resource an internal Climate Lead or leads to accelerate progress.
- *Understand mitigation and adaptation kaupapa in your region.
- *Understand the climate action landscape in your rohe.



Utu

(Balancing the breach)

- *Collaborate with other funders and share your climate action strategy and goals.
- *Undertake collaborative projects and co-funding opportunities.
- *Facilitate collaboration by others.



Ea

(Resolution)

- *Co-leadership
- *Community collective climate action
- *Rangatiratanga
- *Efficient and effective allocation of investment

See also:



Investment



Grantmaking

Learn and Grow

We will create opportunities for our trustees, staff and communities to learn more about climate change causes, impacts and solutions, including through mātauranga Māori. We will share opportunities to develop the knowledge and skills needed to act.

Tika Transition questions to guide our commitment journey:

Whanaungatanga	Kaitiakitanga	Utu	Mana
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are we drawing on diverse sources of knowledge and voices to guide our understanding? • Who are we hearing from and listening to? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the aspirations of Māori? • What does Mātauranga Māori tell us? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are mana whenua and Mātauranga Māori informing our approach? • Are we combining indigenous and Western knowledge? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mātauranga māori is delivered by experts in their/this field. • Are all of our community engaged and heard?

Tika Transition Actions and measures of commitment progress:



Take

(The breach - Journey of acknowledgement)

*Develop ways to hear from Mana Whenua and all parts of the community.

*Wānanga for all - Boards, Staff, Mana Whenua, stakeholders, community.



Utu

(Balancing the breach)

*Create and share research.

*Build climate capability for all people in your organisation.

*Support Mātauranga Māori climate kaupapa and leaders.



Ea

(Resolution)

***Rangatiratanga - climate action leaders in all sectors of community**

***Community collective climate understanding and action**

See also:



Operations



Strategy

Decarbonise our investments and operations

We will take action to minimise the carbon footprint of our own operations. We will proactively address the risks and opportunities of the transition to a low carbon society in our investment strategies

Tika Transition questions to guide our commitment journey:

Whanaungatanga	Kaitiakitanga	Utu	Mana
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do we have the right information and expertise to guide us? • What relationships will support wise decision making? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the aspirations of Māori? • Will Māori sustainable development aims be impacted? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How will our decisions reduce our carbon footprint? • How do we reach carbon zero? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do transition proposals impact on Treaty settlement commitments? • Whose mana is affected and how?

Tika Transition Actions and measures of commitment progress:



Take

(The breach - Journey of acknowledgement)

- *Engage the right expertise to develop and lead your decarbonisation approach.
- *Review all aspects of your operation to identify gaps and opportunities.



Utu

(Balancing the breach)

- *Review investment strategy/portfolio, partnerships, to identify climate risks and opportunities.
- *Design sustainable impact investing policies.
- *Engage an expert to measure your revised organisational carbon footprint.



Ea

(Resolution)

- *Phase out all policies, practices and partnerships that do not align to your goals or a Tika transition.

See also:



Operations



Strategy



Investment

Report on progress

We will report annually on our progress against the commitments listed above. We will continue to develop our practice, to learn from others, and to share our learning.

Tika Transition questions to guide our commitment journey:

Whanaungatanga	Kaitiakitanga	Utu	Mana
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who do we need to report on progress to? • What input and whose voices do we need to report well? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How is kaitiakitanga in reflected in reporting? • How do Mana Whenua aspirations feature? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How are we moving towards balance? • Where do we need to accelerate progress? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has mana been considered? • Whose mana are we enhancing and how in our transition journey?

Tika Transition Actions and measures of commitment progress:



Take

(The breach - Journey of acknowledgement)

*Communicate with mana whenua, communities, stakeholders your tika transition progress, through a range of avenues.



Utu

(Balancing the breach)

*Commit to regular commitment reporting to the Board and mana whenua.



Ea

(Resolution)

***Co-governance**
 ***Co-leadership**
 ***Community collective climate action**
 ***Rangatiratanga**

See also:



Governance



Strategy