

ACT's Plan *to* Unlock New Zealand's Potential

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Foreword

People are frustrated with the cost of living and the Government's finances are in a perilous situation. Opposition parties propose dramatic solutions that have been tried and failed before, so the stakes are high this election.

New Zealand could have a productive, high-wage economy with growing businesses – or higher taxes, higher spending, higher inflation, and an IOU of Government debt sent to those who can't even vote this election.

ACT is proud to be a party of policy and principle. We present our manifesto as a summary and index of the policies we are campaigning on, in addition to the changes we have brought about while in Government over the past three years.

Every other political party, even National, wants to spend more of your money. ACT alone is proposing to save your money. By reducing waste, we're still able to invest in what matters. Our policies boost primary healthcare, ensure the safety of law-abiding citizens and provide more educational opportunities for future generations.

ACT has resisted the temptation to announce sugar-hit policies that sound good in focus groups but do little to improve people's lives. Decades of politicians chasing headlines while ducking hard choices have left New Zealand in a deep financial hole.

Only ACT has published a fully costed fiscal plan to balance the books sooner and pay down debt faster, without new taxes. Our plan ends wasteful spending, streamlines Government, and delivers \$12.4 billion less debt by 2031.

When you're paying over a million dollars an hour in interest on government debt, it's not the time to spend more. Someone needs to make the choices now that will allow future generations to build a life here.

We will make Government focused, effective and affordable, starting at the top with fewer Ministers and department heads. The savings will fund policies such as removing tax on KiwiSaver investment earnings so New Zealanders can keep more of their money and build wealth for the future.

We will boost primary healthcare by funding pharmacists to treat more common illnesses and investing an additional \$400 million in general practice over four years, so more New Zealanders can get the care they need without adding to the pressure on overflowing hospitals.

We will put law-abiding citizens first, putting repeat burglars behind bars with Three Strikes for Burglary. Offenders convicted of burglary for a third time will face at least three years in prison without parole.

We will ensure one law for all and one future together, where every New Zealander has the same rights, responsibilities and protections under the law, regardless of their ancestry. We will ensure public services are based on need, not race.

We will make farming fun again by letting farmers farm, protecting their property rights and cutting the red tape imposed from Wellington so farmers can spend more time and money improving their farms.

Party Vote ACT to re-elect the Coalition and make it go further and faster on all of these issues.

David Seymour
ACT Party Leader

Bringing down the cost of living

The single biggest cause of high costs that voters can control is government spending and regulation. ACT will promote competition to make life more affordable, from groceries and electricity to rent and school uniforms. We will cut red tape and taxes that add costs.

Real affordability also needs higher incomes, more job opportunities and a government that can balance its own books without endless borrowing. The next sections set out the specific policies we'll introduce to achieve these goals.



ACT will:

- Ease pressure on grocery bills by cutting red tape that stops new supermarkets opening and prevents a third major competitor entering the market.
- Bring power bills down by opening electricity generation and networks to more investment and competition.
- Make solar power cheaper to install by cutting solar red tape, and letting households sell surplus power to whoever offers the best deal.
- Cut school uniform costs by limiting compulsory branded items and letting parents buy generic basics from ordinary retailers.
- Cut the carbon tax that drives up fuel, electricity and grocery costs by removing the artificial Emissions Trading Scheme price floor.
- Put all remaining carbon tax revenue back in New Zealanders' pockets through a Carbon Tax Refund.
- Ease pressure on rents by ending loss ring-fencing for future rental losses, encouraging investment in more homes.
- Reduce student borrowing by making university Student Services Fees voluntary.
- Keep reliable vehicles affordable by opposing arbitrary age bans and scrapping unrealistic vehicle-emissions settings.



ACT's record on the cost of living:

- **Wrestled inflation and interest rates under control by cutting back wasteful spending and restoring the Reserve Bank's sole focus on inflation.**
- **Scrapped the ute tax so families, tradespeople and farmers no longer pay an extra charge for the vehicles they need.**
- **Reduced rents by restoring mortgage interest deductibility and cutting red tape to reduce the cost of supplying rental homes.**
- **Abolished Labour's Auckland Regional Fuel Tax.**
- **Saved households up to \$105 a year in reduced GP fees through 12-month prescriptions.**
- **Found savings to make tax relief possible so working New Zealanders keep more of what they earn.**



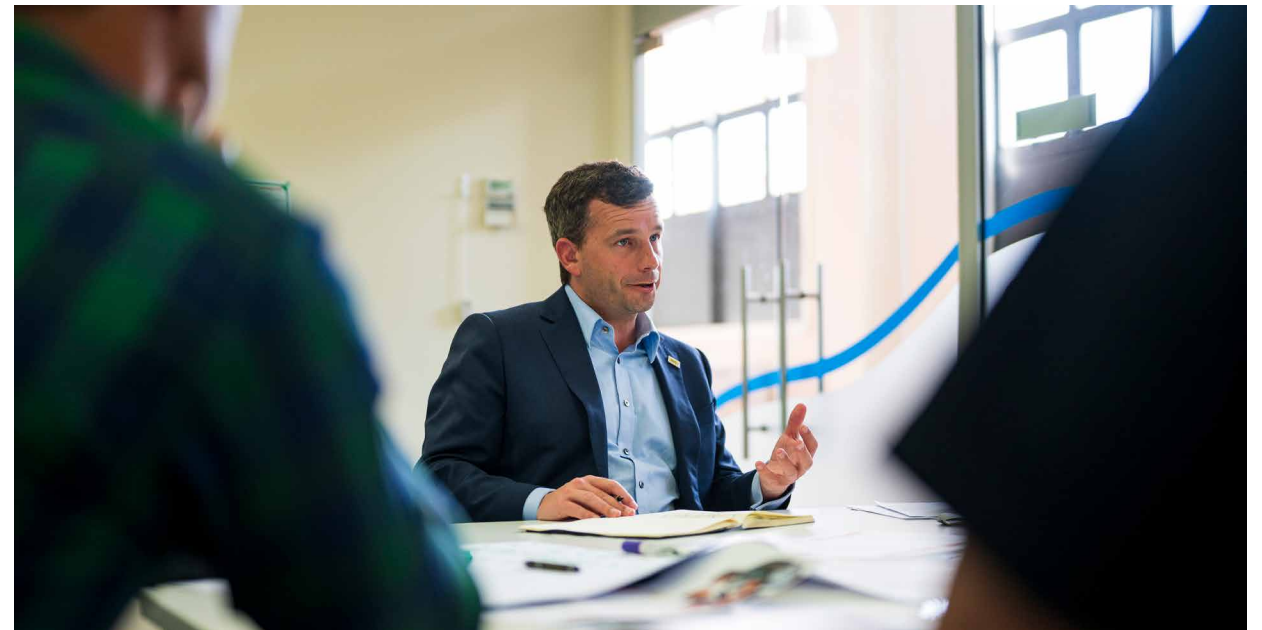
Boosting jobs, opportunity, and wages

New Zealand should be a place where you can find a good job, earn more and build a future. Too often, red tape holds businesses back and ambitious Kiwis see better opportunities overseas. More productivity is the key to long-term affordability.



ACT will:

- Make responsible mineral and energy development easier, creating investment, jobs, and growth.
- Unlock more skilled jobs in New Zealand by expanding Innovation Trials so start-ups and technology companies can test new products here without outdated rules holding them back.
- Boost the hospitality sector by passing the Sale and Supply of Alcohol (Improving Alcohol Regulation) Amendment Bill and implementing the recommendations of the Hospitality Review.
- Help businesses hire so inexperienced workers can get on the employment ladder by pausing annual hikes to the adult minimum wage and introducing a training wage for under-20s.
- Reduce the risks of hiring a new employee by allowing employers and employees to agree to a voluntary departure, shortening personal grievance deadlines, and responding to concerns raised about employment advocates in MBIE's review of dispute resolution settings.
- Make new leave rules work in practice by giving payroll providers, employers and employees clear guidance and support to implement the Employment Leave Act.



- Give builders and farmers greater certainty by approving industry health and safety codes as safe harbours under the new health and safety law.
- Reduce payroll administration by making employer collection of union fees voluntary.
- Support businesses to invest in productivity with clearer tax deductions for software and digital investment.
- Make digital payments and investment easier with clear rules for stablecoins and tokenised assets, supervised trials and a 12-month bright-line for qualifying personal investments.
- Make climate targets reflect actual warming by recognising methane's different effects and renegotiating our Paris commitment, with withdrawal if no fair deal is possible.
- Protect jobs and household budgets by repealing the Zero Carbon Act and net zero target and aligning emissions settings with major trading partners.
- Keep efficient industries here by restoring carbon assistance where overseas competitors face lower costs.

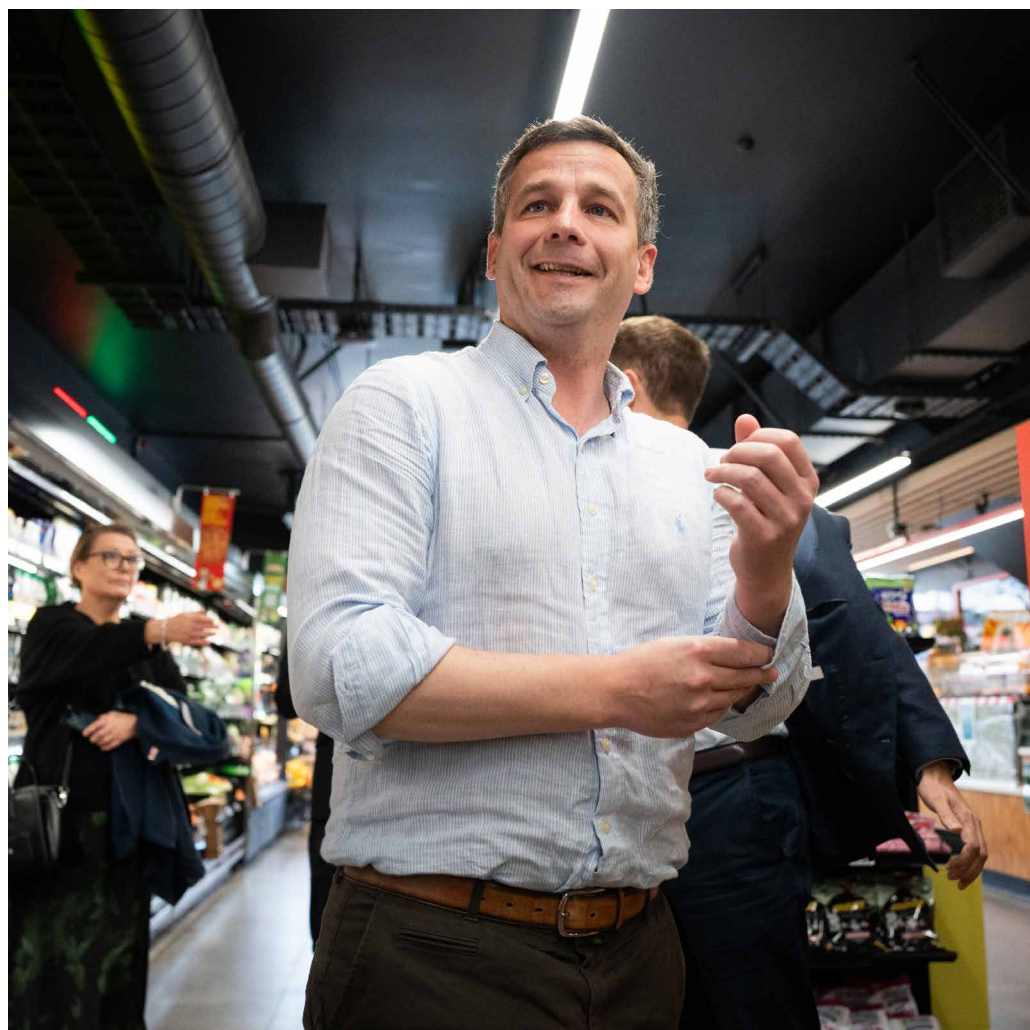
ACT's record on jobs, opportunity and wages:

- **Restored 90-day trials for all employers so businesses can take a chance on new staff.**
- **Repealed Fair Pay Agreements to stop compulsory, industry-wide employment rules.**
- **Passed the Employment Leave Act and simplified employment, health and safety and AML rules to cut business costs.**
- **Established the Ministry for Regulation to cut red tape across multiple sectors.**

A government New Zealand *can* afford

Families have to live within their means. Government should too. Taxpayers are paying more than \$1 million an hour in interest while public services struggle to deliver. Every dollar wasted in Wellington is a dollar that cannot reach patients, fix a road or stay in your pocket.

ACT will balance the books without new taxes, cut waste and pay down debt. We will make government smaller and responsibility clearer, so ministers answer for the money they spend and the results New Zealanders receive.



ACT will:

- Support Kiwis to build larger retirement savings by removing tax on KiwiSaver earnings.
- Protect taxpayers from new taxes and growing debt by balancing the books, paying down borrowing and creating room for lower taxes in the future.
- Cut duplication and bureaucracy by consolidating government into 19 departments and 18 ministers.
- Make responsibility clear by holding one minister accountable for each department's budget and results.
- Make public services answer for poor performance by giving ministers stronger powers to appoint and remove departmental chief executives.
- Free up money for essential services by delivering \$22 billion in savings over four years.
- Leave New Zealand better prepared for the next crisis by reducing forecast debt by \$12.4 billion by 2031.
- Keep NZ Super sustainable by gradually raising the eligibility age to 67 by 2035, with compassionate early access for people in physically demanding work and retaining KiwiSaver access at age 65.
- Keep cutting red tape through regulatory reviews and the Red Tape Tipline and implement agreed recommendations to reduce costs.
- Scrap the Climate Change Commission.
- Save taxpayers around \$283 million a year by returning foreign aid spending to 2017 levels, while protecting support for Ukraine and focusing aid on New Zealand's national interests such as in the Pacific.

ACT's record on government spending:

- **Secured \$7.5 billion in mini-Budget savings by cancelling wasteful spending and making government focus on priorities.**
- **Saved taxpayers \$13 billion by refocusing pay equity claims on genuine sex-based pay discrimination.**
- **Reduced the cost of school lunches while continuing to feed children who need them.**
- **Cut \$200 million from the proposed Waikato Medical School's price through scrutiny of its costs.**
- **Established the Ministry for Regulation and Red Tape Tipline to identify and remove costly, unnecessary rules.**

Healthcare *when* you need it

Healthcare feels like a system in crisis. Emergency departments look like war zones, staff are exhausted, and patients risk missing out on vital care. Health funding has doubled in the past decade, but too much of that money isn't reaching the right places.

Many people are in emergency departments today because they couldn't get a GP appointment weeks ago. ACT will invest in primary care and modern medicines so people get the care they need before a treatable illness becomes an emergency.



ACT will:

- Reduce pressure on GPs by allowing pharmacies to treat more minor ailments and help manage stable long-term conditions under GP oversight.
- Improve access to GP appointments with an additional \$400 million for general practice over four years.
- Ensure New Zealanders can access more modern medicines by closing the medicines funding gap with Australia.
- Provide world-leading cancer care through a New Zealand Cancer Centre with campuses in Auckland and Christchurch.
- Get more qualified overseas doctors treating New Zealanders sooner by streamlining registration and removing unnecessary barriers.
- Make healthcare easier to access by cutting red tape that stops pharmacies opening and expanding their services.
- Ensure patients are seen and treated sooner by retaining the Government's health targets and driving further improvements, particularly in emergency department waiting times.
- Improve access to End of Life Choice while retaining safeguards.

ACT's record on Health:

- **Transformed the culture of Pharmac to listen to patients and expanded access to medicines for more than 360,000 patients, including through 46 cancer medicine funding decisions.**
- **Sped up access to new medicines through the Rule of Two, recognising approvals from trusted overseas regulators.**
- **Reduced repeat GP visits and prescription costs by enabling 12-month prescriptions for stable long-term conditions.**
- **Restored access to effective cold and flu relief by bringing pseudoephedrine back to pharmacy shelves.**
- **Secured a \$285 million funding uplift for GPs.**
- **Backed long-term contracts with private hospitals to get patients off surgical waiting lists sooner.**
- **Put clinical need ahead of race by abolishing the Māori Health Authority and removing race-based requirements from healthcare.**
- **Required measurable health targets and public reporting so New Zealanders can hold the health system accountable for results.**

Safer homes and communities

Nobody should lie awake wondering whether their home will be broken into, fear opening their shop or feel unsafe walking through their neighbourhood. Victims carry the cost of crime long after the offender has left. They deserve a justice system that takes their safety seriously.

ACT has restored consequences for serious offending, but there is more to do. We will stop repeat criminals causing more harm, give communities practical tools to protect themselves and help people escape family violence safely.



ACT will:

- Protect homes and businesses from repeat burglars with Three Strikes for Burglary and at least three years in prison without parole on a third conviction.
- Keep children safer with a national Working with Children Card backed by ongoing Police checks and practical child-protection training.
- Make shops and public spaces safer by giving specially trained, licensed security operators stronger powers with clear limits.
- Protect rural communities with 100,000 additional Police patrol hours each year and a dedicated rural crime unit.
- Crack down on livestock theft and poaching with stronger offences and penalties.
- Help rural people reach emergency services by extending Text 111 to areas with unreliable mobile coverage.
- Restore peace and quiet in communities by deploying relocatable anti-social noise cameras in persistent problem areas to help enforce existing laws against anti-social vehicle noise.

- Help victims escape family violence by criminalising coercion through animal abuse and strengthening protection for victims and their pets.
- Protect people from sexual exploitation by criminalising non-consensual deepfake pornography.
- Protect victims by ending "good character" sentence reductions for people convicted of child sex offences.
- Protect communities and ratepayers by raising illegal-dumping fines to \$1,000 and \$2,000 for repeat offenders.
- Continue reforms to improve court timeliness so victims see justice delivered faster.



ACT's record on law and order:

- Brought back Three Strikes to strengthen consequences for repeat violent and sexual offending.
- Ended taxpayer funding for cultural reports used to seek lighter sentences for offenders.
- Scrapped the prisoner reduction target and backed more prison capacity to keep dangerous offenders out of the community.
- Strengthened sentencing protections for sole-charge workers and people working in businesses connected to their homes.
- Strengthened Firearms Prohibition Orders and Police powers to target gangs and serious offenders with illegal guns.
- Reduced serious and persistent youth offending by 26 per cent through Karen Chhour's leadership, exceeding the Government's 2029 target four years early.
- Reduced the District Court criminal backlog by 22 per cent.

One law for all, one future together

Every New Zealander should have the same rights, duties and protection under the law. Your ancestry should not determine your healthcare, job opportunities or say in your community.

ACT will put equal treatment into law, protect your property and defend free speech. We will complete historical Treaty claims properly and build one future together.



ACT will:

- Protect equal rights by putting parliamentary sovereignty, the rule of law and equality before the law into the Constitution Act.
- Protect your home, farm, business and savings by adding property rights to the Bill of Rights Act.
- Keep elected lawmakers accountable by stopping courts creating Treaty duties Parliament has not legislated and requiring clear Treaty obligations in new laws.
- Complete historical Treaty claims, end the Waitangi Tribunal's contemporary jurisdiction and end the Tribunal when its historical work is finished.
- Ensure people with the same needs receive the same public services by making need, not race, the legal standard.
- Put competence first by removing race-based public-service employment requirements and cultural tests unrelated to the job.
- Limit the use of tikanga in court decisions to situations expressly authorised by Parliament.
- Protect freedom of belief by keeping spiritual practices voluntary and ending the use of public-service time and funding for them.
- Protect professionals' livelihoods and free speech by stopping regulators punishing lawful opinions expressed outside professional practice.
- Finish the job on the four-year term legislation, so people can have their say at a referendum in 2029.
- Abolish the Broadcasting Standards Authority to protect free speech and stop outdated broadcasting rules being extended to podcasts and online media.

ACT's record on equal rights:

- **Secured a Cabinet direction that public services should be based on individual need rather than race.**
- **Restored binding local referendums on Māori wards so communities have a say.**
- **Removed the target requiring eight per cent of government contracts to go to Māori-owned businesses.**
- **Reinforced merit and political neutrality in the public service.**
- **Removed Section 7AA from the Oranga Tamariki Act so children's safety and wellbeing come before race-based obligations.**
- **Passed the Regulatory Standards Act to expose laws that undermine liberty, property rights and equality before the law.**
- **Secured reforms to end voting rights for unelected council appointees, including Auckland's Independent Māori Statutory Board, so ratepayers can hold decision-makers accountable.**
- **Stopped Labour's proposed expansion of hate-speech laws and secured agreement to disestablish the Broadcasting Standards Authority.**

Education *that* unlocks potential

Every child deserves a classroom where they can learn and a pathway to a future they are excited about. Too often, disruption steals learning time, parents struggle to find the right school and practical talents are treated as second best.

ACT will back teachers to teach, give families more choice and put trades on an equal footing with university. Unlocking New Zealand's potential starts with helping every young person discover what they can do and giving them the skills to do it.



ACT will:

- Continue improving school attendance through attendance action plans, early intervention when attendance slips and holding parents accountable for persistent truancy.
- Transform 10,000 students' lives for the better by the end of 2029, with 10,000 enrolments in charter schools.
- Give young people a real pathway into trades by removing funding caps on approved school trade subjects and introducing Industry Awards alongside University Entrance.
- Protect learning time by giving teachers clear authority to remove seriously or persistently disruptive students to supervised spaces.

- Make classrooms safer by requiring removal and a stand-down or suspension after an assault, with Police referrals where warranted.
- Back teachers with stronger parental responsibility for serious behaviour and deliberate damage to school property.
- Equip young New Zealanders with practical financial skills by teaching Year 11 students to invest through a controlled account seeded with \$500.
- Give families more school choice and ease pressure on existing Auckland schools by securing the University of Auckland's Epsom campus for a new co-educational high school, while protecting existing school zones.
- Give students qualifications that employers and universities can trust by completing the replacement of NCEA with clearer, more rigorous, subject-based qualifications.
- Make early childhood education more affordable and flexible by completing reforms underway that cut unnecessary licensing and compliance costs.
- Ease pressure on independent-school fees by keeping subsidy increases in step with state-school operational funding.
- Save rural families time and fuel by letting children use spare seats on existing school-bus routes, with extra buses where needed.
- Keep food and fibre career pathways open by retaining Agricultural and Horticultural Science as a standalone Year 11 subject.
- Give students equal access to publicly funded university support based on merit or need, while protecting privately funded targeted scholarships.

ACT's record on education:

- **Brought back charter schools so families can choose a different approach with public funding and accountability for results.**
- **Required schools to have attendance management plans with escalating responses to persistent absence.**
- **Made educational achievement the paramount objective of schooling.**
- **Made early childhood regulation more proportionate, with child safety first and fewer unnecessary costs for parents and providers.**
- **Required universities to adopt freedom of expression policies and report on how they uphold academic freedom.**

Backing farmers *and* growers

Farmers and growers work long days and build businesses they hope to pass on to their children. They should be able to look forward to that future without wondering what new rule or cost Wellington will impose next.

ACT will let farmers farm. We will protect property rights, replace needless paperwork with clear rules and back practical environmental work. More time and money should go into growing food and improving farms, not paying consultants to navigate red tape. ACT's full rural plan can be found on our website.



ACT will:

- Let farmers get on with routine work through national standards that reduce the need for costly, one-off consents.
- Give farmers certainty with a national method for freshwater limits and replace Te Mana o te Wai with measurable environmental outcomes.
- Protect farmers' property rights by preventing a return of Labour-style Significant Natural Areas rules.
- Keep freshwater farm plans affordable and focused on real risks so more money goes into improvements and less into paperwork.
- Keep food production competitive by keeping agriculture out of the ETS and opposing all agricultural emissions pricing.
- Get proven agricultural chemicals and veterinary medicines to farmers sooner by completing reforms to recognise trusted overseas approvals.
- Help farms become more productive by cutting unnecessary restrictions on drones and new farming technology.
- Give farmers more ways to reach customers by cutting homekill red tape and barriers to direct sales.
- Improve water quality by maintaining \$13.5 million in annual rural catchment-group funding and backing groups that deliver results.
- Protect the countryside by backing voluntary conservation, continuing wilding-pine control and allowing targeted grazing on suitable DOC land.
- Keep Agricultural and Horticultural Science in the Year 11 curriculum.
- Protect productive land and taxpayers by making permanent carbon-forest owners carry their forests' long-term costs and risks.

ACT's record on rural New Zealand:

- Kept agriculture out of the Emissions Trading Scheme and disestablished He Waka Eke Noa.
- Suspended the national requirement to identify and map new Significant Natural Areas for three years.
- Repealed impractical intensive winter grazing consent rules and removed the low-slope stock-exclusion map.
- Paused the compulsory rollout of costly freshwater farm plans.
- Removed the Te Mana o te Wai hierarchy from resource-consent requirements.
- Reset the methane target and required food production to be considered when emissions budgets are set.

Building homes *and* infrastructure

Owning a home should be within reach. A growing community should not mean more time stuck in traffic or pipes that cannot cope. New Zealanders pay enough in taxes and rates to expect infrastructure that works.

ACT will make it easier to build, help communities fund growth and put maintenance first. We will cut delays and waste so more money goes into the homes, roads, water and power people need.



ACT will:

- Make homes, businesses, hospitals and infrastructure easier to build by implementing the resource management reforms and ensuring clear national instruments.
- Speed up consenting by removing spiritual tests and compulsory religious observances.
- Help councils fund growing communities by rewarding housing growth and enabling private infrastructure financing.
- Ease pressure on ratepayers with a Local Tourism Dividend paying councils \$1 per commercial guest night without a new bed tax.
- Get better value from transport projects by requiring publication of the lowest-cost safe option alongside the preferred design.
- Keep roads ahead of growth with clear traffic thresholds for protecting routes, planning extra capacity and starting construction.
- Get potholes, drainage and bridges fixed first by protecting maintenance funding and stopping transport money going to non-functional art and decorative extras.
- Make infrastructure contracts fair by requiring selection on value and capability rather than ethnicity.
- Connect new power faster and more cheaply by allowing private transmission investment and competition for connection work.
- Keep network costs down by requiring lines companies to test major upgrades against cheaper options such as batteries and demand management.

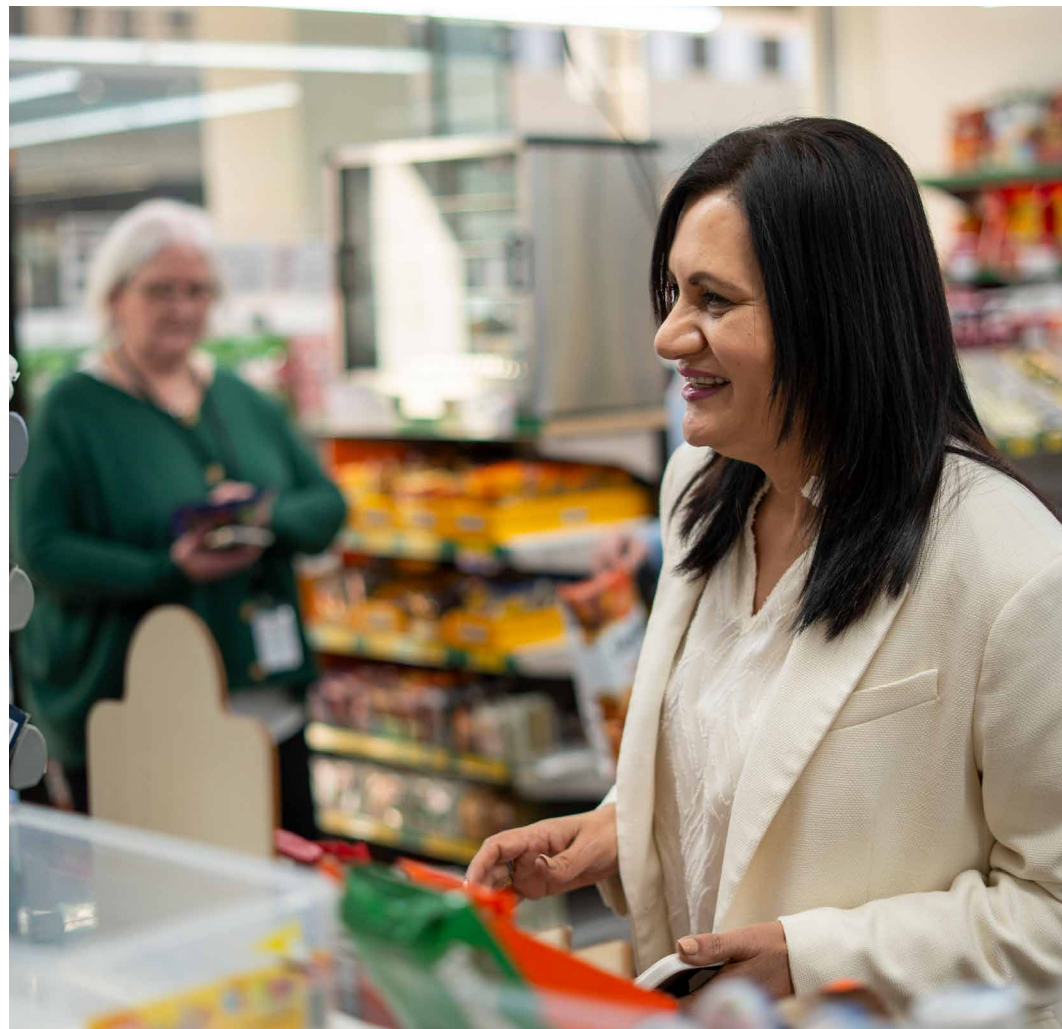
ACT's record on housing and infrastructure:

- Secured a \$400 million Incentives for Growth Fund to help councils fund infrastructure for more homes.
- Made private infrastructure financing easier so projects can proceed with costs spread over time.
- Advanced replacement of the RMA with planning laws based on property rights.
- Opened access to overseas-certified building products to increase competition and choice.
- Restored practical tenancy rules, including pet bonds, to encourage rental supply.
- Cancelled Let's Get Wellington Moving and Lake Onslow to stop wasteful spending.

Making immigration work for New Zealand

New Zealand has been built by people willing to make a journey and build a better life. Migrants bring skills, investment and ambition. But confidence in immigration suffers when visa rules are ignored, genuine skills gaps go unfilled and population growth outpaces infrastructure.

ACT will welcome people who contribute, respect our freedoms and play by the rules. We will focus work visas on real shortages, make residence reflect a lasting connection to New Zealand and ensure immigration helps build the country.



ACT will:

- Protect communities by making Resident Visa holders convicted of offences with maximum penalties of at least ten years liable for deportation regardless of time here.
- Ensure new citizens understand New Zealand's rights, freedoms and responsibilities by implementing the citizenship test.
- Make visa rules credible through a dedicated overstayer enforcement unit, stronger work-right checks and consequences for employers who facilitate overstaying.
- Focus work visas on genuine shortages by requiring annual evidence of demand for Accredited Employer Work Visa skill categories.
- Help migrants participate at work and in the community by extending basic English requirements, with lower standards for seasonal workers.
- Give farms a reliable workforce with three-year rural visas, transfers between accredited rural employers and a residence pathway after six years.
- Focus migration on contribution with a five-year stand-down for residence-class visa holders accessing income-tested benefits.
- Ensure new Permanent Resident Visa holders maintain a genuine connection to New Zealand, retaining sensible work, family, service, humanitarian and investor exemptions.

ACT's record on immigration:

- Won recognition for families' waiting time in the Parent Resident Visa system, with around 90 per cent of selections moving to date order.
- Helped end repeat charges for families forced to re-enter the parent visa ballot after two years.
- Secured a coalition commitment to better recognise overseas medical qualifications so qualified professionals can work here sooner.

Balancing rights *and* responsibilities in welfare

Nobody should be sleeping their life away on a benefit when they could be self-sufficient. Work can bring purpose, confidence and the freedom to make more choices for yourself and your family. People who cannot work deserve reliable support.

ACT will make welfare a hand up through hard times, with clear expectations for those who can work and fair assessments for those who cannot. We will ensure taxpayer support pays for essentials and helps people move forward.

ACT will:

- Keep health-related benefits fair and consistent through independent medical assessments.
- Keep support reliable for people with enduring illness or disability through long-term arrangements that recognise their circumstances.
- Identify who needs ongoing support and who can move towards work through phased reassessments of health-related Jobseeker Support and Supported Living Payment.
- Ensure welfare pays for essentials through electronic money management after four months on Jobseeker Support Work Ready.
- Keep managed assistance focused on food, housing, power and other necessities by blocking alcohol, gambling, tobacco and cash withdrawals.

ACT's record on welfare:

- Secured electronic money management in ACT's coalition agreement and backed its introduction for people who fail benefit obligations.
- Backed clearer work expectations and consequences through the welfare Traffic Light System.
- Supported six-monthly Jobseeker Support reapplications to keep people engaged with work and the support they need.



Backing communities, volunteers and the great outdoors

New Zealand's rivers, coastlines and backcountry are part of what makes this country home. Families should be able to take their children fishing, walk a well-kept track or hunt a healthy herd, knowing those opportunities will last.

ACT will back practical conservation, rebuild fisheries and improve access to the outdoors. We will focus rules on real environmental harm and keep climate policy grounded in what New Zealand can afford and achieve.



ACT will:

- Encourage greater generosity towards charities and community projects by removing the \$33,333 cap on donation tax credits.
- Rebuild Hauraki Gulf fish stocks through a separate management area and manage important fisheries for greater abundance.
- Protect marine life with sensible gathering limits, stronger penalties and fishing levies reflecting environmental damage without increasing their overall burden.
- Protect recovering scallop beds by permanently ending dredging in currently closed North Island fisheries and allowing selective harvesting as stocks recover.
- Keep huts and tracks open by backing capable community groups with multi-year funding and rewarding verified conservation results.
- Open more public land to responsible recreation through clearer access rules and sensible helicopter landing sites.
- Put hunters in charge of sustainable game management by transferring responsibility from DOC to a properly funded Game Animal Council.
- Implement the Arms Act reforms and continue to improve firearms laws and regulations to target criminals, improve public safety and respect licensed firearm owners.
- Protect more native habitat by backing voluntary conservation through biodiversity credits and the QEII National Trust.
- Protect volunteering by keeping health and safety duties clear, proportionate and free of unnecessary burdens on community groups.
- Honour those who served by backing the Remembrance Army to restore neglected service graves, with consistent national rules and up to \$1 million to support restoration and clear the backlog.



ACT's record on the environment and outdoor recreation:

- Replaced the Arms Act and established an independent firearms regulator with a fairer licensing review process.
- Secured an additional \$79 million over three years to tackle wilding pines and protect farmland and native landscapes.
- Put hunter-led management of Herds of Special Interest into law.
- Rewarded practical conservation by introducing voluntary nature credits so businesses and individuals can fund verified improvements to biodiversity.



