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# WE PRESENT.

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# Localism – why we are promoting it?

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## Our reason

- > An appreciation of the benefits received
- > Concern at the concentration of power and authority in NZ
- > The importance of providing councils with incentives to invest for growth
- > Frustration with the time central government takes to address issues
- > The value that comes from empowering local people to decide local matters

## Our reason (cont.)

- > Increasing diversity of our society
- > Problems created by national decisions uninformed by local circumstances/priorities
- > The importance of improving allocative efficiency
- > Recognising the financial competence of local government

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# WE DISCUSS.

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