

Who's creating a framework for thinking about New Zealand's future?

**We are. LGNZ.**

# Our five strategic policy priorities

Policy Statement 2017 – 2019



## 1. INFRASTRUCTURE

Ensuring infrastructure and associated funding mechanisms are in place to allow for growth and maintenance across housing, building, transport, broadband, tourism-related, three waters and flood control infrastructure.



## 4. SOCIAL

Working alongside central government and iwi to address social issues and needs in our communities including an ageing population, disparity between social groups, housing (including social housing) supply and quality, and community safety.



## 2. RISK AND RESILIENCE

Understanding and addressing risks from natural hazards and other events - both for infrastructure and to support resilience in the economy and our communities.



## 5. ECONOMIC

Developing a range of policy levers to address and fund economic development and growth across all of New Zealand.

## 3. ENVIRONMENTAL

Leading and championing policy and working alongside central government, iwi and stakeholders to deal with the increasing impact of environmental issues including climate change, the quality and quantity of New Zealand's freshwater resources, and biodiversity.



### OVERARCHING STRATEGIC FOCUS

#### 1> Leadership and delivery of change on the big issues confronting New Zealand's communities.

Local government will lead and advocate for solutions on significant issues, and leverage political and iwi relationships to push for government policy change, in order to deliver stronger, more successful and more resilient communities.

#### 2> A focus on delivering best performance and value for communities.

Local government will ensure it focuses on delivering best performance and adopting new ways of doing things in order to deliver fit-for-purpose services and infrastructure to its communities.

#### 3> Building greater community engagement and setting a stronger platform for local democracy via a focus on "localism".

Local government will actively increase engagement with its communities to build stronger support for change and increased turnout at voting time. To support this, we will advocate for a greater focus on "localism", where services and decisions should be delivered by the most appropriate sphere of government.