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Tiakina te Taiao Hui Agenda – 12/10/23

Below is the agenda for our October hui – we look forward to connecting with you:

- Karakia
- Inquiry into Climate Adaptation – Daire Quennen, MFE

- Network round-up
- Aotearoa Climate Education Coalition (ACEC)
- Partnerships for Climate Action Symposium
- Reflections on 2023
- Karakia

Government Inquiry on community-led adaptation and retreat

We are exploring whether we have capacity to make a submission to the current [Inquiry into Climate Adaptation](#). Our submission could speak to the opportunities and impacts for people and communities connected with tertiary sector learning to support community-led approaches.

If you are already involved in making a submission and/or would like to have input into TEU's submission, please [get in touch](#) ASAP! As background, the Ministry for the Environment has published this [issues and options paper](#) looking at the current system and exploring what new powers, roles, and responsibilities might be needed to support community-led adaptation and retreat. The paper also considers how a Te Tiriti-based adaptation system could work for iwi, hapū, and Māori communities, especially for decisions affecting whenua and whānau, and how lessons learned from past severe weather events and natural disasters might be considered for recoveries in the future.

In related news, we spotted this recent story about community-led adaptation efforts to address the damage done by Cyclone Gabrielle in Tairāwhiti and Wairoa – [click here](#) to read more about the involvement of EIT | Te Pūkenga in the Slash for Cash Project.













Triple the Vote!

With the 2023 general election just around the corner, it's important we get as many of our friends and whānau exercising their democratic right to vote!

ActionStation is currently running a [Triple the Vote](#) campaign – we encourage members to consider the outcome of the election on the tertiary education and the planet!

VOTE FOR

TERTIARY EDUCATION

PARTY	SIGNED TEU'S ELECTION PLEDGE	POLICY	OVERALL RATING
Green		Supports free, well-funded public tertiary education with a strong staff voice.	
Labour		Has significantly increased funding in the past year, albeit not targeted enough to stop job cuts. Initiated a funding review. Took competition out of vocational education.	
Te Pāti Māori		Is generally supportive of strong public tertiary education, would strengthen wānanga.	
New Zealand First		Have not released any tertiary education policies at time of writing.	
National		Would bring competition back to vocational education, would rely on international students to prop up the funding model.	
ACT		Supports further privatisation of some parts of the tertiary education sector.	


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Upcoming events

- [Partnerships for Climate Action Symposium](#) (International Universities Climate Alliance) – Thursday 2 November, 2:00-4:30pm (NZST)
- Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha | University of Canterbury have [announced](#) they will host the 8th Adaptation Futures Conference in 2025

Recent items of interest

- [Election 2023: The climate change and environment policies in two minutes](#) – Shanti Mathias for The Spinoff
- [What future will you hope for? Share your hope](#) – Generation Zero
- [Vote Compass | New Zealand Votes 2023](#) – 1News
- [Calls for passenger rail to return to Hawke's Bay](#) – RNZ News
- [The Kākā Project: The economics of sufficiency](#) – Bernard Hickey for The Kākā

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