

Suggest an action for New Zealand's National Action Plan

The Open Government Partnership (OGP) supports governments and communities to work together to advance the open government principles of accountability, transparency, public participation and technology & innovation.

Here is a way to describe an action that you think a government agency or agencies could deliver that would contribute to these principles.

1. To extend open government in New Zealand, the government could:

Start with a verb e.g.

- Release
- Engage
- Deliver
- Drive
- Promote
- Refine
- Increase

2. This would improve the way New Zealand could...

Select the OGP Grand Challenges this action supports*

- Improve Public Services** - measures that address the full spectrum of citizen services including health, education, criminal justice, water, electricity, telecommunications and any other relevant service areas by fostering public service improvement or private sector innovation
- Increase Public Integrity measures** - addressing corruption and public ethics, access to information, campaign finance reform, and media and civil society freedom
- Manage Public Resources More Effectively** - measures that address budgets, procurement, natural resources and foreign assistance
- Create Safer Communities** - measures that address public safety, the security sector, disaster and crisis response, and environmental threats
- Increase Corporate Accountability** - measures that address corporate responsibility on issues such as the environment, anti-corruption, consumer protection, and community engagement



3. *By increasing*

What Open Government Principle would this help deliver?

- accountability
- transparency
- public participation
- the use of technology & innovation

Your suggestions need to be in by the 20 August 2016. Please upload your suggested actions **to XXX** or email them to OGP@engage2.co.nz and we will add it for you.

Tips for developing an OGP action

1. *Think big*

- a. Define the problem – why is it a problem, who does it affect, who else cares?
- b. What would the solution look like – what is the outcome you are trying to achieve?
- c. Does it relate to one of the Grand Challenges?
- d. How would it increase accountability, transparency, public participation and the use of technology / innovation?

2. *Then think small*

- a. About actions - what needs to happen to achieve that outcome?
- b. How can it be delivered? What is the first step?
- c. What can be achieved in two years? The action has to be delivered within two years so New Zealand can report achievement or progress against it.
- d. Is this something a government agency or agencies can do something about?
 - Consider the responsibilities of [government agencies](#)
- e. Does the agency / agencies need to work with others to achieve it?
 - If so, who? Who else cares about this? Who else has responsibility over this?
 - Will the agency / agencies need to work with the private and / or community sectors? How? Does anything need to change to enable this to happen?

Where to go for help

- Martin Rodgers is available to work with you to workshop your ideas and turn them into suggested actions. If you let him know what interests you he can also connect you with others interested in the same things as you. You can reach Martin at Martin@engage2.co.nz
- The [international OGP working groups](#)

Where to go for inspiration

- The [New Zealand National Action Plan for Open Government](#) – to see others ideas
- [The OGP's Commitment Template and Guidance](#)

Where to go for examples

- The [Open Gov Guide](#) for themes all actions taken by other countries into topic areas
- [The OGP Commitment Explorer](#) contains actions taken by other countries

