

— GREEN CHANGE  
— BUDGET 2019



Budget 2019 delivers a major boost for green change.

This year's spending priorities build on the significant advancements already made in Budget 2018, such as an extra \$181 million in conservation funding, and the multi-billion dollar reprioritisation of transport spending towards clean transport.

## **THE WELLBEING BUDGET**

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The Green Party, and our predecessor the Values Party, have for many years advocated an approach to economics that delivers a prosperous, fair society within nature's limits.

Now in our second year of Government, we're proud that our approach to sustainable economics is taking shape through New Zealand's first Wellbeing Budget.

Underpinning the approach to the Wellbeing Budget is a comprehensive set of environmental, social and economic indicators, which the Green Party secured in our Confidence and Supply Agreement with the Labour Party.

Treasury and Statistics New Zealand have been hard at work applying this approach under the leadership of Finance Minister Grant Robertson and Green Party Co-leader James Shaw, Associate Minister of Finance and Minister of Statistics.

The Wellbeing Budget also pioneers how Government Ministers and agencies join up and collaborate to deliver significant social and environmental outcomes. Green Party MP and Under-Secretary to the Minister of Justice Jan Logie has led this approach with the Government's major investment in a joint response to the cycle of domestic and sexual violence.

For too long, Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth has been treated as the ultimate goal. But GDP growth doesn't, by itself, deliver a fair society or a healthy environment – our economy has grown even while homelessness increased dramatically and our waterways became too polluted to swim in.

The Crown has a duty of care to all New Zealanders – and a responsibility to tangata whenua under Te Tiriti o Waitangi – to deliver on policies that support wellbeing and enable us all to thrive. For this 2019 Wellbeing Budget, the priorities are tackling the mental health crisis, improving child wellbeing, supporting Māori and Pasifika aspirations, building innovation and productivity, and transitioning to a sustainable low-emissions economy.

The Wellbeing Budget starts to change how we think about our economy.

It's a major step towards our genuinely holistic approach that places the wellbeing of our environment, our communities and our culture at the heart of decision-making.

**James Shaw | Marama Davidson**

Green Party Co-leaders

## OUR CONFIDENCE AND SUPPLY AGREEMENT WITH LABOUR

The pages overleaf presents the Budget 2019 initiatives that deliver on our Confidence and Supply Agreement. That agreement outlines twenty priorities, a third of which Green Ministers have direct responsibility for delivering. The other two-thirds of our programme are delivered by Labour and New Zealand First Ministers.

Our Confidence and Supply Agreement is a policy programme for the Government – not just for the Green Party. Several priorities appear in both the Greens' Confidence and Supply Agreement and New Zealand First's Coalition agreement, such as investment in rail. We acknowledge and sincerely thank our partners in Labour and New Zealand First for working with us to deliver on our goals in this Wellbeing Budget. Our people – and our planet – will be better off as a result.

## GREEN MINISTERS' WORK BEYOND THE CONFIDENCE AND SUPPLY AGREEMENT

We've also secured funding in the following areas, led by Green Ministers, that go above and beyond our Confidence and Supply Agreement.

### Under-Secretary to the Minister of Justice

A transformation in how the Government delivers support for ending the cycle of violence in our communities. Funding across 10 Government portfolios for family and sexual violence initiatives. This includes:

	Budget 2019 Page No.	\$ OPEX	\$ CAPEX
Increasing Investment In Prevention	53	47.8m	
Safe, Consistent And Effective Responses To Family Violence In Every Community	53	79.8m	4.5m
Expanding Essential Specialist Sexual Violence Services	54	131.3m	
Improving The Justice Response To Sexual Violence Victims	55	32.7m	5m
Joint Venture Business Unit	55	20m	

### Associate Health

Increasing Access To And Modernising Child Development Services	59	35m	
Maintaining Health Services For Disabled New Zealanders	105	348.4m	
Funding The Growth In In-Between Travel For Home And Community Support	106	118.3m	
Meeting Minimum Wage Obligations Under The Home And Community Support Act	108	23m	
Maintaining Primary Maternity Services (Midwives)	109	29.7m	
Increasing Access To Gender Affirming Surgery	107	3m	

### Land Information

Improved Satellite-Based Positioning	80	2m	
Landbank Deferred Maintenance	72	38.1m	

### For Women

Mana Wāhine Kaupapa Inquiry	72	6.2m	
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### Statistics

Complete The 2018 Census And Commence The 2023 Census	83	16.1m	
Stats NZ: Maintaining Statistical Products And Services	83	136.5m	

## TOTAL

**\$1.06bn \$9.5m**

# Budget Initiatives 2019

## Confidence And Supply Agreement: Sustainable Economy

Budget Initiative	Budget 2019 Page No.	Vote	\$ OPEX	\$ CAPEX
<b>1</b> Climate Change Commission And Government Response	<b>94</b>	Climate Change	42.7m	0.4m
<b>1</b> Leading Internationally Through The Global Research Alliance To Reduce Agricultural Emissions	<b>96</b>	Agriculture	8.5m	
<b>2</b> Auckland City Rail Link: To Improve Access To Employment And Education In Auckland Central	<b>92</b>	Transport		1.4bn
<b>2</b> Begin The Process Of Replacing The Interisland Ferries To Support A Resilient And Reliable Freight Rail System	<b>92</b>	Transport		35m
<b>2</b> Replacing Rolling Stock To Support A Resilient And Reliable Freight Rail System	<b>92</b>	Transport		375m
<b>2</b> Working Capital To Support A Resilient And Reliable Freight Rail System	<b>92</b>	Transport	1m	331m
<b>2</b> Rail - Maintaining An Electric Locomotive Fleet On The North Island Main Trunk Line	<b>92</b>	Transport	35m	
<b>2a</b> Investigating A Green Transport Card To Make Public Transport More Affordable For Low-Income Households	<b>92</b>	Transport	4.6m	
<b>3</b> Advanced Energy Technology Platform	<b>96</b>	Research, Science & Innovation	20m	
<b>3</b> Establishing A National New-Energy Development Centre In Taranaki	<b>96</b>	Economic Development	27m	
<b>3</b> Industry Futures (Bioresource Processing Alliance And Product Accelerator)	<b>96</b>	Economic Development	18m	
<b>3a</b> Schools Energy Efficiency Package	<b>96</b>	Education	6.1m	13m
<b>5</b> Productive And Sustainable Land Use: Enabling The Transition In Agriculture	<b>94</b>	Agriculture	122.2m	
<b>5</b> Agricultural Climate Change Research Platform	<b>96</b>	Research, Science & Innovation	3.2m	
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$288m</b>	<b>\$2.1bn</b>

## Confidence And Supply Agreement: Healthy Environment

Budget Initiative	Budget 2019 Page No.	Vote	\$ OPEX	\$ CAPEX
<b>6</b> International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy - Forecast	<i>Estimates</i>	Conservation	180m	
<b>6</b> Increasing And Improving The Management Of Crown Pastoral Land	<b>94</b>	LINZ	3.1m	
<b>6</b> Improving The Safety And Security Of Conservation Workers And Volunteers	<b>94</b>	Conservation	10.7m	
<b>6</b> Strategic Science Solutions To Combat Kauri Dieback	<b>95</b>	Research, Science & Innovation	20.8m	
<b>6</b> Protecting Lakes, Rivers And Lands From Invasive Pests And Weeds	<b>95</b>	LINZ	7.5m	
<b>6</b> Watts Peninsula: Improving Wellbeing Through The Establishment Of A Reserve	<b>96</b>	LINZ	4m	
<b>7</b> Freshwater And Transition To A Sustainable And Low Emissions Economy	<b>95</b>	Environment	64.3m	
<b>7a</b> Strengthening The Integrity Of The Environment Management System	<b>95</b>	Environment	30.5m	3.9m
<b>8</b> Implementing Improved Monitoring Of Fishing Catch On Commercial Fishing Vehicles - Providing Greater Assurance Of Sustainable Fishing Practices	<b>94</b>	Fisheries	13.5m	3.6m
<b>8</b> Maritime Non-Oil Incident Response: Enabling New Zealand To Effectively Respond To Non-Oil Pollution Incidents At Sea	<b>94</b>	Transport	3.1m	
<b>9</b> Improving New Zealand's Resource Efficiency By Reducing Waste	<b>94</b>	Environment	4m	
<b>9</b> Implementation Of The Global Harmonised System Of Chemical Classifications And A New Hazardous Substances Database	<b>93</b>	Environment	1.1m	2.4m
<b>9</b> Provincial Growth Fund - Projects In The Waste Sector	<b>89</b>	Regional Economic Development	40m	
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$382m</b>	<b>\$9.9m</b>

## Confidence And Supply Agreement: Fair Society

Budget Initiative	Budget 2019 Page No.	Vote	\$ OPEX	\$ CAPEX
10 Incomes For People Receiving Benefits: Implementation	59	Social Development	4.7m	
10 Incomes For People Receiving Benefits: Indexing Main Benefits, Removing Deductions And Changing Abatement Thresholds	59	Social Development	530.4m	
11 Learning Support Package	56	Education	335.8m	95m
12 Oranga Tamariki Social Workers Pay Equity Claim Settlement	113	Social Development	114.6m	
12 Pay Equity: Settlement And Programme Costs	113	Education	14.8m	
12 Tools And Resources To Support The Effective Implementation Of The New Pay Equity Regime	113	Workplace Relations	1m	0.1m
14 Papakāinga Development and Rural Housing Repairs For Better Whānau Wellbeing	70	Māori Development	40m	0.1m
16 Expanding Access And Choice Of Primary Mental Health And Addiction Support	38	Health	455.1m	
16 Expanding And Enhancing School Based Health Services	38	Health	19.6m	
16 Expanding Telehealth And Digital Supports For Mental Wellbeing	38	Health	20.8m	
16 Improving Support For People Experiencing A Mental Health Crisis	38	Health	8m	
16 Intensive Parenting Support: Expanding The Pregnancy And Parenting Service To Improve The Wellbeing Outcomes Of Parents And Their Children	38	Health	7m	
16 Mental Wellbeing Support For Parents And Whānau	38	Health	10m	
16 Preventing Suicide And Supporting People Bereaved By Suicide	39	Health	40m	
16 Promoting Wellbeing In Primary And Intermediate Schools	39	Health	2.2m	
16 Forensic Mental Health Services for Young People	40	Health	19m	
18 Increasing The Refugee Quota	108	Immigration	140.5m	7.7m
19 Enhancing Primary Addiction Responses	39	Health	14m	
19 Enhancing Specialist Alcohol And Other Drug Services	39	Health	44m	
19 Increasing Access To Mental Health And Addiction Support	39	Corrections	124.4m	3.9m
19 Te Ara Oranga: Continuing The Methamphetamine Harm Reduction Programme In Northland	39	Health	4m	
19 Referendum On The Legalisation Of Cannabis	116	Justice	13.4m	
20 Ensuring The Stable Delivery Of New Zealand's Electoral System And Providing Enrolment Services On Election Day	115	Justice	75.6m	
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$2bn</b>	<b>\$106m</b>



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