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1. Have you personally been involved in any group, organisation or activities that relate to sustainability? Please give details and outcomes.

Yes at work we use PEFC & FSC paper for printing.

2. Please rank, in order of (1) to (7), what you consider to be the most pressing needs for sustainability today, (1) being the most pressing and (7) the least. Please also add one of your own ideas.

Adapting to the impacts of climate change Rank: **2**

Reducing our contribution to climate change Rank: **3**

Sustainable economic growth Rank: **5**

Sustainable transport options Rank: **1**

Sustainable urban design Rank: **4**

Water quality in our rivers and lakes Rank:

3. In your view, what is the most effective thing Council could do to improve wellbeing for those of lower socioeconomic status in our city?

Affordable housing.

4. What do you see as future priorities for transport in Hamilton City and what benefits do you believe these changes will bring?

Do not run huge empty busses after working hours .

5. What sustainable water management strategies do you think Council should implement?

Educate people, introduce water cuts if necessary.

6. Do you see the Council as having responsibility towards managing native biodiversity within the city?

If yes, what policies would you like to see in place to support this? If no, please explain.
Yes. This is the responsibility of Waikato Regional council which was known as Environment Waikato.

- 7. What strategies do you think Council should employ to minimise the City's waste?**
Stick to 2 rubbish bags per household.
- 8. How can Hamilton celebrate cultural diversity while helping to strengthen cross cultural ties?**
Indigo programme is not run the way it was run the first time. Make it more active.
- 9. Do you think Council has a role in supporting businesses, schools, families and individuals to make more sustainable choices? If no, why not and if yes what ideas do you have to support this?**
Yes good for the future generation
- 10. Do you think Council has a responsibility to have policies to mitigate climate change and manage its impacts? Could you please give some examples?**
Yes. Climate change is a hot topic. Even the Model UN assembly we organised last year the topic was on Climate change.
- 11. Suppose that your Council is considering a proposal for economic development. The development would increase regional GDP and create a significant number of jobs. It would also add significant pollution to waterways and further degrade their ecosystems. Would you support the proposal or not? What is your reasoning?**
Yes. Without development no progress. But development should be affordable.