

New Zealand

New Zealand Infrastructure Commission



TYPE OF TOOL
Institutional reform



MAIN SECTOR
All sectors



INFRASTRUCTURE GOVERNANCE PILLARS
Long-term strategic vision

In a nutshell



OBJECTIVE: The New Zealand Infrastructure Commission - Te Waihanga has been established to ensure that the country gets the quality infrastructure investment needed to improve the long-term economic performance and social wellbeing.



Agency in charge
New Zealand Infrastructure Commission



Levels of government
National



Year of implementation
2019



Current status
Fully operational

Overview

On 26 September 2019 the New Zealand Infrastructure Commission was established as an autonomous Crown entity under the New Zealand Infrastructure Commission/Te Waihanga Act 2019. One of the Infrastructure Commission's key roles is to support government agencies, local authorities and others to procure and deliver major infrastructure projects. The Commission tailors its support according to the project size, complexity, risk level and procurement capability. It provides procurement and delivery support - from the preparation of a business case to market engagement, procurement, negotiation and/or project delivery, including, where appropriate, providing embedded commercial and procurement expertise; and best practice guidance - advice on infrastructure procurement and delivery, including best practice procurement processes and documentation for major infrastructure projects. The Commission is tasked with developing a 30-year Strategy Report which will include an agreed programme of reforms and initiatives to drive better infrastructure outcomes in the long-term. As part of the Commission's work to develop the strategy, it has carried out research into infrastructure issues both in New Zealand and overseas, and gathered views from a range of stakeholders and the public. The Commission is trying to ensure the construction sector has a clear forward works programme, which the sector can rely on. This will be achieved through publishing a reliable Pipeline of planned forward works programme. The Pipeline seeks to: i) act as a 'shop front': developing a single, trusted source of information for the construction industry, detailing credible investments over the medium term; ii) enable industry to plan ahead: removing speculation and providing secure forecasts, attracting new entrants, driving increased competition and innovation; and iii) enhance coordination: enabling better planning of investment in New Zealand – smoothing the market, enhancing use of resources, capability and capacity.

REFERENCES:

- New Zealand Infrastructure Commission, <https://www.tewaihanga.govt.nz/about-us/>