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Your request (bottom of this email) was forwarded to me to respond.

Hamilton City Council has responded to Climate Change within a range of documents that provide both high level strategic direction as well as operational guidance. However, there is no one document that provides an overall summary or approach to CC risk assessment or adaption plan overview. See below for references/links to the documents that provide HCC's position on CC.

Please be aware that HCC is working with other Councils in the Region to develop a coordinated Spatial Plan. While this work is still in progress, an interim report has been developed that includes an environmental section, with Climate Change extensively discussed - <http://www.mpdc.govt.nz/pdf/News/MayoralForum/WaikatoEnviornmentalWellbeingReport.pdf>. The Spatial Plan will be progressed over the next 18 months and enquiries should be through - <http://www.mpdc.govt.nz/index.php/councillors-mayor/waikato-mayoral-forum>.

## 1. Proposed District Plan

- a. **S32 Document** <http://www.hamilton.govt.nz/our-council/council-publications/districtplans/proposeddistrictplan/Documents/Section%2032s.pdf>
  - 2.10.2 Strategic Framework - page 39
  - 13.2.8 Rototuna Town Centre – page 429 of above PDF link
  - 22.2.1ix Natural Hazards – page 587 of above PDF link
  - 22.5 Natural Hazards Specific Standards – S32 Document – page 596-598
  - 22 Natural Hazards – Appendix B – multiple references to Climate Change – page 607 of above PDF link
  - **22 Natural Hazards – Appendix B – specific Climate Change section – page 608**
  - 22 Natural Hazards – Appendix E – potential DP approaches and tools – page 634
  - 23 Subdivision – 23.2.5 – page 647 of above PDF link
  - 25.13 Three Waters – 25.13.2.3 – page 801 of above PDF link
  - 25.14 Transportation – 25.14 – Appendix D – page 883
- b. **PDP** <http://www.hamilton.govt.nz/our-council/council-publications/districtplans/proposeddistrictplan/Documents/Proposed%20District%20Plan%20Volume%201.pdf>
  - 2.2.12c Strategic Framework Policy for Resource Efficiency
  - 22.2.1aix Natural Hazards Policy
  - 22.2 Explanation – page 393 of above PDF link
  - 25.13.2 – City Wide – Three Waters Policy – page 522

## 2. Stormwater

- Infrastructure Tech Specs provide guidance for assessment of design for any developments - <http://www.hamilton.govt.nz/our-council/council-publications/manuals/Documents/ITS%20-%20Section%204%20-%20Stormwater.pdf>
- Flood Hazard Report – mostly used to develop PDP above - <http://www.hamilton.govt.nz/our-council/council-publications/districtplans/flood/Documents/Flood%20Hazard%20Report%20-%2029%20Oct%202012%20-%20Final.pdf>

3. **Transport** - The Access Hamilton Strategy includes sustainable travel choices and a number of operational activities that reduce emissions - <http://www.hamilton.govt.nz/our-city/city-strategies/accesshamiltonstrategy/Pages/default.aspx>. Note that this Strategy is currently under review.

**4. Parks**

- a. The [Open Space Plan](#) identifies climate change as a key challenge for open space (p. 12 – 13).
- b. The [Action Plan](#) identifies we will work with other agencies to Hamilton open space's contribution to climate change and impact of climate change on Hamilton's open space and develop an implementation plan including initiatives to minimise risks, improve resilience and maximise opportunities as a result of research, findings and recommendations (p.4).
- c. The [Playgrounds of the Future](#) document supports the Playground Policy and discusses climate change. The Playground Policy responds to this by recommending destination playgrounds include shade.
- d. [Waiwhakareke Natural Heritage Management Plan](#) recognises the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change relates to the management of the Park.

**5. Sustainable Hamilton Strategy – 2013 Action Plan - <http://www.hamilton.govt.nz/our-city/city-strategies/environmentalsustainability/Documents/Sustainable%20Hamilton%20Action%20Plan%202013-21-05.pdf>**

Regards

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Good Morning,

Under the official Information Act, could you please provide me with any Climate Change Risk Assessment and/or Adaption Plans which the council has in place.

Many Thanks

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