

## **Appendix Two: Draft Terms of Reference for the ad-hoc Committee for Climate Adaptation inquiry into climate adaptation**

1. Inquire into and produce recommendations for:
  - a. an agreed description of the nature of the climate adaptation problem New Zealand faces;
  - b. proposed purpose and overarching principles that would guide decision-making on adaptation matters for adaptation legislation;
  - c. the potential pathways for the following focus areas in:
    - i. climate risk information sharing
    - ii. compensation framework
    - iii. investment framework for Protect-Avoid-Retreat-Accommodate (PARA) risk reduction responses
    - iv. central-local government roles
  - d. any other matters that should be included in legislation to support adaptation or the committee considers relevant to establishing a durable, fair, and affordable approach to adaptation.
2. The Committee will:
  - a. commence its inquiry by the end of March 2024;
  - b. deliver an interim report of their findings to the House by end of May 2024 focusing on the purpose, overarching principles and what of the focus areas should be progressed in climate adaptation legislation
  - c. deliver a final report of their findings to the House by the end of August 2024.
  - d. consider the submissions to the Environment Select Committee.