

What are the functions of Territorial Authorities?

Territorial authorities perform functions that require decision making at the local level. Local representation, partnerships and consultation is important to the delivery of quality services and environments that people live and work within. Waitakere considers these core functions include:

- Delivery on community outcomes and LTCCP – local democracy and local expression
- Land use planning and implementation of compact city – local innovation and responsiveness
- Economic development – supporting local skills development, business land supply and business capacity building
- Regulatory – consents, building code, environment controls, bylaws, animal welfare
- Waters management, including the retail water supply network and wastewater and stormwater management.
- Social and community planning – libraries, information, leisure facilities, parks and fields, housing, migrants, safety, local events, identity building, cemetery
- Property management
- Town centre development and suburban refit for economic growth and sustainability
- Roads, transport, parking and travel demand management
- Solid waste management
- Civil defence and rural fire service

What are the functions of the regional entity?

- Steward of the Auckland Sustainability Framework (long-term vision) and the regional plan
- Lead relationship with central government and with other regions.
- Regional planning e.g. regional policy statement, standards for District Plan, Regional Growth Strategy – contained metro urban area.
- Economic development: strategy, branding, major events, international investment attraction, broadband/energy and skills strategy.
- Infrastructure strategies e.g. water, transport, waste
- Three Water strategy and standards
- Water and wastewater wholesale
- Social and community framework and policies e.g. settlement, housing policy
- Transport planning, procurement and delivery for all modes
- Regulatory: environmental standards, consents
- Regional parks