



Protect & Prosper New Zealand

BUSINESS POLICY

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PROTECT

1. Promote all businesses throughout New Zealand.
2. Protect the Commercial Rates base (maintain carparks to help businesses).

HELPING HAND

1. Recognise their significant economic input to the economy.
2. Policies to help businesses struggling with staff and cycle lanes.
3. In all major cities studies should be conducted on whether car parks are generating income, losses due to cycle lanes, or overall businesses are losing millions. we suggest all car parks near businesses or certain meters should be free.
4. Incentivise banks to invest in businesses rather than real property.
5. Easing business loan process to help cashflow of struggling businesses.
6. Govt. should use Kiwi bank which is 100% owned by Govt. for any business loans and investment by Kiwis.
7. New Businesses are struggling to access govt help from MBIE and other Govt. departments.
8. These Govt. departments staff size should be reduced.
9. Only who have connections or go through consultants keep getting the grants and help.
10. All new businesses should have acces to Govt. help by overcoming this present burecacy.
11. Regional and IT businesses are also not getting enough help.

STAFF ISSUES

1. Encourage workers to go back to the Cities, to support retail and food outlets, tourism and entertainment.
2. Listen to industry experts on the level and specific requirements, Develop a plan two years ahead, by estimating future requirements.
3. Introduce fast-track Visa processing to immediately help struggling New Zealand businesses. Promote high-talent skilled immigrants.
4. Bring in workers such as doctors, nurses, medical technicians, construction, trade, horticultural and farming workers to fill the current demand.
5. Many employers hesitate to employ staff because of complex govt. employment laws. Review the Employment Act and make it simple.
6. Develop practical mediation rules so the majority of employees and employers don't end up in court.
7. Develop policies to encourage and motivate NZ youths and NZ employer, so we can develop thier skill to match local employment needs, so we less depend on overseas labour.

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COMMERCIAL LEASE COST

1. Businesses are suffering due to unaffordable lease cost since Covid.
2. PPNZ proposes lease cost to be reviewed and regulated.

PRIMARY INDUSTRY

1. Greater promotion and marketing of all primary industries.
2. Identify new market opportunities
3. Review and document the damage that has been done to farming businesses and farmers during the Covid-19 Pandemic and as a result of anti-farming policies being applied by the Government and Local Government, in recent times.
4. Subsidised businesses to attend international trade fairs. Boost export to increase country's foreign reserves and 'boost' the New Zealand economy.

LEGAL COST, COMPLIANCE AND INSURANCE

1. In NZ company formation is very easy but compliance and Governance is complex and expensive. Businesses are struggling with the recession and still have to spend lots of money on compliance and legal issues.
2. We propose simplified contracts in simple language.
3. Small businesses lose money when big companies liquidate, this has to be protected by law regulating from big contractors or companies to keep some secured money.
4. **PPNZ proposes to develop Business Code.**
5. Many employers hesitate to employ staff because of complex govt. employment laws.
6. For small employment issues, company and staff should have access to more mediation options so both get justice with less cost.
7. Businesses should have a choice to represent themselves without a lawyer on their own in court which will save huge money on lawyers for both sides.
8. Develop practical mediation rules so the majority of employees and employers don't end up in court.
9. Increase the limit of Dispute Tribunals so major business disputes can be solved with low legal costs.
10. To protect businesses just like ACC, we should have business insurance guaranteed by Govt.
11. Similar insurance if were in place all the farms and businesses affected with flood would have been protected and the billions which we are spending now to help them fraction of that amount could have been used in insurance premiums. Saving million of tax payers money and giving peace of mind to all NZ businesses.

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