

Submissions close on 30th April for the first phase of the Tax Working Group work.

Tax is one of the ways that we as citizens of this country relate to each other. Distortions and imbalances of income and wealth damage our ability to live well together and we know that housing, social disadvantages, and environmental protection are among key concerns raised by our communities. The Tax Working Group (TWG) review is an opportunity to re-set our tax relationships towards a future where all can live well.

Five Big questions the TWG are asking:

1. What does the future of tax look like?
2. What is the purpose of tax?
3. Are we taxing the right things?
4. Can tax make housing more affordable?
5. What tax issues matter most to you?

The Government specifically told the TWG that it was not to consider

- Increasing any income tax rate or GST
- Inheritance tax or any other changes that would involve taxing the family home or the land under it
- The interaction between the tax and transfer system (i.e. Working for Families, Accommodation Supplement or other welfare benefits)

Many would argue that these issues are central to future tax policy and should also be considered in the overall work of the TWG.

Take action: The TWG website includes accessible video resources <https://taxworkinggroup.govt.nz/> and there are feedback forms online. Together with a group of NGOs interested in this review we have also created a shared folder for the sector with information about the various aspects of this review, as well as submission content and templates –[click here for the shared folder](#).

This review is not just for experts, the TWG wants to hear from as many people as possible.

Write your own comments <https://taxworkinggroup.govt.nz/have-your-say-future-tax>

Contribute your thoughts to the Action Station online and crowdsourced submission <http://www.actionstation.org.nz/fairertax>

Keep the conversation going –there will be more opportunities for feedback in the coming months