

Name: David Robert Hay

Date and place of birth: 1961, Grey Lynn, Auckland.

Ethnicity: Pakeha

Current residence: Hauraki, Auckland. North Shore Electorate.

Educational and vocational qualifications: Master of Public Policy with merit, Victoria University of Wellington. Conjoint Bcom (economics) and BA (politics), Auckland University

Current occupation: Principal Policy Analyst, Community Policy and Planning, Auckland Council (seven years, including role at Manukau City Council prior to amalgamation).

Previously: Self-employed consultant (2002-2006), providing policy and project management services to corporate clients, among them: University of NSW, Dept of Child Youth and Family, Dept of Internal Affairs, National Screening Unit of Ministry of Health, City of Manukau Education Trust, Manukau City Council, Auckland City Council. Prior to that: Treasury/Ministry of Health (1999-2001); Department for Courts (1998). Dept of Internal Affairs (1996 – 1997). NZ Broadcasting School (1993 and 1994).

Other work experience (including voluntary/unpaid): Author and publisher of “*MMP? A Royal Commission recommended MMP for New Zealand - here’s why*” (1993). Researcher/Analyst, NZ Maori Council, for Treaty Claim on the Airwaves and Broadcasting Assets Case. Manager, treasurer and broadcaster at community access radio 2RSR FM, Sydney. Ten years in various trades and semi-skilled jobs, 1980 to 1990.

Community connections: Founding trustee Towards 2060 Trust (2013), spokesperson for CASSE – Centre for the Advancement of a Steady State Economy (2011 – now), member of the International Society for Ecological Economics (2011- now).

Green Party experience: Member since 2006. Amongst other things: Convenor Local Body Committee 2013; Auckland policy networker 2007-2013; Candidate for Epsom in 2011; Candidate for Auckland Electricity Consumer Trust in 2009; Candidate for Rodney in 2008; Auckland Transport Spokesperson, 2007-2008; Convener Auckland Transport Group, 2008.

Policy Interests/Expertise: With my background I am confident I could pick up any portfolio: I will happily do whatever the party and caucus need of me. However my particular interests are:

- **Local Government:** the legislative framework within which it operates and the interaction between central and local government. Appropriate decision making will only be achieved when all levels of government work together effectively.
- **Economics:** the development of an ecological economics framework for fiscal and monetary policy, leading to delivery of a truly Green government budget.
- **Broadcasting and media:** they have a critical role in the creating and sustaining a public sphere that supports citizens’ participation in democratic governance.

My broad political issues: *Grow the Green Party, Change the Government, Save the World!*

Humanity has overshoot the capacity of Earth's ecosystem to sustain our existence. It’s still possible to save the human species from destroying first the planet, and then itself. The challenge is to act quickly, with confidence and wisdom. Aotearoa can do this, and show leadership to others, but neither Labour nor National has the appetite for it. The Green Party must be the agent of change, but we have to become, and be accepted, as a party with a distinct and attractive agenda that can win the mandate to govern.

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