

# Hon Simon Watts

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Mayor Anita Baker  
Mayor Campbell Barry  
Mayor Wayne Guppy  
Mayor Tory Whanau  
Chair Daran Ponter  
Mayors and Chair of the Wellington Region

Dear Mayors and Chair

I write regarding the recent acceptance of your water services delivery plans under the multi-council controlled organisation delivery model for the proposed Metropolitan Wellington organisation.

Your decision to take a shared approach to water services delivery is significant and I'd like to recognise the collaboration that you've demonstrated in reaching this milestone.

I am confident that using the tools available under Local Water Done Well to deliver services with the oversight of professional governance, and to access lower-cost finance through the Local Government Funding Agency, will help achieve efficiency gains and long-term financial sustainability for consumers in the Wellington region.

I look forward to seeing your plan transition to implementation and the benefits for your communities realised.

Yours sincerely

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Hon Simon Watts  
**Minister of Local Government**