

Memo

1 August 2017

To: His Worship the Mayor, Councillors, Independent Maori Statutory Board Members, Executive Leadership Team

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Subject: Global Engagement Activity Update – August 2017

Summary

This memo outlines Auckland Council's key upcoming global engagement activity during the month of August 2017. It also notes key activity undertaken in July 2017 and outcomes achieved through this activity.

Action: for information.

Key Activity – August 2017

The following is a list of upcoming global activity facilitated by Auckland Council's Global Partnerships and Strategy (GPS) Unit during August 2017:

Date	Activity	Location
1 August	Minister of Trade Todd McClay call on Mayor Goff	Auckland
3 August	US Ambassador to New Zealand, HE Scott Brown call on Mayor Goff	Auckland
4 August:	Joint courtesy call by Shinagawa and Utsunomiya student delegations on Cr Cathy Casey	Auckland
10 August	Mayor of the City of Kakogawa (Japan) visits Auckland for the Auckland-Kakogawa 25 th Anniversary	Auckland
14 August	Korean National Assembly Parliamentary delegation to discuss sustainability issues with Auckland Council officials	Auckland
25 August	Vietnamese officials from the Ho Chi Minh National Academy of Politics and Public Administration meeting with Auckland Council officials	Auckland
31 August	Speaker of Swedish Parliament – Mr Urban Ahlin call on Mayor Goff	Auckland

Key Activity - July 2017

The following is a list of key global activity facilitated by GPS in July 2017 and outcomes achieved:

Date	Activity	Location	Outcome
29 June-8 July	Cr Richard Hills' participation in the 2017 NiHao Taiwan Study Camp for Future Leaders	Taipei	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knowledge exchange with policy discussions on climate change, civil defence and public transportation.
4 July	Call on Mayor Goff by the Ambassador of France to New Zealand HE Mrs Florence Jeanblanc-Risler	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advice on Auckland's engagement opportunities in France and Paris covering best practise in sustainable development and traffic congestion. Brief on French companies helping run Auckland Transport services including - TransDev and Thales.
12 July	Meeting with NZ Consul-General Los Angeles (designate) – Maurice Williamson	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opportunity to convey key messages and brief on Auckland's engagement with Los Angeles and the Tripartite.
16-18 July	Visit by the Guangzhou Advance Working Group in preparation for the 2017 Tripartite Summit	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engage with relevant stakeholders on the programme and sectors of focus for the November 2017 Tripartite Summit in Guangzhou.
16-18 July	Visit by Mayor of Fukuoka for the Fukuoka Garden's official opening and signing of the Auckland-Fukuoka 'Start-Up' Agreement	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opening of the relocated Fukuoka Garden. Mayor's Takashima and Goff signed a MoU on city to city Start-up collaboration.
23 July	Official call on Mayor Goff by Lord Mayor Robert Doyle, the City of Melbourne	Auckland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Substantive exchange between the Mayors, DM Cashmore and Cr Hulse. Topics included C40, funding of major projects and infrastructure.

Next steps

- The Global Partnerships and Strategy Unit will provide an update on key global activity each month.
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