### What our women want

The purpose of the Government Women's Network is:

#### "Supporting women to achieve their full potential"

At the Auckland launch of the Government Women's Network in March 2016, a workshop was run to identify in more detail what women in the wider public sector in Auckland want from the Government Women's Network.

The key objective for GWN Auckland was defined as –

### "Connect with and learn from others"





We found out that women wanted -

- Opportunities for cross-sector pollination
- An **all-inclusive network**, for all levels (and open to men who support the goal supporting women in government to be successful)
- A network to connect with each other personally and professionally (for development and support) and for joint problem solving and collaboration
- A vehicle to support mentoring between those in the network and beyond

Women also wanted -

- A flexible but regular commitment Social media to help us connect
- Events away from central Auckland and at different times of day
- A strong working group to keep momentum going

### *Topics for future events could include:*

- Keynote speakers of influence
- Work/life balance
- Flexible working
- Glass ceiling
- Emotional intelligence
- Professional support
- Leadership styles
- Career advice including:
  - o interview support and
  - CV writing

### GOVERNMENT WOMEN'S NETWORK

SUPPORTING WOMEN TO ACHIEVE THEIR FULL POTENTIAL

- 2015 Work starts on GWN & AGWN
- 2016 AGWN launched Events held in Central and South Auckland
- 2017 AGWN working group refreshed First Auckland summit
- 2018 Full year of events Understanding of community maturing Communications strategy implemented Resources developed eg DIY mentoring

2020 Partnerships with other Auckland-based initiatives
Agency networks supported and growing in Auckland
Sector or special interest groups established
Streams supporting young leaders and STEM
AGWN membership diverse and inclusive

2025 AGWN membership at 25% of women in public service Full programme of accessible, virtual events

### A vision for the

Auckland Government Women's Network

Supporting Auckland's women to achieve their full potential

50,000

in Auckland

women in public service roles

www.gwn.govt.nz

# #2018goals



Communications strategy developed and implemented

- Using social media and multimedia streams
- Providing regular and inclusive content
- Connecting in with wider government initiatives



### **Social events**

- Opportunities to connect on a personal level
- Providing cross-sector pollination



### Network and speaker events

- In Central and South Auckland at different times of day
- Speakers of influence
- Providing professional support
- Supporting mentoring across the network
- Celebrating IWD and Suffrage 125



- **Development resources** AGWN Quick Guides
- Targeted at all levels of women
- Offering career advice and learning opportunities

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## AGWN in 2018

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#### **February** March January April **Resources** – wellbeing at work Resources Event – International Women's Day Resources - mentoring 101 - leadership development in 5 mins or 12 months May July August June **Resources** – actionable feedback Event – Speed mentoring - South Auckland Social event – fundraising cinema night? Resources - how to run your own event Social event - Mother's Day social event Event - Public Sector Women in Leadership Summit, Wellington **December** October **November** September Event - Celebrating 125 years of Universal Suffrage **Resources** – other networks and providers Social event - Christmas celebration Event - Seminar on preparing for the next step

Event – Public Sector Women in Leadership Summit, Auckland