

## What is ClimateWise?

<u>ClimateWise</u> is a practical, easy-to-use online planning tool that helps small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in Aotearoa **identify, assess, and manage climate-related risks** — such as extreme weather, supply chain disruptions, rising costs, and insurance challenges. It enables businesses to reduce disruption, keep trading with confidence, and plan for long-term success.

## Who is it for?

- SMEs across sectors
- Large organisations with SME supply chains
- Social enterprises & not-for-profits
- Banks & consultants supporting SME
  resilience and growth
- Mentors, incubators, chambers & associations equipping SMEs with strategic tools
- Insurers seeking proactive customers with strong risk planning

#### What it offers?

- **Risk identification:** Assess business exposure across people, assets, and indirect systems
- **Tailored action planning**: Build custom continuity and adaptation plans aligned with business priorities and values
- **Downloadable tools:** Risk rating frameworks, impact statements, checklists, adaptation plan template.
- **Referrals:** Link to specialist advisors, funding pathways, and business support services

# How it can add value to business

- Keeps operations running during disruptions
- Protects revenue and customer trust
- Improves insurability and demonstrates risk readiness
- Supports ESG compliance and improves
  procurement competitiveness
- Identifies cost-saving and business growth opportunities

# **Examples of impact**

- Hospitality business avoided stock loss through flood risk planning
- Construction firm embedded resilience into bids, winning new contracts
- Retailer adjusted inventory strategy after assessing supply chain risks

### How you can support SMEs

### Partner with us

- Tailored SME workshops for your clients or networks
- Train-the-trainer programmes
- Custom onboarding and co-branding (whitelabel and licensing options)
- Referral pathways via the ClimateWise platform
- Banks: De-risk SME portfolios, enhance service offerings, and align with ESG/climate mandates
- Mentors/Advisors: Integrate ClimateWise into planning sessions to boost strategic foresight
- **Insurers:** Align with clients on proactive risk mitigation to improve claims predictability