



# NZ FOOD WASTE CHAMPIONS 12.3

Champions Nominations: 15th November – 15th December

## Who we are

[New Zealand Food Waste Champions 12.3](#) is a national and independent non profit organisation. It has a **vision** of '*He Taonga Te Kai: An Aotearoa where food is valued, not wasted*'. The organisation was launched in 2020 and became a charitable trust in September 2022, with the **mission** to accelerate progress towards achieving Sustainable Development Goal Target 12.3 in New Zealand and halving food waste by 2030. We are an off-shoot organisation of the global [Champions 12.3](#) movement.

## ORGANISATION STRUCTURE AND FUNDING

New Zealand Food Waste Champions 12.3 Trust (NZFWC 12.3) is overseen by four trustees and Champions: Associate Professor Miranda Miroso (Chair), Deborah Manning, Sarah Pritchett and Andrew Fisher. We have two working groups; Champions of 12.3 and Kai Commitment. Kai Commitment is overseen by a signatory committee and Champions by the Champions committee. We are nominating for our Champions committee. The organisation is led by our Executive Director, Kaitlin Dawson.

Our Champions' work streams are made possible through philanthropic funding and grants. In the past we have been supported by Whakatupu Aotearoa Foundation, The Tindall Foundation, AGMARDT, Ecostock, Countdown and WasteMINZ.



NZFWC 12.3 Trustees and Executive Director with Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern at the launch of Kai Commitment, 2nd November 2022



## Our Impact

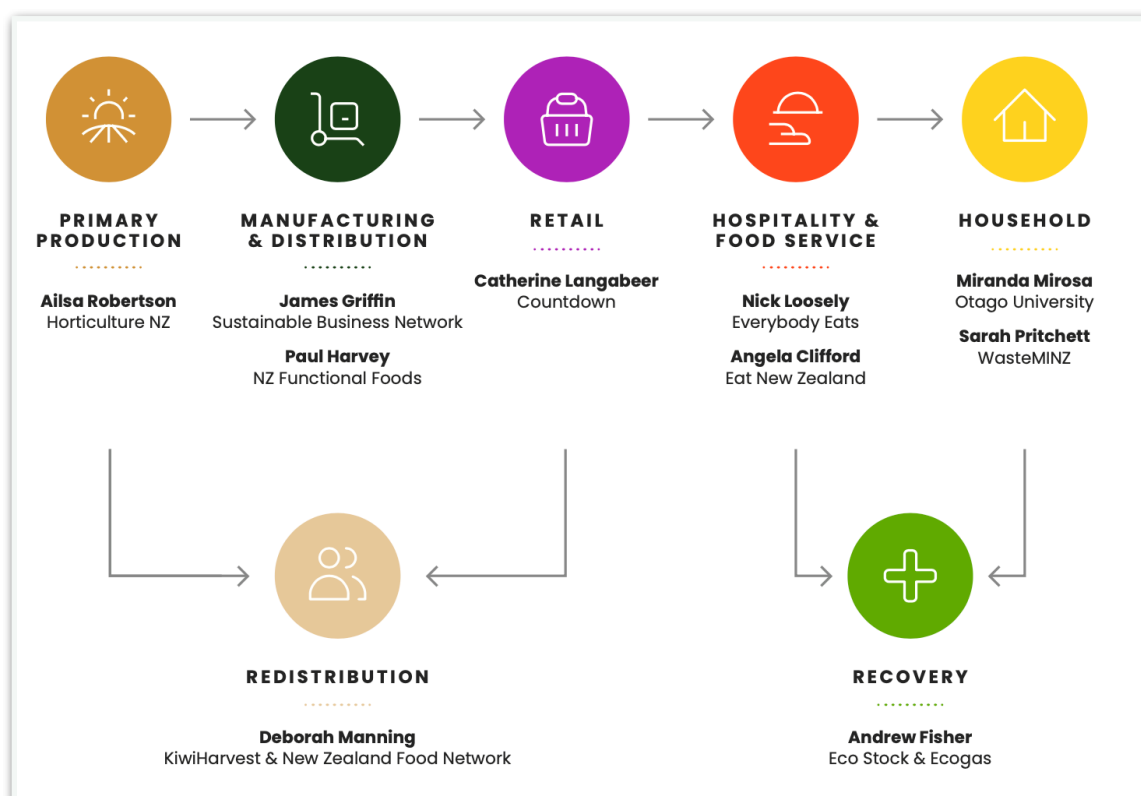
We are a small organisation with a big vision. Collaboration is at the heart of what we do which can be seen by our achievements laid out in our **2022 IMPACT REPORT**.

Some of our key milestones include:

1. Launched our flagship project **Kai Commitment**, an agreement between leading food businesses to reduce food waste and emissions from food waste (Nov 2022).
  - Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern supported us at our launch event alongside our initial signatories Countdown, Goodman Fielder, Silver Fern Farms, Fonterra, Foodstuffs and Nestle.
2. Delivered New Zealand's first **Food Waste Reduction Roadmap**, outlining farm to fork solutions to our food waste challenge (2020).
3. Ongoing impact through advocacy:
  - key reference to the Prime Ministers Chief Science Advisor food waste report series,
  - actions on food waste identified in the Emissions Reduction Plan,
  - having our say on numerous government consultations and
  - leading the national consultation for Aotearoa New Zealand's food waste definition, delivered by MfE

## Our Champions

Our Champions of 12.3 (**Champions**) are a coalition of representatives from across the food value chain, they are executives from large retailers, hospitality, membership organisations, food rescue organisations, and more. Our cohort is currently 10 strong and has capacity for 15 Champions.



## Do you want to become a **Champion of 12.3?**

We are recruiting 2-5 new Champions, if you are interested in helping shape the advocacy and education work stream of our charitable organisation, have your finger on the food waste pulse and meet our key criteria, please get in touch.

### Criteria

- Senior leader of an organisation; and
- Endorsement from organisation; and
- Active in reducing food waste within organisation

### Expectations

- Attendance at 3x Roundtables per year (1/2 day). Ideally in person, dial-in possible
- Willingness to support Executive Director (ED) by providing guidance, introductions, input on projects, where relevant
- Timely engagement with ED's communications
- Provide food waste reduction effort updates to ED

### Key considerations

- Representation across the food value chain;
- Level of influence of Champion and Champion's organisation in reducing food waste; and
- Tangata whenua representation

### Benefits

- **Access** to international expertise, best practice and leadership on the global Sustainable Development Goals'
- **Learning** from other leaders in the food value chain from a non-competitive standpoint
- **Impact** through Kai Commitment and other projects we support
- **Opportunity** to shape NZ policy on food waste

## WHATS NEXT?

If you are interested in being a NZ Champion of 12.3, submit a 250 – 600 word paragraph to [kaitlin@nzchampions123.org](mailto:kaitlin@nzchampions123.org) by 15 December outlining:

1. Your background;
2. Why you would like to be a NZ Champion of 12.3; and
3. Which Champion supports your nomination

**Nominations are open:** 15<sup>th</sup> November – 15<sup>th</sup> December

Decisions to recruit new Champions will be made by Wednesday 21st December with the first roundtable being held in mid-late February at Champion Angela Clifford's Food Farm in in Ōtautahi, Christchurch.

