

CREATING :

A Collective Impact Framework and Toolbox to Restore Nature and Connect Communities
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BY ESTABLISHING :

- a shared vision for change
- agreed ways to measure and report success
- activities aligned and coordinated
- on-going and effective communication
- support structure and funding to deliver



COMMUNITY



PEST CONTROL



SCIENCE



GOVERNANCE



STRATEGIC DIRECTION



PLANTING



COORDINATION



COMMUNICATION



SUPPORT

TO ACHIEVE OUR GOAL:



| RECOMMENDATIONS | | KEY ACTIONS |
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| Collective Impact Framework | | |
| 1 | The "Collective Impact Framework" be used to underpin Biodiversity Restoration in Hamilton City and the Waikato Region. | |
| A Common Agenda | | |
| 2 | To increase indigenous vegetation cover from 2% to 10% with a river and gully focus. | To complete site prioritisation (scoring of cultural values of sites), and use it as an overarching plan for Hamilton to highlight sites as a focus for biodiversity action. |
| 3 | To identify and prioritise sites for restoration that include a range of representative examples of indigenous ecosystems in the city. | To ensure biodiversity values are incorporated into the design of new growth areas to assist in the achievement of the 10% indigenous habitat target. |
| 4 | To provide connections between key sites through restoration of adjoining areas especially along the river and gully system. | Finalise mapping of existing fauna data to augment the largely vegetation-based site prioritisation information. That any mitigation required as part of any RMA regulatory decisions for development take into consideration the ecological footprints of the prioritised sites in Hamilton. |
| 5 | Ensure the Waikato Biodiversity Forum and community coordinators are part of a backbone support infrastructure necessary to provide a common agenda (see also recommendation 18). | |
| 6 | To ensure that all ecological/ biodiversity mapping continues to be integrated between agencies, hapu and community groups and is effectively communicated. | |
| 7 | Develop partnerships with the Waikato University and Crown Research Institutes to support local action. | Work with the Kukutaruhe Education Trust to support the development of a gully restoration plan template. |
| Shared Measurement | | |
| 8 | To standardise and align indicators for the on-going monitoring of biodiversity | To develop Memorandum of Understanding's between agencies to ensure the ongoing collection and collation of biodiversity monitoring is undertaken and assess options for future funding. |
| 9 | To utilise the 6 indicators as the standardised biodiversity monitoring framework in Hamilton City and assess their suitability for the rest of the region. | To encourage the testing of Mahinga Kai assessment tool within Hamilton City to give effect to Te Ture Whaimana o Te Awa o Waikato and to assess options for Maturanga Maaori and citizen science to be incorporated into the monitoring framework. |
| 10 | To develop a storage and on-line monitoring site for the gathering of results and reporting on progress in conjunction with all other tools. [see also recommendation 17] | To continue with the testing of the Biodiversity App for the gathering of information on community activity. |
| Mutually Reinforcing Activities | | |
| 11 | All relevant Plans (Management Plans, District Plan, ICMPs, etc) be developed/updated to reflect this strategy. | That any future environmental and social impact assessments for roads consider further encouragement of street side plantings with a focus on native species to create ecological linkages. To continue with Low Impact Urban Design principles through the development of infrastructure which improves ecological values. To update Reserve Management Plans which include significant natural areas, gully and river reserves to enhance habitat protection and improve ecological connectivity. To undertake a district plan change to avoid or mitigate the loss of the City's Gully System. |
| 12 | That the annual program and funding under Project Watershed aligns with and supports the prioritised biodiversity sites (see also recommendations 2-4). | HCC planting programme funded by Project Watershed delivers ecological benefits to priority sites. Undertake a joint approach to develop the year 1 Project Watershed Plan. |
| 13 | To encourage funders to align and support restoration to achieve the overall biodiversity goal. | |
| 14 | Additional engagement with THAWK to encourage further use of MOU's with mana whenua in Hamilton. | To complete operational Memorandum of Understanding with Ngati Haua and Parks and Open Spaces. |
| 15 | To align and build greater links between current and future biodiversity action with the EnviroSchools program. To build connections with the community that enable the protection of biodiversity sites and other areas of ecological value. | Further encourage and support EnviroSchools program to encourage restoration of gullies and development of ecological areas. |
| Continuous Communication | | |
| 16 | To develop a shared on-line biodiversity site for Hamilton to enable all tools and resources, and monitoring of progress to be available as a one stop shop for agencies and the community. | Ensure completion of the on-line ecosystem mapping tool and incorporation of a Maturanga Maaori layer. To consider the development of motion picture graphics to effectively communicate key elements of this project. |
| 17 | Ensure collaboration with adjoining agencies to ensure the gully networks in and out of the city are considered as part of the overall restoration plan. | |
| Backbone Support | | |
| 18 | To develop a support structure, including a Trust, to provide the backbone support for organisations such as Waikato Biodiversity Forum, and opportunities for enhancement of biodiversity within the City. | A funding strategy to target and improve biodiversity impact investment be developed by the Trust. Continue with a project team structure to enable information sharing across and within Councils. |
| 19 | Consider registering Waiwhakareke for carbon credits under Emission Trading Scheme (ETS) or Permanent Forest Sink Initiative (PFSI) schemes as a test case that can be further built on as more restoration projects are identified and developed. | |
| 20 | Further assess the options for restoration on parks and reserves that are adjacent to priority biodiversity sites and seek their registration under ETS or PFSI. Explore options of mixed forest (native and exotic) to boost carbon sequestration and lower cost of establishment. | |
| 21 | Consider the development of a carbon forest policy. | |

