

Attachment C: Ōrākei Local Board feedback on the Proposed Regional Pest Management Plan – August 2017 (OR/2017/154)

Issue	Proposed Approach	Supports Y/N	Comment
Cats	<p>To continue management of cats in areas of high biodiversity value as part of integrated pest control but potentially for an increased number of sites.</p> <p>To provide greater certainty cats will be defined as pests in these circumstances if they are not able to be identified by microchip or other means as being owned.</p> <p>Cats will continue to be controlled on areas of public land where threatened species are being protected (regardless of whether they are owned or unowned). Example sites: the open sanctuaries and kokako/kiwi management area in the Hunua Ranges.</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Yes</p>	<p>The Board supports the proposed approach as a minimum.</p> <p>The Board supports defined areas (such as areas of high biodiversity) being identified where cats are treated as pests and are controlled and other more urban areas where rules are not as strict.</p>
Possums	<p>Landscape scale progressive containment programme to manage possums. Rural management would be integrated with management in high value biodiversity areas. This could be achieved using a targeted rate across rural Auckland.</p>		<p>The Board supports the progressive containment programme to manage possums but does not support a targeted rate as this should be funded by central government as part of its pest free by 2050 strategy.</p>
Widespread pest plants	<p>Site-led programme for parks with significant ecological areas to manage a suite of up to 30 pest plants per site to an extent that protects the values of the parkland. Includes use of rules in buffer areas around parkland.</p>	Yes	<p>The Board supports site lead but doesn't support the up to 30 pest plants per site as there may be more species to control in some parks.</p>
New ban of sale	<p>Phasing out the sale of approximately 50 new plant pests and 13 new animal pests in addition to those currently identified.</p>		<p>The Board supports new pest plants and animals being added to the banned list but would like to know what the proposed additions are prior to</p>

			providing a definitive response.
Rats	Site-led programmes for parks with significant ecological areas and the Hauraki Gulf Controlled Area, to manage rodents to an extent that protects the values of these places. Enhanced pathway management to protect islands. Sustained control programme for the remainder of the region focusing on support for community pest control initiatives.	Yes	The Board supports the proposal on the basis that community groups are still encouraged to be involved.
Site-led programme for Orākei Basin	Site-led programme for parks with Significant Ecological Areas, including Orākei Basin to manage a suite of pest plants to an extent that protects the values of the parkland.	Yes	
Weeds on Council land	Site-led programme for parks with significant ecological areas to manage a suite of up to 30 pest plants to an extent that protects the values of the parkland.	Yes	The Board supports site lead but doesn't support the up to 30 pest plants per site as there may be more species to control in some parks.
More education around pests	Provision of information and advice on pest identification, impacts and control, and increased communications around pathway management for a suite of species.	Yes	
The importance of community pest control	Provision of advice and support to community groups undertaking pest control, with priority given to activity in or around biodiversity focus areas and taking advantage of defensible landscape features such as islands and peninsulas. The plan will support the Pest Free Auckland initiative, which focuses on community empowerment.	Yes	The Board supports the community empowerment approach as our community are great supporters of our local environment.