

Attachment B
Orākei Local Board specific issues

Issue	Current approach	Proposed approach relevant to local board area	Rationale
Rats (particularly in Kēpa bush)	Support for community groups undertaking pest control in local parks.	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.	Similar to current management approach but with enhanced investment in pathway management and control in significant ecological areas.
Site-led programme for Orākei basin	Provision of advice and support to community groups.	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.	Site-focused approach will enable more intensive management of pest species to better protect priority ecosystems and threatened species.
The issue of weeds on council land (and the need to control them more effectively if the public are asked to control their own weeds)	Enforcement of selected widespread pest plants in response to complaints.	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.	Council to lead by example on own land. Site-focused approach will enable more intensive management of pest plants to better protect priority ecosystems and threatened species, and ensure coordination of effort across agencies and communities
A desire for more education around pests	Provision of information and advice on pest identification, impacts and control, and communications around pathway management for a suite of species.	Provision of information and advice on pest identification, impacts and control, and increased communications around pathway management for a suite of species.	To encourage community, landowner and householder action and behaviour change to control pests, create natural habitats and prevent environmental degradation.
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	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 defendable landscape features such as islands and	To amplify, recognise and support community activity around biodiversity focus areas and provide community empowerment, upskilling and networking opportunities

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	of defensible landscape features such as islands and peninsulas.	peninsulas. The plan will support the Pest Free Auckland initiative, which focuses on community empowerment.	through the Pest Free Auckland initiative.
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