

Date: Tuesday 8 April 2025
Time: 10.00 am
Venue: Ground Floor
Hawiti Building
6 - 8 Munroe Lane
Albany

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Workshop

OPEN AGENDA

MEMBERSHIP

Chairperson	Alexis Poppelbaum, JP
Deputy Chairperson	Gary Brown
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	Sam Mills, JP
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	Victoria Short
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9 April 2025

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This workshop will be held in-person and via Microsoft Teams. Email hibiscusandbayslocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz for a link to join the workshop online.

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1 Ngā Tamōtanga | Apologies

At the close of the agenda no apologies had been received.

2 Te Whakapuaki i te Whai Pānga | Declaration of Interest

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have.

Local board workshop

File No.: CP2025/06078

Note 1: This workshop has been called by the chairperson in consultation with the staff.

Note 2: No working party/workshop may reach any decision or adopt any resolution unless specifically delegated to do so.

Te take mō te pūrongo Purpose of the report

1. To present the Hibiscus and Bays Local Board workshop agenda for Tuesday 8 April 2025.

Whakarāpopototanga matua Executive summary

2. Most workshops are open to the public to attend as observers in person or online.
3. Some sessions may not be open to the public. The chairperson and deputy chairperson decide which sessions are open to the public, depending on the sensitivity of the information being discussed. If a session is not open, a reason will be provided below.
4. The public can observe the workshop via MS Teams.
Email hibiscusandbayslocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz for a link to join the workshop online.
5. Local board workshops provide an opportunity for local boards to carry out their governance role in the following areas:
 - a) Accountability to the public
 - b) Engagement
 - c) Input to regional decision-making
 - d) Keeping informed
 - e) Local initiative / preparing for specific decisions
 - f) Oversight and monitoring
 - g) Setting direction / priorities / budget.
6. Workshops do not have decision-making authority.
7. Workshops are used to canvass issues, prepare local board members for upcoming decisions and to enable discussion between elected members and staff.
8. Members are respectfully reminded of their Code of Conduct obligations with respect to conflicts of interest and confidentiality.

The following will be covered in the workshop:

Session 1 – 10.00 am	
Making Space for Water - Update	
Presenters:	Elizabeth Johnson – Principal Healthy Waters Strategic Programmes
Governance role:	Keeping informed
Proposed Outcome:	Receive an update on Making Space for Water in Hibiscus and Bays Local Board
Attachments:	Attachment A – Presentation: Making Space for Water in Hibiscus and Bays Local Board
Session 2 – 11.00 am	
R&I update: Pest Free HBC and Environmental Restoration Coordinators update	
Presenters:	Sinead Brimacombe – Conservation Advisor
Governance role:	Keeping informed
Proposed Outcome:	Receive an update on the Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Environmental Services Work Programme
Attachments:	Attachment B – Presentation: Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Environmental Services Work Programme - Update
12.00 pm – BREAK	
Session 3 – 12.30 pm	
PCF update: Metro Park East carpark / install shade sails	
Presenters:	Travis Committie – Programme Manager (FF Contracts) Stas Valasiuk – Senior Project Manager (Ops)
Governance role:	Keeping informed
Proposed Outcome:	Receive an update on PCF projects in the Hibiscus and Bays Local Board
Attachment:	Attachment C – Presentation: Hibiscus and Bays – install shade sails # 32031 Attachment D – Presentation: Metro Park East Carpark -Hibiscus & Bays -renew reserve roads and carparks 2024/2025
Session 4 – 1.15 pm	
Hire subsidy at Whangaparaoa Library	
Presenters:	Jame Adkins – Place & Partner Specialist
Governance role:	Keeping informed
Proposed Outcome:	Receive a proposal on future subsidies for the community organisations
Attachments:	Attachment E – Presentation: Hibiscus and Bays Local Board - Hire Subsidy Whangaparāoa Library

Note: At this point in proceedings, the workshop will close to the public.

Session 5 – 1.45 pm

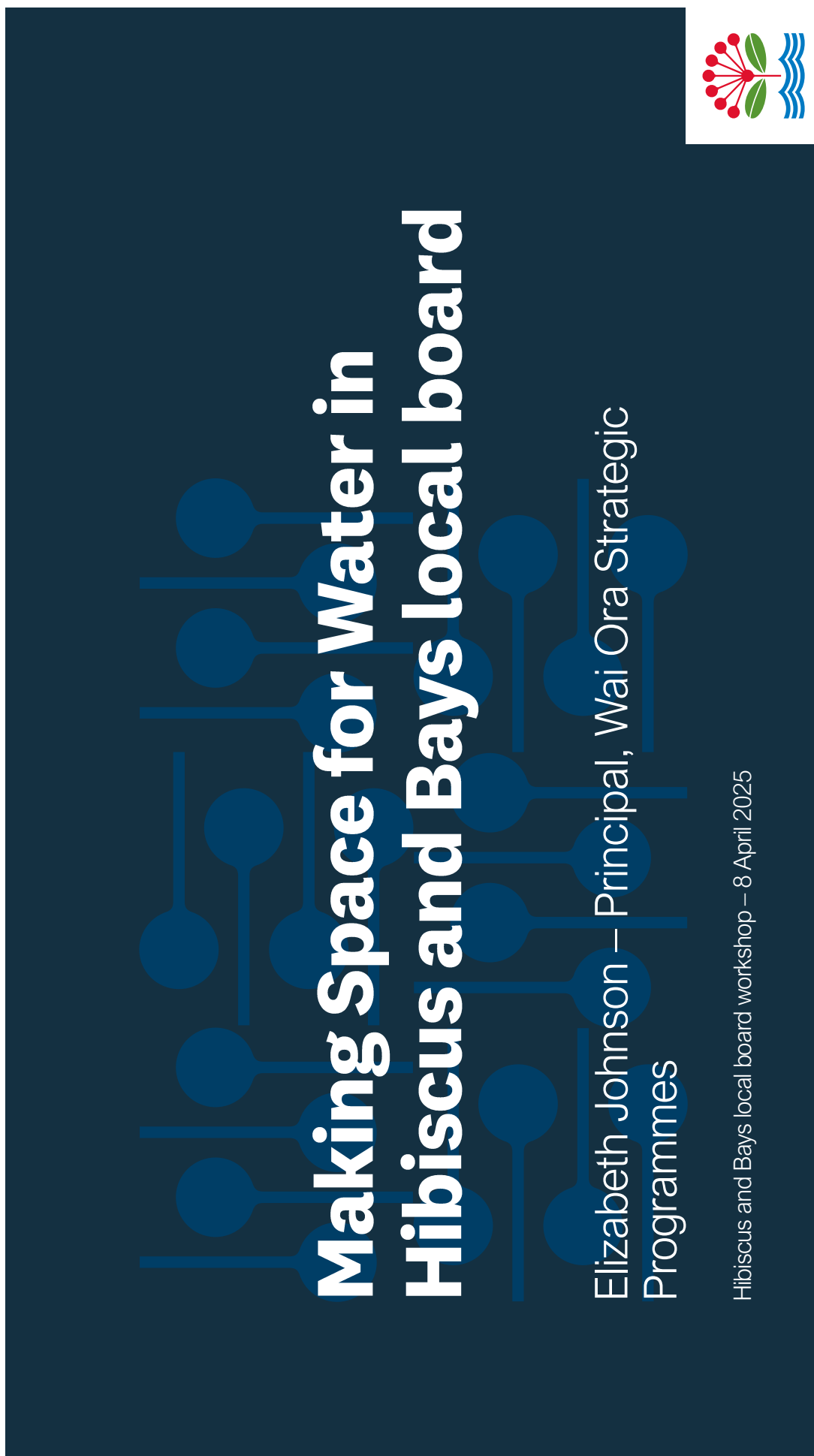
Bays Community Centre future funding (NON-PUBLIC)

This session is non-public to allow free and frank discussion

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Making Space for Water in Hibiscus and Bays local board




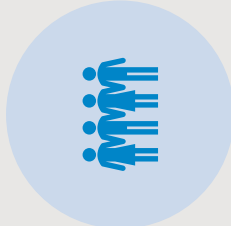
Elizabeth Johnson – Principal, Wai Ora Strategic
Programmes

Hibiscus and Bays local board workshop – 8 April 2025





Workshop content

			
PROPERTY CATEGORISATION	INCREASED MAINTENANCE	FLOOD INTELLIGENCE	COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

Categorisation Update

3633 homeowners have voluntarily opted into the categorisation process regionwide

144 of these are in Hibiscus and Bays Local Board,
42 are Category 3 (mostly Browns Bay)

Categorisation is now complete





Maintenance investigations

-  **CCTV surveys**
Surveying the stormwater pipe network to identify damage or blockage
-  **Manhole inspections**
Identify damage, raise or uncover for inspection and maintenance
-  **Stream walks and outfall inspections**
Identify damage or blockage
-  **Catchpit cleans April - July**
Mairangi Bay, Castor Bay, and Long Bay



D'Oyly Reserve, Stanmore Bay

Aerial drone stormwater check

22 April 2025

- Spot major blockages or obstructions in the public stream and stormwater network.
- Enable proactive maintenance.
- Fly only within the council reserve.
- Letter drop to surrounding residents.

Help reduce risk of flooding and keep streams flowing freely



Overland Flow Path Maintenance

Northcross and Browns Bay

Dec 2024 – Jan 2025

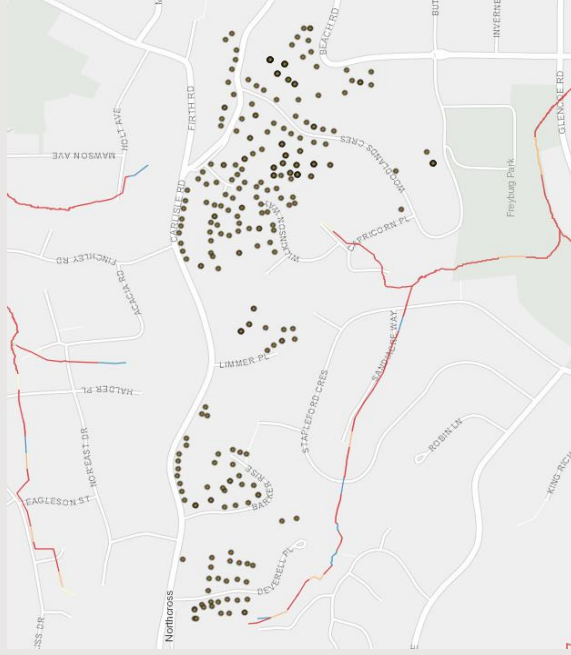
- Visited 100 properties.
- Positive engagement with residents.
- Common issues:
 - Improper maintenance of private stormwater systems, e.g. catchpits.
 - Blocked overland flow paths.

Staff are still working through follow ups with residents on resolving issues, including financial support

Stanmore Bay

April – June 2025

- Planning to visit 200 properties.



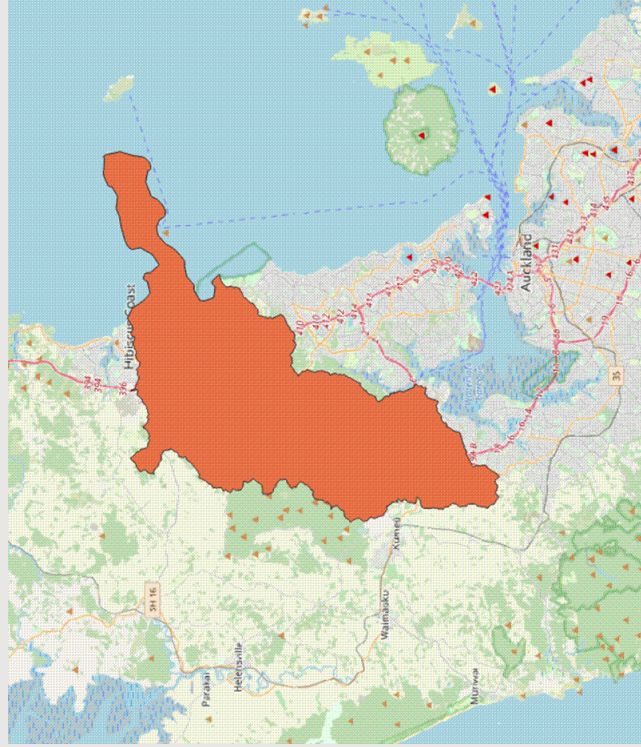
Improving natural overland flow paths
across the region to better
accommodate heavy rain





Flood predictor tool pilot

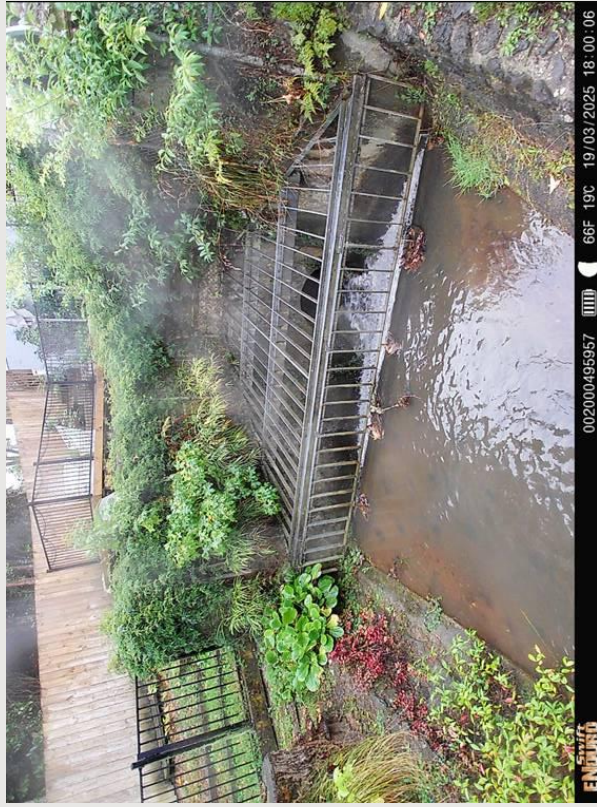
- Testing in two locations including Silverdale
- Testing and refining tool for regional coverage.
- AI used to provide a faster estimate of flooding hazards/outcomes.
- AI predictions are then validated against observed data and modelling results.



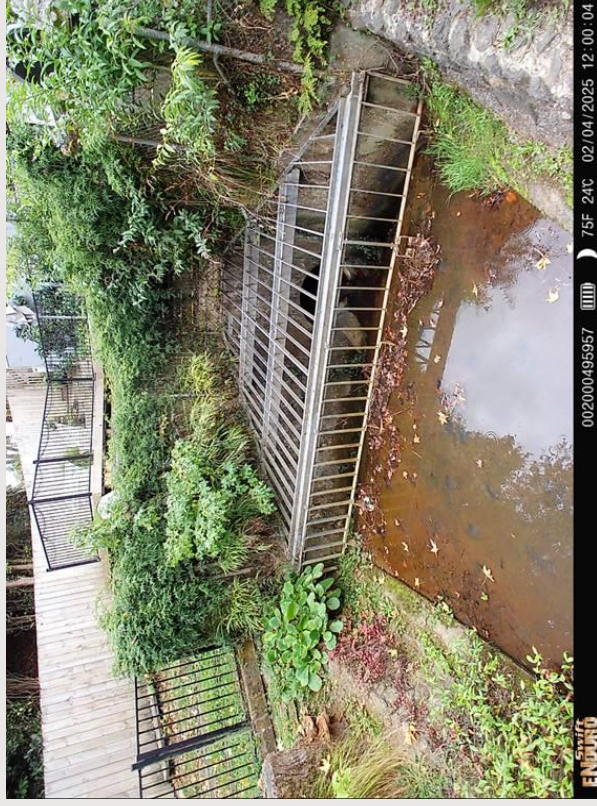


Flood intelligence cameras 2/5 Scarlock Ave, Browns Bay

March 19 2025

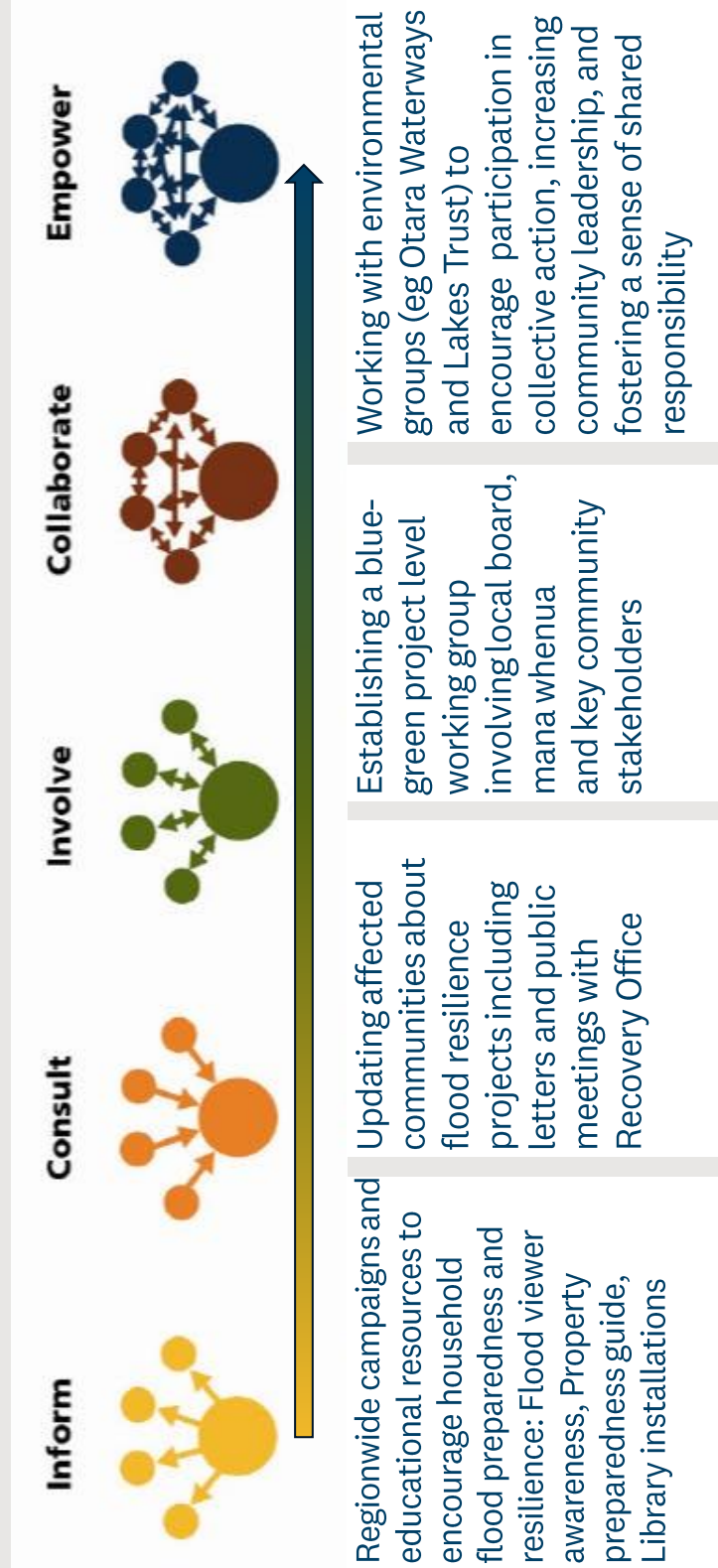


2 April 2025



One of seven cameras in the local board area

Engaging communities: our approach



Informing public decision making

- Current communications campaign targets people actively looking to buy or rent properties, aiming to make Flood Viewer a part of their decision making process
- Usual formats: social media, radio, website content, print, paid ads on real estate websites (OneRoof, TradeMe) and MetService



**LOOKING
FOR A NEW
HOUSE OR
RENTAL?**

**Check its
flood risk.**



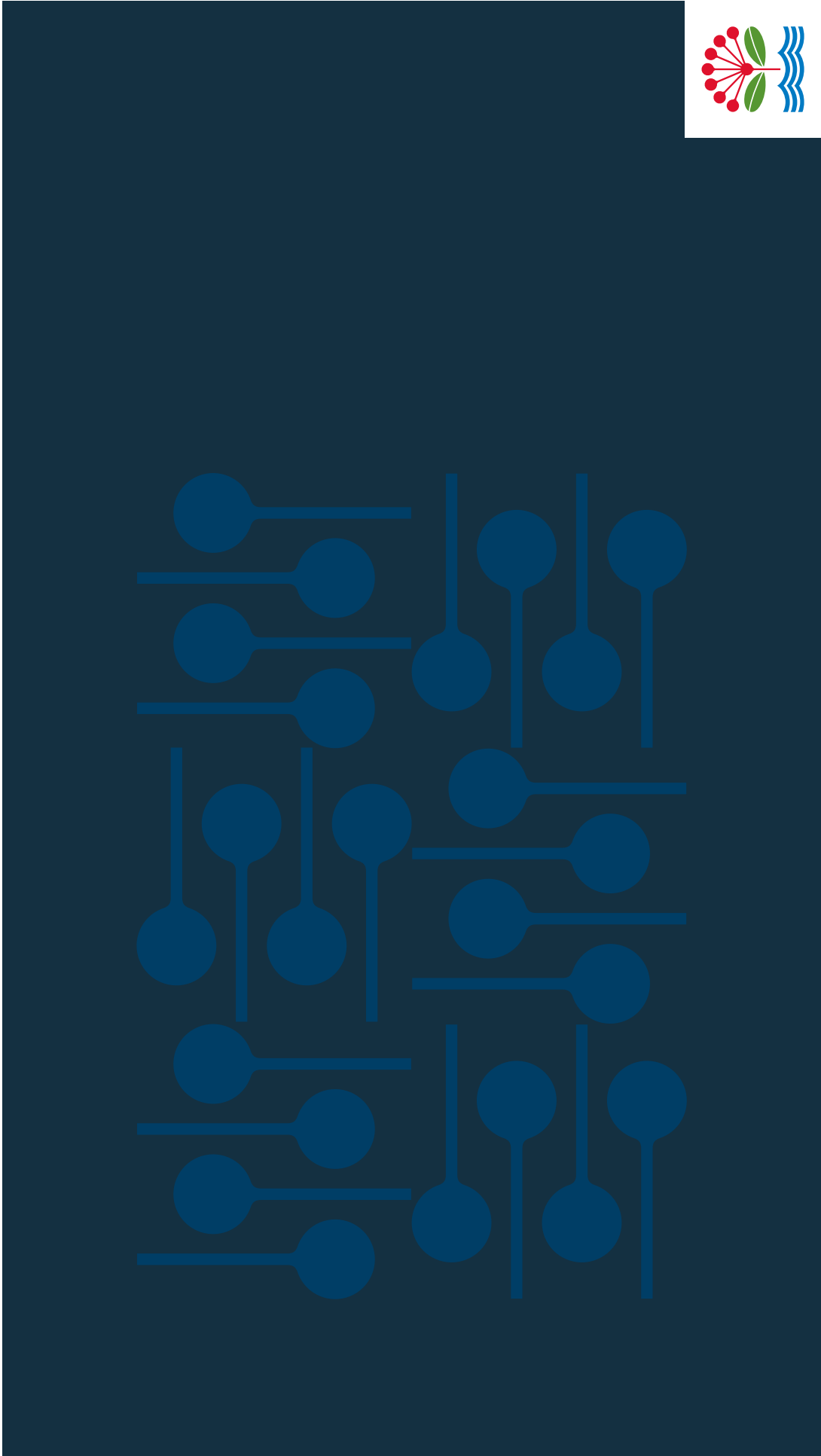
Next steps

- Work progressing regionally
- Update quarterly to Transport, Resilience and Infrastructure Committee
- Written summary of alignment between Local Board Plans and initiatives to be provided by end of April
- No further MSFW workshop planned prior to election



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Attachment A





Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Environmental Services Work Programme - Update

Pest Free Hibiscus Coast and
Environmental Restoration Network Coordinators

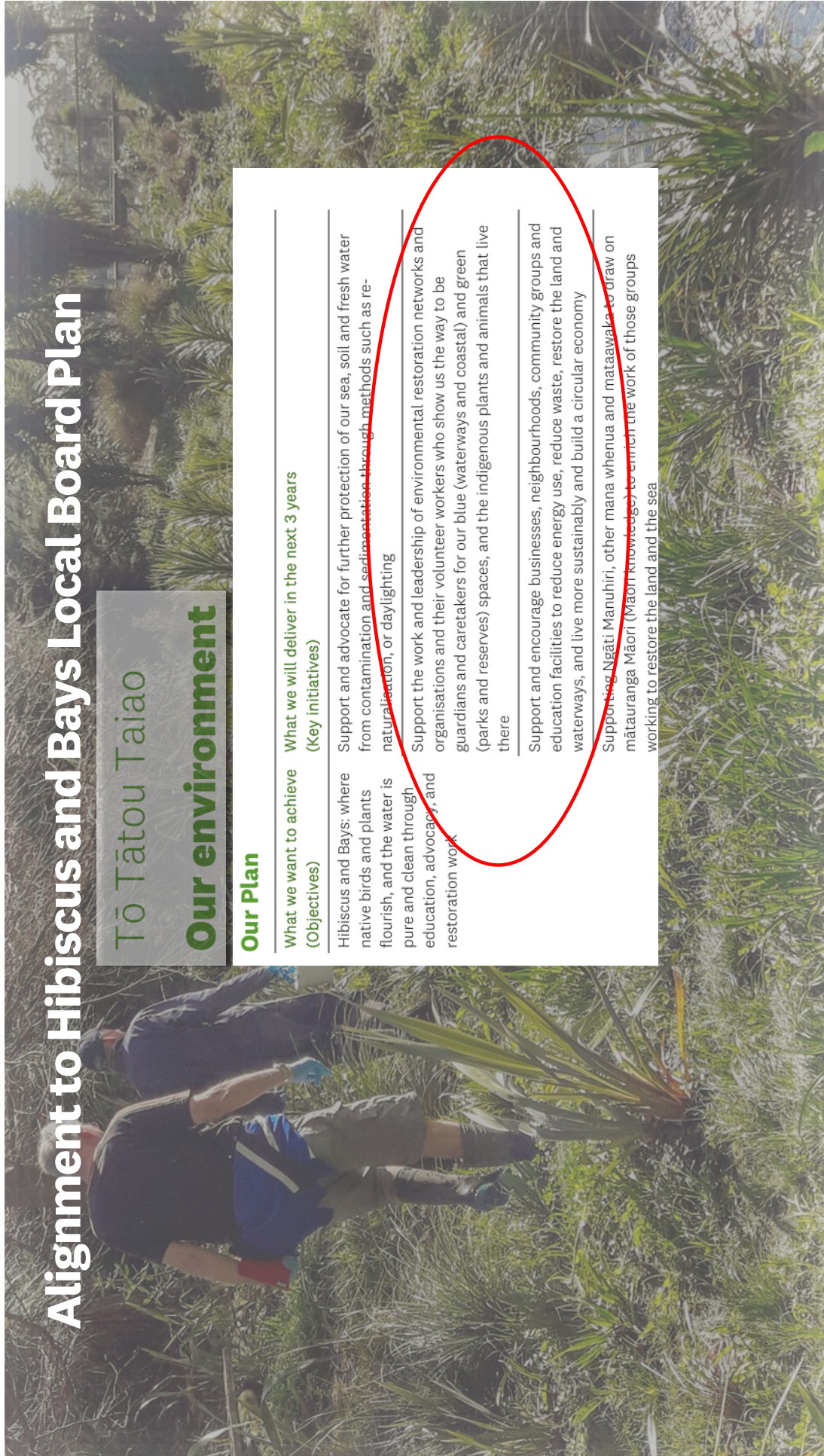
Sinead Brimacombe – Conservation Advisor, Environmental Services
Andrew Nelson – Team Manager, Natural Environment Delivery - North
Yasmin Hall – Relationship Advisor

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Content

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2. Project boundaries and core activities
3. Pest Free Hibiscus Coast
4. Pest Free Hibiscus Coast- update
5. Pest Free Hibiscus Coast- Environmental Outcomes
6. Environmental Restoration Network Coordinators - Hibiscus and Bays
7. Environmental restoration network coordinators - update
8. Environmental Restoration Network Coordinators –Environmental outcomes
9. Questions





Alignment to Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Plan

Tō Tātou Taiao Our environment

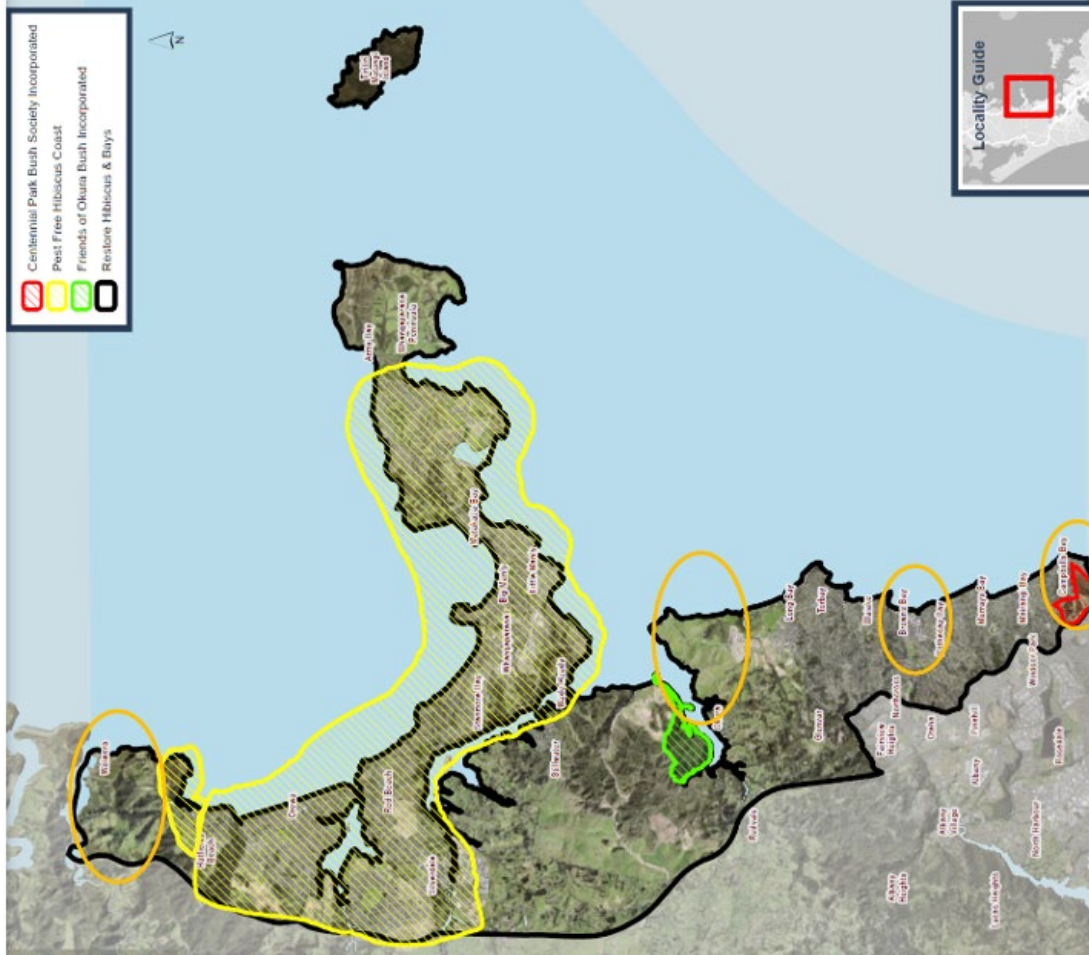
Our Plan

What we want to achieve (Objectives)	What we will deliver in the next 3 years (Key initiatives)
Hibiscus and Bays: where native birds and plants flourish, and the water is pure and clean through education, advocacy, and restoration work.	Support and advocate for further protection of our sea, soil and fresh water from contamination and sedimentation through methods such as re-naturalisation, or daylighting
	Support the work and leadership of environmental restoration networks and organisations and their volunteer workers who show us the way to be guardians and caretakers for our blue (waterways and coastal) and green (parks and reserves) spaces, and the indigenous plants and animals that live there
	Support and encourage businesses, neighbourhoods, community groups and education facilities to reduce energy use, reduce waste, restore the land and waterways, and live more sustainably and build a circular economy
	Supporting Ngāti Manuhiri, other mana whenua and mataawaka to draw on mātauranga Māori (Māori knowledge) to enrich the work of those groups working to restore the land and the sea

Alignment to Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Plan

Ō Tātou Wāhi me Tō Tātou Ōhanga Our Places and Our Economy

What we want to achieve (Objectives)	What we will deliver in the next 3 years (Key Initiatives)
Town centres feel like a friendly village but operate like a bustling metropolis	Listen to the voices of community by utilising placemaking and other engagement opportunities to enhance the character of our town centres, to transform our public spaces
	Continue to support activities that promote vibrancy, diversity and showcases creativity in our area, such as events, festivals, and other shared experiences in our public spaces for all



Project boundaries and core activities

Pest Free Hibiscus Coast Project focus:

pest animal control, pest animal monitoring, and native species monitoring (birds, skinks and gecko's).

Environmental Restoration Network Coordinators (Restore Hibiscus and Bays) focus:

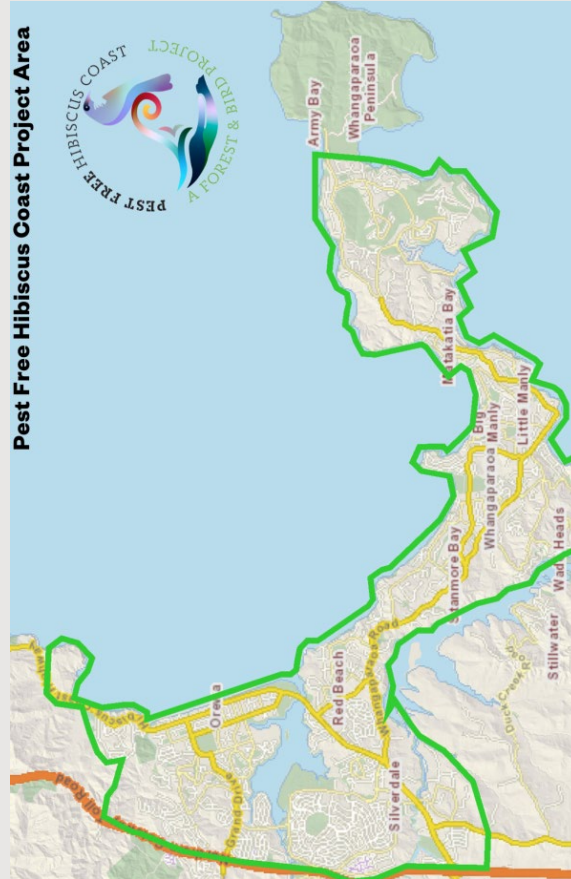
pest animal control, pest animal control monitoring, ecological monitoring (bird monitoring and stream monitoring), pest plant control and ecological restoration planting.

Four priority catchments:

- Waivera
- Long Bay- Awaruku
- Taiatea-Rothesay Bay
- Campbells Bay



Hibiscus and Bays Local Board – Pest Free Hibiscus Coast



- Vision:** creating “a safe, healthy habitat for native plants and animals, transitioning from sanctuaries **Tiritiri Matangi and Shakespear Regional Park, along the peninsula** and surrounding area, enjoyed and **cared for** by the **community**.”
- Project area includes **Whangaparāoa Peninsula** and **surrounding Hibiscus Coast**.
- Focus on community-led **pest animal suppression** and ultimate eradication of introduced mammalian predators (*Ship rat, Norway rat, stoat, weasel, possum, hedgehog and where present ferret*) to **protect 51 local native birds species (20 at risk)** and **nine species of reptile**.

- Aim to work with **whole of community** including range of individuals and groups to engage in environmental protection and ultimately **reduce barriers** to help **ecosystems function successfully**.



Pest Free Hibiscus Coast: delivery update



- **145** pest animal control **volunteers** are being **supported** to deliver best practice **pest animal control** across **292ha**.
- **1602 trap and bait stations** are **managed** by **volunteers** across **119 local parks**
- **Over 11,196 trap and bait stations checks** completed by Pest Free Hibiscus Coast and volunteers to date
- **27** activate volunteer continue to carry out **pest animal monitoring** to best practice standards across **31 sites**.



Predator control devices looked after by Pest Free Hibiscus Coast. Traps are in red, bait stations in green.

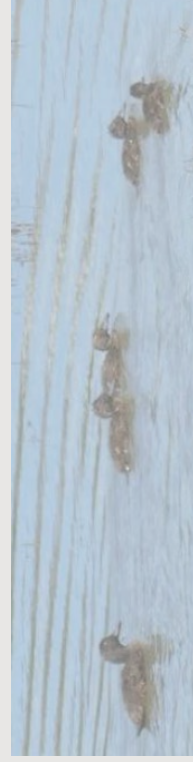
Leveraged outcomes:

- Over 646 hectares under continuous pest animal control
- 2044 backyard traps managed by community volunteers, in 2024
- Success with 0% possum detections through the project area, rats detection down to 6%, hedgehogs down to 2%
- Wider community events reached 800 people in 2024
- Conservation themed talks given to 1100 students in 2024



Pest Free Hibiscus Coast: ecological outcomes

- **Pateke (brown teal)** successfully raised young at Gulf Harbour Country Club, first time success
- **Kakariki** recorded in **Manly** and **Gulf Harbour**
- **Korimako (bellbird)** continually seen **beyond Shakespear**
- **Moko skink found 2024-2025** - one of **the only known verified sightings on Auckland's mainland** (nationally and regional classified as At Risk species)
- **6474** birds counted by volunteers in the **November 2024 bird counts, 45 species recorded**
- **42 skink** and **gecko surveys completed, 151 reptile monitoring devices** in place.



Hibiscus and Bays Local Board – Restore Hibiscus and Bays

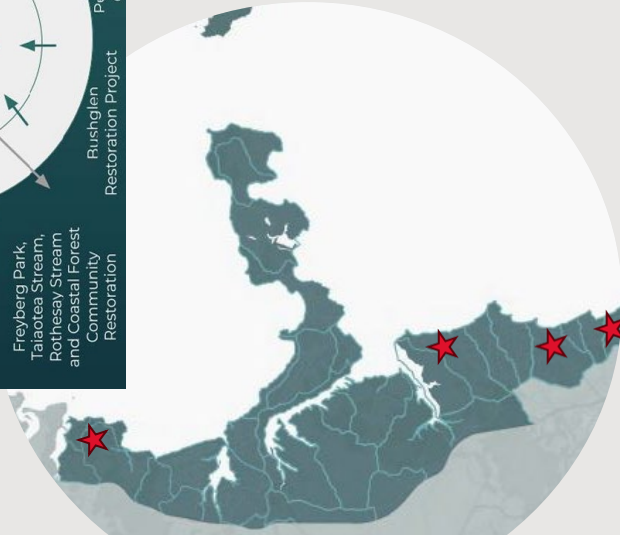


• **Vision:**

“**Nature is healthy** and our **native species are flourishing**. Our **communities value nature** and are **empowered** to work together to **protect** and **enhance** it. **Our mahi is innovative** and **connected** to the vision for thriving nature across the Auckland region.”

• **Community initiative** that **supports** and **grows** the network of over **30 community groups, as well as schools, businesses and organisations** to enable **coordinated landscape-scale suppression of pests, restoration of native habitats and improved water quality**.

- **Strategic focus on four priority catchments:** to focus protection on ecologically important sites :Taiāotea Stream, Campbells Bay, Awaruku-Long bay and Waiwera (34 catchments total), and create **halo’s** around these sites to protect from pest invaders
- Approach with community is supporting and **uplifting community powered conservation project delivery**, providing **training** and supporting volunteers.
- The initiative aims to **‘raise friend’s** of sites, building social structure to support and carry out ecological restoration.



Restore Hibiscus and Bays: delivery update



- About **3800** volunteer hours delivered to date.
- **Volunteer financial contribution, \$105,640** to date.
- **2194** target pest animals have been trapped (*targeting Ship rat, Norway rat, stoat, weasel, possum and hedgehogs*).
- Over **45 pest plant control weeding bees and native plant care sessions** were completed.
- **25** sites have received pest plant control or native plant protection.
- Over **107** pest plant and plant protection sessions delivered.

Leveraged Outcomes:

- 9 sites are receiving eco-contractor control to bring to standard that volunteers can then manage.
- Conservation delivery and education with 17 schools, additional 12 sites managed by schools.



