

## AOTEA CONSERVATION WORKSHOP: TOP FIVE PRIORITIES FOR COLLABORATION IN 2021

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Marine</b></p> <p><i>Contact: Izzy Fordham</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mana whenua conversations and leadership; hapū</li> <li>• Greater understanding of legislation and options around protection eg from trawlers and gill netting</li> <li>• Data collection of boat numbers – important and necessary</li> <li>• What information we have now/at hand— our baseline data</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community, mana whenua engagement (How? What? Outcome? Tools?)</li> <li>• Collaboration and education</li> <li>• Island-based marine officer: compliance, monitoring</li> <li>• Fisheries signage</li> <li>• Education through our schools— capturing the kids</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding</li> <li>• Understanding mana whenua understanding, ie spirituality</li> <li>• Reaching out to the “unconverted”</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding agencies eg Auckland Council, DOC, MPI</li> <li>• Experts</li> <li>• Community with local knowledge and belief</li> <li>• Mana whenua knowledge and leadership</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collaboration, communication, consultation, education</li> <li>• Establish a need or desire</li> <li>• Investigate funding and legislative options eg fisheries act, other</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Fresh water</b></p> <p><i>Contact: Taryn Wilkes</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Partnership between science and matauranga</li> <li>• New knowledge</li> <li>• Protecting what we have and building on what we know</li> <li>• Working with private landowners</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Robust investigation to understand what we have—</li> <li>• State of Environment report/SoE, macroinvertebrates, fish</li> <li>• Subsidy to replace/retrofit septic tanks and/or disposal fields</li> <li>• Riparian planting</li> <li>• Wetland protection/enhancement</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recognition of value – to get funding</li> <li>• Expanse of freshwater habitat</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Auckland Council</li> <li>• DOC</li> <li>• Mana whenua</li> <li>• Community</li> <li>• Universities</li> <li>• Corporates and NGOs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify priority areas</li> <li>• Lobby Auckland Council for appropriate waste disposal according to habitat</li> <li>• Lobby DOC to lead by example (fencing) and value freshwater</li> <li>• Support landowners to fence waterways</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Enable mana whenua</b></p> <p><i>Contact: Hannah Hatton</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enable mana whenua to enable community</li> <li>• Iwi lead, community driven</li> <li>• Old knowledge connecting to new</li> <li>• Well-rounded and balanced island</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Internal training (share this outside agencies – DOC/Council)</li> <li>• Funds for:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paid specialists</li> <li>• mana whenua knowledge sharing</li> <li>• funded positions</li> <li>• Taumata to operate</li> <li>• Projects</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Leverage existing infrastructure eg H&amp;S</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fear and ignorance</li> <li>• Who to talk to (need to identify a pou)</li> <li>• Capacity</li> <li>• Communication</li> <li>• Time and money</li> <li>• Dynamic iwi mandate (context)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mana whenua - iwi and hapū</li> <li>• DOC and Auckland Council</li> <li>• Funders</li> <li>• All other projects and participants in conservation on Aotea</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Good listening</li> <li>• Value exchange</li> <li>• Time created through planning</li> <li>• Mindsets OPEN</li> <li>• Maori world view</li> <li>• Learning within and between (self, organisations, agencies)</li> </ul>

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<p><b>Feral cats</b></p> <p><i>Contact: Shanti Morgan</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordinating efforts</li> <li>• Telling a coordinated story</li> <li>• <u>Social awareness</u> stage and <u>social license</u></li> <li>• Cat free areas – Glenfern, Windy Hill, Okiwi; identify other potential areas eg Awana</li> <li>• RPMP – partial plan change or local bylaw eg see Australia</li> <li>• Pathway management</li> <li>• Cats on holiday must have microchips checked</li> <li>• Expand cat management</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consultation and engagement</li> <li>• Communication – not owned cats</li> <li>• Hui – locally driven – hui, pubs, social clubs, marae</li> <li>• Collateral – more information – with Aotea context</li> <li>• Airlines involved</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feral cat control on private land</li> <li>• Legislation, animal welfare etc</li> <li>• Skilled people</li> <li>• Tools available to use</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DOC</li> <li>• Council</li> <li>• Mana whenua</li> <li>• Trusts</li> <li>• Private landowners</li> <li>• ACPAC</li> <li>• Community</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working Group with action plan</li> <li>• Start exploring by-laws</li> <li>• Hui across the island</li> <li>• Begin conversation with transport operators</li> </ul>
<p><b>Tieke</b></p> <p><i>Contact: Judy Gilbert</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Return a species lost to Aotea (to areas with very low rat densities – WH and GF)</li> <li>• Research opportunity (how they disperse)</li> <li>• <u>Community advocacy</u> for pest suppression</li> <li>• <u>Positive!</u></li> <li>• Connect to return of tieke to Rakitu? (raised in further discussion)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pest suppression to very low densities, forest suitability</li> <li>• Consultation, engagement with iwi</li> <li>• Pre-application process – testing the waters</li> <li>• Determine source of birds (NB iwi to iwi, raised in discussion)</li> <li>• Application to DOC</li> <li>• Partner – WH and GF with iwi, DOC, Landcare Research, Massey University/Parker Conservation</li> <li>• Raise funding</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Translocation application process and timing</li> <li>• Dispersal of birds after release</li> <li>• Survival of birds</li> <li>• Monitoring</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Windy Hill and Glenfern Sanctuaries (habitat, project)</li> <li>• Iwi and DOC (process and support)</li> <li>• Funders</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engage iwi (from discussion)</li> <li>• Preapplication process (with DOC)</li> <li>• Continue pest suppression in sanctuaries</li> </ul>