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The Rodney Greenways Plan will be implemented over time to achieve (in part) the outcomes envisaged in the Local Board Plan. Implementation of this plan will include the upgrade of existing walking and cycling connections (both on and off-road), as well as the creation of new connections within open space land, through designation areas, and/or via partnerships with non-council parties.

Successful implementation of the plan requires co-ordination and commitment from the Rodney Local Board, Auckland Council, Auckland Transport, as well as relevant public agencies such as the NZTA, KiwiRail, Watercare Services Ltd, Transpower and Vector. Assistance from community groups, local businesses or schools would also greatly improve delivery of the network.

The following section gives an overview over the future development and implementation of the Rodney Greenways Plan in the short-medium term, including best practice for implementation, stakeholder involvement and funding availability, related case studies and the prioritisation strategy.

## 4.2 Best Practice for Implementation

As individual projects for delivery get underway based on this plan, their design shall take into consideration all known 'best practice' guidelines, which include:

- Local Paths Design Guide (Auckland Council)
- Auckland Transport Code of Practice
- Stormwater Code of Practice (Healthy Waters)
- Parkland Design Guidelines (Community and Cultural Policy, Draft)
- Te Aranga Principles (Auckland Design Manual)

Related 'best practice' documents such as NZTA's 'Bridging the Gap – Urban Design Guidelines', DoC's 'Caring for Archaeological Sites' report, and the Ministry of Justice's 'National Guidelines for Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) in New Zealand' shall also be taken into account as designs develop, in addition to all relevant Unitary Plan controls and area-specific policies.

## 4.3 Stakeholder Funding and Information

Ongoing community engagement, stakeholder collaboration and partnerships are key to the successful implementation of the Rodney Greenways.

Likely stakeholders, other than those previously mentioned include:

- Neighbouring Local Boards
- Mana whenua
- Auckland Tourism, Events and Economic Development (ATEED)
- Cycle Action Auckland
- YES Disability
- Operators of community facilities, including schools
- Ministry of Education
- Department of Conservation
- Housing New Zealand
- Ministry of Defence
- Local residents, community groups and business associations
- Forest and Bird

Grass-roots community involvement in particular is very important to ensure the ongoing success of the Greenways plan. Local knowledge-sharing and volunteering are needed to provide community ownership, care and responsibility. Community involvement could take the form of planting/weed clearance days, 'adopt a stream/street' groups, fundraising, lobbying and artistic input.

Funding has been allocated for roading improvements in the Board area in Auckland Council's Long Term Plan (LTP) for the next 10 years, and some of this will be used to implement the Greenways. Other funding avenues include Auckland Transport and the NZTA's regional cycleways fund. In addition the Local Board has planned open space projects to assist with implementation of the priority sections of this Plan.

The maps contained in Appendix - Section C, break down the prioritised projects in more detail, to setup for future planning and programming.

## 4.4 Working with Mana Whenua

The Rodney Local Board will continue to work with Mana Whenua to implement the Kumeu, Huapai, Waimauku and Riverhead Greenways Plan, with the guidance of the Te Aranga Principles, these are:

1. **Rangiratanga:** The right to exercise authority and self determination within ones own iwi / hapū realm
2. **Kaitiakitanga:** managing and conserving the environment as part of a reciprocal relationship, based on the Māori world view that we as humans are part of the natural world
3. **Manaakitanga:** the ethic of holistic hospitality whereby mana whenua have inherited obligations to be the best hosts they can be
4. **Wairuatanga:** the immutable spiritual connection between people and their environments
5. **Kotahitanga:** unity, cohesion and collaboration
6. **Whanaungatanga:** a relationship through shared experiences and working together which provides people with a sense of belonging
7. **Mātauranga:** Māori / mana whenua knowledge and understanding

In support of the above principles, there is opportunity to share narratives wherever the Greenways routes follow historic trails The Ngongitepata Portage, by Kaipara Portage Road for example could be a location to share narrative and explore creative expression.

Improving freshwater quality and restoring the health of the natural environment is a baseline objective of the Rodney Greenways and this aligns closely with the 'world view' of the Te Aranga Principles.



*View over Huapai Domain, the Kumeu Arts Centre bottom left.*