

## Table 1 Focus on families and pressures on them

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The table though this issue was not only about building the capacity of agencies to deliver services but about working with families in a practical way that builds families capacity to engage in and contribute to their community.

Specific issues include:

- Pressures on families
  - to have two income families
  - less time spent with children
  - social impact of active parenting
- Cost of living versus wages paid have not come up to par
- Collaboration between agencies
  - open transparent communication
  - regional implementation of programmes that support families in holistic ways
  - better coordination across the sector

### What is already being done about this issue?

- Security strategy
- Tiaki tangata
- Maternity services
- Family violence intervention programme
- Vulnerable families enhanced case management programme
- Warm homes funding
- Family start service - Hamilton, Hauraki, Waikato
- Walkways and recreation reserves
- Police holiday programme - at risk youth
- Rating relief available
- Infrastructure, waste water, water, roading, footpaths, libraries, pools, rubbish and recycling, health inspections
- Youth justice programme target youth, 16 and upwards
- Vibrant living programme - 9 week programme
- Youth transition services Hamilton/Waikato
- Hearing and vision services
- Generic health services
- Youth strategy
- CAMHS - Child & Adolescence Mental Health
- Well child services
- Family Safety teams in Hamilton

### What are the opportunities for more collaborative action? What/who/how?

- Family orientated workplaces
- Economic - make enough money to live

- Enable families to be together (corporate world)
- Family unit - parenting, infrastructure, capacity building
- Education
- Managing money
- Family violence
- What - one stop shop (virtual/coordinated)
  - parenting
  - budget
  - lifestyle skills
  - cooking on a budget
- Who - community based
  - social services providers (including health)
  - local government
  - central government - MSD, education, police, DIA, TPK, HNZ
  - older generation
- How - specific people from each organisation given responsibility for communication
  - communication linear and open
  - common ground
- User friendly - include the community
- Capacity building - about anything
  - Families
  - 1°
  - 2°
  - 3°
  - informal

### **What are some next steps to move this forward from today?**

- Identify key organisations/people that have some common ground and that want to work together, eg. MSD, DHB, local government, social services, Police, TPK, HNZ, Education, community.
- Identify what the community and families need and that it meets the needs that are required.
- Identify skills within organisations that support the families' identified needs.
- Open free communication between organisations eg. Health.
- Vibrant living programme
  - engage communities
  - engage health, Sport Waikato, local government - open communication.
  - funding opportunities – identify the develop capacity of families.

## Table 2 Pacific migrants retaining culture

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### What is already being done about this issue?

- Local cultural programmes – dance etc
- Pacific by nature
- Pacific nest
  - Punanga
  - Aonga
- Resources - books from Ministry of Education
- MOH - Heha strategy
- Ethnic soccer festival - participation
- WPIT - Waikato pacific trust health providers

### What are the opportunities for more collaborative action? What/who/how?

- Public information about cultures/identity (this is a focal point)
- Festivals to create understanding of different PI cultures
- Pacific festivals off seasons
- Focus on village model
- Buy-in (messages)
  - environmental
  - heha
  - recycling
- Capacity building
- Intersec / working together
  - HCC - councils
  - MOE
  - MOH
  - MSD
  - NGOs
- Combination of efforts targeting the same PI communities
- Networking of skills and retaining resources
- Mentoring from successful businesses and organisations – PI
- Build on sister city opportunities
- Sponsoring of local tutors
- People have to do it - responsibility!

**Table 2 Regional energy strategy and transport**

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**What is already being done about this issue?**

- LTNZ funding
- Road upgrades
  - Seal extensions
  - New Kopu bridge
  - Taupo bypass
- RLTS
- Passenger transport strategy
- Bus service - urban
- Regional transport modelling
- Land use planning - impact on transport
- Cycling and walking strategies, including walking school buses
- Transport behaviours person appointed at EW
- Wind farms, sustainable energy options, hydro, geothermal
- Power upgrades - power company on the Coromandel
- NZ Clean energy centre
- Economic development strategies
- Community trusts eg. WEL
- Transpower transmission lines
- HEET insulation and cap building projects
- EECH HERS subsidies
- Central government light bulb mass marketing etc.
- Waikato Energy Forum

**What are the opportunities for more collaborative action? What/who/how?**

- Transport solutions for small towns/rural areas - Taupo, Whitianga - health, jobs, the city
- Transport schemes - targeted schemes eg. Elderly
- Changing individual behaviours/taking responsibility - starting with our work places
  - energy fleet
  - park one block from work
- Car pooling
- Council staff be required to park a few blocks from work
- Gaps
  - Transporting people to jobs eg Thames to Whitianga eg. Seafood processing
  - Transporting people to hospitals/health services
- Challenges - aligning transport, effort and funding with population growth
- Improving linkages around region eg. So people can shop in big cities
- Taking advantage of SH1 - Taupo
- Bike lanes
- More walking school buses
- Hybrid cars/buses
  - Subsidise these away from other types of cars

- People movers, solar powered
- Planning up front for better infrastructure
- Integrated land use planning with Transit, EW, DCs etc
- Funding for energy efficiencies
  - links with industry
- Clean energy centre - just established in Taupo
- PC for XXXX 'Future Currents' report energy trends
- Auckland families cut off
- Increased requirement and power for the H.E.R.S.
- Increased collaboration with the national energy efficiency trust network.
- "People have to do it" – EECA individual responsibility

**What are some next steps to move this forward from today?**

- Check out energy industry
- Source SB practice guides and distribute to CFW
- Gaps – ask transport planners about and tell Catherine/Andrew
- Car pooling – how successful?
- Clean energy centre, just established in Taupo – Govt agencies leading by example
- Auckland families cut off – talk to Cr Mahood about the WEL rebate idea and check out energy companies wiliness to contribute \$s to city energy schemes
- Integrated land use planning with Transit, EW, DCs etc - guidelines for designing subdivision - upfront and early

**Table 3 Ability to participate (i)**

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**What is already being done about this issue?**

- LTCCP Choosing Futures Waikato process
- Information eg DIA fact sheets, RMA 'Get involved', CD roms
- FRST - choosing regional futures research project
- Council committees/boards made up of non-council members
- Bill - lowering the voting age to 16
- Joint DIA, LGNZ, TPK work
  - Info re participating in local government and good practice case studies.
- Kids voting
- Youth councils
- Youth parliament
- MOYD research and guidelines to LG re youth participation
- Representative not participatory democracy?
- Interagency project in Waikato – three pilots in Waikato
- Communication strategies
- Te Mana Whenua forum MPDC
- Local Government Act 2002
- LGA 2002 allowed for Maori to participate in local government process. Increase in iwi liaison to enhance Maori participation in local government
- Te Runanga work on Maori electoral option and assisting Maori candidates in elections

**What are the opportunities for more collaborative action? What/who/how?**

- DIA currently has a strategic priority of participation
  - opportunity for agencies/councils and community to be involved.
- Opportunity for the bill to be put before government
  - lowering the voting age
  - robust discussion in the Waikato about the wider issues.
- Sharing experiences
- Tri-annual agreements
  - encouraging participation as one of the priorities
- Upcoming elections
  - opportunity to vote
  - opportunity to stand
  - support for candidates eg Woman's Electoral
  - representative review - collective thinking about electoral systems and opportunities to encourage more diversity (youth, Maori, etc)
  - opportunity for Maori wards
- Iwi

- utilise regional council resources to achieve the best outcome for Maori interests eg parallel process for iwi participation in developing COs.
- LTCCP
  - opportunities for councils to work together
  - in particular most of councils will have COs about 'working together' and 'making people aware of the process' eg. planning, communication strategy, early participation in the process.
- Shift in focus from rights to responsibility
  - 'identifying that communities are part of the problem but more importantly part of the solution' eg farmers 'Environmental Initiatives Fund'

### **What are some next steps to move this forward from today?**

- CWF have a strategy where agencies can buy into.
- Improving the ability to participate
  - review of tri-annual agreements - participation a priority - put on SPN agenda. (Ally)
  - post election - new councillors opportunity to talk to councillors about the importance of participation and its role in the LTCCP
  - pre 2007 election - joint opportunity to support and encourage community education about standing.
  - active encouragement for registration and voting
    - focus on communities that have a low participation rate.
  - reporting back pre LTCCP to the SPN by HCC about pre planning/listening forum in conjunction with Te Runanga o Kirikiriroa (Paul Gower).

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**What is already being done about this issue?**

- Community plans
- Ability to vote
- Voting - present issues debate and decide on who best represents your views
- Ability to stand for council
- Community feedback networks
- NRB survey/Marco perception survey
- Public forums at meetings and council meetings
- Network forums ie youth camps
- Advisory groups and boards
- Focus groups
- Youth competitions for various projects
- Youth voting programme
- Youth councils
- Online forums
- Text consultation/input
- Information gathering
- Iwi management plan
- Partnership agreements eg MOUs
- Community engagement strategy
- Working with committees to ensure voices are heard that may not be heard in the democratic process
- Information days for prospective council members
- Open days – community come into council to see what each department is doing
- Community workshops to tell members of community and community leaders how to participate
- Special consultative procedure
- Legislative requirements to consult
- Submission process
- Inclusive processes to allow community/individual input
- Nationally driven enrol to vote campaigns
  - specific campaign 06 Maori vote

**What are the opportunities for more collaborative action? What/who/how?**

- DC & RC consultation via internet eg. Linkages across opportunities to include other agencies.

- Work with schools to raise youth awareness of issues and processes for their input to be heard and considered – SPN (councils)/ MoY/ MoEd/ LGNZ
- Raising community awareness and remove unknown limitations of engagement/involvement in processes with councils/central govt – councils/ LGNZ/ DIA
  - work together to identify new ideas/methods
  - collective approach
    - around submission processes
    - relevance of LG & CG to community/ individuals
    - collective approach – cluster of agencies attend community processes
    - easy to understand no jargon eg. flowcharts
- More **coordinated collaborated** engagement – possibly role of CFW
  - **communicate** across agencies of issues planned for community engagement
  - invite other similar/related issues to be communicated at the same time
  - coordinate/communicate business plans for future works planned with other agencies.

### What are some next steps to move this forward from today?

E = external, I = Internal

#### Youth awareness

- E Work through student councils
- I Increase councils' and central govt agencies' awareness/consideration of youth perspectives
  - relevant groups present to councils to put across their perspectives.
- I DC buy in to 'youth vote' programme (with intention to increase scope)
- I Use good examples.
- E Commitment to youth vote
- E Prospective councillors to present to youth
- E Run programme to inform youth of processes
- E&I Show how their issues have been considered
  - transparency, but also valuing their input
- E Work with schools on how info can be shared with students/modern relevant methods

#### Recognise national issue

- 3Cs
- Central repository of coordinating community engagement eg CFW website.
- Process to be designed and communicated.
- Communicate to other agencies of business plans.
- Commitment to process from relevant agencies.
- Responsibilities on individual agencies to communicate.

**Table 5 Labour skill shortage and school leaver qualifications**

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**What is already being done about this issue?**

- Family friendly workplaces
- Flexible work policies
- Regional facilitation through Wintec
- Horticulture sector – seasonal solution and RSE
- South Waikato skills action plan
- WECA – unions and Employers and Manufacturers Association
- Department of Labour
  - Immigration policy revised
  - Assistance with targeted recruitment
  - Workplace productivity agenda
  - tools / ideas / information
  - AIDR
  - JUMP
  - Policy development
  - Data analysis
  - Labour market reports
  - Job ads monitoring
- Industry specific workforce development initiatives
  - Health
  - Education
- Modern apprenticeships and apprenticeship coordinators
- Youth transition service
- Workplace foundations skills project
- Student summer employment
- WINZ – employer subsidies for workplace training
- Mayors’ taskforce for jobs
- Short-term and long-term shortage list skills
- Thames–Coromandel Hauraki Labour Market Forum
- MSD – Industry partnerships
- Career Paths Waikato Expo – promoting opportunities for...
- Katolyst Skillwise
- DHB workforce study
- CPaBL – Creating Pathways and Building Lives (whole school approach to career and transition education)
- TOPS and youth training
- Gateway, STAR and YTS in schools
- Migrant focused work placement training
- Migrant employment group
- Access to housing

- Promoting industry and encouraging people to stay in their rural communities
- ITOs
- Settlement Information via SSNZ (Settlement Support NZ) (assist to encourage skilled staff retention for new migrants)

### **What are the opportunities for more collaborative action? What/who/how?**

- Industry participation in this issue with CFW (Industry Training Federation)
  - Industry based training in communities throughout the region
  - Secondary school collaboration with CFW – improved dialogue between schools, community and industry re need and opportunities
  - Industries working together around skills shortages
  - Create a vehicle for communications between all players to plan and deliver better

### **What are some next steps to move this forward from today?**

- CFW (et al) invites industry, key players and agencies, and secondary schools from around the Waikato (who are doing skills shortages stuff) to come together to collaborate, map and share emerging best practice, to identify tools and resources etc, and ongoing processes.
- Work together to promote Waikato-wide work opportunities on the basis of work, lifestyle, education, recreation and leisure, community and family values, ie work-in-life.
- Work across industries and employers to help attract and retain employees.

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### What is already being done about this issue?

- Sustainable subdivision guidelines
- Market rate driven policies
- Income-related rents and accommodation supplements
- Financial sustainability assessment and affordability of rates
- Affordable housing, ie reasonable, quality, choice, location, community – regional concerns, local council awareness of issues and reports
- Monitoring housing affordability
- Some community groups mobilising to provide emergency / transitional housing
- Community groups collaborating with each other on affordable housing issues
- Provision for (not of) pensioner housing
- Provision of low-cost housing
- Local government housing
- Church sponsored housing
- Maori housing projects
- Kiwisaver – savings used for first home; deposit after five years
- First time buyers, \$200,000, no deposit scheme
- Home loan affordability schemes
- Houses need community spaces
- Homes for whom? First time, local, pensioners, other groups
- Pensioner housing / council pensioner housing, but bar is too difficult
- Air quality
- Warm homes
- Housing access to transport
- New Building Act accreditation issues
- Rent-to-buy private schemes
- Homes to suit larger households and smaller households
- Building code regulatory role

### What are the opportunities for more collaborative action? What/who/how?

- Councils need to think more strategically, clearer guidelines
- More knowledge about the way New Zealanders are living
- Support house retro-fitting initiatives, ie heat
- Helping group engage with other relevant parties

- Shared projects (beyond just submitting to each other), eg regional council and health board
- Focussed public campaign, information and awareness on energy and health – simple things
- Explore community housing trust / cooperative model, identify land and opportunities
- National standards are helping
- Economic levers – and problems
- New thinking about structure plans, requirement for geotechnical reports

**What are some next steps to move this forward from today?**

- Strengthen projects that are already working (have positive outcomes)
- Mandate through policy and planning for sustainable subdivision guidelines
- Share information about the good projects underway
- Support Habitat for Humanity model
- Collaboration between developers and local authority planners
- Multi agency steering group – accord (Hamilton approach)

## Table 7 Protection of biodiversity

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### What is already being done about this issue?

- EW
  - Natural heritage fund
  - LTCCP
  - Project watershed
  - Clean streams
  - EIF
  - Key ecological sites protection and pest control
  - Natural heritage fund (Maungatautiri)
  - Land use control for Taupo
  - New rules for controlling spread of weeds
  - Various research about biodiversity condition and causes
  - Advocacy for biodiversity protection
- Forest and Bird restoration projects
- Tui 2000 in **Benett B?**
- Waikato Biodiversity Forum
  - Advocacy for biodiversity
  - Relationship building amongst agencies and groups who work on biodiversity
  - Information dissemination to the public and other forum members, eg website, email network
  - Publication of report on priority ecosystems for protection and enhancement
  - Watchdog for biodiversity issues
  - Encourages partnerships on biodiversity projects
  - Highlights community group biodiversity projects across regions
  - Biodiversity advice Waikato provides free advisory service
  - Works with councils on biodiversity projects
- Peat lakes accord
- Lake Taupo project
- Land care groups
- Stream care groups
- Beach care groups
- HCC environment centres
- HCC funding projects
- HCC gully restoration
- ACRE advocacy through EW and district council processes
- DOC programmes
- Land management offices
- Consent processes
- Policy advocacy (ex submissions)
- EnviroSchools programme

- Environmental education – pamphlets, EnviroCare
- Environmental awards

**What are the opportunities for more collaborative action? What/who/how?**

1. Collaborative strategy between EW, DOC and TLAs to identify and protect key prioritised sites. Waikato Biodiversity forum is willing to lead this process now!
2. Long term – establish a regional network of biodiversity corridors. Note that EW sustainable development strategy is being scoped at this time and it is hoped that this will be addressed through this strategy.
3. Consider a discussion / conference / talking to each other about issues and a way forward, so that a win-win is achieved. Potential topics: economic future vs environmental future of the region; dairy farmers vs “the greenies”.

**What are some next steps to move this forward from today?**

1. Waikato Biodiversity Forum will bring together key people from TLAs, DOC and EW to prioritise sites and ecosystems in the district for protection and restoration.
2. Regional network establishment will be led by EW.