Update on Community Sustainability and Climate Change Outreach Initiatives

- 1. Sustainable September
- 2. Overview of 2025 Outreach/ Education Initiatives
- 3. Climate Action Grants 2023/2024



Broader Context - Climate Emergency Action Framework

- 4.1: Council demonstrates strong and effective leadership on climate change mitigation and adaptation to support Toitū Kāpiti and give effect to the climate change emergency
- 4.7: Sustainability, resilience, and climate change-related work is integrated and coordinated across Council
- 4.10: Council looks for and takes opportunities to lead, facilitate and empower iwi-led and other community-led projects and initiatives that aim to build sustainability, resilience, and green innovation.



1. Sustainable September







- 30+ events
- 850+ attendees
- Approx \$14K plus advertising
- Within CACC operating budget
- Very positive response







- "Great attendance and feedback"
- "Great co-operation and teamwork between Council and workshop providers"









- "We welcome any opportunity to engage with our community... It was great to have the organization of the event covered by Council and having a host from council join in."
- "The workshop was well advertised and sold out quickly. Participants enjoyed it"









- "Thank you for your support and trust in us"
- "I look forward to participating next year"













Challenges

- Short lead in time, limited advertising
- Busy schedule, also other events in September
- Discrepancy between bookings and turnout at a couple of workshops









Looking to 2025:

- Sustainable Spring: Sept-Nov
- Longer lead in time, more relaxed schedule
- Better alignment with other events
- Streamline booking system
- Opportunity for sponsorship









Questions/ Comments?







2. Community Climate Change Education and Outreach



2025 Community Sustainability and Climate Change Outreach/ Education Overview

Aotearoa Bike Challeng e (Feb)

Encouraging cycling through fun national workplace challenge

Over the fence cuppas (March)

Encouraging community connection and resilience

Greener neighbour - hoods (April –

November)

Encouraging community connection & resilience, sustainability and climate awareness and action

Guest Speaker Series (May)

2025: 1-2 sessions of 2-3 speakers on climate/ sustainability related subjects. Sustainable Spring (September-November)

Range of workshops and events Pakihi Toitu/ SBN

Supporting our local business community with sustainability and climate action

Enabling providers (ongoing)

Eg
Enviroschools;
Repair Cafes;
Energise Otaki;
Walk in
Wardrobe;
KEYs;
CAG recipients

Opportunities to collaborate with mana whenua
Promotion of various workshops through channels: Climate education initiatives, WREMO
workshops, Healthy Homes Kits. Range of other initiatives TBC.

2025 Staff Climate Change Education

- Have offered range of workshops and initiatives through 2023, 2024
- Working with L&D to develop resources/ approach further
- Mix of in person workshops, online learning
- Extending to all staff through 2025/2026



Climate Change Education for Elected Members as part of 2025 Induction?

- Opportunity to offer this if helpful
- Designed to complement LG Hub resource; provide local context
- Could be mix of in person workshops, online resources
- If there is interest, we could run another workshop to scope further

Questions/ Comments?

- 1. Community outreach/ education
- 2. Staff education
- 3. Education with Elected Members as part of 2025 induction



3. Climate Action Grants (2023/2024)



Manu Park Restoration Group



"This project has developed positive connections and relationships within local community and between community and Council"

Raumati Technology Centre











Kakariki Earth

"This project has stimulated considerable interest from within the building industry"





Paekākāriki Orchard and Gardens – Portable Biochar



- Community
 education and
 engagement focus
- Range of community and commercial collaboration opportunities emerging around building waste, forestry slash



Raumati Bike Bus





Natural Build Ōtaki



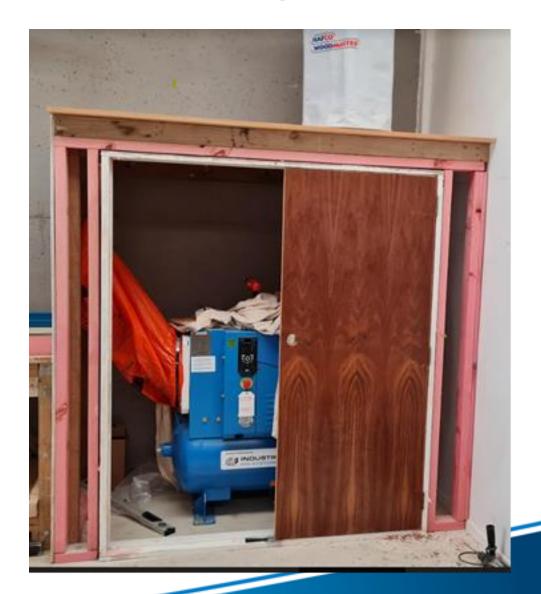


Waikanae Estuary Care Group





MenzShed





Organic Wealth





Kāpiti Coast Biodiversity Project





Climate Action Grants 2023/2024

- A huge thankyou to the Climate and Environment Committee for supporting the development of this fund and successful project outcomes
- Any opportunities to offer similar grants in the future would be money well spent!



Questions/ Comments?

