

# Mana whenua priorities and aspirations

The Long Term Plan sets out our direction and priorities for the next ten years. Our mana whenua partners have been alongside us in this journey through the Long Term Plan process sharing their aspirations and priorities for better taiao and community outcomes. This is a significant step to aligning the way we work for partnership outcomes.

We set out below what we have read and heard from our mana whenua partners about their priorities. We set out how we are working with our mana whenua partners in the activities section of this Long Term Plan. Our partners view this work from a holistic Te Ao Māori perspective that sees the interconnectedness of all our actions with te taiao as part of an integrated whole.

Some of the priorities our partners have indicated are important:

- Well-being; cultural, economic, and environmental education.
- Our relationship with te taiao; restoration and enhancement of our natural resources.
- Relationship building Te Tiriti o Waitangi principles, emphasising Tino Rangatiratanga and Mana Motuhake. Greater Wellington fulfilling Te Tiriti obligations while building organisational capability and capacity.
- The impact of climate change on mana whenua, especially coastal sites. The recognition of the vulnerability of many of marae, urupā and sites of significance.

- The partnership role of mana whenua.
- Te Mana o te Wai – prioritise and respect our waterways.
- Co-Management – Opportunities in our natural places to ensure Kaupapa-driven outcomes.
- Public Transport.
- Building relationships.
- Flood Protection.
- Regional Parks.
- Social procurement.

We won't have all the answers to all the priorities that have been raised by mana whenua. In some cases, our role is to assist iwi in discussions with other local authorities. But we have taken the first step and want to work with our mana whenua partners to determine what the next step will be. We are committed to continuing these conversations to achieve active productive partnerships.



