# **Rod Donald Banks Peninsula Trust**

## STRATEGIC GOALS 2012 – 2015

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## VISION

The RDBPT exists to facilitate and support the restoration of Banks Peninsula to its traditional status as Te Pataka o Rakaihautu – the storehouse that nourishes. When it is achieved this vision will result in a Peninsula of rich biodiversity, planted streams, lakes and rivers flowing with clean water, and people actively caring for the environment. The Peninsula will be regarded as a special recreation place that is actively and respectfully used by people. The people of Banks Peninsula will be prospering and passionately participate in engaged conservation. The communities of the Peninsula will be connected by a walkway encompassing the whole Peninsula. There will be a centre for environmental education and creative environmental thinking and people describe Banks Peninsula as an ecological island.

# **VALUES AND PRINCIPLES**

**Leading:** Recognised as a trusted and credible body making unique and courageous decisions

**Linking:** Focused on the big picture issues of the peninsula and link people and projects

Influencing: Engaged with existing people and groups, supporting their passion for Banks PeninsulaEnhancing: Working as entrusted steward/guardian enhancing the historic work of previous generations

**Enduring:** The funds and work of the Trust are to be used to create an enduring legacy for the

Peninsula

The Trust will adhere to the following principles in its own work and partnerships:

- Respect and engage with the Peninsula community
- High trust relationship
- Transparency between partners
- No surprises, full disclosure
- Behave in an ethical manner
- Be well documented
- Have a process for dispute resolution and exiting
- Be formal in its processes things properly approved and documented.
- Have clear benefits for the Peninsula community

# **ROLE**

The RDBPT cannot achieve the vision on its own or in the short term. The RDBPT therefore will focus on acting as a facilitator, conduit and connector – to assist groups and projects which have aims that align with the objects of the RDBPT. The RDBPT has been established to honour the memory of Rod Donald and his commitment to the Banks Peninsula area. Therefore the RDBPT"s hallmark will be entrepreneurship and practical achievement. These were important values to Rod Donald. The RDBPT's funds will be well husbanded and will be used to achieve things that individual groups and projects cannot achieve on their own.

## **STRATEGIES**

The RDBPT has three key strategies or Pillars it will follow to deliver on the vision. All actions undertaken by the RDBPT will be based on strengthening and enhancing what exists and acknowledging what is missing so that it can be addressed

**Pillar 1: ACCESS:** This Pillar encompasses people accessing the Peninsula environment through

the provision of walkways, camping grounds eco-tourism etc...

**Pillar 2: KNOWLEDGE:** This Pillar encompasses a leadership role in knowledge sharing on

environmental issues, provision of a knowledge centre, connecting people and

communities, effective investments.

**Pillar 3: PARTNERSHIP:** This pillar encompasses working with others on practical projects that they

have initiated.

## PROJECTS AND ACTIONS FOR EACH PILLAR

## Pillar 1 - ACCESS

The Trust will work to enable access to the Peninsula while engaging and respecting local communities and:

- Develop a walkway strategy as a guide.
- Contribute funding to the acquisition of land that will enable the development of the Peninsula walkways.
- Facilitate affordable camping grounds.

## Pillar 2 – KNOWLEDGE

The Trust will facilitate the connecting of existing groups and projects and provide a knowledge sharing system for the Peninsula that will benefit the people of the Peninsula.

- Continue to explore the options on how to achieve this.
- Identify other funders who can support projects and connect project people to funders.

#### Pillar 3 - PARTNERSHIPS

Identify some key projects initiated by others that align with the RDBPT objectives and explore how the RDBPT can support these with either funding or knowledge and broker and leverage its SOI objectives

 Any partnership undertaken by the RDBPT will operate in accordance with the Trust's values and principles.