# Community Partnerships Strategy Hapori Whakakotahi

ENVIRONMENT CANTERBURY PARTNERS WITH COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL OUTCOMES

### **OUR PRIORITIES, TŌ TĀTOU KAUPAPA MĀTUA**

FRESHWATER MANAGEMENT AND INDIGENOUS BIODIVERSITY.

We manage Canterbury's natural resources in an integrated, comprehensive and forward-looking way.

In all our work, we stand shoulder to shoulder with mana whenua, Ngāi Tahu.

#### WE WELCOME OPPORTUNITIES TO WORK ALONGSIDE **COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS**

Here in Canterbury, we work closely with community organisations, mana whenua, businesses, industry sectors, schools, health boards and other organisations and people. When we work together, we can achieve the outcomes we all want for the region.

This is our strategy for working in partnership with environmentally focused community organisations to deliver on Environment Canterbury priorities. It sets out how we will work together and what success looks like.

#### **HOW WE WORK TOGETHER**

#### Respect and trust

Acknowledge each other's vision, values, and expertise - what we each bring to a partnership, building trust and working for environmental outcomes across the region

#### Partnership and support

Allocate the right resources (eg. funding, expertise, equipment) and make it happen - together we can achieve more

## Capability and capacity

Work together to build capacity and capability in the community and support locally led initiatives

# Transparency, accountability and alignment

Policies and processes which are transparent, consistent, and fair; accountability requirements which are proportionate; and alignment to our priorities

#### WHAT SUCCESS LOOKS LIKE

Canterbury is a trusted partner

The capability and capacity of community organisations increases over time

Strong and vibrant environmental community organisations

Through partnership we leverage support from other agencies and sectors

Together we achieve positive outcomes for our natural environment



We have a dedicated Community Partnerships Coordinator who can assist groups wishing to work with us.

For more information please visit ecan.govt.nz/community-support

