

How does the regeneration of Te Puhinui address climate change?

Working in partnership with Waiohūa Iwi¹ to embed indigenous knowledge, the regeneration of Te Puhinui utilises a ‘whakapapa’² based approach to ensure the whole living system of Te Puhinui is considered and reflected in the strategy. A whakapapa approach to climate action is holistic, taking into account both climate mitigation and adaptation strategies.

WAI - WATER

Use natural systems and water sensitive design to improve water quality and mitigate against the effects of flooding and erosion.

KĀINGA - HABITAT

Develop urban ngāhere/forest to create habitat for native plants, birds, fish and other creatures, and to reduce carbon and the urban heat island effect.

TAIAO HANGA - BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Restructure Te Puhinui built environment to reconnect nature, people and place and foster vibrant, safe and accessible communities.

PŪNGAO - ENERGY

Promote and support Te Puhinui energy transition from a non-renewable carbon intensive energy network towards a renewable energy network.

KAI - FOOD

Develop and support local and traditional food initiatives within Te Puhinui to provide local, affordable, healthy and cultural food for people and whānau³ to enhance community well-being and resilience.

IKIIKI - TRANSPORT

Improve walking and cycling networks and re-imagine streets as places for people of all ages and abilities to support walkable and liveable neighbourhoods and encourage active and low-carbon modes of transport.

PARA KORE - ZERO WASTE

Support initiatives that reduce material use and the ecological footprint of the local economy.

WHANAKETANGA ŌHANGA - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Economic development that focuses on the well-being of the communities of Te Puhinui, place-based livelihoods and long-term local careers by supporting social and economic development and innovation for Te Waiohūa, local businesses and organisations. Support for the wider community with skills training, employment and business development opportunities.

TANGATA HERENGA KI TE WHENUA - PEOPLE CONNECTION TO PLACE

Connect people to Te Puhinui and support people to play an active role in the care, protection, restoration and regeneration of their environment and foster a sense of meaning, belonging, connection and pride of place.



Footnotes

¹ Indigenous people/tribes with customary territorial rights and authority, jurisdiction over land in and around the Puhinui catchment derived through the occupation of ancestral lands and the knowledge, traditions, practices and historical, physical and spiritual relationships sustained over many generations.

² Whakapapa – intergenerational symbiotic relationships between people, places and nature.

³ Families and close kinship networks.