

The West Coast Plan Liaison Group presents

The West Coast Plan in a nutshell

The Vision

"As guardians of the West Coast and Waitakere Ranges, we acknowledge the interdependence of the people with this dramatic and inspiring place. The sea, the coast, and the ranges are envisioned as supporting a superb quality of life for the people and locally appropriate plants and wildlife, which is sustained for all generations."



What does this plan mean to me?



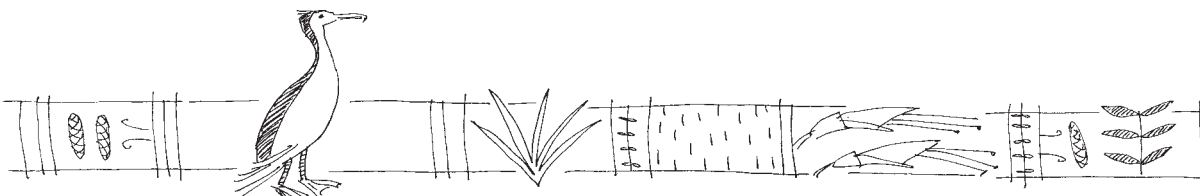
The West Coast Plan (WCP) is a strategic plan for the West Coast beaches and the Waitakere Ranges. It sets out what the community desires for the future of these areas. It describes what needs to be done, and when, to achieve this future. The Plan does not have any legal status, but will be used as a guide by relevant authorities when developing policies and projects for the West Coast area. The West Coast Plan Liaison Group will advocate to ensure that this happens. They will also monitor the decisions and actions of public agencies in this area. Each resident can make the Plan their own and be proud of it.

How did the plan come about?



The Plan was developed by the West Coast communities themselves after 4 years of intensive work. It contains their vision, goals, targets & actions for the future of the West Coast and Waitakere Ranges. It represents the views of many individuals and organisations that were a part of the process. The completion of the plan was celebrated on 25 August 2001, when the plan was launched.

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What do we want to achieve?



- To protect the wild and remote qualities of the West Coast and Waitakere Ranges.
- To ensure everyone is able to experience and enjoy the West Coast and Waitakere Ranges.
- To promote public and community consultation, involvement and action.
- To provide opportunities for people to increase their knowledge of the Waitakere Ranges, the West Coast and its communities.
- To recognise and support the unique and diverse character of West Coast communities.
- To work co-operatively to protect the sea, the coast and the ranges.

How do we want to achieve it?



- By investigating ways to improve co-ordinated management and protection of the Waitakere Ranges.
- By continuing to provide opportunities for debate on the different aspirations of stakeholders for both private and public land in the Waitakere Ranges and West Coast.
- By encouraging the further promotion and identification of the Waitakere Ranges as an area of national significance.
- By encouraging all local and national agencies and authorities to consider ways of limiting local and regional growth pressures on the West Coast.

The Plan's four goals address the West Coast's **natural** environment, the **built** environment, **communities** and **recreation**. These four goals contain more than 19 targets and 123 actions describing what needs to be done. It is the task of the **West Coast Plan Liaison Group** (members representing iwi, community, environment and service groups) to work towards the implementation of the actions.

For more information:-

Copies of the West Coast Plan are available from Waitakere City Council. Contact the WCC Call Centre at tel. 839 0400 (24 hrs) or visit www.waitakere.govt.nz. The plan is available under "Eco-City".

