



# ENM Pānui

## News from the Sector

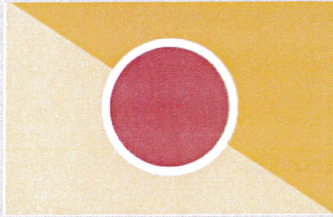
### **Welcome to 2022 and a new look pānui!**

Our warmest greetings and welcome to our first pānui for 2022. We hope this finds you rested and refreshed after time with family and friends, and excited about another year of change, challenge and opportunity for our vibrant sector.

ENM has hit the ground running with not one, not two not three, but **four** new staff members joining our rapidly expanding team.

Pictured from left to right Daniel Morrimire (Morri) is our new Manawatū Food Action Network Coordinator. We farewelled the wonderful Lisa Christensen who has moved back to the east coast with her family. Nelson Harper is the Manawatū River Source to Sea Coordinator and Sumeet Kaushal is our new Workflows and Systems Development lead. They are pictured with Coordinator Madz BatachEL to the far right. Wouna le Roux (not pictured below) is a second trapper for the Southern Ruahine Kiwi Habitat Restoration project.

You can find out about them by going to the ['our people' section of the website](#).



### ENM at Red

A reminder that vaccine passes are required for meetings at the ENM office though not for drop in visitors. As per recent government advice mask wearing is advised during meetings, and the ENM meeting space can accommodate no more than 10 people for this purpose.

### Celebrating Volunteering

Palmerston North Methodist Social Services (PNMSS) has a long and colourful history of volunteering. In fact, the roots of what is now a strong kahikatea stand in fertile soil tilled by volunteers right since the germination of the original PNMSS kaupapa, back in 1963. The book "Towards Wholeness" by Florence Baber, tells the story of PNMSS from 1963-1983, beginning when retired local farmer George Baber approached then Manawatū District Child Welfare Officer, Merv Hancock. "I feel I'd like to do something, but I don't know what," he said. [The rest is history...](#)



### 21 years of ENM

2022 marks ENM's 21st year as a voice for the environment and an underpinning organisation for a network of groups dedicated to creating a healthy living environment in the Manawatū catchment. We will be celebrating this auspicious milestone in various ways over the year, one of these being through a weekly show on [Manawatū People's Radio](#), starting early February, and also, through a little bit of history each newsletter starting from March. If you have any historical snippets you would love to share please email Helen on [comms@enm.org.nz](mailto:comms@enm.org.nz)

## The ENM Environmental Initiatives Fund Large Grants Round opens 1st Feb 2022.

The fund supports Palmerston North-based community initiatives that improve environmental outcomes. Small Grants (up to \$1000) and Large Grants (between \$1000 and \$12,000) are available for projects that align with PNCC's Eco-City Strategy priorities, and any identified priorities of the network. These funds have been made available through a Palmerston North City Council Strategic Priorities Grant.

[The Large Grants](#) round will be open from 1st February-15th March 2022.

A drop-in sessions where you can come and talk to us in person about your potential application will take place at the ENM office, 145 Cuba street on **Wednesday 23rd February from 10-12am and 2-4pm.**



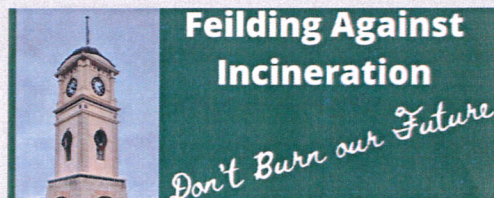
The S2S team, Ian Rasmussen, Nina Ryan and Wouna le Roux.

## Southern Ruahine Kiwi Habitat Restoration Project

It is great excitement that we inform you that the [Southern Ruahine Kiwi Habitat Restoration Project](#) has been **officially announced as one of the the five projects receiving \$7.2m** of Jobs for Nature funding in the Manawatū. The project is led by ENM on behalf of Manawatū River Source to Sea and [Te Kāuru Hapū Collective](#).

## Feilding Against Incineration

Recently formed group "Feilding Against Incineration" has serious concerns about BioPlant's proposal to develop a pyrolysis plant next to the existing waste transfer station just out of Feilding. This plant will likely have significant environmental impact and the group has concerns that local and regional council bodies will allow the plant to be developed without opportunity for adequate public consultation. [The group is looking for support...](#)



## Opportunities to get involved

Events

Seminars, Talks and Workshops.

## All welcome to meet, talk, swap and connect

Every Friday [Repair Cafe Levin](#)

Don't throw it out - bring it in for mending!

Every Friday [Fridays for Future](#)

Peaceful protest for climate action.

Feb 12 [Crop Swap Awapuni](#)

Bring what you have, take what you need.

Every Sunday, Monday, Wednesday,

Thursday, Friday [Wildlife Foxton Trust](#) is open for visitors.

## Working Bees

### Create better places and communities

Feb 6 [Ahimate Reserve](#)

Feb 12 [Green Corridors Summerhill](#)

Help maintain corridors of native trees.

Feb 13 [Apollo Butterfly Park](#)

Planting for Monarch butterflies, etc..

Feb 13 & 27 [A Rocha Nursery](#)

Growing natives from eco-sourced seed.

Feb 20 [Pit Park Roslyn](#)

A restored urban native bush habitat.

Every Tuesday & Wednesday [Menzshed](#)

Sharing tools, skills and friendship.

Every Sunday [Timona Park Orchard](#)

Growing fruit for the community.

Most Sundays [Manawatū Estuary Trust](#)

Keeping exotic species out of the wetland.

## Sharing Tables and Shelves

Community food sharing tables and shelves linked to PNCC venues are not allowed to operate within 'Red' of the COVID Traffic Light System. [The Ashhurst Sharing Shelf](#) is an exception as it is based outside and operated and overseen by [RECAP](#), however social distancing rules still apply. [Click here for a link to other sharing tables and Pataka Kai](#)

## Learn new skills and gain information.

Feb 15. [Your Sustainable School Train the Trainer workshop](#)

Feb 19 [Summer Pruning Workshop](#)

Mar 11 [Attracting Donations Workshop](#)

## Local Markets

### Eat seasonally, buy locally.

Every Friday [Feilding Farmers' Market](#)

Every first Sunday [Summerhill Farmers Market](#)

Every third Sunday [Hokowhitu Farmers Market](#)

## Meetings and AGMs

### Interested people always welcome

Feb 1 [Manawatū Estuary Trust](#)

Caring for the Manawatū River Estuary.

Feb 2 [ENM Source to Sea](#)

Feb 7 [Water and Environmental Care Horowhenua](#)

Feb 8 [Forest and Bird Manawatū Branch.](#)

Feb 10 [Green Drinks](#)

Chill out, chat, get nourished and inspired.

Feb 24 [Manawatū Beekeepers club](#)

## Small Gardening Tools

Tools are now available for keen gardeners to borrow from the Awapuni, Roslyn and Te Patikitiki branches of Palmerston North City Library! If you have a garden kaupapa requiring more serious tools, then email [food.action@enm.org.nz](mailto:food.action@enm.org.nz) to organise borrowing our big implements: spades, forks, shovels, rakes and even a wheelbarrow or two. Donations of garden tools in good working order are also welcomed. [Click here to learn more.](#)

## Food Distribution

Just Zilch, Te Pataka Kai 4412, the Salvation Army, Methodist Social Services Manchester House Community Fruit Harvest, Te Whare Koha and others are working together to rescue and distribute food. If you know of food that is going to waste, or anyone that is struggling to get food, please contact one of these agencies or reach out to ENM's Manawatū Food Action Network.  
[food.action@enm.org.nz](mailto:food.action@enm.org.nz)

## Seed Libraries

The [Manawatū Food Action Seed Exchange](#) has a variety of seed exchanges within the city. Find them at Awapuni, Roslyn, and Te Patikitiki libraries, and the ENM office at 145 Cuba St. Donations are always gratefully received.

## Have your say

### Proposals and plans currently open for public consultation

#### The future use of Huia street.

[PNCC is promoting a local bill to amend the Palmerston North Reserves Empowering Act 1966](#). The amendment would bring Huia Street Reserve within this Act, enabling Council to sell the land in future.

The Bill has now been referred to a Select Committee, the Environment Committee. Written submissions from the general public to the Environment Committee close **on the 18 February 2022**. Submitters can request to speak to this Committee. A report is due back to the House from this Committee by 8 June 2022. [Submissions can be made here](#).



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