

**Environmental Awards 2016 - see Pages 6-11 for winner profiles**

## Chair begins fourth term

David MacLeod has been re-elected as Taranaki Regional Council Chairman for his fourth term.

Mr MacLeod was re-elected unopposed at the Council's first meeting after October's local body elections.

"I'm grateful for and honoured by the support of my fellow Councillors and I look forward to a productive three years' work together as a team," he says.

"The community and the Council have been making good progress towards our goal of a thriving and prosperous Taranaki. But we're in challenging times with commodity price fluctuations," says Mr MacLeod.

"We need to stay strongly focused on working efficiently and effectively as a Council while continuing to deliver comprehensive work programmes that enable us to make further progress with environmental improvements,

transport planning and services, hazard mitigation and preparedness and the development of iconic amenities including Pukeiti and Yarrow Stadium."

Mr MacLeod says the central Government is a key partner in many of the Council's activities, but the Council's close contact with the community ensures the most effective and efficient delivery of programmes.

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## Setting the scene ...



One of the first items of business for the new Council was the unveiling and blessing of this artwork in the newly refurbished boardroom at the Council's Stratford office.

The work is by contemporary Maori artist Rangi Kipa and its broad themes encompass the environment and all the people within it. Its symbolism includes the mountain and the

three Taranaki waka, Aotea, Kurahaupō and Tokomaru.

The blessing was performed by kaumatua Sandy Parata, supported by Dave West snr, Teoira (Joyce) Luke, Shauna Goble and Hemi Sundgren, who spoke on behalf of the artist.

They are pictured with Council Chairman

David MacLeod, Deputy Chairman David Lean, Councillors Tom Cloke, Donald McIntyre, Neil Walker, Michael Joyce, Matthew McDonald, Craig Williamson, Mike Davey, Charlotte Littlewood and Bev Raine, Chief Executive Basil Chamberlain and Council officers Sam Tamarapa and Te Kere Davey.

**The new Council: Pages 4-5**

## From the Chair

The excitement and challenge of change is upon us after October's local body elections.

We've welcomed some new faces to the Council table and bid farewell to others, including long-serving stalwarts. I think we've got a good mix of experience and fresh perspectives as we look to tackle the issues ahead of us and we wish our departing colleagues all the best for the future as we get down to business as a newly constituted Council.

First, though, I'm humbled and grateful that my Council colleagues have seen fit to again entrust me with the Chairmanship, and it's reassuring that once again I have the able and experienced David Lean as my Deputy.

Our focus remains on our goal of a thriving and prosperous Taranaki. The past few years have brought their challenges but I've been impressed by the resilience and energy of our regional community. To be of service as Chair of the Regional Council is truly an honour and a pleasure, as well as a great responsibility.

It was certainly a pleasure to meet this year's Environmental Award winners at the presentation ceremony in November. So much good work is being done right around the region!

As I write this, our thoughts are with the people of Kaikōura, North Canterbury, Marlborough and Wellington as they cope with the aftermath of the M7.8 earthquake that struck on 14 November, followed by cruel spring storms. As one commentator has observed, New Zealand is at the messy boundary of two tectonic plates and is still under active construction.

None of us should need reminding that we need to be prepared for large-scale disaster. Check out [www.happens.nz](http://www.happens.nz) or [www.getthru.govt.nz](http://www.getthru.govt.nz) for sound advice.

Hopefully, though, we will all have a chance to unwind and relax in the coming holiday season.

I hope you have a happy and safe Christmas and New Year. Check out Tūpare, Hollard Gardens and Pukeiti if you get a chance. You'll be impressed!

David MacLeod - CHAIRMAN



# David MacLeod elected as Chairman for fourth term

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Priorities over the coming three years include:

- Continuing to work with farmers to largely complete fencing and planting of ring plain rivers and streams by the end of the decade, in what is believed to be the largest enhancement planting project on private land in New Zealand.
- Continuing to refine consent requirements to further increase freshwater quality, where the Council's monitoring is already showing the best improvements ever.
- Continuing to work with landowners to protect and enhance special habitats under the Council's Key Native Ecosystem programme, and to promote sustainable land management programmes in the eastern hillcountry.



The new Normanby bypass ... much-needed.

## Normanby bypass completion hailed

The Taranaki Regional Council has welcomed completion of the Normanby bypass, saying it brings much-needed safety and efficiency improvements to our transport network.

"The Council and its Regional Transport Committee have never ranked this project as less important than New Plymouth's Vickers to City project," say the Council Chairman, David MacLeod, and the Regional Transport Committee Chairman, Craig Williamson.

"We came under pressure from the NZ Transport Agency to choose one or the other as top priority for the Regional Land Transport Programme for 2012-2015. But we refused. We insisted that both were of equal priority and we delivered a strong message to Wellington that funding must be found for both.

"The region took a united stance on this issue, and it's satisfying to be vindicated within four years."

- Bedding in new arrangements for iwi representation on key Council committees.
- Completing the exciting upgrade of Pukeiti and continuing to maintain and develop Yarrow Stadium as one of the country's leading regional venues.
- Continuing to develop and promote regional bus services and Total Mobility, and to advocate for improvements to the transport network and infrastructure.

Mr MacLeod was first elected to the Council in 2000 and became Chairman in 2007.

He represents the South Taranaki Constituency.

Cr David Lean has been elected unopposed as Deputy Chairman, his fourth term in the role.

Cr Lean represents the New Plymouth Constituency.

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# Holding the hillsides together

When Brad and Jo Bielski considered how to meet the challenges of their hillcountry farm, they pictured intensifying their best land and increasing resilience against the elements.

The couple's 891 hectare Matemateaonga breeding and fattening operation came to them through Brad's granddad, dad, mum and uncle, and is now a family enterprise. Presently Brad and Jo have about 5500 stock units, with a 70:30 sheep-to-cattle ratio, and their eyes are on the future.

"We want to leave it better than we found it – and just enjoy farming. If we don't look after the soil it won't look after us," says Brad.

Their 2005 Taranaki Regional Council farm plan matches their land use to land capability, and Council Land Management Officer Kevin Cash helps them work out how to achieve their goals and protect their soil.

To date, the Bielskis have planted 21,000 eucalyptus trees over 22ha, let 15ha revert to manuka, placed a QE2 covenant on 54.2ha of manuka and regenerating native forest, fenced those areas, and planted hundreds of poplars and willows in consultation with Kevin.

The poles and trees help hold hillsides together, the Bielskis get income from beekeepers who utilise the manuka, and the eucalyptus can offset carbon emissions. Best of all, they can channel time and money into their best land – and have lost no productivity.

"You're just shifting your focus to making the better country work for the property," says Brad.



Kevin Cash (left) and Brad Bielski discuss the eucalyptus plantings.

Jo says the lifestyle is second-to-none, but they have to be realistic about what they can achieve because their farm poses challenges and is affected by extreme storms.

The June storm last year wrecked fences, destroyed tracks, dumped soil onto pasture and caused 100-200 slips on their hilliest slopes.

"On the flats where we had flooding losses, we piled on the super-phosphate and replanted the crops and did the fencing back up, so the flats have gained the productivity. The hills, I don't think you ever regain your productivity," Brad says.

"But the poplar poles we've planted in the back areas that looked like they were going to slip – they've held up pretty good, and we didn't get any slipping in the eucalyptus paddock or the paddock just down from it that's still in quite heavy manuka, whereas the grazing land across the valley had massive damage, so that was quite interesting for me."

The Bielski's soil conservation funding came from the South Taranaki and Regional Erosion Support Scheme (STRESS) – which is co-funded by the Council and by the Ministry for Primary Industries through their Hill Country Erosion Fund – and the Afforestation Grant Scheme.

STRESS is run by the Council, and is available to farmers with a hillcountry farm plan. It funds soil conservation measures that reduce the risk of accelerated erosion, including pole planting, forestry implementation, fencing, and land retirement or reversion.

It takes six to eight years for roots to develop and interlock enough to stabilise soil, so Jo recommends soil protection sooner rather than later.

"The Council helps out with funding and information, so why wouldn't you use them?" says Brad. "If you don't ask, you don't know what's out there."

## Maketawa Stream improvements recognised

Maketawa Stream has taken out a top honour as one of the nation's most improved rivers.

It received the accolade at the New Zealand River Awards, which this year focused on improvements to the ecological health of waterways.

The stream also took out the award for the most improved waterway in the Taranaki region.

The awards were based on the trend in improvement in the macroinvertebrate community index (MCI) – a valuable



indicator of general river health. The Maketawa showed a trend improvement of 2.5% in the MCI over the past 10 years.

The stream's monitoring site is well down from Egmont National Park and the surrounding land use is predominantly dairying.

# Your Taranaki Regional



**David MacLeod (Chair)**  
South Taranaki Constituency



**David Lean (Deputy Chair)**  
New Plymouth Constituency



**Tom Cloke**  
New Plymouth Constituency



**Michael Joyce**  
South Taranaki Constituency



**Neil Walker**  
South Taranaki Constituency



**Matthew McDonald**  
Stratford Constituency

## Appointments to Council committees and other entities

**Consents and Regulatory Committee:** Cr Michael Joyce (Chair), Cr Tom Cloke (Deputy), Cr Mike Davey, Cr Charlotte Littlewood, "Cr Matthew McDonald, Cr Bev Raine, Cr Neil Walker. Ex officio: Cr David MacLeod, Cr David Lean.

**Policy and Planning Committee:** Cr Neil Walker (Chair), Cr Charlotte Littlewood (Deputy), Cr Michael Joyce, Cr Donald McIntyre, Cr Bev Raine, Cr Craig Williamson. Ex officio: Cr MacLeod. Cr Lean.

**Executive, Audit and Risk Committee:** Cr David Lean (Chair), Cr Tom Cloke, Cr Michael Joyce, Cr David MacLeod. Cr Neil Walker, Cr Craig Williamson.

**Regional Transport Committee:** Cr Craig Williamson (Chair), Cr Matthew McDonald (Deputy). Alternates: Cr Tom Cloke, Cr David MacLeod.

**Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group:**  
Cr Tom Cloke. Alternate Member: Cr David MacLeod.

**Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee:**  
Cr Neil Walker. Alternate Member: Cr David Lean.

**Yarrow Stadium Joint Committee:**  
Cr Michael Joyce, Cr Craig Williamson.

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# Councillors 2016-2019



**Charlotte Littlewood**  
New Plymouth Constituency



**Bev Raine**  
New Plymouth Constituency



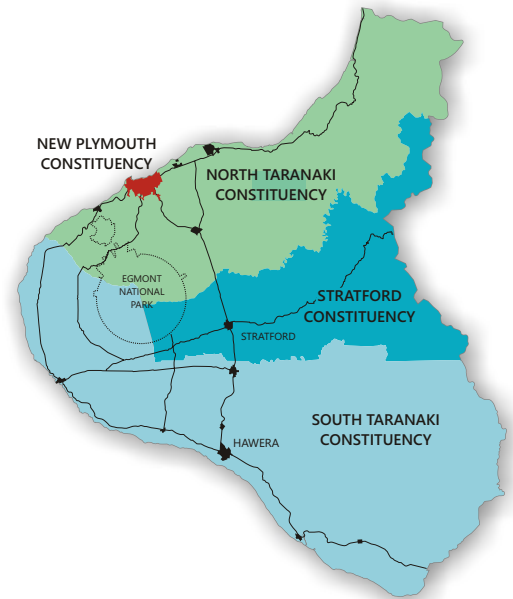
**Craig Williamson**  
New Plymouth Constituency



**Mike Davey**  
North Taranaki Constituency



**Donald McIntyre**  
North Taranaki Constituency



**Taranaki Regional Council Constituencies**

## Appointments to Council committees and other entities

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**Taranaki Biodiversity Trust:** Cr Michael Joyce.

**Board of Pukeiti and Pukeiti Trust Fund:** Board: Cr Donald McIntyre. Trust Fund: Cr Bev Raine.

**Board of Port Taranaki Ltd:** Cr Charlotte Littlewood, Cr David MacLeod.

**Taranaki TB Free Committee:** Cr Michael Joyce.

**Stock Truck Effluent Working Party:** Cr Tom Cloke.

**State Highway 3 Working Party:** Cr Craig Williamson, Cr Matthew McDonald.

**Local Government NZ Regional Affairs Committee and Zone 3 Group:** Cr David MacLeod.

**Taranaki Stadium Trust:** Cr Mike Davey, M J Nield (Director-Corporate Services).

**Regional Software Holdings Ltd:** M J Nield (Director-Corporate Services). Alternate: B G Chamberlain (Chief Executive).

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# ‘Citizen scientists’ to the fore

Citizen science is a feature of a number of this year's 15 winners of the Taranaki Regional Council's annual Environmental Awards.

Recipients include a hapū-led kaimoana survey project, a social-media-based coastal species monitoring programme and a community-based offshore reef study.

“We’re making 15 awards, but the actual number of winners can be numbered in the hundreds, if not the thousands,” the Council Chairman, David MacLeod told the awards presentation ceremony in New Plymouth in early November.

“All of those associated with the organisations and individuals honoured with awards can also regard themselves as winners.”

The Council has been making the annual awards since 1993 and this year’s bring the total to 249.

“The efforts of our winners this year, and those who’ve gone before them, underscore the fact that it’s not by accident or good luck that Taranaki enjoys a generally good-quality environment,” says Mr MacLeod.

“The region takes its environment very

seriously, and puts a lot of money, sweat and time into protecting and enhancing it. This happens at every level – from corporates to farmers to community groups to iwi and hapū to schools.

“The awards are an opportunity to celebrate this effort.”

The awards are presented in five categories, each with a sponsor.

The 2016 winners are profiled on the following pages. Each profile includes a link to a video.



## Environmental Awards

*Showcasing outstanding contributions to our environment*

**Environmental leadership  
in land management**  
Category sponsor: Dow AgroSciences

### Ken and Sandra Sandford



Ken and Sandra Sandford are sustainably farming their 386-hectare sheep and beef unit at Hurleyville in South Taranaki, where they’re implementing a farm plan with the support of Taranaki Regional Council staff.

To help control erosion on steep hills, they’ve planted four hectares of forestry, and fenced and retired 12.3 hectares of grazed land, 12.6 hectares of native bush and 8.5 hectares of manuka forestry. This involved 2.7 kilometres of fencing. They’ve also planted 261 poplar poles.

By improving better-producing areas such as river terraces to increase pasture growth, the Sandfords have maintained their stocking rate even though the total grazing area has been reduced.

They regularly control goats, pigs, deer, possums and stoats by trapping, poisoning and shooting.

**Video profile:** [bit.ly/Awards2016A](http://bit.ly/Awards2016A)

### McLean and Tuffery families

Artists John McLean and Howard Tuffery and their families recognise the exceptional recreational, cultural and biodiversity value of the Mimi estuary bordering their jointly owned property.

It’s an important habitat for whitebait and for wading birds, and contains distinctive native flora and threatened fauna.

Since 1986, the two families have voluntarily worked with the Council and other agencies to protect and enhance the estuary, its tributaries and surrounding wetlands with streamside fencing and planting under a Taranaki Regional Council riparian plan. They also have a Council biodiversity plan to manage and protect the native habitats and have established a QEII covenant.

The artists also support the coastal initiatives of the local school and make visitors to their studios aware of the ecological significance of the area.

**Video profile:** [bit.ly/Awards2016B](http://bit.ly/Awards2016B)







Council Chairman David MacLeod addresses the awards presentation ceremony in New Plymouth in early November.



## Environmental Awards

*Showcasing outstanding contributions to our environment*

**Environmental leadership  
in dairy farming**  
Category sponsor: Fonterra

### Taranaki Agricultural Research Station Trust and the Luff family



The Taranaki Agricultural Research Station Trust and the Luff family are committed to protecting and enhancing the environment on the 120-hectare research farm at Whareroa, near Hawera.

Almost all waterways and wetlands on the farm are fenced and in the past four years 89% of the streambank has been planted with 11,000 riparian plants. The job will be finished next year.

The fencing and vegetation will protect water quality and restore native habitat in a coastal area where very little native vegetation remains. And it's highly visible, raising awareness of the importance of this work.

The farm, which is owned by the family and operated by the Trust, is also in the Council's self-help possum control scheme and recycles silage wrap.

**Video profile:** [bit.ly/Awards2016C](http://bit.ly/Awards2016C)

### Philip and Donna Cram

Philip and Donna Cram are passionate about farming sustainably on their 117-hectare dairy farm at Awatuna.

In the past 10 years the couple have completely fenced their streambanks and protected 3.3 kilometres, or 61 per cent, of them with 4,500 native plants.

By planning ahead and chipping away at a manageable amount of about 600 plants each year, the Crams are well on track to meet the 2020 completion target. Their children help with the planting and Opunake High School students assist as a fundraiser.

The fencing and planting helps stock management, protects water quality and enhances the native habitat.

Two years ago the Crams changed to land-based dairy effluent treatment and disposal. They also recycle silage wrap, plastic containers and household waste.

**Video profile:** [bit.ly/Awards2016D](http://bit.ly/Awards2016D)





## Huiakama School

Learning and working together to care for the environment has become a passion for Huiakama School students and their families and teachers.

Practical environmental initiatives are part of daily school activities and students are encouraged to think about what can also be done at home.

Students learn how to recycle and re-use to reduce the amount of rubbish they generate. They use a worm farm and compost bins to transform organic waste into natural fertilisers to produce food in the school gardens and orchards.

Innovative design is a feature of a recycled bottle house, baths turned into garden beds and compost bins built from old pallets.

Students also monitor traps to control stoats, rats and possums, boosting native birdlife around the school.



Video profile: [bit.ly/Awards2016E](http://bit.ly/Awards2016E)

## Bill Clarkson



Over many years, teacher and native plant enthusiast Bill Clarkson has inspired thousands of students to learn about, grow and care for Taranaki's indigenous plants, particularly regionally distinctive and threatened species.

His earliest projects were at Kapuni and Merrilands schools in the 1980s and 90s. He established a native plant propagation and learning programme at Moturoa School 20 years ago and still runs it today. Besides learning about and growing the rare and threatened species, students have planted thousands of them across the region. He also works with other schools including Vogeltown and Frankley, whose students have been involved in long-term restoration projects.

Bill's work has led to many youngsters forming long-lasting environmental connections, helping to ensure the survival of some of Taranaki's rare flora.

Video profile: [bit.ly/Awards2016F](http://bit.ly/Awards2016F)

## Project Hotspot

Project Hotspot is an outstanding example of citizen science.

Coastal recreational groups, school children, and other members of the public have recorded more than 450 sightings online of four threatened coastal species — orca, reef heron, little blue penguin and New Zealand fur seal.

The project has a strong educational focus. Many schools contribute sightings, undertake action projects and are learning about threats to native coastal species.

Highlands Intermediate and Oakura School students, with guidance from scientists, have been actively involved in investigating potential threats to species at the Tapuae Marine Reserve. They held a workshop and their findings are being used by industry, planners, conservationists and scientists to better protect coastal threatened species in Taranaki.

Video profile: [bit.ly/Awards2016G](http://bit.ly/Awards2016G)





## Todd Energy Ltd

Todd Energy used innovative techniques and set new industry benchmarks during the construction and operation of the Mangaheva-G wellsite near Tikorangi.

They developed a large silt and sediment retention system to control and reduce the concentration of contaminants in stormwater and to minimise the effects of offsite discharges. The system would also cope with an onsite spill.

The innovative system goes well beyond the standard design and includes immediate soil stabilisation measures, diverting clean water via perimeter drains, concrete lining to minimise erosion, design to reduce water velocities and system overload, protection of perimeter drains and significant native planting in conjunction with Otaraua Hapū. A rock channel and constructed wetland provide further stormwater treatment.

Solid waste concentrations in stormwater discharges are well below consent limits.

Video profile: [bit.ly/Awards2016H](http://bit.ly/Awards2016H)



## New Plymouth District Council

Since a new kerbside waste collection and recycling service was introduced in New Plymouth District in October 2015, monthly recycling has increased from 13% to 48% of kerbside waste.

That translates to almost six thousand tonnes of waste being diverted from landfill each year, significantly reducing potential environmental effects.

Community engagement and education on recycling and waste minimisation have been key elements in the success of this project.

The New Plymouth District Council has incorporated a dedicated education room at its new, purpose-built materials recovery centre at Colson Road.

School children and community groups can visit the facility to see recyclables being sorted and baled for distribution and re-use, and to learn about reducing waste and conserving resources.

Video profile: [bit.ly/Awards2016J](http://bit.ly/Awards2016J)



## Shell New Zealand He Tāngata, He Tāngata, He Tāngata Project

In 2015, Shell New Zealand refurbished its Pohokura offshore platform, which services New Zealand's largest natural gas resource. More than 100 workers were housed temporarily on a rig beside the platform as they painted the entire structure and overhauled equipment and wells.

Shell took a Goal Zero approach: To cause no harm to people, to protect the environment, and minimise the impact on local communities.

Specialist scaffolding and containment systems effectively wrapped the entire platform. Approximately 400,000 litres of paint removal residue were contained and recovered for recycling.

In keeping with Shell's partnership with Ngāti Rahiri hapū, no human waste was discharged to the sea — 3.3 million litres of human waste was transported to shore for treatment.

Video profile: [bit.ly/Awards2016K](http://bit.ly/Awards2016K)





## South Taranaki Underwater Club

The South Taranaki Underwater Club is bringing together local community groups, iwi, schools, fishers, divers, scientists and engineers to study the rich marine life on a sub-tidal reef 11 kilometres off Patea. The survey aims to record the reef community, identify factors that shape it and record seasonal trends.

Citizen scientists spend a vast amount of volunteer time surveying and documenting the reef community.

An underwater camera will be moored on the reef to continuously capture images for analysis and input into a national database and shared with marine scientists. The sounds heard at the reef will also be monitored. The diversity and coverage of reef life will be surveyed, and general observations will be included in the reef study.

**Video profile:** [bit.ly/Awards2016L](http://bit.ly/Awards2016L)



## Rapanui Grey-Faced Petrel Trust



Rapanui, on the coast north of Tongaporutu, is Taranaki's only mainland nesting site for the grey-faced petrel. The colony was near extinction in 2002 and concerned individuals and sponsors built a 460-metre predator-proof fence to protect the birds.

This project led to the formation of the Rapanui Grey-Faced Petrel Trust in 2006 to preserve the sanctuary for the petrels and other indigenous species.

Protected from predators, the birds, rare plants and other native species have thrived at the site. The petrel colony has grown from only eight active burrows in 2003 to 66 in 2012.

The Trust, landowners Evan Lobb and Emma O'Sullivan, sponsors, volunteers, contractors and the Taranaki Regional Council work collaboratively to maintain the sanctuary and educate the public.

**Video profile:** [bit.ly/Awards2016M](http://bit.ly/Awards2016M)

## Trina Stanley

Trina Stanley is a dedicated advocate for pest plant control in her New Plymouth community. She understands how invasive plants thrive in New Plymouth's temperate climate and actively promotes awareness of pest plant control. Her vigilance is also helpful in identifying pest plants on public land.

Pest plants often compete with native plants for light and nutrients. Without control they can restrict native regeneration and become a problem on private and public land in urban areas.

Trina is passionate about restoring stream margins in the city and has encouraged landowners along the Mangaotuku Stream to remove pest plants such as wild ginger and other invasive species. Native plants have then been planted to re-establish the native habitat along the stream.

**Video profile:** [bit.ly/Awards2016N](http://bit.ly/Awards2016N)







## Patea Planting Trust

The Patea Planting Trust was formed in 2013 with a vision of re-establishing a ribbon of native habitat along the walkway beside the river, from the town bridge to the sea.

It's won strong support from the local community and beyond. Factors in its success include strategic planning to prioritise planting areas, good research to find suitable plants, and the collaborative efforts of many volunteers, organisations, South Taranaki District Council, Kii Tahi Nursery, schools and community groups.

An area that could easily have become a weedy wasteland is being restored to a healthy coastal habitat for native insects, birds and lizards. More than 4,000 seedlings have been planted, creating an attractive recreational area. The project has fostered a sense of community pride and involvement.

Video profile: [bit.ly/Awards2016P](http://bit.ly/Awards2016P)

## Otaraua Hapū / Waitara Alive

Otaraua Hapū and Waitara Alive have brought together members of the Waitara community to help them learn about and respect the local marine environment.

Through scientific monitoring, learning tikanga and capturing the narrative of local seniors and kaumātua, they are increasing the knowledge and understanding of the Waitara reefs, a valuable source of physical and cultural sustenance for the people of Waitara.

“Titiro tui muri, haere whakamua” — *Look backwards to move forward.*

By combining historic and current local knowledge with the scientific data, they learn how to protect the health of the reefs for the future.

The group surveyed kaimoana on the reefs in summer and autumn 2016 and have developed a comprehensive monitoring programme which will be repeated each year.

Video profile: [bit.ly/Awards2016R](http://bit.ly/Awards2016R)



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### South Taranaki Constituency:

Michael Joyce	027 494 8975
David MacLeod (Chair)	06 278 5577
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### Stratford Constituency:

Matthew McDonald	027 481 4648
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# Garden Fairs



## TŪPARE

*Garden Fair and Guided Walk*

Saturday 7 January

10am to 3pm

## TŪPARE

*Waitangi Day Garden Fair and Walk*

Saturday 4 February

10am to 3pm

## HOLLARD GARDENS

*Music in the garden*

Saturday 25 February

5pm to 8pm

## HOLLARD GARDENS

*International Children's Day*

Sunday 5 March

10am to 3pm

*Free entry*

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