



WARKWORTH

COMMUNITY ASPIRATIONS

PREPARED BY THE WARKWORTH COMMUNITY FORUM (DECEMBER 2017)

Tonight marks the end phase of a process started in July 2015, when Rodney Local Board asked Cissy Rock to talk to Local Groups to explore what a cohesive plan for Warkworth could look like.

- Video from Beth to be added



Many local groups were involved and a stall at the Kowhai festival provided an opportunity for many local residents to also be involved



A small group worked with all the raw data and some common themes were identified



Following on from that a report was released back to the community and a group calling themselves the Warkworth Community Forum was set up, a diverse group of organisations and individuals met regularly



WE organised and held the Incredible Warkworth Forum, this document Community Aspirations captures the themes and discussions from existing plans, and the community engagement we have undertaken – here are the key theme – for more detail please grab a copy of the report



KEY IDEA 1: **A CLEAN, HEALTHY RIVER**

This was key theme – the river is the heart of Warkworth and people want to see it used for swimming, boating, and all sorts of leisure activities



KEY IDEA 2:

**ATTRACTIVE PUBLIC SPACES
THAT CONNECT THE TOWN
WITH THE RIVER**

Building on the river at the heart people want to have a river facing town , with lots of public spaces



KEY IDEA 3:

**OUR TOWN CENTRE IS
VIBRANT, LOOKS GREAT AND
SUPPORTS A STRONG LOCAL
ECONOMY**

People want to see Warkworth buzzing and a local jobs for local people



KEY IDEA 4:

**WE ARE PROUD OF OUR
IDENTITY AND CHERISH OUR
CULTURE AND HERITAGE**

This addresses not only the strong settler heritage, there is a desire to make strong and visible Maori manu wheneua and acknowledge people of the Pacific



KEY IDEA 5:

GETTING AROUND MORE EASILY

Walkable Warkworth !!! Great connected public transport – a plan is needed



We believe that by working together and using this report as our road map we can achieve great things for our town. Thanks you to all the wonderful propel who have so freely and generously given there time to make this possible.