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PROSPEROUS NAPIER COMMITTEE

Open Minutes Attachments

Meeting Date: Thursday 21 August 2025

Time: 9.30am – 10.30am (*Open*)
10.32am – 11.01am (*Public Excluded*)

Venue: Large Exhibition Hall
War Memorial Centre
Marine Parade
Napier

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Public Forum Presentation - Predator Free Napier Hill (Doc Id 1870971)2

Towards Predator Free Hawkes Bay



*A collaboration of
community trapping
groups with a shared
vision of enhancing the
environment for our native
species to thrive*

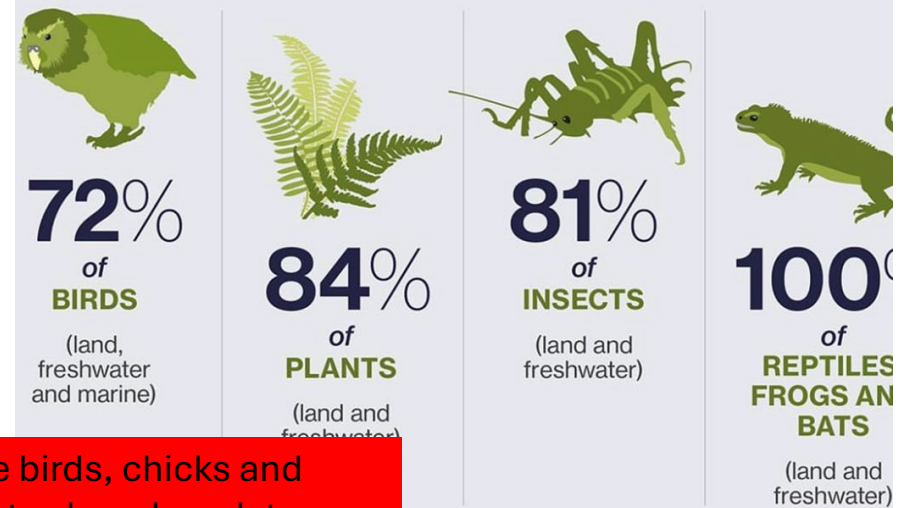




Estimated 68000 native birds, chicks and eggs killed daily from introduced predators

Aotearoa New Zealand's native plants and animals are **unique**

A huge proportion are found nowhere else in the world

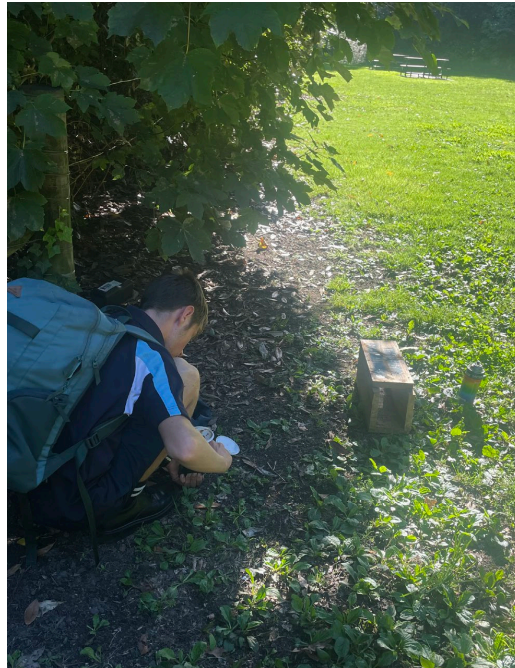


If they're gone from here, they're gone from everywhere. New Zealanders have a special responsibility to protect these precious native species

Talk to you today about

- Predator Free Mataruahou
- Establishment of Towards Predator Free HB
- How we are starting
- Recommendations for HBRC





Predator Free Mataruahou

- Set up in 2022, PFNZ Backyard Community Grant
- Street Meetings/Shared Resources
- **Goals**
 - Increase in Native birds /reptiles/insects– breeding Kaka!
 - 1 in 5 Napier Hill households actively trapping
 - Trap lines in the Reserves
 - Assist other community HUBS to set up

PFNH today

- 160+ Traps in back yards and schools
- Bird Counts (Colab with Bird NZ)
- Trapping and education programmes in the 3 schools
- Trap line in Sturms Gully and Cobden Lane (checked by DOE Students)
- Community education and trap collection day

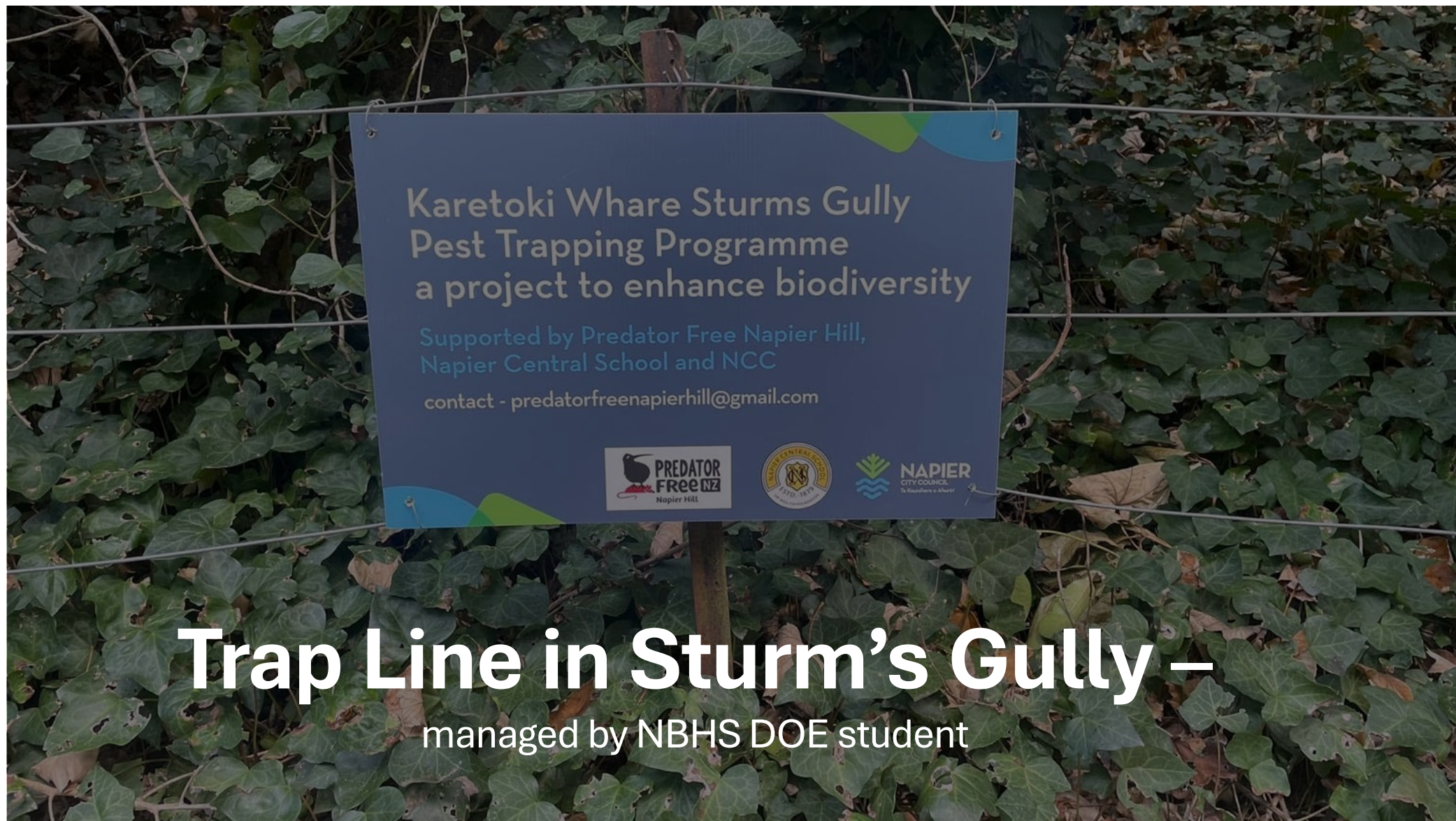
Next Steps

- Self Sustainability. Leadership group
- Partnership with NCC – Reserves/parks
- Trap lines in all parks checked by locals
- Build profile



Trap Lines at Napier Central, Sacred Heart School and NGHS





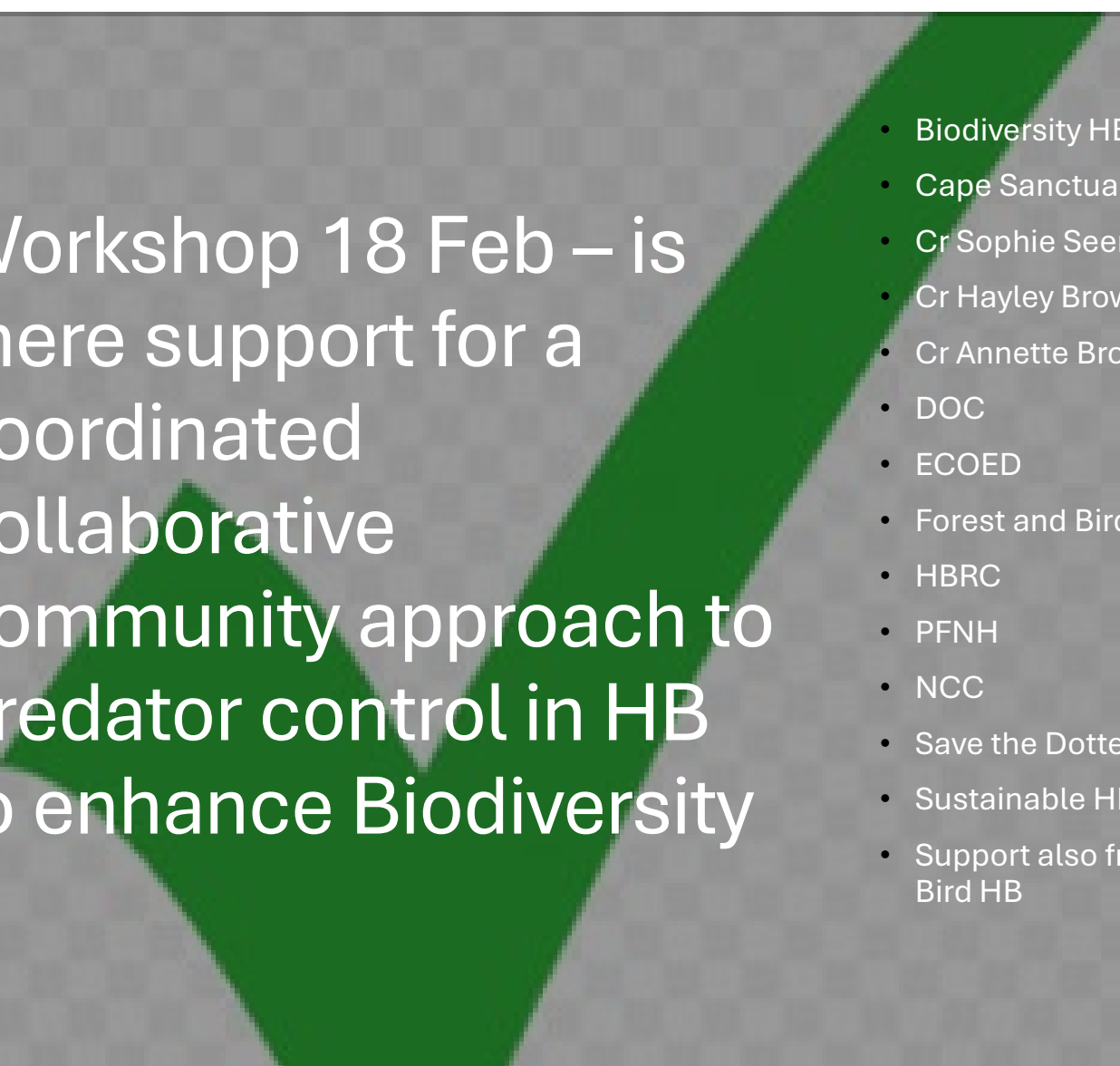


Menz Shed Napier, Community Education and Trap Collection Day

One woman
band not
sustainable –
how can I make
this project Self
Sustainable ?







Workshop 18 Feb – is there support for a coordinated collaborative community approach to predator control in HB to enhance Biodiversity

- Biodiversity HB
- Cape Sanctuary
- Cr Sophie Seers
- Cr Hayley Brown
- Cr Annette Bronson
- DOC
- ECOED
- Forest and Bird
- HBRC
- PFNH
- NCC
- Save the Dotterels
- Sustainable HB
- Support also from Mana Ahuriri, Te Mata peak, Bird HB

Working Group Established

Region wide project to restore Hawke's Bay's unique wildlife and plants by removing introduced predators such as rats, possums, and stoats.

- *Where? Deep Bush, Rural, & Urban Community Trapping*
- *Funding*
- *Structure*
- *Communication*
- *ST and LT Goals*
- *Planning Spring Hui for HB Predator Control Champions*
- *Community day this Summer*



Cr Sophie Siers, Cr Hayley Brown, Rachel Ward (Cape Sanctuary), Belinda Sleight& Deb Monahan(BHB), Campbell Leckie (SHB),Natalie de Brugh(HBRC), Heidi Stiefel and Glenys (PFNH), Cr Marcus Buddo (HDC), James Treadwell(Forestry

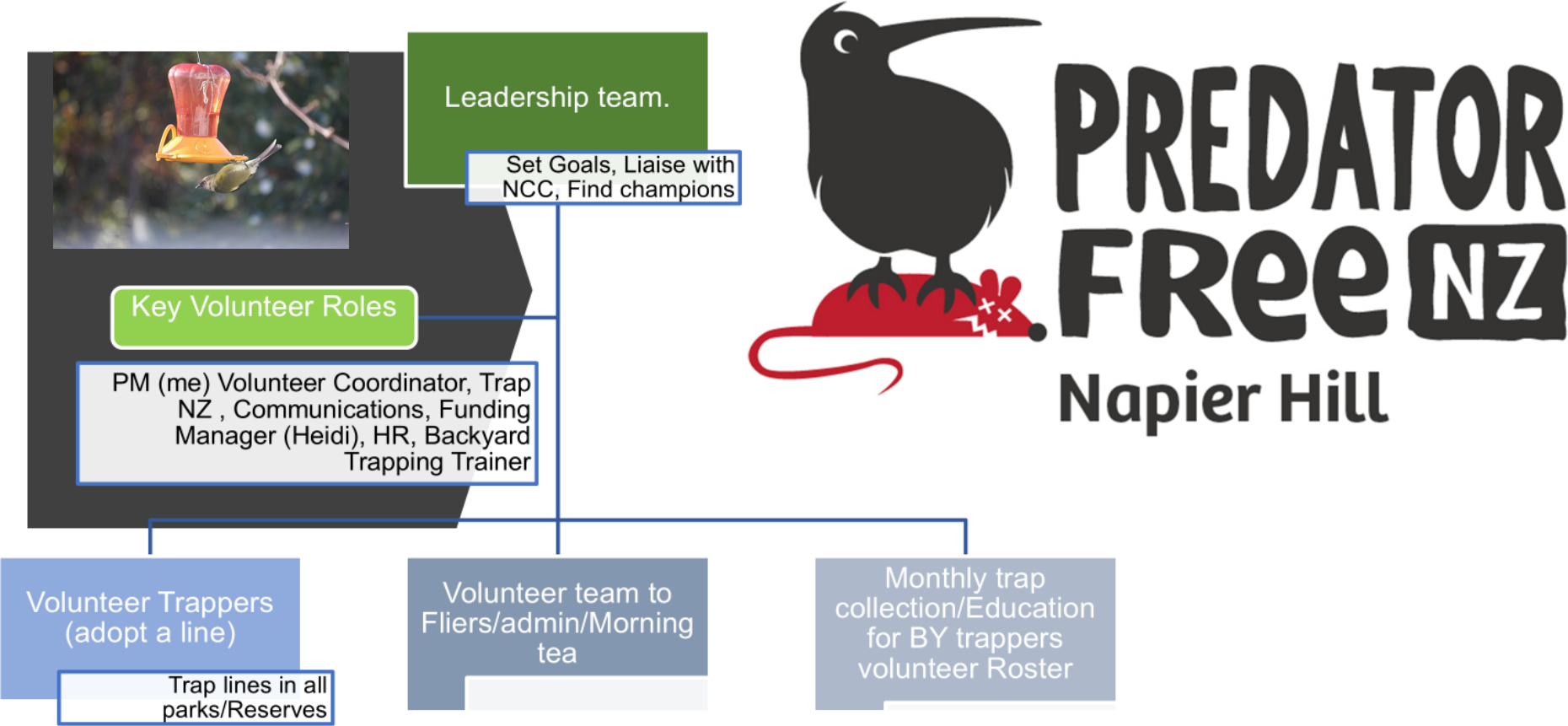


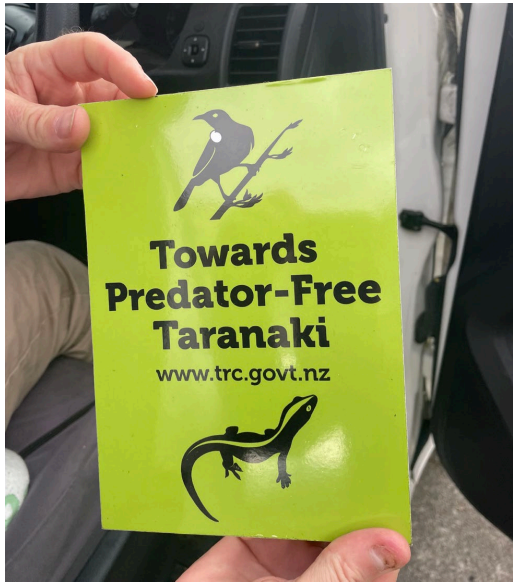
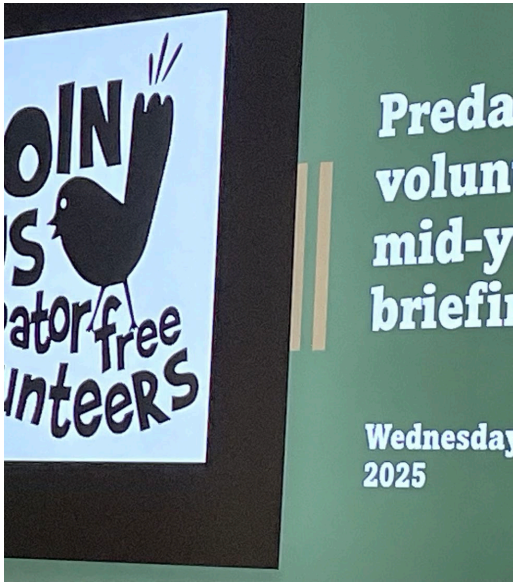
PF Maggie's Way – *needed a coordinator to get it started*





PF Schools





Towards Predator Free Taranaki

- 2000 traps all cleared by volunteers
- Parks and Reserves
- Waiting list
- 10K+ Traps in Back yards

Community Benefits

Wellington PF Outcomes report

- Increase in **native birdlife** – but not only
- **Widespread and equitable participation** across the project. This means the ecological and wellbeing benefits, such as rat-free homes or increased wildlife, and potential benefits of participating, such as improvements to people's psychological and social wellbeing, are not limited to particular sectors of society.
- Increase in **community connectivity** and **friendships**
- Resilience
- **Linking our communities** - Hastings scouts
- By working together, we can all play a part in slowing down the impact of introduced predators on our natural species



Recommendations for NCC

NCC supports TPFHB

A Councillor role on the Governance Group, with a focus on advocacy, community engagement, and communications support. ✓

- A staff contact to contribute to the working group, with links into reserve management, operational support, and promotional channels.

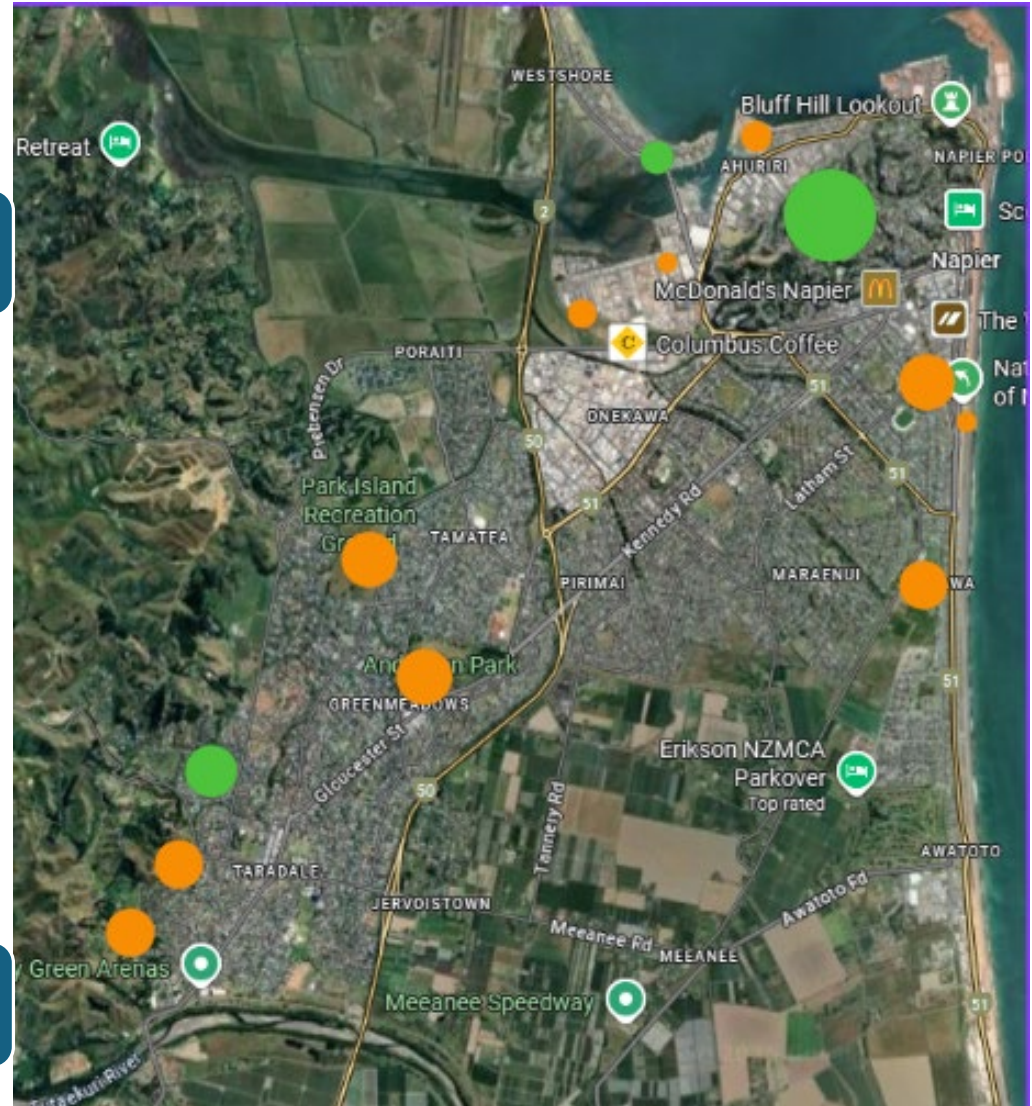
A coordinator to mobilise community groups

What Could this look like

Working with NCC

- Come up with a plan, start with 2-3 Reserves
- Bait stations to discuss for gully's
- Communication – Sharing the story/fliers
- Joint funding applications for hardware
- Be part of the Parks and Reserve plan
- Work to set up and support more community groups

Build Corridors/Halo effect





Photos we would like to see in HB



“People are the Silver Bullet “ –
Dan Henry Predator Free Mirimar