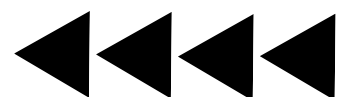




# **KARAMEA COMMUNITY**

**KOHAIHAI TO LITTLE WANGANUI  
2022 EDITION**

**OUR LIVING PLAN**



# OUR LIVING PLAN

Our Community Plan is a fluid living document that is edited annually to reflect the changing needs and energy of the people of Karamea. This is version 6 of the 2017-2022 plan reviewed in May 2022.

Its impossible to list all of the many valuable groups, clubs and associations that build our invisible web of community, and the countless random acts of kindness that make Karamea such a special place to live. **Further information can be found online at [Karamea.nz](http://Karamea.nz)**

## ACRONYM KEY

ASK - Abundance Share Karamea  
BDC - Buller District Council  
CLDP PM - Community-led Development Programme Partnership Manager  
CSK - Clean Streams Karamea  
DoC - Department of Conservation  
DWC - Development West Coast  
FoKAS - Friends of Karamea Area School  
KAS - Karamea Area School  
KCAC - Karamea Community Arts Council  
KCG - Karamea Catchment Group  
KCM - Karamea Centennial Museum  
KEEP - Karamea Estuary Enhancement Project  
KELC - Karamea Early Learning Centre  
KFM - Karamea Community Radio Station  
KIRC - Karamea Information and Resource Centre  
KNBG - Karamea Natural Burial Ground  
KPG - Karamea Pop-up Gallery  
KRR - Karamea Rata Reserve  
KSE - Karamea Seed Exchange  
KWMG - Karamea Waste Management Group  
KWML - Karamea War Memorial Library  
KYI - Karamea Youth Initiative  
ORP - Ōpārara Reserve Project  
OVT - Ōpārara Valley Trust  
R & D - Research & Development



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**We're all  
in this  
together**



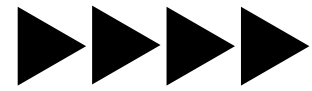
**To achieve an inclusive self supporting community culture in Karamea, ensuring that no one is left out unless by personal choice. We want to be a community where all of our members flourish.**

**Karamea is a hospitable, safe, and productive community where residents can live, share, play, celebrate, prosper and welcome others.**



**Trust,  
Respect, Integrity  
Transparent,  
Accountable,  
Communicate,  
Involve, Engage  
Participate,  
Empower**





# ECONOMIC WELLBEING

TO ACHIEVE SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

## Ideas & Dreams

Explore prospects for horticulture, food and beverage enterprises.

Improve marketing of Karamea, its products and businesses including its branding and packaging.

Establish viable small business enterprises, eg. printing, guiding, microbrewery, hemp farm.

Focus on restoring and protecting the Ōpārara Basin.

Expand and enhance the weekly Saturday Market and improve its appearance and marketing.

Support development of the Arts including exhibition and performance spaces, and marketing opportunities for local artists.

## Status

'21	'22	
		CSK, CoStarters
		DWC, Ko-op
		Ongoing, CoStarters +
		OVT, DoC, ORP, CSK, KAS
		Saturday Market
		KCAC, KPG, FoKAS

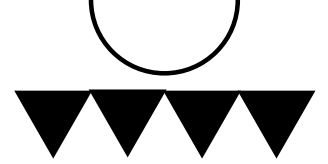
= Concept

= Research & Development

= Active Community-led Project



# ENVIRONMENTAL WELLBEING



TO PROTECT OUR ENVIRONMENT AND ENHANCE AWARENESS OF AND RELATIONSHIPS WITH ITS UNIQUE AND DISTINCTIVE GEOGRAPHICAL AND PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

## Ideas & Dreams

Support Clean Streams Karamea to develop and implement ecosystem health for our region.

Create a Rata Reserve at the entrance to Karamea.

Establish a recycling centre to reuse materials, and divert waste.

Establish an Ōpārara Sanctuary from the Source to the Sea.

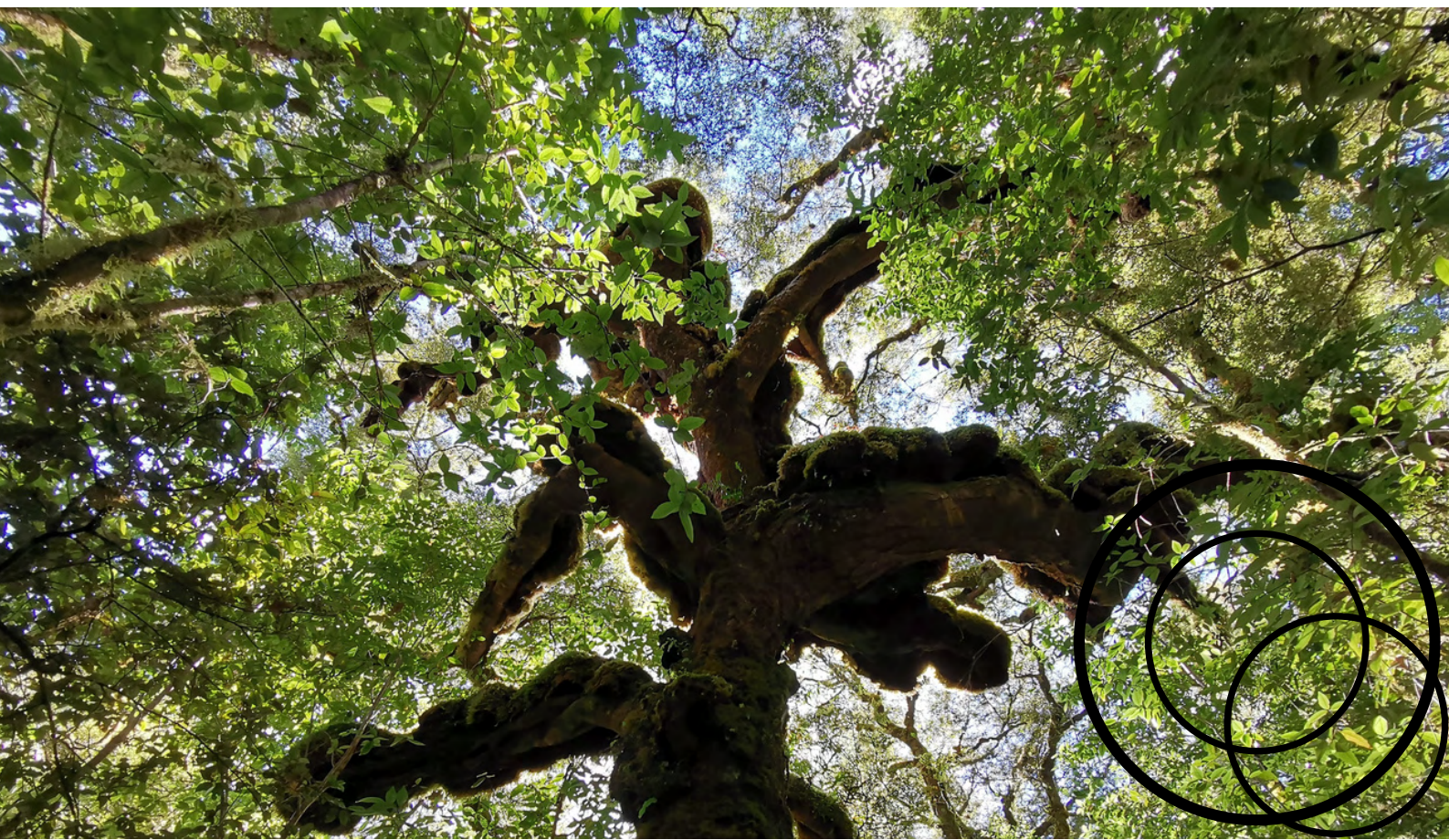
Establish river monitoring and habitat protection practices to ensure species survival

Develop and run educational programmes focused on our local landscapes, flora and fauna.

Support Karamea Estuary Enhancement Project.

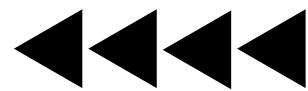
## Status

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●	→ ●	CSK
●	→ ●	KRR
●	→ ●	KWVG, BDC
●	→ ●	ORP, KAS, CSK
■	→ ●	KCG
■	→ ▲	R & D
●	→ ●	Active - KEEP





# EDUCATION & LEARNING



TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO COMMUNITY EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES ACROSS THE LIFESPAN

## Ideas & Dreams

Support Karamea Youth Initiative

Establish a holiday and summer school programme for kids.

Develop Karamea Centennial Museum displays and promotion.

Secure an Early Childhood Education teacher in Karamea and support Karamea Early Learning Centre.

Educate community about reducing, reusing and recycling our waste.

Support Karamea War Memorial Library.

Support annual Winter School in July.

Establish adult classes including Te Reo, IT Literacy and mātauranga Māori.

Regular Karamea based CoStarters business development course.

## Status

'21	'22	
●	→ ●	KYI
■	→ ▲	KYI
●	→ ●	KCM
■	→ ●	KELC
●	→ ●	KWMG, KAS, BDC
●	→ ●	KWML
●	→ ●	KCAC, KIRC
	■	Various
	●	DWC



# COMMUNITY HEALTH & WELLBEING



TO INCREASE COMMUNITY WELLBEING BY IMPROVING ACCESS TO HEALTHY FOOD AND WELLBEING SERVICES

## Ideas & Dreams

Establish edible landscapes and growing spaces for community food, reflection, relaxation and knowledge sharing.

Develop a community garden for everyone to enjoy.

Explore the feasibility of an integrated holistic wellbeing centre.

Improve existing health services, e.g. establish a Karamea Helpline and attract a permanent resident doctor.

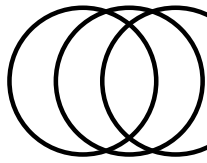
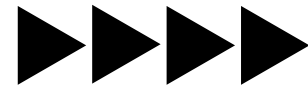
Support locally grown produce and sharing of abundance.

## Status

'21	'22	
●	→ ▲	KCGC
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■	→ ■	Concept
■	→ ▲	Health NZ
●	→ ●	Market, ASK, KSE



# SOCIAL & CULTURAL WELLBEING



TO ENHANCE SOCIAL CONNECTIONS BY INCREASING SOCIAL, CULTURAL AND RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY.

## Ideas & Dreams

Improve dissemination of information throughout the community and continue to support to contribute to [karamea.nz](http://karamea.nz).

Ongoing support to improve facilities and conservation at the Ōpārara Reserve.

Support community art spaces and classes including Karamea Pop up Gallery and the studio on Wharf Rd.

Create regular community events, e.g. monthly pot luck meals, competitions for food and beverages, movie evenings, live music.

Establish Māori cultural education and a cultural space for hangi.

Establish community event equipment including sound system, marquee, trestles etc suitable for a variety of events.

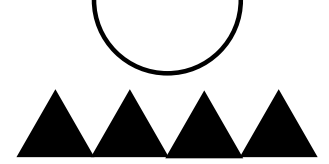
Prepare for Karamea's 150th Birthday Celebrations in November 2023.

## Status

'21	'22	
		KIRC, KFM, CLDP PM +
		ORP, CSK, KAS, DoC, KYI
		various
		various
		KAS, CLDP PM Matariki
		Active - ORP, FoKAS,
		R & D - KCM+



# SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE



TO ENHANCE THE SUSTAINABILITY AND PROSPERITY OF OUR  
COMMUNITY BY IMPROVING OUR INFRASTRUCTURE

## Ideas & Dreams

Develop Market Cross as the heart/hub of the community (Stage 1 of the Town and Country Plan).

Improve and develop safe walking and cycling opportunities.

Upgrade the Ōpārara Valley for tourism

Explore the feasibility of a locally-owned power generation system and become energy independent in 10 yrs.

Cover and heat the swimming pool.

Build an RV dump station

## Status

'21	'22	
●	→ ●	Active - various
■	→ ●	OVT, KCI
●	→ ●	OVT & DoC
■	→ ■	Concept
▲	→ ●	KAS
■	→ ▲	Concept



# KEYSTONE CLD

# PROJECTS & EVENTS



**Project | Event**

	<b>Economic</b>	<b>Environmental</b>	<b>Education &amp; Learning</b>	<b>Health &amp; Wellbeing</b>	<b>Social &amp; Cultural</b>	<b>Infrastructure</b>
<b>Ōpārara Source to Sea Sanctuary</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Karamea Area School Rebuild</b>			✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Clean Streams Karamea</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Karamea Youth Initiative</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
<b>Karamea War Memorial Library</b>			✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Karamea Rata Reserve</b>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Winter School</b>			✓	✓	✓	
<b>Karamea Art &amp; Craft Exhibitions</b>	✓		✓	✓	✓	
<b>Karamea Estuary Enhancement Project</b>		✓	✓	✓	✓	
<b>Karamea Community Radio</b>			✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Karamea Waste Management Group</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Community Sound System &amp; event gear</b>			✓	✓	✓	
<b>Karamea Community Garden</b>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Karamea Centennial Museum</b>	✓		✓		✓	✓
<b>150th Birthday Celebration</b>	✓		✓		✓	
<b>Community Website</b>			✓	✓	✓	
<b>Karamea Early Learning Centre</b>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Karamea Information &amp; Resource Centre</b>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓