

Suggestions Topics less important than making connections with the people. Pick a few topics as handle though	Top-Tips Iwi blessings large events e.g. school openings	Needs Volunteer database- easy access to, hosted by Ecan(?)	Challenges- general Funders consistency in applications for environmental funds. Smaller projects need less admin and reporting ( e.g. < \$50,000)	Questions How to measure and monitor consistently across agencies?	Parking Lot Working with Landowners
Inventory of the work being done by ECan, CCC and DC's in terms of environmental sustainability and diversity *and ACKNOWLEDGE GAPS	Trust your own intuition and skills	Scientific societies meet with community groups- Bot Soc, Orni Soc, Ent Soc. DOC biodiversity amangement system NVS, LENZ, LCDB	How to align funding criteria and funding allocations? (e.g. DOC/MFE?WWF? Councils)	Port Hills Trust funding?	Canterbury overarching vision Canterbury Biodiversity Strategy
To discuss in the future/next meeting Alignment of agency work programmes= non silo behaviour	Identify the key question(s) to answer	Template letter to Runanga Chair with appropriate salutations (with translation)	How to align funding criteria and funding allocations? (e.g. DOC/MFE?WWF? Councils)	DOC: Christchurch biodiversity?	Formation of network (e.g. community engagement activities or new network)
Establish Network/pathways for communication and connection among agencies and groups and place/forum to meet regularly.	An Enviro-hub! Would be amazing, where enviro-groups and ECan could come together. I believe one used to exist when ECan was on Kilmore St.- work spaces, talks, bumping spaces	Enviro-Hub "bumping stations" community space for it	How to avoid duplication in administration, monitoring, volunteer recruitment	Where is institutional knowledge available e.g. Canterbury maps	An opportunity to meet face to face with agencies and people working in other charities groups so that relationships can be built and ideas exchanged
Topic for future- Recruiting volunteers, managing volunteers	Skills map in all our websites e.g. botanical, freashwater, soil science, social science	Enviro-Hub PLEASE	ECan: restoration > \$10,000 needs a covenant. Concerns over legal enforcement and who is	How do you find key contacts in agencies?	Understanding the role of Regional Policy Statements in relation to the environment (e.g. biodiversity significance0 (Broader) Discussion of our environmental priorities (e.g. are they: cleanwater, biodiversity, climate change, curbing mining)
More focused networking for community groups to connect and collaborate	Agency websites. DOC- all biodiversity, monitoring toolbox ECan- biodiversity page up Dec 2016. CCC- biodiversity website up	need for an Eco-hub "Environment Centre" monitoring for re-build pathway to find information. Site where collated	Iwi: Act voluntarily weekdays. Note capacity issues	Where are the botanist, ecologists and soil scientist in agencies?	
Next forum: What has been achieved since last forum in November	Sustainability advocate ecological footprint. What can a person do to mitigate their own ecological footprint e.g. x plants per annum planted?	centrailised communication on website. Not a zillion emails and attachments, maybe email link when updated	ECan and CCC websites confusing to access information		Community engagement strategies. Urban and Rural
To focus on 2-3 topics per networking meeting e.g. funding, covenanting	Urban community use social/media and facebook	Include funding for monitoring in Immediate Steps funding not just physical works	Building relationships. TRUST IS KEY		Not everybody uses online
Mind-map, flowchart for issues. Use snap solve send at CCC	Rata foundation- Feb information for funding. June larger scale for bigger projects. Talk to Rata first	Good knowledge reps from ECan/CCC/DOC presenting "This is how we can help".	Agencies: Has worked well with local projects but national policies contradict (e.g. waste, water)		
Environmental groups sharing long-term visions with agencies and looking at feasible plans and long-term funding	Iwi letter of support to Chair, introduce project and area. Letters of support, give dates needed allow atleast 1 month	Coordinating agency/council work programmes and less silo like behaviour	Funding issue? Seldom available to help administration or travel		
Agencies photos of key people and roles for biodiversity/environmental matters e.g. parks, waterways, resource consents. District plan rules, technical advice	Rata Foundation (previously Community trust) - Marlborough to Selwyn river to Chatham Islands. Learn participate-environment . Connect-(some connection).Support	finding/building the networks, contact list of existing networks	Future Events: How to challenge the current overarching commitment to growth and tools justifying everything that is un-sustainable? (without doing so, everything we value is at risk)		

Suggestions	Top-Tips	Needs	Challenges- general	Questions	Parking Lot
Each forum 2 or 3 targetted topics	Native species translocations. DOC arranges Iwi liaison		Confirmation Bias		
Face to Face	Technical support from DOC		For effective pest plant and animal control need 10,000 ha for agency cost efficiencies.		
Speed dating	Good relationship with DOC person more enabling on the ground		For communities to be engaged need 1 person per 1000ha. Gap between in capacity is high		
Social event(s)?	Money for a project from ECan Immediate steps. Well balanced and funding upfront and good staff support		Conservation activities on public land often not supported to same extent as on private land e.g. Quail Island when it comes to funding		
Make directory of all because so many here	collaboration between TSOs		Fixed networks in agencies- hard to break into		
Speaker from CHCH Community Accounting	Being involved in CWMS, helping establish				
more clear identification of challenges for groups. Possible collaborative solutions	Increases support and alignment with DOC				
Using social media to promote your cause, raise interest, encourage volunteers, let people know what you have done	Talk to the funding body first before you apply				
Iwi/community groups template letter/exemplars of, info on cultural sites, resource consents, letters of support for restoration, introducing project	use low cost professional services e.g. through university				
Monitoring: follow national monitoring methods e.g. DOC monitoring toolbox. Contribute to national database so not re-inventing the wheel	Making relationships. Trust, keeping contact lines open				
Group map of projects what /where people are doing	Addressed challenges by being self-sufficient				
Collaboration between groups for landscape scale coordinatoion/restoration efforts	Trust relationship to open the pathway				
Send out a mailing list with participants names/roles/organisation and contact details to facilitate ongoing networking	Trust- know what each other (agency and TSO) said. Build up history where people know you will deliver				
Funding workshop. All the main funders discussing what funding they have and tips for success	Groups appreciate funders attendance at events, etc.				
Predator free NZ, Otakaro red zone, covenants, funding	Tell funders good news stories				
Community person team up with agency person (blob with square). Define key questions for next event	Non charitable trusts go through community board				
Groups sharing about resources and knowledge and covenanting	Using a guiding document the Canterbury Biodiversity Strategy.				
Contact details on website. Communication on website rather than email	Visually show what doing. Visit				
Face to face network	Technical support from universities and expertise works well				

## Suggestions

covenanting topic for networking event  
face to face meeting with agencies great. Regular  
annual meeting good  
Coordinate efforts at landscape scale e.e.1000-  
10,000 ha  
One big project, many contributing community  
groups putting together one application

## Top-Tips

## Needs

## Challenges- general

## Questions

## Parking Lot

Freshwater Group Concerns around information flow/transfer. Quality and Quantity	Volunteers Not all volunteers are managed	Urban Opportunity to education of urban population on rural issues and their part to play	Sustainability 3/4 of year through the resources are used up and we are in deficit use (globally) . What do we value? National, International.	Monitoring Why monitor and where to start? Water quality, birds (river) SES/SNA, restoration success	Challenges- Agency related Knowing who to contact	Solutions- Agency related Funders can drop funding from groups who have had funding for awhile
Communication of knowledge and information upwards to Ecan. Create space for discussion around direction of freshwater management. Ecan can be more engaged and proactive rather than reactive Communication to improve through greater promotion of the pollution hotline and all the different types of issues that can be reported into it. CCC snap-send-solve app	Only 10% of organisations have paid staff	Community engagement, awareness and education. Face to face, facebook/social networking, collaborate different areas.	Reevaluate priorities and purpose, behaviour change and drivers. Promote an economics that reflects the real world and real people. How?	Define outcomes to inform what to measure.	Short time frames for submissions on issues of concern mean cant put in good submission	more non-stat and stat plans that do support biodiversity. Helps get co-workers on-side
Communication improvement: A simple mind map or flow chart of how to interact with ECan. Zone contacts for our area, who do you contact.	Language around volunteers is a wee bit flawed.	Bringing concepts of issues into awareness (e.g. contaminated sites) Greater community awareness recognising that CHCH is a tough nut to crack.	Communication- Third Sector Organisations (TSO) have enormous accumulated expertise and community knowledge	Funding is an issue	national and local policy contradicting each other	relationship with Manawhenua and Ngai Tahu - capacity still a challenge
	Volunteers/people are time poor	Focus on localities- communities beyond locality	Communication- Why should the Third Sector Organisations have to work through institutions in order to be heard?	Citizen science=make data and results available	Predatory- will and enthusiasm locally however implementation questions, unanswered on how and funding coordination (boundaries, everyone needs to be engaged)	Real partnerships and collaboration with other groups and organisations
	Money system- nature of the system	Connect ideas with city plans	Communication- Power Issues get in the way of open debate.	consistency across agencies- a can of worms	Staff turnover in agencies- proper handover plan and handover of community groups	What works- when we create networking opportunities between community groups and agencies
	Volunteer is meaning of PASSIVE- people say "I'm just a volunteer".	Pathways for communication: neighborhood support, resident associations, multicultural coordinators, schools plant for forest park, enviroschools	Communication- Working with agencies, TSO don't want money, ironically. Do want to be listened to and heard and follow up. TSO don't want to continue to be marginalised		Expertise declining from agencies loss of trained and experienced ecologist, botanist, soil science.	Come talk to agencies before you apply
	Volunteers- to be involved we need to care	Greenin ghte Rubble: community developmnet space			Too many planners and not enough expertise or institutional knowledge.	Funders should work together
	Volunteers are over used and abused role- lack of equity for volunteers at table giving advice to people learning \$	Pest irradiation: urban perimeter, indiv. Urban folk to assist with boundaries.			International experience needs to be applicable to NZ.	Collaboration between groups to raise funds and achieve outcomes
	Why volunteer? A sense of freedom. I am alive. I am making a difference	Community engagement monitoring and evaluateion is important			Getting the balance right- learning from local communities to inform balanced with international environmental knowledge	Recognise in-kind support and not just funding
	How do you ensure volunteers stay on track- talk-rules-purpose/vision is clear	DOC: roaming urban conservation delivers programmes, partnerships , kiwi gardens			Agency: ID expertise. % of local expertise on staff, ID current skill gaps and plan to address the gap. Make specialist skills more accessible of agencies	Open days by agency- oportuntiy to talk
		ECan: Air reducing winter air pollution, smoke free, what others offer			Whan applying to multiple funding sources you have no idea what each will give. Complicated	Living mailing list/contacts. Who should own it?

Waimakiriri challenges, end of the pipe paradigm- source treatment

CCC not being "enabling" but improving

Let collaboration with other groups and DC when able to do what you want. Let you run with initial ideas

Avon Otakaro Forest Park native forest park/wetland in red zone. Low cost how impacts volunteers, horse shoe lake

Flip-flopping between parts of agency

Need to be able to talk to real person. Webpage needs to be easier to navigate

Changing Staff e.g. funding managers

Effective communication for all groups (e.g. migrant). Peer review needs to include people outside sphere (colleagues)  
Two way communication and level of flexibility required.

IRD compliance

Groups are very dependent on particular people this is put at risk when staff changes

KPI for agencies to increase engagement with community through web

No support from Ecan. Submissions not acted upon and no luck with Zone Committee

Each agency has a person at library one day a week to help people

When agency priority doesn't match with community group priority- specific outcomes vs. broad community engagement

Line diagram on web to find staff

DOC underresourced load increasing on groups and on older volunteers

handover process internally to link to existing networks

Change in personnel and structures in organisations

Funders rules and criteria not transparent

Partnership funding to complete projects co-funding requirements for significant projects who do you contact? Clarity on who to talk to

Clarity on the roles of various groups and agencies

Planning can't always fit statutory timeframes restriction on how you do the work by agencies

Influence process limited. TSO listen to but not heard. No feedback given Political needs get in the way of making the hard decisions

Freshwater Group

Volunteers

Urban

Sustainability

Monitoring

Challenges- Agency related

Solutions- Agency related

## Funding

"Rob Peter to pay Paul" retrospective funding some sources (DOC community fund, MFE Community enviro fund) but very difficult

Short-term funding detrimental and longer much better

Hard/impossible to get funding to pay someone to apply for funding

Not enough money in Immediate Steps

Hard to get funding to pay people

Breadth of remit can make getting funding hard

Funding applications hard

Need a minimum of 10,000 per application as time taken to apply means not worth applying to me

RATA/DIA-Some criteria for funding measures of success are social rather than environmental

Local funds (needed) e.g. Bank Peninsula Board

Get along side big business. Funding for business e.g. BPCT

## Funding

verbal reporting back to funders for small grants. Should be minimum work and compliance for small grants

some funders increasing their engagement with community groups

RATA- funding applications for Rata require strategic plans- smaller groups don't have capacity to write these

