

## Mapua Livability Report

At the 2nd meeting of the LMWG in early May, the group agreed that our goal is to provide strategic leadership and high level oversight of the various tactical MDCA initiatives in support of our agreed themes (Sustainability, Inclusiveness, Connectiveness, Value of Natural, Future Focus, Resilience).

We would like to see the high level aspirations for our community that have been outlined in the Future Development Strategy (FDS), Tasman Environmental Plan (TEP) and Long Terms Plans (LTPs) be operationalized.

To achieve this, the LMWG will strive to grow/build relationships with both local and national government and relevant stakeholder groups at a critical time of change (RMA, 3 Waters, Local Govt reforms etc). We will also work to quantify the impact of new housing development in our district in terms of climate change impacts, tree loss, vehicle emissions etc, see how it is all connected, consider appropriate mitigation measures and set real targets on our path to a more Livable Community.

Importantly, ongoing cooperation between our regions various Community Associations in support of our commons goals will provide a strong voice to our elected local government representatives and hopefully encourage some to be passionate advocates for our cause.

If successful, this will allow Community Associations to engage early, knowledgably and in a value-adding way to better influence the post-PMA legislative landscape and inform the various local government reviews underway. Ultimately, our goal should be to change the rules that Developers must follow and ensure that the aspirations for our region put forward in the FDS and TEP are a binding requirement of future subdivision Resource Consents and Council Long Term Plans.

### **Roles within the LMWG were also assigned as follows:**

David M - Local Wetlands / Flora / Environmental challenges

Bruce G - Climate Change and Connectivity

Wayne C - Roads and Pathways safety and connectivity - expanding our network

Marion S - External stakeholder management and communication

Dave B - Broader national context - mapping / analysis / stakeholder education

Paul M - Internal stakeholder management, project prioritization / integration / tracking and metrics