WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This free public workshop is open to anyone with an interest in the future management of the kauri trees at Brooklands Kauri Grove.

Refreshments and lunch will be provided.

OUTCOMES

The workshop provides an opportunity to hear the reasons behind the Council's intention to thin the trees in Kauri Grove.

Participants will hear speakers discuss aspects of kauri ecology and forest management, plus see the concept design for landscape improvements planned for this feature area of Brooklands.

The full-day programme will commence with illustrated speaker sessions in the Council Chambers, followed by a guided visit to view the kauri stand.

A final panel discussion will allow for questions and a summary.

New Plymouth District Council gratefully acknowledges the involvement of the sustainable indigenous forest group Tane's Tree Trust

BROOKLANDS KAURI GROVE

In 1935 former Pukekura Park curator Thomas Horton planted approximately 150 New Zealand kauri Agathis australis as a plantation, on the west-facing slope of Brooklands alongside the northern end of Brooklands Road. Native totara, rimu and kahikatea are also associated with the kauri in this location.

A similar, smaller plantation exists in Pukekura Park, at Kindergarten Gully, which runs south-west from Fillis Street.

The majority of kauri within the Brooklands site have the potential to live over 1000 years - even in to the fourth millennium.

However, the essential maintenance work of thinning and pruning to correct minor defects - which should have taken place in previous decades - has never been undertaken meaning the long-term future of the fine specimen trees within the stand is compromised.

The Council has been advised by several science and industry experts as to the most appropriate approach to managing the Brooklands kauri to ensure their sustainable future. This workshop is your opportunity to hear a range of speakers discuss their views on kauri management.

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A Community Workshop

BROOKLANDS KAURI GROVE promoting AN APPROACH FOR LONG-TERM CARE AND SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT

New Plymouth District Council

in association with

Tane's Tree Trust

-invite you to attend an information workshop and field visit

> 9.30am onwards Friday 04 October 2002

Council Chambers Civic Building cnr. Liardet/Leach Streets **NEW PLYMOUTH**

PROGRAMME

A full-day workshop, comprising illustrated presentations, discussion and a field visit to the Kauri Grove site. Refreshments and field visit transportation provided.

09.00 - 09.30am

Coffee and registration

09.30 - 9.50am
Bryan Gould
Manager Premier Parks, NPDC
An overview of the issues

9.50 - 10.10am

Dr Bruce Burns

Scientist, Landcare Research

Kauri ecology

10.10 - 10.30am
Ian Barton
Forestry Consultant and Researcher
Pre/post thinning stand dynamics

10.30 - 11.00am Morning Tea

11.00 - 11.20am Roger McGibbon Ecology Consultant Non-timber values

11.20 - 11.40am
Greg Steward
Scientist, Forest Research
Timber quality and utilisation

11.40 - 12.00 noon
Dr Dave Bergin
Scientist, Forest Research
Kauri Grove management plan

12.00 - 12.30pm General discussion period

12.30 - 1.15pm Lunch - Chambers

1.15pm
Depart by bus to Kauri Grove

1.30pm
All speakers
Guided inspection of kauri on site
Site inspection and review

3.15pm
Return to Council Chambers

3.30 - 4.00pm Afternoon Tea

4.00 - 4.30pm

Panel discussion

4.30pm Close



REGISTRATION

This community workshop is free.

Registrations close 4.00pm, 27 September.

Please secure your registration by
contacting New Plymouth District Council
in advance. You may register in person at
any Council Customer Support Centre, or
by calling the Council on (06) 759 6060.

KAURI MANAGEMENT

New Plymouth District Council is responsible for three reserve areas where planted kauri occur in large numbers. Brooklands Kauri Grove and Kindergarten Gully in Pukekura Park are two sites, with the third and largest planting being Fred Cowling Plantation in Barrett Domain. These trees are important botanical assets with the capacity to increase in environmental and community value for many generations to come.

All kauri within these sites are protected under the Council's District Tree Policy. Section 4.2.3 defines the Council's policy in relation to kauri management and states the objective "To ensure that existing unique stands of kauri are managed as significant collections of long term forest trees".

This workshop will advise the community of the Council's approach to caring for these outstanding specimen trees.