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Dear members, In October, we had two events that were particularly relevant to our community. Our regular monthly neighbourhood get-together featured an inspiring presentation by John Stansfield and Denisa Kolouchova from the Island Waste Collective. John entertained and inspired the audience with tales of the history of waste on Waiheke and traced the timeline through to the current collective and the development of the Waiheke Resources Trust. This was particularly interesting for those who were relatively new to the Island. He then explained what to do about waste right now and presented an exciting project that would see us processing much more waste on the island allowing, amongst other things, for plastic to be turned into useful items.

Denisa continued the talk with an enthusiastic presentation of the Waiheke waste hierarchy, pictured here. She encouraged us to take our recycling directly to the recovery park (transfer station), especially items that they can now recycle and on-sell: glass, cans, and bottle caps and lids.

We would like to thank John and Denisa for an excellent presentation and the Island Waste Collective for free vouchers to be spent at the recovery shop which were given out to attendees. This was then followed with drinks, nibbles and vibrant conversation.



WAIHEKE WASTE HIERARCHY



On-island solutions to be prioritised over off-island
due to the transport and carbon costs of movement over water



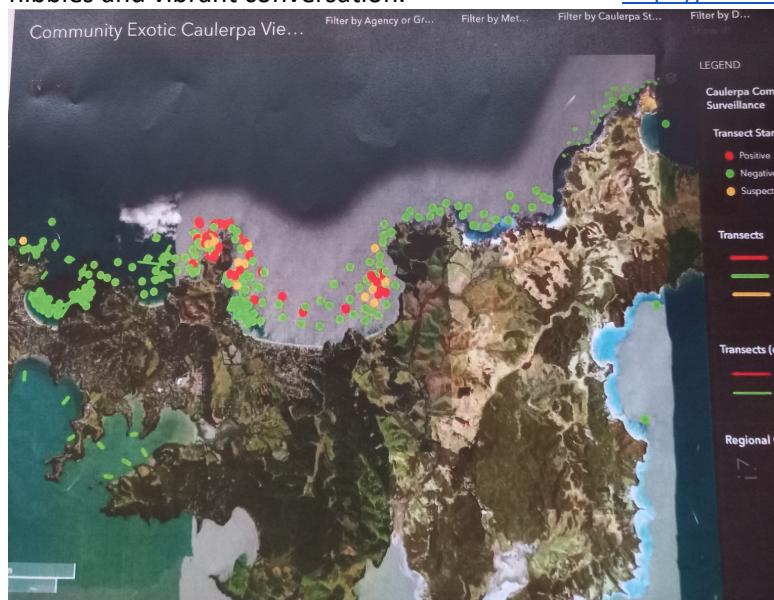
A number of useful videos are also available here:

Recycling - <https://vimeo.com/995961718?share=copy>

Building waste - <https://vimeo.com/1013047498?share=copy>

Recycled resources - <https://vimeo.com/1013060837?share=copy>

Green waste - <https://vimeo.com/1013061714?share=copy>



On October 23rd, Cath Handley organised and led a meeting at the hall. The aim was to inform the community on the scourge of Caulerpa through presentations from MPI's Director of Pest Management for Biosecurity NZ, John Walsh, and Herearoha Skipper, Chair of the Ngati Paoa Iwi Trust. John is the lead for the Caulerpa response nationwide and he discussed the current status of Caulerpa in the bay, as shown in the picture, and broached the topic of introducing a Controlled Area Notice (CAN). These have been used in other parts of the country but with different controls in different areas.

At this stage he was interested in the community's openness to the concept. There was acceptance of the idea by many in the room, but questions around the details will be important. It might involve yachts not being allowed to anchor in the bay or prohibition of some fishing activities if they disturb the sea floor. The details of any proposal will be announced later. Herearoha spoke of their Caulerpa trials, their rāhui, and intentions. They have already trialled a number of different methods and are still working on establishing the best approach for dealing with it in the bay. There has been some success in controlling Caulerpa to date, but this has been on a relatively small scale. We will keep you posted when we know more.

There will be a few interesting events in the hall in November, please see below.

	Sunday, 24 November 4pm	ORA ART AND CRAFT FAIR
	Saturday, 2 November, 3pm	RECORD LISTENING CLUB Bring your own vinyl & refreshments ALL WELCOME
	Sunday, 3 November, 4pm	CARD PLAYING AFTERNOON with Sher and Martin Everybody welcome
	Thursday, 7, 14, 21, and 28 November, 9-10am Also check our website calendar	PILATES with Sarah Gloyer <i>Contact Sarah to see if there are still places available</i> synergystudio01@gmail.com
	Monday, 11, 18, and 25 November, 9-10am Also check our website calendar or contact Sibylla	"Qigong for the Spring Season" with Sibylla Energy moving meditation to calm the mind, replenish organs and to nourish the soul Booking essential www.belight.swiftly.nz or 021538486
	Thursday, 7, 14, 21, and 28 November, 12.30-1.30pm Also check our website calendar	Flexercise 65+ exercise class with Jeanine Saunders Bring a yoga mat and do some gentle work for muscle strengthening and bone density
	Sunday, 8 December, 4pm	ORA Christmas BBQ
<p>Our bank account number is 12-3114-0061489-00 in case you want to pay your subs/koha or make a donation. <i>If you want to sign up as a member please contact Suzy Miller at oraonetangi@gmail.com</i></p>		