

HortNZ 2019 / 2020 Priorities

Horticulture Story and Strategy

<i>Develop the new horticulture strategic goal for the next ten years replacing the current \$10 billion by 2020 focusing on cultural, social, environmental and financial sustainability</i>
<i>Develop a sustainable domestic food supply policy with government</i>
<i>Harness the NZ Story's resources to promote the horticulture story</i>
<i>Re-develop the HortNZ web site to better promote the horticulture story building on HortNZ strong media and social media presence</i>

Maintain Priority Focus on HortNZ's Strategic Plan and the following key work streams

<i>Pan-sector Biosecurity and cross-sector technical support</i>
<i>Environmental, including: resource management, climate change, ETS and freshwater access</i>
<i>Food security and response to food incidents</i>
<i>Labour law</i>
<i>Labour supply including the RSE scheme to alleviate critical shortages</i>
<i>Enhance through the Horticulture Capability Group upskilling pathways and the provision of training / education schemes</i>
<i>Administering the PGF projects for career progression managers</i>

Product Groups and District Associations

<i>Continue programme to increase collaboration with a focus on Biosecurity and People Capability (noting that collaboration already exists on RMA and labour issues)</i>
<i>Develop collaborative mechanisms to promote the one voice</i>
<i>Conclude understanding with NZ Apples and Pears</i>
<i>Support young grower groups</i>

Diversity

<i>Support Women in Horticulture</i>
<i>Expand the HortNZ Diversity Policy to include a HortNZ Board Programme</i>
<i>Further develop the HortNZ Board's diversity</i>

ETS / Climate Change

<i>Promote and safeguard horticulture's position</i>
<i>Support that through R&D and the NPS for horticulture</i>
<i>Ensure carbon neutral 2050 policy is positive for horticulture</i>
<i>Advocate for water storage as a key mitigation against climate change and to increase productivity</i>

R&D

<i>Support submissions for social licence to operate: water access, nutrient allocations, sediment controls – to support RMA submissions and the implementation of the NPS for elite soils</i>
<i>PGP for Agroecological crop protection to meet future consumer demands</i>
<i>Opportunities and Barriers for Horticulture: Identifying land suitable for growing fruit and vegetable crops within environment limits, now and in the future</i>
<i>Develop a tech transfer function for GAP EMS, Farm Plans and the Agroecological crop protection programme</i>

Build Long Term Relationship with Maoridom

<i>Develop and implement an engagement programme with Iwi, Hapu and Trusts involved in horticulture</i>
<i>Further development our relationship with Te Tumu Paeroa (the Maori Trustee)</i>
<i>Through the Ahuwhenua 2020 Horticulture Competition and the 2020 Young Maori Grower establish further links with Maoridom</i>
<i>Engage with the Kiwifruit Maori Grower Forum</i>
<i>For the Board and staff arrange Te Reo and cultural training</i>