

Funding Guidelines for the Kereru to Kaikōura Native Plant Restoration Project



In order to qualify for financial assistance your project must meet the following requirements:

- The planting project must be a minimum of 1000 square metres in continuous area and be a minimum of 5 metres in width (3 plants wide). Examples of dimensions include 5m x 200m – 10m x 100m – 20m x 50m – 30m x 35m.
- As a guide the Council would anticipate a planting area of 1000 square metres to include between 500 – 800 plants depending on spacing (1.5 metres is the usual spacing). A minimum of 500 plants must be planted.
- The project must consist of suitable locally sourced native plant. A list of suitable native plant species is provided on the application form. **The funding does not cover exotic plants or native plants not naturally found in the Kaikōura region.**
- Projects being undertaken as a condition of resource consent do not qualify
- The Council will contribute \$1 per plant up to a maximum of \$1000 in total per project
- Larger projects can be staged and receive multiple funding contributions
- Landowners are responsible for ongoing maintenance and management of the planting

Process to get Financial Assistance

- The landowner submits a filled out application form
- The proposal should include, project location a plan view of the area to be planted (Council can provide an aerial photo), a planting list, timetable and work programme for planting including site preparation, planting and maintenance for first two years.
- The Council will provide a letter or email confirming that assistance is available.
- The landowner will carry out the planting work and on completion provide the Council with an invoice for Council's share of the planting costs as set out in the letter of agreement.
- On receipt of this invoice the Council will arrange to visit the site to confirm the standard of the work and discuss ongoing maintenance requirements, prior to payment of the invoice.
- While the Council will be available to provide ongoing advice as required, all maintenance is the responsibility of the landowner.