# Restoring Our Nature's Gifts

# Chatham Islands Landscape Restoration Trust Strategy



## The problem

Our unique island ecosystems have been damaged. Habitat loss and introduced predators have led to the degradation and loss of native species.

The flow-on effect of damaged ecosystems impacts everything that relies on the islands to live – including humans.

We can't afford to lose more.

## Restoring our islands

The Chatham Islands are like nowhere else. Around 326 of our unique species are threatened or at risk- and some of those species are only found here.

Restoring our islands will safeguard the future of amazing species and habitats, help mitigate the effects of climate change, boost our economy, and support social and cultural aspirations.

## Our focus

- Big-picture, long-term approach
- Landscape scale conservation
- Projects that restore the environment and sustain biodiversity, while enabling community

# Outcomes we're working towards

### Our islands' biodiversity is thriving.

- 1. The korowai is restored across the islands.
- 2. The seabird-driven ecosystem is flourishing.
- 3. Our unique species and natural ecosystems are prospering.

#### Our society has nature at its heart.

- 4. We have robust conservation capability and capacity that carries through to future generations.
- 5. The islands are more resilient to climate change.
- 6. We share knowledge and have strong, collaborative relationships.
- 7. Our social ecosystem is aligned with our natural ecosystem.
- 8. The abundance of species allows for harvesting and for the continuing revival of cultural practices.

## Actions to get us there

- 1. Pest control and predator eradication.
- 2. Restoring and protecting habitats and ecosystems.
- 3. Bringing conservation and nature into all facets of our islands' community.
- 4. Collaborating with and empowering others.