

"Regional vitality is closely aligned with economic opportunities"

– Rebooting the Regions,
Prof. Paul Spoonley
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Community

“We all live somewhere and local roots and identities crafted through place are still part of most people’s everyday life.”

- Ashton and Thorns (2007)



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“Rural researchers across the world have closely examined the way in which this broad process of change – often called “rural restructuring” – has transformed the countryside from areas of agricultural production into arenas of *both* production and consumption.”

- The Study of Rural Change from a Social Scientific Perspective

M Mackay, H Perkins and S Espiner, Lincoln University (2009)



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“Social capital is generated and accumulated within families and correlated with improved long-term social welfare of children as a consequence of growing up in "social capital rich" families.”

for policy - Rural families, industry change and social capital: some considerations

K Sampson, C Goodrich, R McManus (2011)



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“Where farming is the primary economic activity, the entire rural economy, including services such as health care, education and basic infrastructure, may depend on the profitability of the sector.”

– European Commission paper on Agriculture’s Contribution to Rural Development (2000)



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Social Capital

The term "social capital" originated, in part, in an attempt to understand how "those features of social organisation, such as trust, norms and networks can improve the efficiency of society by facilitating coordinated actions".

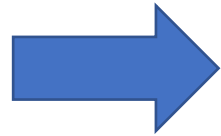
In general, a rural setting tends to intensify the need for and prevalence of social capital. Social capital becomes the "social glue" that holds communities together, so that families, as the building blocks of community, can function in optimum social health.

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HCFG Members Survey

17 respondents



91 unique community contributions

Sport

- 3 netball coaches
- 4 netball administrators
- 6 rugby coaches
- 4 rugby administrators
- 4 pony club administrators
- 5 tennis club administrators
- 1 golf club president
- 4 make land available for pony club
- 5 grow calves for rugby club fundraising

School

- 5 BOT members
- 8 PTA members
- 7 provide land for Waerenga Trail Ride fundraiser
- 1 volunteer movement coach
- 4 Calf Club Day judges
- 2 Flower Show judges

Volunteers

- 1 fire brigade chief
- 2 House of Treasures helpers
- 1 DISC youth centre supporter
- 1 rural support worker
- 4 local Community Hall committee members
- 2 Recreation Centre committee members
- 1 Playgroup committee member
- 1 Breed Society President
- 1 Plunket committee member
- 1 Aparangi volunteer
- 1 community yoga leader
- 1 church committee member
- 1 Boys Rally leader
- 1 vicar

Alternative future for Waipuna Valley?

- 2200ha
- Headwaters of Waerenga Stream
- >100 small tributaries
- 4 typical hill country farms
- scattered lifestyle blocks and smaller sections
- 1 commercial forestry block





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