

Our Land and Water Workshop Summary

Pod 1 Caretakers

The caretakers pod group had a workshop on Wednesday 21st July to agree on a case study approach with Our Land and Water and to set some decision metrics to help with the initial progression. A range of different land use opportunities; benefits, views, priority, and next steps were explored. The Land use opportunities explored were;

- Energy Generation (Solar, Hydro, Wind)
- Fish Stocks
- Quail Eggs and Meat
- Ducks and Geese
- Biofuel Resources
- Technologies
- New Business Models and existing introduced to the area (+ new product opportunity)
- Kanuka Oil extraction
- Alternate Dairy
- Tree Lucerne
- Velvet
- Vegetables/Herbs
- Arable
- Flowers (Fresh + oils)
- Bees/Honey
- Native Landscape and deriving income
- Trees/Nuts/Truffles/
- Sunflower Seeds and Pine nuts
- Canola Oil
- Tourism
- Alternative uses for Fibres (Wool, flax and hemp)

- Gorse
- Insects for Protein Source

The plan following this workshop is for Our Land and Water to “baseline” the first two case study farms. This will include gathering information about their current farm system to be used to inform and guide the analysis of potential land use opportunities. After a baseline has been created the process will become more collaborative again as feedback from the pod group is sort to direct the decisions around land use opportunities.

There is an opportunity for another 2 project farms (in particular dairy) that we are looking for people to volunteer. Please get in touch via the WLT Website contact form for further information

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