



Resource Management Law Association of New Zealand Inc.

STRATEGIC PLAN

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Strategic Plan is intended to be a dynamic document that may be reviewed by any incoming National Committee or as needed from time to time, but must be annually as part of the annual work plan.
- 1.2 This document should be read in conjunction with the RMLA Objective document (19 March 2014).

2. Goals and Targets

- 2.1 **Membership** – to maintain current multi-disciplinary membership and to attract new members.
- 2.2 **Value for Money** – to give all members value for their subscription through a national voice and regional activities.
- 2.3 **Communication & Education** – to continue to be a pre-eminent organisation for members to communicate with each other and to share education opportunities through our high calibre:
 - (a) publications; and
 - (b) conferences, seminars and lecture series events.
- 2.4 **Conference** – to convene successful annual conferences on topical, relevant and emerging resource management and environmental issues at venues around the country (refer RMLA Annual Conference Policy (December 2013)).
- 2.5 **Support for Resource Management Issues and Involvement** – to provide a graduate scholarship and to explore other avenues to encourage participation in resource management.
- 2.6 **Finances** – to manage our funds in a fiscally responsible manner.

3. **Action- General**

3.1 ***Value for Members***

- For the National Committee to provide a strong over-arching leadership, treasury and support role;
- For the Regional Committees to provide a strong regional presence and identity for RMLA, supported by financial assistance for seminars and other activities and by national “road shows”.

3.2 ***Publications***

- To produce three Journals per annum with articles of a high quality which provoke resource management debate;
- To produce six Newsletters per annum with the goal of keeping members informed of resource management issues, activities and members’ news;
- To maintain an informative, stimulating and current Website and explore the opportunities for interactive communication including though use of Social Media;
- To support the Editorial Committee to continue to promote standards of excellence in RMLA publications.

3.3 ***Annual Conference***

- To hold an annual conference in different towns and cities in New Zealand capable of hosting predicted numbers (as determined in accordance with the RMLA Annual Conference Policy (December 2013));
- To ensure that the conference continues to fulfil the expectations of members by providing excellent educational and professional “networking” opportunities;
- To support the Conference Committee made up of members of the host regional committee and two members of the National Committee (to provide an oversight role).

3.4 ***Seminars***

- For the National Committee to develop in consultation with Regional Committees at least four “road shows” per annum to address important topical issues and/or to provide a forum for visiting speakers;
- For the Regional Committees to provide to members at least two seminars and two social events per annum (separately or combined).

3.5 ***Submissions***

- To make submissions on resource management law and national planning documents, where appropriate and relevant to the Association’s objectives.

3.6 **Scholarships and Other Incentives**

- To provide one or more post-graduate scholarships per annum where there are worthy recipients and the scholarship will promote the Association's objectives, out of an annual fund of \$15,000;
- To provide subsidised places at the annual conference for Young RMLA, iwi, NGO's and students.

4. **Current Priorities- 2015-2016**

- Sponsorship arrangements;
- Membership (industry participation);
- Young RMLA (promotion and coordination across regions);
- Social Media (use as communication tool where appropriate);
- Strategic Relations (with other key resource management agencies and organisations, eg MfE, EPA, NZPI, EDS and the Courts);
- RMA Reforms.