

# **LAKE FORSYTH / TE ROTO O WAIREWA**

## **PUBLIC CHARTER**

**The lake community, principally from Little River, Birdlings Flat and surrounds, agree to adopt and abide by the following Charter:**

- ❖ We will commit to the improvement of the water quality of Lake Forsyth / Te Roto o Wairewa towards a level suitable for contact recreation and for the restoration of the Lake's biodiversity**
- ❖ We will advocate and actively assist in the improvement of the health of the Lake, its streams, and the surrounding environment making the Lake suitable for recreation and enjoyment**
- ❖ We will consider methods of controlling lake water levels to the benefit of the environment, the community and mahinga kai use**
- ❖ We will make opportunities to involve all the community in finding a way forward for the long term restoration and use of the Lake**
- ❖ We will work with and respect the historical and cultural association and identity with the Lake of the Wairewa Rūnanga as Kaitiaki (Guardians)**

### **VISION**

**Our community vision for the future is for a healthy restored Lake Forsyth / Te Roto O Wairewa having contact quality water, capable of sustaining its traditional biodiversity of species around, in and on the lake, and providing a range of recreational and traditional pursuits to meet community needs.**