

A STRATEGY TO FOSTER ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP

1. Affirm that fostering active citizenship is a cultural purpose that needs a cultural strategy that is fundamentally different from the action plans and narrow outcomes of previous endeavours.
2. Establish a small government unit under the public service commission that is dedicated to fostering the active citizenship which can impact the common good and wellbeing of all New Zealanders
3. Support communities and district councils to bring together their local active citizens on a regular basis -- at least every three months -- to get to know each other better and to share what they can and are doing for the wellbeing of their place.
4. Fund community conversations, masterclasses and other adult education initiatives that develop the shared skills and public intelligence of active citizens.
5. Fund a network of community-led incubators that can foster specific projects of active citizens and support them with the skills of community enterprise and foster the resources and connections they need to help them thrive.