



## **Trimble Foundation Plan June 2006**

This document provides the plans the trustees are developing for the Foundation in accordance with the Foundation objects as specified in the Masterton District Council (Montfort Trimble Foundation) Act 2003. It is structured to provide an annual plan in detail and a two year plan in general terms together with estimated costs and income. Items in the plan are grouped according to how they relate to the objectives of the Foundation and include Richard Hall's interpretation of what each object means.

The objects of the Foundation are to promote public afforestation by-

1. the production and care of timber for economic purposes:
2. the maintenance of forests:
3. providing a supply of timber for the public wants:
4. assisting the Council to establish forests:
5. providing for the conservation of native and commercial forests:
6. amenity and protection planting and their maintenance.

The Foundation has distilled these objectives into the following mission statement:

**An independent organisation dedicated to the growing of trees for the educational, economic and aesthetic benefit of the public.**

# 1. Production and care of timber for economic purposes:

## Interpretation:

This permits us to plant and care for trees, take over existing trees, look after our trees, harvest and sell trees, sell products(wood-timber-bark-sawdust-whatever) and grow trees for firewood.

## Policy:

*To continue growing and harvesting Radiata on the Trimble Forest land while protecting the native areas in accordance with the forest operations plan.*

*To use Rewanui to produce a range of timbers including many natives for short, medium and long term production.*

<i>Action</i>	<i>2006/07</i>	<i>Indicator</i>	<i>Cost</i>	<i>2007 to 2009</i>
Decide which trees to harvest and market to the best advantage.	Investigate the sale of Radiata on Trimble and Rewanui	Decision made and recorded		Investigate the sale of any mature trees
Plant trial trees suitable for timber production	Plant a trial area on the Mangapakeha block at Rewanui of 7 species of native plus areas of Redwood and Eucalypt	Trees planted	\$15,000	
Plant Radiata trees on suitable areas	Plant the unstable slope in the Mangapakeha paddock with Radiata	Radiata planted	\$11,000	Replant any areas harvested
Plant longer term plantation forests	Plant designated areas on the Mangapakeha block in redwood and Eucalypts	Trees planted	\$5,500	

## 2.Maintenance of forests:

### Interpretation:

We can undertake everything involved in the caring for all trees that are under our control, including native and exotic, plantation or commercial planting, natural bush or trees, on any land, and this will include all aspects of silviculture, fertilising, fencing, predator & pest control and indeed any aspect at all and any activity relating in the wider sense to caring for and looking after bush, trees and forests.

### Policy:

*To protect all trees from animal and plant pests and enhance native forests where practicable.*

*To thin and prune timber plantations to give the best returns.*

<i>Action</i>	<i>2006/07</i>	<i>Indicator</i>	<i>Cost</i>	<i>2007 to 2009</i>
Exclude livestock from native bush areas.	Investigate and decide on fencing in the mid section of Rewanui.	Fencing plan formed.		Fence further areas on Rewanui
Control animal pests.	WRG will initiate a pest control program on Rewanui	Traps and bait stations in place		Continue pest control program on Rewanui
Control weeds	Monitor the growth of young trees in the Trimble Forest and take action if needed. Survey weed population on Rewanui. Spray Onga Onga along the tracks on Rewanui	Weed survey carried out. Onga Onga sprayed	\$1000	Spray Onga Onga as needed. Monitor and treat other weeds if needed
Prune and thin plantation trees	No action needed	Trees thinned and/or pruned		Take appropriate action on the young trees in Trimble Forest
Release seedling trees from competitive growth	Release the Rewarewa in the Richardson bush and the trial trees.	Cleared area around each tree	\$2000	Keep the trial trees free of grass etc.

### 3:Provide a supply of timber for the public wants:

**Interpretation:**

We can sell or deal in timber or trees, store trees, mill trees and timber, probably (in suitable cases) donate timber.

**Policy:**

*Watch for any dead of windblown native timber trees and arrange for them to be milled.*

*To ensure that a variety of timber is available from local merchants and to sell directly any timber milled.*

<i>Action</i>	<i>2006/07</i>	<i>Indicator</i>	<i>Cost</i>	<i>2007 to 2009</i>
Compile a list of local timber merchants.	Visit the timber yards and inspect supplies	List compiled		Watch for any changes to the timber supply
Advertise any timber held in stock	Advertise the Rewarewa currently held	Advertisements placed	\$1000	
Extract and mill any suitable dead or windfall trees.	Mill two damaged Rewarewa trees in the Picnic paddock	Timber milled	\$1000	Monitor the forests for suitable trees

#### 4. Assist the Council to establish forests:

**Interpretation:**

We can work with the Masterton District Council (but no other council) in any type of joint venture arrangement to establish (ie plant) forests, and then to care for those forests and to share the costs and proceeds with the Council, in such shares as may be agreed upon.

**Policy:**

*To establish forestry rights to suitable areas of council land and plant commercial forests on it.*

<i>Action</i>	<i>2006/07</i>	<i>Indicator</i>	<i>Cost</i>	<i>2007 to 2009</i>
Negotiate for forestry rights and plant trees.	Plant the quarry and holding paddock.	Trees planted	\$3000	Negotiate with the council on rights to the trees either side of the Blairlogie hill road

## 5. Provide for the conservation of native and commercial forests:

### Interpretation:

We can conserve native bush, conserve commercial forests. Probably, even if we don't own them, to look after all aspects of conservation & care of all bush areas, tree areas or plantations

### Policy:

*To acquire further areas of native bush and give money to those wishing to protect and enhance their own bush*

*To foster the idea of a corridor of native bush from the Tararuas to the coast*

*To take any action to prevent damage to our forests*

<i>Action</i>	<i>2006/07</i>	<i>Indicator</i>	<i>Cost</i>	<i>2007 to 2009</i>
Purchase suitable bush areas	No action this year	Areas purchased		No action anticipated
Consider applications and make distributions accordingly	No action this year	Money distributed		Consider application if trees are harvested
Encourage Rewanui neighbours to conserve forest blocks.		Bush areas formally protected		
Prevent river erosion in the Trimble Forest.	Further groins established	Work carried out	\$2,500	Continue to monitor and maintain

## 6.Amenity and protection planting and their maintenance:

### Interpretation:

We can plant trees for appearance, beautification, aesthetic appeal, memorial or commemorative purposes, for soil, river hillside, road or land protection, or simply because they look good, plant avenues, road avenues, plant rest areas, plant for visual enjoyment or variety, and having done all or any of that we can then continue to care for our trees on an on-going basis.

### Policy:

*To implement the landscape plan for Rewanui and plant other areas for the use and enjoyment of the public.*

*To develop the Rewanui Forest Park concept for the enjoyment of everyone*

*To involve local schools in the the planting and protection of specific areas.*

<i>Action</i>	<i>2006/07</i>	<i>Indicator</i>	<i>Cost</i>	<i>2007 to 2009</i>
Plant and protect a variety of plants for their aesthetic value	Plant suitable vegetation in and around the car park. Plant hebes currently being propagated on the bush verges. Plant Rewarewa trees at the Western edge of the Richardson bush.	Trees and shrubs planted	\$1000	Continue planting according to the landscape plan
Encourage and assist the planting of memorial trees in suitable areas	Plant a grove of Totaras as a memorial to Richard Hall. Set aside a suitable area for memorial trees	People having their own memorial trees		Arrive at an arrangement for financing and caring of memorial trees
Maintain existing tracks	Employ people to patrol the tracks at intervals, remove debris and spray Onga Onga	Tracks kept clear	\$10,000	On going maintenance
Establish new public tracks	Make a new track from the top of the Matai loop across to Eric's totara and down into the Mt Clyde valley	Tracks opened	\$2,000	Create a return track from the trig
Construct visitor shelter and toilet facilities	Build a toilet in keeping with the landscape plan	Structures built	\$10,000	Build a visitor shelter in keeping with the landscape plan.
Develop wetland areas on Rewanui	Fence and plant around the pond in the Goose paddock	Fences built and areas planted.	\$2,500	Develop wetland areas in the Bull and Picnic paddocks