



Ann's Creek Pollution Prevention

Ann's Creek flows under the Great South Road Industrial area, through a significant wetland and into the Mangere Inlet of the Manukau Harbour. This open stream and wetland area is unique as it is the only significant remaining piece of native shrubland on lava flows in the region.

The quality of the water flowing through the Creek has been improved with the installation of three stormwater treatment devices that catch litter and remove some types of pollution before it enters the wetland area. The stream and wetland are also spawning grounds for inanga (whitebait) and home to the endangered Australasian bittern (bird).

Water quality in the inner Manukau has improved since the upgrading of the Mangere Sewage Plant. This means that one of the biggest potential sources of pollution entering the Mangere Inlet is now from pollution incidents like spills on yards that get washed into stormwater drains, into streams and eventually into the harbour.

To help improve water quality in the Mangere Inlet, the Maungakiekie- Tamaki Local Board is working with community groups and businesses to reduce water pollution.

What you can do to help

As a local business in the catchment of Ann's Creek you have an opportunity to help protect and improve the quality of the Creek and the Manukau Harbour. Similar pollution prevention programmes in Auckland have resulted in hundreds of businesses adopting recommended ways to stop pollution.

Rainwater from your site enters stormwater drains and flows to Ann's Creek and then the Manukau Harbour. Any pollution on your site will flow with this rainwater, polluting the creek and sea. Ensure areas of your site that flow to stormwater drains are kept free of contaminants, and that you have a plan in the event of a spill on your site.

Your efforts, together with the rest of our local community, will help to improve Ann's Creek and protect our beaches and our fishing resources.

Call the Pollution Hotline on (09) 377 3107 to report pollution incidents 24 hours a day 7 days a week

The Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board have funded this project as part of their commitment to improving the water quality in the Manukau Harbour. The Board has contracted Wilkinson Environmental Ltd to deliver this programme.



