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Kia ora koutou

In this edition we're pleased to share an update on our project at **Chartwell Bush** and ways in which you can help. We also encourage you to have your say on the **Government's Emissions Reduction Plan** and, on a more lighthearted note, vote for your favourite **Bird of the Year** if you haven't done so already.

We also review developments concerning **Wellington Airport's expansion plans**. We have a focus on **Old Man's Beard**, a nasty invasive pest plant that some of our members have gone to war against, as well as a roundup of some inspiring nature stories from around Wellington.

We thought that some of our members may not realise the significance and beauty of a large wilderness area on our doorstep. So we've taken the opportunity to tell and show you what makes this southern corner of the Outer Green Belt so exceptional by closing with a **photo essay on Te Kopahou** that takes in some of its sights and species.

Read the newsletter <u>here</u>