

## **Auckland Zoo**

### **Head of Conservation Advocacy & Engagement**

In addition to being a global city with stunning scenery, wonderful beaches and sub-tropical islands, Auckland is a city with one of the most progressive zoos in the world. Here, wildlife conservation sits at the very heart of what we do.

At Auckland Zoo we bring people together to build a future for wildlife. We do this by demonstrating care for wildlife, inspiring our visitors to value wildlife, helping to conserve wildlife in the wild and building a high-performance organisation.

We have recently embarked on an ambitious \$150 million capital expenditure upgrade programme, which will see the transformation of much of the site and the development of new infrastructure across the zoo.

Right now, we are looking for someone to join Auckland Zoo's leadership team, who is as passionate about the diverse roles of a good zoo in the conservation of wildlife as we are. Someone who can help us further develop as one of the most forward-thinking zoos in the world.

Reporting to the Zoo Director, The Head of Conservation Advocacy & Engagement is a new role within the Zoo's Leadership Team and will play a key role in determining the strategic direction of Auckland Zoo

He kōrero mōu: About you

The role is responsible for providing direction to, and oversight of, the management of the Zoo's wildlife conservation advocacy activities, the formal education and training programmes, the volunteer and community conservation programmes and the Zoo's Maori Responsiveness Plan.

It is responsible for managing the appropriate allocation of resources and providing expertise to ensure all programmes within the Conservation Advocacy & Engagement Department are delivered effectively, to budget and that timeframes and the department objectives are aligned with the overall zoo strategic objectives.

From you we need:

- A post-graduate qualification in a relevant discipline
- A minimum 10 years' experience in relevant fields.
- Proven leadership and management success experience
- Extensive knowledge and understanding of the modern conservation role of zoos
- Extensive knowledge, understanding and experience of wildlife conservation advocacy, education, community engagement and social science
- Strong project management, budget development and planning skills
- Experience with a wide variety of national and international media and press

- Demonstrated partnership development and management experience with international not-for-profit organisations
- Demonstrable familiarity with the aims and activities of recognised conservation bodies such as the International Union for Conservation of Nature, Conservation Planning Specialist Group and New Zealand Department of Conservation

Ngā āhuatanga kei a mātou: What we offer

This is simply a unique career opportunity in a unique environment. For the right creative and committed individual, this will be your dream job.

For more information or to apply online, go to;

<https://careers.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/job/Central-Auckland-Head-of-Life-Sciences-1010/510114410/>

**Applications close: 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019.**