

Indicator 19: Interdepartmental Cooperation

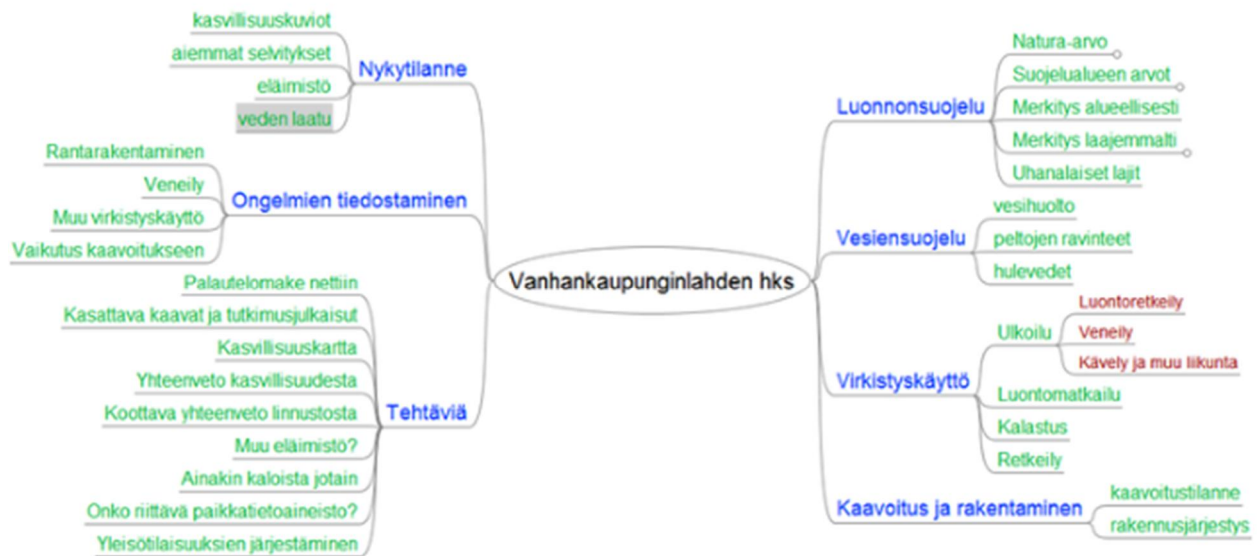


Figure: Mind map of the management plan for the Vanhankaupunginlahti bay bird wetland. For instance, the management plans are prepared in cooperation between departments.

Status:

The most important departments for the management of activities associated with biodiversity in Helsinki are the Environment Centre, Civil Works Department, Sports Department and the City Planning Department. Altogether the cooperating departments and companies are, according to the Helsinki Action Plan for the Conservation of Biodiversity 2008-2017 (LUMO) and the questionnaire survey of departments and organizations of 2014, at least 17. Not all such cooperation is conducted on an annual basis. It was also apparent from this survey that not all such organizations are completely aware that they are doing work for biodiversity. Some departments find it difficult to assess whether or not their work is related to the conservation of biodiversity.

Score:

- 0 points: 1 or 2 cooperation departments
- 1 point: 3 cooperation departments
- 2 points: 4 cooperation departments
- 3 points: 5 cooperation departments
- 4 points: more than 5 cooperation departments

Monitoring:

This indicator is assessed in conjunction with the revision of the LUMO programme. If necessary, a new questionnaire survey of departments and companies will be made. An interview survey would probably

produce more reliable and more comprehensive results than the questionnaire survey. Helsinki gets an excellent result for this indicator, so the objective for this indicator is to ensure that the level does not decline. The city could also adopt additional targets regarding the monitoring of the quality and amount of cooperation.

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