

A Summary of the Common Themes, Focus Areas, Regional Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Challenges as identified by 7 stakeholder groups

Youth Themes

Importance of urgency around resource depletion, engaging youth; awareness, learning & knowledge of sustainability practices; community workshops, school programs & social events around sustainability

Importance of social capital, awareness commitment & capability of community & landcare network

Environmental Themes

in remedial work; cool climate, water, new diversified woodland models of integrated land-use & carbon sinks, diversified ecosystems, diversity of species, national parks sunlight, wind, water

Armidale Dumaresq Council Themes

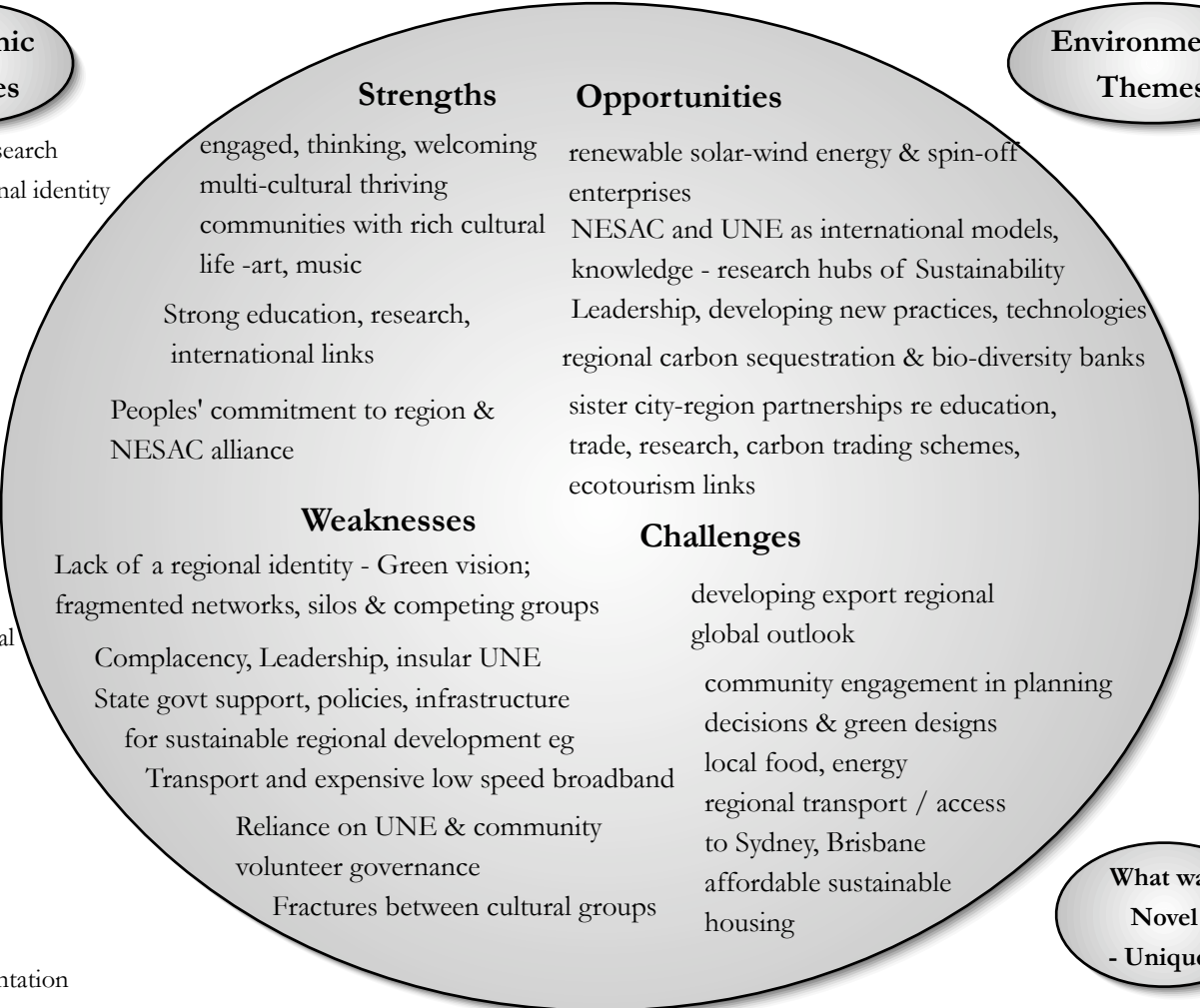
Importance of stewardship - Protecting & enhancing our unique environment, community assets & cultural life; involving community in transparent decision =making;commitment to LT vision

What was Novel - Unique?

Developing an Eco-Uni Peer to Peer mentoring around sustainability sustainability Tours for educating regional stakeholders Region as centre of excellence for a neweconomy

Social Themes

Importance of rich education & cultural scene, need to recognize & reward volunteers & local sustainability champions for commitment to place, empowering community in decisions, availability sunlight, water for sustainable housing



Economic Themes

Importance of Education, Agri-business & Global Research IT Knowledge enterprises; a new regional identity Wine / Food / Ecotourism & diverse land-use; policies / infrastructure for regional development

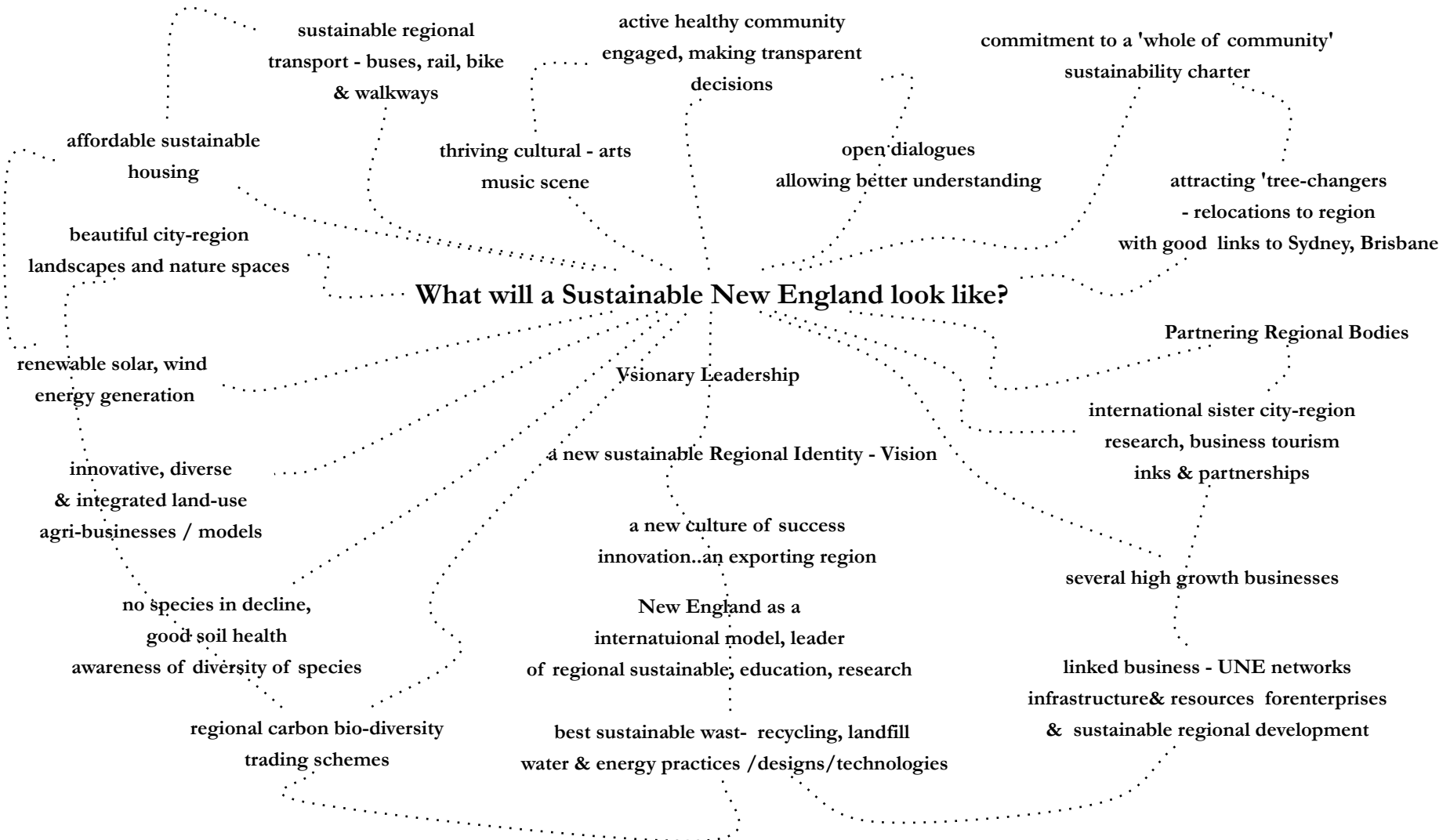
Global Themes

Importance of intelligent, culturally rich, diverse & internationally connected & networked region; existing international partnerships and Student - alumni & business links

UNE Students

Importance of a new culture of innovation, experimentation leading sustainability practices, holistic designs around water energy, waste, sanctuaries, biodiversity international links, research, training, linking with communities in collaborative projects - enabling downstream effects

A Summary of Common Themes across the SWOC stakeholder groups cont.



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This conversation system map summarizes the SWOC group appraisals & maps the key ideas, themes and design principles for a sustainable New England but it is only a starting point.....Micheal O'Loughlin Evolveris