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Aisling leads CELTS (Centre for EcoLogical Technology Solutions) which she founded in 2006 to meet the research gap in Ecological Engineering in Aotearoa New Zealand. CELTS is part of the Department of Civil & Natural Resources Engineering at UC.

### Ash’s Mission

- Support emerging researchers
- Stimulate curiosity in students
- Collaborate across disciplines
- Communicate clearly
- See the big picture
- Work with nature
- Always learn!

### Ash’s Values

- Whanaungatanga: Value people and their differences
- Tiakitanga: Enhance and nurture our resources
- Manaakitanga: Extend care and empower others

### Ash’s Leadership Goals



**People:** Identify, nurture and empower talented individuals to capitalise on their diverse strengths.



**Adapt:** Pivot continuously to overcome and learn from uncertainties and set backs.



**Listen:** Listen actively to understand others’ perspectives and needs.



**Reflect:** Reflect on experiences to continuously learn and develop.



**Communicate:** Clarify the intent and regularly seek feedback to ensure shared understanding and mutual purpose.



**Question:** Challenge the status quo and question the way we do things to provide fit-for-purpose solutions.



**Envision:** See the big picture and accept the trade-offs of choices to make wise decisions.



### Voices, RNZ Podcast:

<https://www.rnz.co.nz/national/programmes/voices/audio/2018837067/chasing-stormwater-from-ireland-to-new-zealand>