

**Background  
Information on  
Item 7  
Priorities for  
Reserve Funding**

# Reserves Fund Priorities Update 2013/14 – 2015/16

## Purpose of Reserves Fund

This is an amount levied on new subdivision developments and can be taken as land or cash. If cash is taken it can be used to acquire more reserve land, upgrade or the provision of new recreation assets such as play equipment on reserves. It can not be spent on maintenance of reserves or built assets.

The funds can not be spent on non-recreation activities such as Libraries, community housing but could be spent on recreation facilities in swimming pools if they are located on a reserve.

## Amount Available:

<b>Current Balance:</b>	<b>\$554,309</b>
<b>Less Planned Spend:</b>	<b>\$440,000 (see below)</b>
Splash Pad/Water Features	\$270,000
Planting Fund	\$5,000
Te Horo Beach Improvements	\$35,000
Fitness Trail – Haruatai Park	\$20,000
Toilet – Ōtaki Gorge	\$50,000
Skatepark – Aotaki Street	\$40,000
Improved BBQ Facilities – Otaki Beach	\$10,000
Shade Area – Ōtaki Beach	\$10,000
<b>Unallocated:</b>	<b>\$114,309</b>

## Priority Categories

1. initiatives which relieve existing pressures on key natural ecosystems;
2. initiatives which will relieve pressure on existing facilities;
3. provision of facilities where there is a lack according to existing levels of service standards;
4. areas which have been partially development but require improvements to fully function (e.g. skateboard park)
5. desirable new facilities – beyond current service level standards

**From Ōtaki Reserve Fund Priorities 2013/14-2015/16 Report – 19 March 2013**

<b>Table 1: First Order Priorities</b>	<b>Running Total of Cost</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Base level – land purchase and other funding	\$275,000	
Base level – planting	\$ 10,000	
Te Horo Beach tennis court - current commitment to be provided for if clear support from the community (\$85,000) plus \$5,000 planting (Year 1);  or  Te Horo Beach general reserves upgrade over three years (\$50,000)	\$50-\$90,000	An existing commitment at this stage for tennis court. If this does not proceed there is justification in investing in reserve improvements, particularly with growing permanent population. This would be subject to community agreement on packages.
Splash Pad at Ōtaki Swimming pool	\$300,000	The Marine Gardens Splash Pad is very popular and has the capacity to add to patronage at the Pool.
Upgrade to Otaki Forks reserve Toilets Carpark Planting	\$50,000 \$30,000 - COMPLETED \$20,000 - COMPLETED	There has been limited upgrade to this facility and there is pressure on it in the summer months.
Te Horo Dog exercise area	\$10,000	Subject to consultation with Te Horo Community.
Skate Park for Smaller Children	\$20,000	
Haruatai Park – completion of walking loop	\$50,000	This would complete the project and increase usage
Haruatai Park  Picnic tables at children's playground	\$5,000	
<b>Total Potential Allocation of Funds</b>	<b>\$860,000</b>	

<b>Table 2: Second Order Priorities</b>	<b>Running Total of Cost</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Ōtaki Beach – shade areas	\$ 10,000	This would be likely to increase usage over the summer months
Ōtaki Beach  More barbeque facilities  Shade areas (picnic tables )	\$10,000 per unit  \$10,000 per site	

Table 3: Projects requiring more analysis	
Flying fox	\$ 30,000
Fitness trail (general)	\$ 20,000
Fitness trail (older users)	\$60-80,000
BMX track	\$ 20-30,000
Slide at Ōtaki Pool	\$150,000-\$200,000

### Process Steps

