## Draft Toitū Te Whenua Parks Network Plan 2020-30

Greater Wellington has drafted a new management Plan for eight regional parks and forests and we would like your feedback on it. The new draft Plan sets directions for management of the regional park network over the next ten years. The Draft Plan and a fact sheet about restoration opportunities can be viewed online at **haveyoursay.gw.govt.nz/parksplan** or in Greater Wellington offices or

contact parksplanning@gw.govt.nz for more information

## **Questions:**

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If you wish the whole or any part of your submission or objection to be kept confidential, you must tell us and outline the reasons. However, any information provided to Council will become subject to the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and may be released by the council under that Act.

Would you like the whole or any part of your submission to be kept confidential?

Yes No X

If yes, what should be kept confidential, and why?

<ol> <li>The draft Plan has six goals which provide directions for work in parks over the next ten years.</li> <li>How much do you agree or disagree that Greater Wellington should focus on these areas of work?</li> </ol>	Definitely disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat agree	Definitely agree
<b>Natural heritage</b> - Protect and restore high levels of terrestrial and freshwater ecosystem health to enhance biodiversity and ecosystem services					x
<b>Recreation experience</b> - Parks are highly accessible places for many people to enjoy; they offer a variety of interesting experiences, enhancing the health and wellbeing of local communities and the broader regional economy					x
<b>Cultural heritage features and landscape values -</b> <i>A variety of landscape settings are preserved and enhanced reflecting social values; historic heritage features are protected and interpreted for visitors</i>					x
<b>Mana whenua partnerships -</b> Collectively we work together in mahi tahi partnerships, as kaitiaki guardians, nurturing strong mauri and enhancing parks for current and future generations					x
<b>Climate change and sustainability</b> - <i>Parks are managed in highly sustainable ways, building environmental resilience as part of the natural solution to climate change</i>					x
Mahi Tahi / The Way We Work - Working collaboratively and consistently with others, following best practices, we enable learning and build strong partnerships to deliver more conservation and recreation benefits for parks, people and communities					x

2. How strongly do you support the following key shifts (identified in section 1.5 of draft Plan):	Definitely disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat agree	Definitely agree
<b>Focusing on restoring natural values</b> including wetlands and phasing out most livestock grazing activities in parks to enable this. This will support a concerted effort on improving biodiversity, habitat connections, water quality and reduce carbon emissions					x
<i>Improving access to and within parks</i> . The draft Plan identifies a range of actions to make it easier for people to access and enjoy parks. This includes less barriers such as fences and gates, improving signage and prioritising access					x
<b>Developing and enhancing a number of places</b> in parks to support high quality and memorable experiences. This includes more storytelling, seats or picnic tables, nature play, new or enhanced trails and adaptively reused facilities such as park buildings. We have called these 'key destinations' in the draft Plan.					x
<b>Building on collaborative work</b> with mana whenua partners and community conservation and recreation groups so that we can achieve more benefits from parks together. This includes more working in partnership and focus on supporting and enabling others.					x
<b>Building our response to climate change</b> into everything we do in parks. This means minimising emissions, focusing on highly sustainable solutions, strengthening structures to withstand severe weather events and utilising education opportunities to raise awareness of important environmental issues					x

## 3. Does the draft Toitū Te Whenua 2020-30 / Draft Parks Network Plan miss anything important to you?

3a. If yes, what should be added or changed and why?
Please refer to our written submission

Yes	х	No	

5. Do you have any other general feedback for Greater Wellington about Toitū Te Whenua 2020-30 /
Draft Parks Network Plan?
Please refer to our written submission

6. Do you wish to present your submission on Toitiū Te Whenua 2020-30 / Draft Parks Network Plan	
verbally to Greater Wellington Councillors at a formal hearing?	

7. Would you like to be added to our database for feedback opportunities about other parks planni	ing
matters e.g. detailed planning for particular parks	

8. Would you like to hear more about regional parks and other Greater Wellington activities in the fortnightly e-newsletter *Tātou Rohe - Our Region* 

Yes	No 🗸
Yes X	No
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