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**Subject:** RE: Pony Club land, Park Ave, Waikanae

  
  
There is some correspondence circulating online re: Waikanae Park and the Pony Club

Here are some bullet points/facts. We are committed to protecting the land as well as supporting the Pony Club.

1. The land is Council Land, Not Pony Club Land. KCDC has a Lease with the Pony

Club

2. Since original establishment, the Land suitable for equestrian activities has reduced significantly and is continuing to reduce more due to environmental change i.e. wetland expansion, protected vegetation etc
3. Growth and development opportunities for the Pony Club are constrained at Waikanae Park and will continue to become even more so
4. Council has been and will continue to work with the Pony Club in ensuring activities at Waikanae Park are managed in line with what the Park can reasonably sustain while looking towards future opportunities and even locations that are more conducive towards meeting the Pony Club (And equestrian sports) aspirations within the District.

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Mōrena Brendan,

Whats the status of the Pony Club land at Waikanae Park?

Is there any truth to this comment that has appeared on Facebook community discussion?

*"Rumours are afoot that the Council is trying to take the Pony Club land that was gifted to them years ago. Is this true and, if so, where do you stand on this issue?"*

