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# DRAFT MACLEAN PARK MANAGEMENT PLAN - APPROVAL TO CONSULT

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1 To seek approval from Council to consult on the draft Maclean Park Management Plan.

#### DELEGATION

2 Council has the authority to make this decision.

#### BACKGROUND

- 3 Maclean Park has a total area of 3.0337ha and is classified as a Recreation Reserve. The park is legally gazetted as being part of the reserve lands collectively known as the Paraparaumu Domain and is made up of the following: Part Lot 90, DP 10250, part Lot 91, DP 4828 and Sections 4 and 6, Block III, Kāpiti Survey District (being part of Section 2 on SO322370 and being part of the land held in Gazette Notice 751932 and all the land in Gazette Notice 789197, Wellington Land District. The land is owned by the Department of Conservation and vested in the Kāpiti Coast District Council under the provisions of section 26A of the Reserves Act 1977 (the Act).
- 4 Under the Act, a Recreation Reserve is for the purpose of:

".... providing areas for recreation and sporting activities and the physical welfare and enjoyment of the public and for the protection of the natural environment and beauty of the countryside, with emphasis on the retention of open spaces and on outdoor recreational activities, including recreational tracks in the countryside."

5 A Management Plan is a statutory process under S41 of the Reserves Act 1977 (the Act) and is required to:

"...provide for and ensure the use, enjoyment, maintenance, protection and preservation....and the development, as appropriate, of the reserve for the purpose for which it was classified....'

A management plan enables Council to establish the desired mix of uses and values for the reserve and set in place policy to guide day to day management. It provides the community with certainty about the function and management of the reserve. A management plan does not provide detailed design of structures and facilities on a reserve. A draft development plan is an appendix to this draft management plan and outlines how the park could be developed in the long term based on community consultation.

6 The review of the Maclean Park Management Plan resulted from a submission from the Paraparaumu-Raumati Community Board during the 17-18 annual plan process, requesting a development plan for the whole park. The Act states:

"The administering body of any reserve shall keep its Management Plan under continuous review, so that.... the plan is adapted to changing circumstances or in accordance with increased knowledge;..."

As the operative Management Plan was written in 1993 and not reviewed since, the Management Plan needed to be reviewed to enable a development plan to be designed.

- 7 As required by the Act a public notification was made in November 2017 to inform the community of the intention to review the operative Management Plan. This first round of community engagement ended on 20 February 2017.
- 8 Kāpiti Coast District Council has led the development of the Maclean Park draft Management Plan through its partnership with iwi and consulting with the Kāpiti Community. The Paraparaumu-Raumati Community board led the community engagement process and has had a close involvement with the development of the plan.
- 9 Paraparaumu-Raumati Community Board and Council staff engaged with the local community via on-site consultation (The Maclean Park Experience event), workshops with key stakeholder groups and an online survey. The overall process was coordinated by Lumin consultants.

The first stage of engagement included:

- Hui with Te Ātiawa rangatahi
- Paraparaumu-Raumati Community Board and Council engagement at Paraparaumu Beach Market Day
- 1,000 participants at the 'The Maclean Park Experience' event
- 600 postcards distributed
- 269 online and paper surveys
- 192 park 'wishes'
- 149 interviews with over 300 people
- 49 Create-a-Park designs
- 14 workshops with key stakeholder groups
- Archaeological site assessment
- 10 This stage also included a review of historical documents, stakeholder mapping and analysis. Survey contributors submitted comments and recommendations on the future of the reserve. Contributors included local residents, businesses and organisations from Kāpiti, as well as non-local users of Maclean Park who have an interest in the future management of the reserve and its surrounds. This overall process informed the design of the three concepts for the development plan that then went out for community consultation.
- 11 A second stage of community engagement took place to get feedback on the three development concepts. This stage took place over four weeks from 27 April – 25 May 2017. Over this time there were multiple ways for the community to be involved such as an on-line survey; drop in sessions for key stakeholders;

facebook updates; signage at the park showing the concepts for each area and portfolio books at key locations at Paraparaumu Beach.

- 12 A report on the outcome of the engagement for the three development plan concepts including key recommendations was provided by Lumin consultants and is attached as Appendix 1. The recommendations from Lumin, advice from iwi and council staff input has informed the draft development plan that is part of the draft Management Plan.
- 13 The draft Management Plan has been prepared in partnership with Te Ātiawa as mana whenua and Ngāti Toa to whom the site is recognised as of significance.

#### **ISSUES AND OPTIONS**

#### Issues

14 The proposed vision for Maclean Park is:

Maclean Park will be a destination for all; a place to meet, play, relax and connect with Kāpiti Island, our heritage and environment

- 15 The draft Management Plan addresses the main issues identified by Council staff through experience, community feedback and iwi advice. Specifically these issues are:
  - Kāpiti Island Departure Point
  - Parking
  - Visibility of Tangata Whenua, Mana Whenua history and significance
  - Tikotu Stream
  - Dune care
  - Amenities
  - Recreation opportunities
  - The pond and kiosk
  - Basketball Court

These issues are addressed by enabling development and activities such as:

- A 'Gateway' or Visitor Attraction Centre
- Beach Markets
- Events
- Concessions which enhance and promote the use of the reserve
- Increased recreation opportunities for everyone
- Water play
- Enhanced natural character and amenity values
- Improved accessibility
- Improved parking

Each of these points is discussed in detail in the draft Management Plan which is attached as Appendix 2.

16 There has been considerable discussion in the community regarding a Gateway Visitor Attraction Centre. The Gateway would provide a key arrival and departure point to Kāpiti Island and improve biosecurity for visitors to the island. This would be a major project and requires further detailed planning and design beyond the scope of the plan. Consultation during the preparation of the draft

Management Plan revealed a good level of community support for such a project should adequate resources be identified to progress a project of this scale and complexity. Due to these reasons the Gateway is not discussed in detail in the management plan but is allowed for with the preferred location being in the northern most end of Maclean Park.

- 17 Although Maclean Park is a local park it is also considered to be a destination for the district. The design of the development plan reflects the values and aspirations of the local community and iwi as well as providing a space which will be attractive and enjoyable for visitors. Council staff understand the importance of the park for future economic development and for the commercial center of Paraparaumu Beach. The specific elements of the development plan which demonstrate this are; the proposed gateway; improved connections through the park and to the retail center; additional crossing points across Marine Parade; flexible space for events and markets; destination areas which provide iconic experiences for locals and visitors.
- 18 Council staff consider that the draft management plan responds to the issues raised by the community and enables future development in a way that will create a destination park for the Kāpiti community to be proud of.
- 19 At the Paraparaumu-Raumati Community board meeting of 29 June 2017, the following resolution was passed:

That the Paraparaumu/Raumati Community Board recommends to the Kāpiti Coast District Council that the Draft Reserve Maclean Park Management Plan be approved for public consultation.

20 After the two month consultation period, hearings of submissions will be held in October. Council staff will then review the draft plan accordingly and recommend to Council any changes as appropriate. The plan is scheduled to be adopted by Council at the 7 December 2017 meeting.

#### CONSIDERATIONS

Policy considerations

21 There are no policy considerations.

#### Legal considerations

- 22 A Management Plan is a statutory requirement under Section 41 of the Reserves Act 1977.
- 23 The draft Management Plan has been reviewed by Councils legal counsel and there were no concerns raised.

#### Financial considerations

24 The Maclean Park Management Plan wasn't identified in the FutureKāpiti Long Term Plan 2015-35 so there is currently no budget set aside for development. The development plan will inform the 2018-2038 Long Term Plan process.

#### Tāngata whenua considerations

- 25 The park is within an area known to tāngata whenua as Te Uruhi. Maclean Park is a culturally significant site for Te Āti Awa ki Whakarongotai (Te Ātiawa) and Ngāti Toarangatira (Ngāti Toa)
- 26 The draft Management Plan has been prepared in partnership with Te Ātiawa as mana whenua and Ngāti Toa to whom the site is recognised as of significance.

#### SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT

#### Degree of significance

27 This matter has a low level of significance under Council policy.

#### Consultation already undertaken

- 28 Extensive consultation has been undertaken since November 2016. The first round of consultation from November 2016 – February 2017 connected with approximately 1,500 people through a variety of ways such as a hui with Te Ātiawa rangatahi; Paraparaumu-Raumati Community Board and Council engagement at Paraparaumu Beach Market Day; 1,000 participants at the 'The Maclean Park Experience' event; 269 online and paper surveys; 149 interviews with over 300 people and 14 workshops with key stakeholder groups.
- 29 The second round of consultation on the three development concepts resulted in 200 on-line surveys being completed. During this stage of consultation there were multiple ways for the community to be involved such as an on-line survey; drop in sessions for key stakeholders; facebook updates; signage at the park showing the concepts for each area and portfolio books at key location at Paraparaumu Beach.
- 30 Council have worked closely with Te Ātiawa and Ngāti Toa as partners throughout the process.
- 31 The Department of Conservation have reviewed the draft Management Plan and are supportive of the concept to collaboratively develop a gateway. One issue was raised about how the adequacy of biodiversity facilities was addressed and a minor change has corrected this.

#### Publicity

- 32 A communications and engagement plan has been implemented throughout the process of drafting the strategy.
- 33 It is a requirement under the Act to give public notice that the draft plan is available for inspection. The community will be made via direct contact with those previously involved and Councils main communications channels such as a public notice in the local papers and facebook. In addition, signs will be installed at Maclean Park detailing the development plan concept.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

34 That Council approves the draft Maclean Park Management Plan as attached in Appendix 2 to report CS-17-245, for consultation.

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## **MACLEAN PARK**

#### **STAGE TWO CONSULTATION REPORT**

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## **1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

#### 1.1 BACKGROUND

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The work undertaken to date has delivered positive results in terms of both internal and external stakeholders, and has enabled the designers within the Parks and Open Space Team to prepare innovative and needs focused development plans.

#### **1.2 PHASE TWO CONSULTATION**

Based on this work, Kāpiti Coast District Council staff prepared three different concept designs for Maclean Park which combine a range of possibilities for future development.

An online survey and paper version were developed and promoted widely, the purpose of which was to identify:

- Which concept and/or concept features respondents liked the most
- What respondents would most like to see in each area of the park
- Respondent's opinion on how important the development of Maclean park is for our district.

In total, there were 190 online survey respondents, with 155 respondents answering all questions (82%). Nine hardcopy survey respondents and six individual written responses have been integrated into the analysis.

The purpose of this report is to assist in the refinement of the Development Plan concepts and principles, provide an evaluation of the options in relation to the community feedback, and test these against the agreed community outcomes and resources requirements.

#### **1.3 RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Maclean Park Development Plan is a key part of the wider Maclean Park Management Plan and provides principles which form the basis of concepts, approaches, solutions and priorities for investment and development. The consultation has informed the following recommendations.

#### 1.3.1 Principles and Concepts

In preparing the proposed development plan and concept:

- Ensure that the designs reflect the priority principles of play, destination, movement and relaxation.
- Use Concept 3 Central Path as the primary driver
- Incorporate the key features identified in Concept 2 Family Spaces
- Consider the feedback from The Parade, with respect to balance of parking, water feature, Kāpiti Island gateway and the provision of basketball and skate facilities.

#### 1.3.2 Area A the Northern Zone

Of all parts of Maclean Park, Area A – the Northern Zone has a shorter and longer term planning and implementation requirement.

• Work should commence on the restoration of the Tikotu stream in the short term



- Comprehensive planning longer term for this area that incorporates a wider scope than Maclean Park. Ensure that there is a balance between the need for a quality visitor centre that provides services to those visiting Kāpiti and Kāpiti Island with the character of the foreshore.
- Consideration should be given to vehicle access to the boat club, Kāpiti Island tours and the beach
- The board walk needs to extend to connect the beach and Marine Parade and link clearly with the Tikotu stream.

#### 1.3.3 Area B Main Recreation

This area was identified as the priority for development, with some key recreation amenities including:

- Toilets and showers
- Water feature
- BBQs including facilities in the main lawn that allow for group options and events
- Shade and shelter including natural dune forms and planting
- Older persons play area.

There was clear preference to update existing facilities:

- Basketball court
- Skate and scooter park
- Playground.

Water is a key feature of Maclean Park.

- Replace the existing pond with an all seasons water plaza that is visually appealing, enables interactive play and is unique to Maclean Park
- Reflect the cultural and ecological stories of the area in this feature.
- Remove the kiosk.

While a destination within the park, there needs to be good connectivity:

- Board walk extensions to intersect with this area
- Improved cycleway connections
- Scooter tracks that link with the skate park and basketball court and include mini-ramps.

Actively consider the incorporation of art:

- Through the whole site, using reference to the history, culture and context
- Apply the Art Work Strategy to the site.

Area B needs to be more planted.

#### 1.3.4 Area C Relax/Whakatā

The second priority area for redevelopment focuses on relaxation. Key recommendations include:

- Rationalise car parking to open up the central spine and connections within the park
- Continue to provide shade and shelter keeping any visual obstructions to a minimum to prevent impacts on the view out to the beach and Kāpiti Island
- Maximise the use of landforms and vegetation to create shade and shelter
- Cluster any new structures with existing



- Lookout Concept 3 with a new terraced area to improve views and picnicking was ranked higher by 56% of the respondents
- Ensure that any redevelopment accommodates the potential of the market being hosted within this area of the park.

#### 1.3.5 Area D Dune

While Area D was the lowest in terms of priority for redevelopment, it also provides some key amenity values to the wider park. Key recommendations include:

- Increase car parking without impinging on the park
- Build improved connections from this area through the park
- Ensure that the dune forms are expressed throughout this area.

#### 1.3.6 Parking

Maclean Park is a destination park, that attracts people because of its location – close to the sea and the village, its attractions – play equipment, picnic and view spots, and its connection with cycle and walkways. Many people who use Maclean Park travel by car. Maclean Park should NOT be resolving car parking issues for the village.

In summary, the following recommendations emerged:

- Area A That parking be intensified in the northern and southern zones of the park
- Area B no change in the number of parks
- Area C (the central zone) have redistributed parking
- Area D have additional parking
- Ensure that there is space that can accommodate the market

That traffic issues be managed through a variety of interventions in areas adjacent to the park:

- Change the current 60 minute designation for parking in the village to allow some 120 minute parking
- Traffic calming using street and parking design and a table top at Howell Road
- Pedestrian crossings that are well designed and intersect the park in appropriate places
- Redevelopment of the northern end of the park including the roundabout, access from Kāpiti Road, boat and visitor parking
- Consider other transport and parking issues to support the village without compromising the Park itself,

#### 1.3.7 Lighting

This park is used from early in the morning until late at night, and as such needs to be a safe, easy to access and attractive destination. Respondents were clear that they wanted key features to be lit, as well as the central walkways through the park.

#### **1.3.8 Priority Area for Development**

Respondents clearly believed that the area for redevelopment initially should be:

Area B – Activities and recreation space (54%)

Area C - Relax and lookout (23%)

Area A – Main park entrance (18.4%).



## **2 CONSULTATION PROCESS**

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The work undertaken to date has delivered positive results in terms of both internal and external stakeholders, and has enabled the designers within the Parks and Open Space Team to prepare innovative and needs focused development plans.

In addition, the Paraparaumu-Raumati Community Board have been engaged positively in the process, and the Council has received the reports to date in a positive light.

Work to date has involved extensive consultation, with more than 1,500 people engaged through:

- Hui with Te Ātiawa and Ngāti Toa
- PRCB and Council engagement at Market Day
- 1,000 participants at The Maclean Park Experience Event
- 600 postcards distributed
- 269 Online and paper surveys
- 192 Wishes
- 149 Interviews with over 300 people
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- 14 Workshops with key stakeholder groups
- Archaeological site assessment.

#### 2.1 PHASE TWO CONSULTATION

Based on this work, Kāpiti Coast District Council staff prepared three different concept designs for Maclean Park which combine a range of possibilities for future development. Iwi partnership, community and stakeholder participation is at the heart of these concepts, which aim to sustain and enhance the character and mana of Maclean Park and make it a park the District can be proud of.

An online survey and paper version were developed and promoted widely, the purpose of which was to identify:

- Which concept and/or concept features respondents liked the most
- What respondents would most like to see in each area of the park
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In total, there were 190 online survey respondents, with 155 respondents answering all questions (82%). Nine hardcopy survey respondents and six individual written responses have been integrated into the analysis. Data presented as a percentage (%) relates to online survey results. Numbers in brackets refer to the actual number of people commenting on a specific issue.

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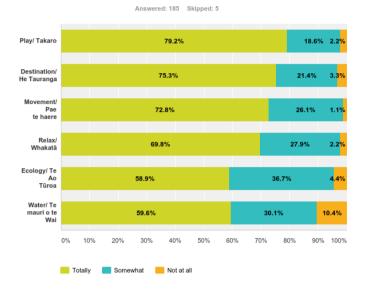


## **3 DESIGN PRINCIPLES**

All the design principles were supported, with high priority for:

- Play
- Destination
- Movement and relaxation.

Of lower priority were ecology and water, although these still received full support from more than half of the respondents, and some support from more than 90% of respondents. Q1 To what extent do you support each of the following design principles for Maclean Park?



#### 3.1 PEOPLE NOT SUPPORTING WATER

A total of 19 respondents did not support water as a key design principle.

- The majority of them were aged 40 59 years
- None of them identified as Maori
- Only one was a local business owner, the Kāpiti Explorer and Marine Charter
- They were all local residents

Key reasons for not supporting water were:

- The presence of a splash pad in Raumati already (1)
- The current state of the pond as an eyesore that requires removal (2)
- Concern regarding investment in the park when there are other Council priorities (3)
- Satisfaction with the current park (1)
- Other areas of development at the park more of a priority (eg skate park, basketball court) (3)



## 4 PREFERRED CONCEPT

Three draft long-term development concepts for Maclean Park were prepared which combine a range of possibilities for the future.

#### **Concept 1: The Parade**

Marine Parade defines the edge of Maclean Park and connects the park to the shops.
 'The Parade' concept largely focuses on enhancing the park by improving Marine Parade.

#### **Concept 2: Family Spaces**

• The Park is currently divided into a series of spaces that are used for specific purposes. The 'Family Spaces' concept strengthens the existing layout of the park by introducing features that define these main areas.

#### **Concept 3: Central Path**

• This concept improves the destination focus for the park by providing high quality main attractions which are linked together and to the shops via a generous "Central Path".

Survey respondents were asked to Q2 Rating of preferred concepts identify their preferred concepts. Answered: 166 Skipped: 24 There was support for all three concepts, with key features of Concept 1 -The Parade each highlighted. 1.9 - Concept 2 'Family Spaces' 2.0 Concept 3 - Central Path was the most preferred of the draft designs with its strong focus on opening up Concept 3 -'Central Path' 2.1 links throughout the park. Features that were attractive include: 0 2

Concept 3 I found instantly more innovative/future thinking. love it's embrace of being a "destination" and "gateway/Visitor Centre focus for unique Kāpiti Island

concept one seems to be the cheapest concept that delivers a good outcome.

# **Concept 2 – Family Spaces** attracted family focused comments because of the increased provision of play equipment and the water park/play area.

Ultimately the very high use comes from kids' activities which draw others into the area. Kids stay and play, others pass through.

Family Spaces are really important and I like the idea of a space for all ages too.

The splash pad, barbecues, shade covers, scooter area, larger basketball area, picnic areas.



The least chosen was Concept 1 – The Parade. Of the 38 people who selected The Parade as their top preference, they identified the following key features:

Table 1	Concept 1 The Parade – features that were preferred	
Parking (11)	• Keeping parking away from the central area (11) I like on street parking but it goes against the traffic calming	
Pond (14)	<ul> <li>Water feature of some kind (7)</li> <li>Do not replicate the splash pad because of marine gardens (6)</li> <li>Water removed totally (1)</li> </ul>	
Kāpiti Island Gateway (11)	<ul> <li>Better access to boating club and Kāpiti island gateway (3)</li> <li>Concerns about the size and cost of any gateway/biosecurity building (5)</li> <li>Suggestions for improvements to the design as proposed (3)</li> </ul>	
Basketball (4)	<ul> <li>Relocate basketball away from road (2)</li> <li>Improve basketball by providing 2 hoops available at either end (2)</li> </ul>	
Skate (4)	Larger and improved	

#### 4.1 RECOMMENDATIONS PREFERRED CONCEPT

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## **5 AREA A - NORTHERN ENTRANCE**

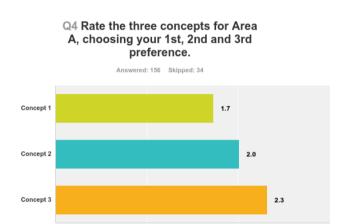
Area A is an important entranceway to the Park and has the potential to be improved to support the "Destination / He Tauranga" values of the park. The long-term development concepts for this area vary based on the level of investment and complexity of partnership which we'd need to deliver each concept. The focus areas here are the improvement of the stream banks and an upgrade of the departure and biosecurity checking facilities for visitors to Kāpiti Island (this ranges from least complex in Concept 1 to most complex in Concept 3).

In addition, any development of this area requires a scope wider than the park, including the roundabout, access from Kāpiti Road, and the relationship with Marine Parade. Full development of this area requires a comprehensive plan to meet the complex requirements of stream and beach protection, visitor and boat users, traffic with Maclean Park as its destination as well as travelling through to other places.

Respondents were given the option of choosing their preferred concept for Area A, at the northern entrance to the park. Their preference was for Concept 3: Central Path.

Key features of this concept are:

- Build a new wide central path stretching from the top of Maclean Street to the Boat Club area.
- Support a collaboratively developed visitor centre/Kāpiti Island Gateway building on the site of the existing Boat Club.
- Extensively restore the estuary at Tikotu Stream
- Relocated beach access for vehicles



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• Need any development to be in keeping with the character of the foreshore.

Comments in the survey and written submissions highlighted the following issues:

	Comments regarding Area A – Northern Entrance
Kāpiti Island Gateway (46 responses) "Do it once and do it well"	• Make any development a Kāpiti Coast visitor centre (17)
	<ul> <li>Collaborate with boat club (4) although separate boating and Visitor Centre areas</li> </ul>
"keep it raw"	• Improved access to the northern end (3)
l argue for austerity	Small biosecurity centre (3)
	<ul> <li>Too expensive (7) and needs to be paid for by business</li> <li>(2)</li> </ul>
Tikotu stream (17	Restoration very important and highly valued
responses)	The Tikotu Stream and estuary should be fully restored and enhanced. It can be a beautiful natural feature, and hopefully will encourage native wildlife.

Table 2 Comments regarding Area A – Northern Entrance

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Vehicles, cars and parking (21)	• Keep non-boat launching vehicles off the beach (4)
	Please restrict access to the beach to a limited area, for launching and retrieving boats only
	Concerns around vehicle movement and safety
	Need to keep car, boat trailer traffic away from rest of park and club entrance - direct to beach.
	The narrow vehicle access with the grass island in it at the moment is also quite dangerous when there are lots of boats and cars and has limited visibility.
	• Improve buffer between parking and stream (2)
	I like the relocation of vehicle access away from the stream (concept 1)
	<ul> <li>Separate boating and vehicle based activity from pedestrian activity (2)</li> </ul>
	like the idea of moving the vehicle boat access way to the other side. But I believe the Kāpiti island visitor centre departure point needs to be a stand alone building and have its own identity and to avoid any hostility already being displayed from boat club members

#### 5.1 RECOMMENDATIONS AREA A THE NORTHERN ZONE

Of all parts of Maclean Park, Area A – the Northern Zone has a shorter and longer term planning and implementation requirement.

- Work should commence on the restoration of the Tikotu stream in the short term
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- Consideration should be given to vehicle access to the boat club, Kāpiti Island tours and the beach
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## **6** AREA B – MAIN RECREATION AREA

This is the main recreation area in the park and is all about "play/takaro". The long-term development concepts keep the playground, basketball court and skate park, which are popular features, and complement them with some new attractions. Concepts for this area vary based on the type of facilities provided. All three concepts would have a similar level of investment and complexity to implement.

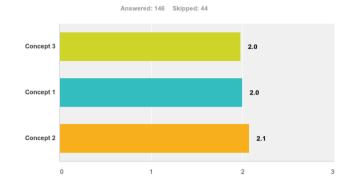
All concepts provide opportunities for play and interaction with water (in place of the existing pond which doesn't meet modern recreational water standards).

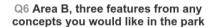
All three concepts were chosen with key features of each highlighted.

The key features they want to see in Area B are presented in Table 3. Highlights include:

- Toilets and shower 38%
- Water feature (25% + 32%)
- BBQ 27%
- Shade and shelter 23%
- Older persons playground 23%.

Q5 Rate the three concepts for Area B, choosing your 1st, 2nd and 3rd preference.





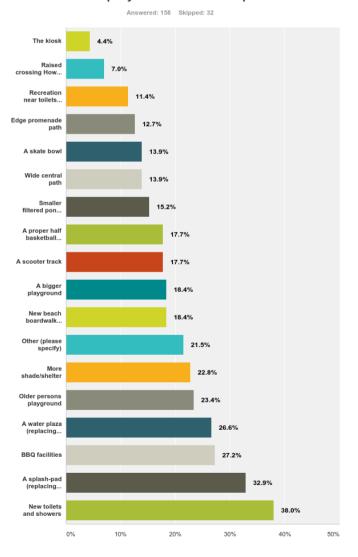




Table 3	Key features of Area B – Main Recreation Area		
Water	Many people chose one water feature, but were happy with either. Note that there are two questions that focus on water:		
	Water plaza 25%		
	Splash pad 32%		
	Keep the pond		
	• Only six people (4%) wanted to keep the pond as is or modify it slightly.		
	One of the water options I think there should definitely be water but not bothered how it's done		
	I don't really understand what a water plaza is.		
	A Splash Pad is not a year-round facility, Weather dictates much of the activity in the park.		
Kiosk	<ul> <li>Seven online respondents and one written response (4.9%) support retention of the Kiosk</li> </ul>		
	Age range from 30 – 79 years		
	One person wanted the kiosk removed		
Vendors	Two people wanted social eating/cafes		
	One person wanted ice creams, bike and kayak hire		
Youth focus	Several people highlighted the importance of focusing on improved facilities for young people:		
	A full basketball court (2)		
	• New features on the skate park (3)		
Planting	Several people commented on the planting:		
would like to see	Retaining the pohutukawa trees (1)		
more trees on and around the village to soften and green up	<ul> <li>Increasing the number of trees on the park and around the village including retaining as many mature trees as possible (2)</li> </ul>		
the area more	<ul> <li>More intensive planting on Marine Parade to incorporate it into the park (1)</li> </ul>		
Play	Older person's play 24%		
Inclusive park and playground that caters to all	<ul><li>Four people made specific reference to the types of play equipment</li><li>Wheelchair suitable swings</li></ul>		
members of our community	Disability change tables		
	Location of older person's play near the younger persons play		
	<ul> <li>Include play equipment and area suitable for use by senior citizens</li> </ul>		
	Reinstate the mouse wheel.		
Public Art	The pathways and vantage points through the park should have public art		
include sculptural			



elements into overall design	<ul> <li>High quality art that is vandal proof that kids can climb on, low maintenance and suited to a coastal environment.</li> <li>Would like to see public art incorporated into the redevelopment</li> <li>I would like to see Art in our Park. Interactive art. Things to move or sit on for a photo. A giant photo frame to take a piccy with Kāpiti island in the background. And I would most definitely like to see out doors musical instruments.</li> </ul>	
Central Path	<ul> <li>Any development of a central pathway must address issues of shared use, walking, cycling, skateboarding, scooters, mobility assisted users.</li> <li>The pathway needs to be curving and meandering to slow pedestrian flow.</li> </ul>	

NOTE there is a comparatively low number of young people responding to this survey, so it provides an adults perspective.

#### 6.1 **RECOMMENDATIONS AREA B MAIN RECREATION**

This area was identified as the priority for development, with some key recreation amenities including:

- Toilets and showers
- Water feature
- BBQs including facilities in the main lawn that allow for group options and events
- Shade and shelter including natural dune forms and planting
- Older persons play area.

There was clear preference to update existing facilities:

- Basketball court
- Skate and scooter park
- Playground.

Water is a key feature of Maclean Park.

- Replace the existing pond with an all seasons water plaza that enables interactive play.
- Reflect the cultural and ecological stories of the area in this feature.
- Remove the kiosk.

While a destination within the park, there needs to be good connectivity:

- Board walk extensions to intersect with this area
- Improved cycleway connections
- Scooter tracks that link with the skate park and basketball court and include mini-ramps.

Actively consider the incorporation of art:

- Through the whole site, using reference to the history, culture and context
- Apply the Art Work Strategy to the site.

Area B needs to be more planted.



## 7 AREA C – RELAX/WHAKATĀ

This is an important area because it sits at the top of Maclean Street, the main shopping street in Paraparaumu Beach. It is a popular spot for relaxation, eating and looking out to Kāpiti Island. The long-term development concepts aim to improve the "relax/whakatā"

values of this area. The concepts vary in the type, location and size of shade structures, the options for improving the lookout, and the general accessibility within this area.

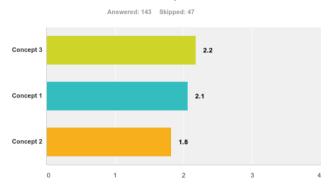
#### 7.1 SHADE AND SHELTER

The most preferred shade and shelter location was in Concept 3 (64 respondents) with Concept 2 (51) respondents also supported.

### 7.2 LOOKOUT PROPOSALS

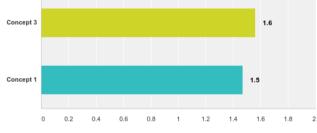
Two different lookout proposals were presented. Lookout Concept 3 was ranked higher by 56% of the respondents, compared with 46% ranking concept 1 as their preferred lookout. This proposal included a new terraced area to enhance the views and improve accessibility, as well as providing shade and shelter.

Q7 Preferred shade/shelter locations in each concepts



Q8 Rate the lookout proposals in concepts 1 and 3





48 people made comments, which have been summarised as follows:

Table 4	Lookout Proposals	
Relationship with the visual aspects from across the road	<ul> <li>Wind was identified as the key factor in providing shelter (6)</li> <li>Maintaining the view is critical (5)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Some had concerns about the view and connection from Maclean Street</li> </ul>	
Look the same	6 people found it difficult to distinguish between the concepts	
Concentrate or spread out sheltered areas	• People were keen to spread the seating and shelter out along the park (2)	
do not build roof structures along fish and chip hill. visually not appropriate.	<ul> <li>Fish 'n' chips hill – Roof structures over tables detract from the natural beauty of this part of the beach, and given the predominant wind and rain in the area will gain</li> </ul>	



Leave as a natural contour. weather is too changeable for any real improvement with roof cover	•	little benefit, and aesthetically not enhance the view especially from the overlooking apartments. Bunds of earth and natural planting to protect areas from wind and create specific seating areas.
Parking	• •	More parking (3) Keep the parking the same (3) Less parking (3)
Leave it as is	•	No need for change (2) Not a good use of money (5)

#### 7.3 MARKET

Respondents were asked if they would be happy with the market to be in Area C in the future

 79% were happy with the possibility of hosting the market in Maclean Park. This was supported by written submissions.

The market is a big asset to the local community and we NEED to put them in the park if the area they are in is not available to them in the future.

Having the market at Paraparaumu Beach would aid tourist activity so could be a good thing but we are also upgrading the town centre and could work there as well

This is one of the biggest and widely supported regular community events held at the beach. We support the market being held in the park if the current location ever becomes unusable. We do not want to lose the market and want to ensure this weekly event continues at Paraparaumu Beach.

#### In addition to the market, was the wish improved shops:

try to get some retail shops around the beach shops and have them open on sat and Sundays, at the moment there's no shops open for visitors to the beach except food places.

#### 7.4 RECOMMENDATIONS AREA C RELAX/WHAKATĀ

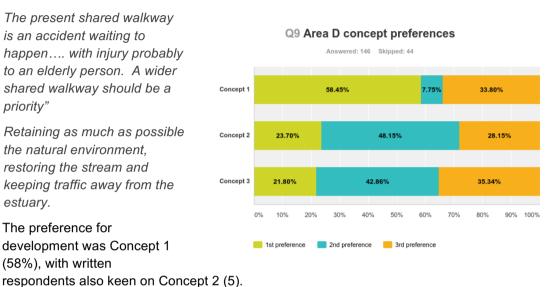
The second priority area for redevelopment focuses on relaxation. Key recommendations include:

- Rationalise car parking to open up the central spine and connections within the park
- Continue to provide shade and shelter keeping any visual obstructions to a minimum to prevent impacts on the view out to the beach and Kāpiti Island
- Cluster any new structures with existing
- Lookout Concept 3 with a new terraced area to improve views and picnicking was ranked higher by 56% of the respondents
- Ensure that any redevelopment accommodates the potential of the market being hosted within this area of the park.



## 8 AREA D - DUNE

Area D is at the southern end of Maclean Park and is mainly valued as open space and for the shared pathway along the foreshore. The concepts for this area included various proposals for improving the native dune planting in this area, and Concept 1 proposed an increase to the amount of parking which would be done by linking the existing parking areas.



Issues for a shared pathway include meeting multiple users needs including; walkers, skaters, cyclists, elderly and mobility assisted users.

#### 8.1 RECOMMENDATIONS AREA D DUNE

While Area D was the lowest in terms of priority for redevelopment, it also provides some key amenity values to the wider park. Key recommendations include:

- Increase car parking without impinging on the park
- Build improved connections from this area through the park
- Ensure that the dune forms are expressed throughout this area.



## 9 PARKING

The following summarises comments regarding parking in relation to each zonal area.

Table 5	Parking preferences by zone
Area A – Northern	Vehicles on the beach
Zone 19 out of 86 (22%) comments related to	I like concept three best, as hopefully it will reduce the number of non boat launching vehicles on the beach, and increase safety of pedestrians.
cars, vehicles, traffic and parking in this	Concept 3 shifts the carpark and vehicle beach access to the north away from the park, which is an improvement
area.	Gateway parking
	The Kāpiti Island Visitor Centre at "Gateway needs its own parking (don't support improving (or even having!) existing carpark beside)
	Safer access to the beach
	I particularly like the relocation of the beach access for vehicles which leaves a clear space for other users
	Traffic issues
	Need to keep car, boat trailer traffic away from rest of park and club entrance - direct to beach.
	consider all the activities that would clash here. car and boat movements, coastguard activities, dive club and all the increased traffic and tourist numbers the future coast and Kāpiti Island will experience.
	Separating the stream and the parking
	I like the idea of linking spaces via boardwalks and pathways.
	I think moving vehicles away from the stream will make it more enjoyed by people. Also it make sense giving more focus to the Visitors Centre
Area B Recreation Zone	Plenty of parking and a big space suitable for events such as markets, concerts, fairs etc
Two respondents from 34 comments	Off street PARKING
Area C Relaxation	Less parking (3)
Zone Ten of 48	More green space, views, and shade please. Less concrete, cars etc.
respondents commented on	Would be great to limit the car parking and increase the actual park area.
parking and cars	Keep car parking (4)
	Keep as much parking as possible
	Please don't move parking to the street - this will create a nightmare as people have to reverse out and stall traffic!
	More parking (3)
	Having a carpark for events, such as the market, makes a lot of sense.



	Certainly need more parking around the area.		
CI	hange the road layout		
	the Parade concept is good but does not go far enough. Half of Maclean Street should be blocked off and marine Parade should also be blocked off in this areaand developed as public space giving full connection to the township and beach areaSeaview Road [should be] the Main Beach Road.		
Area D – Dune zone 19 respondents of 44	I'm not sure what the extra parking adds at that end, as there is a tonne of street parking available at that end. I'd rather have more space, and more open space for tearing around is better!		
(43%) commented on cars and parking	I think this is a lovely area. I do think joining the car parks is a perfect plan.		
	Increased parking good. more planting with grass areas remaining.		
	Balance off parking here with reduced parking to the north		
	Parking will be essential to an increase in use, and pressure from Saturday markets and surrounding shops and cafes		
General comments about parking • Road safety	Road safety is critical - what ever you do to the interface between The park and Marine Parade, please make sure there are barriers to prevent little kids running out onto the road - especially if you're taking parks away and putting more cars on the prowl for parks.		
<ul><li>Discourage cars</li><li>Boat parking</li><li>Beach access</li></ul>	Encourage use of alternative transport, discourage cars. Please make it people rather than car friendly!		
	Increase the size of the park by reducing traffic to one lane between Howell Rd and Maclean St		
Freedom     camping	Freedom campers / self contained campers should not be allowed in the boat club car park		
	Definitely need more parking. Customers are always complaining about not being able to get a park.		

#### 9.1 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PARKING

Maclean Park is a destination park, that attracts people because of its location – close to the sea and the village, its attractions – play equipment, picnic and view spots, and its connection with cycle and walkways. Many people who use Maclean Park travel by car. Maclean Park should NOT be resolving car parking issues for the village.

In summary, the following recommendations emerged:

- Area A That parking be intensified in the northern and southern zones of the park
- Area B no change in the number of parks
- Area C (the central zone) have redistributed parking
- Area D have additional parking

That traffic issues be managed through a variety of interventions in areas adjacent to the park:

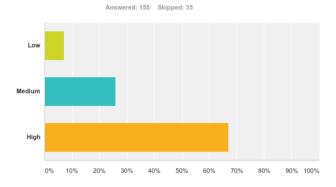
- Change the current 60 minute designation for parking in the village to allow some 120 minute parking
- Traffic calming using street and parking design and a table top at Howell Road
- Redevelopment of the northern end of the park including the roundabout, access from Kāpiti Road, boat and visitor parking.

## **10 PRIORITY FOR DEVELOPMENT**

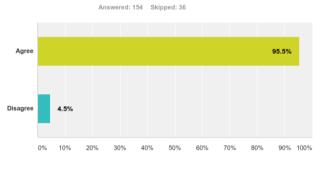
There was clear agreement between the online and written respondents.

More than two-thirds of all respondents believed that the development of Maclean Park should be a high priority.

Q10 Thinking about Maclean Park in relation to other parks in the Kāpiti Coast District, do you think developing Maclean Park should be of low, medium or high priority.



Q11 Maclean Park - a contemporary destination park the District can be proud of.



Almost all respondents (95%) believed that Maclean Park should be a contemporary destination park the district can be proud of.

#### 10.1 **AREA FOR DEVELOPMENT**

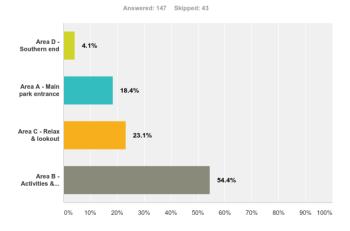
Respondents clearly believed that the area for redevelopment initially should be:

Area B - the activities and recreation space (54%)

Area C - Relax and lookout the next highest priority (23%)

Area A - main park entrance, third priority (18%).

Q12 Which area of the park do you think should be the priority to develop first?





## **11 BUSINESS RESPONDENTS**

There were 12 local business owners who responded to the survey (6% of respondents). They preferred Concept 3 – Central Path. There were also several written submissions from local businesses.

Key issues they raised included:

- Attractions in the park (skate park, basketball, water feature, older persons playground).
- The importance of the Kāpiti Island gateway and the connection with the park and shopping precinct
- Parking and the need for this to be developed in a number of sites in Maclean Park

Business owners wanted the development of the park to be as follows:

- Area A main entrance (55%)
- Area B Activities and Recreation (36%)

Area D – Dune also attracted comments from five business respondents regarding parking and balancing this with as much green space and planting as possible:

I think this is a lovely area. I do think joining the car parks is a perfect plan. I would like to see some more planting but not covering the whole area.

More carparking and that's about all we need at this point.

The size of the parking areas is fine and would make it an increased expense that you could put towards improving the park

I'm not sure what the extra parking adds at that end, as there is a tonne of street parking available at that end. I'd rather have more space, and more open space for tearing around is better!

Table 6	Paraparaumu Beach Owners comments regarding their preferred concept
Play Equipment	McLean Park is a destination park - making it even better will bring even more people.
	Shower blocks are a must at any good beach. Can't understand how we don't even have taps there to wash the sand off your feet.
	Splash pad/water play area is needed
	Decent basketball court further away from the road would be great! Basketball is amazing fitness
	Older persons playground would be great also as our youth are always complaining there's nothing in Kāpiti for them
	It'd be interesting to see what an "older persons' playground" would entail, as I'd really like to see some outdoor gym equipment there, as the beachfront is hugely popular for walkers and runners, and this type of outdoor gym area is massively successful in other beachside towns around the world.
Central pathway including connection with Maclean Street	I want to see a connection from Maclean Street through the park to take you to the island.
	If we build a wide central path along here we can showcase a lot of Kāpiti's diverse crafts/foods/beverages & services in a regular night/day market which will attract more people to the area.



	I really like the Central Path idea in that it provides a nice flow from what would be a new Kāpiti Island visitor centre through the park and connecting with the retail area.
	Kāpiti Island is our jewel. We would like a link from business/retail/restaurant area to be achieved to encourage foot traffic from and to Kāpiti Island through the park.
Kāpiti Island Gateway	The Parade – Option 1 gives the best option for the Gateway development because at least gives us an area away from traffic and boats to check in.
	"Support a collaboratively developed visitor centre/Kāpiti Island gateway building on the site of the existing Boat Club."
	I believe this has the greatest potential for local-district-regional- international visitor interest. The proposed Kāpiti Gateway has huge potential to bring very strong focus on the beach area
	I like the idea of linking spaces via boardwalks and pathways. Not so keen on adding another building to the middle of a vehicle passage point, as I am concerned about blind spots and distractions when there are kids around.
	There was no aspiration to have a strong commercial presence in the Gateway facility.
Focal point to Kāpiti Island	We think the area is very important with regards to being a destination and things that enhance that appeal are an enhanced lookout experience, fish'n'chip hill and especially the Kāpiti Island visitor centre.
Vehicle movement around and onto the beach	We operate Kāpiti Explorer and take over 10,000 people to the island each year. Concept 3 is totally impractical for our boat movements - we could not even turn round in the carpark.
	Concept 2 has people and traffic in the same space Concept 1 at least gives us an area away from traffic and boats to check in. No options improve parking
	Congested and unmanaged traffic flow down to the beach, there will need to be two access ways, we need them now, we need carparking to be developed down in front of the boat club
Parking	We are part of a growing community and taking away a car park from one of the busiest hubs makes no sense.
	Taking away carparks and forcing vehicles to prowl up and down the street for parks will not support the intent of making Marine Parade an attractive, pedestrian-friendly promenade.
Lighting	Lighting is important to encourage use of the park at all times Also incorporate the Christmas lights on the pine tree and increase Christmas lighting in the area.
	I would also like to see some lighting features included in the park design.
Events	We would like to have areas included where events can be held.
	Power source for events like the Carols by the sea.



## **12 DEMOGRAPHICS**

Most of the people responding to the survey lived locally (90%):

The predominate means of getting to the park was:

- 68% drive
- 43% walk
- 20% bike

They typically went to the park with:

- 74% family
- 25% friends
- 22% alone

The main respondents to the survey were adult.

There was a very low response from young people, although many of the groups who responded did so on behalf of their family.

#### 12.1 IWI

15 (8%) of respondents to the survey identified as Maori:

- Ngāti Toa Rangatira
- Ngāti Raukawa ki te Tonga 4

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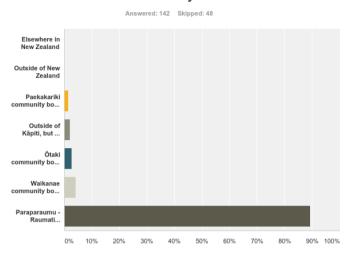
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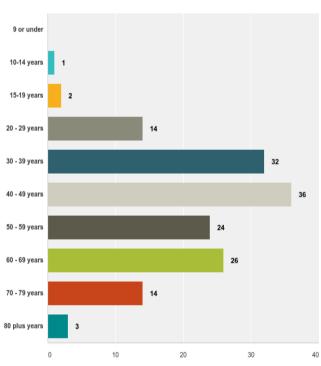
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- Te Ātiawa ki Whakarongotai 2
- Ngati Kahungunu
- Ngati Koata
- Ngati Koriki Kahukura
- Ngai Tahu

#### Q15 What area do you live in?





Q19 Age

Answered: 152 Skipped: 38



#### **12.2 INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS**

The predominant respondents were individuals however, there were 11 groups that responded, most of whom were families:

- Kāpiti Explorer and Charters
- Facebook group support a kids bike track
- Friends of Tikotu stream
- Paraparaumu Beach Golf Club
- Kāpiti Coast Older Persons Council (written submission)
- Sharon Hunter, Chair, Paraparaumu Beach Business Association (written submission)
- Two written submissions were also from local business owners.

Overall, there was representation from a range of local businesses:

- 9% of all survey respondents owned Paraparaumu Beach businesses
- 7% of all survey respondents owned other businesses in the Kāpiti region.

Six individuals provided written responses by email where no demographic information was supplied. These responses have been integrated into the overall analysis. Submitters included:

- Darren Hunter, Director, Hunter Architecture
- Eddie Dixon, resident Langdale Avenue
- Eileen Dowie
- Fred Davey
- Maurice Broome, resident, Quadrant Heights
- Paul Ingram, resident, Marine Parade.



## **13 YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 0 – 19 YEARS**

Only 3 young people aged 19 and under responded to the online survey.

Their preferences were for: play and water.

They wanted both Concepts 1 and 3.

#### Basketball and the skate park were a key feature:

I like all of them equally the same but the only reason I think a lot of the youth come to Maclean park is because of the skatepark and basketball hoop. If you were to provide a basketball court with two hoops on each side of the court then that would mean the world to the youth of Paraparaumu. Basketball is the largest growing sport on the coast and it would bring a large burst of enjoyment to not only the local youth but the general community. I think this is a very important part you guys need to consider developing the plan, it all looks amazing but a court that doesn't have to be full court, just a court that we can play a 5v5 or 4v4 on would be incredible as everybody would utilise the park that way.

In area B, their preference was for Concept 3, with bbqs, a proper halfcourt basketball, new toilets and showers, improvements to the skatebowl and a bigger playground.

They indicated that Area B should be developed as a priority.

A basketball court with a hoop on each end of the court would mean the world to the youth of Paraparaumu. On a good day we will have people from other sides of Kāpiti coming down to play at this court and most importantly we can play 4v4 5v5 on a well sized court (doesn't have to be full, just enough for people to play a good game of 4v4 or 5v5)

The basketball court that is currently at MacLean park is very dangerous as it is very close to the road and should be changed immediately.

## Q6 Area B, three features from any concepts you would like in the park

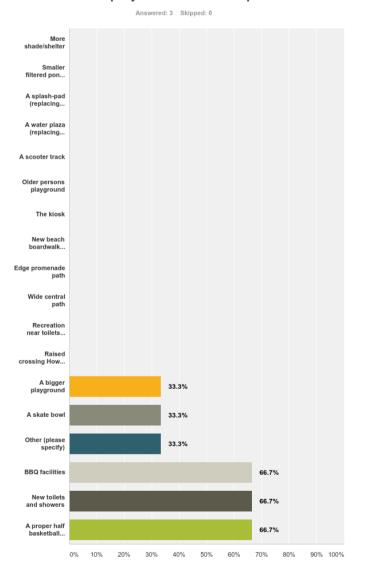


Figure 1 Younger persons preferred features



## 14 ADULTS AGED 20 – 59 YEARS

106 people aged 20 - 59 responded to the online survey. Their preferences were for: play, movement and destination. They wanted each concept equally, however they commented on:

 Pond (28 responses), with more in favour of new interactive water features than the current pond, although there were a range of opinions about a splash pad or water plaza.

The water plaza is the best water feature the splash pad would be the same as marine gardens. We need something different. Also, good to include play for older children

I really like the water plaza idea in concept 3 and water play activities in concept 1. I don't like the splash pad idea, as there is one near by (which we love) and I would rather this park had something new and different. Water play is awesome!

As a family we liked the water park but thought a combination of concept 2 and 3 would work well.

#### • Parking (24 responses)

Keep parking away from the central area. Introduce more play concepts to the area for families

Joined up spaces are vital, support removing the car park in the middle.

Removes car parks that currently break up the park, giving a greater flow to the whole space

I like that parking is kept to the periphery of the site allowing a more naturalised edge to the beach and northern areas of the play space. Permeable surfaces should be considered in all concepts.

increasing on street parking combined with pedestrian access across marine parade seems like there would be more hazards and issues with cars reversing etc.

We need to attract more people to Kāpiti and all we have to offer. We are part of a growing community and taking away a car park from one of the busiest hubs makes no sense.

#### Kāpiti Island Gateway (21 respondents)

A small hut should be sufficient to process Island visitors, especially as the number of visitors should remain limited to enhance the Island experience.

I do not believe that a 19 million dollar building to replace the boating club is what we need in the beach area. I do think we need a suitable building to accommodate the people going to the island. I do think a small information centre would be great.

We also need to put money into the Kāpiti island visitor centre as this is one of our biggest attractions on the Kāpiti coast

I believe the Kāpiti island visitor centre departure point needs to be a stand alone building and have its own identity

#### Basketball (9 respondents)

A basketball court is a HUGE need for Kāpiti most regions have a full basketball court that is accessible to use. If we are interested in keeping our youth occupied with positive activities a full court is something that seriously needs to be considered. If the court is to be located where the current hoop is there needs to be some protective from the road. I won't let my children play on the current hoop as its too dangerous and too close to the road.

If you don't feel a full basketball court is merited then don't even bother with a 'proper' half court. The cost of a full court won't be much more than a half court and if you got rid of the pond you would have the space



A half size basketball court will increase use.

Skate Park (9 respondents)

Skate park very popular and deserving of an upgrade. Only play facility for older children. Failing an upgrade, a new skate bowl would be welcomed by those older children.

The scooter park is also a great option.

A sheltered bbq space in the skate park area would be a great asset.

More signage about putting rubbish in bins is needed and more rubbish bins

Concept 3 in Area A was supported, particularly because of:

- Kāpiti Island Gateway (31)
- Restoration of Tikotu estuary and stream (11)
- Addressing car parking, traffic and access issues (15 respondents).

In area B, there was little different in preference for each concept. Priorities were for new toilets and showers, a splash pad, bbq, water plaza, older persons' playground, scooter track, shade and shelter, and a proper basketball half court.

In area C, their preference was for shade and shelter as described in Concepts 3 and 1.

They indicated that Area B should be developed as a priority (57%) with area C being supported by 22%)

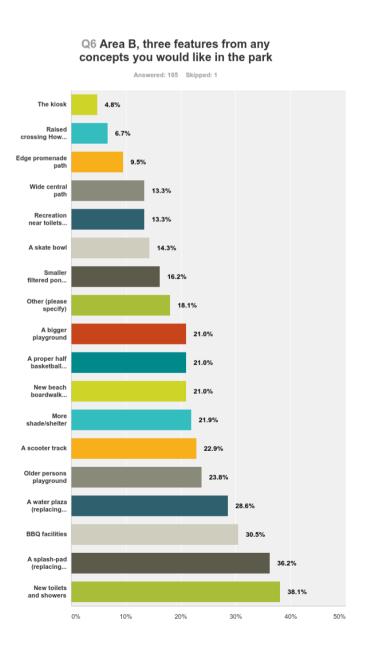


Figure 2 Adult respondents preferred features



## **15 OLDER ADULTS**

42 older adults aged 60 years and over responded to the online survey. In addition, there was a written submission from the Older Persons' Council.

Their preferences were for: play, destination and movement.

Overall the Older Adults wanted both Concepts 3 (Central Path) and 2 (Family Spaces), and in Area A, their preference was Concept 3.

Key comments regarding their preferences were:

#### • The central path 22.5%

I like the access coming from the Kāpiti road end. Links Kāpiti Island into the whole scheme.

A central path would be a link between the Kapiti Rd shared path all the way from Rimu Rd and the coastal pathway. Thus it would be unsafe to have this sort of traffic going thru the middle of the Park and have rated the coastal pathway as the safest.

#### Kāpiti Island gateway 25%

As a fishing, boating family this concept addresses the parking and traffic congestion for the beach access at the same time as setting up a collaboration between the boat club, visitor center and Kapti Island information.

improvements would be restoring the Tikotu estuary and minimising buildings associated with Boat club/biosecurity

I believe this has the greatest potential for local-district-regional-international visitor interest. The proposed Kāpiti Gateway has huge potential to bring very strong focus on the beach area

#### Water feature

the pond is a waste in its current format water play would be better I think my grandchildren would like the splash pad rather than pond. More water to play in Sad to see the pond go but happy for an interactive all season, water plaza

#### Older persons Playground 17.5%

Also a recreation area for older persons is a great innovation to cater for an aging population.

I like the idea of the older generations area

Not sure about the older person's play ground - surely they need to be connected to the other areas.

- 6 people expressed general support
- 5 were against the development because of financial reasons.

Area B, Activities and Recreation, received even rating for Concepts 1 and 2. Priority features for older adults in this area were:

- New toilets and showers
- Interactive water
- More shade and shelter
- Promenade path
- BBQ facilities
- Older persons playground.



Four people wanted to keep or modify the existing pond.

The older adults preferred the shade and shelter locations in Concept 3, with a new terraced area to enhance the views out, improved accessibility.

There was caution expressed about the size of the walkways and the potential for them to dominate the park.

It is interesting to note that for Area D - Dunes, there was a balance between older adults who wanted more parking (2) with those who preferred less (3).

Increasing parking in the dune area will not help with erosion. There is plenty of parking

Balance off parking here with reduced parking to the north

Concept 1 would be a good option if it did not mean increasing the car-parks.

# There was some concern expressed regarding:

Don't agree with Visitor Centre at boat club because of cost (2)

Doesn't need expensive development…keep it simple. Kāpiti can't afford any more expensive upgrades (3). Q6 Area B, three features from any concepts you would like in the park

Answered: 42 Skipped: 1

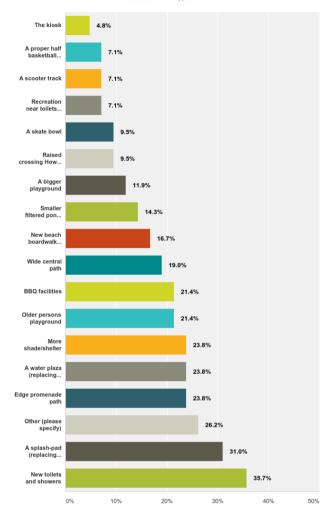
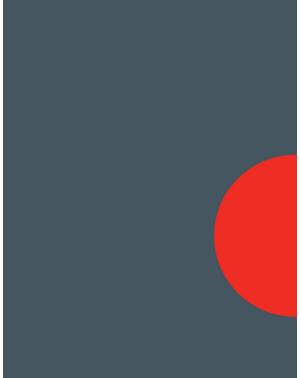


Figure 3 Older adults preferred features

#### 15.1 KĀPITI COAST OLDER PERSONS' COUNCIL

The Kāpiti Coast Older Persons' Council support development guided by Age Friendly principles and make the following points.

- Concept 1 "The Parade' have the path along the edge of the park to accommodate cyclists and avoid dangers inherent in having the path go through the park.
- Inclusion of an older persons' playground feature in Concept 3 'Central Path'.
- Any historical information should recognize the multicultural contributions made to the Maclean park area, in particular the generosity of the Maclean family.
- The concepts look exciting and expensive, and approximate costings should be part of consultation in future.



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# MACLEAN PARK Te Uruhi

DRAFT RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN 2017



## PREFACE

"Whakarongo atu ki ngā tai o Raukawa moana e pāpaki mai ra, ia rā ia rā
Mutunga kore, pāpaki tū ana ngā tai ki uta
I tēnei rā kua pāpaki mai ngā tai o te ao ki a Te Āti Awa
Pī kē pea te piki atu, rere haere ai ki runga i te kaha o te ao hurihuri;
Me kore pea te kitea he maramatanga ki ngā whakaritenga o te wā e tika ai tātou te iwi
Nō reira, whakarongotai o te moana, whakarongotai a te wā."
Wi Te Kākākura Parata, Paramount Chief of Te Āti Awa and Ngāti Toarangatira, 1884.

"Listen to the tide of Raukawa Moana as it crashes, day in, day out This is how it will always be, the tide forcing its way onto the shore Today, the tides of the world have been forced onto Te Āti Awa Perhaps instead of ignoring the swell, we should set sail on the strength of the new wave In the hope that we will realise what must be done now to put our iwi on the right course Therefore I say, as you listen to the tides of the ocean, listen to the tides of time."

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# **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

The Maclean Park Management Plan presents a framework for the long term future use, management and development of Maclean Park.

#### 1.1 MACLEAN PARK

Maclean Park is a significant district asset and receives a high level of use, particularly during the summer period. The Park is a key destination for residents and visitors, contributing to the character and attraction of the town of Paraparaumu.

Maclean Park is situated on the Paraparaumu Beach foreshore, bounded by the beach to the west and Marine Parade to the east. Sited within an area known to tāngata whenua as Te Uruhi, Maclean Park is a culturally significant site for Te Āti Awa ki Whakarongotai (Te Ātiawa) and Ngāti Toarangatira (Ngāti Toa). In particular, this is due to Te Uruhi Pā being situated in the vicinity.

The reserve is also an important recreational facility for residents of the Kapiti Coast and beyond, providing a focal point for a variety of water and land-based activities. Maclean Park incorporates the departure point for visitors to Kāpiti Island, a destination of significance in the Kapiti region.

The site is recognised and valued for its sea front location, its connection to the town and cultural heritage. It includes a popular destination playground and a shared path along the foreshore.

The reserve is strategically located near the intersection with Kapiti Road which connects inland to the expressway, as well as to Paraparaumu Town Centre further east on Kapiti Road. It is adjacent to the Paraparaumu Beach shopping area centred around Maclean Street and there is residential and commercial development extending along the opposite side of Marine Parade.

#### **1.2 PARTNERSHIP & RECOGNITION**

This Management Plan has been prepared by Kāpiti Coast District Council in partnership with Te Āti Awa as mana whenua and Ngāti Toa to whom the site is recognised as of significance. The Management Plan recognises and includes the values of each of these Iwi partners in association with broad community and council values which have been identified through the consultation process.

#### **1.3 PREVIOUS RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLANS**

The Management Plan for Maclean Park Beach Reserve (the Management Plan) is the result of reviewing the operative Management Plan prepared in 1993 and has been prepared as a requirement of the Reserves Act 1977. The draft plan has been developed in conjunction with park users, the wider community and key stakeholder groups and presents Council's proposed development and management of the reserve.

Reserves Act management plans are an important park management tool and provide continuity between legislative requirements, council plans and policies, and the day-to-day operation of council-administered reserve land. In accordance with the Reserves Act 1977 the Kāpiti Coast District Council, as the administering body, is required to prepare a management plan for Maclean Park Beach Reserve. The Act also requires the Kāpiti Coast District Council to keep the Maclean Park Beach Reserve under continuous review.

Once adopted, this Management Plan will replace the operative 1993 version.

#### **1.4 PURPOSE OF THIS MANAGEMENT PLAN**

This reserve Management Plan provides guidance for the future use, management and development of Maclean Park Beach reserve.

The Management Plan provides for the *kaupapa* (values/principles), *hua* (policies and objectives) and *tikanga* (measures) as an outcome of the community engagement process. This will guide the management of Maclean Park in order to achieve the vision for the park.

To achieve this, the Plan:

- Indicates the *kaupapa* or principles to which the Management Plan aspires in order to achieve the overall vision for Maclean Park.
- Indicates the *hua* or strategic goals and objectives to measure the *kaupapa* and to manage competing demands on the reserve.
- Indicates the *tikanga* or measures that will be implemented to achieve the *hua* or strategic goals.

The Plan also provides the following to ensure management is streamlined and transparent:

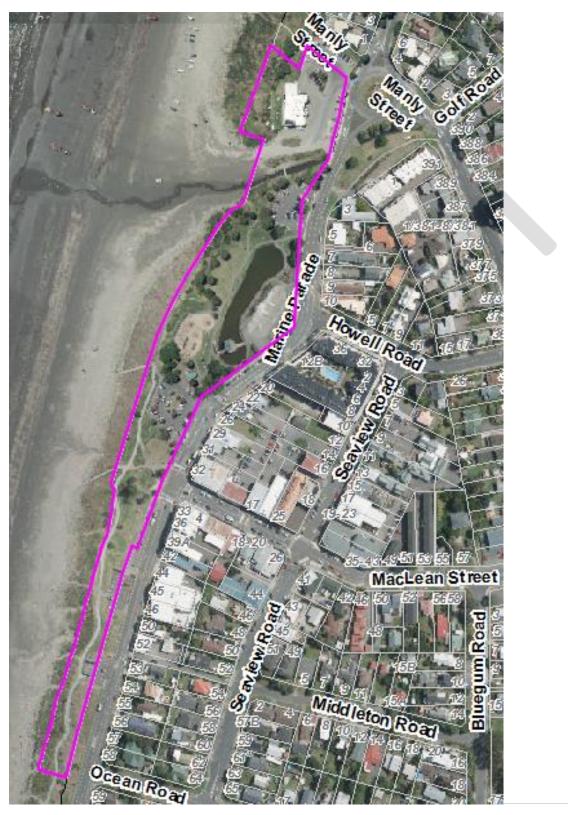
- A process that enables consistency in decision-making and reduces the potential for adhoc decisions.
- A clear process for reserve management and policy implementation.
- A strategic framework for an implementation program.

#### 1.5 LEGAL DESCRIPTION, LOCATION & EXTENT

Under the Reserves Act 1977, the Department of Conservation classifies the reserve as a **recreation reserve.** The land is vested in the Kāpiti Coast District Council under the provisions of section 26A of the Act.

The total area of the reserve is 3.0337 hectares.

The park is known locally as "Maclean Park" but is legally gazetted as being part of the reserve lands collectively known as the Paraparaumu Domain. For the purposes of this Management Plan this reserve is herein referred to as Maclean Park, and further described as: Part Lot 90, DP 10250, part Lot 91, DP 4828 and Sections 4 and 6, Block III, Kapiti Survey District (being part of Section 2 on SO322370 and being part of the land held in Gazette Notice 751932 and all the land in Gazette Notice 789197), Wellington Land District.



# 2.0 MACLEAN PARK HISTORY

#### 2.1 WHAKAPAPA OF TE URUHI PĀ & MACLEAN PARK

Maclean Park is situated in an area of great historical significance to the people of Te Ātiawa and Ngāti Toarangtira. The wider area was originally occupied by the settlement know as Te Uruhi Pā, which was located in the vicinity of Te Uruhi Lake and the Tikotu Stream which flowed from the lake out to sea. Traditionally, the Tikotu provided for mahinga kai (gathering of food) to support the community living there. The lake was eventually drained, and the Tikotu Stream has had much of its length piped underground, however it still flows out to sea close to the present day boating club.

Te Uruhi Pā and its shoreline have particular significance as a tauranga waka, or boat landing. Oral history tells of this point being one of the first key landing sites of Te Ātiawa and Ngāti Toarangatira as they arrived on their series of migrations down to settle the Kāpiti Coast and Porirua areas from 1822. Te Uruhi was initially settled by Ngāti Toarangatira chief Te Rangihaeata and his followers for a few months, before they moved to Kāpiti Island, where it became the strategic centre of their rohe. It was then allocated to the Ngāti Puketapu hapū of Te Ātiawa who became the permanent occupants of the pā. The land is recorded as being owned by the chief of Ngāti Puketapu, Ihakara Te Ngarara.

It is also the site at which the infamous Kahe Te Rau-o-te (the daughter to Te Matoha of Ngāti Toarangatira and Te Hautonga of Te Āti Awa and Ngāti Mutunga) landed in her epic swim from Kāpiti Island. When Kahe spotted an oncoming fleet of waka taua (war canoes) on their way to Kāpiti in the dead of night, she swam the channel between the point and Kāpiti with her baby strapped to her back in order to warn and gain reinforcements from the people at Te Uruhi. The channel that she crossed was named after her couragous feat, Rau o te Rangi Channel.

Once Te Uruhi pā was established here, it continued to be an important landing and departure point for waka travelling between the north, Kāpiti and surrounding islands, Mana and Porirua, and further to the top of Te Waipounamu (South Island). It was also a particularly important commercial site as flax, food and other items were traded with whalers and other early Pākehā traders. In 1840, local Pākehā whaler Bill Jenkins opened an accommodation house at the pā, and later married the the Ngāti Puketapu chieftainess Paeroke, from whom many local mana whenua today in the area descend.

From the 1850s, as with much of the area, the Native Land Court saw that Te Uruhi was divided up into various land blocks, resulting in the alienation of the land from Ngāti Puketapu. However, the people of Te Ātiawa and Ngāti Toa maintain their connection with the area as being important to their history of settlement, and indeed it is still utilised as the landing point by the various whānau as they travel between the mainland and their ancestral homes on Kāpiti and the surrounding islands, and by all those who are also hosted on Kāpiti by Te Ātiawa and Ngāti Toa.

#### 2.2 Timeline

- Prior The wider area of Maclean Park was originally occupied by the settlement known as Te Uruhi Pā, which was located in the vicinity of Te Uruhi Lake and the Tikotu Stream which flowed from the lake out to sea.
- 1820's Te Uruhi was initially settled by Ngāti Toarangatira chief Te Rangihaeata and his followers for a few months, before they moved to Kāpiti Island. It was then allocated to the Ngāti Puketapu hapū of Te Ātiawa who became the permanent occupants of the pā.
- 1840's Te Uruhi pā was well established and continued to be an important landing and departure point for waka travelling between the north, Kāpiti and surrounding islands, Mana and Porirua, and further to the top of Te Waipounamu (South Island).

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The land was farmed by the Maclean family who owned a significant portion of land within the Paraparaumu Beach area.

1920's The park was named Maclean Park at some stage in the 1920's, and subsequent development of the park occurred as the area saw the construction of the Marine Parade during this period.

A wooden stage was built and located north of the Tikotu Stream which formed the early entertainment and attraction base of Maclean Park. Such events included carnivals, and more notably the Christmas Queen Carnival.

- 1921 Part of the land area now constituting Maclean Park was made a public reserve and vested in 1921 as a result of subdivision.
- 1931 An additional land parcel was added to Maclean Park, following further vesting required due to another subdivision.
- 1930 1950 South of the Tikotu Stream, the main centre of Maclean Park was favoured as a picnic destination due to the natural shelter offered by the large foredune.
- 1951 1952 The Progressive Association, in partnership with a private investor, financed the construction of a skating rink.
- 1953 The public toilets were constructed.

- 1957 Changing rooms were added to the public toilet block.
- 1961 The Hutt County Council resurfaced the skating rink, and began construction of a sea wall along the dune front.
- 1963 Mr Gordon Sweetman (later the County Chairman) instigated the construction of the boating pond and extensive levelling of the dune front.
- 1977 The Kāpiti Borough Council added a skate-board area to the existing rink.
- 1978 1980 The Kāpiti Borough Council continued reserve enhancements which included extensive planting, log barriers along the road frontage and the construction of a skateboard ramp. The kiosk building was also built at this time, at the southern end of the boating pond.



- Early 1980's Promoters were appointed and the facilities area leased out to a private operator following Council's concern over the effective promotion and management of Maclean Park. This sparked an area of development of attractions relating to a "fun park" theme.
- 1982 A water slide was constructed, with a moat for bumper boats below it. A miniature train was relocated from another Borough Council reserve, and the changing facilities were also upgraded.
- 1989 1990 Two additional car park areas were developed north of the boating pond.
- 1990 1991 The area south of the water slide to the Maclean Street intersection was extensively upgraded with additional parking, seating and picnic areas, with paved access to the beach and additional tree planting. This development went on to win a landscape design award from the New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architects.
- 1993The first Maclean Park Management Plan was written and finalised by the Kāpiti<br/>Coast District Council.
- 2012 The small basketball court was installed between Marine Parade and the pond.
- 2012 2013 The skate park bowl was extended.
- 2013 The kiosk building burnt down as a result of a serious vandal attack. During this year the failing wooden sides of the pond were upgraded with a pond liner, rock revetment and fill.
- 2014 2015 Following a community petition the community kiosk was rebuilt.

- 2015 Issues with severe pond leaks resulted in the pond being sealed with asphalt and refilled. Following this work, the pond continued to leak, meaning it was becoming unsustainable to maintain at normal water levels.
- 2015 2016 The playground was upgraded. Council funding was allocated in the 2016/17 Annual Plan for a Development Plan to be consulted on with the community.
- A Council decision was made to wait for a Development Plan to help determine the future of the pond. The pond was left empty for six months from February to July 2016. The pond was then refilled and monitored for two months to track water usage, which revealed that approximately 100 cubic metres of water (approximately \$100 worth) was being lost on average per day. The pond was subsequently left empty.
- Nov 2016 Community consultation began for the development and management plans.

# 3.0 LEGISLATION, POLICY & PLANNING

A hierarchy of legislation, planning documents and policies set the framework for the Maclean Park Reserve Management Plan.

Non-legislative documents (such as internal Kāpiti Coast District Council policies and plans) that guide the plan are directed by the Local Government Act 2002 and the Resource Management Act 1991. Associated legislation such as the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014 also contributes to the policy framework of the Plan.

This Plan is informed and supported by legislation, planning documents and associated policies.

#### 2.1 LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK

#### **RESERVES ACT 1977**

The Reserves Act 1977 (Reserves Act) is designed to protect public land, identify and protect natural and cultural values and ensure, as far as possible, the preservation of access for the public.

Under the Reserves Act there are a number of processes governing the way in which the Council, as administrator, is required to manage the Park. The main responsibilities under the Reserves Act are to classify the land for its primary purpose and to manage it accordingly, to prepare a management plan and keep it under continuous review and to put in place formal agreements for leases and licences.

The classification of reserve land for its primary purpose is the means for determining the management focus and subsequently relevant objectives and policies (Section 17, Reserves Act).

Maclean Park is classified as a Recreation Reserve under the Reserves Act and as such, the reserve is:

"for the purpose of providing areas for recreation and sporting activities and the physical welfare and enjoyment of the public and for the protection of the natural environment and beauty of the countryside, with emphasis on the retention of open spaces and on outdoor recreational activities, including recreational tracks in the countryside."

#### **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991**

The Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) addresses issues relating to the management of the natural and physical resources of the region and therefore the Act has a number of implications for the day-to-day management of Maclean Park.

The key purpose of the RMA is to promote the sustainable management of New Zealand's natural and physical resources.

Natural and physical resources include land, water, air, soil, minerals, energy, all forms of plants and animals and all structures.

#### **DISTRICT PLAN**

Kāpiti Coast District Council's District Plan has been developed in accordance with the Resource Management Act 1991. The purpose of the District Plan is defined as:

*"to assist territorial authorities to carry out their functions in order to achieve the purpose of this Act."* 

When preparing or changing a District Plan, councils are required to have regard to management plans and strategies prepared under other Acts. The District Plan provides rules (eg. noise control) that affect the use and management of the reserve.

#### BYLAWS

Kāpiti Coast District Council has a number of Bylaws prepared under the Local Government Act 2002 that apply to the use of the council's land and may impact on user behaviour at the reserve. Bylaws applying to the Park include:

- Public Places Bylaw
- Dog Control Bylaw
- Beach Bylaw

#### **COUNCIL PLANS & POLICIES**

The Plan has been informed by, and aligns to, Council's current plans and policies, including:

- Open Spaces Strategy
- Cycling, Walking, Bridleways Strategy
- Freedom Camping Policy
- Coastal Strategy

# 4.0 DESCRIPTION

Maclean Park is a 3.0337 hectare reserve that incorporates active and passive recreation. The reserve hosts the Kāpiti Boating Club, the coast guard, the dive club and is the departure point for Kāpiti Island.

Located between Marine Parade and the coastal foredune in Paraparaumu, the reserve is classified as a recreation reserve under the Reserves Act 1977.

#### 4.1 PHYSICAL & NATURAL FEATURES

The original littoral dune structure (foredunes) has long been levelled and redeveloped to provide grassed passive recreation areas, car parking and specific active recreation opportunities.

#### SOIL

The soil is free-draining and unstable sand with minimal topsoil providing little nutrition.

#### CLIMATE

Characterised by warm summers and relatively mild winters. The rainfall is 800-1,000 mm per annum, fairly evenly distributed throughout the year. The site is exposed to the prevailing west to north-west winds which give rise to frequent gales.

#### **VEGETATION/FLORA**

Trees on the site are mainly pohutukawa and Norfolk pine. Shrubs consist of mostly taupata and harakeke/flax, plus garden beds planted with low shrubbery. The grassed areas are predominantly kikuyu and the adjacent remaining littoral dune vegetation includes marram grass (an exotic species), Pingao (*Desmoschoenus spiralis*), Spinifex (*Spinifex sericeus*), sand tussock (*Austrofestuca littoralis*), sand daphne (*Pimelea* aff. *Arenaria*) and sand coprosma (*Coprosma acerosa*).

#### GEOLOGY

The geological sequence of the Kāpiti Coast comprises alluvial gravel, sand and silt overlain with marine sediments. Kāpiti Coast district has been an area of tectonic activity, glacial and fluvial processes, in combination with changes in sea level. Alluvial fans have been formed due to the depositing of gravels, sands and silts from the rivers and streams – finer materials (silt and clay) have been deposited further away from the river channels. With the onset of time, dunes have migrated due to the prevalent north-northwest winds, resulting in areas of peat being overlaid with dunes.

#### 4.2 KĀPITI BOATING CLUB

The Kāpiti Boating Club Incorporated is an incorporated society with the objectives of fostering and assisting the pursuits of boating, sailing, fishing and water sports of all kinds. The Club also undertakes to develop goodwill, fellowship and knowledge of safe practices among members and others.

The Boating Club holds a long-term lease on the land (occupied by the building and the car park) and the Club is required to comply with the conditions of the Reserve Management Plan, as well as any act, regulation, bylaw, ordinance or resource management requirement from time to time affecting the building or land or any use of it.

#### 4.3 TOURS TO KĀPITI ISLAND

Access to Kāpiti Island is by approved tour operators only. At the time of writing this Management Plan, the approved operators are:

- Kapiti Explorer and Marine Charter
- Kapiti Island Nature Tours

The operators provide tours which depart from the car park at the northern end of the park. Trips are seasonal and visits to the island require a permit from the Department of Conservation, which is arranged by the operator. There is also accommodation on the island and visitors can experience an overnight stay in comfortable accommodation.

#### 4.4 DEVELOPMENT OF MACLEAN PARK

The Park is named after the Maclean family who farmed the local area up to the 1920's. The Park became a public reserve in two stages, after the land was vested from subdivisions in 1921 and 1931.

Development of Maclean Park began in the 1920's when Marine Parade (the adjacent road) was built. A wooden stage was built on the north side of Tikotu Stream and used for carnivals, particularly the Christmas Queen Carnival. At that time the area had shelter from macrocarpa plantings extending along the Tikotu Stream.

The south side of the stream was a popular picnic spot for many years where a large foredune provided shelter to a natural hollow. Development in this area began in 1951-52 with the construction of a skating rink financed by the Progressive Association and private investment. The public toilet block was constructed in 1953 and changing rooms were added in 1957. Petrol pumps opposite Maclean Street were also removed and a bus shelter, car park and screen walls around the toilet block constructed.

The Hutt County Council resurfaced the skating rink in 1961 and began construction of a sea wall along the dune front. In 1963, the sand dunes were extensively levelled and the boating pond

constructed, at the instigation of Mr Gordon Sweetman who eventually became a County Chairman.

Little further development occurred until 1977 when the Kāpiti Borough Council added a skate rink. From 1978 – 1980 the Borough Council carried out extensive planting, constructed a skateboard ramp, the kiosk building south of the boating pond and log vehicle barriers along the road frontage.

In the 1980's promotion of the Park became a Council concern and the facilities were subsequently leased to a private operator. Further development of the "fun park" attractions soon followed – a water slide was constructed in 1982 and a moat for bumper boats was developed below it. A miniature train was relocated from another Borough Council reserve and the changing facilities were upgraded.

Two additional car park areas were developed north of the boating pond in 1989-90, followed by an extensive upgrade of the area south of the water slide to the Maclean Street intersection in 1990-91 to provide further parking, seating and picnic areas, paved access to the beach and additional tree planting. This development achieved a landscape design award from the NZ Institute of Landscape Architects.

Further development of the reserve has been guided through a robust community consultation process incorporated with the principles/*kaupapa*, policies/*tikanga* and outcomes/*hua* outlined within this document.

# 5.0 MANAGEMENT PLAN PROCESS

Kāpiti Coast District Council has led the development of the Maclean Park Management Plan through its partnership with iwi and consulting with the Kapiti Community. The Paraparaumu-Raumati Community board led the community engagement process and had a close involvement with the development of the plan.

The development of this plan has followed a reserve management plan process. It is intended the plan will be reviewed 10 years after the year of approval.

The plan was developed in the following manner:

- 1. Public advised via Public Notice of Council's intention to prepare a revised management plan and written suggestions are invited over a three-month period.
- 2. Paraparaumu-Raumati Community Board and Council, together with its partners Te Ātiawa and Ngāti Toa, engaged with the local community via on-site consultation (opportunities for the community to stop by) and workshops with key stakeholder groups to provide an opportunity for the community to speak directly to Council staff. An online survey provided a way for the community to be involved and give feedback. The overall process was coordinated by a consultant.
- 3. Three design concepts for development plan options, based on information from the community and key stakeholders, drafted and made available for community feedback via multiple channels.
- 4. Draft management plan completed and presented for approval to Kāpiti Coast District Council. Three development plan concepts made into one development plan based on feedback from community and key stakeholders.
- 5. Approved draft management plan published and public submissions invited over a twomonth period; including a development plan.
- 6. Submissions heard and reviewed by Kāpiti Coast District Council.
- 7. Management Plan updated as appropriate; development plan finalised for presentation.
- 8. Modified and presented to Kāpiti Coast District Council.
- 9. Final plans published and publicly notified.

#### 5.1 ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

Te Ātiawa and Ngāti Toa as partners of Kāpiti Coast District Council have been involved with the review of the management plan throughout.

Community engagement was led by the Paraparaumu-Raumati Community Board and facilitated by a consultant and consisted of:

- Hui with Te Ātiawa rangatahi
- Paraparaumu-Raumati Community Board and Council engagement at Paraparaumu Beach Market Day
- 1,000 participants at the 'The Maclean Park Experience' event
- 600 postcards distributed
- 269 online and paper surveys
- 192 park 'wishes'
- 149 interviews with over 300 people
- 49 Create-a-Park designs
- 14 workshops with key stakeholder groups
- Archaeological site assessment

The engagement planning included a review of historical documents, stakeholder mapping and analysis and engagement plans.

Contributors submitted comments and recommendations on the future of the reserve.

Contributors included local residents, businesses and organisations from Kāpiti, as well as non-local users of Maclean Park who had an interest in the future management of the reserve and its surrounds.

#### To be completed after formal consultation period ends:

A draft plan was then developed and approved for public notification by the Kāpiti Coast District Council in accordance with section 41(6) of the Reserves Act 1977. Submissions on the draft plan closed on xx.

A total of xx submissions were received. Of these, xx submitters spoke at the hearing in support of their submissions.

The key topics submitted on were as follows:

- xx
- xx
- *xx*

# 6.0 ISSUES

#### 6.1 KĀPITI ISLAND DEPARTURE POINT

The current arrangement for departure to Kāpiti Island is low-key and could be improved to become more high-profile and reflect the significance of the area for local iwi. There is also opportunity to improve departure point facilities that enhance visitor experience and preparedness. The Park and the location of the visitor facility has been identified as a key arrival and departure point to the iconic Kāpiti Island. A visitor facility could reflect the importance of the island as a tourist attraction for Kāpiti. The development plan provides a basis for discussion for options to enable suitable visitor facilities to be developed with other partners as appropriate.

#### 6.2 PARKING

The current parking areas are insufficient to cope with the demand for parking at the reserve and motorists have difficulty negotiating the existing middle car park. Options presented to the community ranged from removing some of the car parks to free up space for passive park area, to increasing the size of the main car parks. The development plan includes an improved parking layout based on community feedback.

#### 6.3 VISIBILITY OF TANGATA WHENUA, MANA WHENUA HISTORY & SIGNIFICANCE

There is limited expression of local iwi cultural values in the current design and layout of the park. The rich history of Ngāti Toarangatira and Te Ātiawa occupying the area (including access to Kāpiti Island and Te Tau Ihu), the flourishing fauna and flora available and Te Uruhi Pā are reflected in the redevelopment of the park.

#### 6.4 TIKOTU STREAM

The Tikotu Stream flows through the park and its presence is directly linked to the significance of the site for iwi. However, over the years increased development of the Paraparaumu area has reduced the stream to a poor ecological condition. Whilst this issue is broader than the confines of the park, nevertheless it is in the park that there is greatest opportunity for expression and enhancement of this significant historical asset. Its current management currently focusses on maintenance for stormwater and flood protection purposes, which requires the stream edges to be accessible to earthmoving equipment to remove silt and debris from the outlet. The development plan includes options for improved environmental outcomes in recognition of its historical significance and community values.

#### 6.5 **DUNE CARE**

While an extensive littoral dune/foredune vegetation rehabilitation programme has been in place for some time, further planting and dune care would be of benefit to the reserve. Public awareness of dune care issues needs to continue in order to protect the dunes from being damaged by reserve users. There is an ongoing need to ensure that the dunes are protected through appropriate access ways to and from the beach area, along with restoration planting.

#### 6.6 **AMENITIES**

Visitors to the Park would like to see some integration between the facilities in the Park and the use of the beach. While public conveniences are currently available on-site, the facility is old and outdated and is inadequate to cater for current and future demands. The development plan has addressed the demand, the extent of the amenities required and the preferred location.

#### 6.7 RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES

There are sound arguments to support proposals for both active and passive recreation, which have been explored. Presently the opportunities are constrained by the location of parking, pond and kiosk. A reappraisal of these elements will enable a greater range of recreation opportunities to be provided. Consultation with the community included a variety of recreation options and the development plan incorporates the ideas and proposals from the community and key stakeholders as much as is practicable.

#### 6.8 THE POND

Originally built in 1963, the boating pond leaks water at a rapid rate and various attempts to repair this have not been successful. It is evident there are different opinions in the community as to whether there should be a pond or not, but it is clear that the provision of a water play facility of some kind is a popular idea. As a result of feedback from the local community the inclusion of "water play" has been addressed in the development plan. The pond will be removed to allow space for other recreation opportunities and for water play to be included.

#### 6.9 KIOSK

The kiosk was originally constructed to service the fun park activities that once operated in the park, it is elevated over the pond and the foundation posts are in poor condition. The building shell was repaired in 2014 after being damaged by fire in an arson attack. As the kiosk is located over the pond which will be removed in future development, the kiosk will also be removed from the park.

#### 6.10 BASKETBALL COURT

The current location of the basketball court is potentially dangerous, as it is too close to the road. This has already proved to be a problem, with balls hitting cars or bouncing into the street. As the basketball court has proved to be a popular facility in the Park, the development plan allows for an increased court size at an improved location further within the Park.

#### 6.11 ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT

An archaeological assessment has been undertaken and is available upon request. The assessment provides guidance on the condition and contextual value of Maclean Park as an archaeological site. The assessment also discusses the potential to improve amenity value and historical interpretation through such things as signage, cultural activities and appropriate landscape design.

The issues identified in this management plan are addressed in the development plan for the Park, based on feedback received through community, advice from iwi and key stakeholder engagement.

# 7.0 VISION STATEMENT

Maclean Park will be a destination for all; a place to meet, play, relax and connect with Kāpiti Island, our heritage and environment.

# 8.0 PRINCIPLES AND OBJECTIVES Kaupapa and Hua

#### 8.1 PRINCIPLE | KAUPAPA = WHAKAPAPA

Whakapapa is the network of the genealogical and ecological connections found in the natural world. It is from understanding all these connections and where one is positioned within the network that gives people a sense of their identity in the world.

#### OBJECTIVE Hua

8.1.1 Visitors to the reserve are able to learn about the historical and cultural significance of the reserve and its features.

- Public art is used to connect visitors with the history and culture of the reserve and its features.
- Implement appropriate interpretative signage and interactive learning opportunities throughout the park.
- Reflect the complete history of Maclean Park, across all cultures.
- Ensure new facilities are reflective of the Park's history and cultural aspects.
- Provide interpretive/historical signage throughout the reserve.

#### 8.2 PRINCIPLE | KAUPAPA = WAIRUA

Wairua is the spiritual health, peace and safety of living things. Wairua are the intangible qualities of the natural environment and people that must be treated with respect. There is a wairua connected to the people, the whenua and waterbodies.

#### **OBJECTIVES** |*Hua*

- 8.2.1 The reserve is safe and accessible for the community and visitors alike.
- 8.2.2 The reserve caters for a variety of no-cost recreation and leisure opportunities for all.
- 8.2.3 The reserve provides facilities which enhance Maclean Park and promote its use for passive recreation.
- 8.2.4 Cycleway/walkway linkages through the reserve are well-signed, attractive, safe and easily accessed.

- Enhance and improve entrances and connections with the adjacent commercial area and the open space network.
- Ensure that the design and development of the reserve reflects best practice in terms of CPTED (crime prevention through environmental design) principles.
- Retain free public access to all areas of the reserve (with the exception of leased areas and specific organised events).
- Ensure that the reserve and built facilities provide an accessible environment as far as is practicable.
- Provide links to all areas via the shared pathway.
- Provide accessible beach accessways wherever practicable.
- Develop playspaces appropriate for the theme of the Park.
- Ensure provision for a variety of community events.
- Facilitate good access to the beach.
- Encourage use by community groups and approved commercial activities that are appropriate and compatible with the vision for the reserve and enhance the user experience.
- Provide facilities to a high standard and of a style which are suited to the surrounding built and natural environment and intended use.
- Provide adequate and user-friendly car parking facilities.
- Ensure that a shared pathway is available throughout the Park.
- Provide appropriate passive recreation opportunities, such as picnic areas, BBQ's and appropriate locations for shelter and shade.

- Ensure that the cycleway/walkway/shared path through Maclean Park is consistent with the Kāpiti Coast District Council CWB Strategy (2009), in terms of connections, accessibility and categories of user provision.
- Appropriate lighting to provide safe and inviting spaces and pedestrian connections after dark.

#### 8.3 PRINCIPLE I KAUPAPA = MANA

Mana is described as the security and authority that whānau and hapū hold as a result of their status as mana whenua and their Treaty right to tino rangatiratanga of taonga. This mana is the basis for the practice of kaitiakitanga and the role of mana whenua in decision making for the rohe.

#### **OBJECTIVES** | Hua

- 8.3.1 Work collaboratively with the community and local Iwi to achieve the aspirations of the Plan.
- 8.3.2 The reserve is well-utilised and attracts events and activities which benefit the community.
- 8.3.3 To provide leases, licences and concessions which enhance Maclean Park and promote the use of the reserve, including connections to Kāpiti Island.

- Work alongside local Iwi to understand and include their aspirations for the reserve, with regard to future development.
- Enable the delivery of key projects through partnerships with key stakeholders.
- Work with stakeholders to ensure the reserve is a user-friendly venue for events.
- Work with stakeholders to reach an agreement in respect of commercial activity.
- Detail final designs for different stages of the project, working with iwi and the community as appropriate.
- Consider additional seating, drinking fountains, BBQ's and other structures to encourage use of the Park.
- Council will consider granting leases for recreational or commercial activities that:
  - enable the public to obtain the benefit and enjoyment of the Park or for the convenience of people using the Park.
  - will be compatible with other park uses and do not impede public access or cause undue maintenance problems.
  - will not cause inappropriate visual or audible intrusion to the natural park environment or detract from conservation values.
  - o meet a demonstrated demand and do not duplicate other facilities in the vicinity.
  - can be accommodated in terms of access, parking, services, support facilities and future expansion.

- provide links to Kāpiti Island and the marine reserve.
- are in keeping with the community's desire for how the Park is used.
- Work with key partners and stakeholders to develop a 'Gateway' Visitor Attraction Centre.

#### 8.4 PRINCIPLE | KAUPAPA = MĀRAMATANGA

The people describe māramatanga as collective cultural memory and knowledge that is inherited by each generation from our tūpuna who have gone before us. The māramatanga is then built on by each generation and provides us with important insight into the function and health of the environment.

#### **OBJECTIVES** | Hua

# 8.4.1 The open space natural character of the reserve is conserved and enhanced through appropriate landscape development

#### How we will achieve this | *Tikanga*

- Engage with stakeholders to ensure any proposed development will meet the needs of the community.
- Develop facilities in accordance with the development plan

#### 8.5 PRINCIPLE I KAUPAPA = TE AO TŪROA

Te Ao Tūroa describes the natural order of the universe which brings balance to the world. Examples of the natural order of the universe include phenomena such as the migration of fish and bird species, the movement of the sun across the horizon and the changing of the phase of the moon.

#### **OBJECTIVES** | Hua

8.5.1 Vegetation management will conserve and enhance natural character and amenity values and will consider the balance of aspirations and needs of the reserve environment and the reserve users.

- Ensure an appropriate balance of native and exotic plant species to be used in the reserve.
- Ongoing dune and riparian restoration works

#### 8.6 PRINCIPLE | KAUPAPA = MAURI

Mauri is defined by the people as the essential life force or energy that drives a whole ecological system including a river catchment or coastal marine area such as the Tikotu and Paraparaumu coastal marine area. The mauri of these areas can be seen through the health and quality of both their components and the functionality of the whole system.

#### **OBJECTIVES** | Hua

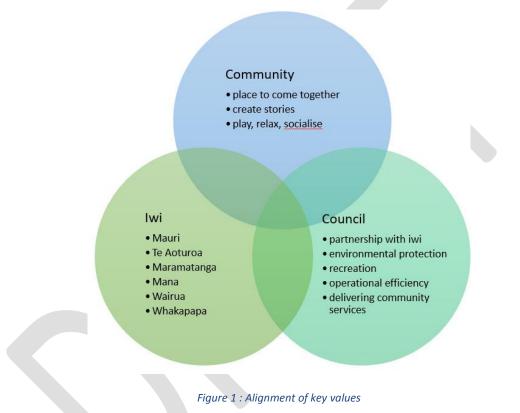
8.6.1 The activities at Maclean Park will be managed to reduce and/or avoid adverse effects on the stream and dune system, between the adjacent roadway (Marine Parade) and the western boundary of the Park.

- Ongoing restoration and stabilisation of the adjacent dune system.
- Planting design, location and species which is sympathetic to the ecological principles and values of the coastal environment, as well as community aspirations for the reserve.
- Address the environmental aspects of Titoku Stream within the park, via pollution mitigation proposals such as rain-gardens to capture the car park run-off.
- Improve riparian planting.

# 9. COMMUNITY VALUES

#### 9.1 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT RESULTS

There is alignment of values between key groups with an interest in the park. Whilst these values are expressed in different ways they are not exclusive of one another and should be considered through development and maintenance of the park. The values of community, iwi and council are summarised in the diagram below.



Further to these broad aspirational values, survey feedback during the preparation of this plan revealed the different primary reasons people come to the park follows:

- 36% come to play
- 27% enjoy walking through and around the park
- 21% enjoy just being at the park
- 21% enjoy the park for its relationship to the beach

#### 9.2 PARK AREAS CORRESPONDING WITH COMMUNITY VALUES

The natural qualities of the park and the layout and configuration of key infrastructure inform the way different areas of the park are valued. Presently, the park can be considered as a series of loosely defined areas along the foreshore which support or give expression to particular values. Figure 2 (overleaf) describes these main areas of the park and the broad values associated with each area. These areas were identified through the community engagement process and provide context for the key features of the development plan.





Figure 2: Maclean Park - key values by area.



# 10. DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The development plan, as shown in Appendix 3, has been developed through community consultation and working with iwi partners. The key issues referred to in section 6 of this plan have been addressed based on this input. The purpose of the development plan is the implementation of the management plan.

#### **10.1 KEY DEVELOPMENT PLAN PRINCIPLES**

Using the ideas shared by the community during the consultation on this plan, six key principles have been identified to inform the future development of the park. These key principles are reflected in the development plan (Appendix 3).

#### DESTINATION | He Tauranga

A welcoming place that is easy to find and navigate and which provides unique and interesting experiences, such as:

- A clear hierarchy of memorable entry and arrival experiences
- An "entranceway" to and from the land and the sea and Kāpiti Island
- An expression of culture and history of Maclean Park and Te Uruhi
- A place of stories

#### PLAY | Takaro

A place to play and recreate for multi-generational groups and individuals of all ages and abilities, which aspires to:

- Preserve and enhance active recreation areas
- Ensure accessibility within recreational zones, as far as is practicable
- Support positive shared experiences and whanaungatanga across the site
- Accommodate diverse visitor groups

#### RELAX | Whakatā

A place to relax and meet friends; a place that supports wairua through:

- Preserving and enhancing passive recreation areas
- Providing sheltered gathering places
- Providing the ability to host events
- Providing suitable and adequate facilities

#### WATER | *Te Mauri o te Wai*

A place where clean water can be seen, touched and interacted with, via:

- Safe water play
- The use of water for aesthetic enhancement
- Contributing to water quality and the values of the Tikotu Stream
- Improved land to sea and sea to land linkages

#### MOVEMENT | Pae te haere

A place that is easy and enjoyable to move through and around, facilitated by:

- Maintaining and improving access to the beach along the length of the park
- Providing safe and easy routes between key park attractions
- Providing appropriate parking
- Providing good connections to the wider transport network

#### ECOLOGY/Te Ao Tūroa

A place where the processes and systems of the natural environment are supported and enhanced by:

- Utilising local native plant species in conjunction with appropriate exotic species
- Habitat provision for native food species
- Continuation of dune restoration and improved riparian restoration
- Supporting the responsible management of water

## **11. APPENDICES**

#### **APPENDIX 1:**

#### **POLICY & PLANNING FRAMEWORK**

A hierarchy of legislation, planning documents and policies set the framework for the Maclean Park Beach Reserve Management Plan.

Non-legislative documents (such as internal Kāpiti Coast District Council policies and plans) that guide the plan are directed by the Local Government Act 2002 and the Resource Management Act 1991. Associated legislation such as the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014 also contributes to the policy framework of the Plan.

The hierarchy of legislation, planning documents and policies that guide the protection, use and development of reserves in the Kāpiti Coast District include the following:

#### LEGISLATION

- Reserves Act 1977
- Local Government Act 2002
- Resource Management Act 1991
- Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014

#### INTERNAL COUNCIL STATUTORY DOCUMENTS

- Long Term Plan and succeeding documents
- Annual Plan
- District Plan
- Public Places Bylaw
- Dog Control Bylaw
- Beach Bylaw

#### NATIONAL STRATEGIES

• National Guidelines for Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED)

#### KĀPITI COAST DISTRICT COUNCIL STRATEGIES & PLANS

- Open Spaces Strategy (2012)
- Reserves Strategy (2003)
- Cycleways, Walkways and Bridleways Strategy (2009)

# MACLEAN PARK Te Uruhi

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## A. MACLEAN PARK DEVELOPMENT

The development plan is presented as a whole but made up of many parts. Some features of the plan require a consistent approach across the whole park whilst some can be implemented as single elements that will have their own individual identity or character. It is important that the delivery of the plan is undertaken in such a way that a coordinated outcome is achieved and the maximum benefits of the park development, ranging from social to environmental to economic are realised.

#### **PRINCIPLES**

# In order to guide the process of development Council has partnered with iwi to identify six development principles based on feedback from the Kapiti community.

#### 1. Destination/ He Tauranga

A welcoming place that is easy to find and navigate, and provides unique and interesting experiences.

#### 2. Play/Takaro

A place to play and recreate for multi-generational groups and individuals of all ages and abilities

3. Relax / Whakatā

A place to relax and meet friends; a place that supports wairua

4. Water / te Mauri o te Wai

A place where clean water can be seen, touched and interacted with.

5. Movement / Pai te Haere

A place that is easy and enjoyable to move through and around

6. Ecology / Te Ao Tūroa

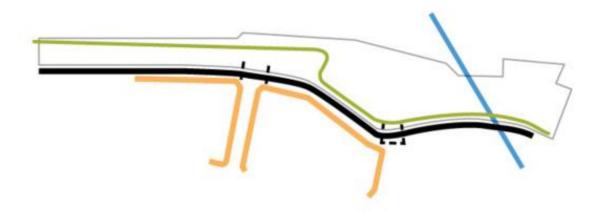
A place where the processes and systems of the natural environment are supported and enhanced.

# **B. PARK STRUCTURE**

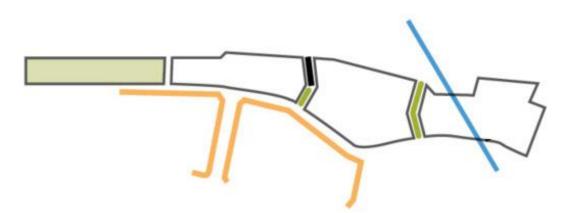
It may take many years for the development plan to be realised so it is important that the above principles are coupled with an underlying structuring framework that can help shape the park as it develops project by project. Having a framework also provides structure and certainty for the park development which the activities on surrounding sites can respond to and be informed by.

Throughout the management plan process Council sought feedback on a range of key structuring ideas at the scale of the whole park. As a result some important structural features based on the parks existing natural and physical context were identified. During the development concept design phase, three concepts were created for community feedback and each concept explored a different approach:

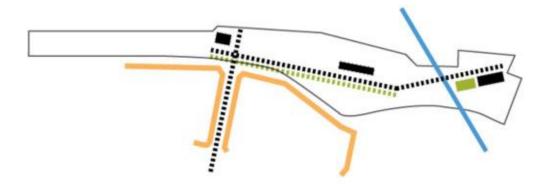
**1. THE PARADE**: focussed on improving Marine Parade as a promenade and removing some of the parking from the centre of the park.



**2. FAMILY SPACES**: focussed on improving the existing sequence of recreational spaces along the foreshore.



**3. CENTRAL PATH** : focussed on providing a well-connected series of 'anchor' experiences that link directly to commercial centre of the township.



Each of these concepts has merit and is not exclusive of one another. As such the development plan balances and incorporates aspects of each of the three concepts based on community feedback received during the development concept design stage.

# C. MACLEAN PARK VISION

## Maclean Park will be a destination for all; a place to meet, play, relax and connect with Kāpiti Island, our heritage and environment.

This will be achieved by the strategies and projects as detailed in this development plan.

#### **STRATEGIES**

#### Strategies of the plan that operate across the whole park are:

- 1. Provide 'anchor' elements that strengthen connections to activities within and surrounding the park
- 2. Support and enhance a diverse sequence of spaces and experiences throughout the park that support both active and passive recreation
- 3. Provide clear, coherent and high quality routes through the park for visitors
- 4. Provide opportunities for improving access to and experience of the beach and ocean
- 5. Develop a clear hierarchy of memorable entry and arrival experiences including locations for main entry points
- 6. Extend the shared path through the whole park
- 7. Provide good connections to the wider transport network, including public transport, walking and cycling
- 8. Improve the overall park cohesion through a well-planned sequence of activities and spaces
- 9. Manage the negative impact of parking on the park and foreshore
- 10. Give expression to rich and multi-faceted cultural and social history of Maclean Park and Te Uruhi including Te Ātiawa and Ngāti Toa history
- 11. Provide appropriate lighting in the park

#### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR PROJECT ENRICHMENT**

In addition to the above strategies there are also site based opportunities expressed through the Principles and Kaupapa of the Management Plan (Section 8) that should be incorporated into the development projects at the detailed design stage. Aspects that will require further coordination with stakeholders and partners on a project by project basis include but are not limited to:

- 1. Development of a 'Gateway' or Visitor Attraction Centre
- 2. Express the stories of the site in creative and engaging ways such as through the design of structures, artwork, landscape elements and bilingual signage project areas
- 3. Provide habitat for native food species
- 4. Continue dune restoration and protection of the coastal foreshore
- 5. Support the responsible management of water

# **D. PROJECTS**

For the purposes of further planning, budgeting and partnership formation the development plan is divided into three broad project areas, each with its own particular focus and a series of sub-projects. These projects could be undertaken sequentially as a series of projects or simultaneously if priorities change and appropriate resources are identified. At this stage however a coordinated but staged development is the most likely scenario.

The sequence and prioritisation of projects will be a key consideration. The table below illustrates how the three project areas that make up the plan will deliver on the development plan principles as identified through the Management Plan and community engagement process:

	Destination/ He Tauranga	Play/Takaro	Relax / Whakatā	Water / te Mauri	Movement / Pai te	Ecology / te Ao
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PROJECT	***		*	**	**	***
AREA A						
Gateway/Visitor						
Attraction						
Project						
PROJECT	**	***	**	**	**	*
AREA B						
Area B Play and						
<b>Recreation Area</b>						
PROJECT	*		***		*	**
AREA C						
Relax and Vista						
Area						



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# **PROJECT AREA A: THE GATEWAY**

#### **1. POTENTIAL ACTIONS**

- Support a collaboratively developed visitor centre / Kāpiti Island Gateway Building on the site of the existing Boat Club
- Provide a boardwalk over the stream and high quality access to the beach for pedestrians
- Extensively restore the margins of the Tikotu Stream
- Consider the Kapiti Road round-about as part of the project area
- Relocate boat launching access to the northern end of the park

#### **2. GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

- Provide a destination attraction for visitors to Kāpiti Island
- Improve the sense of arrival to the park from Kāpiti Road and Kāpiti Island
- Recognise and support the Tikotu Stream as a 'destination' for wildlife
- Improve the stream margins
- Manage drainage and runoff with integrated water sensitive design
- Consider education as part of the natural experience of the stream environment
- Contribute to improved knowledge, water quality, and natural values of the stream
- Improve land to sea and sea to land linkages
- Provide excellent views to Kapiti Island which are unobstructed by vehicles and parking

#### **3. POTENTIAL DRIVERS AND ISSUES**

- In terms of the overall park and village, the development of a significant visitor facility on this site has the potential to compound emerging issues with parking and access for large vehicles. Parking and servicing for this facility needs to be provided and contained within the northern area of the site so as not to adversely affect the recreational values in other parts of the reserve. For this reason, it is recommended that the roundabout area be included within the project area.
- A Kāpiti Island Gateway and improvement of the stream has been identified by iwi as the project of priority for Maclean Park.
- The project is considered high priority for visitor attraction and economic development by Councils Economic Development Leadership Group.
- The Paraparaumu Boating Club has a lease on the site until 2027, throughout the consultation on this project the boating club have indicated that they would support a partnership to develop a 'Gateway'.
- The Department of Conservation are supportive of the concept to collaboratively develop a gateway to enhance visitor experience and preparedness.
- Other partners
- Nurturing a joint venture project

Note: this would be a major project and requires further detailed scoping beyond the scope of this plan. Consultation on this plan has revealed a good level of community support for such a project should adequate resources be identified to progress a project of this scale and complexity.

# **PROJECT AREA B: PLAY & RECREATION**

#### **1. POTENTIAL ACTIONS**

- Build a direct and high quality pedestrian route from the top of Maclean Street toward the Boating Club site
- Provide a new amenities structure that includes showers, toilets and pergola for people using the playground
- Provided a covered barbecue area within the main picnic lawn
- Provide a shared width footpath around the Marine Parade edge of the park
- Enhance the central lawn and provide water and power to support medium sized events
- Maintain and enhance vegetation to provide shade and shelter while preserving views into the park and out to sea/Kāpiti
- Incorporate water by creating an interactive all seasons water feature that children can play in and that gives expression to the stories of the park
- Provide an older persons playground that is well connected to other play spaces
- Provide a full size half court (keyhole) basketball area
- Provide a scooter track beside the skatepark
- Upgrade the skatepark to modern standards and to support small events
- Provide a boardwalk connecting to the beach on the southern side of the Tikotu Stream
- Remove the pond and kiosk
- Construct a new raised Crossing at Howell Road to support a new entrance to the Park and a better safer connection to the township and shops/cafes.

#### **2. GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

- Preserve and enhance existing 'active' recreation attractions in this area
- Accommodate and coordinate with the current Public Art Panel process to develop an artwork for this area of the park
- Make the activities within each recreational zone as accessible as possible to a range of users
- Support positive shared experiences and whanaungatanga across the site that mixed groups can enjoy together
- Accommodate diverse visitor groups by providing good sight lines within and between recreation zones
- Provide appropriate shade and shelter in and around the key activity areas
- Ensure existing active recreation facilities are of a high standard and fit for purpose
- Incorporate facilities for water play area, toddlers, older persons and groups
- Develop an integrated play landscape that links together to support enjoyment and progression by people of various ages and abilities
- Use water to enhance the aesthetic experience of the park while providing for safer water play

#### **3. POTENTIAL DRIVERS AND ISSUES**

• The pond leaks and currently covers a large area of usable space. It is unsightly when empty which detracts from the attractiveness of the park and appeal of the waterfront

- The Kiosk foundations have a limited life expectancy and the building elevation does not relate to the rest of the park
- Visitor attraction a destination play space will dramatically enhance the visitor attraction for local and regional visitors
- Note: Community engagement identified that improving the play and recreation facilities is considered the highest priority for the park

# **PROJECT AREA C: RELAX & VISTA**

#### **1. POTENTIAL ACTIONS**

- Remodel the existing carparks to support activities, small events and environmental enhancement
- Build a high quality pedestrian friendly area between the top of Maclean Street and the Play/Recreation area
- Create a sculptural landscape which gives expression to the dune form and improves the quality of the park environment
- Develop a new terrace area on Fish'n'chip hill to enhance views out to Kapiti Island, improve accessibility and provide shade and shelter for picnickers
- Enhance the 'lookout' experience at the end of Maclean Street
- Extend native planting and dune restoration at the southern end of the park

#### **2. GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

- Support positive shared experiences and whanaungatanga across the site that mixed groups can enjoy together
- Provide opportunities for improving the interface between Marine Parade and the shops
- Improve the sense of arrival to the park for pedestrians from Maclean Street
- Improve sense of arrival to the park from Marine Parade
- Provide spaces for small groups which are appropriately sheltered from the wind and sun

#### **3. POTENTIAL DRIVERS AND ISSUES**

- The current park landscape in this area is becoming dated and by modern standards poses potential issues for the safety and accessibility of visitors. The gradient of pathways, standardisation of stairs and modification of retaining walls to remove fall hazards all require consideration
- The Paraparaumu Beach Market currently operates on private land nearby and is an important contributor to the local economy and social scene. Should the market relocate to the park, the current park layout could accommodate it. However this weekly draw card could be better accommodated with fewer maintenance implications through design changes to this area
- Parking provision has been raised as an issue for the township as a whole however many feel that better pedestrian connectivity and a nicer park landscape could be achieved through this area. Currently the park carries a significant parking load, and is the only non-time restricted parking close to the commercial area. The provision of adequate and well located parking which is not detrimental to the quality and experience of the foreshore presents challenges for this project area and for the successful park-wide integration of the destination park with the commercial centre.

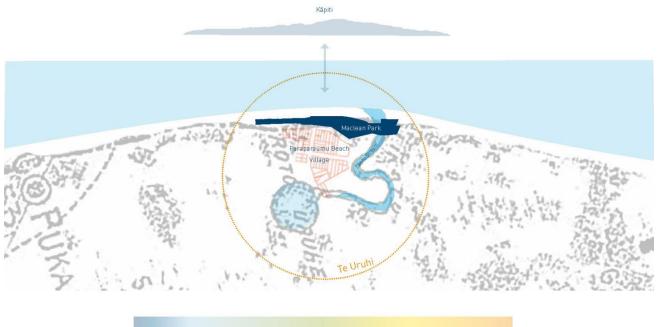
Note: This is contingent on park maintenance and town wide parking priorities and issues which may emerge following the re-establishment of the Market in this area should that occur.

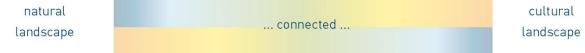
# 12. MAPS & AERIALS



Outline of Maclean Park

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# 13. REVIEW & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

#### MACLEAN PARK RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN REVIEW

The objectives and policies contained within the Plan will be kept under continuous review in accordance with Section 41 of the Reserves Act 1977.

It is intended the plan will be reviewed 10 years after the year of approval.

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