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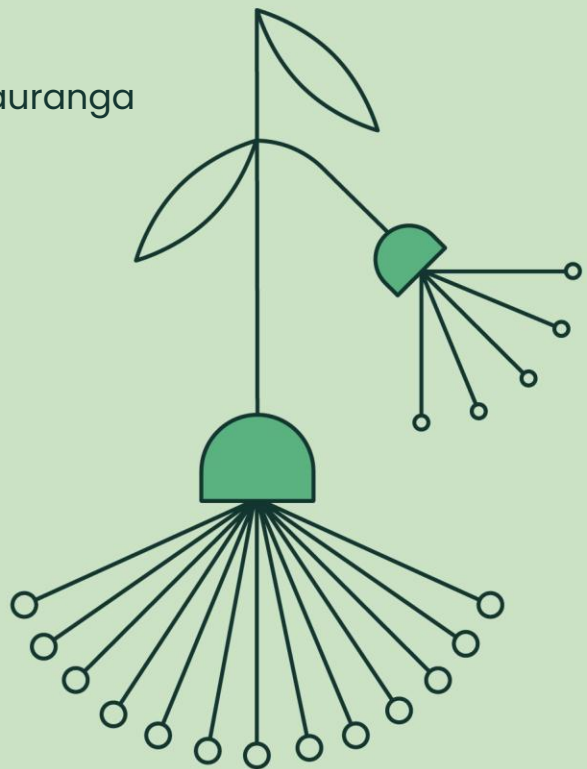
Strategy and Policy Committee

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Tuesday, 20 May 2025, 9.30am

Council Chambers, 1484 Cameron Road, Tauranga



Strategy and Policy Committee

Membership:

Chairperson	Mayor James Denyer
Deputy Chairperson	Cr Murray Grainger
Members	Cr Tracey Coxhead Cr Grant Dally Cr Anne Henry Cr Rodney Joyce Cr Margaret Murray-Benge Cr Laura Rae Deputy Mayor John Scrimgeour Cr Allan Sole Cr Don Thwaites Cr Andy Wichers
Quorum	Six (6)
Frequency	Six weekly

Role:

- To develop and review strategies, policies, plans and bylaws to advance the strategic direction of Council and its communities.
- To ensure an integrated approach to land development (including land for housing), land use and transportation to enable, support and shape sustainable, vibrant and safe communities.
- To ensure there is sufficient and appropriate housing supply and choice in existing and new urban areas to meet current and future needs.

Scope:

- Development and review of bylaws in accordance with legislation including determination of the nature and extent of community engagement approaches to be deployed.
- Development, review and approval of strategies and plans in accordance with legislation including

- determination of the nature and extent of community engagement approaches to be deployed.
- Subject to compliance with legislation and the Long Term Plan, to resolve all matters of strategic policy outside of the Long Term Plan process which does not require, under the Local Government Act 2002, a resolution of Council.
- Development of District Plan changes up to the point of public notification under the Resource Management Act 1991.
- Endorsement of the Future Development Strategy and sub-regional or regional spatial plans.
- Consider and approve changes to service delivery arrangements arising from service delivery reviews required under the Local Government Act 2002 (provided that where a service delivery proposal requires an amendment to the Long Term Plan, it shall thereafter be progressed by the Annual Plan and Long Term Plan Committee).
- Where un-budgeted financial implications arise from the development or review of policies, bylaws or plans, recommend to Council any changes or variations necessary to give effect to such policies, bylaws or plans.
- Listen to and receive the presentation of views by people and engage in spoken interaction in relation to any matters Council undertakes to consult on whether under the Local Government Act 2002 or any other Act.
- Oversee the development of strategies relating to sub-regional parks and sub-regional community facilities for the enhancement of community wellbeing of the Western Bay of Plenty District communities, for recommendation to Tauranga City Council and Western Bay of Plenty District Council.
- Approve Council submissions to central government, councils and other organisations, including submissions on proposed legislation, plan changes or policy statements.
- Receive and make decisions and recommendations to Council and its Committees, as appropriate, on reports, recommendations and minutes of the following:
 - SmartGrowth Leadership Group
 - Regional Transport Committee
 - Any other Joint Committee, Forum or Working Group, as directed by Council.
- Receive and make decisions on, as appropriate, any matters of a policy or planning nature from the following:
 - Waihi Beach, Katikati, Ōmokoroa, Te Puke and Maketu Community Boards.
 - Community Committee.

Power to Act:

- To make all decisions necessary to fulfil the role and scope of the Committee subject to the limitations imposed.

Power to Recommend:

- To Council and/or any Committee as it deems appropriate.

Power to sub-delegate:

- The Committee may delegate any of its functions, duties or powers to a subcommittee, working group or other subordinate decision-making body subject to the restrictions within its delegations and provided that any such sub-delegation includes a statement of purpose and specification of task.
- Should there be insufficient time for Strategy and Policy Committee to consider approval for a final submission to an external body, the Chair has delegated authority to sign the submission on behalf of Council, provided that the final submission is reported to the next scheduled meeting of the Strategy and Policy Committee.

Notice is hereby given that a Strategy and Policy Committee Meeting will be held in the Council Chambers, 1484 Cameron Road, Tauranga on: Tuesday, 20 May 2025 at 9.30am

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1 KARAKIA

Whakatau mai te wairua	Settle the spirit
Whakawātea mai te hinengaro	Clear the mind
Whakarite mai te tinana	Prepare the body
Kia ea ai ngā mahi	To achieve what needs to be achieved.
Āe	Yes

2 PRESENT**3 IN ATTENDANCE****4 APOLOGIES****5 CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS****6 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant and to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as an elected representative and any private or other external interest that they may have.

7 PUBLIC EXCLUDED ITEMS**8 PUBLIC FORUM**

A period of up to 30 minutes is set aside for a public forum. Members of the public may attend to address the Board for up to five minutes on items that fall within the delegations of the Board provided the matters are not subject to legal proceedings, or to a process providing for the hearing of submissions. Speakers may be questioned through the Chairperson by members, but questions must be confined to obtaining information or clarification on matters raised by the speaker. The Chairperson has discretion in regard to time extensions.

Such presentations do not form part of the formal business of the meeting, a brief record will be kept of matters raised during any public forum section of the meeting with matters for action to be referred through the customer relationship management system as a service request, while those requiring further investigation will be referred to the Chief Executive.

9 PRESENTATIONS

10 REPORTS

10.1 SUBMISSION ON THE LAND TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT (TIME OF USE CHARGING) AMENDMENT BILL

File Number: A6691320

Author: Charlotte McGirr, Policy Analyst

Authoriser: Rachael Davie, Deputy CEO/General Manager Strategy and Community

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

For the information of the Strategy and Policy Committee, this report presents the submission made by Western Bay of Plenty District Council on the following matter:

- (a) Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Amendment Bill.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Policy Analyst's report dated 20 May 2025 titled 'Submission on the Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Amendment Bill' be received
2. That the following submission, shown as Attachment 1 to this report, be received by the Strategy and Policy Committee and the information noted.
 - a. Submission on the Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Amendment Bill, dated 27 April 2025.

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Submission on the Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Amendment Bill** 
2. **Strategy and Policy Committee - Workshop Notes - 15 April 2025** 



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Western Bay of Plenty District Council Submission on the Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Amendment Bill

Western Bay of Plenty District Council (WBOPDC) appreciates the opportunity to provide feedback on the Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Amendment Bill.

Background

WBOPDC is a territorial local authority covering 195,000 hectares with a population of 60,000 people. Urban areas in the district include Waihi Beach, Katikati, Ōmokoroa and Te Puke. We are a fast-growing district, and our population is expected to exceed 70,000 by 2037, an increase of 17% in only 12 years.

WBOPDC surrounds Tauranga City and many of our residents travel into the city for work, school, shopping and other activities. There are very limited public transport options within the subregion and the majority of our communities have no other option but to rely on cars for their commute.

Support for Time of Use Charging

Overall, WBOPDC is **supportive** of Time of Use Charging as another option in the toolkit to reduce congestion and optimise the usage of existing infrastructure.

Te Kaunihera a rohe mai i ngā Kuri-a-Whārei ki Otamarakau ki te Uru

However, we do have a number of concerns where we seek clarifications and amendments to improve the proposed legislation.

Interaction with tolling legislation

There is no clarity through the Bill on how time of use charging interacts with the existing tolling regime.

If the intention is to have both tolling and time of use charging, this is likely to cause confusion and be poorly received by our communities. It would be preferable to have a consistent and seamless system of charging (perhaps eventually in the form of Smart Road User Charges), so that there is no perception of users feeling they are being charged twice for travel on a road that is currently tolled.

Our residents are already impacted by increased cost pressure due to the number of toll roads within the subregion, which is disproportionate in comparison to the rest of the country. This includes the current tolls for Takitimu Drive and Tauranga Eastern Link and upcoming tolls proposed for the Takitimu Northern Link.

If time of use charging is implemented within the subregion under the current proposal, there is the potential for common routes into the city to incur both a toll and a time of use charge at different points of the roading network. This not only impacts our residents who have no other viable transport options but also our local roads, which will require additional maintenance due to increased “rat running” from people avoiding the charges.

The Land Transport Act 2003 states that a feasible, untolled, alternative route must be available to road users in order to establish a road tolling scheme.

We seek clarity on:

- whether time of use charging will replace traditional tolling;
- how time of use charging will apply in the scenario that the state highway is tolled;
- whether there will be reduced charges for commuters in this scenario; and
- how time of use charging impacts the requirement for a feasible, untolled, alternative route.

Initiation of a scheme after three years

The Bill states that if local authorities in a region have not initiated a scheme within three years, the Minister may direct the Agency to initiate the scheme if this is likely to improve traffic flow.

We oppose this clause, as it removes the right for local authorities to decide whether a scheme is an appropriate mechanism to use and whether it will benefit affected communities.

The three year timeframe is also not sufficient to ensure appropriate planning for the provision of alternative travel options. To ensure there is social licence for a proposed scheme, clear alternative options need to be in place prior to the scheme proposal. Whether this is the provision of public transport, park and ride facilities, active transport or alternative routes, the short timeframe is unlikely to align with local government planning cycles, particularly given the current constrained economic environment. We seek clarity on how this timeframe aligns with the Regional Land Transport Plan, National Land Transport Programme, and Regional Public Transport Plan to ensure support measures are in place.

By only providing local authorities with a three year time limit to understand and plan for methods to support a scheme, the proposal does not allow appropriate time for local government decision making to initiate a scheme that enables residents to choose alternative means of transport.

Scheme board

While we are supportive of a scheme board comprised of local authorities and the Agency, we oppose the Agency having both 50% voting rights and the casting vote.

This provides an unfair advantage for decisions to always be made in the Agency's favour and removes local authority decision making power. We are concerned that this is an example of the proposed Bill not seeking to uphold a genuine partnership approach with local government.

We would suggest having an independent chair to hold the casting vote to ensure impartial decisions.

We also seek clarity on who from both the Agency and local authorities would be chosen to sit on each respective board. This is to ensure a clear level of technical understanding, decision making authority and consistency across each region.

Revenue allocation for support measures

We seek for the Bill to include further detail regarding the use of revenue, with a focus that revenue should be applied to fund supporting measures for the scheme to run efficiently.

The Bill states that the system encourages behaviour changes such as altering travel times, routes, destinations and modes of transport. However, this neglects the existing lack of viable public transport options for residents to use. This concept is being made available before there are other practical alternatives, providing little option but for residents to pay the charge with potentially no added benefit.

The suggestion that alternative routes would be used implies increased wear and maintenance for local roads, due to drivers attempting to avoid the additional charges. It is unclear within the Bill how this maintenance will be provided for.

We would like to see the inclusion of how investment into support measures, including public transport infrastructure and support for local roading impacts, will be prioritised.

Consultation requirements

We support the consultation requirements outlined in s65E(b), where local authorities not a member of the scheme must be consulted on the scheme proposal.

However, we seek further clarity on the overall consultation requirements including:

- the minimum requirements for the timeframe of consultation;
- what information is to be made available for the public; and
- the provision of an opportunity for spoken interaction.

This is to ensure there is alignment with other consultation processes run by local authorities and to set a clear expectation of how consultation will be carried out.

Wider implications of a time of use charging scheme

There are wider considerations beyond improving traffic flow that local authorities must consider when investigating a scheme. A scheme centred on Tauranga would have significant and potentially unintended effects on a large proportion of our community. For example, Ōmokoroa, as one of our key growth areas for the subregion, would likely be impacted by time of use charging as residents regularly travel to and from Tauranga and have limited availability of public transport.

While a scheme may impact some positively due to decreased congestion, those who are required to travel at set times (e.g. school children, people who work standard hours) would be negatively impacted. The introduction of additional charges, on top of proposed toll routes, may impact the attractiveness of this growth area, artificially slowing development and creating housing pressure elsewhere.

These wider implications would need to be fully understood before a scheme can be progressed and is another reason for the importance of local authorities being genuine partners in a scheme proposal, including those local authorities adjacent to where the charges may actually be levied.

We are more than happy to discuss any matters for clarification or to expand further.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James Denyer". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

James Denyer

Mayor

Western Bay of Plenty District Council

STRATEGY AND POLICY COMMITTEE WORKSHOP

DATE:	Tuesday, 15 April 2025 at 1.45pm
HELD:	Council Chambers
TOPICS:	Proposed submission on Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Amendment Bill
GENERAL MANAGER RESPONSIBLE:	R Davie (Deputy CEO/General Manager Strategy and Community)
FORUM MEMBERS PRESENT:	Mayor J Denyer, Cr G Dally, Cr T Coxhead, Cr M Grainger, Cr A Henry, Cr R Joyce, Deputy Mayor John Scrimgeour, Cr M Murray-Benge, Cr A Sole, Cr L Rae and Cr A Wichers.
ABSENT:	D Thwaites
STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:	M Taris (Interim Chief Executive Officer), R Davie (Deputy CEO/General Manager Strategy and Community), A Henderson (General Manager Corporate Services), EJ Wenzel (Director Water Services), C McLean (Director Transportation), A King (Legislative Reform and Special Projects Strategic Advisor), R Gallagher (Acting Policy and Planning Manager), A Carey (Financial Partner Lead), C McGirr (Policy Analyst), R Garrett (Governance Manager) and H Wi Repa (Governance Systems Advisor)

Proposed submission on Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Amendment Bill
<p>The Policy Analyst supported by the Acting Policy and Planning Manager and Director Transportation facilitated a discussion regarding the submission on the Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Amendment Bill.</p>
<p>INTRODUCTION</p> <p>The purpose of this workshop was to seek direction on the proposed submission to the Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Amendment Bill. The Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Amendment Bill proposed to charge motorists</p>

using specific parts of the network based on vehicle type, day, and time. Local authorities could choose to implement time of use charging if the Bill was enacted, with the Minister of Transport having the final decision-making power. If local authorities had not initiated a scheme within three years, the Minister may direct NZTA to initiate a scheme on their behalf.

SUMMARY OF KEY THEMES

Potential Impacts and Challenges

Councillors discussed the potential impacts of introducing a proposed congestion charging scheme. Concerns were raised about the scheme being perceived as tolling, which could be politically challenging. It was noted that the issue of rat running in the district could be exacerbated by the scheme. It was suggested that a more comprehensive system, charging different amounts for various routes, might be more effective in reducing peak hour traffic. Councillors questioned whether the proposed scheme would require tolling gantries on all roads, which could be impractical.

Concerns with the Congestion Charging Scheme

Some Councillors felt that that time of use charging should not be used in conjunction with tolling. Councillors also raised concerns over NZTA's voting power and control over revenue spending, it had been suggested that an independent chair be appointed for the scheme board. Councillors also expressed concerns over the potential disproportionate impact on Western Bay residents and the need for clarity on how and where revenue will be spent. There was also a need for the legislation to allow for local input and fair representation in decision-making.

DIRECTION	RESPONSIBLE
The Committee preferred to make a submission that supported the Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Amendment Bill but also highlighted concerns raised in the workshop about the scheme.	Policy Analyst

Workshop topic ended at 2.20pm.

10.2 SUBMISSION ON THE WATER SERVICE AUTHORITY WASTEWATER ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS

File Number: A6755848

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Authoriser: Rachael Davie, Deputy CEO/General Manager Strategy and Community

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. For the information of the Strategy and Policy Committee, this report presents a submission made by the Western Bay of Plenty District Council on the following matter:
 - (a) Submission on the Water Service Authority – Taumata Arowai’s proposed wastewater environmental standards.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Strategic Advisor: Legislative Reform and Special Projects report dated 20 May 2025 titled ‘Submission on the Water Service Authority – Taumata Arowai’s proposed wastewater environmental standards’ be received.
2. That the submission, shown as **Attachment 1** to this report, is received by the Strategy and Policy Committee and the information is noted.

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Submission on WSA Taumata Arowai wastewater standards consultation**  
2. **Strategy and Policy Committee – Workshop Notes – 15 April 2025**  



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Western Bay of Plenty District Council submission on the Water Service Authority – Taumata Arowai’s proposed wastewater environmental standards.

Western Bay of Plenty District Council (Council) thanks the Water Service Authority – Taumata Arowai (the Authority) for the opportunity to submit on the proposed wastewater environmental performance standards. Council understands the rationale for the proposed standards and the intended benefits.

Council’s submission focuses on matters of clarity. We want to ensure that there is limited opportunity for misinterpretation of the standards when we are required to apply these to our existing operations and future consenting requirements.

General points

- Council supports the development of guidance to support network owners, operators and consenting authorities to implement the wastewater standards. This initial guidance needs to be robust and clearly explain the procedures and requirements to ensure a smooth and achievable transition.
- Wastewater networks should be prioritised as they are crucial in conveying wastewater to treatment plants and ultimately to discharge locations. More emphasis needs to be placed on how councils can realistically and effectively maintain and report on them from a discharge perspective.

- The standards need to work in conjunction with other standards and regulations to avoid duplication and ensure clarity of interaction e.g., Emergency Management situations, the National Engineering Design Standards and regulations to be set by the Commerce Commission and the Authority as part of the Local Water Done Well programme.

Discharge to Water Standards

- In terms of end of pipe monitoring, we assume that “end of pipe” means the point of discharge from the treatment plant. Clarity on this definition is crucial since ‘end of pipe’ could be considered as the end of a constructed wetland that was required as part of a resource consent to meet cultural expectations. The environmental factors in a wetland can significantly decrease water quality. Similarly, if “end of pipe” is taken to be at an ocean outfall discharge point, monitoring at this location could entail significant costs and create logistical challenges. We suggest that testing of the receiving environment testing could also be an alternative.
- The term “pristine water bodies” is subjective. A comprehensive list of all known and classified pristine water bodies in New Zealand should be published to ensure clarity as to where the standards do or do not apply.
- The authority is promoting open ocean discharge, which requires treatment only for Enterococci and Ammoniacal Nitrogen. It is acknowledged that this is a low-risk environment and that operating costs will decrease due to reduced treatment requirements. However, the initial capital cost for implementing this infrastructure is substantial and smaller coastal communities and councils may struggle to afford these upfront costs.
- In addition, it is unclear if the recreational value of these environments has been considered, particularly for recreational fishing and the collection of seafood. There is also a conflict between this proposal and some cultural expectations.
- It is unclear how Council would enforce a move away from current discharges into low dilution water bodies, to a piped system that diverts to a high dilution water body. If this scenario is considered an ‘exception’ to the standards, enforcement will be challenging due to the number of variables that would need to be considered and the monitoring and reporting requirements.

- Different treatment requirements will be set for small wastewater treatment plants serving populations of less than 1,000 and having a mean annual low of 85kg/day of cBOD5 loads or less. It is unclear if this would apply to coastal communities where there are significant seasonal fluctuations e.g., our wastewater treatment plant at Waihi Beach, where the population is lower during the winter and substantially higher in the summer. Clarity is required to understand if a community has a population which averages over 1000 (due to seasonal fluctuations), but averages 85kg/day of cBOD5 loads or less, whether this is still classified as a small WWTP. We would suggest taking population numbers out of the standards and solely determine a small WWTP on average cBOD5 loads.
- We note that the exemptions for small wastewater treatment plants will not apply following an upgrade. Please define what would be considered an 'upgrade'. For example, is the addition of a single piece of equipment, or a replacement of like-for-like equipment considered an upgrade.

Wastewater Network Overflows and Bypass Standards

- The definition of overflows, acceptable overflow frequencies (both wet and dry events) and bypasses needs to be clear and fit for purpose. As it stands, it is unclear if an infrequent overflow is an occasional event caused by a common external factor (e.g., roots, foreign objects, wet wipes, third party damage) or if it is an event that occurs very infrequently (e.g., once every 10 years). Storm size also needs to be considered. It is also necessary to clarify whether all overflow locations need to be consented or if it is limited to controlled overflow points and treatment plant bypasses.
- Network operators need Government action to control products such as wet wipes. They not only cause blockages but also increase microplastics in wastewater.
- Please consider a combination of modelling and telemetry as an option for monitoring overflows. Modelling could be used for low to medium risk overflow points, while telemetry is reserved for high-risk points.
- A timeframe should be specified for obtaining consent for overflows and bypasses. It is also unclear as to when these consents must be obtained following the implementation of the standards. The reason that this is important is that the required upgrades have not been planned or budgeted for.

The implications of changing a design standard halfway through an asset's life can lead to significant underutilised investment. This will have a significant financial impact on some communities.

- The proposal indicates that these consents would be considered as a 'controlled activity'. If part of the consent does not meet the requirements, it would be useful to know what specific parameters or conditions would lead to the decline of a consent application for overflow locations and bypasses.
- Please clarify if one consent will cover the entire wastewater network, or if separate consents will be required to cover the portion of the network serving a specific treatment plant.
- Clarity is required as to what parameters Council will be required to report on regarding overflows e.g., volume, contaminant levels, duration of overflow? Providing an accurate report can be problematic as information is often lacking i.e., when did the overflow start, was the wastewater diluted, did it get to a watercourse. Commenting on the environmental impact is challenging as the environmental baseline is often unknown and most of these events occur during storms when other external factors will have an impact on a baseline.

Yours faithfully,



James Denyer

Mayor

Western Bay of Plenty District Council

STRATEGY AND POLICY COMMITTEE WORKSHOP

DATE:	Tuesday, 15 April 2025 at 1.00pm
HELD:	Council Chambers
TOPICS:	Proposed Submission on Taumata Arowai Wastewater Standards
GENERAL MANAGER RESPONSIBLE:	R Davie (Deputy CEO/General Manager Strategy and Community)
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Proposed Submission on Taumata Arowai Wastewater Standards

The Legislative Reform and Special Projects Strategic Advisor supported by the Director Water Services facilitated a discussion regarding the proposed submission on Taumata Arowai Wastewater Standards.

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this workshop was to seek direction regarding the proposed submission on Taumata Arowai Wastewater Standards.

SUMMARY OF KEY THEMESWastewater Standards and Council Submission

The standards covered discharges to water and land, reuse of biosolids, and management of overflow and bypasses, but exclude aspects like stormwater management, private on-site systems, specific technological requirements, financial and economic aspects and detailed implementation plans. There was a need for clarity on definitions, monitoring requirements, and implementation timelines. Alignment between environmental and economic regulators to avoid conflicting standards was also important. The discussion touched on cultural considerations, reuse of wastewater, and challenges with discharges into low dilution water bodies.

Clarifying Water Standards

The standards did not provide clarification on cultural expectations, treatment requirements for small wastewater treatment plants and the definition of a pristine water body. There was also a need for clarity on 'end of pipe' monitoring and what was defined as a wastewater overflow or bypasses, with an emphasis on understanding whether all overflow locations would require monitoring.

Wastewater Management Standards and Protocols

Discussion was held on the need for clear standards in wastewater management, particularly in emergency situations. Councillors felt that standards should be integrated with existing emergency management protocols to avoid duplication. The standards should also provide clear definitions on overflows and acceptable overflow frequencies. Central Government needed to introduce legislation to protect network operators from the impact of non-compliant products like wet wipes.

Overflow Monitoring and Reporting Requirements

The standards also required a map of all controlled and uncontrolled overflow points across a network. This emphasised the importance of understanding the definitions of an overflow in the standards and potential costs to Council. It was important to safeguard the monitoring and reporting requirements, particularly for high-risk overflow points.

DIRECTION	RESPONSIBLE
The Committee preferred to make a submission on the Taumata Arowai Wastewater Standards that sought clarity on definitions and other matters raised in the workshop.	Legislative Reform and Special Projects Strategic Advisor

Workshop topic ended at 1.45pm

10.3 UPDATE ON THE TE PUKE SPATIAL PLAN

File Number: A6712425

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Authoriser: Rachael Davie, Deputy CEO/General Manager Strategy and Community

PURPOSE

1. To provide an update to the Strategy and Policy Committee on the development of the draft spatial plan and outline the next steps.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Strategic Advisor: Legislative Reform and Special Projects report dated 20 May 2025 titled 'Update on the Te Puke Spatial Plan', be received.

BACKGROUND

2. Council decided to prepare a spatial plan for Te Puke in 2023.
3. A subcommittee was established in November 2023 to provide a strong local perspective during the development of the spatial plan. The subcommittee endorsed the project plan and communications and engagement strategy which set the direction for the development of the draft plan.

OVERVIEW

4. Staff prepared a Baseline Report. The report provides a foundation for the development of the Te Puke Spatial Plan. It is a 'snapshot in time' that provides an overview of the status across a range of matters for Te Puke e.g. population growth, housing information, infrastructure. This report can be found [here](#).
5. Consultants (Benje Patterson Limited) were engaged to undertake an economic assessment of Te Puke in the context of the Eastern Corridor. The purpose of the report was to provide analysis of the current state of play in Te Puke and the Eastern Corridor across a range of economic, labour market, demographic, and entrepreneurship indicators; an assessment of the area's journey to its present state by exploring historical growth trends in indicators and setting that against the macro context; and forward looking projections for where Te Puke and the Eastern Corridor could be in the future from a demand perspective. The assessment can be found [here](#).
6. These reports are also available on the 'Your Place Tō Wāhi' project page [Te Puke Spatial Plan | Your Place Western Bay of Plenty](#)

7. Initial engagement with the community was undertaken over May and June 2024. This engagement was based on the Baseline Report and the Economic Assessment for the Eastern Corridor and featured the 'Giant Map'. There were over 100 submissions using the paper and online forms, post it note feedback from events and emails from a number of stakeholders. Over 260 people walked the map and there were multiple interactions with the community at Matariki and LTP events.
8. Feedback from the community identified four themes – keeping Te Puke green, maintaining a small-town feel, weaving the narrative, and creating multi-modal connections. These themes provided a framework for the design-led workshop in October 2024.
9. Initial work has begun on the Social Impact Assessment. This assessment will be completed when the draft spatial plan is approved for consultation. The outcome of this assessment will assist Council to decide on any changes prior to the adoption of a final spatial plan.
10. We have been working with our Tangata Whenua partners to understand their needs and aspirations. This has included hui with Te Kapu O Waitaha and Tapuika Iwi Authority and updates to Te Ihu o te Waka o Te Arawa. Staff have prepared Kōrero ā iwi (draft). The purpose of this report is to set out what we understand and have heard from the kōrero and engagement that has taken place for the spatial plan, and to identify what could potentially be progressed as part of the spatial plan.
11. Staff have been working with our colleagues at the Bay of Plenty Regional Council to understand their thoughts on the spatial plan and how we might work together, particularly on approaches to stormwater management.
12. The information and feedback gathered to date has provided the basis on which we are preparing an Issues and Options paper. This paper will provide the preferred options to create a draft spatial plan for the subcommittee to consider and endorse to the committee. Issues identified include the management of stormwater, determining if there is enough residentially zoned land, traffic congestion through the town centre and a preferred location for a pool.
13. As Councillors are aware the Fast Track Approvals Act commenced in December 2024. Schedule 2 of the Act includes Wairakei South which is a proposed residential, commercial, and industrial development including 2,000 to 3,000 residential homes. There are implications for the future of Te Puke because of this proposed development, particularly in terms of residential land supply.

NEXT STEPS

14. The subcommittee will workshop the draft spatial plan and provide endorsement of the plan to the Strategy and Policy Committee.
15. Approval will then be sought from the Strategy and Policy Committee to consult on the draft spatial plan using the special consultative procedure. Consultation is proposed for November 2025.

10.4 KAIMAI RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN REVIEW HEARINGS

File Number: A6757748

Author: Jason Crummer, Senior Recreation Planner

Authoriser: Rachael Davie, Deputy CEO/General Manager Strategy and Community

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. The purpose of this report is to receive and hear submissions from the community on the review of the Kaimai Reserve Management Plan (RMP), which was released for consultation from 11 March to 11 May 2025.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Senior Recreation Planner's report dated 20 May 2025, titled "Kaimai Reserve Management Plan Review Hearings" be received.
2. That the written and verbal submissions to the review of the Kaimai RMP be received.

BACKGROUND

2. Reserve Management Plans are a statutory requirement under the Reserves Act 1977. Council must regularly review its RMPs to:
 - (a) Understand what the community wants for local parks and open spaces;
 - (b) Make sure the plan meets the needs of the district's growing and diverse population;
 - (c) Align the plan with new or updated Council rules, policies, and strategies;
 - (d) Ensure the plan matches the services the community expects; and
 - (e) Include information about new reserves and updated plans for specific areas.
3. On 3 March 2025, the Strategy and Policy Committee approved the proposed draft Kaimai RMP and consultation document for community consultation pursuant to Section 41(6) of the Reserves Act 1977 from 11 March to 11 May 2025. A copy of the report outlining the proposed changes together with the draft Kaimai RMP can be found here: [Strategy and Policy Committee Agenda 3 March 2025](#).

ENGAGEMENT AND CONSULTATION

4. Consultation ran from 11 March to 11 May 2025.
5. Submissions were received through Council's Your Place website, via email, and through hard copy forms available at each Library and Service Centre. Four community engagement events were held during this period to gather in-person feedback.

- (a) Doggy Day Out, Ōmokoroa Sports Ground on 22 March 2025;
 - (b) Oropi Markets, Oropi Memorial Hall on 30 March 2025;
 - (c) Basketball 'have a go day', Maramatanga Park, Te Puna on 5 April 2025, and
 - (d) Kaimai Ward Community Expo, Te Puna School on 7 May 2025.
6. 71 submissions were received through the consultation period. These submissions are included as **Attachment 1**.
 7. Nine submitters have indicated that they wish to speak. The speaking schedule will be circulated once confirmed, prior to the hearings.
 8. Those submitters who have indicated they wish to speak include:

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Rob & Sharon Mitford-Burgess	–	49
Michael and Rebecca Crosby	Bowentown Beach Holiday Park	27
Julie Shepherd	Pirirākau Tribal Authority Incorporated	33
Bruce McCabe	Ōmokoroa Residents and Ratepayers Association Inc	34
Debbie Marshall	–	36
David Whitehead	MenzShed Ōmokoroa	69
Rosalie Orr	Te Puna Quarry Park Society Inc	28
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Draft Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Full Submission Pack

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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 1

Name: Suaree

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Nope

Q4: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

SUB ID: 1

Q7: Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

Q8: Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Q9: Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Q10: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Kakaramea

Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Kakaramea

Q11: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai

Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai

Q12: Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve - Other

Wairoa Reserve

Q13: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Hakao

Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Hakao

Q14: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa

Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa

Q15: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Rangituanehu

Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Rangituanehu

Q16: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Ōturu - I'Anson

Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Ōturu - I'Anson

Q17: Additional feedback on the proposed reserve naming.

Value having tangata whenua names

Q18: General feedback related to the Reserve Management Plan.

Nope



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Submitter ID: 2

Name: Dennis & Sue Halsey

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Mangawhai Pa Historic Reserve

We would like to see the work completed that was set out in the Lynley Park Subdivision Reserve concept plan 2018, namely "Work with Pirirākau and Heritage NZ to establish a link to the Ōmokoroa to Tauranga cycleway".

Our rationale: a very safe, family friendly cycleway has been established from Plummers Point all the way to the Esplanade, giving access to wonderful nature spots to be enjoyed along the way, EXCEPT where you have to get off the track and onto the road up Lynley Park Drive and Lakeside Terrace, negotiating traffic and residents backing out of their driveways. It seems a simple and logical next step to link the track up below the Mangawhai Pa to keep cyclists of all ages safe.

Q2: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Mangawhai Pa Historic Reserve

We would like to see the work completed that was set out in the Lynley Park Subdivision

Reserve concept plan 2018, namely "Work with Pirirākau to acknowledge, preserve and maintain cultural heritage values of the area including installation of pou, whakairo and signage".

Our rationale: There is already a very Euro-centric spin on the collective community's perspective of the of history of Omokoroa, that acknowledges the European farming history, but not what came before it. Omokoroa is growing very quickly, and if we do not document and educate our community and visitors as to the rich cultural significance of specific sites in the area, we risk it being lost forever.

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

SUB ID: 2

Q7: Proposed name: Bramley Reserve
Current name: McDonnell Street Reserve

Q8: Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve
Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Q9: Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve
Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Q10: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Kakaramaea
Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Kakaramaea

Q11: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai
Current name: Josephine Place Reserve

Q12: Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve
Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve



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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 3

Name: Brian Fickling

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Precious Family Reserve.

I write in support of the proposed toilet block in the above reserve.

Omokoroa is well-blessed with a network of walkways / cycleways. I have been walking on these pathways daily for the past ten years.

During my walks I have had the need to use the toilet block in the domain, the toilet block at the sports grounds, and the new facility in the Cooney Reserve.

I have also had the need on multiple occasions to use the foliage in the Precious Family Reserve. A number of my walking associated have similar problems.

Accordingly I positively support the establishment of a facility in the Precious Family Reserve. Something similar to that in the Cooney Reserve would be most acceptable.



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Submitter ID: 4

Name: Amanda Besley

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.
Agree with all plans to enhance or assign reserve to plan.

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?
Yes

Q6: If you have any suggestions to improve pest management in our reserves or general feedback on the policy, please share this below.
Work with and support existing groups.

SUB ID: 4

Q11: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai
Current name: Josephine Place Reserve

Q12: Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve
Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve

Q13: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Hakao (Page 123 of draft RMP)
Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Hakao

Q15: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Rangituanehu
Current name: Minden Lookout

Q16: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Ōturu - I'Anson
Current name: I'Anson Bush Reserve

Q17: Additional feedback on the proposed reserve naming.
Using Te Reo is fine for new reserves but please keep the names simple.



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Submitter ID: 5

Name: Sharon Parker

Organisation: Sharon Parker

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.
Omokoroa Sports Ground.

I have examined PART 1 - Draft Kaimai RMP Reserve Specific Information regarding the Omokoroa Sports Ground and wish to make the following points:

The map is inaccurate. It shows only 2 existing courts when in fact there are four. The "25" to the north of the two courts is occupied by two courts, built in 2017.

The proposed central carpark could clash with the possible future development of 2 proposed tennis courts to the south of the existing courts, and before it went ahead the council should consult with the OSRS, and tennis club. It would be a shame if carparking compromised the extension of further recreational activity space.

Regarding the Reserve Management Approach: "• Enable multiuse facilities and activities to be located in the clubrooms area of the reserve • Work with the Ōmokoroa Community Board to develop a new outdoor sports hardcourt". These statements completely ignore the consultation the tennis club has been having with council for many years regarding developing two new tennis courts alongside a multi-use court. I urge the Council to include in the Reserve Management approach consultation with the tennis club regarding 2 proposed new tennis courts and one multi-use court

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?
Yes

SUB ID: 5

Q7: Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

Q8: Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Q9: Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Q10: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Kakaramaea

Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Kakaramaea

Q11: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai

Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai



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Submitter ID: 6

Name: Chris Dever

Organisation: Waireka Consulting

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Links View Drive.

Locals have approached the Community Board looking to put a pétanque/boules court for community use in the center of this reserve for community use. Please plant (and clear) trees to enable this.

Crapps Reserve

The path from Ōmokoroa Domain to the point is in need of repair. Roots from trees present tripping hazards (especially as this path is used by ANZAC Dawn Service attendees at 5:45am)

I would like the track to the point to be upgraded and consideration being given to extending from The Point to McDonnell Ave.

Q2: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Nells Dell.

As the path through Nells Dell is the only footpath on that portion of Omokoroa Road, please consider the installation of streetlights. Students walk along this portion of Omokoroa Road to get to the school bus on Tralee. Pathway lighting needed to ensure that they do not have to walk on the road and to ensure safety.

Q3: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Omokoroa Foreshore reserve. (The Esplanade near 'South Beach' - at the roundabout at the end of The Esplanade)

This is a popular swimming and picnic spot. It is around 560 metres to the toilet/change facilities in the Omokoroa Domain.

Please consider a toilet and change facility at that end of the beach. Any toilet facility should be located up by the bike track so as not to be built in front of houses.

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

Q6: If you have any suggestions to improve pest management in our reserves or general feedback on the policy, please share this below.

I can't find any reference to 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' . I have ticked 'yes' above but cannot 'untick' it.

As I do not know what is in that plan (killing of random domestic cats etc) I need more information

SUB ID: 6

Q7: Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

Q8: Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Q9: Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Q10: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Kakaramēa - Other

I'm not against the intent - but it's a bit long!

Q11: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai

Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai

Q12: Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve

Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve

Q13: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Hakao (Page 123 of draft RMP)

Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Hakao

Q14: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa - Other

I'm not against the intent - but it's a bit long!

Q15: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Rangitūānehu

Current name: Minden Lookout

Q16: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Ōturu - I'Anson



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Submitter ID: 7

Name: Sam Knowles

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Shared path between Lynley Park Drive and Newnham road should be sealed. Steel bridge joins should be replaced with something smoother - especially the bridge closest to Lynley Park Drive. Where the path meets the bridge is very rough

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

Q6: If you have any suggestions to improve pest management in our reserves or general feedback on the policy, please share this below.

More calls for volunteers

SUB ID: 7

Q7: Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

Q8: Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Q9: Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Q10: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Kakaramea

Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Kakaramea

Q11: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai

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Q16: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Ōturu - I'Anson

Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Ōturu - I'Anson



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Submitter ID: 8

Name: James Imlach

Organisation: New Zealand Motor Caravan Association Inc.

Q18: General feedback related to the Reserve Management Plan.

Over 120,000 New Zealanders whom enjoy exploring our country at leisure in their certified self-contained motorhomes and caravans are members of the NZMCA. We operate 62 private campsites, including one at Waihi Beach (Emerton Road) under a long-term lease agreement with WBOPDC. NZMCA also operates three public campgrounds in Hampden Beach/Moeraki Boulders, Glink's Gully and Kelly's Bay (Kaipara).

NZMCA appreciates WBOPDC's permissive approach towards responsible freedom campers travelling in self-contained motorhomes and caravans.

The draft RMP is silent on freedom camping, meaning the default provisions under section 44(1) of the Reserves Act automatically apply. Therefore freedom camping is prohibited on the reserves within this plan unless the Council permits camping on the reserves in its freedom camping bylaw through delegated authority.

Given the Council's permissive approach towards self-contained freedom camping within its bylaw, and to enable a more efficient decision making process with respect to allowing freedom camping on reserves within the plan, we recommend including a general policy in the RMP, for example:

Freedom camping in self-contained vehicles is permitted on specified reserves identified in this plan, subject to the Council's approval and any further restrictions imposed on the activity.



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Submitter ID: 9

Name: Susan Dark

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Josephine Place - proposed name is Wahi O Te Mangawhai. I'd like to propose an alternative name in keeping with the location - I suggest "Tirohanga Ki Kuaka" which means view to the Kuaka (Godwits).

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

SUB ID: 9

Q17: Additional feedback on the proposed reserve naming.

Please see my suggested name for Josephine Place above. I suggest 'Tirohanga Ki Kuaka' which means view to the Kuaka (Godwits), as we watch them from this location on the sand spit.



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Submitter ID: 10

Name: Hilary Carlile

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Precious Family Reserve - this reserve needs to be developed with the housing in mind. Toilets were planned as result of 2017 consultation. The housing has totally altered and increased since then. If toilets are to go in there they need to be round the corner through the bollards out of sight of homes. If it is to be developed the full cost of surfacing the road, carpark, picnic tables and other public reserve facilities. It also needs to be clear how many people will use it. Most people I see there are walkers and dogwalkers passing through. It is too shallow to swim except for an hour either side of high tide.

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

Q6: If you have any suggestions to improve pest management in our reserves or general feedback on the policy, please share this below.

This is a successful programme and with the funded Volunteer co-ordinator will go from strength to strength. It would be good to acknowledge the work of Volunteers in the plan.

SUB ID: 10

Q7: Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

Q8: Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Q9: Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Q10: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Kakaramaea

Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Kakaramaea

Q11: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai

Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai

Q17: Additional feedback on the proposed reserve naming.

I can't see that these names will be used but ...

Q18: General feedback related to the Reserve Management Plan.

I can't find the map of Omokoroa reserves - it was very useful.



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Submitter ID: 11

Name: Roger K Goodman

Organisation: Omokoroa Environmental Managers Inc.

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Precious Family Reserve.

The plan presented has not been updated since 2018. It ignores the fact that:

These proposed works of the 2018 plan have been completed

Area to be filled and re-contoured for future use

Wetland revegetation planting (existing and proposed expansion) - with boulders spaced at 1.2m intervals to deter vehicles (from Hamurana road)

The Original 2017 plan which had drawn consultation had no toilet shown.

Thus further consultation should have taken place before the 2018 plan was released.

A toilet in the position shown on RC 14303L is strongly opposed by a petition signed by 379 persons, lodged with the Planning and Performance Review committee on March 20 2025.

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

Q6: If you have any suggestions to improve pest management in our reserves or general feedback on the policy, please share this below.

Include culling of endemic species of wildfowl predating endangered indigenous and threatened species. e.g. black swans and pukekos

SUB ID: 11

Q7: Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

Q8: Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Q9: Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Q10: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Kakaramaea - Other

Lynley Park Drive Reserve

(Wāhi ō Te Kakaramaea)

Q11: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai

Current name: Josephine Place Reserve

Q12: Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve - Other

John Ormsby Lloyd Reserve

Q13: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Hakao - Other

Clarke Road Reserve

(Wāhi ō Te Hakao)

Q14: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa - Other

Tahataharoa Reserve

Q15: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Rangituanehu

Current name: Minden Lookout

Q16: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Ōturu - l'Anson

Current name: l'Anson Bush Reserve

Q17: Additional feedback on the proposed reserve naming.

Where there is Existing commonly used name the proposed name may be added beneath in parenthesis

Q18: General feedback related to the Reserve Management Plan.

Generally favourable and congratulations to all who have brought the plan this far.



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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 12

Name: Rebecca Walden

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Te puna quarry - please build a little playground/kids play area. As a stay at home mum with two little kids under 2, we would go to the quarry more often if there was more of a playground play area added next to the dragon slide

Q2: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Plummers point road walking track - adding a playground here would be amazing and a bbq area. It's such a beautiful spot with amazing views and history adding a playground here would be great

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

SUB ID: 12

Q7: Proposed name: Bramley Reserve
Current name: McDonnell Street Reserve

Q8: Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve
Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Q9: Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve
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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 13

Name: Neil Crawford

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Waitui Reserve.

Hi there, Over the past few years something the local community has struggled with is the ongoing lack of monitoring of compliance around the freedom camping rules and the increasing number of homeless people who are here 24/7.

The council staff have told us they are encouraged to send homeless people to live in the reserves as they have facilities.

Don't get me wrong homelessness is a very sad topic, however sending them to the local reserve is not the answer.

A lot of older people in the community will no longer use the reserve as they are scared by these people. There has been cases of anger etc shown by some individuals and in some instances what I believe would either be people on drugs or having some serious mental issues. The council say it is a police issue. When the police are contacted, they are too busy to respond and just take a statement. There have been men in their middle 20s threatening old ladies and nutting off at kids. I believe the council referring these people to stay at public reserves/playgrounds is less than ideal.

It is not uncommon for groups of people congregating in the small hours of the morning maybe 2-3 am drinking etc. They are often in loud cars playing loud music. They often leave all their rubbish and drug paraphernalia on the ground. It is less than ideal. I have applied for the security camera grant but never got a reply. Having cameras may make the less genuine people think twice about congregating in the reserve? They may also make it easier to keep an eye on the freedom campers who are not complying?

Could a gate be put across that stops cars coming in after 11pm?

We need to get this back to a community friendly environment for all to use.

Just a thought, would it be better moving the homeless people to the WBOP offices carpark where they could the facilities there? It would also make it easier to monitor their wellbeing etc. At the moment it feels like sending them to the reserves is an "out of sight out of mind" scenario.

I also feel better signage could help in a few areas.

More speed signage- We have a lot of fast cars on the road through the reserve that is shared by pedestrians and small kids on scooters and bikes etc. There are a lot of near misses and arguments over this.

Clearer freedom camping rules. The current sign is located in such a manor than when a camper is parked in the first spot it blocks the sign, maybe mount it on the toilet block so it is not blocked by a camper.

We get a lot of people dumping fish frames and even food scraps in the water at night. There was a cooked pig carcass at Christmas. As soon as the water goes out these are all left rotting for weeks or getting dragged around by rats unless somebody goes and buries them.

So maybe some signage at the boat ramp letting people know our waterways are not a rubbish dump.

Ok, Thats enough from me.

Thanks,

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

Q6: If you have any suggestions to improve pest management in our reserves or general feedback on the policy, please share this below.

Get the local kids involved in trapping. They love it.

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Current name: McDonnell Street Reserve

Q11: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai

Current name: Josephine Place Reserve

Q15: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Rangituanehu

Current name: Minden Lookout

Q16: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Ōturu - l'Anson

Current name: l'Anson Bush Reserve

Q17: Additional feedback on the proposed reserve naming.

For the ones already named just leave them as is.



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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 14

Name: Cassandra Veerkamp

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Te puna quarry park - does not at this time need updating. Your community wants you to stop spending money on these projects and start using it to contribute to the already out of control rate prices in the area. We have some of the highest rates in nz. Projects like this are not necessary right now!

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

SUB ID: 14

Q7: Proposed name: Bramley Reserve
Current name: McDonnell Street Reserve

Q8: Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve - Other:
Do not change wasted money right now

Q9: Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve - Other
Do not change wasted money right now

Q10: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Kakaramēa - Other
Do not change wasted money right now this isn't a need

Q11: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai
Current name: Josephine Place Reserve

Q12: Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve - Other
Do not change

Q13: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Hakao - Other
Do not change

Q14: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa - Other
Do not change

Q15: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Rangitūānehu
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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 15

Name: Anderley Middleton

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

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Q2: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Precious Family Reserve

The Precious Family Reserve deserves to stay status quo....in hope that it is used for walking, sitting and reflecting in a beautiful green and blue space as was intended by Uncle Jack Precious and I in negotiations with Western Bay Council in the 1980's. I would love our family legacy to extend to creating more sand bars for more godwits to rest on during high tide. Allow the pristine mud flats be their source of food. I feel car access for the public and the placing of a toilet unnecessary as per 2018 Concept Plan. Allow the pond to be wider as it once was so birds have a drinking source and perhaps add more seating along the water front eastward of the reserve. This is a unique spot for omokoroa residents and visitors to enjoy nature in a peaceful and rejuvenating way. This stretch of beach along the front of the golf course could become a bird watching sanctuary. It would put omokoroa on the map as an environmental haven for walking bird tours. There are a lot of residents and visitors who support what Uncle Jack and I wanted this Reserve to be for all the people of Omokoroa. I am very proud of its current use without the need for a toilet and car access and its use by hundreds of people. The placing of the bench chairs and the planting of the pohutukawas have added to its serenity. It was my family camping spot for the first 30 years of my life and now that they all have passed on, it is all I havea physical place where I have very deeply personal idyllic happy memories that connects me to them all. Anderley Middleton.

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

SUB ID: 15

Q9: Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Q12: Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve

Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve



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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 16

Name: Margie Sorensen

Organisation: Omokoroa Bowling Club

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Western Avenue Reserve

The Board of the Omokoroa Bowling Club unanimously agreed on 10th April 2025 that the Club make a submission to the Kaimai Ward Reserves Management Plan.

The Club provides recreational, competitive and social opportunities for the local community on its two bowling greens and within its large clubhouse and associated facilities. Groups such as mahjong, card playing groups, floristry, and private hire currently use our premises.

The Club's bowling greens are also utilised by the wider Western Bay of Plenty communities for tournaments, regional and national competitions and championships. Members are aged from early 20's through to late 80's.

The Board's Strategic decision was made with the following factors in mind:

1. The Clubrooms and lower green are adjacent to land that is liable to subsidence and coastal erosion.
2. The current lease with Council is due to expire within the next 9 years.
3. The steep pedestrian access from the limited car parking to the Clubroom and greens make it very difficult for those who have mobility challenges but still desire, and are capable of physical activity afforded by a game of outdoor bowls. Bowlers carry their heavy sets of bowls and equipment with them and the steep access also provides additional challenges for many.
4. The Club greens and clubhouse, are currently located on the Hamurana Reserve. The Western Bay of Plenty Reserves Management Plan has identified issues with the site and subsequent long term sustainability of the Bowling Club and consideration of a future alternative site.

For these reasons the Club wishes to express their interest in moving from their existing premises in the Hamurana Reserve to the area below the tennis courts on the Western Avenue Reserve (sports fields). This area is presently used for soccer, athletics and cricket. With the development of the Prole Road site some of these sports may be better located there or on the Western Avenue Reserve above the

existing tennis courts.

The Draft Plan discussion document refers to Council considering developing the area in the Western Avenue Reserve for a "sports hard court". Such a development could include sports such as: Pétanque, Croquet, Pickle Ball as well as Lawn Bowls. The existence of such complementary sports co-existing on the site below the tennis courts would have advantage to Council and the community for infrastructure development costs e.g. drainage, car parking, provision of facilities etc.



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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 17

Name: Ben Bell

Organisation: Omokoroa Football Club

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Western Ave, Omokoroa

Omokoroa Football Club has called Western Ave home for over 30 years - with Football played on the reserve daily - either in a social or organised manner. We love the reserve! Some feedback on the reserve though. Long term, the lower field needs maintenance - the surface is borderline dangerous, with bristle grass and uneven surface making the field horrible in winter, and terrible in summer. Lights on the lower field also need to be replaced and the club is keen to work to get these updated. On the upper field, the cricket wicket and flying fox has meant that the only full sized pitch we can get on the upper part of the reserve sits in front of houses - every year the residents get fired up about the balls hitting their houses. Some protective fencing and possibly lighting on the upper field would be perfect.

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

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Submitter ID: 18

Name: Phillip Martelli

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Walkways in the Minden area.

Some walkways exist, such as from Corbett Dr to Minden Reserve and up to Minden Hills Lane and up to the Dawn View Place Reserve. Some are formed, some require maintenance, and some are informal. The Minden Structure Plan in the District Plan provides for a number of walkway linkages throughout the Minden Lifestyle Zone, with Te Puna Quarry Park being the hub. Over the years land has been set aside through subdivision, plus there are a number of paper roads. These plus the Takitimu North Link means it is now possible to put much of this walkway network in place. The whole area is popular for walking for both residents and visitors, but the network lacks linkage to destinations and loops. What is needed is safe walking opportunities that are not reliant on narrow dangerous roads. This was reinforced when the Minden Road footpath was partially completed. This resulted in many more walkers on Minden Road, plus people with children and dogs which did not happen previously. Walkways are important for people's physical and mental health, plus a proper network means people can travel between and to local communities and destinations without having to drive. Completion on the Minden walkway network needs to be programmed into the RMP. Not only has land been set aside as part of subdivision, but these same subdivisions have also contributed significant financial contributions for recreational purposes. Council therefore is now obliged to put the network in place.

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

SUB ID: 18

Q13: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Hakao

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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 19

Name: Matthew Farrell

Organisation: Lizard News

1. Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.
I appreciate where Omokoroa tennis club already has its facilities.
Western Avenue is also where football, athletics, inter-school sports, a skate path and a playground are located. A full-sized public access basketball court could accommodate two netball and two tennis courts sideways for tournament overflow. The tennis club could pre-book Council-owned public courts if it required them, as is the model with halls and other bookable spaces in the District. This is publicly-owned Reserve and a community hub, with finite open green space for the whole community for the future, including dog walkers - it isn't just for one club or code.

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Q18: General feedback related to the Reserve Management Plan.

The use of Reserve space at Western Avenue needs to be very carefully considered in light of the below information. Please see the following communication shared with the then Community Board Members.

Email dated Thu, 21 Sep 2023:

Hi Ōmokoroa Community Board members,

I put some time and effort into a community scoping meeting towards a youth centre in June 2021 when I submitted to OCB for relocation of the old pavilion. Youth facilities are needed for this town long-term as part of community-led development alongside crime prevention, social work, mental health, pathways to employment and driver licensing.

Effectively I gave the Council mandate for the relocation, but any setup and management of a youth facility would sadly have to compete with bookable space under the established system, which bypassed just about every point raised in my submission. I would call this "bullshit".

This turns me to the use of the space cleared by the building relocation. I believe there would be overwhelming community support for multi-use courts, predominantly for basketball, netball, uni hockey, and futsal. Examples can be seen at Ōmokoroa Point and No. 1 Schools.

Tennis markings would also support the neighbouring tennis club when they run area tournaments maybe a couple of times a year and would leave the facility as a free-to-use open community space year-round, rather than a space overwhelmingly for financial club members.

Regarding local expert opinions, attached is a short questionnaire containing feedback from four local school sports coordinators in Ōmokoroa, Te Puna, Katikati, and Otumoetai at both the primary and secondary levels. My questions were deliberately 'open'.

If the space were to go into exclusive courts for any one code, to many in the community, I believe that would be unjustifiable favouritism and poor governance. In particular, while I sincerely congratulate the tennis club for their growth in recent years, that is a direct result of disproportionate investment funding received during that time, versus other sports.

In terms of specialist national data, I provide the following link and quote:

<https://www.nzsssc.co.nz/newsarticle/124904?newsfeedId=1207557>

"Netball remains the most popular sport in secondary schools with 25,933 students involved, followed by basketball (25,595), rugby (24,625), volleyball

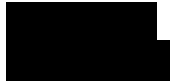
(23,391), and football (20,464). As in other years, netball was the most popular for girls, followed by volleyball, and rugby was the most popular for boys, followed by basketball. While the challenges we faced within the school sports sector are evident, there was also plenty of opportunity, with some sports showing increases in participation numbers. Sports that have grown over five years include climbing (47%), surfing (4%), ultimate frisbee (6%) and volleyball (34%)."

In a separate forwarded email below, I will remind you why the Community Board and Council had the mandate to relocate the old pavilion.

Would your school sports coordinator or physical education staff be kind enough to answer a couple of questions for me this week? I am interested in District Council sports and youth investment at Western Avenue in Omokoroa and will be attending a Community Board meeting.

--

Matthew Farrell
Lizard News



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1. Please could you name three popular sporting codes for participation at your school?

Rippa Rugby, netball and basketball

2. Are there any other sports (name one or two) that are popularly played outside of school -

either socially among students or organised at external facilities?

Football, swimming, tennis, golf.

3. What is your view of multi-use court markings rather than courts set up for a single code?

If it means we can get more children out, taking part in sports activities, I'm all for it and if it

means the courts get used more often, yes, multi-use courts.

4. If you had the budget to construct a public multi-use court surface, which sporting codes

do you think would be an effective spend - e.g. rugby, football, tennis, hockey, basketball,

cricket nets, netball, badminton, volleyball - accepting some of these may not be compatible

with others?

Multi-use court surface = indoor basketball courts that can be used for netball, uni hockey,

netball, badminton, rock climbing, volleyball, indoor futsal, and the list goes on. If it was an

outdoor surface turf, the same as above, lots of options.

5. Do you think it is more important to grow capacity for a sport that already has local

provision or to foster and encourage other popular codes for which facilities do not exist?

That's a really good question. I encourage other popular codes as sports come and go in

waves. If you have the right set-up, it won't matter what sport is popular at the time, as the

facility can accommodate change.

Amber Mills, Sports Coordinator, Omokoroa Point School.

In response to your email, please see below.

1. Volleyball, hockey, football.

2. Boxing, wrestling, mixed martial arts.

3. Happy with multi-use court markings for training, prefer single code court set up for

competition but appreciate space is premium.

4. Basketball, futsal, netball, badminton, volleyball.

5. Both.

Emma Henderson, Sports Coordinator, Otumoetai College.

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1. Netball, basketball, hockey.

2. Rippa Rugby and rugby, football.

3. It depends on the budget I guess. I prefer single codes, or no more than 3 code court

marking.

4. All of them, but my priority would be; hockey, basketball, netball, football.

5. Both are equally important, but I would choose encouraging other codes.

Alexia Skipper-Jones, Sports Co-ordinator, Te Puna School.

1. Basketball, volleyball, netball, hockey.

2. Football, Ultimate.

3. This is essential. There is neither space nor money for single-use spaces.
 4. Netball, tennis, basketball.
 5. Growing capacity. It is not just about facilities but growing new sports also requires resources in terms of coaching, uniform, transport. We are already spread very thin.
- Juliet Dunlop-Fraser, Sports Coordinator, Katikati College
TiC Netball, Rugby, Basketball, Volleyball, 1st XI Girls Hockey Head Coach.

Email dated: Tue, 18 May 2021:

Possible interim community centre building for Ōmokoroa area, using the yet to be renovated former pavilion.

Please do read the attached document also.

Three weeks ago I was invited by members of Katikati Taiao to accompany Mayor Garry Webber and MP Jan Jinetti to see first-hand the projects initiated through the Katikati Taiao and Department of Internal Affairs Community-Led Development initiative. This included a look at four specific project areas - youth, environmental, food bank and a social enterprise workshop space being developed at Chrome Cafe.

Since then I have had conversations or meetings with Taiao stakeholders, the Ōmokoroa Community Board chair, Cllr Murray Grainger, Mayor Webber, and I have liaised with some members of Ōmokoroa Sports & Rec, Ōmokoroa Environmental Managers, Community Garden, and other individuals who have spoken to me about the aforementioned types of initiatives and the need for community spaces fit for such purposes. I am in the early stages of seeking to form a steering committee and possibly a trust or charitable body to find partners and funders to make community centre projects for Ōmokoroa and surrounds a reality.

Space could also be bookable for larger groups requiring an uncarpeted space that cannot access the large hall at Ōmokoroa Settlers' Hall. It is fully subscribed and has no further capacity for some table tennis, dance, and martial arts groups.

My attached letter to the Ōmokoroa Community Board will be tabled at their 7pm meeting on Tuesday 8th June. The following day, I have booked the

Whakamārama room beneath the new library at Western Avenue for 7pm on Wednesday 9th June to discuss the next steps.

If you were available to attend or wished to speak, you would be very welcome. If not perhaps you might email me - perhaps some words to be read aloud on your behalf by way of encouragement, support or advice. I'm simply standing up to volunteer as an initial coordinator for the wider community. If you know of potential funders that I ought to invite to this initial vision meeting, please let me know their contact details ASAP.

Attached document from:

Matthew Farrell



To:

Teresa Sage

Ōmokoroa Community Board

Western BoP District Council

Dear Teresa,

I believe the expressions of interest process for the old pavilion building at Western Avenue has closed, with no suitable applications having been received for the future use of this building. That being the case, I propose that funds earmarked for its possible renovation and any proceeds from the future sale of the old library building at McDonnell Street could be used to construct a facility suitable for a community centre to benefit all.

The ripple area-of-effect for this centre and its services may include Te Puna, Whakamārama,

Matakana Island, Pahoia, and Apata - the neighbouring areas of the Western Bay of Plenty District

where many of our neighbours either work, live or play.

I acknowledge Pirirākau of Ngāti Ranginui iwi as tangata whenua and the principal hapū of the rohe,

hosting four marae; Tutereinga, Poutūterangi, Paparoa and Tawhitinui within the Te Puna and

Whakamārama areas. I note Matakana Island has three marae affiliated with hapū of Ngāi Te Rangi iwi. Kutaroa is affiliated with Ngāti Tauaiti. Opureora Marae is affiliated with Ngāi Tuwhiwhia and Ngāti Tauaiti. Te Rangihouhiri or Oruarahi is affiliated with Ngāi Tamawhariua. I stand to be corrected.

I believe connecting present, and future neighbours in the community is essential for the physical and mental wellbeing of Ōmokoroa and surroundings. In the neighbouring Katikati Taiao, I have learned of the progress being made with a range of Community-Led Development initiatives, including youth work, environmental restoration, the foundations of a social enterprise premises and the food bank.

This has been possible due to funding from the Department of Internal Affairs. The next deadline for DIA applications is March 2022. Other avenues for central government support are the Ministry of Social Development - and the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment.

With both an ageing population experiencing mobility issues and an increasingly emergent adolescent population, Ōmokoroa is an area of rapid social change. It will no doubt continue to grow with the future addition of a high school campus, the consenting of two commercial centres, and the announcement of the TNL Stage One roading construction contract.

I request the Community Board and District Council urgently consider allocating funding to the development of a community centre which can provide a focal base for some of the wraparound social services needed by this current and future town and its hinterland. There are existing volunteer clubs and groups such as those under the umbrellas of Ōmokoroa Environmental Managers Inc. Soc. and Ōmokoroa Sports & Recreation Inc. Soc. There are opportunities to provide office space for a Ministry of Social Development Zoom room or interim premises for NZ Police. There is scope to employ a community project facilitator or youth employment coach. The Community Garden, The Community

Church and its Food Bank and groups using the old library building could find crossover opportunities.

A Garden to Table type cooking initiative or Freezer Bank expansion could provide an outlet for

Community Garden produce. An organisation such as Tauranga Food Cooperative could provide a small income for otherwise unwanted garden produce in the interim.

Pest Free could enjoy a closer relationship with the Whakamārama Community Inc trapping programme at The Blade or the Pest Library. These could be powered by the fledgeling Menz Shed, which could help provide woodwork or metalwork opportunities to train youths.

A community centre might provide an opportunity for sports clubs to display flags or trophies.

Meanwhile, groups such as the Table Tennis Club find they have outgrown the small room at the

Settlers' Hall. The main hall there is fully subscribed, while the carpeted floor of the new pavilion is, I

am told, unsafe for the footwear type and exercise likely to cause injury.

The skate path is a great existing resource and could be utilised by a youth peer support project with

the right facilitator and an appropriate program. Ideas for youth projects include local driving

instructors or the Blue Light Foundation to assist with theory or practical driving assistance for NEETS

- young people not engaged in education, employment or training.

An option could be to engage local youths and utilise Tauranga-based Student Volunteer Army

volunteers to assist with community planting, weeding, and clean-up days. Locals have already

volunteered time to help with cooking, finance education, and physical training. Low-cost youth

activities might include tabletop games such as Magic The Gathering cards, Dungeons and Dragons,

darts, dominoes and a pool table. Outdoor activities such as a basketball court on the current site of

the old pavilion or an outdoor concrete and marbled table tennis table can add to the opportunities for

youth entertainment to steer young people away from interest in crime - or to help them avoid the

environmental impact, safety concerns, traffic and travel costs of State Highway 2 usage.

The Ōmokoroa Peninsula Club, Probus and Lions may also have ideas to add.

Can we learn anything

from the demise of the Ōmokoroa-Pahoia and other local Scout troops?

Wifi would allow Bring Your Own Device users to play internet games alongside new friends in the

community rather than strangers from across the globe, enhancing a sense of connection through

modern games our children have played these past years. Movie nights for PG, R12, R15, R18

audiences may help engage with the lack of a cinema here.

The Toy Library has a facility that may be at capacity. Appropriate storage for all sports clubs and

codes, including those not yet supported, also needs to be considered.

Examples may include crash

mats for martial arts or gymnastics, drama, and dance. Is there scope for a place to learn a musical

instrument or bicycle maintenance?

Could the Ōmokoroa community support a social enterprise cafe with employment opportunities for

those with disabilities or learning difficulties to work alongside volunteers?

Possible future project funders include but are not limited to Regional Council environmental funding,

District Council volunteer match funding, TECT, NZ Lottery Grants Board or regional Lottery

Community committee, The Lion Foundation, Baytrust, New Zealand Community Trust, The Tindall

Foundation, Acorn Foundation, and Grassroots Trust. My opinion is that investment from these

funders would be better for the wider community than future Ministry of Justice or Probation spending due to a lack of foresight in planning provision for a connected and caring community.

Yours sincerely,

Matthew Farrell.



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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 20

Name: Liz Farrell

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

"New sports hard court at the Ōmokoroa Sports Ground." Any new hard surface areas should be open to the public and be multi-sport. Single use for Tennis, and behind lock and key, should not be allowed.

Q2: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

"Establishment of a Memorial Wall in Ōmokoroa." The summary does not state where, but consideration might be given to the Gerald Crapp Reserve, where the memorial cairn is placed and where Anzac dawn service is held.

Q3: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Kaimai Views Reserve. I hope at some point a playground will be factored into this residential area - perhaps linking with Puna Rua on the south side of the gully.

Q4: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Future Prole Road/Kaimai Views/Prole Road reserves. Can provision be made for future Parkrun. This requires 5km of walkways that are not along roads.

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

Q6: If you have any suggestions to improve pest management in our reserves or general feedback on the policy, please share this below.

Work alongside volunteers, and liaise with volunteer coordinators to ensure inclusion with those already working hard in these areas.

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Q7: Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

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Q8: Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

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Q9: Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

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Q10: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Kakaramea - Other
Kakaramea Reserve

Q11: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai

Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai

Q12: Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve

Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve

Q13: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Hakao

Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Hakao

Q14: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa

Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa

Q15: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Rangituanehu

Current name: Minden Lookout

Q16: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Ōturu - l'Anson

Current name: l'Anson Bush Reserve



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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 21

Name: Stephen & Glenda Wightman

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Precious Family Reserve

Precious Family Reserve Vision: Our vision for Precious Family Reserve is that its natural identity and open spaces are retained for use by walkers and cyclists as a place of tranquillity and enhancing it to preserve our wildlife habitat. The walkway constructed in 2021 along the foreshore has been a great asset to the community and is enjoyed by everybody.

2018 Concept Plan: The 2018 Concept Plan for the reserve and included in the Precious Family Reserve 2024-2034 plan is outdated. It was developed from the 2017 Concept plan and consulted on in 2017/18. The Council should engage with the community to reflect the needs and aspirations of the community in 2025. Under the Council's own policy such reviews are meant to take place every 9 years, implying that the next review is in 2026.

Council's Engagement: Council's recent engagement/communication with the community ahead of implementing the identified projects in the 2018 Concept plan has been disappointing. This includes the proposals to build a dog park at the reserve and to locate a toilet in the middle of the reserve close to a memorial seat. The Omokoroa community has indicated a willingness to actively participate in the planning of these projects, however the Council staff do not appear to want a thorough and meaningful engagement, resulting in a costly and inefficient process culminating in community led petitions opposing the dog park and the toilet.

Toilet Block: In the absence of a well-articulated vision and implementation plan for the future of the Precious Family Reserve, we are opposed to building a toilet block. There is considerable opposition to the toilet due to a lack of support from local residents and users of the reserve.

Mabs Kelly Walkway/Cycleway: The designation of Mabs Kelly Walkway for use only by walkers, cyclists, golf carts and service vehicles needs to be enforced, either by

installing bollards or closing the gate at Anderley Avenue. This is arguably the most popular walking and cycle path on the Omokoroa peninsula and yet is the only walkway on the peninsula where the Council tacitly allows public vehicles from Anderley Avenue to use the walkway to access the reserve. Its use by public vehicles makes it unsafe for children and elderly walkers who wish to use the walkway as it was intended. The walkway is in urgent need of resurfacing after the heavy 24/25 summer traffic has damaged the carriageway such that it is unsuitable for pushchairs, wheelchairs and elderly walkers.

This is the first time that the note in 2024-2034 Long Term Plan foreshadowing vehicular access to the Omokoroa foreshore from Anderley Avenue has been articulated by the Council. It is not discussed in the 2018 Concept Plan. This needs to be consulted on with the residents of the Omokoroa Country Estate and other affected residents.

Vehicular Access: We oppose vehicle access to the foreshore from Hamurana Road shown in the 2018 Concept plan. This appears to be ill conceived and expensive. We support the additional carparking / turning area shown at the end of Hamurana Road in the 2017 Concept plan, so that public can access the walkway by foot or bicycle easily.

Dry Riverbed Management: The dry riverbed has become overgrown with weeds and needs a better maintenance management plan

Reserve Vesting: We request that the Precious family Reserve is vested as Recreation or Local Purpose Reserve without further delay. We understand that this has been previously agreed by Council back in 2018.

Stephen and Glenda Wightman

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

Q6: If you have any suggestions to improve pest management in our reserves or general feedback on the policy, please share this below.

There are around 6 magpies that have become established on the Precious Family Reserve. These are quite aggressive at times to other bird life, and we have noted a decline in the number of native birds around our property over the last couple of years. We would like to see the culling of magpies to be included in the pest management programme.



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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 22

Name: Dennis & Sue Reilly

Organisation:

Q18: General feedback related to the Reserve Management Plan.

As a longtime ratepayer and bordering landowner of Precious Reserve , I would like to have been involved with petitions and discussions re toilets at Precious Reserve. I feel the only place is beside the pumping station. That is where the sewer line is. I have just read about this in Lizard News , and want to be involved in discussions before decisions are made , please .



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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 23

Name: Barry Roberts

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Lower Kaimai Hall Site (Former). This site should be disposed of and the funds allocated to other reserves in the immediate vicinity.

Q2: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Lower Kaimai Reserve. Support the better utilisation of parcels of WBOP DC land along with Crown Land to create car parking and then pedestrian access under the bridge to the Lower Kaimai Reserve. From the reserve create a walkway upstream on the western bank of the Te Ahura stream towards the Ongaonga Scenic Reserve .

Q3: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Ongaonga Scenic Reserve. Firstly correct the statement in the plan page 13. There are no formal walking tracks in the Ongaonga reserve. Public access to this reserve is required in order that the community can see the degradation of this, the largest scenic reserve in the Kaimai Ward. The state of this reserve is a disgrace. Establish access to the reserve from either State Highway 29 or via a walkway as previously suggested in 2 above.

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

Q18: General feedback related to the Reserve Management Plan.

I wish to be heard in relation to my submission.

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Kaimai Ward Reserve plans Omokoroa submissions

Hi Jason,

My name is Christina Cleaver, I am group leader of Omokoroa Pest Free Bird Group, OEMI.

I am inquiring about submission to the Kaimai Ward Reserve Plans. The reserve in question is the Omokoroa reserve between Western Ave, Links Ave and Kaylene place, which has new cycle/walkways.

This reserve does not appear on web site plans for Omokoroa Reserves. I am not sure if it has a name?

I have spoken to a number of residents surrounding this reserve about planting trees to support the Bird corridor down the centre of Omokoroa, alongside the cycle/walkways. They are keen for this reserve to support the Kaka and Kereru, whom have recently lost a large number of roosting trees nearby.

I have an understanding that the trees should be planted at least 20 meters apart, so the lawn mows can go around them. Consideration to underground water pipes nearby, before the tree planting and their root growth, should be taken into account.

The team from Omokoroa Pest Free Bird Group would work with council on type of suitable trees, spacing and planting. Only the centre strip down the middle of reserve above the low lying water catchment area is considered for this planting and comprises of approximately 12 or less trees.

We are aware there is a paper road alongside the cycle/walkway from Western Ave to Kaylene , that too could be planted if road is no longer an option.

Regards Christina Cleaver

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Bev Cain SUB ID 25

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, 5 April 2025 10:52 pm
To: Your Place
Subject: KAIMAI WARD RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN 2025 - CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

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I did not find this document informative and/or encouraged ratepayers to make a submission to. Ratepayers want specific information as to facts and figures to maintain our current Parks and Reserves, along with specific figures to create each and every new Reserve proposed. Without this information you are not keeping ratepayers fully informed and lacks transparency whilst proposing to create further reserves and not explaining where the funding is to come from.

RESERVE EXPENDITURE FOR TE PUNA AREA ONLY

We are aware that there is little money for Te Puna Quarry and that there is major expenditure required to bring the tracks up to standard, as compared with other reserves/parks of Botanical Interest in New Zealand – thus where is the money to come from for this urgent work? They are absolutely dangerous to walk on in most places of this Park/Reserve.

I am totally against changing the name of this Park. It is what was chosen by the original instigators/WBDC so please well alone unless requested by the volunteers who will have taken into account costs involved by their entity to change.

I also find it distressing that Te Puna Quarry Park should have to consider paying for any “resource consent” expenditure for this volunteer Park/Reserve. This type of expenditure should automatically be picked up by any New Zealand Council where the work is carried out primarily by volunteers. Could I recommend that this be implemented urgently and that WBDC, as a sign of good faith, undertake to pay for all resource consents in future. This would alleviate emotional and financial stress from volunteers and committee. The amount of work that is involved in fund raising is not understood by public or local council employees, thus do not add to their existing workload or increase unnecessary expenditure on a small group of elderly volunteers. You do not want volunteers to walk away from what they love, i.e., weeding and maintaining tractor equipment and all other activities. You are there to make life as easy as possible to keep this Park financially sustainable. Please demonstrate further financial relief by making it part of the management of WBDC to pay for all future resource consents for this magnificent Park.

Personally – I suspect that within a couple of years we will see that the annual fund raising aspect of this Park will cease – due to age and lack of public available to grow plants. This includes myself. The cost of water and lack of availability of time, along with purchasing many trailer loads of compost – all a financial burden to ratepayers

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despite the good cause. We cannot keep growing plants on a large scale to financially assist the Te Puna Quarry Park. Age and time is against those who normally undertake to help grow such plant material.

The Te Puna Quarry Park also needs a better venue/Café facility to be built with commercial kitchen facilities. When there is a Plant Fair day – trying to make scones by the hundreds in a tiny portable oven is ridiculous. As volunteers they do not complain but times have changed and these volunteers deserve better. There is good income to be derived from a venue that can be used for official functions. There is no longer any parking at the Te Puna commercial hub, thus Nourish has become almost impossible from a parking perspective. The Café at top of Clarke Road is now on a dangerous corner and I doubt that the Lease for Café would be renewed.

The time is opportune for another Café of a high standard which would be used by the “not so young” whilst their family walks the difficult terrain of this reserve/park.

From a financial perspective – I fail to see how Te Puna can afford two further reserves and the cost of maintaining thereof. The Keith I’Anson Reserve is not used by locals on a frequent basis and I would go so far as to suggest that very few Te Puna families use this reserve. I am aware that some immediate locals will walk, with a dog, only if they know that this is the Volunteer Day. That is understandable in this day and age. I am also aware that some locals who live in Newnham Road and Waikaraka Road, Te Puna, will walk as far as the end of Newnham Road and not venture any further towards the railway bridge. This is a clear indication that if Reserves are to be created they need to be created in full view of the public. What cyclists use is not necessarily what walkers will use. The path between end of Newnham Road and over the bridge (Te Puna) – I HAVE NEVER BUMPED INTO ANYONE ELSE WHO WILL WALK THIS AREA. The locals are of the older age group and I am aware that parents won’t even allow their children to cycle this area without being in presence of an adult.

We have no estimated or finite costs for the proposed Te Hakao Reserve. This was to have been paid for out of profit from the sub-division and which we all know now doesn’t exist. I fail to see why another Te Puna Reserve should now come out of ratepayer money, now or in the future. This is an area out of sight of residents, no one would hear you scream if attacked, parking would have to be at the top of the gully and if this was full in Clarke Road. Under no circumstances would it be appropriate to create a reserve in this area without **SUBSTANTIAL SECURITY – CCTV. There is also the issue of having to fence off all of the Te Hakao Stream, formerly a man made ditch and not shown on original survey maps. The silt is over a metre deep – it resembles quick sand. I WAS IN PRESENCE OF CLLR KEN SHIRLEY WHEN THE DEPTH OF THE SILT WAS MEASURED in the area close to the duck pond on Alison Cowley’s property. It was frightening and under no circumstances would you be able to get your body out if you fell in or was pushed in by a passer by or children just having genuine fun. I VERY MUCH DOUBT IF MANY EMPLOYEES OF WBDC understand the severity of the depth of the silt issue.**

It would also concern myself as to how many would use a new reserve created in this gully at back of 109 Clarke Road – thus if you took the cost to develop and maintain – I fail to see how the expenditure could be justified in a world-wide recession. This is difficult terrain and nothing more than scrub. It is also, in parts, nothing more than a wetland area and would be impossible to use with boardwalks during the

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winter months. This is part of a Catchment area and thus not straight-forward land to use for a reserve.

Mowing in this area would be near impossible. All in all – this is not a cheap exercise to create a reserve in this area. If the idea originally was principally to enhance the cycleway and join up with Armstrong Road – please forget this. I can vouch that most who come from across the Omokoroa Railway Bridge to Newnham Road/Borell Road/Te Puna Road – **DO NOT USE THE CYCLEWAY. Groups and experienced cyclists 99% of the time use the road for cycling.**

Please – no further reserves for Te Puna. Most locals are retired, lifestyle owners or orchardists and work full time on their land. They don't have any spare leisure time, thus locals would not get a huge benefit from increasing the number of reserves for our area.. Omokoroa for example is primarily an urban satellite town and small-size sections where there would be a better use of walkways/reserves.

Public are currently struggling with cost of Rates/Regional Council Rates and putting food on table. New Reserves are a luxury and those days have long gone. You have a responsibility, as a local body, to cut your expenditure and keep to core infrastructure. Can you imagine how ratepayers in Teihana Road would feel if a new reserve was created and costs thereof to maintain when they are 5 mins. from city boundary and no tar sealed road, furthermore no promises of when their road would ever be sealed. It's an insult to consider wasting further ratepayer money when they are screaming out for sealing to get rid of the dust which is horrific 24/7.

These people in Teihana Road work in the dust and have to hang their washing out in the dust 24/7. Priorities and wants are two totally matters and wants are no longer financially permitted. Aspirational dreams which are no longer affordable. Every penny spent on further reserves could go towards the roading fund.

PARKS AND RESERVES – less is sometimes best and preserve what we have to a high standard in the Bay of Plenty. You cannot continue to spread your wings as this depletes the budget permanently for all reserves.

Bev Cain, [REDACTED]

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From: John Whittles [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, 23 March 2025 2:28 pm
To: Your Place
Subject: Mainly toilets and reserves
Attachments: Lizard letter Mar2025.docx

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I'm John Whittles. At Omokoroa yesterday at the Western Ave dog day (well done, a nice little show) I met Jess. Jess, I'm John from the mobility scooter. It was nice to talk to you.

My primary concern yesterday was the Lizard article on Toilet Protest for the PRECIOUS RESERVE proposed toilet.

Since I spoke to Jess I wrote my own letter to Lizard. I hope they will publish it, but it's their decision of course.

So I'll enclose a copy for Western Bop information.

I have the WBoP feed back form but it probably means a lot more to you than me because I don't know where all the Park boundaries begin & end. And even where most are.

In my opinion Parks are great to have and in WBoP and the Tauranga city we are lucky to have so many accessible well maintained in a delightful area. Please keep it up.

I would like to confine my comments on this occasion to toilets in my immediate vicinity of Omokoroa. But I love to travel around any parks I can access.

I should explain I'm old, have mobility problems (can't walk unaided more than a few steps) so toilets and access are very important.

COONEY RESERVE

The new toilet you people put in at the Cooney reserve is a really good asset. Of course, with the park over, it gets a lot of use. But it's good and accessible too. One is a good start.

PRECIOUS FAMILY RESERVE

A toilet like Cooney would be great. If the community fear of looking at it or sitting near it remains, how about planting a few native plants adding murals of the surrounding plants and birds. You made a good transformation at Western Ave.

OMOKOROA DOMAIN

An old facility, I'm told.

Yes without doubt! But old toilets can be flushed and often these can't be.

There is marked a disabled toilet facility. WHERE ? There is one larger compartment where the toilet is often filled with unflushed waste. A crappy, very low level, old worn out toilet. AND NO HAND RAIL. Shouldn't cost a lot to fix up.

A few weekends ago at this reserve there was really great day with the Whaka-Ama group. Families, kids, the tough guys in the boats. Lovely setting. So good to see and encourage. There were probably thousands there (I didn't count).

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It's a wonder those old toilets were still standing at the end of the day. Lines of desperate people, at times queued in long lines.

So where were the PORTA LOOS. They probably needed 20 or more. Most builders seem to be able to get one these days. Does no one in authority have responsibility for these large community gatherings AND check.?

It's not the only problem toilet in the numerous facilities around the city and district. In both public and commercial premises. So who registers them as DISABLED FACILITIES? Does anyone ever check their suitability and standard of maintaining?

My criticism here is generally not with local authorities, most do a great job with some very old gear. But too many of these big money making Supermarkets and restaurants are as stingy as Scrooge and get away with doing next to nothing.

Sorry about the rant. Thanks for what you do anyway.

John Whittles



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Letter the Editor, Lizard News

Precious Toilets

I've been reading our, very lucky to have, local Lizard news - 'Community outrage over proposed public toilet', and wonder just who these people are that don't need to pee & poo. The peasants once thought defecating was below and beyond the Great emperors and likes of Queen Victoria. She was quite large, but I think they got that wrong.

Now for the rest of us normal humans it's an essential feature of life. And while in youth you might have a full capacity bladder, as you age that is seriously depleted.

I'm old - very!

So are your protesters suggesting we join the Dogs? Peeing should be possible hanging onto the back of a nice stable seat - I've got non functioning legs. But the other presents more problems and we will probably need some bigger plastic bags.

Perhaps a different color - and a bigger capacity repository - which can often be seen overflowing.

Truly, I think this protest a load of sanctimonious twaddle. Toilets and their condition are a mark of local society and hygiene.

For anyone who has stood, cautiously, one foot either side of a bespattered hole in the floor of a Southern French Railway Station it very much reduces the ambience of the district.

Not a good way to attract the tourists the Government seems to want into our very lovely community.

So the Council's plan for a toilet at Precious Reserve is most welcome.

John Whitties



Omokoroa



To: Western Bay of Plenty District Council

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From: Bowentown Beach Holiday Park

17 April 2025

Dear Councillors,

Submission to the Reserves Management Plan Update

We appreciate the opportunity to provide feedback on the proposed changes to the Western Bay of Plenty District Council District Wide Reserve Management Plan. We believe that it is critical for the District to be able to provide for the kinds of services and recreation opportunities that will enrich our communities now and into the future. We, Michael and Rebecca Crosby of Waihi Beach, own and operate the Bowentown Beach Holiday Park (BBHP). We lease the reserve land on the Bowentown Reserve from the Western Bay of Plenty District Council (WBOPDC) for the operation of a campground under Section 54(1) of the Reserves Act 1977 (Reserves Act). We are considered very young for holiday park owners (being in our late 30s), and we have a strong interest in seeing the holiday and recreation industry in the Western Bay grow and thrive for many years to come.

The Holiday Park industry is in the midst of a significant growth and change period. Post COVID19, the industry - especially on the North Island - has seen a major uptick in domestic customers. These customers are replacing their annual big, expensive overseas tropical holidays such as to Fiji, Cook Islands, Hawaii and the Gold Coast with multiple smaller, hassle free and budget friendly holidays right here in New Zealand. We consider this a great advantage for local recreation. However, in order to remain an attractive destination both for local residents and to attract visitors, holiday parks in Western Bay need to be able to provide the amenities that keep customers happy and coming back. Nationally, there is a major corporate and commercial influence driving parks to a Resort standard that you would expect in Australia. However, there remains a demand for the laid back kiwi holiday park experience.

Our vision is to ensure the slower laid back quintessential kiwi camping holiday memories remain as the world around us speeds up and evolves. However, our experience in the industry has shown us that the regulations on how recreation and reserve land can be used are out of step of the modern desires of people on holiday. Holiday goers have a desire to be able to access facilities that can enhance their recreation experience. We understand that the current policies of the Reserves Management Plan were drafted with an understanding that the way people enjoy reserves is through low-tech camping style recreation. When these policies and rules were written, camping and recreation were a lot simpler; caravans and tents were much smaller and guests had few expectations from the venue to provide supplementary services. The nature of these policies has not kept pace with modern conceptions of recreation. While users today still value experiencing our beautiful New Zealand landscape, they expect this to come with both a range of accommodation options (premium and basic) and amenities such as hot tubs, swimming pools, kids clubs, kids play equipment, health retreats and food and beverage services. These services are complimentary to the enjoyment of the reserve, and allowing for the operator to profit from the provision of these services ensures that small kiwi-owned holiday parks are not left behind and can enable a modern holiday experience.

Holiday parks provide great economic opportunities for local communities and for the district. According to a 2019 survey conducted by Holiday Parks NZ an average daily spend per person figure was formulated. Using this formula we are able to multiply our visitor guest nights and confirm that Bowentown Beach Holiday Park alone brought in about \$5,412,834 in revenue to the community during 2024. Holiday Parks are also a great employer base, as many holiday parks will employ



University students during summer or peak holidays. This provides a fantastic opportunity for local young adults to enter the work force and get work experience. The Holiday Park industry also promotes connections within the community by providing accommodation spaces for out of town family and friends. Further, holiday parks allow people to enjoy our natural landscapes while also providing a built-in stewardship mechanism. We care about the reserve land and therefore reinvest into it through stewardship programmes such as planting and dune care. Customers care about convenience when accessing reserves. If a reserve is well taken care of and provides the kinds of amenities that people remember, they will want to come back and tell others. There are many wonderful reserves in the Western Bay of Plenty District, and WBOPDC clearly works hard to upgrade and maintain these reserves. However, far too often funding constraints limit the ability of Council to provide what people want. Holiday parks can assist in the maintenance and upgrade of reserves in partnership with WBOPDC and provide the benefit that holiday goers really value.

Policies 4 and 5 of the Draft District Wide Reserves Management Plan remain unchanged from the operative version. Policy 4 prohibits commercial use of reserves without a formal concession for that particular activity and Policy 5 relates to the granting of concessions. We agree that any commercial activities undertaken on reserve land should be subject to a formal leasing and concessions process. The rationale behind this in the draft plan is that commercial use detracts from public use. However, as we have outlined above, modern users expect amenities that were not anticipated when the Reserves Act was written. We note that some minor changes to these policies would allow greater flexibility for leaseholders and concessionaires to provide the kinds of services that holiday goers want and expect.

We attach a table identifying the relevant provisions of the Draft District Wide Reserve Management Plan, our suggested changes and the reasons for the change. We would be interested in discussing this submission with Council prior to the hearings process and would like to speak during the hearing.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this feedback. We genuinely believe that the plan making process is better when decisions reflect the views of the community. We look forward to continuing to work with the Western Bay of Plenty District Council in the future in our mission to provide quality, local, kiwi-owned holiday experiences.

Michael and Rebecca Crosby

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be a stylized 'M' and 'R' combined.



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Provision	Support/Oppose	Reasons for submission	Relief Sought
<p>Policy 4 – Commercial Use</p> <p>Commercial use of reserves will not be allowed unless a formal concession is granted for a particular activity involving a specific site and times during which the activity may take place.</p> <p>Commercial use (including private or commercial access over a reserve) that conflicts with and/or limits public use and enjoyment of the reserve or affects its amenity will not be permitted.</p> <p>Where access over a reserve and use of its facilities provides for a commercial activity, such as use of a public boat ramp by commercial fishing boats and/or tourist related activities, Council will require payment of appropriate charges by the commercial user to assist in the maintenance and enhancement of the facility.</p> <p>Explanation: Commercial use of reserves can detract from its public use and enjoyment or limit its potential to be used for its allocated purpose. In general it is inappropriate for public land set</p>	Support in part	<p>We agree that commercial use on reserve land should be restricted to activities that enhance recreation and should undergo a process of leasing or concession to do so.</p> <p>As we have indicated above, commercial services such as restaurants and spas align with the modern conception of recreational use. The policy as written is unduly restrictive, as it requires even existing leaseholders under 54(1) of the Reserves Act to get concessions for commercial use.</p>	<p>Policy 4 – Commercial Use</p> <p>Commercial use of reserves will not be allowed unless a formal concession is granted for a particular activity involving a specific site and times during which the activity may take place. Commercial activities on reserve land will only be permitted through the granting of a formal concession or lease. Any commercial activities undertaken on reserves will enhance the purpose and public enjoyment of the reserve. With particular regard to campgrounds, it is acknowledged that modern accommodation Cabins and Units along with supplementary activities, such as hot tubs, swimming pools, kids clubs, kids play equipment, health retreats and food and beverage services can enhance the recreational values of the reserve and complement the existing accommodation facilities.</p>

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<p>aside for reserve purposes to be used for any commercial use. In some instances, however, commercial use can be accommodated without unduly impeding the use and enjoyment of the reserve. In such cases Council will seek financial compensation for the use of public facilities for commercial gain.</p>		<p>We note that leases under 54(1) can already allow for commercial use 'provided that the trade, business, or occupation must be necessary to enable the public to obtain the benefit and enjoyment of the reserve or for the convenience of persons using the reserve'.</p> <p>Concessions are handled separately under the Reserves Act (section 59A). However, we note that the definition of a concession in the Reserves Act includes leases. We presume this includes leases under 54(1). However, we seek to clarify that both concessions under 59A and leases under</p>	<p>Commercial use (including private or commercial access over a reserve) that conflicts with and/or limits public use and enjoyment of the reserve or affects its amenity will not be permitted.</p> <p>Where access over a reserve and use of its facilities provides for a commercial activity, such as use of a public boat ramp by commercial fishing boats and/or tourist related activities, Council will require payment of appropriate charges by the commercial user to assist in the maintenance and enhancement of the facility.</p> <p>Explanation: Commercial use of reserves can detract from its public use and enjoyment or limit its potential to be used for its allocated purpose. In general it is inappropriate for public land set aside for reserve purposes to be used for any commercial use. In some instances, however, <u>commercial use can enhance the recreation purpose of the reserve by providing facilities and services that allow the public to more readily access and enjoy</u></p>
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<p>Explanation: Public reserves are for the use and enjoyment of the community. In general reserves provide respite from commercial facilities and provide opportunities for families, groups and individuals to pursue recreational activities away from commercial environments. From time to time, however, there will be temporary and/r permanent commercial activities that are fully compatible with the purpose of the reserve and that can assist or enhance the use and enjoyment of the reserve for a significant number of reserve users. Council will consider applications for concessions on reserves and where appropriate provide for such activities as and adjunct to the reserve.</p>			<p>Council will charge a levy for the commercial use of reserves. A bond will also be required for any commercial activities for which concessions are granted.</p> <p><u>Where an existing concession or lease is operative, minor changes to the existing operation will be acceptable, providing the proposed change is complementary to the purpose of the reserve in which it operates. Operators seeking to make changes to existing facilities with existing lease or concession agreements shall provide the following information to the Reserves and Facilities Manager, Western Bay of Plenty District Council to approve:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Details on the proposed change to the operation;</u> <u>How the proposed changes will continue to achieve the underlying purpose of the reserve.</u> <p><u>Acceptance of the proposed changes will be subject to sign off by the Reserves and Facilities Manager, Western Bay of Plenty District Council.</u></p>
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			<u>been shown to enhance the recreation purpose of a reserve, existing concessionaires or leaseholders will be enabled to alter or expand their operations where the recreation purpose is preserved.</u>
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Jason Crummer

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Western Bay of Plenty District Council

Te Puna Quarry Park Society Incorporated

The Te Puna Quarry Park Society Inc. wishes to submit on the Western Bay of Plenty District Council's consultation document for the **Kaimai Ward draft Reserve Management Plan 2025 (RMP)**.

The Society is pleased to note that feedback recognises that the Te Puna Quarry Park is a valuable community asset and suggests that additional investment is needed to connect, maintain and develop the Park.

Council's Proposal	TPQP Society's response	TPQP Society's comments
Adding the Reserve to the draft RMP	Supports the inclusion of the Te Puna Quarry reserve in the RMP as a "New Reserve"	The Society acknowledges that the Park is located within the "local purpose reserve" and should be included within the RMP
Work with tangata whenua to identify and give recognition of the cultural significance and heritage of the Park	Supports working with tangata whenua to identify the cultural significance and heritage of the Park	Notes that the Reserve has not been included in any Waitangi Tribunal claim
In accordance with District-wide Naming Policy 8, work with tangata whenua and interested parties to potentially rename this Park to 'Te Puna Quarry Reserve'	Does Not Support renaming the Park	TPQPS Inc has invested resources over 25 years to build the brand of Te Puna Quarry Park; this is widely recognised as the identity and destination regionally, nationally and internationally.
Investigate opportunities to utilise paper roads and green lanes for linkages to Minden Hill Lane Reserve, Minden Scenic Reserve, Minden Lifestyle Zone and Takitimu Northern Link	Supports investigating opportunities for connections to the wider local area	Subject to funding being secured and security of the Park being a high priority consideration
Work with the TPQPS volunteers for improved	Supports working with the TPQPS committee in accordance with the TPQP	The TPQPS committee officers are responsible for administration and

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ongoing general maintenance	Society/WBoPDC Management Agreement 2023	direction for volunteers within the Park
Work with the TPQPS to explore future long-term governance and management approaches	Supports working with WBoPDC to explore future long-term governance and management approaches	Subject to recognition of the accountabilities of TPQS Inc. officers
Develop a concept plan for the park including track upgrades and potential seal extension to amphitheatre	Supports the Society working with WBoPDC to develop a revised concept plan for the park	Recommends that an implementation plan with indicative timeline with potential co-funding is included

The TPQPS committee thanks Council officers for providing additional information on 15 April 2025. The committee officers and members/volunteers look forward to exploring the future potential of the park as a scenic and educational destination for locals and visitors to the region.

Te Puna Quarry Park Society Inc. committee

1 May 2025



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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Consultation Events Feedback

30 March 2025: Oropi Sunday Market

Submitter ID: 29

Name:

Organisation: Oropi Memorial Hall Committee

Q18: General Feedback:

Regarding the Oropi Memorial Hall. They would like their proposed multi-sports centre with squash court capability included in the Kaimai RMP.



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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Consultation Events Feedback

5 April 2025: Maramatanga Park Event

Submitter ID: 30

Name: Moana Tuhakarina

Organisation: Pirirākau

Q18: General Feedback:

Would like to see toilet, BBQ and rubbish bins at the Maramatanga Park playground

Te Kaunihera a rohe mai i ngā Kuri-a-Whārei ki Ōtamarākau ki te Uru

**Service Request
Summary**

7/05/2025 9:42:50 am

**Date:** 2/05/2025 6:47:59 pm**Created by:****Type:** Email**SUB ID 31****Subject:** Have your say page

Hi

I was disappointed to read in the Lizard News of the putting on hold of the proposed toilet at Precious Reserve Omokoroa.

After reading the article I attempted a number of times to have my say on the Have Your Say Web page as suggested in the article but was unsuccessful. I suspect many who may have supported the proposal may have had the same problem. What is the screen name requested ????

Anyway I wasn't invited to sign a petition supporting the proposal or heard there was one against it. I think council needs to ask the Mum's with young kids over summer using the reserve if they need a toilet/changing room and not worry about the prats whose view might be obstructed or about the silly seat that can be relocated.

My view is Omokoroa us changing it can't/won't stay as a precious enclave for a select few and it needs to improve facilities for a changing population.

A Precious Reserve toilet will stop kids and others peeing in the bamboo, there isn't a toilet handy to the area and needs to be.

Probably should put a play ground on the reserve, seats on the beach, and kayak/dinghy rack there while your at it.

Please pass onto the appropriate people.

Cheers Malcolm & Diane Robertson
Frequent Precious Reserve users.

Date: 6/05/2025 9:07:27 am**Created by:** Stella Indawati**Type:** Email**Subject:** SR.71035 - MALCOLM ROBERTSON - ANDERLEY AVENUE, OMOKOROA - Precious Reserve

Kia ora Malcolm and Diane,

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**Feedback from Friends of I'Anson Bush Reserve to WBOPDC regarding the
2025 Reserve management plan review
April 2025**

A comprehensive history of the reserve is saved on councils file storage 'Objective'.
A Friends member is currently compiling a more up to date version which will be shared with WBOPDC when complete.

The reserve was bequeathed because Keith I'Anson realised that all lowland forest in the area had been destroyed. I'Anson BR is the ONLY example for km's around.

2018 Friends group formed, meeting monthly to reduce the pest plants that seriously threatened the native ecosystem. Pest animal control is undertaken regularly by volunteers.

There are upcoming major changes due to construction of TNL stage 1 and 2. Some effects are as yet, unknown, particularly in relation to stormwater flows and volumes.

Acquisition by WBOPDC from QEII is not yet complete and should be deferred until the TNL construction and negotiated reserve mitigation works are complete.

The reserve is managed differently from almost all other WBOPDC reserves, the friends aim for an animal and pest plant free reserve. This aligns with new reserves policy 28, Pest Free Parks.

Renaming.

Clarity should be sought as to the correct stream names Waikaraka or Oturu.
We prefer to see the reserve name as **I'Anson Bush Reserve - Wahi o te ?**

Reserve Classification:

We endorse classification of the reserve to 'nature' category.
Recreation should not be added as a purpose, ecological function and connectivity is primary and should supersede all other purposes.

Reserve assets are:

- Two picnic tables
- Two entry point info signs
- Five information signs (naming tracks)
- Toilet
- One bench seat
- Rubbish bin
- Carpark

We would like to see a few more park benches.

There is no need for a playground, this reserve offers a different experience.

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Reserve issues:

- Allow Lake Taki to revert to wetland.
- To be maintained as a natural native forest with minimal interference - retain intimate trail experience.
- Pest plants and Pest animals
- Recognition of volunteers
- Track maintenance - Track washouts should receive ongoing maintenance incorporating changes to drainage to reduce further issues.
- Tree maintenance – particularly after weather events
- Reserve carpark security, illegal dumping and activities - a camera would be a useful tool to assist with reducing this.

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From: Jason Crummer
Sent: Tuesday, 29 April 2025 8:27 am
To: Veronika Dekkerova
Subject: Pirirākau Kaimai RMP

From: Julie Shepherd - Pirirākau Tribal Authority SEP <[REDACTED]>

In reply to the email recieved today immediately below the feedback that I will supply within the 3 day allowance will feed in to this for example, given its history Pirirākau will populate part membership of Governance and Management within the Te Puna Quarry Reserve however a RMP will determine a clear direction.

Really pleased to gain traction in the Historic Reserves reclassification of our culturally significant reserves to ensure the highest order of protection for their future.

We have undertaken the renaming process which catapults us forward with further scope to complete.

Establishing a Memorial Wall in Ōmokoroa, I want to understand what this involves because if it is a celebration of Settlers this is already established in the myriad of street names there is also a Settlers Hall. What is not established is the Pirirākau Collective Whakapapa and this is where we need to lead in the reclamation of the Ōmokoroa cultural identity. At the RMP Elected members policy committee meeting held on Monday the 3rd of March, Mayor Denyer requested the rationale to the reclassification of reserves to historic and the functionality of the term "Wāhi ō" to enable full Te Reo Māori and original Māori place names of culturally significant sites and whether there were any obstacles, Peter responded No which was great. Surprisingly Mayor Denyer followed up with Nells Dell without questioning the term 'Dell'. Councillor Dally raised that Wai Huri Pa is located at the headland within the Gerald Crapp Reserve and if there was consideration of renaming this reserve to its original name. Pete laughed and simply said No, if Wai Huri has Historic Reserve Classification this is enough to set it apart and work is required here. Councillor Coxhead queried if Puketoki Reserve could be renamed after a local farmer, in response we would argue that Te Weranga (Scorched Earth - Bush Campaign) was memorialised at this reserve in the 150th commemoration with the planting of its Pou and there will be a recommendation to rename Puketoki to "Wāhi ō Te Weranga". If we are to have integrity in this reset the criteria is developed and it should be consistently applied within the Pirirākau Rohe.

We also assert that Pāhoia is a part of our rohe and future ward changes are appropriate.

I will assume that the 24 hours is secured but I look forward to your feedback.

Nga mihi

Julie

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Pirirākau Tribal Authority Submission: Draft Kaimai Reserve Management Plan Review 2025**To:** Jason Crummer, Senior Recreation Planner, Western Bay of Plenty District Council**From:** Julie Shepherd, Senior Environmental Planner (SEP), Pirirākau Tribal Authority**Date:** 8th May 2025

1. Introduction

Tēnā koe Jason, otirā tēnā koutou Western Bay of Plenty District Council,

Pirirākau welcomes the opportunity to contribute to the Kaimai Reserve Management Plan (RMP) Review. As Mana Whenua, Pirirākau holds enduring kaitiakitanga and whakapapa connections to the lands and waters within our rohe. This submission outlines our expectations for co-design, co-participation, co management, and the recognition of our cultural narratives and aspirations for each reserve.

2. Kaimai Reserve Management Plan Review 2025**Purpose & Overview**

- **Purpose:** The Reserve Management Plan (RMP) ensures reserves meet the needs of local communities, Tangata Whenua, and the environment, guiding care, improvement, and development.
- **Review:** The RMP is being updated to include new concept plans, reserves, inventory items, aerial images, refreshed format/text, and updated demographic and stakeholder information.

3. Proposed Enhancements & Changes

The Kaimai Ward Reserve Management Plan (RMP) Review 2025 is an update of how reserves and open spaces in the Kaimai Ward are managed, developed, and protected.

The review aims to:

- Ensure reserves meet the needs of local communities, Tangata Whenua (including Pirirākau), and the environment.
- Gather community feedback on proposed changes and new ideas for improvements.
Allows for review of the Kaimai Ward Reserves Management Plan 2016
- Guide the future care, enhancement, and development of reserves.
- Incorporate new reserves, concept plans, and updated information about demographics, Tangata Whenua, and stakeholders.
- Recognise and protect sites of cultural and historical significance, especially those identified by Pirirākau hapū.

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- Support co-management and partnership with Tangata Whenua, including the use of traditional names and the “Wāhi ō” naming convention for culturally significant sites and locations.
- Address pest management, shared paths, recreation spaces, and memorialisation.

General Enhancements

- Maintenance and upgrades to existing reserves and shared paths.
- New shared paths in Te Rangi tua nehe (Minden), along the Wairoa River, and around Mangawhai Pā Historic Reserve.
- Addition of cultural and historical elements.
- New sports hard court at Ōmokoroa Sports Ground.
- Potential new community gardens at McDonnell Street Reserve and Tui Glen Road Reserve.
- Essential items for new reserves: bollards, bins, signs, etc.

Reserve-Specific Proposals

- **Te Puna Quarry Park:** Collaboration with the Society for future governance and concept planning.
- **Wāhi ō Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa:** Transfer of ownership to Pirirākau Tribal Authority – Incorporated is agreed by Western Bay of Plenty District Council elected members (2019 & 2024) and Pirirākau hapū. Collaboration for future governance and concept planning.
- **Wāhi ō Te Hakao:** Collaboration with the Pirirākau Tribal Authority - Incorporated for future governance and concept planning.
- **Reclassification:** Reclassification of reserves to reflect current use and cultural sites to Historic Reserve status.
- **Memorialisation:** Establishment of a Memorial Wall in Ōmokoroa.
- **Pest Management:** New policy to support Predator Free 2050 goals.

New Reserves

Since the last Reserve Management Plan review in 2016, the Council has acquired several new reserves in the Kaimai Ward. These reserves may require new concept plans and future investment. The new reserves include:

- I’Anson Bush Reserve
- Jack Lloyd Reserve
- Josephine Place Reserve
- Kaimai View Reserve
- Kowhai Reserve

- Kuaka Rise Reserve
- McDonnell Street Reserve
- Minden Hill Lane Reserve
- Minden Lookout
- Ridge Drive Reserve
- Te Puna Quarry Park
- Tui Glen (Road Reserve)
- Vantage Place Reserve
- Wāhi ō Te Hakao
- Wāhi ō Te Kākāramea
- Wāhi ō Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa

Concept plans are proposed for

- Te Puna Quarry Park
(Pirirākau seeks collaborative participation and cultural recognition)
- Wāhi ō Te Hakao
- Wāhi ō Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa

Proposed New Names

The Council, in partnership with Pirirākau hapū and with the support of Ngāti Taka hapū, is proposing new names for several reserves. The use of Te Reo Māori and the prefix “Wāhi ō” (meaning “the place of”) is intentional for culturally significant sites, reflecting the deep connection of tangata whenua to these lands. Once formally named, these sites must be included in the District Plan Heritage Schedule.

The cultural significance of each site is summarised in response to the Draft Kaimai Reserves Management Plan Review 2025, with reference to the 2016 Reserve Management Plan. Pirirākau acknowledges that there will be an opportunity to collaboratively develop concepts for the proposed Reserve Management Plans in the future where the fullness of the written narratives will materialise.

All Reserve Management Plan (RMP) review periods should provide access to all relevant RMPs to ensure comprehensive reference and informed decision-making.

Names and features highlighted in blue refer to sites that Pirirākau has previously developed in collaboration with the Council, as discussed and agreed upon during earlier consultation and engagement. Some of these sites may be absent from the 2025 Draft Documents or are intended to be addressed under the 2016 Kaimai Ward Reserves Management Plan, rather than in the current review.

Ōmokoroa

Proposed Name	Current/Known Name	Location	Origin/Significance
Bramley Reserve	McDonnell Street Reserve	37-39 McDonnell St, Ōmokoroa	Named after five residents of McDonnell Street.
Kowhai Reserve	Lynley Park Drive Reserve	Holyoake Terrace, Ōmokoroa	Named for Kowhai trees to attract Tui birds.
Kuaka Rise Reserve	12 Kuaka Rise	12 Kuaka Rise, Ōmokoroa	Named for the Kuaka (bar-tailed godwit) found in nearby Mangawhai Bay.
Wāhi ō Te Kākāramea	Lynley Park Drive Reserve	Lynley Park Drive, Ōmokoroa	Reflects cultural significance and the original stream at this location.
Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai	Josephine Place Reserves	Josephine Place/Lynley Park	Reflects cultural significance and connection to the Mangawhai Bay.
Kaimai Views Reserve	Kaimai Views Reserve	Kaimai View subdivision, Ōmokoroa	Renamed by Pirirākau prior.
Te Kahurangi Reserve	Kaylene Place Reserve	Corner Kaylene Place & Astelia Drive, Ōmokoroa	This naming reflects the deep kinship ties Pirirākau shares with both Ngāti Rangiwewehi and Ngāti Haua. Te Kahurangi, of Ngāti Rangiwewehi descent, was the wife of Tangimoana, the Ngāti Haua ancestor and father of Waharoa, a respected chief. The name Te Kahurangi has been given to the Waipapa

			<p>River cycle bridge crossing at the Wāhi ō Waipapa Reserve, located at the end of Prole Road nearby.</p> <p>The name "Waharoa" also holds special significance, as it was carried by two esteemed chiefs of the Ngāti Hauā iwi: Te Waharoa (c. 1776–1838) and his son, Wiremu Tamihana Tarapīpipi Te Waharoa (c. 1805–1866), who is widely recognised as the Kingmaker and a key figure in the establishment of the Kīngitanga movement.</p>
Wāhi ō Waipapa	Wāhi ō Waipapa	End of Prole Road, Ōmokoroa	A Wetland Reserve that reflects the cultural significance and connection to the Waipapa Awa
Wāhi ō Pātiki Wai	Ridge Drive Reserve	41 Ridge Drive, Ōmokoroa	Reflects cultural significance and recognition of an original place name within the area known as Harbour Ridge and is associated with Mangawhai and Kākāramea.
Wairere Rise Reserve	Vantage Place Reserve	10 Vantage Place, Ōmokoroa	Reflects cultural significance of the Wairere Track. Relates to Wairere Rise nearby as named by Pirirākau.
Puke ō Ngā Mārama	<p>Puke ō Ngā Mārama</p> <p>Requires Historic Reserve Status.</p> <p>Formal recognition of wāhi tapu accorded.</p>	<p>Ōmokoroa Road, Ōmokoroa</p> <p>Parcel ID: 1207/330</p> <p>Legal Description</p>	<p>Name provided by Kiritoha Tangitu. Tame Kuka, and Hohepa Borell (February 15th , 2019).</p> <p>Koiwi are interred at this Pā reflecting cultural significance.</p>

		LOT 205 DP 524760	The late Kiritoha Tangitu wished for there to be story boards that outlined the culturally significant impact through the events of Koiwi discoveries at Lynley Park, and Te Awanui subdivisions.
Tangimoana Reserve The name Tangimoana is being formally proposed for the overhead rail bridge at its intersection with Heartwood Avenue, as part of an official naming process in collaboration with the Council.	Tui Glen (Road Reserve)	Tui Glen Parcel ID: 1999/15 Legal Description LOT 3 DP 557551	This naming reflects the deep kinship ties Pirirākau shares with both Ngāti Rangiwehehi and Ngāti Haua. Te Kahurangi, of Ngāti Rangiwehehi descent, was the wife of Tangimoana, the Ngāti Haua ancestor and father of Waharoa, a respected chief. The name Te Kahurangi has been given to the Waipapa River cycle bridge crossing at the Wāhi ō Waipapa Reserve, located at the end of Prole Road nearby. The name "Waharoa" also holds special significance, as it was carried by two esteemed chiefs of the Ngāti Hauā iwi: Te Waharoa (c. 1776–1838) and his son, Wiremu Tamihana Tarapīpipi Te Waharoa (c. 1805–1866), who is widely recognised as the Kingmaker and a key figure in the establishment of the Kīngitanga movement.

Te Puna and Te Rangi tua nehe (Minden)

Proposed Name	Current/Known Name	Location	Origin/Significance
Ormsby Reserve	Pirirākau requires the name Ormsby to be utilised to be authentic to the individual who is recognised. Ormsby is a significant name to Pirirākau.	350 Wairoa Road, Te Puna	Named to honour John (Jack) Ormsby, original landowner, supported by Lloyd family.
Wāhi ō Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa	Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa Requires Historic Reserve Status	Lochhead Road, Te Puna	Reflects cultural significance and connection to the area. ¹ When Tūtereinga was approaching the sunset of his life his people asked him if he wished to be buried on Mauao with his tūpuna. He responded with Te Ōhākī ō Tūtereinga; “Tanuhia ahau ki Tahataharoa kia rongo ai ahau i te tangi a te tai - Take me to Tahataharoa that I may hear the murmur of the sea” (Rolleston, 1997).
Wāhi ō Te Oturu – l’Anson	l’Anson Bush Reserve	Loop Road, Minden	Reflects cultural significance and connection to Oturu Stream; retains l’Anson family name.
Wāhi ō Te Rangi tua nehe Replaces Te Rangituanehu	Minden Lookout	Minden/Junction Road, Minden	Wahi ō Te Rangi tua nehe literal translation – the ancient sky. Please see further information in section 10.
Maungapōhatu Reserve Place holder filled	Minden Hill Lane Reserve	Minden Hill Lane, Minden	Reflects cultural significance of the Maunga – Te Rangi tua nehe. Maungapohatu literal translation Stone Mountain. The name also has other associations, but this requires wider discussion

¹ Ratima Rolleston, Waitangi Tribunal Evidence, 1997.

Naming Principles

- **Cultural Significance:** Many names reflect the history, environment, and cultural importance of the site to Mana Whenua.
- **Community Input:** Some names (e.g., Bramley Reserve) come from local residents.
- **Preservation:** Proposed name changes to reflect cultural significance, with names provided by Pirirākau hapū and supported by Ngāti Taka. The “Wāhi ō” prefix and full Te Reo Māori names are used for culturally significant sites.

Concept Plan Development

- For Te Puna Quarry Park, Wāhi ō Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa, and Wāhi ō Te Hakao requires significant cultural interpretation. ,

Community Engagement & Feedback

Why Review the RMP?

- To align with community and tangata whenua needs, population growth, updated council policies, and new reserves.

Key Insights from Engagement

- **Cultural & Historical Narrative:** Focus on cultural education, recognition, and protection of historic sites.
- **Pest Management:** Support for community groups working on pest control.
- **Shared Paths:** Desire for improved walking/cycling trails and better connections between reserves.
- **Play & Recreation:** Requests for more play spaces, sports fields, and community gardens.
- **Specific Reserves:** Feedback on new and existing reserves, including safety, accessibility, and cultural identity.

Timeline & How to Have Your Say

- **Feedback Deadline:** 11:59pm, Sunday 11 May 2025.
- **Ways to Give Feedback:** Online, email, hard copy at libraries/service centres, in-person at community events, or at hearings.
- **Key Dates:**
 - Community kōrero: 11 March – 11 May 2025

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- Council considers feedback: May 2025
- Plan amended: June 2025
- Final adoption: July 2025

The review highlights several important points about Pirirākau hapū and our involvement in the Kaimai Ward Reserve Management Plan (RMP) 2025.

4. Pirirākau Engagement in the Review

a) Cultural Leadership and Naming

- Pirirākau hapū, with support from Ngāti Taka, provided proposed names for several reserves in the Kaimai Ward to retrieve original and suitable names.
- These names reflect a deep connection to the rohe, and honour traditional names passed down by Pirirākau hapū.
- The use of the “Wāhi ō” prefix and full Te Reo Māori names for culturally significant sites is deliberate, preserving the place and cultural heritage.

b) Protection of Cultural Sites

- Pirirākau has requested that all known cultural sites of significance (including Pā sites) within their rohe be formally reclassified and protected as Historic Reserves.
- In response to the initial engagement during December 2024 the signal was made early regarding reclassifying specific reserves to Historic Reserve status, acknowledging and preserving Pirirākau cultural and historical significance.

c) Collaboration and Co-Management

- The Council plans to work closely with Pirirākau and other tangata whenua during the consultation process.
- There is a focus on collaborative governing and managing certain reserves and incorporating cultural stories, identity, and history into their development (e.g. Te Puna Quarry Park, Wāhi ō Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa, Wāhi ō Te Hakao).

d) Enhancing Cultural Education

- Pirirākau emphasised the need to improve cultural education, recognise historical sites, and preserve local history in parks and reserves through cultural interpretation.
- The review proposes showcasing cultural and historical stories through signage, sculptures, or other features.
- Budgets are identified as part of an outcome of this RMP Review.

5. Pirirākau Principles and Expectations

Pirirākau hapū play a central role in shaping the future of reserves in the Kaimai Ward by providing cultural leadership, guiding naming practices, advocating for the protection of historic sites, and collaborating with Council on acquisition, management and development. The review recognises and incorporates Pirirākau principles and expectations, ensuring that 'Pirirākau cultural heritage and identity of the rohe is respected and preserved'.

- a) **Naming and Language:** The use of 'Wāhi ō' (site of) is to be introduced for all Pirirākau cultural sites, replacing 'Park' and 'Reserve' ensuring full Te Reo Māori and original Māori place names are restored. "Wāhi ō" and "Reserve" are the only name fixtures to be used in the Pirirākau rohe. Refer to the Reserves Management Act 1977 provision outlined in Section 6, j) of this submission.
- b) **Co-Design:** All reserve management plans, and future developments are sought to be co-designed and, where appropriate, collaborative management with Pirirākau within the mana whenua rohe. This includes contractual maintenance services and governance roles where this is appropriate.
- c) **Historic Reserve Classification:** Culturally significant sites are to be reclassified as Historic Reserves to ensure the highest level of protection.
- d) **Aspirational Content:** All aspirational information is for framing only; a secondary agreement will be established to review and co-design draft management plans before they are finalised.
- e) **Equitable Resourcing:** Participation, consultation, and ongoing cultural care must be appropriately resourced and budgeted, reflecting the true cost of hapū involvement.
- f) **Mana Whenua Status:** Pirirākau is explicitly recognised as Mana Whenua for all sites listed within the Pirirākau rohe, as affirmed by Plan Change 92, Submissions to the Smart Growth Strategy, and the NZ Supreme Court. As time has moved on with regard to Ngāti Taka, Pirirākau considers we are one people, and we are not opposed to Ngāti Taka participation. (See Appendix 1).
- g) **Request for Exclusion:** Pirirākau requests that Ngāti Pango be excluded from all communications with Pirirākau and from any recognition within the Pirirākau Mana Whenua rohe. (See Appendix 1.)

6. Reserve Management Plan Reviews – Rules and Frequency

(Reserves Act 1977, Section 41)

Reserve management plans must be kept under continuous review and updated as needed, with no set review period. Reviews can be initiated by the administering body or required by the Minister of Conservation at any time and must follow public consultation processes for new or comprehensive reviews.

a) Preparation and Submission

The administering body must prepare and submit a management plan for the reserve within 5 years of its appointment or the Act's commencement (whichever is later).

The Minister of Conservation (Minister) can extend this timeframe if satisfied with the progress.

b) Continuous Review and Frequency

There is no fixed statutory interval (such as every 5 or 10 years) for reviewing management plans.

The administering body must keep its management plan under continuous review, adapting it to changing circumstances or increased knowledge.

The Minister may require the administering body to review its management plan at any time, whether or not Ministerial approval is otherwise required.

If the administering body undertakes a comprehensive review, it must follow the same public process as for a new plan.

For minor changes not involving a comprehensive review, the administering body may choose whether to follow the full public process.

c) Public Participation

Before preparing a management plan, the administering body must publicly notify its intention and invite written suggestions.

When a draft plan is ready, it must be publicly notified and made available for inspection for at least 2 months, inviting written objections or suggestions.

Those who submit on the draft and request to be heard must be given a reasonable opportunity to appear before the administering body.

d) Approval and Compliance

The administering body must comply with the management plan and any amendments, as approved by the Minister if required.

The Minister may refuse to approve or consent to any action by the administering body until an up-to-date management plan is submitted and approved.

e) Special Cases and Integration

For some reserves (e.g., local purpose or government purpose reserves), Section 41 only applies if the reserve is vested in or managed by an administering body and the Minister directs that Section 41 applies.

The Minister may require administering bodies in a locality to consult each other so that management plans are integrated for the benefit of the locality.

7. Tangata Whenua Engagement under the Reserves Act 1977

a) Recognition of Māori Interests

The Act recognises the importance of Māori interests, particularly through references to mana whenua (customary authority) and Māori reservations.

Section 2 defines “mana whenua” and “Māori reservation,” and acknowledges Māori customary authority in specific areas. There are two specific terms and provisions, these can occur independently and together.

b) Mana Whenua Definition (Section 2)

Mana whenua means the customary authority exercised by an iwi, hapū, or individual in an identified area.

Application

The Act recognises that certain iwi or hapū have traditional authority (*mana whenua*) over specific geographic areas. This authority is relevant when considering the management, use, or protection of reserves within those areas.

Implication

When reserves are located within an area where a particular iwi or hapū holds mana whenua, their customary authority and interests should be acknowledged and, where appropriate, they should be engaged in decision-making processes.

c) Māori Reservation**Definition (Section 2)**

Māori reservation means a Māori reservation constituted under section 338 of Te Ture Whenua Māori Act 1993 (or earlier corresponding Acts).

Application

Māori reservations are specific parcels of land set aside for purposes such as marae, urupā (burial grounds), or other communal Māori purposes.

Implication

These lands are legally recognised as being set aside for Māori use and are managed according to Māori custom and the provisions of Te Ture Whenua Māori Act. The Reserves Act acknowledges these areas and generally does not override their special status. *This may be appropriate in the transfer of ownership outcomes.*

d) Acknowledgement of Māori Customary Authority

The Act's definitions and certain provisions (such as the ability to appoint Māori Trust Boards as reserve managers, or to grant rights for traditional activities) recognise that Māori have unique and customary interests in specific areas, especially where they hold mana whenua **or** where land is a Māori reservation.

In practice, this means that Māori customary authority is a factor in reserve management, especially in areas of cultural, spiritual, or historical significance to Māori.

e) Consultation and Notification

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Public Notification: When preparing or reviewing management plans, changing classifications, or making significant decisions about reserves, the Act requires public notification and the opportunity for submissions or objections (Sections 41, 119, 120). This process is open to tangata whenua as part of the public.

Objections and Submissions: Māori, as tangata whenua, have the right to make submissions, objections, and be heard in relation to reserve management plans and proposals.

f) Grant of Rights to Māori

Section 46: The Minister may grant rights to Māori to take or kill birds within scenic reserves that were formerly Māori land, and to use ancestral burial grounds within reserves for burials.

These rights can be withdrawn or varied by the Minister.

g) Māori Reservations and Trustees

Section 35: The Minister may appoint Māori Trust Boards or trustees to control and manage reserves vested in the Crown.

Section 38: The Minister or an administering body may, with the agreement of the owner or controlling authority, manage land that is a Māori reservation for reserve purposes.

h) Protected Private Land and Conservation Covenants

Sections 76-77: The Act provides for the declaration of protected private land and conservation covenants, which can include Māori land, with the agreement of the owners or lessees.

i) Special Provisions for Engagement

In some cases, the Act requires the Minister to obtain the consent of the Minister of Māori Affairs (now Minister for Māori Development) before taking or acquiring Māori land for reserves (Section 12).

The Act also provides for the return of land to former Māori owners if a reserve is revoked (Section 25).

j) Use of Te Reo Māori as Reserve Names

Section 16(10)–(10a) – Naming of Reserves.

The Minister, or a territorial authority or regional council (for reserves vested in them), may, by notice in the Gazette, declare that a reserve shall be known by any name specified in the notice, and may change the name at any time.

Section 16(10A)

Before the Minister gives notice in the Gazette under subsection (10), the Minister must refer the proposed name to the New Zealand Geographic Board Ngā Pou Taunaha o Aotearoa under section 27(2) or 30 of the New Zealand Geographic Board (Ngā Pou Taunaha o Aotearoa) Act 2008, as the case may be.

There is no restriction in the Act on using full te reo Māori names for reserves.

In fact, the process encourages the use of appropriate Māori names, and the New Zealand Geographic Board (which has a strong mandate to promote te reo Māori place names) must be consulted before a name is officially adopted or changed.

The Board can recommend, approve, or assign te reo Māori names, including restoring original Māori names or assigning new ones.

The Reserves Act 1977 supports and enables the use of full te reo Māori names for reserves. The naming process involves the New Zealand Geographic Board, which actively promotes the use of te reo Māori in official place names.

k) General Principles

The Act must be interpreted and administered in a way that recognises the Treaty of Waitangi principles, as required by other legislation (such as the Conservation Act 1987, which applies to the Department of Conservation's administration of the Reserves Act).

The most recent amendments to the Reserves Act 1977 were made through the Statutes Amendment Act 2019. These changes were primarily technical and clarifying in nature, rather than introducing new policy. The amendments updated and clarified the requirements for public notification when reserves are classified, reclassified, or when management plans are prepared or reviewed, allowing for electronic notification methods such as websites in addition to traditional newspaper notices.

The Act also corrected outdated language and cross-references and made minor technical updates to improve the administration and consistency of the legislation. Overall, these amendments were designed to modernise the Act and ensure it remains clear and effective for managing New Zealand public reserves.

As of the date of this submission (8–11 May 2025), these provisions remain in effect.

8. Pirirākau Short Term Requirements

a) Co – Management

Pirirākau seeks to co-design and co-manage all culturally significant reserves, including the delivery of contractual maintenance services and participation in governance.

b) Transfer of Ownership

Pirirākau Tribal Authority seek to fulfil the transfer of ownership for Wāhi ō Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa.

c) Reserve Status: Recommendations and Intent

Under the Reserves Act 1977, reserves in Aotearoa - New Zealand are classified into eight categories: Recreation, Historic, Scenic, Nature, Scientific, Government Purpose, Local Purpose, and Wilderness areas. Each classification reflects the primary purpose and values of the reserve, whether for recreation, cultural heritage,

conservation, or community needs. In addition, road and esplanade reserves are established through land subdivision, reclamation, or by agreement, and are typically managed by local authorities to ensure public access and environmental protection.

The Pirirākau intent is to secure the most appropriate reserve classifications. Including Historic, and Scenic, alongside wāhi tapu recognition for sites of cultural significance. This approach seeks to ensure inclusion in the WBOPDP Heritage Schedule and registration with Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga, with clear demarcation of sites where necessary. A comprehensive outline of these recommendations and their context is provided in Section 13.

d) Cultural/Heritage Storyboards

Installation of storyboards at key sites to share Pirirākau narratives and histories.

e) Memorial Wall in Ōmokoroa

Support in principle, with a request for further engagement to ensure the memorial reflects Pirirākau whakapapa and identity ensuring inclusivity with local community in collaborative efforts.

f) Walkways/Cycleways

Support for the development of walkways and cycleways that connect cultural sites, with Pirirākau involvement in planning and implementation where this is beneficial and not harmful to any culturally significant sites where impact will need to be carefully considered.

Pirirākau are committed to the development approaches of balancing esplanades with an agreed buffer of riparian management for filtration involving land run off and uncontrolled discharge into natural water bodies.

g) Principles for Planning Esplanade Missing Linkages: Lower Te Puna Example

This example highlights the importance of careful consideration when planning missing esplanade linkage connections, such as the proposed route between the Waikaraka Estuary and Te Kopa o Te Hotu. While we acknowledge the significant planning involved, it is essential for Council to fully understand the potential impacts of increased public access into lower Te Puna.

This area is home to the Takitimu Waka, which finds its landing place at Waikaraka, as well as Tutereinga Marae and the Kohanga. It is a longstanding whānau community for Pirirākau and Ngāti Taka, with Māori making up approximately 30% of Te Puna population and holding a central role in the life of this place.

Introducing greater public presence into this traditionally safe and private homestead area would present significant challenges, risking the disruption of community safety, privacy, and cultural integrity. The land is actively occupied and holds deep significance for those who live there. Any proposal to open up this private and culturally significant area to wider public access would disregard the enduring connection and occupation of whānau in this location.

We strongly advise that this example guide Council's thinking: missing linkage connections must be approached with utmost caution, respect, and engagement with

local whānau. Council must ensure that the voices, rights, and wishes of this community are central to any decision-making, and refrain from pursuing connections that would compromise the wellbeing and cultural values of those who call this area home.

h) Pest Management

Pirirākau is supportive of pest control outlined by the new Pest Management Policy (Policy 28) to protect biodiversity, with Pirirākau and local communities involvement in its safe implementation.

9. Culturally Significant Sites and Reserves from Wairoa Awa to the Aongatete Awa

The Pirirākau mana whenua rohe is recognised as extending from the Wairoa River in the east to the Aongatete River in the west. This area includes Te Puna, Te Rangi tua nehe (Minden), Huhārua (Plummers Point), Whakamārama, Ōmokoroa, Pahoia, Apata, Aongatete, and their surrounding lands. Within this rohe, sites of cultural importance and key reserves have been identified in the 2016 Reserve Management Plan (RMP) and related documents. Where noted in the table below, Pirirākau recommends the renaming of certain sites to more appropriately honour cultural heritage and significance.

Current Reserves within the Pirirākau Rohe (Kaimai Ward RMP 2016)

Proposed Name	Current/Known Name	Location	Origin/Significance
Wāhi o Te Kopa o Te Hotu	Te Kopa O Te Hotu Reserve	Lindoch Ave, Te Puna West	Reflect cultural significance. Takurua, a Pirirākau warrior, defeated the invading Ngāiterangi warrior, Te Hotu. The young Takurua lured Te Hotu across the Waikaraka estuary from Raropua Pā, where he came upon a waka and used its bailer as a weapon. Te Hotu underestimated the strength of Takurua, who struck him with such force that he fell and lost his taiaha, which Takurua then took. Since that time, the foreshore of the Waikaraka estuary has been held in reverence as 'Te Kopa o Te Hotu', the place where Te Hotu was crippled.

Wāhi ō Pukewhānake	Te Puna Station Road Roadside Reserve associated with Pukewhānake adjacent to the Wairoa Awa with a carpark.	Te Puna Station Road, Te Puna	<p>Reflect cultural significance as the wider area is considered part of the Pukewhānake Pā historic occupation footprint. Recognises Ranginui and has wāhi tapu (sacred site) status.</p> <p>This road reserve requires a conservation plan to include archaeology as slips continue archaeological information is lost. The Kawa Colony, the Pohutukawa on the banks that house the Kawau are leaning toward the Awa.</p> <p>The riverbanks are collapsing and sediment control along with riparian margin management are vital elements to consider. Pirirākau is also committed to understanding tohu (cultural indicators) within the Awa.</p> <p>To determine the state of health and the indigenous biodiversity of taonga. Such as Tuna, Kūpae (Herrings), Pātiki (flounder), Kahawai as the consistent species of this location within the conservation plan.</p> <p>In discussions with Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga and an archaeologist, Pirirākau is keen to develop a blueprint for a conservation plan with all respective agencies.</p>
Wāhi ō Kōtuku	Kōtuku Reserve	Plummers Point Road,	Reflect cultural significance of the Kōtuku.

		Plummers Point (Hūharua)	Provide a landscape buffer between the Urupā and visitor users, maintenance works, and maturing wilding trees. Council is applying for resource Consent to facilitate a replacement public toilet. Pirirākau provided an Assessment of Cultural Effects that provided a landscape plan for buffer purposes.
Wāhi ō Hūharua	Hūharua Park	Plummers Point Road, Plummers Point (Hūharua)	Reflect cultural significance of Hūharua and Ongarahu Pa aligned with its RMP.
Wāhi ō Ngakautuakina	Pahoia Domain and landing strip	Pahoia Beach Road, Pahoia	Reflect cultural significance as the sites original name.

10. Te Rangi tua nehe

It is important to assist understanding of the Pirirākau position on original names. In the Pirirākau rohe only the Minden and Plummers Point are not original place names.

Te Rangi tua nehe (Minden), Te Puna, Whakamarama, Huhārua (Plummers Point), Pahoia, Apata, and Aongatete are all part of the Pirirākau rohe (territory), a landscape rich in history, cultural significance, and natural beauty. These areas, located within the Western Bay of Plenty District and Bay of Plenty Region, are interconnected through their waterways, Maunga (mountains), and whenua (land), forming the foundation of Pirirākau identity and whakapapa (genealogy).

The name "Minden" traces its origins to the 1759 Battle of Minden, a pivotal military engagement during the Seven Years War in Prussia (modern-day Germany). This battle saw the allied forces of Britain, Prussia, and Hanover triumph over the French army, marking a significant victory. Celebrated as a symbol of military success in British history, the name "Minden" was later adopted to commemorate this triumph across various parts of the British Empire, including in Aotearoa – New Zealand.

There is only one Maunga named Te Rangi tua nehe in the world and there are 14 places in the world named Minden. ²Minden can be found in 7 countries throughout the world. In some countries the place can be found more than once. For example, America, Indonesia and Germany. America has the highest number of places called Minden, spread across 6

² <https://geotargit.com/called.php?qcity=Minden>

regions. The majority of the cities named Minden can be found above the equator. The northern most place is in the region Nordrhein-Westfalen in Germany. The southern most place is in the Bay of Plenty region of Aotearoa - New Zealand”.

In 1867, during and following the Tauranga Bush Campaign, an event where British colonial forces employed the scorched earth policy, Pirirākau remembers this devastating period as Te Weranga ki Taumata (Te Weranga). It was during this time that a British soldier first stationed in Tauranga in 1866 renamed the peak now known as "Minden" after the Battle of Minden.

This campaign, remembered by Pirirākau as Te Weranga, which was centred at Whakamārama, devastated Pirirākau with the losses of lives, lands, kainga settlements (homes), and livelihoods. The renaming of Te Rangi tua nehe to "Minden" by a colonial soldier is a stark reminder of the disregard for the centuries of Pirirākau history, identity, and connection to this whenua (land). It is a painful symbol of the forced confiscation and alienation of ancestral lands, erasing the original name and significance of this sacred place.

This act of renaming was not an isolated event but part of a broader colonial practice of imposing British and European names on places in Aotearoa – New Zealand. These acts often disregarded the original Māori names, along with the deep cultural and historical significance they carried.

For Pirirākau, Te Rangi tua nehe is not just a name but a living link to our Tūpuna (ancestors), their stories, and their enduring relationship with the land. The reclamation of this name is an act of resistance, remembrance, and restoration, honouring the mana (prestige) of the hapū and the legacy of those who came before.

For Pirirākau, Te Rangi tua nehe and Te Puna are inextricably linked, both geographically and spiritually, as they form part of the same interconnected landscape.

Te Rangi tua nehe is not just a physical landmark but a deeply significant part of our rohe and cultural identity. It is a Maunga (mountain) of immense importance from which the streams Te Hakao from a Puna named Titi and Te Oturu flow, nourishing the whenua and connecting to the wider environment. These waterways, like the land itself, are taonga (treasures) that sustained Pirirākau for generations before and after the arrival of colonial forces. The Pirirākau relationship with our culturally significant sites remains uninterrupted.

The name Te Rangi tua nehe carries the weight of many generations, whispered and safeguarded through the centuries by the Pirirākau hapū. Among the hapū, some hold close the names Te Rangi tua nehe and Te Rangituanehu, each a thread in the rich tapestry of our heritage.

Thomas “Tame” Kuka, a beloved and active Pirirākau kaumatua, stood as a pillar of wisdom and guidance until his passing in 2024. The reclamation of the name Te Rangi tua nehe is a heartfelt tribute to him and to the many Tūpuna who walked before us, their legacy lighting the path we tread today.

The name Te Rangi tua nehe was confirmed by Tame Kuka during a hui held with Waka Kotahi (NZTA) on 28 October 2022. At this hui, Tame Kuka shared kōrero about Te Rangi tua nehe, explaining that this is the name that should be used when referring to the area currently known as "Minden." According to Tame Kuka, Te Rangi tua nehe means "the old

sky." He described it as looking up above, to the west, where the clouds come across - the sky of old. This is very relevant to Te Puna as we look to Te Rangi tua nehe.

This kōrero highlights the cultural and spiritual significance of the name Te Rangi tua nehe, which reflects the connection of Pirirākau to the natural environment and the stories of the past. The confirmation of this name by Tame Kuka provides a clear and authoritative basis for its restoration.

This rationale is further supported by correspondence from Angela Crean, Project Director at the New Zealand Transport Agency (Waka Kotahi) involving naming within the Takitimu North Link Project, dated 15 December 2022. In her email, Angela confirmed that Tame Kuka identified Te Rangi tua nehe as the correct name for the area and that it should be used in project plans and maps. Angela also noted that the name Te Rangi tua nehe would replace the current reference to "Te Rangituanehu" in project documentation.

Te Rangi tua nehe / Minden overbridge



This interchange is a collection of 4 bridges providing on and off ramps. Planting will complement the orchards on the western side, and the gully on the east. Wetland swales will treat stormwater coming off the bridge. Te Hakao stream is an area of cultural significance as it is an important tributary that links the mouth of the Wairoa River to Te Rangi tua nehe (Minden).

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Pirirākau advocates for multiple important environmental and ecological corridors recognising Maunga to the Moana. Pirirākau recognises the interconnectedness of the Kaimai Mamaku ranges to the Moana (sea), Te Rangi tua nehe to the Moana and their surrounding ecosystems, including the wider Pirirākau rohe including Whakamārama, Huhārua (Plummers Point), Pahoia, Apata, and Aongatete. This vision aligns with our commitment to kaitiakitanga (guardianship), ensuring that these lands and waterways are protected and enhanced not only ecologically but also culturally, as places where the original names, stories, and significance are honoured and remembered for future generations.

11. Wāhi ō Hūharua: Embracing a Name that Reflects Place and Purpose

What's in a name? Sometimes, everything. The transition from "Hūharua Park" to "Wāhi ō Hūharua" is more than a simple renaming. It's a meaningful step towards honouring the deep cultural and historical roots of this special place.

Pirirākau have a deep respect for our local communities and sharing this approach of utilising Te Reo Māori original names has been received with delightful and warm responses. Our communities are free thinkers, and we are taking meaningful steps to ensure we strengthen our ties in support of a shared journey.

The Hūharua Park Reserve Management Plan Review (adopted December 2012) has long guided the management, development, and protection of this treasured site. Jointly owned by Western Bay of Plenty District Council and Tauranga City Council, the plan was crafted in

³ <https://www.nzta.govt.nz/projects/sh2-waihi-to-tauranga-corridor/takitimu-north-link/stage-1-tauranga-to-te-puna/>

close partnership with Pirirākau hapū, who are recognised as key partners in every aspect of the ongoing care.

A Legacy of Partnership and Contribution

Pirirākau hapū involvement began with the initial purchase of the park in 2004, shaped by the wisdom and leadership of the late Peter Rolleston, a legacy still deeply respected today. From those early days to projects like the Marae DIY restoration of Ongarahu Pā. Where Peter Rolleston's wife Jenny Rolleston was able to share in her husband's aspirations as they were brought to life.

Hundreds of people attended over a four day makeover in the wettest of weather. Forever relationships were forged between Council staff, Mayors, Kuia, Koroua, Builders, Community, Neighbours, Students, and Pirirākau hapū whānau including tamariki. It was hard work and magical at the same time. The Council and Pirirākau commitment has been unwavering.

A Relationship Built to Last

The cultural heritage woven throughout the reserve ensures a lasting relationship between the Councils and Pirirākau hapū. The plan commits to genuine consultation and co-management, especially regarding the naming, protection, and enhancement of wāhi tapu (sacred sites), pā, and other cultural features.

Working Together for the Future

Key joint actions include;

- Identifying and reclassifying Ongarahu Pā as a Historic Reserve.
- Designing and installing interpretation panels and signage with Pirirākau input.
- Developing planting and restoration projects with Pirirākau and the Pats Lane Residents.
- Ongoing consultation for archaeological work or changes to significant sites.
- Involvement in Environmental Care Group activities
- Supporting Pirirākau to build capacity for contracted maintenance services
- Encouraging community participation in collaborative efforts within the wider Wāhi ō Hūharua.
- Recognising that the Mānuka tūwatawata (palisading) has deteriorated over time, Pirirākau will be replacing these features with alternative materials through a minor works agreement with Council utilising our hapū artists.

Honouring Heritage, Shaping the Vision

At the heart of the plan is the recognition, protection, and management of the cultural heritage, especially Ongarahu Pā and its urupā (burial grounds), in partnership with Pirirākau. The vision for Wāhi ō Hūharua is to honour both the cultural and natural heritage of

the site, with Pirirākau aspirations for kaitiakitanga (guardianship) of Ongarahu Pā woven into every aspect of the future wāhi (place).

Through this enduring partnership, Pirirākau cultural values, knowledge, and aspirations are placed at the centre of management, development, and protection—now and for generations to come.

Pirirākau recognises that reconnecting our hapū whānau to these culturally significant sites is a journey requiring dedication and care. With the new name, Wāhi ō Hūharua, we step forward together, connecting to our past, embracing the present, and shaping a future grounded in respect and partnership.

12. Strengthening the Path Forward: Future Pirirākau Engagement

- a) **Co-Management:** Pirirākau seeks to co-design and co-manage all culturally significant reserves, including the delivery of contractual maintenance services and participation in decision making.
- b) **Transfer of Ownership:** We seek the transfer of ownership for Wāhi ō Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa and other sites of significance. As reaffirmed by Councillor Margaret Murray Benge in 2024.

c) **Historic Reserve Status:**

We recommend the following reserves for Historic Reserve classification with wāhi tapu recognition to be included in the WBOPDP Heritage Schedule while also registering each with Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga. Where a site exists within a wider reserve area, including road and esplanades. The site will be demarcated independent of the wider area. The Heritage Schedule will be reviewed and adapted to provide for these outcomes.

- Wāhi ō Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa in association with Tūtereinga and ōhākī will be informed by the concept plan development.
- Wāhi ō Te Hakao in connection to associations with Pukewhānake and death rituals. The recorded archaeological features involving the natural spur, (two mounds), and the natural pooling rehabilitation and realignment of Te Hakao will be informed by the concept plan development.
- Ongārahu Pā within Wāhi ō Hūharua (proposed name change from Hūharua Harbour Park). Current engagement plans with Council are underway to replace the decomposed manuka tūwatawata (palisades) and other cultural interpretation will be developed.
- Ōmokoroa - Wai Huri Pā within the Gerald Crapp Historic Reserve requires Historic Reserve reclassification independent of the wider Reserve.
- Ōmokoroa - Mangawhai Pā requires Historic Reserve reclassification which should also include the .

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- Ōmokoroa - Puke ō Ngā Mārama requires Historic Reserve reclassification with wāhi tapu recognition due to Koiwi reinterment.
- Pukemanuka Pā requires Historic Reserve reclassification.
- The Urupā within Wāhi ō Kōtuku (proposed name change) requires Historic Reserve reclassification independent of the wider Reserve

- **Ongoing Partnership**

We anticipate ongoing partnership meetings, joint planning, including thorough consultation of the Te Puna, Te Rangi tua nehe spatial planning, and budget lines for future participation, physical works agreements, and cultural interpretation.

13. He Mahi Nui: The Heart of Pirirākau Contributions

For many years, Pirirākau has been dedicated to nurturing strong and positive relationships, both within our hapū and with our partners. Guided by the steady leadership of Chair Ngawa Hall, our governance team—Monique Nee Nee (Treasurer/Accounts Manager), Jacqui Rolleston Steed (Secretary), and Jason Ake and Graham Bidois Cameron (staff leads) works alongside the support of Anahera Akuhata (sister of Shadrach Rolleston). Together, the Pirirākau Tribal Authority Governance and Kaimahi (staff) have made significant strides, fostering growth and unity across our communities.

Naturally, there are occasional challenges along the way, as is common in any large whānau. Yet our commitment to collective progress continues to build momentum. We value our positive relationships with Council staff and are proud to serve eight vibrant local communities within our rohe. While challenges with developers do arise, these are becoming increasingly rare. By approaching every situation with kindness, consideration, and hope, we find ourselves able to achieve the best outcomes together.

Pirirākau hapū has also faced many challenges in the realm of resource management. Since 1998, we have been involved in complex processes, such as the Heybridge Development Environment Court proceedings which concluded with a new land owner in 2012. For seven years, we worked tirelessly with the landowner to secure the site as best we could. Despite our efforts and collaboration with Council, some houses were built due to an adjoining subdivision being approved without our participation, and the agreed transfer of ownership remains incomplete.

We have also navigated the complexities of Te Puna Industrial zoning and, more recently, the Te Puna Industrial Limited – Container Co resource consents for a large-scale activity proposed in a flood zone. We appreciated the recent Section 42A Report by Heather Perring of Western Bay Council, which recommended declining the resource consent to avoid setting a precedent. We now await the Decision of the Independent Hearing Panel. While these processes can be exhausting, we are uplifted by the strength and unity of our community groups, such as Te Puna Heartlands and Priority Te Puna. Together, we support one another and move forward as one.

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Currently, we are responding to a new challenge: a proposed private hospital in the Te Puna commercial area, extending into the rural zone. We are also aware that, apart from two elected members, Council supported connecting the proposed hospital to the Ōmokoroa main wastewater line, which is intended for the full urbanisation of Ōmokoroa. It can be disheartening when Council does not uphold its own District Plan, and the ongoing demands of these processes can be difficult and challenging. As the guardians of the District Plan, policies and agreements which include Reserve Management Plans. We have an expectation that Western Bay Council will uphold the many responsibilities in meeting requirements.

Despite these setbacks and the mounting pressures of urbanisation, Pirirākau remains steadfast. We continue to participate at every step, doing our utmost to protect our rohe and the integrity of our whenua. Through it all, we remain true to ourselves, resilient, united, and unwavering in our role as kaitiaki.

Pirirākau seeks to navigate the world with deliberate intention, striving to achieve our goals regardless of challenges. We are remembered and recognised as an unsundered people, always rising to protect what is culturally significant to us. We are pleased to share with our partners at Western Bay of Plenty District Council that, together, we can achieve the unachievable, even when challenges arise. Pirirākau remains committed to forging collaborative relationships.

In 2024, Pirirākau Tribal Authority submitted an expression of interest for the Ōmokoroa Domain Shed to the Western Bay Council, and in March 2025, we were successful. This achievement has created a shared space with local Ōmokoroa community groups for pest control materials and agrichemical storage, intending to keep these resources away from individual homes.

Our collaboration includes Ōmokoroa Pest Free, Ōmokoroa Environmental Managers, and the Ōmokoroa Public Arts Group. Earlier this year, we collectively attended a community gathering at Whakamārama Hall with Friends of the Blade and Whakamārama Care Group Incorporated, whose wonderful coordinator, Leonie Johnsen, has been a great support. Thanks also to Council staff Liesel Carnie and Jody Ricard for enabling the Environmental Whakamārama-Ōmokoroa Coordinator role.

We look forward to organising a get together at the Shed, especially with the Council barbeque ready to go. Many know that Pirirākau are active and attentive to our rohe and its happenings. Recently, we secured a minor physical works agreement with Council at the Wāhi ō Waipapa Reserve at the end of Prole Road, with Matakana Island Nursery supplying 30,000 locally seed sourced plants. Pirirākau Tribal Authority has maximised our capacity we are SHE Pre-Qual registered for Health and Safety, have all necessary insurances, and have developed an app in partnership with Regional Council as a first for kaitiaki capability.

Our recent participation in the Tauranga Moana Ko Wai Matou project resourced three Kaitiaki and a project lead for four months, providing valuable learning about freshwater systems, wetlands, and environmental management. Now, we have a real-life wetland to plant at Wāhi ō Waipapa and eagerly anticipate Council staff and elected members joining us for the completion of this planting project.

We have built amazing capability and capacity, are unafraid of hard work, and are committed to doing our best. Importantly, we recognise the need to include our wider hapū in this journey and are taking steps to facilitate this. We have registered a Pirirākau Care Group to begin a series of haerenga (journeys) to our culturally significant sites these will be voluntary and started at the Ōmokoroa Domain Shed, which we are proud to mobilise our wider hapū before heading out with our communities.



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 **Nau mai, haere mai e te whānau o te Pirirākau hapū!**
Pirirākau Tribal Authority are excited to announce the formation of the Pirirākau Roopu Tiaki (Care Group), connecting our whānau to the many pā and sites of cultural significance in our rohe.

 **Be a Leader in Kaitiakitanga!**
This is a special opportunity for our hapū to lead as kaitiaki - caring for our whenua and history through voluntary environmental action.

 **Whānau Gathering – Everyone Welcome!**
Bring your tamariki and kaumātua. Together, we'll strengthen our connection to these treasured places and decide as a hapū whānau what should happen on these sites.

 **Hands-On Care**
Our hapū will be directly involved:
Controlling weeds
Planting
Identifying other needs to help these sites thrive

 **Wahi Pūrākau – Our Stories**
We're honoured to have Pirirākau historians and kaumātua joining us to share the stories and histories of these places.

 **Haerenga Series – Round One!**
This is just the beginning! Join us for the first round in a series of haerenga (journeys) to visit and reconnect with our many important sites.

 **Get Involved!**
We welcome everyone interested and are looking for leaders within our whānau to help guide this kaupapa. Let's learn, kōrero, and care for our whenua together!



Our First Event is Here!
 **Sunday 8 June**
 **Ōmokoroa Domain Shed, 10am**

 **Haerenga to Wai Huri Pā**
We'll take a short walk to Wai Huri Pā at the Ōmokoroa headland, then return to the shed for a sausage sizzle and whakawhanaungatanga. Bring your whānau!

 **Upcoming Events – Save the Dates!**
Sunday 15 June: Ongarahu Pā, Huharua (Plummers Point)
Sunday 22 June: Te Tawa Ki Tahataharoa (More details to come!)

 **Let's Reconnect!**
We can't wait to kick this off with you all at the Ōmokoroa Domain Shed on Sunday 8 June.
Nau mai, haere mai—let's reconnect with our whenua and our history together!

14. Kaimai Ward Community Groups, Committees, and Stakeholders

The Kaimai Ward is enriched by a diverse range of community groups and committees dedicated to the well-being, sustainability, and unique character of the District. These groups advocate for local interests, protect the environment, and foster strong social connections.

Key contributors include:

Kaimai Ward Councillors: Elected representatives who advocate for local needs, support sustainable development, and collaborate with residents and organisations to improve services and infrastructure.

Kaimai Community Forum: A platform for communication between the community and Council, encouraging public input, collaboration, and positive change.

Ōmokoroa Community Board: Represents Ōmokoroa residents, balancing development with environmental protection and advocating for community facilities and reserves.

Ōmokoroa Environmental Managers: Focused on habitat restoration, biodiversity, pest control, and environmental education.

Priority Te Puna: Advocates for sustainable development, environmental protection, and infrastructure improvements in Te Puna.

Te Puna Heartland Incorporated: Strengthens Te Puna social, and environmental well-being through local connections, events, and collaborative decision-making.

Te Puna Quarry Park Society: Transforms the former quarry into a public park through restoration, planting, and community engagement.

Whakamārama Community Incorporated: Leads pest control, bush restoration, and local initiatives to foster a resilient and connected community.

Residents and Ratepayers Associations: Represent local interests in Ōmanawa, Lower Kaimai, and Ōmokoroa, advocating for infrastructure, conservation, and fair rates.

Recommendation: Recognising Pirirākau Tribal Authority – Incorporated and the Pirirākau Roopu Tiaki (Pirirākau Care Group)

It is recommended that Pirirākau Tribal Authority – Incorporated be formally recognised as a proactive and integral part of the Kaimai Ward community. Pirirākau not only contributes to the cultural, social, and environmental well-being of the District, but also demonstrates leadership through collaborative projects and partnerships. In addition, the registered Pirirākau Care Group will play a vital role in environmental leadership and the protection of culturally significant sites. Including Pirirākau Tribal Authority and its Care Group in this section acknowledges the ongoing commitment and ensures the Pirirākau hapū contributions are valued alongside other key community groups.

15. Process and Next Steps

- **Aspirational Information:** All aspirational content provided is intended for context and framing only. A secondary agreement will be established to guide the review and co-design of Draft Reserves Management Plans prior to their final adoption.
- **Future Reviews:** The upcoming review of the Hūharua Park Reserve Management Plan (to be renamed Wāhi ō Hūharua) will be collaboratively scoped with Council,

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Pirirākau, and Tauranga City Council (TCC) as appropriate, ensuring all partners are engaged in the process.

- **Boundary Adjustments:** We support the inclusion of Pāhoia Domain, Pāhoia Landing Reserve, and related esplanades within the Kaimai Ward and the relevant Reserve Management Plan.
 - **Budget Considerations:** To ensure meaningful engagement, effective co-design, and the successful implementation of agreed outcomes, it is essential that adequate budget is allocated for all stages of the review process. This includes provision for community consultation, technical assessments, cultural input, and the development of supporting materials. We recommend that Council and all partners work together to identify and secure the necessary resources to support these collaborative efforts.
 - **Esplanade Planning:** Careful consideration should be given to the planning and management of esplanades to ensure that cultural values, environmental protection, and community needs are respected throughout the process.
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7. Conclusion

Pirirākau looks forward to a genuine partnership with Council, grounded in Te Tiriti o Waitangi, that ensures the protection, restoration, and celebration of our cultural sites for future generations. We request that all statements and aspirations outlined here are included in the final Kaimai RMP, with the understanding that further detailed agreements and management plans will be developed collaboratively.

Ngā mihi nui,

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Pirirākau Tribal Authority

Senior Environmental Planner (SEP)

Appendix 1 – Pirirākau Customary Authority – Mana Whenua Status and the Treaty Settlement Map

Pirirākau Mana Whenua: Upholding Relationships and Protecting Our Legacy

Pirirākau hapū deeply values and respects all iwi and hapū, and we are committed to maintaining close, collaborative relationships with those with whom we share connections. Across Tauranga Moana, Waikato, and beyond, we regard these iwi and hapū relationships as enduring kinship ties. We believe that unity, mutual support, and open communication are essential for the wellbeing and strength of all our connections.

Within the Bay of Plenty Region, the current regulatory framework sets a pathway for the acknowledgement of tangata whenua interests. However, this approach does not allow for any examination or verification of customary authority (mana whenua status).

Pirirākau believes this is a significant gap, particularly when mana whenua status is determined through rigorous, well-established processes and carries enduring responsibilities and rights. It is essential that any recognition of tangata whenua interests is accompanied by a robust process for identifying and upholding mana whenua, to ensure clarity, integrity, and the protection of our rohe (tribal area).

It must therefore continue to be clearly signalled that Pirirākau maintains mana whenua within our rohe. This is not only grounded in historical and legal precedent but is also a vital protective umbrella for our hapū people, whenua (lands), and taonga (natural resources).

Upholding our mana whenua status is essential to safeguard the rights, interests, and legacy of Pirirākau for current and future generations. It provides clarity and certainty for all parties engaging within our rohe, while honouring our enduring responsibilities as kaitiaki (guardians).

Pirirākau raises this context not to exclude or diminish others, but to reaffirm our mana whenua status as a matter of public record and as the responsible thing to do. By doing so, we ensure that our position is clear, transparent, and consistent with our obligations to our hapū and rohe.

With this context, the following outlines our position and the reasons why it is necessary to maintain both respectful relationships and the integrity of Pirirākau mana whenua.

However, it must continue to be clearly signalled that Pirirākau maintains customary authority (mana whenua) status within our rohe. This is not only grounded in historical and legal precedent but is also a vital protective umbrella for our people, lands, and natural resources. The need for this protection has arisen as a direct consequence of colonial historic harm, including events such as Te Weranga, the Te Puna–Katikati land purchase, and other injustices that have impacted the Pirirākau ability to exercise authority and maintain connection to our whenua.

Colonial Harm: Historical Context and Ongoing Impacts

Pirirākau, like many hapū and iwi, has endured significant harm as a direct result of colonial actions and policies. The impacts of colonisation are deeply embedded in our history and continue to shape our present realities.

Key examples include:

Te Weranga (The Scorched Earth Campaign): Pirirākau suffered greatly during the Tauranga Bush Campaign of 1867, when government forces targeted our people for resisting land

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confiscations. Many settlements and cultivations were destroyed, and Pirirākau became principal antagonists becoming known as ‘unsurrendered rebels’, facing severe reprisals for defending our whenua.

Te Puna–Katikati Purchase: The forced and unjust acquisition of Pirirākau lands through the Te Puna–Katikati purchase resulted in the loss of vast areas of ancestral land. This process was marked by a lack of genuine consent, manipulation of Native Reserve designations, and the leasing of land to European settlers, further eroding Pirirākau ability to maintain ahi kā (continuous occupation) and exercise rangatiratanga (authority).

Land Loss and Cultural Suppression: Colonial land confiscations, legislative changes, and the imposition of foreign governance structures led to the widespread loss of land, resources, and cultural autonomy for Pirirākau. These actions undermined our ability to sustain our people, protect our taonga, and maintain our traditional relationships with the taiao (environment).

Ongoing Effects: The legacy of these historic injustices is still felt today, manifesting in socio-economic disparities, environmental degradation, and challenges to the recognition of mana whenua. Pirirākau continues to face the consequences of these colonial harms in resource management, legal processes, and the struggle to uphold our rights and responsibilities as kaitiaki.

These experiences have made it vital for Pirirākau to maintain a protective umbrella over our mana whenua status. Upholding our mana whenua is essential to safeguard the rights, interests, and legacy of Pirirākau for current and future generations. It provides clarity and certainty for all parties engaging within our rohe, while honouring our enduring responsibilities as kaitiaki (guardians).

With this context, the following outlines our position and the reasons why it is necessary to maintain both respectful relationships and the integrity of Pirirākau mana whenua status.

Mana Whenua Status of Pirirākau

Pirirākau is explicitly recognised as Mana Whenua for all sites listed in the Kaimai Ward Reserves Management Plans, a status affirmed by both ⁴Plan Change 92 and the 2017 New Zealand Supreme Court decision ⁵([2017] NZSC 202). This recognition follows a binding arbitration process between Pirirākau and Ngāti Taka, both hapū of Ngāti Ranginui, regarding customary authority (mana whenua) and the allocation of Treaty settlement proceeds.

The arbitration, upheld by the Supreme Court, determined that Pirirākau holds mana whenua for the relevant lands. Importantly, the key finding was that Ngāti Taka are an integral part of Pirirākau and not a separate entity. As time has progressed, Pirirākau considers Ngāti Taka and Pirirākau to be one people, united by shared whakapapa (ancestry) from the eponymous ancestor Tūtereinga.

⁴ <https://www.westernbay.govt.nz/repository/libraries/id:25p4fe6mo17q9stw0v5w/hierarchy/property-rates-building/district-plan/district-plan-changes/PC92%20%26%20NOR%20IHP%20Recommendation%20Reports/PC92-IHP-Recommendation-Report.pdf>

⁵ <https://www.courtsofnz.govt.nz/assets/cases/2017/2017-NZSC-202.pdf>

This relationship is reflected in the following whakapapa:

- Tamatea Arikiniui – Toto
- Rongokako – Muriwhenua
- Tamatea Pōkai Whenua – Ihuparapara
- Ranginui (1) – Kurapori
- Tamatiti
- Tamateuru
- Nukupango
- Kokotupunga – Hineitewainga
- Ranginui (2) – Uru Tomo
- Tūtereinga – Hinekura (Pirirākau)
- Rangiwhakakaha
- Taka (Ngāti Taka)

The Supreme Court decision confirmed that the arbitration finding in favour of Pirirākau is final and binding. The Court of Appeal had previously determined that the arbitration agreement replaced any other process, making the allocation of settlement proceeds, and by implication, mana whenua status, final for all hapū, including Ngāti Taka.

Pirirākau respectfully requests that Ngāti Pango/Ngāti Tamapango be excluded from communications and recognition within the Pirirākau mana whenua rohe. Ngāti Pango has never exercised mana within our rohe, as evidenced by the Treaty Settlement Map identified as part of Wairoa hapū (Appendix 1). The Map should identify an area of interest which excludes the Pirirākau rohe (tribal area).

Recent Developments

Ngāti Pango representatives have recently established Ngāti Pango ki Tauranga Moana Incorporated and notified Councils of their interests across our Mana Whenua rohe. They are now participating in Resource Consent notifications within our rohe, despite not having exercised any interest in the past decades, except for involvement in the Takitimu North Link (TNL) Stage 1 project. They are now seeking participation in Stage 2. Notably, in 2020, Ngāti Pango deferred to Pirirākau regarding their area of interest as outlined in the Map at the end of this section, further confirming their lack of mana whenua status in our rohe.

Pirirākau Position

Pirirākau requests that any direction to Ngāti Pango reference the Treaty Settlement Map, which clearly demarcates their area of interest as distinct from mana whenua interests within Pirirākau rohe. Ngāti Pango should be cautioned to act responsibly and notify external parties of their interests only in accordance with the Treaty Settlement Maps. Should Ngāti Pango propose any interactions within Pirirākau rohe outside of their mapped area, Pirirākau will address these matters directly with external parties.

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Context and Background

Recent encroachments by Ngāti Pango are led by a small group of individuals, supported by some members of Ngāti Kahu, a hapū of Ranginui. This raises questions about whether these actions are driven by cultural or economic motives. The Wairoa hapū—Kahu, Tamapango/Pango, Rangi—are recognized in the Ngā Hapū o Ngāti Ranginui Initial Deed of Treaty Settlement. Settlement research and statements from Pango Kaumatua acknowledge that Ngāti Pango has been subsumed by Ngāti Kahu and does not maintain ahikāroa (long-term occupation) in our rohe. Even if named individually, Ngāti Pango are part of the Wairoa hapū, anchored by the whakapapa of Kahu. Attempts by Kahu to claim mana awa (river authority) across the awa have not succeeded. Pirirākau remains the kaitiaki (guardian) of the entrance to our rohe.

“E noho ana a Ngāti Pango ki te taha hauauru o te awa o Te Wairoa me Ngāti Rangi, engari kua uru katoa ki a Ngāti Kahu ināianei.”

(Ngāti Pango lived on the west bank of the Wairoa river with Ngāti Rangi, but they have now all been absorbed into Ngāti Kahu).

— *Ngāti Pango Kaumatua Kore Macmillan Kōperu, Waitangi Tribunal Hearing, 1998*

This statement refers to Ngāti Kahu Waikato connections, not Tauranga Moana ⁶ahikāroa.

Pirirākau Approach and Responsibilities

Pirirākau actions are guided by our own assessment of cultural effects and our commitment to Te Tiriti-based partnership. Our role is to uphold mana whenua and advocate for Pirirākau rights in our rohe, not to secure opportunities for other hapū. While we value kindness and inclusivity, we must also be vigilant in protecting our rights and legacy. Our public record and established presence are our strongest defences. The Principles of the Treaty of Waitangi Bill and our active participation in submissions reinforce our mana and authority.

Commitment to Collective Action

The protection of Pirirākau mana and future is a shared responsibility. It requires unity, collaboration, and commitment from all who act for Pirirākau. Together, we can ensure that our rights, whenua, and legacy are upheld for generations to come.

Ngāti Pango ki Tauranga Moana Incorporated Constitution (April 2024): Acknowledgement and Analysis

The ⁷constitution for Ngāti Pango ki Tauranga Moana Incorporated sets out the rules, objectives, and governance structure for the society. Its focus is on charitable purposes, cultural values, and governance for the benefit of Ngāti Pango whānau. The society's objectives include kaitiakitanga (guardianship), rangatiratanga (leadership), whanaungatanga

⁶ Ahikāroa - Long-standing occupation and connection to land.

Represents the continuous relationship with ancestral lands through occupation, whakapapa (genealogy), and cultural practices.

⁷ <https://app.businessregisters.govt.nz/sber-businesses/viewinstance/view.html?id=229a78e05307b6d8bf1b29667f00cb17a55264be14f1d0c9#scrollTop>

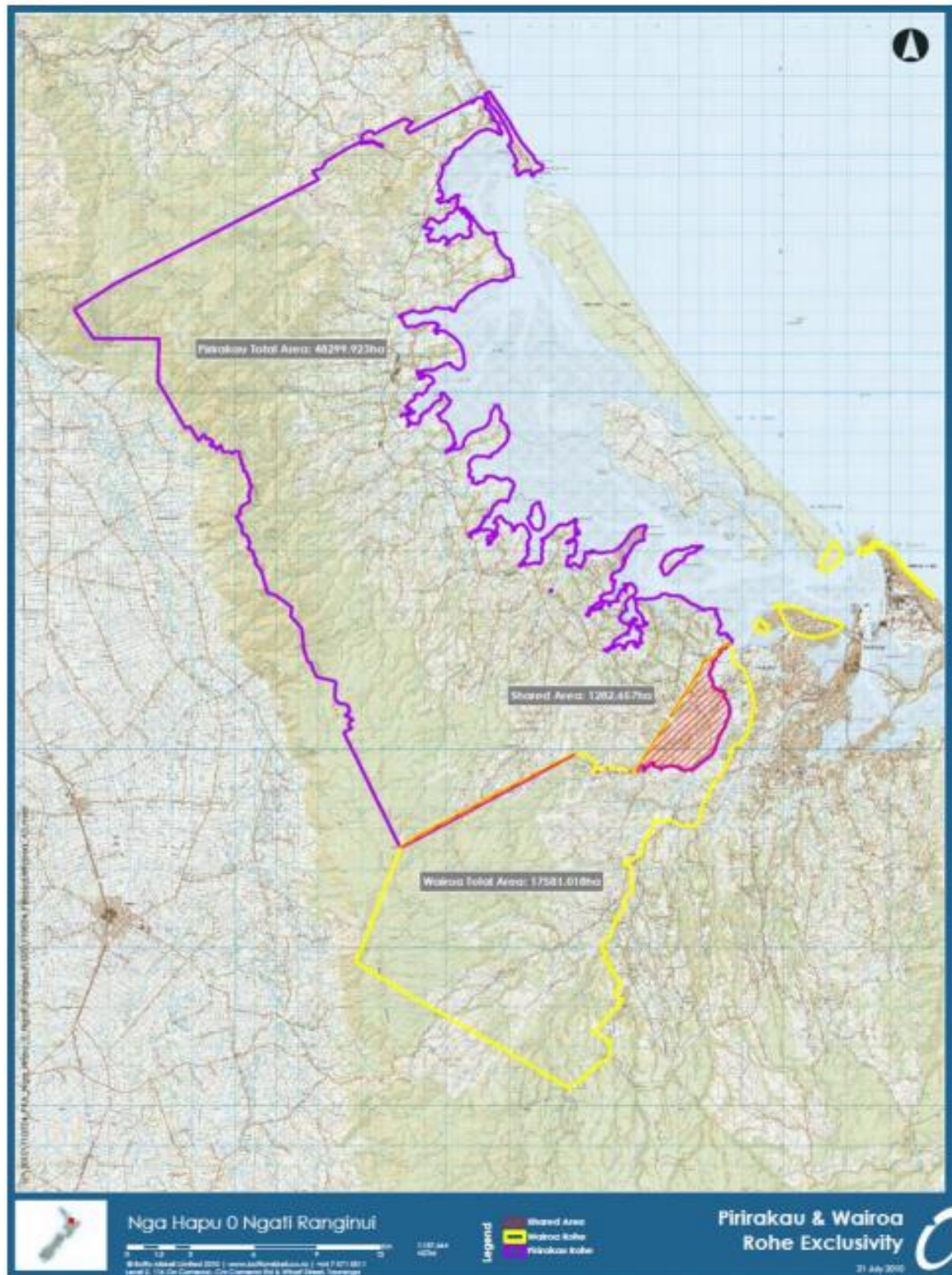
(kinship), and other cultural, social, and environmental goals. Membership is open to individuals who can whakapapa to Ngāti Pango, and the society is managed by a Komiti (committee) with clear rules for elections, meetings, and officer responsibilities. There are detailed procedures for resolving disputes and a requirement for compliance with the Incorporated Societies Act 2022 and other relevant legislation.

Importantly, the constitution does not mention or claim "mana whenua" status.

While it refers to related concepts such as kaitiakitanga, whakapapa, and rangatiratanga, it does not explicitly claim or define mana whenua rights or authority for Ngāti Pango. The society's objectives include building relationships with tangata whenua, local marae, hapū, iwi, and the wider community, but there is no explicit statement about holding or asserting mana whenua.

Ngāti Hinerangi are closely associated with Pirirākau hapu. It is important to note that both Ngāti Taka and Ngāti Pango, originally known as Ngāti Tamapango feature in the Ngā Hapū o Ngāti Ranginui Treaty Settlement Claim. They ⁸both also cross claim the Ngāti Hinerangi Treaty Settlement Claim.

⁸ <https://legislation.govt.nz/bill/government/2019/0171/10.0/d318741e276.html>



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Omokoroa Residents and Ratepayers Association Inc.

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1. Omokoroa Domain and Esplanade

A shortage of vehicle parking near the destination playground, boat club, wharf and main swimming beach is the most significant issue requiring resolution at the Omokoroa Domain and Esplanade.

Vehicle parking is both a chronic and acute problem depending on the time of year and events that are occurring at the Boat Club, in the harbour, on Matakana Island, in the reserve as well as summer picnicking and swimming along the harbours edge.

With the projected increase in the Omokoroa population (approximate doubling) and this being the only swimming beach with toilets, changing rooms, showers, cafés, restaurants, wharves for fishing, boat ramps and the children's playground, this problem can be expected to get progressively worse to the point where residents and visitors will not be able to easily enjoy these facilities.

I recommend the following changes to the reserve management plan:

- a) The plan needs to be updated to reflect the as-built location of the public barbeque and picnicking facility (10 on plan) and the concrete footpath from the playground to the toilet block,
- b) The construction of the playground mound and the concrete footpath around the southern edge of the playground to the toilet block prevents the discharge of surface stormwater from the Omokoroa Domain to the harbour. The catchpit beside the new footpath appears to be too high to collect and discharge stormwater from the Domain. An effective stormwater drainage solution needs to be identified. The grassed area between the toilet block, children's playground and footpath ponds water and requires a solution to improve the drainage of this area.
- c) The informal grassed parking area to the south of the internal access road (16 on the plan) has not been formed. This informal parking area should be constructed and extended along the southern side of the internal access road to the reserve entrance (as shown on the attached plan).
- d) A sealed one-way internal road could be formed between the existing car park and the turning circle with angle car parking along the northern side of this road as shown in the attached plan. Lighting could be installed along this road to encourage long-term parking for Matakana Island residents who currently park along the esplanade near the boat club. Speed bumps and a means of preventing 2-way traffic movement on this road could be used to ensure pedestrian safety.

Submission – Kaimai Reserve Management Plan Review

Omokoroa Residents and Ratepayers Association Inc.

SUB ID 34

2. Precious Family Reserve

The intended use of this reserve should inform the development of this reserve.

The Precious Family reserve foreshore is highly unlikely to become a popular swimming beach because it is only swimmable for a very short time each day around high tide and there are none of the other recreational facilities that families value such as a children's playground, café and store selling food, ice-cream and drinks and wharves for fishing. These are available at the Omokoroa Domain and esplanade, which will remain the preferred location for family swimming, picnicking and fishing.

With this in mind, it would be a waste of ratepayers' money for this reserve to be developed as a swimming/picnicking venue. It should continue to be developed as a walking/cycling/passive recreation reserve. Vehicle access should be restricted to bicycles and mobility vehicles, golf carts accessing the adjacent golf course and service vehicles for maintenance of the sewerage system.

Responses from present day users of this reserve, presented in the earlier submission, indicate that a toilet is not required or wanted in this reserve. The placement of a toilet as recently proposed by council, not as indicated in the reserve concept plan, would result in this toilet being the focal point of the southern half of this reserve. This is hardly desirable.

I recommend that a toilet not be installed in this reserve and emphasis is placed on planting this reserve and improving the state of the steeper part of the Walkway/cycleway to make this more accessible to elderly walkers and cyclists.

The elevated part of Area 5 (stormwater management area) is too high to be used for the stated purpose. Omokoroa has various sporting facilities including cricket, athletics, football, bowls and golf. I suggest that this area and some of the lower ground could be used for croquet lawns and clubrooms. This use would sit well with the adjacent golf course and residential housing and add to the recreational value of the reserve as the croquet lawns do in Rotorua..

I recommend that the planned extension of the walkway along the foreshore to the east of the golf club not proceed. I make this recommendation because the natural beauty of the foreshore is in the gentle gradation from the main park to the sandy beach to the harbour. This ground is currently mowed and is readily walkable. Access around the harbour to the east from this point is prevented by a landslides and the steep pathway leading to the township above would not be negotiable by other than fit and able people.

Dr Bruce McCabe

Chairman, Omokoroa Residents and Ratepayers Association Inc.

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Omokoroa Residents and Ratepayers Association Inc.



SUB ID 34



Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 35

Name: Tim Dunn

Organisation: Omokoroa Community Tennis Club

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Omokoroa Sports Ground:

The Omokoroa Sports Ground Reserve Concept Plan dated 4th November 2014, Revision 1 and adopted 23/10/14 does not currently reflect the current state related to the tennis courts at the sports ground. Area 12 is the original two tennis courts opened in 2015 and area 25 to the north-east of area 12 are the additional two courts added in 2018.

The Omokoroa Community Tennis Club (OCTC) presented a verbal submission to the Omokoroa Community Board on 8th April 2025 for two new tennis hardcourts and a third multiuse hardcourt to be located in area 25 to the south-west of area 12. This area 25 is currently identified as "potential additional courts".

The "Reserve Management Approach" item "Work with the Omokoroa Community Board to develop a new outdoor sports hardcourt" is addressed in the OCTC proposal for two new hardcourt tennis courts. The full proposal as presented to the Community Board is in item 18- "Additional Feedback".

The OCTC recommends that the Omokoroa Sports Ground Reserve Concept Plan be updated to reflect the current state of the tennis facilities.

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

Q7: Proposed name: Bramley Reserve
Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

Q8: Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve
Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Q9: Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve
Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Other suggestions:
Long names like this do not help in identifying reserves, a shorter simpler name would be better.

Q11: Proposed name: **Wāhi ō** Te Mangawhai
Current name: Josephine Place Reserve

Q12: Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve
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Q13: Proposed name: **Wāhi ō** Te Hakao
Proposed name: **Wāhi ō** Te Hakao

Other suggestions:
Long names like this do not help in identifying reserves, a shorter simpler name would be better.

Q15: Proposed name: **Wāhi ō** Te Rangituanehu
Current name: Minden Lookout



Q16: Proposed name: Wāhi o Te Ōturu - l'Anson)

Current name: l'Anson Bush Reserve

Q18: General feedback

Omokoroa Sports Ground:

"Submission in Support of Additional Tennis Courts at the Ōmokoroa Sports Ground as verbally presented to the Omokoroa Community Board on 8th April 2025."

Thank you, Chris (Mr. Chairman), and the Community Board for the opportunity to speak today. My name is Tim Dunn, and I am the current President of the Omokoroa Community Tennis Club (OCTC), as well as a proud resident of Omokoroa for the past 29 years.

I am here to seek the Community Board's support for our club's proposal to add two new hardcourt tennis courts adjacent to the existing four synthetic grass courts. These proposed courts align with the Ōmokoroa Sports Ground Reserve Concept Plan, showing additional courts in designated locations. Area 25 south-west of Area 12.

I understand that some correspondence regarding our proposal has already been circulated to the Community Board. I aim to address key points raised, particularly Chris's feedback regarding the Tennis New Zealand (TNZ) Guidelines on population versus the number of courts.

"Growth of Tennis in the Western Bay of Plenty:"

Tennis is thriving in the Western Bay of Plenty (WBOP) region, which is among the strongest areas for the sport in New Zealand. Our favorable climate allows for year-round play, and Omokoroa reflects this trend. With the rapid growth of our community, we believe now is the ideal time to proceed with the additional courts identified in the Ōmokoroa Sports Ground Reserve Concept Plan (adopted in October 2014) and the Reserves Long Term Plan (2024–2034).

The Ōmokoroa Community Tennis Club seeks the Board's support for:

- Establishing tennis in Ōmokoroa at a centralized facility at the Ōmokoroa Sports Ground (at Western Avenue)
- Adding two new hardcourts beside the current courts (Area 25 south-west of Area 12) on the Concept Plan).
- Installing a TNZ-approved Flexipave surface to cater to junior players

and elevate the quality of local facilities.

"Club History and Community Impact"

The Ōmokoroa Community Tennis Club, incorporated in 2014, with support from the WBOPDC, opened its first two courts in October 2015, followed by two more in December 2018. Membership growth has been impressive, increasing from 92 members to 215 today—around 50% are children aged 5–12. Our youngest members are just five years old, while our oldest is 83, highlighting how the club truly represents the whole community. We are in our 10th year as a club.

As a community-focused club, we actively partner with Ōmokoroa Point School, providing free use of courts, equipment, and even volunteers to support tennis electives. Each year, we organize free coaching sessions for every student at the school, run by our local coach and club volunteers over three days. Additionally, our annual "Love Tennis" open day in September, initiated by Tennis NZ, welcomes everyone for free tennis activities, BBQs, games, and prizes—a day that always attracts new members.

Our courts are open to the community, supported by an online booking system with gate access via PIN and optional lighting. Members use the courts free of charge, while non-members pay a variable fee. We encourage community participation, offering affordable memberships starting at just over \$1 per week for juniors and \$3 per week for adults. With further discounts for families and couples. A junior member can bring their parents/family for a game at no extra cost. We have the lowest subs in the WBOP and haven't increased them in the last 3 years. (\$170 Senior, Couple \$275, Family \$385, Junior \$80, Child \$65.) We pay an affiliation fee from these subs to TNZ and the subs help us maintain the courts, accumulate funds for future resurfacing, purchase resources such as balls, nets and pay for power & internet etc.

OCTC has children and parents who can play at the same club and our junior club champs and prizegiving last Saturday saw this with many parents of junior members also being club members. Even though tennis is a now a year-round sport it was great to see junior members putting on tennis shoes then football boots as the OFC had an open day at the same time – the sports ground was "alive" with families that Saturday.

Our courts are used frequently during peak times with Monday night cardio, Tuesday night social tennis, Wednesday night is a new business house which has been very successful with full courts (32 players) running from 5:30pm to 9:30pm (this could be expanded with more courts and involves members and non-members), Saturday mornings – Juniors and Saturday afternoon seniors, Club champs and interclub (Friday nights or Sundays) and additional coaching is also ongoing across the other days. Non-member casual bookings continue to be steady.



"Proposal for New Courts"

Initially, we proposed three new courts; however, with recent changes such as the relocation of the old pavilion and the Ōmokoroa Football Club lease, we've adapted our plan to focus on two new Flexipave hardcourts and a potential third multi-use hardcourt. The Flexipave surface—a durable material made from recycled rubber and sand—offers consistent bounce, ideal for junior players. A mix of synthetic grass and Flexipave courts would help us retain young players locally, especially in the 13-18 age bracket while catering to the needs of senior players.

Our committee, energized last year by the new committee members, who are parents of children in the club, is prioritizing junior tennis development. This year, we introduced additional squad opportunities, fielded five junior interclub teams, and expanded coaching staff. However, due to limited court availability, we were unable to host any junior interclub home games, forcing juniors to travel frequently. Adding more courts would alleviate this issue and better accommodate coaching, competitions, and casual play.

"Multi-Use Court Options:"

While the club does not fully support multi-use courts for tennis-specific needs, our proposal is to include one hardcourt for general sports use. Flexipave, asphalt, or concrete surfaces can serve basketball, volleyball, and other activities. It's worth noting that other nearby facilities offer multi-use courts, such as Ōmokoroa Point School, Maramatanga Park, and it is anticipated the future Prole Road School and/or sports fields are likely to have multiuse courts.

Maramatanga Park has a new half-court basketball court, and a similar style court could be the option here for the Ōmokoroa Sports Ground.

"Population Growth and TNZ Guidelines"

Ōmokoroa's population is currently around 5,400, (the club also has members from Pahoia, Plimmers Point, and Whakamarama regions) is projected to more than double to 12,500 by 2054. Although Tennis NZ guidelines suggest 3–4 courts for this population, WBOP's strong tennis culture consistently has clubs exceeding these benchmarks.

For example:

- Otumoetai Tennis Club: 12 courts, 450 members; 20,000 population catchment TNZ recommended: 8 courts. Installing 2 more courts in the next few months
- Katikati Tennis Club: 6 courts, 6,000 population; TNZ recommended: 3-4 courts.
- Waihi Beach: 6 courts, 3,000 population; TNZ recommended: 3-4 courts.
- Te Puke: 8 courts, 10,500 population; TNZ recommended: 3-4 courts.

- Te Puna: 4 courts & 4 multiuse – 3400 population – TNZ recommended: 2-4 courts.

Ōmokoroa is no exception to these examples, and with ongoing growth, additional courts are crucial.

“Conclusion:”

The Ōmokoroa Community Tennis Club is a vibrant and growing community club serving both the peninsula and the surrounding rural residents. With 2,400 new homes expected, centralized facilities at the Ōmokoroa Sports Ground makes sense, ensuring one clubhouse, one set of equipment, and cohesive operations. We are advocating for two additional courts and a multiuse use hard court to meet community needs and sustain tennis growth. We would work with the other sports clubs, the Council and the Community Board to implement this proposal.

Building infrastructure & facilities ahead of growth is wise as is obvious with all the roading upgrades, residential development, new cycleways etc happening right now in Ōmokoroa.

The club has obtained budget pricing for the options discussed and would focus on fundraising, obtaining grants, using club funds, and looking to other funding sources such as support from WBOPDC to finance the project.

We hope the Community Board will support our vision for the growth of tennis in Ōmokoroa.

Tim Dunn

President, Omokoroa Community Tennis Club



Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 36

Name: Debbie Marshall

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Ongaonga Scenic Reserve

This reserve represents a rare example of New Zealand native forest in its untouched state, making it the nearest of its kind to Tauranga City. It is my desire that everyone has the opportunity to visit and appreciate this natural wonder.

To achieve this, we need to create a car park and access, fence out deer and goats with a stock-proof fence around the farm boundary, remove invasive weeds such as wandering dew, establish walking tracks and install a few small foot bridges, and re-erect the Ongaonga Scenic Reserve sign.

My preferred option for access would be to construct a swing bridge across the Te Ahuru Stream, originating from either the metal dump area or the corner within the reserve currently being farmed on SH 29. This would facilitate access for people of all ages into a nearby podocarp group.

My alternative proposal involves modifying the boundaries along Ngamuwahine Road at Lower Kaimai Reserve. This may include exchanging areas with the farmer to facilitate the development of a car park and walkway adjacent to the safety barriers on SH 29, in the area currently occupied by gorse. This may be feasible within the road reserve area without altering boundaries. This arrangement would be on the Ongaonga Reserve side of the Te Ahuru Stream, eliminating the need for a bridge to access the Reserve. However, it would not offer the aesthetic appeal of a swing bridge and may present accessibility challenges for certain age groups.

To support the funding of this project, I propose the sale of the Lower Kaimai Hall Site Reserve, as detailed in my following comments regarding the reserve.

Q2: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Lower Kaimai Hall Site Reserve

This area was once our very much larger Lower Kaimai Domain and home to our Kaimai Hall. It was severed by the realignment of SH 29 in the late 60's early 70's. Our Hall was moved to the Kaimai School Grounds in early 1993 so this land has sat idle for over thirty years. Currently it is grazed and unsuitable as a Reserve. Instead of investigating changing it from a 'Local Purpose Reserve' to a 'Recreation Reserve' I would suggest we just get the Council to give it a title (if it doesn't already have one) so we can sell it and the funds could support improvements at the Ongaonga Reserve, in particular a swing bridge and forming a walking track to the podocarps. It has power on site and looks like a pretty good flat section.

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

Q8: Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Q11: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai

Current name: Josephine Place Reserve

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Q15: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Rangituanehu

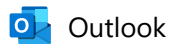
Current name: Minden Lookout

Q16: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Ōturu - l'Anson)

Current name: l'Anson Bush Reserve

Q18: General feedback

I want to speak at the Hearing.



SUB ID 37

Waitao Community Hall

From Vicky Lacey [REDACTED]
Date Fri 5/9/2025 7:51 AM
To Your Place <yourplace@westernbay.govt.nz>

[REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

I strongly support the idea of restoring the Kaiate Hall building, for the use and benefit of our local community.

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Ngā mihi,
Vicky Lacey
Year 13 Academic Tutor
TiC of Year 11 Sciences
Kaiako Pūtaiao

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From Vicky Lacey [REDACTED] >
Date Mon 5/12/2025 9:50 AM
To Your Place <yourplace@westernbay.govt.nz>

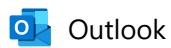
We strongly support the idea of having more picnic tables, a bbq and quality toilets installed at Kaiate Falls Scenic Reserve. This is a very high-use reserve and these enhancements will make a huge impact. Not only for families and general reserve user experience, but also the increase in people presence at the top of the reserve will help decrease the likelihood of vehicle break-ins. We love this reserve and this improvements would make a massive difference for our community.

My whanau and I are regular walkers of Kaiate Falls. I'd love to see some real care taken in the walkways and I'd love it to be swimmable.

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Ngā mihi,
Vicky Lacey
Year 13 Academic Tutor
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Kaiako Pūtaiao

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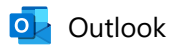
From Deidre Mikaere <[REDACTED]>

Date Fri 5/9/2025 8:49 AM

To Your Place <yourplace@westernbay.govt.nz>

[REDACTED] [learn why this is important](#)

Waitoa community hall. Pukenga te iwi. I support the restoration of this whare



SUB ID 39

Kaiate Hall

From Karen Spicer <[REDACTED]>
Date Fri 5/9/2025 9:16 AM
To Your Place <yourplace@westernbay.govt.nz>

[REDACTED]

Good morning

I would like to lend support to the idea of restoring our local community hall - Kaiate Hall. This is an important part of our local heritage and we would love to help and be part of any restoration efforts. We are members of the Waitao Landcare group and see this historic building as somewhere that groups could meet and partake of community events. Please help us to preserve our history before it is too late to restore.

Kind regards
Karen Spicer



SUB ID 40

Restore historic Waitao building

From Bobbie Hawira <[REDACTED]>
Date Fri 5/9/2025 9:19 AM
To Your Place <yourplace@westernbay.govt.nz>

[REDACTED]

Kia Ora,

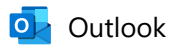
I strongly support the restoring of our beautiful historic Waitao community building, I feel this is a very valuable part of our community and history. I would love to see this building loved and respected the way it deserves, and to be enjoyed by the Waitao community.

Nga Mihi,

Bobbie Hawira

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SUB ID 41

Kaiete Falls Community Hall.

From jennycashmore <[REDACTED]>
Date Fri 5/9/2025 10:51 AM
To Your Place <yourplace@westernbay.govt.nz>

[REDACTED]

Just dropping you a line to ask that you please consider the restoration of our Hall.

The Waitao community is a strong one and many meet regularly for many things, one being the Waitao Landcare group.

As you are probably aware this volunteer group have planted thousands and thousands of native trees to the area.

The hall is still standing (just) and is over 100 years old. Waitao road is 10ks long and it would be great to see this space used by our community.

Many Thanks

Jenny Cashmore and family
[REDACTED]

Sent from my Galaxy



SUB ID 42

Reserve Management Plan Submission - Waitao Community Hall

From Andrew McKeown <[REDACTED]>
Date Fri 5/9/2025 10:51 AM
To Your Place <yourplace@westernbay.govt.nz>

[REDACTED]

Hi team

Our Waitao valley community has a community hall that is in dire need of restoration and we would love to see this made available to us as again. It is steeped in local history and would love to be involved in its rebuild. We do not have a shared community space for events or gatherings. This would strengthen our togetherness and connections.

Cheers
Andrew

Andrew McKeown



Sent from my Glade Air Freshener



SUB ID 43

Reserve Management Plan Feedback

From Ashleigh Diggelmann <[REDACTED]>
Date Fri 5/9/2025 12:29 PM
To Your Place <yourplace@westernbay.govt.nz>

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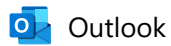
Kia ora,

As a member of the Waitao Road community, I would love to see the restoration or rebuild of the Kaiate Community Hall. We are a community focused district that would greatly benefit from a community hub to service our area. We currently do not have a shared community space but do have many local initiatives that would benefit from such a space including the Waitao Road Landcare Group.

Furthermore, as a historical building, steeped in local history it would be fantastic to see an attempt at preservation. Speaking to fellow community members, there is a real motivation for this project and it would have strong local backing.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Ashleigh Diggelmann



SUB ID 44

Kaiate hall building

From vicky angell <[REDACTED]>
Date Fri 5/9/2025 1:06 PM
To Your Place <yourplace@westernbay.govt.nz>

[REDACTED]

I support the restoration of the kaiate hall building so that locals may have access and use of this space once again

Nga mihi
Vicky Angell



Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 45

Name: Rachel Brodie

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

I strongly support the idea of restoring the Kaiate Hall building, for the use and benefit of our local community.



Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 46

Name: Crystal Jonesy

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

I wholeheartedly support the restoration of the Kaiate Hall building for the benefit of our local community. Rich in history and memories for many local families, this cherished gathering place will serve as a valuable space for connection and shared experiences.

Q18: General feedback

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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 47

Name: Gavin Feast

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.
Kaiate hall would like preserved for community benefit.



Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 48

Name: Bradley Lett

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Waitoa/kaiate Falls Hall. As a past resident of this area, I support the retaining and restoration of this Hall.

The Hall was a focal part of the community in its day, and could become so again with retention of the Reserve. I believe there is support from within the community, to restore the Hall and surrounds, so they can once again be used by the community.



Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 49

Name: Rob and Sharon Mitford-Burgess

Organisation: Resident- Omokoroa

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Precious family Reserve

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

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Current name: I'Anson Bush Reserve

Q18: General feedback

The Precious Family Reserve (with reference to the 2018 Precious Reserve Concept Plan)

Having lived adjacent to the reserve for the last 8 years, we have seen a real appreciation and enjoyment of this unspoilt parcel of land by the local community. Its natural beauty and tranquil nature bordering the beach and the golf course and away from the noise and movement of traffic is a drawcard for many. The council constructed walkway along the foreshore has been a catalyst for this. The walkways leading from Hamurana Rd and the Omokoroa Country Estate to the reserve are frequented by recent and long-standing residents, cyclists, golf club members, dog walkers, sport and fitness enthusiast, and beach users. A significant proportion of the users are



of retirement age, some using electric bikes and mobility vehicles. Ease of movement and safe underfoot conditions are essential and the area certainly provides a pleasant environment for social engagement.

1. Issues relating to the 22018 concept Plan

The 2018 concept plan falls short in adequately representing the intended purpose of the reserve and for the consideration of the residents of the local and wider area. Developed according to consultation carried out some 7 years ago, this proposal does not properly represent the current environment of 2025 i.e. the impact from increased local housing and the development of the foreshore walkway. Council engagement with the community has been limited and disappointing. The proposed Dog Park and Public Toilet being examples of projects foisted upon the community and strongly rejected. The proposed roading to the reserve and the associated parking are not consistent with the vision of the Precious Family Reserve being a place of peace and recreation.

1. Mabs Kelly Walkway /Cycleway – Vehicle access to carpark and servicing.

2. Future Vehicle access to Carpark

3. Mabs Kelly Walkway /Cycleway – Vehicle access to carpark and servicing.

☒ This is primarily a heavily used pedestrian walkway, unformed and gravel based, also used by service vehicles to the pumping station, and by operators of mowing machinery. Some public vehicular traffic use the walkway from Anderley Ave to obtain uncontrolled access to be closer to the beach. This on occasions has put walkway users at risk due to the unexpected appearance of vehicles and often excessive speed. To ensure that the Mabs Kelly walkway will continue to be a significant pedestrian thoroughfare and a significant part of the Omokoroa walkway trail, would it not be wise to significantly signpost the path as a designated walkway only and upgrade its formation to the same specs as those used for the golf course/foreshore walkway.

☒ As the beach is only swimmable for a maximum of 3 hours per day, one and a half hours each side of high tide, it is not heavily frequented so there would be no need to provide a developed parking area within the reserve. Attention should be focused upon completing formed parking with bollards at the end of Hamurana Rd. Upgrading the Mabs Kelly Walkway /Cycleway to a formed road shared by both pedestrians and vehicles is not wise and would require considerable engineering, earthworks and construction at an enormous and unnecessary cost.

4. Wetland Revegetation Planting (existing and proposed expansion)

☒ This is in keeping with the whole purpose of the area being designated The Precious Family Reserve. A basically untouched and natural greenspace on the Omokoroa peninsular in which flora and fauna can thrive and people can enjoy. There is however, a distinct lack of regular follow up maintenance of the recently planted wetland which is more than often overgrown with weeds.

5. Stormwater management area

☒ Having witnessed a variety of weather events, it is unclear as to what needs to be done to address stormwater management other than periodic clearing of drains ponds and waterways. There does not appear to be any need for action here.

6. Toilet to be located near pump station (area 6)

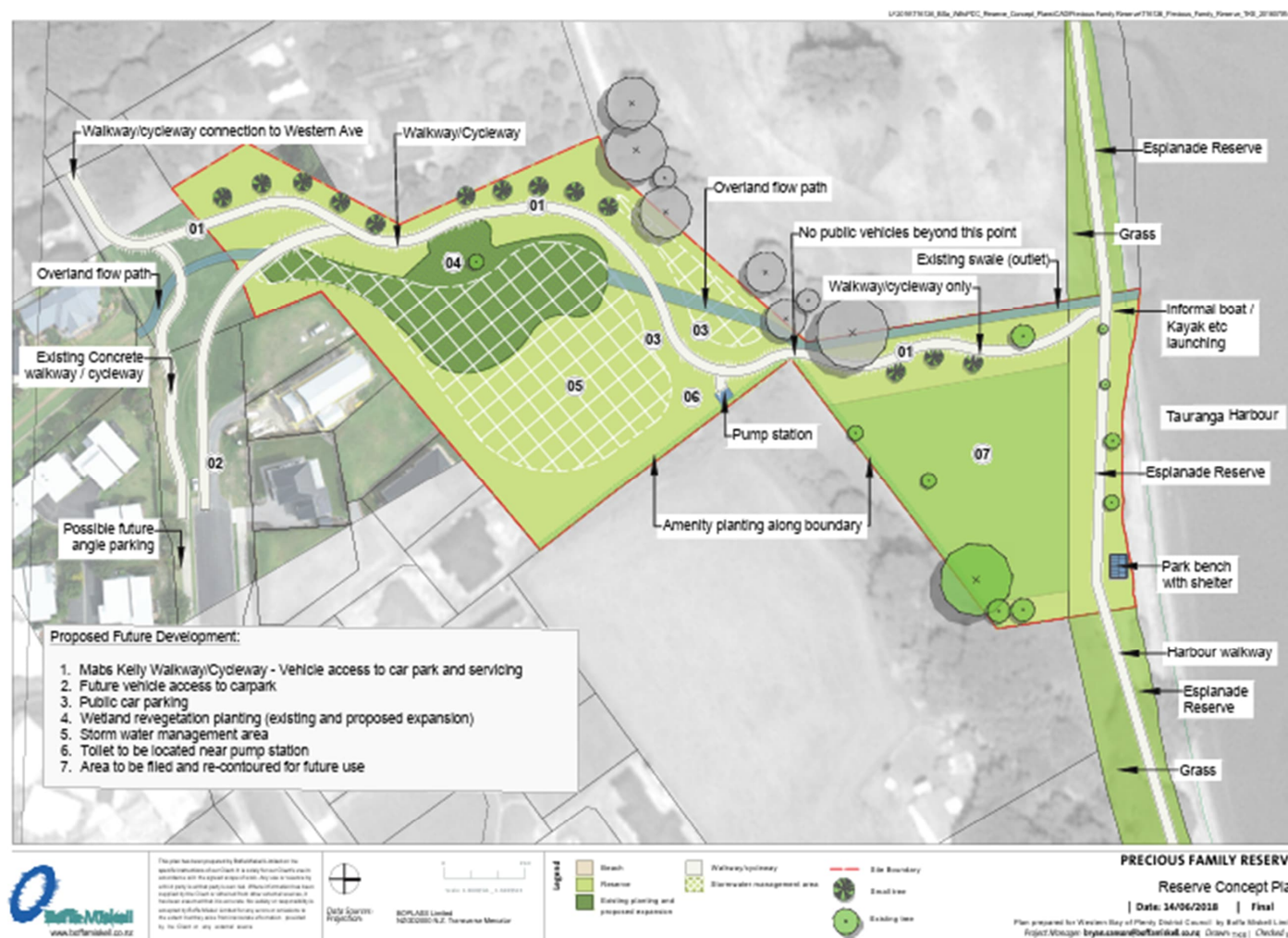
☒ Although the 2018 concept plan shows the proposed toilet block being constructed next to the pumping station, it was outrageous to have its permanent position relocated to the centre of the reserve next to the memorial seat without any communication of such a change. The location change and the intended construction date of March 2025 was not communicated to the community. Correspondence with council on the issue was met with responses that were confrontational and provocative rather than conciliatory. Fortunately, a petition to reconsider the toilet location and indeed its need was signed and supported by 379 people. If a toilet was to be built, the overwhelming recommendation was to have it located on that part of the reserve closer to the beach. In an e-mail from Peter Watson, the relocation of the toilet block to the water side part of the reserve would only delay the project by one year while preloading settlement occurred. This project is now on hold after presentation to the WBDC Projects and Monitoring Committee and will be considered within the Kaimai Ward Reserves Management Plan

7. Area to be filled and recontoured for future use

☒ The raising and shaping of this area has already occurred and is now significantly above sea level.

Vesting the Precious Family Reserve as Recreation or Local Purpose Reserve should now be complete as it is believed that this was agreed to by council in 2018

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The Precious Family Reserve

Having lived adjacent to the reserve for the last 8 years, we have seen a real appreciation and enjoyment of this unspoilt parcel of land by the local community. Its natural beauty and tranquil nature bordering the beach and the golf course and away from the noise and movement of traffic is a drawcard for many. The council constructed walkway along the foreshore has been a catalyst for this. The walkways leading from Hamurana Rd and the Omokoroa Country Estate to the reserve are frequented by recent and long-standing residents, cyclists, golf club members, dog walkers, sport and fitness enthusiast, and beach users. A significant proportion of the users are of retirement age, some using electric bikes and mobility vehicles. Ease of movement and safe underfoot conditions are essential and the area certainly provides a pleasant environment for social engagement.

1. Issues relating to the 22018 concept Plan

The 2018 concept plan falls short in adequately representing the intended purpose of the reserve and for the consideration of the residents of the local and wider area. Developed according to consultation carried out some 7 years ago, this proposal does not properly represent the current environment of 2025 i.e. the impact from increased local housing and the development of the foreshore walkway. Council engagement with the community has been limited and disappointing. The proposed Dog Park and Public Toilet being examples of projects foisted upon the community and strongly rejected. The proposed roading to the reserve and the associated parking are not consistent with the vision of the Precious Family Reserve being a place of peace and recreation.

1. Mabs Kelly Walkway /Cycleway – Vehicle access to carpark and servicing.**2. Future Vehicle access to Carpark****3. Mabs Kelly Walkway /Cycleway – Vehicle access to carpark and servicing.**

- This is primarily a heavily used pedestrian walkway, unformed and gravel based, also used by service vehicles to the pumping station, and by operators of mowing machinery. Some public vehicular traffic use the walkway from Anderley Ave to obtain uncontrolled access to be closer to the beach. This on occasions has put walkway users at risk due to the unexpected appearance of vehicles and often excessive speed. To ensure that the Mabs Kelly walkway will continue to be a significant pedestrian thoroughfare and a significant part of the Omokoroa walkway trail, would it not

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be wise to significantly signpost the path as a designated walkway only and upgrade its formation to the same specs as those used for the golf course/foreshore walkway.



- As the beach is only swimmable for a maximum of 3 hours per day, one and a half hours each side of high tide, it is not heavily frequented so there would be no need to provide a developed parking area within the reserve. Attention should



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be focussed upon completing formed parking with bollards at the end of Hamurana Rd. Upgrading the Mabs Kelly Walkway /Cycleway to a formed road shared by both pedestrians and vehicles is not wise and would require considerable engineering, earthworks and construction at an enormous and unnecessary cost.

4. Wetland Revegetation Planting (existing and proposed expansion)

- This is in keeping with the whole purpose of the area being designated **The Precious Family Reserve**. A basically



untouched and natural greenspace on the Omokoroa peninsular in which flora and fauna can thrive and people can enjoy. There is however, a distinct lack of regular follow up maintenance of the recently planted wetland which is more than often overgrown with weeds.

5. Stormwater management area

- Having witnessed a variety of weather events, it is unclear as to what needs to be done to address stormwater management other than periodic clearing of drains ponds and waterways. There does not appear to be any need for action here.

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6. Toilet to be located near pump station (area 6)

- Although the 2018 concept plan shows the proposed toilet block being constructed next to the pumping station, it was outrageous to have its permanent position relocated to the centre of the reserve next to the memorial seat without any communication of such a change. The location change and the intended construction date of March 2025 was not communicated to the community. Correspondence with council on the issue was met with responses that were confrontational and provocative rather than conciliatory. Fortunately, a petition to reconsider the toilet location and indeed its need was signed and supported by 379 people. If a toilet was to be built, the overwhelming recommendation was to have it located on that part of the reserve closer to the beach. In an e-mail from Peter Watson, the relocation of the toilet block to the water side part of the reserve would only delay the project by one year while preloading settlement occurred. This project is now on hold after presentation to the WBDC Projects and Monitoring Committee and will be considered within the Kaimai Ward Reserves Management Plan

7. Area to be filled and recontoured for future use

- The raising and shaping of this area has already occurred and is now significantly above sea level.



Vesting the Precious Family Reserve as Recreation or Local Purpose Reserve should now be complete as it is believed that this was agreed to by council in 2018

Rob and Sharon Mitford-Burgess



Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 50

Name: Jennie Stenhouse

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

We strongly support the idea of restoring the Kaiate Hall building, for the use and benefit of our local community."

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

Q7: Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

Q8: Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Q9: Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Q10: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Kakaramaea
Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Kakaramaea

Q11: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai
Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai

Q12: Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve
Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve

Q13: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Hakao
Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Hakao

Q14: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa
Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Tawa ki Tahataharoa

Q15: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Rangituanehu
Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Rangituanehu

Q16: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Ōturu - I'Anson)
Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Ōturu - I'Anson



Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 51

Name: J Whitaker

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Kaiaite Falls

Please don't put in a BBQ. It isn't necessary as people can easily take a picnic. I suspect adding a BBQ may increase any rubbish left there. It's a peaceful quiet reserve and it would be nice to be kept that way.

Q8: Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Q9: Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Q11: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai

Current name: Josephine Place Reserve

Q12: Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve

Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve



Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 52

Name: Clint Meynell

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

All of the reserve

Q2: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

All of the reserve

Q3: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

All of the reserve

Q4: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

All of the reserve

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

Q6: If you have any suggestions to improve pest management in our reserves or general feedback on the policy, please share this below.

If these reserves have significant historical areas, they have to be preserved for future generations to come.

Q7: Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

Current name: McDonnell Street Reserve

Q8: Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Q9: Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Other suggestions:

Lynley Park Drive Reserve

Q11: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai

Current name: Josephine Place Reserve

Q12: Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve

Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve

Other suggestions:

Clarke Road Reserve

Other suggestions:

Te Puna Reserve

Q15: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Rangituanehu

Current name: Minden Lookout

Q16: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Ōturu - l'Anson)

Current name: l'Anson Bush Reserve

Q17: Use the space below to provide any additional feedback on the proposed reserve naming.

Nil

Q18: General feedback

nil



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Submitter ID: 53

Name: Catherine Alderson

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Kaiate falls

I love this walk but there is always sooo much rubbish. I pick up as much as I can but have to stop once my pockets are full. I wonder if the council could help with this for the birds and the beautiful landscape

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

Q6: If you have any suggestions to improve pest management in our reserves or general feedback on the policy, please share this below.

Lots of traps and 1080 anything that works to get those pests!

Q9: Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve



Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 54

Name: Charles Burns

Organisation: Bay of Plenty Coast Rowing Club

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Jack Lloyd Reserve within the Te Puna / Minden reserve group. This site is adjacent to the Bay of Plenty Coast Rowing Club.

My role as a member of the Bay of Plenty Coast Rowing Club is project manager. Last year we completed the long awaited pontoon project on the Wairoa River just in front of the rowing club. The improvement dramatically improved access to the water for recreational usage. The club has since grown exponentially as other rowing, waka ama and canoe clubs have joined our site to take advantage of the improved facilities. The river provides some of the best conditions for rowing in the Western Bay and this is starting to be reflected in the club's achievements.

As a result of this we are experiencing a dramatically increased demand on parking. And, as indicated in the plan, we are working through a land swap with the council as we are starting to draw up plans to increase the size of the boat shed to provide for the increased usage.

In my submission today I would like to request on behalf of the various clubs using the site for recreational purposes that the council increases the size of the carpark. I have pictures of the overflow into the reserve on busy days (unfortunately I can't see a way to attach these pictures with this submission). At the moment we manage this directly with the farmer who grazes the reserve. This of course relies on maintaining a good relationship with the farmer but will in time has the potential to become a nuisance to the farmer. We have presented concepts to WBOPDC Reserves and Transport Management using only the existing paper road but again I can't seem to attach those here.

I would be very pleased to share the evidence of the increased demand for a carping as well as our proposed solution at your convenience.

Thanks,

Charles Burns

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes



For our
people

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From: Charles Burns <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, 12 May 2025 4:12 pm
To: Jason Crummer <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Peter Watson <[REDACTED]>
Subject: RE: Kaimai Ward RMP link

Hi Jason,

Thanks for your time today. Just to follow up on my submission to the draft RMP I've included the following attachments:

- Pictures showing the demand on the site to justify the request for additional parking. These were all taken Saturday 8 Feb. Let me know if the link is too large.
- Concept plans for modifications and additions to the shed. On page 3 you will see a proposed parking plan based on an upgrade to the paper road. This also gives you an idea of what the club is considering for its extension.

I'm pretty excited at the prospect that we might be able to avoid the need for a resource consent if the approved RMP adequately specifies what we want to do with the new shed. In a meeting with Peter and others 14 Feb I took these notes:

- Rod from planning advised that there would be a number of hoops we would have to jump through to satisfy likely resource consent requirements. These included:
 - Environmental impact assessments from a suitably qualified engineer detailing:
 - Flood plane assessment
 - Visual impact due to it needing to satisfy landscaping requirements especially in the case of adding a second storey to the building.
 - Other considerations include requirements around place of assembly and Regional Council requirements regarding onsite discharge of wastewater to land

If the RMP can address all or some of these that would be ideal.

Let me know if there is anything else I can provide to support the Rowing Club's plans.

Thanks,
Charlie.

Charles Burns | Project Manager: [REDACTED]
Tauranga City Council | [REDACTED]



Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 55

Name: Nichola James

Organisation: Kaimai Omanawa Rural Ratepayers Association

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Poripori Road Picnic Area

This location traditionally is very popular during the warm months with every available parking space and road verge taken, as locals and tourists visit the swimming holes. The newly added toilet has increased the popularity of this location, which has people stopping for the convenience this toilet now provides. I look forward to seeing the planned new planting and CCTV camera installed. Some millings were added to the carpark surface early 2024 which greatly improved the surface, but I would like to see this improved upon. The significant drop from the road to the parking area is uneven and can cause issues for low riding vehicles like school buses. Poripori Road leading up to the waterhole is in a poor state of repair, but if keeping to the reserve itself, could the transition from the reserve to road be improved please. In 2023 seating was discussed as an option for this reserve area which I am sure picnickers would appreciate while also enhancing the area. There is a good opportunity to place some signs/display boards talking of local history. Some examples could be:

Hydroelectric Power Scheme, Whitewater recreation, 1967 Ruahihi Bridge Collapse, Poripori Taniwha.

With its popularity of tourists at this location, be it stopping for a break and toilet stop or a dip in the water, I believe direction arrows need to be added on Poripori Road as visitors leave - both heading towards the highway and in the opposite direction towards Kumikumi Road. There have been instances of people travelling on the wrong side of the road. I would also like to see as previously requested yellow no parking lines as you head up Poripori Road on the righthand side of the road to stop people parking here when this location is at its peak time. Directional arrows and no parking lines are at McLaren Falls, I would like to see the same here. The Poripori Road Picnic area is a popular area, that with a few small extra enhancements could be greatly improved for the enjoyment of locals and visitors to the area.

Q15: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Rangituanehu

Current name: Minden Lookout

SUB ID 56

From: Gavin Connolly <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Friday, 9 May 2025 3:26 pm
To: Your Place
Subject: Kaiate Hall building

To whom it may concern

I strongly support the restoration of Kaiate Hall building and this Historical site

It would be awesome to have a local hub for the benefit of this local community

As a resident of Waitao road this is something I would personally use unlike the Te Puke Hall where my current rates help to support, that I will never use.

I understand that this is on DOC owned land on the corner of Waitao and Kaiate falls roads

Could i also ask for information on who currently leases this land or is tasked with its upkeep ?

Also the boundaries of this title

Thank you

Gavin Connolly
[REDACTED]

SUB ID 57

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, 9 May 2025 5:29 pm
To: Your Place
Subject: FW: Kaimai Reserve Management Plan

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, 9 May 2025 2:40 p.m.
To: 'yourplace@westbay.govt.nz' <yourplace@westbay.govt.nz>
Subject: Kaimai Reserve Management Plan

Dear Sir/Madam,

I believe somewhere in the above plan it is proposed to change the name of the Minden lookout to a Maori name which I don't have a problem with so long as all Minden residents are surveyed and support it. Too many times things are done under the radar and the general public who are busy making a living and paying tax's and rates don't get to see things until it is too late.

All the very best

Doug Morris

[REDACTED]

SUB ID 58

From: Kerry Funnell <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Friday, 9 May 2025 8:14 pm
To: Your Place
Subject: Waitao Community Hall

[REDACTED]

Hi there,

Id like to register my support to preserve/ restore the Waitao Community Hall on the Waitao Road turn off to Kiete Falls.

Its a gorgeous opportunity for council to support the enduring community spirit in this road that has seen a long standing planting group change the weedy bits to native bush little by little with volunteer efforts, and create a community bond at the same time.

The restored hall could become a hub for the planting group meetings and other community minded matters along with income generating initiatives .

I hope there is a way for council to work with the Waitao community to complete the restoration of this building in a cost effect way .

Thx for reading

K Funnell
[REDACTED]

SUB ID 59

From: Kiwi Homesteaders <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Friday, 9 May 2025 9:17 pm
To: Your Place
Subject: Kaiate hall restoration

Hi

Our Waitao valley community has a community hall that is in dire need of restoration and we would love to see this made available to us as again.

It is steeped in local history and would love to be involved in its rebuild. We do not have a shared community space for events or gatherings. This would strengthen our togetherness and connections.

Kind regards
Andrea

Kiwi Homesteaders
Andrea Lehmann & Hone Moetara

[REDACTED]
<https://www.facebook.com/kiwihomesteaders/>



SUB ID 60

From: Ian Lucas <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Friday, 9 May 2025 9:39 pm
To: Your Place
Subject: Submission re Community Hall, Waitao Rd.

[REDACTED]

Dear Council

I am writing to give support to the restoration of the old community hall located on the corner of Waitao and Kaiate Falls Roads, Waitao RD5.

I live nearby and have always admired the old building despite its current derelict condition, and thought it a shame that it was (as I thought) on its last legs, so to speak. Imagine my delight when I heard of the proposed restoration.

Being on the route to Kaiate Falls, it could become a wee tourist attraction in its own right. I can just see it fully restored, suitably fenced and with an information board.

So fingers crossed your plan gets the go ahead !

Ian Lucas

[REDACTED]

SUB ID 61

From: Hannah Stewart <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Saturday, 10 May 2025 8:14 pm
To: Your Place
Subject: Fw: Kaiate Falls Scenic Reserve Submission

Sent from [Outlook for Android](#)

From: Hannah Stewart <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Saturday, May 10, 2025 8:12:00 pm
To: yourplace@wrsternbay.govt.nz <yourplace@wrsternbay.govt.nz>
Subject: Kaiate Falls Scenic Reserve Submission

To whom it may concern,

I strongly support the idea of adding a picnic area by the carpark at Kaiate Falls Scenic Reserve as this will reduce the amount of car thefts and rubbish dumping.

I also support the idea if adding a bio loo compost toilet at the car park area too as this will encourage more people to use the loo rather than doing their business in the bushes and creating more pollution to the water way.

I would support the idea of having a camera installed to prevent rubbish dumping and theft in the carpark area and to prevent freedom campers from staying overnight in the carpark.

I would support a on leash dog rule too or to have a dog free zone as not all Reserve users feel comfortable around dogs while they have little children or are swimming. There's also nowhere for these dogs to go to the toilet down by the water and some have been seen pooping on the path or close to the water.

Thank you,
Hannah Stewart

Sent from [Outlook for Android](#)

SUB ID 62

From: Pete And Deb <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, 11 May 2025 4:05 pm
To: Your Place
Cc: Waitao Landcare Group
Subject: Reserve management plan - review - Kaiate falls hall building- corner of Waitao Road and Kaiate Falls Road

We would like to strongly support the idea of Council looking into restoring the Kaiate Falls community hall building, for the use of and benefit of our local community. The hall was the focal point in the community many years ago and has a lot of history associated with it, from the original families who settled the area.

We have an active Waitao Road Community Noticeboard face book page (263 members) as well as the Waitao Landcare Group Facebook page (283 followers) which confirms that our community is connected and community minded.

Possible funding streams for this could be from our current community's hall contribution via our rates, which are currently being collected for the Te Puke community.

Thank you for this opportunity to feed back.

Kind regards

Deb and Pete Broersma

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From: Albert Ruiterkamp <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, 11 May 2025 8:47 pm
To: Your Place
Subject: Kaiate falls reserve and the old school building. I would propose a couple of options. 1 keep the school in place restore the outside put a school sign on it and leave it. 2 restore the outside put windows in so one can look inside and have there a display...



Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 64

Name: Deborah Smith

Organisation: Kaiate Community Hall

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

I support the idea of restoring the Kaiate Hall building, for the use and benefit of the local community.



Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Submitter ID: 65

Name: Hayley and John Duffy

Organisation:

Q1: Please provide the name of the reserve and your feedback below.

Precious Family Reserve

1. 2018 Concept Plan: The 2018 Concept Plan for the reserve and included in the Precious Family Reserve 2024-2034 plan is outdated. It was developed from the 2017 Concept plan and consulted on in 2017/18. The Council should engage with the community to update the concept plan in light of the needs and aspirations of the community now present in 2025. Under the Council's own policy such reviews are meant to take place every 9 years, implying that the next review should be in 2026, though it begs the question as to why this wasn't done as part of the Kaimai Ward Reserves management plan review in a more targeted way than the ad-hoc submission process provided for.
2. Council's Engagement: Council's recent engagement/communication with the community ahead of implementing the identified projects in the 2018 Concept plan has been disappointing. This includes the proposals to build a dog park at the reserve and to locate a toilet in the middle of the reserve close to a memorial seat. The Omokoroa community has indicated a willingness to actively participate in the planning of these projects, however the Council staff do not appear to want a thorough and meaningful engagement, resulting in a costly and inefficient process culminating in community led petitions opposing the dog park and the toilet.
3. Toilet Block: In the absence of a well-articulated vision and implementation plan for the future of the Precious Family Reserve, we are opposed to building a toilet block. There is considerable opposition to the toilet due to a lack of support from local residents and users of the reserve.

4. Mabs Kelly Walkway/Cycleway: The designation of Mabs Kelly Walkway for use only by walkers, cyclists, golf carts and service vehicles needs to be better maintained. Its use by public vehicles makes it unsafe for children and elderly walkers who wish to use the walkway as it was intended. The walkway is in urgent need of resurfacing after the heavy 24/25 summer traffic has damaged the carriageway such that it is difficult and potentially unsafe for pushchairs, wheelchairs and elderly walkers.

5. Dry Riverbed Management: The dry riverbed has become overgrown with weeds and needs a better maintenance management plan

6. Reserve Vesting: We submitted in the previous Management Plan review that the 'fee simple' status of the 'Precious Family Reserve' land means it can still be sold at some stage in the future. Whilst there was a decision to not do this by the past council this cannot be said for future ones. As noted in our previous submission the land is of critical importance, not only to act as a 'buffer' for any potential additional stormwater management demands, but also as there is little land around the peninsula that can support greater coastal recreational use over time as the population grows. Accordingly we again request that the Precious family Reserve is vested as a mix of Recreation or Local Purpose Reserve without further delay. We understood that this had been previously agreed by Council back in 2018.

Hayley and John Duffy

Q5: Do you support the inclusion of 'Policy 28 - Pest Management' in the Reserve Management Plan?

Yes

Q7: Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

Proposed name: Bramley Reserve

Q8: Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Proposed name: Kowhai Reserve

Q9: Proposed name: Kuaka Rise Reserve

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Q10: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Kakaramea

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Q11: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Mangawhai

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Q12: Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve

Proposed name: Jack Lloyd Reserve

Q13: Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Hakao

Proposed name: Wāhi ō Te Hakao

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From: lyndel crisp <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, 11 May 2025 11:11 pm
To: Your Place
Subject: Kaiate/Waitao Community Hall

[REDACTED]

We strongly support the idea of restoring the Kaiate Hall building, for the use and benefit of our local community. Back when we formed our landcare group in 2005/6 at our first brainstorming session on what we would like to see happen in our area this was one of the ideas we came up with. Some members set out to investigate whether restoration was feasible. If I remember correctly it wasn't feasible for our small group to undertake but the idea has stayed with us.

Thankyou for your consideration.

Lyndel Crisp and Rob McGowan
Waitao Landcare Group

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From: Waitao Landcare Group [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, 11 May 2025 11:17 pm
To: Your Place
Subject: Submission to Reserve Management Plan Review - Kaiate Hall

Hi

We would like to encourage Council to support the idea of restoring our old community hall, on the corner of Waitao Road and Kaiate Falls Road, for the use and benefit of our local community.

We would be interested in exploring what it would cost to restore the building, and many of our community members have said they would be very keen to help.

We have been operating as a community group for 20 years, have built nurseries, have a strong history of positive working relationship with community and government agency (regional council) and have a strong track record of getting good things done in our community.

Lastly, the neighbouring landowner has stated that they may even be interested in donating some of their land to make the parcel bigger, and therefore make it more viable as a usable community space.

The land is not Council owned, but we implore Council to support our community to explore the possibility of restoring this community asset and piece of our local history

Sincerely,
Jake Andersen
Chairperson, Waitao Landcare Group

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From: Jake Andersen <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, 11 May 2025 11:24 pm
To: Your Place
Subject: Submission to Reserve Management Plan Review - Kaiate Falls

[REDACTED]

Hi

I strongly support the idea of having more picnic tables, a bbq and quality toilets installed at Kaiate Falls Scenic Reserve. This is a very high-use reserve and these enhancements would make a huge impact. Not only for families and general reserve user experience, but also the increase in people presence at the top of the reserve would help decrease the likelihood of vehicle break-ins.

I love this reserve and these simple improvements could make a massive difference for our community.

Sincerely,
Jake Andersen

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MenzShed Omokoroa Submission on the Kaimai Ward Reserve Management Plan

Executive Summary

1. The Omokoroa MenzShed (OMS) has been operational since September 2021. It provides a valuable community space for men to engage in activities that foster friendship, health, and well-being. The MenzShed was a finalist in the 2025 Western Bay Community Awards, reflecting its positive impact on the community. The need for this community resource is indicated by the significant growth, increasing its membership from 50 to 81 members by mid-2024. This 60% growth underscores the OMS importance to the Omokoroa community. The OMS operates three days a week, serving as a work station for members that helps combat loneliness and isolation. These days also offer a relaxed environment for on-site health / welfare professionals (two doctors and two welfare officers).
2. MenzShed members contribute significantly to local projects, including the Cooney Reserve Bird Observatory and providing vegetables to food banks and others, thus showcasing their commitment to community service .
3. The OMS faces site insecurity as a result of potential relocation. The current site may be repurposed for recreational use. This may necessitate an expensive move to another potentially less suitable site.

Submission Request:

The MenzShed would welcome an initiative by the Western Bay District Council which signalled, via the Reserves Management Plan, a request by the Omokoroa MenzShed to seek an appropriate site for the continuation of their activities, and signals the willingness of the OMS to work with the WBDC to facilitate this request.

Submission

Background

MenzShed Omokoroa has been in operation since September 2021. The MenzShed operates out of two buildings on Council land provided by the Western Bay District Council. This area includes these 2 buildings, 3 containers, a canopied area between two of these containers, a carparking area for up

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to 30 cars, a vegetable garden of over 90m², and open areas where the men do additional work. The MenzShed is open on 3 days a week (Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays) from 9 am to 1 pm. MenzShed Omokoroa is grateful to the Western Bay District Council for the use of this land and these facilities.

Function

The OMS has developed into a significant contributor to the Omokoroa and surrounding areas. It also makes a significant contribution made to the lives of OMS members:

- Since mid 2023 membership has grown from 50 to 81 members. The growth in retirees as indicated by the 2022 Census (60-69: 620; 70-79: 780; 80-89:390) suggests that membership will continue to increase.
- Men are known to have smaller circles of friends than women, so the MenzShed offers opportunities to foster new friendships.
- MenzSheds are an ideal place for health professionals to gain access to men, who may take less care of themselves, and provide talks and discuss basic health checks in the men's own environment, where the informality makes for a more relaxed atmosphere.
- The OMS brings men together in one community space where they can share their skills, have a laugh, and work on practical tasks individually (personal projects), or as a group (for the MenzShed or community). It gives members a sense of purpose, job satisfaction, and camaraderie as they work together to overcome challenges and learn from each other.
- For many members it is the best "job" that they have had, and they freely offer their time and their skills to do it. Our members have made a significant impact in Omokoroa and surrounding areas through their dedication and commitment.

Community Perspective

- The OMS is a proven asset to the Community. Projects include:
 - Completion of Stage 1 of the Cooney Reserve Bird Observatory in conjunction with OEMI, with Stage 2 (a Godwit/Kuaka sculpture and a smaller bird observatory) in process. Typically, 1000 people visiting the Bird Observatory each week. Once Stage 2 of the project is completed, we expect that those numbers will increase. A significant focus for the future is that the Bird Observatory will be major part of an art trail.

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- Weekly provision of vegetables from our garden to the Omokoroa Community Church Foodbank.
- Operating a woodworking extension program each term for Omokoroa No. 1 School students.
- Working with Pirirakau Hapu to construct three Pou for the Cycleway.
- Making hundreds of pest traps – a large number for Whakamarama Pest Trap Library.
- Making wig stands for the Cancer Society.
- Making highchairs for the Health Board for severely disabled children when they are in hospital.
- Repairing precious items (in wood or metal) for community members – chairs, tables, cabinets, etc.
- Making new items to order for individuals or community organisations.
- Receiving and using donated machinery, tools, wood, and materials etc that would otherwise languish or go to landfill. Using donated wood to construct items and to help run the MenzShed. Repairing and/or donating machinery and tools – for instance sending spare tools to Kiribati.
- The OMS faces major challenges in respect to site security. We appreciate (in both sense of the word) that the MenzShed is on Council land that might be required for recreational purposes. If that least favourable option were to eventuate we would need to vacate the land and buildings. The enormity of this undertaking is evident in the need for:
 - new buildings of at least 600+ m² estimated to cost in excess of \$800,000, away from residential and industrial areas;
 - parking for up to 25 cars;
 - a vegetable garden of at least 100m²
- We would welcome support from the WBDC in respect to the construction of a new building and associated services. Funding from granting agencies on leased private land is not an option. Locating the MenzShed and containers away from residential areas will be challenging and require heavy machinery.

SUB ID 69

Submission Request

We seek Council assistance to ensure our future, and the contribution that the OMS makes to the Omokoroa and wider communities.

Submission Request:

The MenzShed would welcome an initiative by the Western Bay District Council which signalled, via the Reserves Management Plan, a request by the Omokoroa MenzShed to seek an appropriate site for the continuation of their activities, and signals the willingness of the OMS to work with the WBDC to facilitate this request.

Looking ahead

The OMS envisages a multi-use premises available to other community players including schools, Foodbank, Community Patrol, pest control (pesticides and traps), and many others.

8 April 2025

To Whom It May Concern

I am the key person operating The Whakamarama Pest Trap Library. The Pest Trap library is a volunteer service which provides pest traps for loan to the wider community. The majority of the traps we loan are rat and mustelid traps. We have and will continue to source these traps from The Omokoroa Men's Shed. The service and support provided by the wonderful team of men at The Omokoroa Men's Shed is nothing short of excellent. From the onset of any order, a professional service and product is always provided. The number of traps required (sometimes over 100) is never too much. The communication throughout the order process and follow-up, is regular and clear. These gentlemen go out of their way to make the experience not only warm and friendly but commercially viable for a non-for-profit volunteer entity. It is a pleasure to meet up with them and place or collect an order. When going to the Men's Shed, you are always warmly greeted, directed in the right direction for the appropriate person, made aware of health and safety issues, and humbled by the work and support of the men there guiding and helping each other in mending or creating something for the wider community. I can not speak highly enough of what the Men's Shed does on so many levels. They enrich the lives of their members as well as those of the community using their services. They are professional and accountable while providing a safe and supportive environment. The Whakamarama Pest Trap Library is and will continue to be, a loyal customer and supporter. Thank you to the entire team of men that make up this organisation. Our community is better for having you in it.

Debra Jager

Whakamarma Pest Trap Library





OMOKOROA NO.1 SCHOOL



To whom it may concern,

On behalf of Omokoroa No. 1 School, I am writing to express our full support for MenzShed Omokoroa's submissions regarding the Western Bay Kaimai Ward Reserve Management Plan, and your grant applications for essential workshop equipment.

We understand the importance of securing a suitable future location for MenzShed Omokoroa within the Reserve Management Plan. Their organisation provides an invaluable service to our community, fostering camaraderie, skill-sharing, and practical support. Recognising the long-term needs within the 5-year plan is crucial for ensuring the continued presence of this vital community asset.

Furthermore, we wholeheartedly endorse the grant applications for the MIG/STIG/STICK welder, wood lathe, and industrial dust extractor. These tools are essential for the safe and effective operation of the workshop, enabling them to meet the growing needs of your members and maintain a safe working environment. The replacement of the aging welder, the upgrade of the lathe, and the implementation of a dust extraction system are all critical steps in ensuring the sustainability and growth of MenzShed Omokoroa.

We recognise the significant positive impact MenzShed Omokoroa has on our school learning and wider community. The organisation provides a space for men to connect, learn, and contribute, which strengthens the social fabric of Omokoroa. We deeply appreciate the support they have consistently provided to Omokoroa No.1 School, and we are eager to reciprocate by supporting their endeavors.

Therefore, we offer our strongest recommendation for the Reserve Management Plan submission and the grant applications. We are confident that securing a future location and acquiring the necessary equipment will allow MenzShed Omokoroa to continue its valuable work for many years to come.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information or assistance.

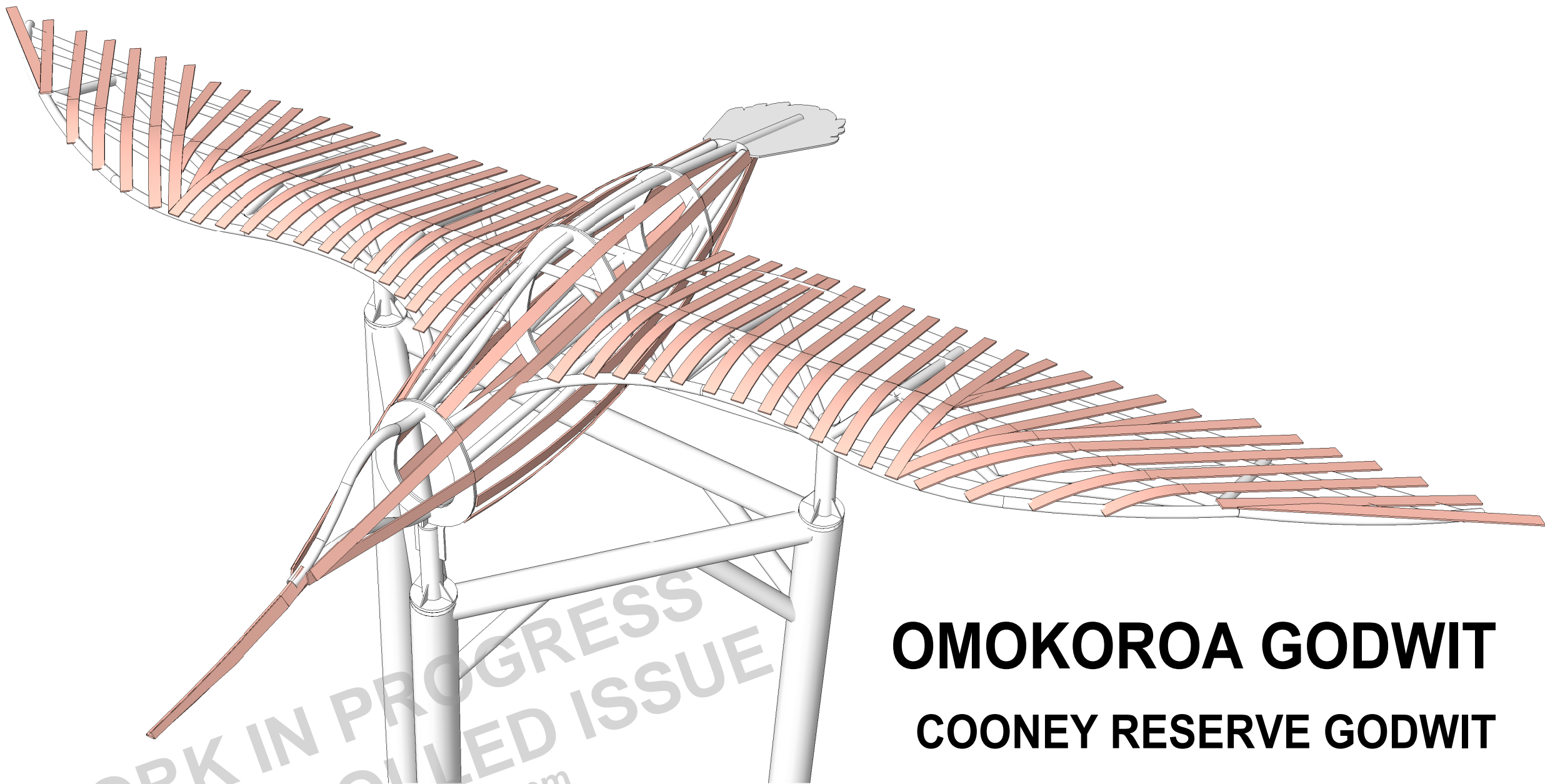
Sincerely,

Craig Pentecost

Omokoroa No. 1 School

Principal

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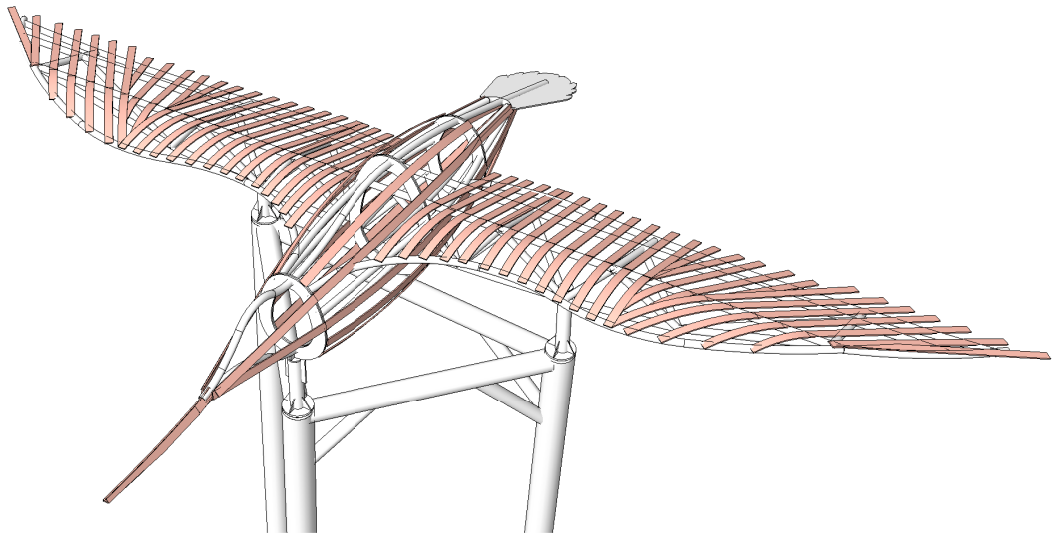


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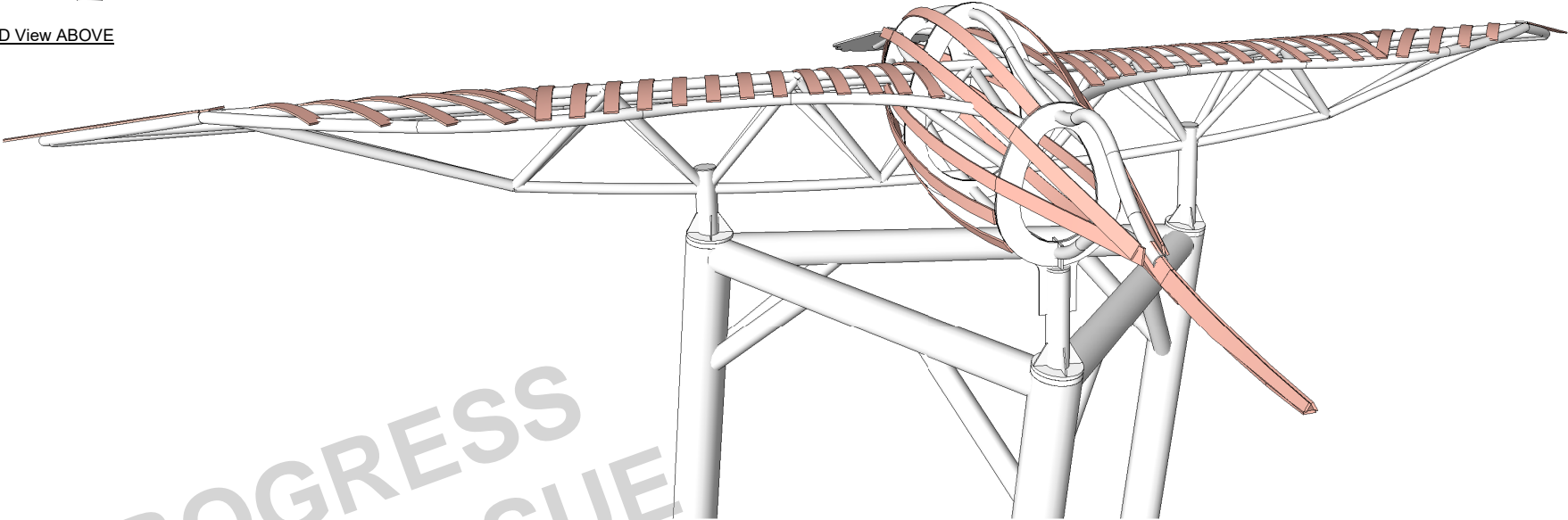
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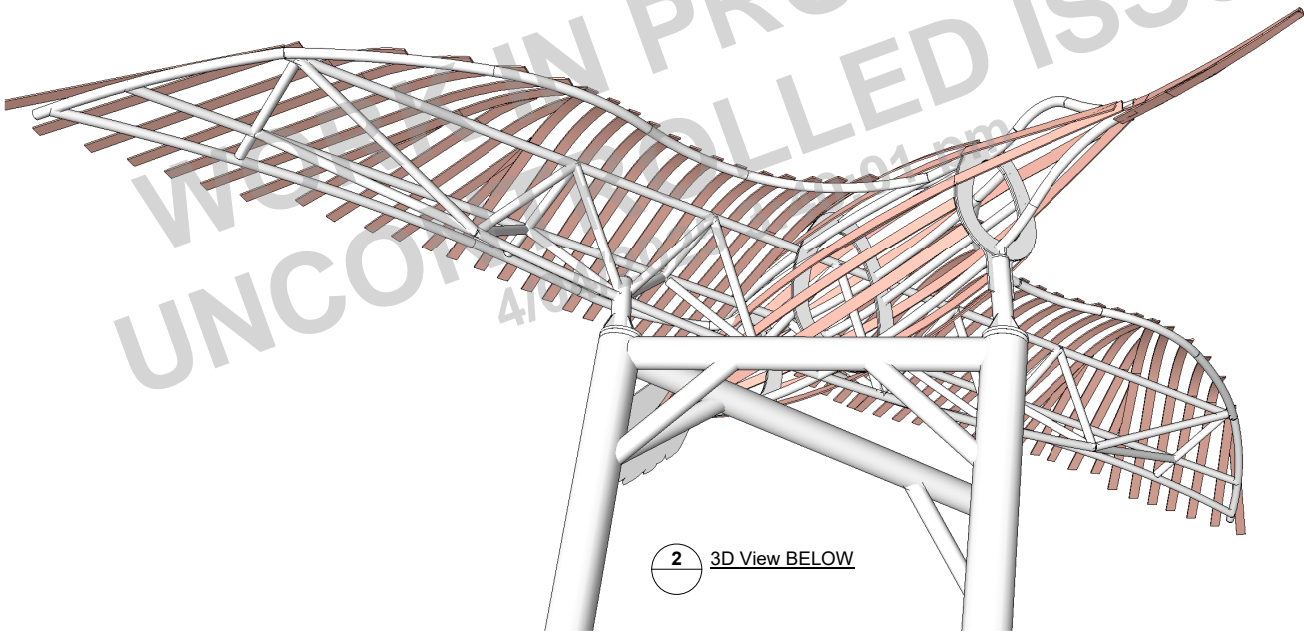
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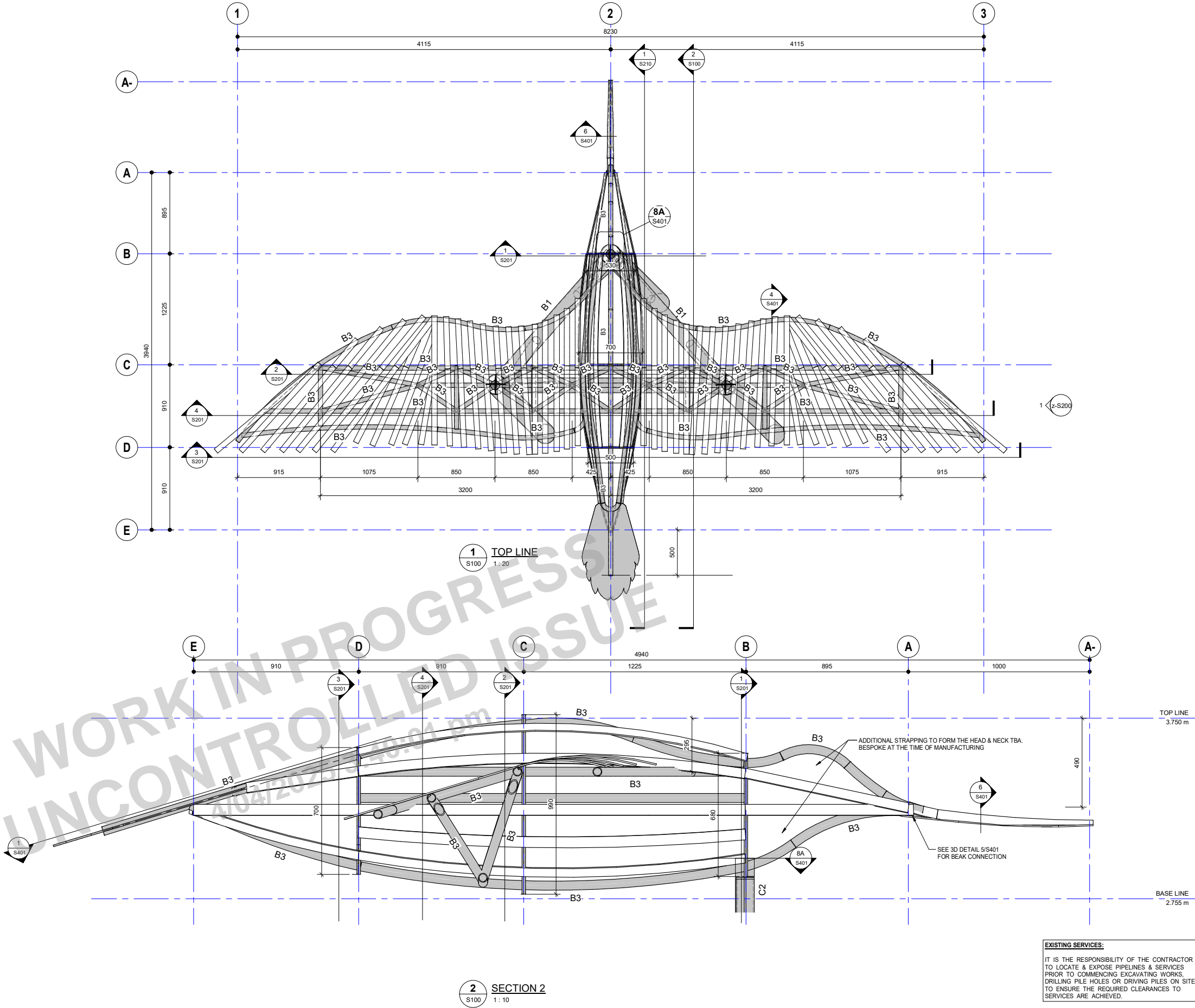
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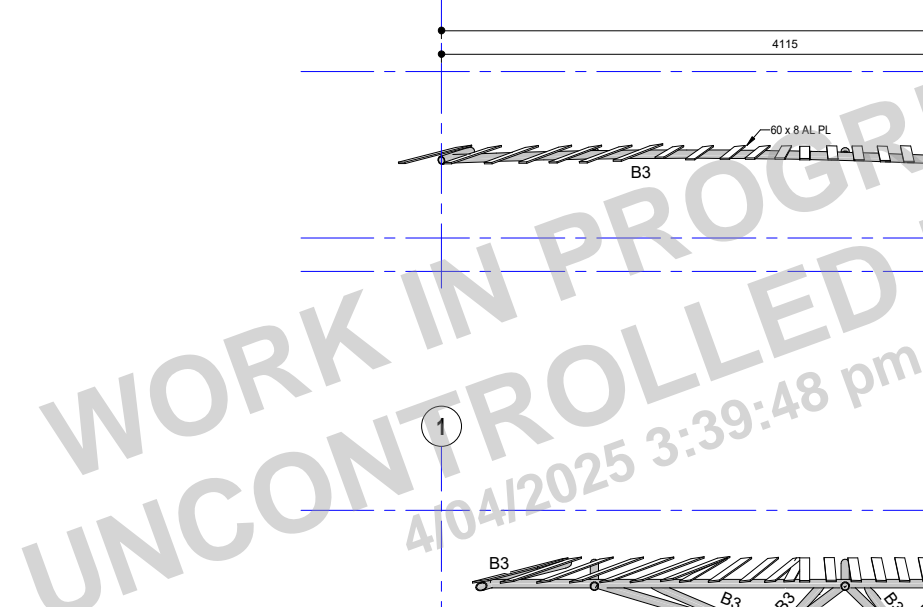
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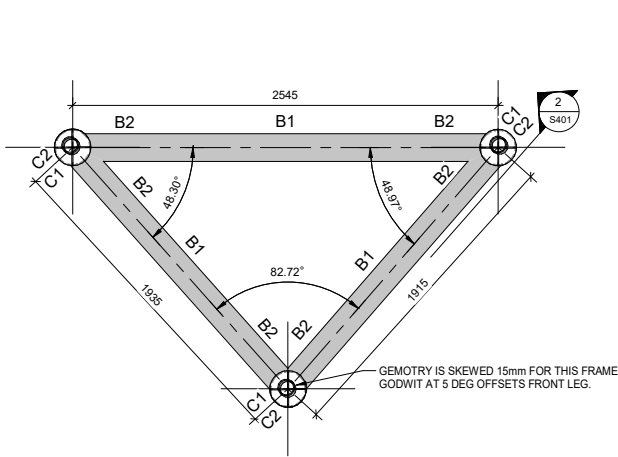
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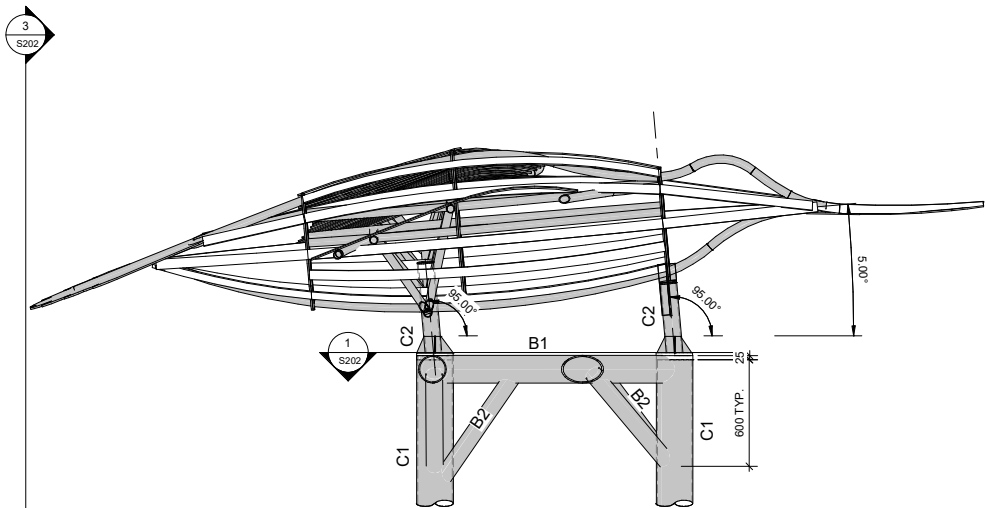
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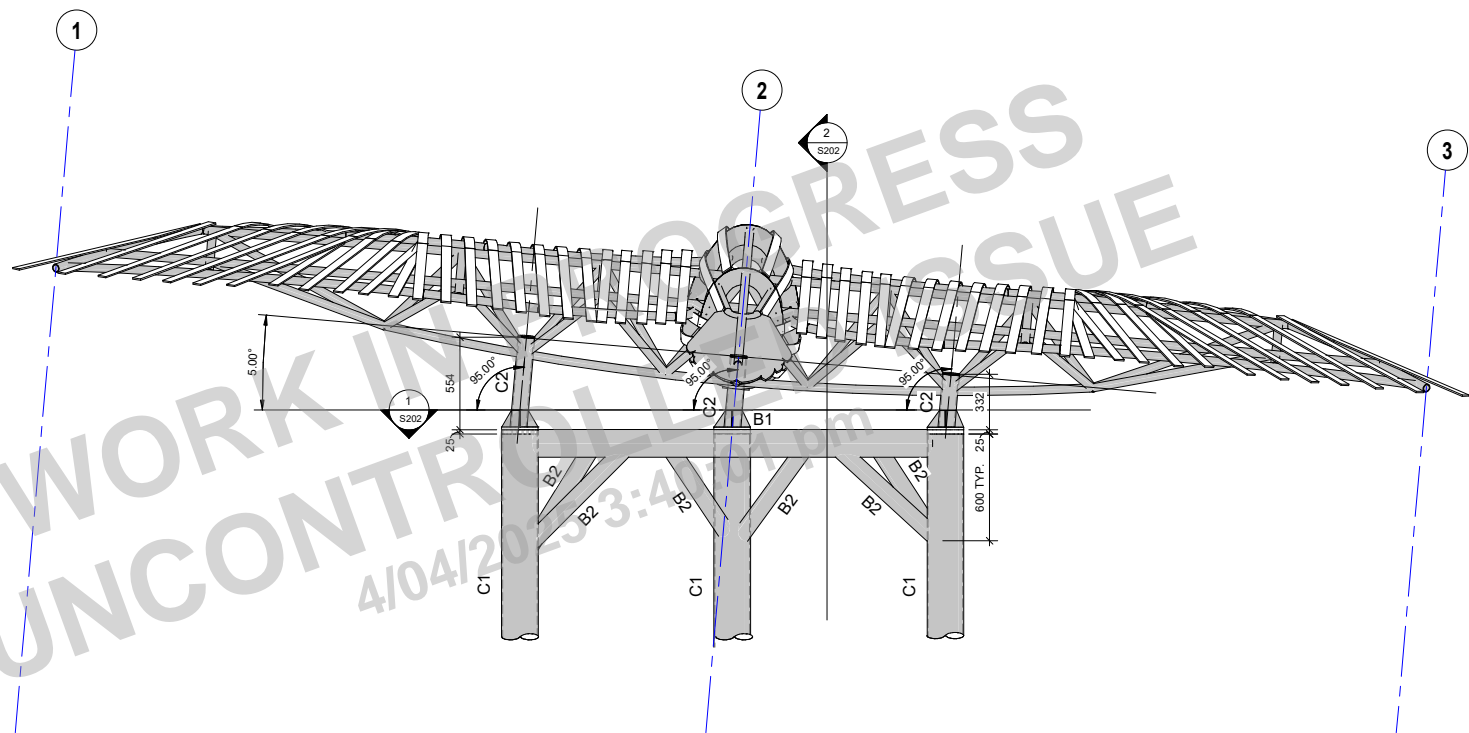
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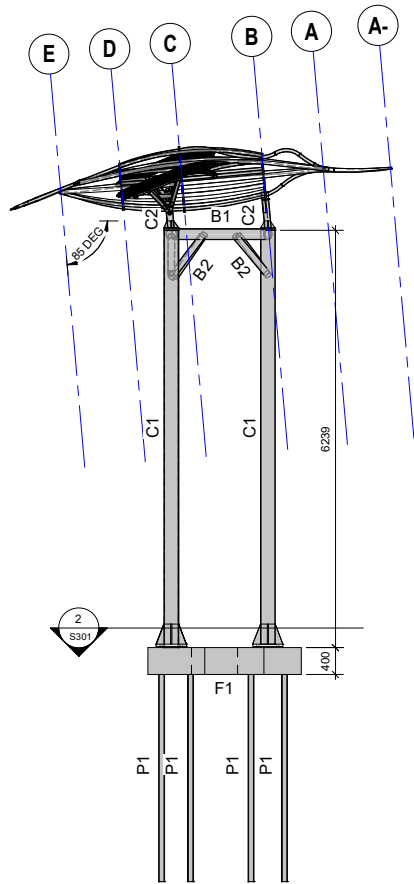
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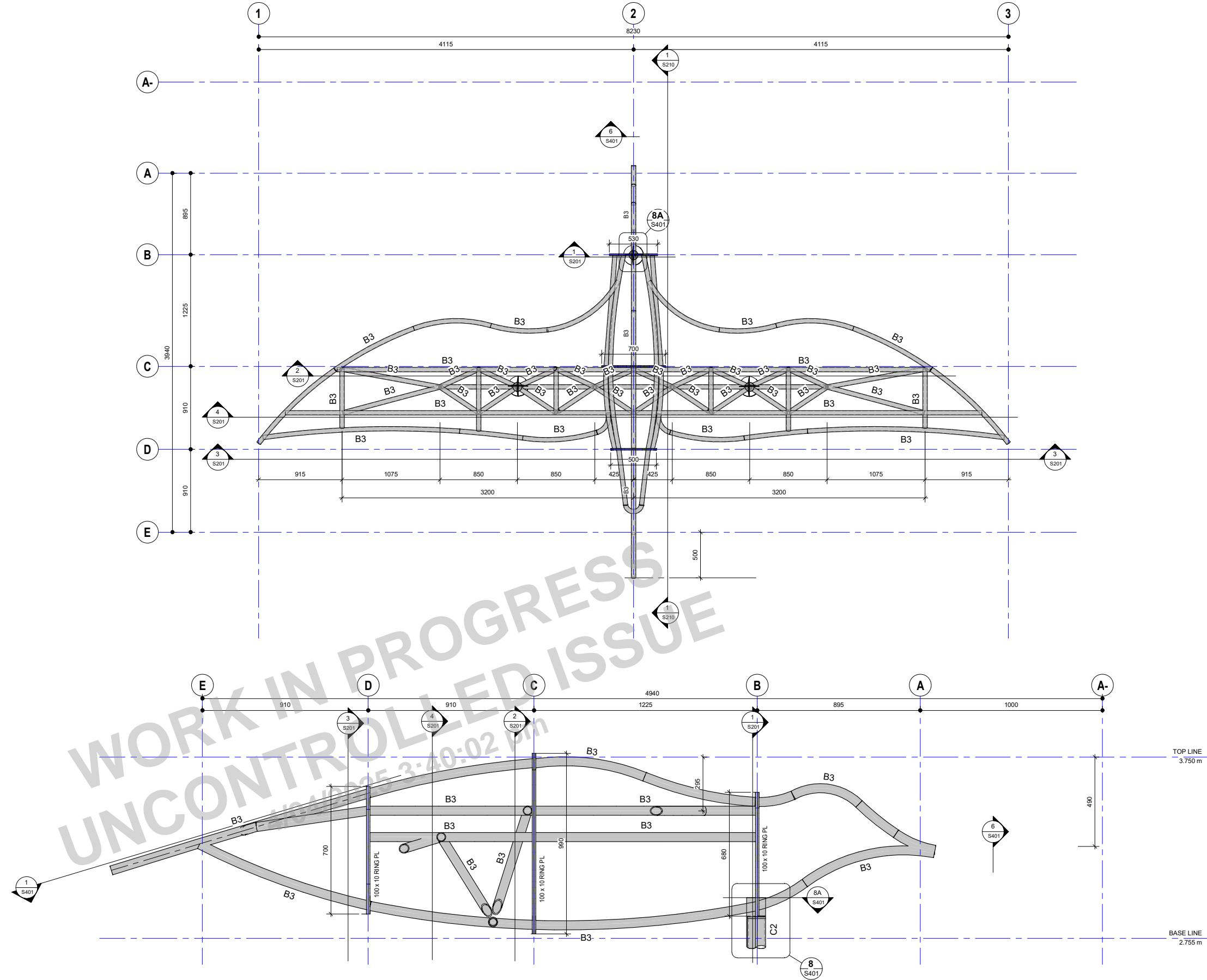
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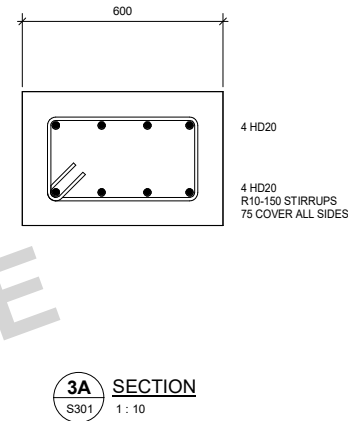
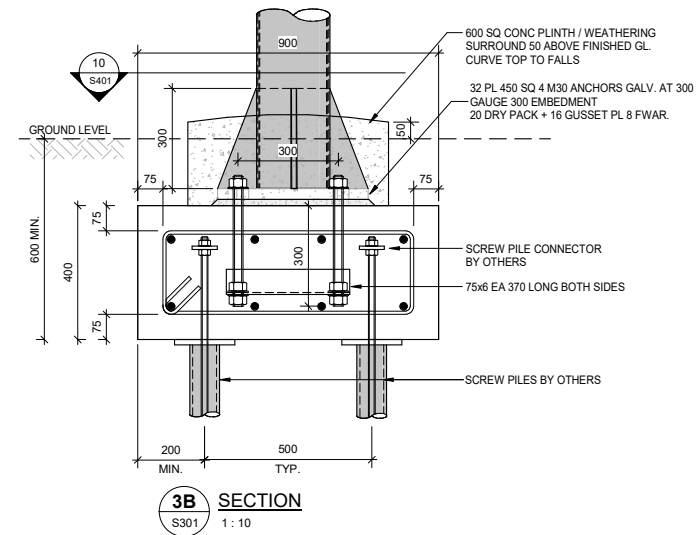
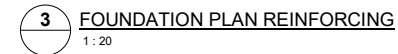
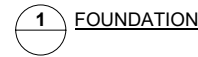
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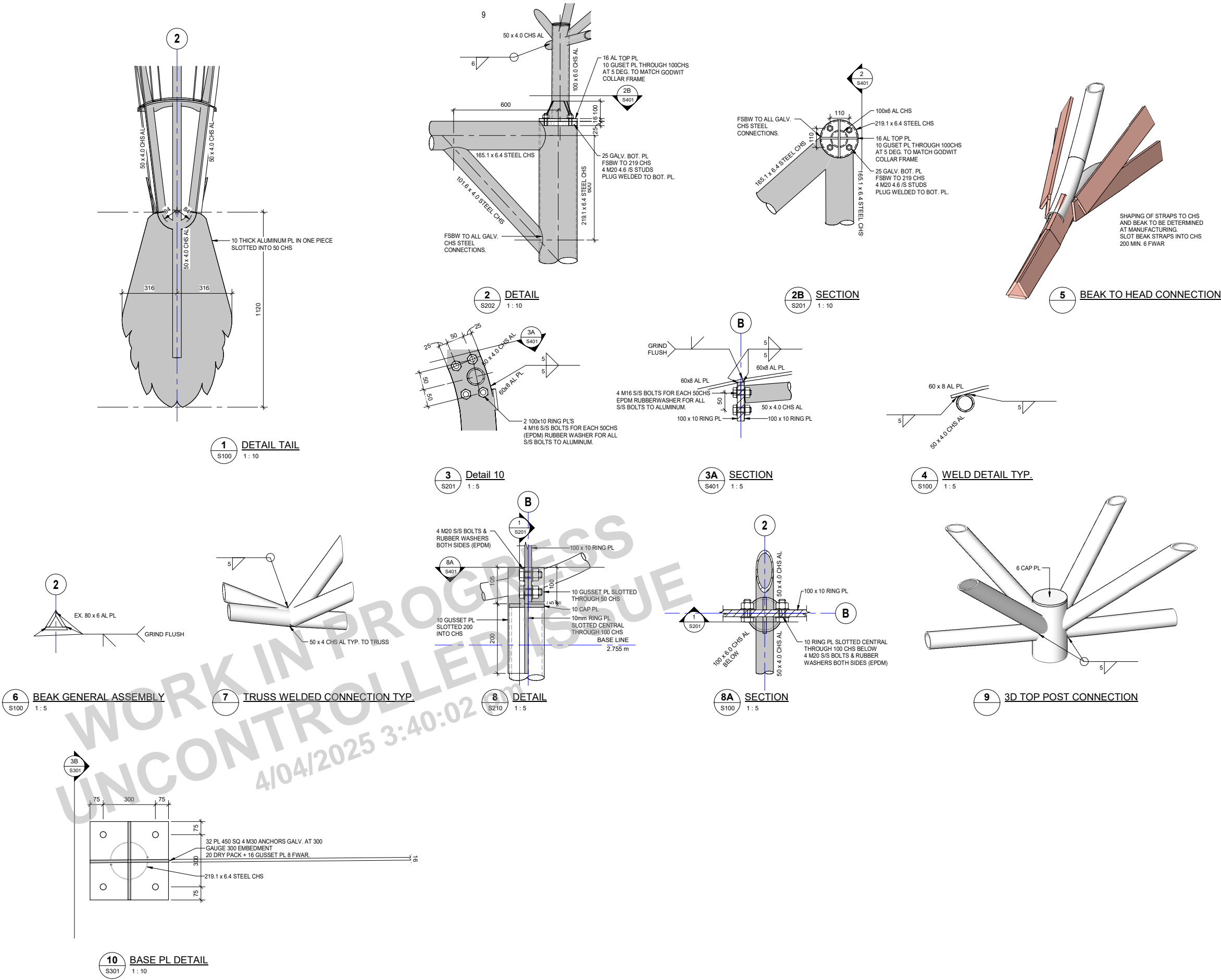
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OMOKOROA COMMUNITY CHURCH

Faith - Love - Hope

8 April 2025

Letter of appreciation from the Omokoroa Community Church Foodbank.

To whom it may concern

This letter is to confirm that the Omokoroa Community Church Foodbank is supported by the MenzShed Omokoroa on a weekly basis. We appreciate the fresh greens they deliver each Wednesday which go out to our families in need.

We feel so blessed to be able to assist these families and we appreciate all the support we receive from various organizations within our community including the MenzShed Omokoroa.

We wish them well with their applications and hope that they are blessed as they bless others.

Many Blessings

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tanya van Heerden', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Tanya van Heerden
Parish Administrator

17th April 2025

As a Member Operating Group of OEMI, the MenzShed has been an invaluable resource in providing infrastructure to promote and support the environment in our community.

The MenzShed Ōmokoroa is one of the 10 Member Operating Groups (MoG's) of Ōmokoroa Environment Managers Inc. (OEMI) that has made a significant impact on the infrastructure of our peninsular and generated immense community cohesiveness.

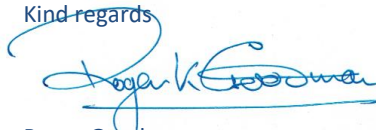
The MenzShed designed and executed the Ōmokoroa Bird Observatory, and opened at the 2025 Godwit/Kuaka festival. The volunteers of MenzShed and other MoG's have been engaged in it 'preparation and presentation The Ōmokoroa Point School children are creating posters placards and story boards about our endangered native and migratory birds and the volunteers of Post Free Ōmokoroa are providing secure habitats. They have also supported the Bird Group with projects such as producing plywood cut-outs of Godwits for children to paint at the Godwit Festival.

The MenzShed are continuing the Bird Observatory Project with a second stage sculpture of a flying Godwit/Kuaka over the pathway to the Observatory.

As OEMI and Whakamarama Community Inc. with Pirirakau, undertake an environmental services contract with Western Bay Council we see the MenzShed as an integral part of this wider endeavour.

Already we are discussing refurbishing and repurposing projects around the former Sea Scout hall at Ōmokoroa Domain to provide infrastructure for Pirirakau's waka and cultural events and a home for Pest Free Ōmokoroa's pest eradication 'library'.

Kind regards



Roger Goodman



Chairman



SUB ID 70

From: janine pipes [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, 12 May 2025 2:37 pm
To: Your Place
Subject: Restore Kaiate Hall

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I would like to show my support for the restoration of Kaiate Community Hall built in 1912 ...this property should be restored as part of NZ heritage , don't lose our history

Kind regards

Janine Pipes

Welcome Bay resident

Friends of Kaimai Views
SUB ID 71

KAIMAI VIEWS RESERVE

Following is the submission on the proposed Kaimai Views Reserve as relating to the draft Kaimai Ward Reserve Management Plan from the volunteer group Friends of Kaimai Views.



Fig 1: Proposed Kaimai Views Reserve

Friends of Kaimai Views

Friends of Kaimai Views (FoKV) are a small group of volunteers who mainly live in the Kaimai Views subdivision of Omokoroa but we are joined by others from groups elsewhere on the peninsula at various times. Over the last 18 months to 2 years we have been active in the area mainly on 3 levels:

1. Working bees for pest plant eradication and some planting of natives in the reserve behind the houses on Traverse Lane (area marked in blue in Figure 2). This work is with the WBOPDC Reserves department and Volunteer coordinators.
2. Liaison and petitioning of WPOBDC (Roading) and Omokoroa Community Board on the maintenance of the roadside planting throughout the Kaimai Views subdivision. A contract was let by Council for an initial clean up and ongoing maintenance appears to be occurring.
3. Members of our group are involved in Pest Control around the waterways in the area.



Fig 2: Current areas where FoKV do pest plant eradication and some new plant protection

SUB ID 71

The Proposed Kaimai Views Reserve

With regards the Proposed Kaimai Views Reserve and the Management Plan, FoKV requests that Council, commits to, plans and budgets for, the following:

1. Maintenance. That there is a significant improvement in the levels of maintenance throughout the Reserve. For example -
 - Grass shall at no time exceed 90mm height
 - All planted areas shall have timely and effective control of competing/invasive weeds and pest plants
 - All pathways shall have timely and effective control of weeds and encroaching vegetation and all surfaces shall be kept in good order.
2. Capital Projects
 - The 3 grassed reserve entrance areas (at Sentinel Ave., Traverse Lane and Pioneer Cres.) be rationalised to serve a more meaningful community purpose (marked in red and white on Figure 3).

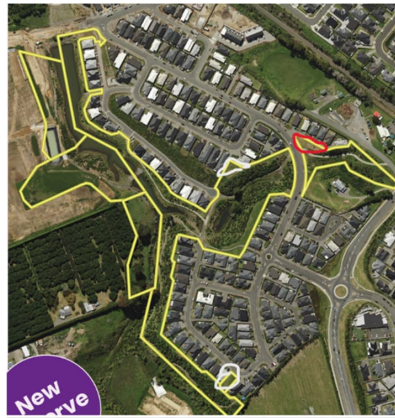


Figure 3: The 3 grassed Reserve Entrance areas

For example

- Plant appropriate specimen /shade trees or easy-care fruit trees.
- Reduce areas of grass by doing further amenity planting
- Extend walkway back to roadways
- Install signage at certain points to indicate pathway access points
- Clarify the reserve's name (currently Puna Rua at Carriage Way entrance)
- Create a carpark area at the grassed triangular area at Sentinel Ave (marked in red on Figure 3) to enable residents to park cars off the roadway. FoKV have included this request in their submission to the WBOPDC Roadway Bylaw review.
- The subdivisions of Kaimai Views and Puna Rua need a children's playground in a centrally located site.
- Capital be allocated to bulk up the under-planted areas so they become self-maintaining more quickly and plant unplanted areas to complete the ecological corridor and eliminate unsightly wasteland gaps.
- Resurface the steeper parts of the walkway near Settlers Hall and behind Traverse Lane with slip-resistant material to improve safety.

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- Fully develop the pathway on the western side of the ponds to create a loop walk/ride with the west and east paths linked by a bridge at some point. (Figure 4)



Figure 4: Extension of pathway on the western side of the ponds.

We thank you for accepting this submission and are happy to discuss further if required.



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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Consultation Events Feedback

22 March 2025: Doggy Day Out

Topic	Comments	Votes Count
Menz Shed	Pirority is to remain on corner of Prole & Omokoroa Rd	2
Pest management feedback	Admin person to support community groups and funding applications	1
Dog park	requested	4
Precious Family toilet	support	3
Precious Family toilet	oppose	2

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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Consultation Events Feedback

30 March 2025: Oropi Sunday Market

Regarding Puketoki Scenic Reserve. More picnic tables at the fields beside the car park.

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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Consultation Events Feedback

5 April 2025: Basketball 'have a go day' at Maramatanga Park Event

- 5 people asked for new facilities to be built at or near the Maramatanga Park playground

Toilets – Toilets in the rugby club and nearby building are always locked and too far away from the playground.

Water fountain – Same as above

Rubbish bins with recycling – Park gets very busy during sports events and rubbish is always left by the playground

Electric BBQ near the existing picnic tables

- Expect a submission and request to speak at our Hearings from Bev Cain for 109 Clarke Road, I'Anson Bush Reserve and Te Puna Quarry Park
- 3 requests for a mini hoop opposite the new full-sized basketball hoop. To suit the smaller and younger aged children



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Kaimai Reserve Management Plan 2025

Consultation Events Feedback

7 May 2025: Kaimai Ward Community Expo

Ongaonga Scenic Reserve
swing bridge
potential sell L. Kaimai Hall Site to cover the
cost

Waitui Reserve
address erosion
issues

Wahi ō te Hakau
pest plants are out of control
car parking?
Walkways/cycleways
connections

Poripori Picnic Area
add some cultural features
improve overall look & feel of the
area car parking issues
curb height diff between rd &
carpark carpark sealing

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