

Waikato District Neighbourhood Parks Reserve Management Plan



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1.0 Purpose of this plan

Reserve management plans provide direction for the day-to-day management of reserves.

Determining community preferences and establishing the best means to provide for them are essential ingredients of good management planning. A management plan provides the community with certainty about the function and management of each reserve that is managed by Council. It also helps ensure that management decisions are consistent with the principles of the Reserves Act 1977.

This plan will provide for consistent approach to the management of reserves in the Waikato district.

1.1 Reserve management plan requirements

The Waikato District Council (the Council) has a responsibility as an administering body under the Reserves Act 1977, Section 41, to prepare management plans for the reserves and parks that it manages.

These management plans should "... provide for and ensure the use, enjoyment, maintenance, protection, and preservation ... and, ... the development, as appropriate, of the reserve for the purpose for which it is classified".

Open space is recognised as an important component of the urban environment, providing opportunities for recreation and leisure. This management plan provides a framework within which managers can develop a balanced response to current opportunities and address future pressures.

The management plan identifies clear objectives and establishes directions for planning, resource management and maintenance of public open space. It clarifies and establishes policy and direction for both Council staff and the public.

When adopted, this management plan and the General Policies Management Plan 2015 will replace any previously prepared reserve management plan for reserves included in this plan.

This management plan will be kept under continuous review to ensure that the policies are appropriate and relevant for the communities within the Waikato district. It is intended that a comprehensive review will take place every five years.

1.2 Relationship with general policies

This management plan is to be read in conjunction with the General Policies Reserve Management Plan. The general policies will apply to all reserves within the Waikato district. Where there is a conflict between the specific policies contained within this plan and the general policies contained within the General Policies Reserve Management Plan, the specific policies in this plan will take precedence.

1.3 Relationship with strategies

Council has other strategies that impact neighbourhood parks, including the Playground Strategy, Signage Strategy and Toilet Strategy. Whereby these strategies have identified policies for neighbourhood parks it is the intention that these will be implemented. These policies may relate to issues such as maintaining and upgrading playgrounds, installing park signage and upgrading public toilets. To avoid repetition these policies have not been repeated in this document.

1.4 Waikato-Tainui Joint Management Agreement

Council and Waikato-Tainui have entered into a Joint Management Agreement in accordance with the Waikato-Tainui Raupatu Claims (Waikato River) Settlement Act 2010. The agreement acknowledges that Council has rights and responsibilities with regard to management of reserves under Reserves Act 1977.

The agreement also acknowledges that Council has a requirement to consult to determine appropriate management of Crown land under Council control and to consider how management decisions that may impact on future return of the land to Waikato-Tainui.

In accordance with the Waikato Raupatu Claims Settlement Act 1995, Council has informed the Waikato Raupatu River Trust of its intention to prepare a reserve management plan and has discussed the scope of the reserve management plan. The Waikato Raupatu River Trust will provide Council with feedback on how the draft plan and submissions received may affect customary activities on the Waikato River.

The Council is the administrator of many reserves where the underlying ownership resides with the Crown. In accordance with the Waikato Raupatu Claims Settlement Act 1995, Waikato-Tainui will be offered first right of refusal where Crown land is to be disposed of. Where reserves are subject to first right of refusal provisions, this is identified in the property summary for each reserve.

Where the land was derived from the Crown, and therefore subject to the Waikato-Tainui Treaty Settlement, this is shown as a "Subject to WTTS".

1.5 Structure of this plan

The reserves covered by this management plan are presented on a ward-by-ward basis. Each reserve is described with respect to its classification and legal description and the authority under which the Council manages it.

Council's authority to administer the reserve may either come from:

1. Ownership (in such cases the land will have been "declared" reserve under Section 14 of the Reserves Act or "vested" on subdivision under the Resource Management Act or Local Government Act)
2. A "vesting" from the Crown, or

3. "An appointment to control and manage" from the Crown

Where the land was derived from the Crown, and therefore subject to the Waikato-Tainui Treaty Settlement, this is shown as a "Subject to WTTS".

The current formal occupation and use of the reserve is described and the specific issues and policies that apply to the reserve are outlined. A plan showing the boundaries of the reserve is included and where required a more detailed concept plan is included showing future development.

A number of properties are not reserve or are not yet classified in accordance with the Reserves Act 1977. The treatment of these properties is described in Section 3.

1.6 Council and delegations

The Minister of Conservation has delegated a number of procedural and decision-making responsibilities to Council under the Reserves Act 1977. These delegations are made to "Council as a whole" and cannot be delegated to committees of Council or staff. Such decisions that must be made by a meeting of the full Council (Council as a whole) include adoption of reserve management plans, classification of reserves and granting of leases.

Other decisions, such as approval for events, removal of trees, issuing of permits etc. can be delegated from the Council to the Chief Executive and to the Parks and Facilities staff. As delegations change from time to time, the term Council is used throughout the document. Staff should refer to the Delegations Manual to determine if they have the authority to make decisions in accordance with the policies in this management plan.

1.7 Implementation

This management plan provides objectives and policies that determine the appropriate use, protection and development of the reserves administered by the Council. Decisions relating to the funding and priority for works described in this plan will be undertaken within Council's Long Term Plan and Annual Plan. Inclusion of any project within this management plan does not indicate Council funding will be available for such works as works may be funded and delivered by parties other than Council.

The requirements of the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014, to obtain an archaeological authority to modify recorded and unrecorded archaeological sites may be applicable to works undertaken in reserves. The consideration of the potential for the presence of archaeological sites at an early stage enables avoiding modifying any sites through good project planning.

1.8 Public suggestions

Suggestions from members of the public have been incorporated in to the individual management plans within this document. However, in some cases suggestions have been made that relate to multiple neighbourhood parks. These suggestions are supported and are discussed below.

Whaingaroa Environment Centre – fruit trees

The Whaingaroa Environment Centre has been involved in assisting the Raglan community with their aspiration to see more free food available in public places. Having fruit trees in Raglan's neighbourhood reserves was an idea brought forward from the community, and supported by the community through the donation of fruit trees, compost and mulch and through the planting of the trees.

The Centre approached the Waikato District Council who has supported this community initiative, providing access to mulch and identifying suitable areas for fruit trees. The Centre would like to see the community aspiration for fruit trees in public spaces formally catered for in the Neighbourhood Parks Reserve Management Plan. This has also been allowed for in Council's Tree Policy.

Smoke free parks

There were a number of suggestions advocating smoke free parks. Council already has a policy within its General Policies Reserve Management Plan that all reserves shall be smoke free. Over time Council will undertake staged introduction of positive smoke free signage and consider initiatives such as communication plans.

Heritage studies

Heritage New Zealand advocates a historic heritage study of each reserve as a helpful way to achieve an understanding of the historic heritage values. Council has a policy within its General Policies Reserve Management Plan to recognise and retain heritage features.

Transpower National Grid transmission lines

Transpower seeks that the Management Plan recognises Transpower's existing assets within the reserves *and* enables the ongoing operation, maintenance, development and upgrade of the National Grid transmission lines within the proposed reserves. Council has a policy within its General Policies Reserve Management Plan to enable this.

2.0 The reserves

2.1 Awaroa ki Tuakau Ward

2.1.1 Centennial Park, Tuakau



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	1.1720 ha
Location	Bollard Road and Park Ave, Tuakau	Legal description	Part Lot 1 DP 13796, Lots 9-12 and Part Lot 13 DP 16549 and DP 25648
Authority	Declared	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This large neighbourhood park includes a playground, established trees, picnic tables, park benches and a large grass area on a gradual slope. Bollards and chains surround the road entrances and the reserve is allocated as a dog exercise area. The Kairoa stream passes through the Eastern portion of the reserve. There are a variety of trees and gardens around the stream, as well as a walking path.

A bridge over the Kairoa stream at the Eastern edge of the reserve was officially opened by His Worship the Mayor Allan Sanson in 2014 and sponsored by the Graham family.

There are plaques by the Western entrance that state: “1840 – 1940 Erected by the people of Tuakau and the surrounding district and in honour dedicated to the memory of those pioneer men and women who having endured dangers and great hardship won for us our heritage”.

Access is given through the reserve for maintenance of the main network lines.

Reserve Issues

- Ensure that consideration is given to railway safety. This can occur with options such as the use of fencing and/or landscaping buffers, and locating buildings away from the rail boundary, as potential means of managing the risk associated with the rail network adjoining public open space.
- Ensure trees are kept away from railway line.
- Whilst there is signage by the carpark, it is not easily viewable.

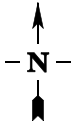
Reserve Management Policy

- I. Consider urban design principles to further buffer the railway line from the reserve.

Proposed Development

No specific development is anticipated.





Centennial Park



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2.1.2 Mark Ball Drive Reserve, Pokeno



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	0.1275 ha
Location	Mark Ball Drive, Pokeno	Legal description	Lot 804 Deposited Plan 446854
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This recently developed neighbourhood park is located amongst a new development in Pokeno. It is accessible from Mark Ball Drive and McNeish Place. The reserve includes a children's playground which was installed in 2013, concrete path, park seats and a grassed area running down a slight slope. Young trees have been planted and gardens are located along the North and South boundaries.

Reserve Issues

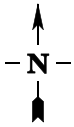
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Reserve Management Policy

- I. None identified.

Proposed Development

No specific development is anticipated.



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2.1.3 Martindale Lane Reserve, Tuakau



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	0.1495 ha
Location	9 Martindale Lane, Tuakau	Legal description	Lot 45 DP 416113
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This neighbourhood park includes a children's playground and a grassed area for informal sporting activities. Gardens are located by the playground along with numerous ornamental rocks and park seats. There are also a small number of trees on the reserve.

Reserve Issues

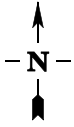
- None identified.

Reserve Management Policy

- None identified.

Proposed Development

No specific development is anticipated.



2.1.4 Mercer Playground, Mercer



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	0.1553 ha
Location	Koheroa Road, Mercer	Legal description	Section 40 Suburb of Mercer
Authority	Declared	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This neighbourhood park has been converted from two former tennis courts. As a result the surface is mainly concrete. The reserve includes a playground with lighting, one basketball hoop, a picnic table, netting around the former tennis courts and gardens around the border of the reserve. Skate ramps were installed in 2016.

Reserve Issues

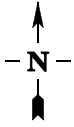
- Lack of signage to identify the reserve as a public asset.
- Concrete surface makes it unsuitable for some informal sports.
- Utilisation of reserve.

Reserve Management Policy

1. Additional skateboarding facilities should be investigated if there is future demand to utilise the concrete surface.
2. Improve landscaping/gardens.

Proposed Development

- Re-establish one tennis court if there is future demand.
- Provide additional skateboarding facilities.



Mercer Playground



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2.1.5 Village Place Park, Tuakau



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	0.607 ha
Location	Village Place, Tuakau	Legal description	Lot 6 DP 147900
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This small neighbourhood park is located on a gradual slope. It mainly consists of mown grass and includes a small selection of trees.

Reserve Issues

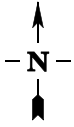
- Lack of signage to identify the reserve as a public asset.
- Utilisation of reserve.

Reserve Management Policy

- I. Undertake landscaping to improve amenity value of reserve.

Proposed Development

- Consider reserve as a venue for a playground.



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2.2 Eureka Ward

2.2.1 Good Street Reserve, Matangi



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	0.1226 ha
Location	9 Good Street, Matangi	Legal description	Lot 25 DPS 50562
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This neighbourhood park is primarily comprised of a children's playground and a flat grass area suitable for informal sporting activity. In addition there is a park seat, picnic table and a small selection of trees. Signage has recently been installed. There is also a pump station on the reserve.

Reserve Issues

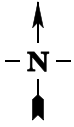
- Visual amenity of reserve.

Reserve Management Policy

- I. Undertake landscaping to improve amenity value of reserve.

Proposed Development

Consider disposal of the reserve and relocation of the playground to Jack Foster Park. This is subject to a surplus land assessment.



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2.3 Huntly Ward

2.3.1 Bailey Street Reserve, Huntly



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	0.1383 ha
Location	Rosser Street and Bailey Street, Huntly	Legal description	Lot 324 DPS 25983
Authority	Vested in the Crown, Administered by Council	Subject to WTTS	Yes

Background

Bailey Street Reserve contains a children's playground and a concrete pedestrian linkage between Bailey Street and Rosser Street. Both entrances are bollarded to prevent vehicle access.

Reserve Issues

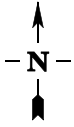
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Reserve Management Policy

1. Undertake landscaping to improve visual amenity.

Proposed Development

Install seating near playground.



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2.3.2 Bond/Hall Street Reserve, Huntly



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	0.4740 ha
Location	Caesar Roose Place and O'Leary Place, Huntly	Legal description	Lot 258 DPS26056
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This reserve has established trees, boundary bollarding and a concrete path providing a linkage between the three access points.

The land parcel adjoining Bond Street is not owned by Council (it is owned by Her Majesty the Queen) and therefore excluded from this management plan; however it is also grassed with a concrete path and has been incorporated in to the Council owned reserve.

Reserve Issues

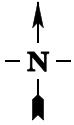
- Lack of signage to identify the reserve as a public asset.
- Vehicles accessing the reserve.
- Land not owned by Council has been incorporated in to the reserve.

Reserve Management Policy

- I. Investigate purchase of the neighbouring land parcel that has been incorporated in to the reserve.

Proposed Development

Improvements to bollarding and reserve access.



Bond/Hall Street Reserve



2.3.3 Brownlie Crescent Reserve, Huntly



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	0.3860 ha
Location	Brownlie Crescent, Huntly	Legal description	Lot 287 DPS 24504
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This flat reserve is located at the end of Brownlie Crescent and is bordered on all sides by the road. It contains a small number of large trees as well as a basketball hoop and small concrete pad.

Reserve Issues

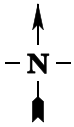
- Proximity to road (safety).
- Rubbish on the reserve.
- Visual amenity of reserve.

Reserve Management Policy

1. Undertake landscaping to improve visual amenity.
2. Allow the site to be utilised for a community garden.

Proposed Development

- Install seating near the basketball hoop.
- Extend the concrete pad under the basketball hoop.



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2.3.4 Caesar Roose Reserve, Huntly



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	1.2863 Hectares
Location	Hall Street, Huntly	Legal description	Lot 257 DPS 27892, Lot 273 DPS 27894
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This large reserve serves as a pedestrian linkage network, with entrances from five different streets and numerous concrete paths. There is bollarding at the entrance points and a selection of established trees. The topography is generally flat with a couple of built up areas, and the visibility is generally good.

Reserve Issues

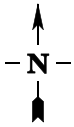
- Dumping of rubbish in the reserve.
- Vehicles accessing reserve.
- A large number of fences in poor condition adjoining private properties.
- Transpower's Hamilton - Meremere B (HAM-MER B) 110 kV transmission line traverses the centre of the Reserve. No structures are located in the Reserve.

Reserve Management Policy

I. Permit vehicle access associated with the ongoing operation, maintenance, development and upgrade of the National Grid transmission lines.

Proposed Development

- Improve bollarding and reserve access.
- Create a fitness trail within the reserve.



Caesar Roose Reserve



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2.3.5 Gavin Place Reserve, Huntly



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	0.3886 ha
Location	Gavin Place, Huntly	Legal description	Lot 60 DPS 24501
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This is a flat park that provides a good open space for informal sporting activities as well as a linkage between three roads. It includes concrete paths for pedestrians and established trees.

Reserve Issues

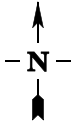
- Vehicles accessing the reserve.
- Rubbish on reserve.

Reserve Management Policy

- I. Undertake landscaping to improve amenity.

Proposed Development

- Install picnic tables and seating.
- Improve bollarding and reserve access.



Gavin Place Reserve



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2.3.6 Huntly West Domain, Huntly



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve Except Lot 3 DPS19370 which is General Land	Area	2.1067 ha
Location	Semple Street and Fraser Street, Huntly	Legal description	Lot 40 DPS858, Lots 1 and 8 DPS316, Pt Lot 9 DPS316, Lot 3 DPS19370
Authority	Declared	Subject to WTTS	Yes Except lot 3 DPS19370

Background

This is a large neighbourhood park that has four access points and is located adjacent to the railway line. It contains a playground, picnic table and park seat, established trees and a basketball court. There is a Maori Wardens building and a bowling club's clubrooms on the reserve.

Reserve Issues

- Ensure that consideration is given to railway safety. This can occur with options such as the use of fencing and/or landscaping buffers, and locating buildings away from the rail boundary, as potential means of managing the risk associated with the rail network adjoining public open space.
- Vehicles accessing the reserve.
- Graffiti.
- Condition of basketball court and car park.
- Security of buildings.

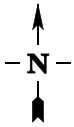
Reserve Management Policy

- I. Formalise lease arrangements for buildings for Bowling and Maori Wardens.

2. Allow additional community buildings to be established on the site.

Proposed Development

- Improving the condition of the basketball court.
- Upgrade bollarding and reserve access.
- Consider disposal of this reserve, subject to a surplus land assessment.



Huntly West Domain



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2.3.7 McDiarmid Crescent Reserve, Huntly



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	0.3659 ha
Location	McDiarmid Crescent, Huntly	Legal description	Lot 116 DPS 27896 and Lot 117 DPS 27895
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This reserve has established trees, boundary bollarding and a concrete path providing a linkage between the two access points. There is good visibility across the reserve.

Reserve Issues

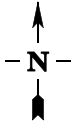
- Motorcycles accessing the reserve.
- Graffiti.
- Dumping of rubbish and lawn clippings.
- A large number of fences in poor condition adjoining private properties.

Reserve Management Policy

None identified.

Proposed Development

Improve bollarding and reserve access.



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2.3.8 Meadows Lane Reserve, Huntly



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	1.0514 ha
Location	Rosser Street and Meadows Lane, Huntly	Legal description	Lot 256 DPS 24502
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This is a large park with an undulating surface and established trees along the boundary.

Reserve Issues

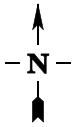
- Poor drainage.

Reserve Management Policy

- I. Undertake landscaping to improve visual amenity.

Proposed Development

- Install seating.
- Consider disposal of this reserve, subject to a surplus land assessment.



Meadows Lane Reserve



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2.3.9 Parry Street Reserve, Huntly



Reserve Classification	Sanitary Purposes Reserve and Local Purpose (Recreation) Reserve	Area	0.8314 ha
Location	Parry Street, Huntly	Legal description	Lot 1 DPS 9787 and Lot 2 DPS 44246
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	Yes – for Lot 1 DPS 9787

Background

This reserve extends from Parry Street through to the railway line. It has a grassed floodbank, a large undulating open space and established trees at the Southern end of the reserve.

Reserve Issues

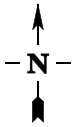
- Ensure that consideration is given to railway safety. This can occur with options such as the use of fencing and/or landscaping buffers, and locating buildings away from the rail boundary, as potential means of managing the risk associated with the rail network adjoining public open space.
- Lack of signage to identify the reserve as a public asset.
- Control of weeds in undergrowth of large trees.
- The Eastern boundary of the ground isn't identifiable.

Reserve Management Policy

1. Define reserve boundaries and undertake access realignment.

Proposed Development

Protect and enhance existing tree planting on the reserve and seek to extend ecological linkages to neighbouring waterways.



Parry Street Reserve



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2.3.10 Pukemiro Domain, Pukemiro



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	1.4505 ha
Location	Bernard Street, John Avenue, Pukemiro	Legal description	Lot 56 DP 8585
Authority	Declared	Subject to WTTS	Yes

Background

This large reserve in Pukemiro is somewhat hidden away between Bernard Street and John Avenue. The park is separated in to two large fields with a row of established trees acting as a divider. The Northern portion is a lower height than the South.

Reserve Issues

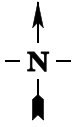
- Lack of road frontage.
- Access and security.
- Illegal grazing.
- Utilisation of reserve.
- Lack of signage to identify it as a public asset.

Reserve Management Policy

1. Allow and encourage the site to be utilised as a community gathering zone.

Proposed Development

- Establish a walking/cycling linkage between the entrances, which can also act as a travel route to the neighbouring school.
- Open up the John Avenue entranceway by installing signage, removing vegetation and improving visibility across the reserve.



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2.3.11 Rosser Street Reserve, Huntly



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	4.0587 ha
Location	Rosser Street and James Henry Crescent, Huntly	Legal description	Lot 372 DPS 26576, Lot 373 DPS 26579, Lot 374 DPS 26580 and Lot 288 DPS 26581
Authority	Declared	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This is a very large reserve which is largely undeveloped. There is a concrete footpath providing a pedestrian linkage between Rosser Street and James Henry Crescent.

Reserve Issues

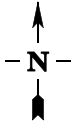
- Very poor drainage.
- Limited road access at Southern end.
- Rubbish dumping.
- Graffiti.
- Utilisation of reserve.

Reserve Management Policy

None identified.

Proposed Development

- Install bollarding and improve reserve access.
- Retain the northern land parcel and consider disposal of the remainder of the reserve, subject to a surplus land assessment.



Rosser Street Reserve



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2.3.12 Russell Road Reserve, Huntly



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	0.3391 ha
Location	Russell Road and Burke Place, Huntly	Legal description	PT LOT 39 DP 23553 LOT 40 DPS 25279 REC RES
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

From the Russell Road entrance this is an attractive park that includes a playground, landscaping and established trees. A picnic table and a park bench are provided within the same area. The park runs down a slope towards the road.

Behind the playground the remainder of the reserve is disconnected, behind a row of trees and a fence line. This portion of the reserve is undeveloped with the exception of a concrete footpath that provides a linkage to Burke Place. There are good views overlooking Huntly from the top of the reserve.

Reserve Issues

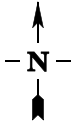
- Lack of connectivity and integration throughout the reserve. The concrete paths do not connect and a fence splits the reserve.

Reserve Management Policy

None identified.

Proposed Development

Create walking access and connectivity between the two reserve entrances.



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2.3.13 Smith Avenue Reserve, Huntly



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	0.0913 ha (Lot 98), 1.3830 ha (Part Lot 14)
Location	Smith Avenue, Webb Street and Armstrong Street, Huntly	Legal description	Part Lot 14 DPS 1010 and Lot 98 DPS 858
Authority	Declared	Subject to WTTS	Yes

Background

This reserve is undeveloped and provides a large area for informal sporting recreation. It has four entrance points.

Reserve Issues

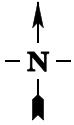
- Vehicles accessing the reserve.
- Graffiti.
- Visual amenity of reserve.
- Rubbish dumping.
- Transpower's Hamilton - Meremere A (HAM-MER A) 110 kV transmission line traverses the western side of the reserve. Poles A227 and A228 are also located in the Reserve.

Reserve Management Policy

I. Permit vehicle access associated with the ongoing operation, maintenance, development and upgrade of the National Grid transmission lines.

Proposed Development

- Upgrade bollarding.
- Consider disposal of this reserve, subject to a surplus land assessment.



Smith Avenue Reserve



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2.3.14 Tamihana Walkway, Huntly



Reserve Classification	Local Purpose Reserve (Accessway)	Area	0.0293 ha
Location	Tamihana Avenue, Huntly	Legal description	Lot 3 DPS 47698
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This small reserve exists to provide an accessway from Tamihana Avenue to Rata Avenue. It contains a concrete path with a 7 wire fence at the edge of the neighbouring property.

Reserve Issues

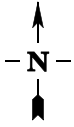
- Encroachment from neighbouring property.
- Lack of signage to identify the reserve as a public asset.

Reserve Management Policy

- I. Resolve the issue of encroachment by the neighbouring property.

Proposed Development

No specific development is anticipated.



Tamihana Walkway



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2.4 Ngaruawahia Ward

2.4.1 Barakat Walkway and Te Wiata Reserve, Ngaruawahia



Reserve Classification	Lots 45 and 49: Local Purpose (Amenity), Lot 27, 51 and 52: Local Purpose (Accessway)	Area	0.4659 ha
Location	Te Wiata Lane, Ngaruawahia	Legal description	Lots 45, 49, 51, 52 DP 372585, Lot 27 DPS 45775
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This neighbourhood park has two open space areas with a creek running through the middle. There is plenty of space for informal recreational activity as well as a playground and picnic table. The creek is lined with a number of trees and shrubs and continues on the Southern side of Te Wiata Lane.

There are also pedestrian accessways on Te Wiata Lane that allow easy access to the reserve for an increased number of residents.

Reserve Issues

- Maintenance and enhancement of the watercourse through the reserve.
- Vehicles accessing the reserve.
- Graffiti on the fence surrounding the reserve.

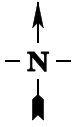
Reserve Management Policy

None identified.

Proposed Development

- Install bollards and chain around reserve to prevent vehicles.
- Placement of a barked garden with trees or shrubs a few metres in from the footpath.
- Improve the appearance/amenity value, including piping the drain for improved safety and appearance.





Barakat Walkway and Te Wiata Reserve



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2.4.2 Duke Street Reserve, Ngaruawahia



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	2.0234 ha
Location	Duke Street, Ngaruawahia	Legal description	Sec 184 Nth Newcastle Subs Blk VII
Authority	Declared	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This site is currently used for a community garden. There are buildings near the entrance and the majority of the land is in paddocks. It is also adjacent to a school.

Reserve Issues

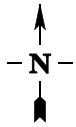
- Lack of visible road frontage.
- Lack of signage to identify the reserve as a public asset.
- Lack of lease arrangements for buildings.
- Not currently utilised as a neighbourhood park.

Reserve Management Policy

1. Formalise lease arrangements for buildings.
2. Continue to allow the site to be used as a community garden.

Proposed Development

- Clear site of permanent buildings.
- Utilise the reserve for sporting purposes if there is a future demand.
- Remove roadside hedge to improve visibility.



Duke Street Reserve



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2.4.3 North Street Reserve, Ngaruawahia



Reserve Classification	Reserve for public utility purposes	Area	0.0822 ha
Location	North Street, Ngaruawahia	Legal description	Lot 25 DPS 420
Authority	Declared	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This small reserve is a flat grassed site with two entrances via narrow accessways. The wider accessway from North Street has bollards and a chain to prevent vehicle access.

Reserve Issues

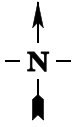
- This reserve has very limited road frontage and is not well designed from a Crime Prevention through Environmental Design perspective. The accessway to the Waikato Esplanade is very narrow.
- Lack of signage to identify the reserve as a public asset.
- There is limited recreational potential, besides as a walking linkage between two streets.
- Utilisation of reserve.

Reserve Management Policy

None identified.

Proposed Development

Consider disposal of this reserve, subject to a surplus land assessment.



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2.4.4 Waipa Esplanade Neighbourhood Reserve, Ngaruawahia



Reserve Classification	Local Purpose Reserve (Recreation)	Area	1.3682 ha
Location	Waipa Esplanade, Ngaruawahia	Legal description	Lot 60 DPS 48202
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This is a large neighbourhood reserve that contains a playground, flat grassed area for informal sporting activities, one rugby goal post and established trees. There are bollards around the entire road exterior.

The adjoining land parcel (Section 663A Town of Newcastle South) is included in the Waikato District Sports Park Reserve Management Plan and is utilised by the Ngaruawahia Pony Club.

Reserve Issues

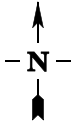
- This management plan should be considered in conjunction with the management plan for the neighbouring land parcel (see Sports Park Reserve Management Plans).
- The Playground Strategy recommends disposal of the playground due to the close proximity to the Te Wiata Lane Playground.

Reserve Management Policy

- I. Consider disposal of playground, as identified in the Playground Strategy.

Proposed Development

Install picnic tables and park seating.



Waipa Esplanade Neighbourhood Reserve



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2.5 Onewhero-Te Akau Ward

2.5.1 Maraetai Bay Foreshore Reserve, Port Waikato



Reserve Classification	Foreshore Reserve	Area	4.148 ha
Location	Maunsell Road, Port Waikato	Legal description	Lot 13 DPS 1186
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This large foreshore reserve has plenty of space for informal sporting activities and beach access as well as a children's playground, barbeque, public toilets and changing rooms, picnic tables and park benches (with views across the bay) and a scattering of established trees.

Reserve Issues

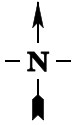
- Encroachment by a number of neighbouring properties.
- Coastal erosion.
- Motor cycles accessing the dunes through the reserve.
- Freedom camping.

Reserve Management Policy

1. Resolve the issue of encroachment by the neighbouring properties.
2. Any works involving digging will require an archaeological assessment to be undertaken and consultation with Heritage New Zealand prior.

Proposed Development

No specific development is anticipated.



Maraetai Bay Foreshore Reserve



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2.6 Raglan Ward

2.6.1 Bay View Road Reserve, Raglan



Reserve Classification	Plantation Reserve	Area	0.4603 ha
Location	Bay View Road, Raglan	Legal description	Part Lot 1 Deeds Plan 982
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This reserve contains a large number of trees and shrubs, a gravel driveway and wooden steps providing access to the waterfront. A drain (partially piped) runs through the reserve. There is also a pump station.

Reserve Issues

- Encroachment by neighbouring property.
- Limited recreational potential.
- Lack of signage to identify the reserve as a public asset.
- Summer time use of the beach is often high and rubbish is often left behind.

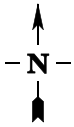
Reserve Management Policy

1. Investigate the potential for the site to serve a pedestrian linkage to the waterfront.
2. Resolve the issue of encroachment by the neighbouring property.
3. Assess ecological value of vegetation and improve visual amenity value.
4. Investigate the possibility to restore the piped drain to a more natural waterway.

Proposed Development

- Improve walking/cycling connection between the road and the waterfront.
- Provide seating and/or picnic tables with waterfront views.





Bay View Road Reserve



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2.6.2 Oram Park, Raglan



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	0.4855 ha
Location	Nihinihi Avenue and Taipari Avenue, Raglan	Legal description	Lot 19 DP 34392, Lot 28 DP 31560, Lot 1 DP 32533
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This is a large neighbourhood park that contains a fenced playground, large open space for informal recreation, established trees and clusters of fruit trees located in 'no spray zones'.

Reserve Issues

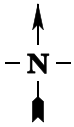
- None identified.

Reserve Management Policy

1. Continue to utilise the reserve for growing fruit trees, in collaboration with the Whaingaroa Environment Centre.
2. Investigate removal of the pool fencing around the playground.

Proposed Development

- Additional playground equipment and landscaping as identified in the Waikato District Council Playground Strategy.
- Install bollards and chains to prevent vehicle access.
- Remove phoenix palms.



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2.6.3 Warihi Park, Raglan



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	0.3364 ha
Location	Cliff Street and Wallis Street, Raglan	Legal description	Part Allotments 3 and 4 Town of Raglan
Authority	Declared	Subject to WTTS	Yes

Background

A sign is located at the Wallis Street entrance that states “Presented by Mr and Mrs W. Fletcher Wallis for a children’s playground 1941”. The initial playground was created by the Raglan Scouting movement. This reserve is separated in to two areas by a gate in the middle. The Wallis Street portion contains a playground, picnic table, seat, bin, established trees and a small number of fruit trees. There is also a grass area suitable for informal sporting activities. The Cliff Street entrance does not have signage and is not easily identifiable as reserve. It contains a number of buildings including a hall used as a scout den, a sandpit, swings and established trees. The scout den is rarely used for its original purpose as there has been no scout troop in Raglan for over a decade.

Reserve Issues

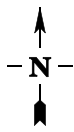
- Lack of signage and recreational opportunities on Cliff Street portion of the reserve.
- Maintenance of buildings.

Reserve Management Policy

1. Continue to utilise the reserve for growing fruit trees, in collaboration with the Whaingaroa Environment Centre.
2. Formalise lease arrangements for buildings.

Proposed Development

Undertaken an assessment at the end of the useful life of the swings as to whether they should be replaced.



Warihi Park



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2.6.4 Whale Bay Reserve, Raglan



Reserve Classification	Lot 39 and Lot 5: Local Purpose Reserve (Esplanade) Lot 38: Recreation Reserve Lot 41: Road Reserve	Area	0.9978 ha
Location	Calvert Road, Whale Bay	Legal description	Lot 39 DPS 7801, Lot 38 DPS 7801, Lot 41 DPS 7801, Lot 5 DPS 22469
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This large neighbourhood park has entrances off Calvert Road and Tohora Close; it is easy to walk through the park along the mowed grass. There is existing signage, concreted walkways and rubbish bins at both entrances, public toilets, two swings, picnic tables, established trees and gardens, grassed areas (the lower lawn has a flat topography and is suitable for informal sports) and ocean views.

Reserve Issues

- Path improvements are required for safe access to public toilets.
- The reserve is muddy and slippery in places during winter and after rainfall.

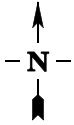
Reserve Management Policy

1. Investigate opportunities to develop surf information signage in conjunction with the Point Boardriders Club.

Proposed Development

- Remove waterfront vegetation and relocate picnic tables to maximise ocean views.
- Metalled paths or alternative solutions to be investigated to address health and safety issues regarding slippery surfaces.





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2.7 Tamahere Ward

2.7.1 Te Awa Reserve, Tamahere



Reserve Classification	Parts Allotment 10 Tamahere Parish and Lot 1 DPS 13314: Recreation Reserve Part Lot 8 DP 9747 and Closed Road adjoining Parts Allotment 10 Tamahere Parish: Esplanade Reserve	Area	1.3284 ha
Location	Te Awa Road, Tamahere	Legal description	Parts Allotment 10 Tamahere Parish, Part Lot 8 DP 9747, Lot 1 DPS 13314, Closed Road adjoining Parts Allotment 10 Tamahere Parish
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	Yes (Pts Allotment 10 and Lot 1)

Background

This is a scenic and peaceful reserve with a large flat grass area, playground and established trees on the upper level. The reserve is well signed, has a gravel carpark and bollards to prevent cars accessing the grass. At the back of the reserve a walkway provides access down the river bank. The walkway extends along the river edge amongst established trees where a variety of birds can be heard.

Reserve Issues

- The use of motorcycles in this area is dangerous to both those using the area and the motor cyclists, as well as discouraging wild life.
- Antisocial behaviour.
- It is not easy to identify that there is a walking track down the river bank.

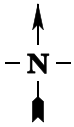
Reserve Management Policy

1. The walk along the river should be maintained as a beautiful “wilderness” walk.
2. The walkway could be extended and more trees planted to further encourage bird life.
3. Maintain playground in accordance with Playground Strategy.
4. Promote the walking track through signage or by extending it closer to the entrance.
5. Support the restoration of the riparian margin of the Waikato River.

Proposed Development

- Install chains to prevent access by motorcyclists.
- Install picnic tables and seating.
- Look to expand the walkway through acquiring additional land through future subdivisions.





Te Awa Reserve



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2.8 Whangamarino Ward

2.8.1 Blunt Road and Awanui Avenue Reserves, Te Kauwhata



Reserve Classification	Lot 113, 115: Local Purpose Drainage, Lot 119, 120, 59: Local Purpose Accessway	Area	0.6738 ha
Location	Blunt Road and Awanui Avenue, Te Kauwhata	Legal description	Lot 113 DP 391858, Lot 115 DP 474509, Lot 119 DP 391858, Lot 120 DP 391858, LOT 59 DP 474569
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

Lot 113 is an established reserve which features trees and shrubs, a path and a drainage pond.

Lot 115 has recently been planted with flaxes to assist with drainage as this site can become swampy in winter.

Lot 59 is currently undeveloped and is solely covered in grass.

Reserve Issues

- Drainage pond is stagnant at certain times of the year (smell, mosquitoes).
- Maintenance and enhancement of the watercourse through the reserve.

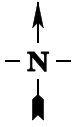
Reserve Management Policy

None identified.

Proposed Development

- Create a pedestrian/cycleway linkage across the reserves.
- Resolve issues regarding the stagnant drainage pond.
- Plan and construct a playground in the future within the reserve.





Blunt Road and Awanui Avenue Reserves



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2.8.2 Meremere Reserve, Meremere



Reserve Classification	Recreation Reserve	Area	1.6050 ha
Location	Te Wheoro Crescent, Meremere	Legal description	Lot 255 DPS 47627
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This is a large neighbourhood park with limited road frontage. A skate park and a basketball hoop are located near the centre. The park has a number of established trees, picnic tables, park seats and a concrete path throughout it.

Reserve Issues

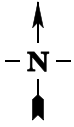
- Graffiti and rubbish.
- Lack of road frontage.
- Poor visibility in some areas due to trees and topography.
- Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) issues.

Reserve Management Policy

1. Undertake a CPTED study to identify opportunities to improve safety, visibility and general appearance of the reserve.
2. Maintain the neighbourhood skate park as identified in the Parks Strategy.

Proposed Development

- Undertake improvements to the skate park.
- Establish a BBQ area and picnic tables.
- Allow sculptures or Maori carving to be placed in the reserve.
- Establish fruit trees.
- Improve linkage to public library.



Meremere Reserve



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3.0 Land other than reserve

The following properties are managed for neighbourhood park purposes by the Council but have either not been declared reserve or have not been classified under the Reserves Act 1977.

The Reserves Act 1977 requires that an administering authority (the Council) classify all reserves prior to public notification of a reserve management plan.

As such the following properties do not form part of this reserve management plan. The Council has instead elected to include them outside of the reserve management plan for completeness. It is the Council's intention that it will apply the policies outlined below in its decision-making under the Local Government Act 2003 when considering the management and development of these properties.

It is the Council's intention that it will declare the following properties reserve and classify them in the future. They will then be included within the General Policies and Neighbourhood Reserves Management Plan in subsequent reviews of those management plans.

3.1 Awaroa ki Tuakau Ward

3.1.1 Central Park, Tuakau



Reserve Classification	Not Reserve	Area	0.2099 ha
Location	George Street, Tuakau	Legal description	Lot 10 and 11 DP 9268
Authority	Freehold	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

There is a plaque on a monument on the site that states: “This park was provided by the citizens of Tuakau to commemorate the existence of the Tuakau Borough Council formed from the Tuakau Town Board 1955 amalgamated with the Franklin District 1989”.

There is also a Sir Edmund Hillary monument erected by Rotary Club of Tuakau. It notes he attended Tuakau Primary School from 1924 – 1931.

The site has seating, paths, gardens and established trees. It is a flat well maintained site in a central town location. Bollards and chains block vehicle access from the road.

Reserve Issues

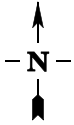
- None identified.

Reserve Management Policy

- Retain as a passive reserve and do not allow a playground or public toilets to be built.

Proposed Development

No specific development is anticipated.



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3.1.2 Kowhai Street Reserve, Tuakau



Reserve Classification	Lots 70 and 71 DP 78424: Recreation reserve , Lots 1, 2 and 4 DP 89067: Local Purpose (esplanade) reserve, Lot 5 DP 89067: Council freehold land Lot 2 DP 329355: Local Purpose (esplanade) reserve	Area	1.4158 ha
Location	Kowhai Street, Matipo Drive, and George Street, Tuakau	Legal description	Lots 70 and 71 DP 78424, Lots 1, 2, 4 and 5 DP 89067, Lot 2 DP 329355
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

The South-West end of this site is adjacent to a stream and is currently undeveloped. There is potential to create a track in the future past the established trees through to the North-East portion of the reserve which contains a larger grass area (mowed to a higher standard). The North-East portion is a capped landfill and includes a pump station.

The site can be accessed from three points.

Reserve Issues

- Lack of signage to identify the site as a public asset.
- Lack of access through the site.
- Maintenance and enhancement of the watercourse through the site.

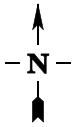
Reserve Management Policy

- I. Acquire additional land to support the development of a walkway through the site.

Proposed Development

- Develop a walkway/cycleway linkage through the site.
- Undertake Riparian plantings and ecological enhancement.





Kowhai Street Reserve



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3.2 Eureka Ward

3.2.1 Jack Foster Park, Matangi



Reserve Classification	Not Reserve	Area	0.6952 ha
Location	Matangi Road, Matangi	Legal description	Section 1 SO 392694
Authority	No Crown Residual Interest. The Land was originally Private Land that was acquired by Waikato District Council in 2007 vide NZ Gazette 2007 p3567 for Community Purposes (Public Work.)	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

There is signage on the site acknowledging Jack Foster, after whom the site is named. It notes that Jack Foster epitomised the commitment the people of Matangi have to each other and the future. It also states that “Jack was born in Yorkshire, England and served in World War II in India and Burma with the Royal Army Veterinary Corps. He said that the war confirmed to him the value of community. Jack was Matangi’s veterinarian for 45 years and he was a dedicated community man. He could be found helping at every community event, often with a tobacco pipe in hand”.

Jack Foster Park has a flat topography and is mostly a grassed site. The site includes a selection of very established trees and also some more recent plantings.

A gravel accessway runs through a portion of the site and the exterior is fenced. It neighbours a local school and a church.

Reserve Issues

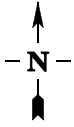
- High vehicle usage of the site to access school.

Reserve Management Policy

- I. The Matangi Community Plan identified a desire to provide youth facilities and these could be considered at this site.

Proposed Development

- Install picnic tables.
- Relocate the Good Street Reserve playground to Jack Foster Park.
- Fence the reserve boundary around the church.



Jack Foster Park



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3.3 Hukanui-Waerenga Ward

3.3.1 Hukanui Park and Hall Site, Gordonton



Hukanui Park

Reserve Classification	Sections 6,7 Block VI Kornakorau Survey District: Local Purpose Reserve (Community Use)	Area	Section 7: 0.7621 ha Section 6: 0.2077 ha
Location	1020 State Highway 1B, Gordonton	Legal description	Sections 6,7 Block VI Kornakorau Survey District
Authority	Declared	Subject to WTTS	Section 7: Yes Section 6: No

Hukanui Hall Site

Reserve Classification	Allotment 275: Not reserve Allotment 272: Not reserve Pt NZ Loan: Workmans Cottage Site Lots 7-10: Public Works Land	Area	Allotment 275: .0809 ha Allotment 272: .0397 ha Pt NZ Loan: 0.2028 ha Lots 7-10: 0.4047 ha
Location	State Highway 1B and Garfield Street, Gordonton	Legal description	LOTS 7-10 DP 284, ALLOT 272 275 Komakorau Parish, Pt NZ Loan & Mercantile Agency Company Ltd Land
Authority	Public Works Declared Reserve	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This large site includes grassed areas and a number of buildings, including the Hukanui Hall, a house that is rented and an old school building currently used as a day care centre. The park also contains a swing set, a war memorial monument and flag pole, public toilets, picnic tables and open space. There is a carpark by the edge of the state highway and there are established trees across the whole site.

There is also a walking path through the site which links with a path to the nearby shops.

A market is held on the site on the second Saturday of every month and a street vendor has consent to operate from the car park.

Reserve Issues

- Lack of lease arrangements.
- Utilisation of site for private purposes.

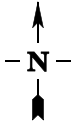
Reserve Management Policy

1. Formalise lease arrangements for buildings.
2. Continue to allow the Market to operate on the reserve.

Proposed Development

Install additional play equipment on the site.





Hukanui Park and Hall



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3.4 Huntly Ward

3.4.1 Blundell Place Reserve, Huntly



Reserve Classification	Not Reserve	Area	Approx. 0.0730 ha
Location	Blundell Place, Huntly	Legal description	Part of road
Authority	Unformed Legal Road	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This small neighbourhood park is located on legal road. The playground takes up a large portion of the site and the reserve is not currently landscaped.

Reserve Issues

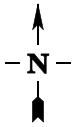
- Lack of landscaping/opportunity to improve amenity.
- Transpower's Hamilton - Meremere B (HAM-MER B) 110 kV transmission line traverses the north-eastern corner of the Reserve. No structures are located in the Reserve.

Reserve Management Policy

I. Permit vehicle access associated with the ongoing operation, maintenance, development and upgrade of the National Grid transmission lines.

Proposed Development

- Relocate playground and dispose park.



Blundell Place Reserve



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3.4.2 Fairfield Park, Huntly



Reserve Classification	Sec 2 Land Act 1948	Area	4.3371 ha
Location	Fairfield Avenue, Huntly	Legal description	Part Allotments 43, 44 Pepepe Parish
Authority	Uncompleted Public Work Transaction – Appointment to Control and Manage	Subject to WTTS	Yes

Background

This well utilised site provides open space for a number of properties and is easily accessible with a large amount of road frontage. The surface is flat to undulating and the site is bordered by a number of established trees. There are footpath linkages crossing the site.

There is a playground, skate park, basketball hoop and fenced off dog exercise area at the Northern section of the site.

Reserve Issues

- Poor drainage.
- Vehicles accessing the site. Some of the boundary is bollarded, but other sections aren't.
- Graffiti at the skate park.
- High voltage overhead powerlines by skate park need to be considered during any developments.
- Hamilton - Meremere A (HAM-MER A) 110 kV transmission line traverses the western side of the Reserve. Poles A235, 236, 237 and 238 are located in the reserve.

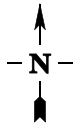
Reserve Management Policy

I. Permit vehicle access associated with the ongoing operation, maintenance, development and upgrade of the National Grid transmission lines.

Proposed Development

- Extend bollarding around reserve.





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3.4.3 Rayner Road Reserve, Huntly



Reserve Classification	Not Reserve	Area	Approx. 0.2400 ha
Location	Rayner Road, Huntly	Legal description	Part of road
Authority	Unformed Legal Road	Subject to WTTS	Not Known

Background

This neighbourhood park is located on legal road. It includes a playground and the reserve is not currently landscaped. It is on a slope running downhill from East to West.

Reserve Issues

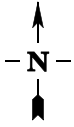
- Lack of landscaping/opportunity to improve amenity.
- Safety/proximity to road.
- Poor drainage.

Reserve Management Policy

None identified.

Proposed Development

1. Undertake landscaping.
2. Install seating.



Rayner Road Reserve



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3.4.4 Riverview Road Reserve, Huntly



Reserve Classification	Not Reserve	Area	0.1609 ha
Location	64 Riverview Road, Huntly	Legal description	Lot 2 DP 28811
Authority	The Land was originally Freehold Land that was transferred to the Huntly Borough Council	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This attractive park includes a children's playground and a picnic table. From within the site there are scenic views of the Waikato River.

Reserve Issues

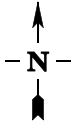
- None identified.

Reserve Management Policy

- None identified.

Proposed Development

No specific development is anticipated.



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3.4.5 Tainui Bridge Road Reserve, Huntly



Reserve Classification	Not Reserve	Area	0.1541 ha
Location	Tainui Bridge Road, Huntly	Legal description	Allotment 860 Taupiri Parish
Authority	Originally Private Land that was acquired by the Crown for Better Utilisation in 1965. Transferred to the Huntly Borough Council in 1984.	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This undeveloped site is located in a central location and includes one large tree.

Reserve Issues

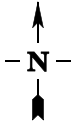
- Lack of signage to identify the site as a public asset.
- Lack of landscaping/opportunity to improve amenity.
- Dominance of advertising signs.
- Safety/proximity to road.

Reserve Management Policy

- I. Undertake landscaping and improve amenity value of site.

Proposed Development

Consider disposal of this reserve, subject to a surplus land assessment.



Tainui Bridge Road Reserve



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3.5 Ngaruawahia Ward

3.5.1 AFFCO Park, Horotiu



Reserve Classification	Not Reserve	Area	Reserve area is approx. 3.4250 ha
Location	State Highway 1 and Horotiu Road, Horotiu	Legal description	Lot 1 DP 422843
Authority	Leased	Subject to WTTS	N/A to Council – Leased

Background

This park is leased by Council off AFFCO Ltd. There is a gravel carpark with bollards off Horotiu Road. Adjacent to the carpark is a playground and a skateboard half pipe. A large dog exercise area is fenced off from the play area. There are a number of large established trees throughout the site.

Reserve Issues

- This is not a Council owned reserve – it is leased.
- Reserve signage is hidden from view under a tree and behind bushes.
- There is no signage to promote the dog exercise area.
- The Playground Strategy identifies a desire to relocate the playground to an alternative site closer to residents or a site of activity.

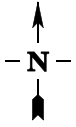
Reserve Management Policy

1. Consider relocation of playground in future decision making, as identified in the Waikato District Council Playground Strategy.
2. Consider opportunities to establish a new reserve nearby if the opportunity arises, rather than continuing to lease land.

Proposed Development

- Improve site signage.
- Install picnic tables.





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3.5.2 Bob Byrne Memorial Park, Taupiri



Reserve Classification	Not reserve Legal Road (State Highway No 1)	Area	Approx. 0.5080 ha
Location	Great South Road, Taupiri	Legal description	Part State Highway No 1
Authority	Land is Part of State Highway No 1 Core Land that is unformed and a buffer between carriageway and river. Not Waikato District Council Land.	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This attractive neighbourhood park is located between Great South Road and the Waikato River in Taupiri. It has a large number of established trees, bushes and gardens. A gravel driveway and carpark allows vehicle entry in to the site, with bollards around its edges. A public toilet is located on the reserve and there is also a basic playground and some picnic tables.

Reserve Issues

- Proximity to main road. Trees and shrubs are acting as a barrier to separate the site from the road.

Reserve Management Policy

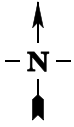
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Proposed Development

- Disestablish the playground, in accordance with the Playground Strategy.

- Improve visibility of river and locate picnic tables and seating in locations with scenic views.





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3.5.3 Durham Street Reserve, Ngaruawahia



Reserve Classification	Not Reserve (freehold)	Area	0.1309 ha
Location	Durham Street and Newton Street, Ngaruawahia	Legal description	Lot 46 DPS 29152
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This land parcel runs down a gradual slope towards the road edge. The site is mostly a grassed area that also contains a small selection of trees. A gravel driveway encroaches the site and a skinny accessway provides a linkage to Prendergast Place.

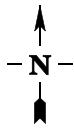
Reserve Issues

- Site encroachment by a gravel driveway and a private property.
- Limited recreational potential.
- Property boundaries are not defined – difficult to identify public versus private land.
- Lack of signage to identify the reserve as a public asset.
- The accessway is poor from a Crime Prevention through Environmental Design perspective.

Reserve Management Policy

1. Address encroachment issues.
2. Consider disposal of this site subject to a surplus land assessment, but retain a walkway.

Proposed Development
No specific development is anticipated.



Durham Street Reserve



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3.5.4 Galileo Street Reserve, Ngaruawahia



Reserve Classification	Unknown	Area	Unknown
Location	Galileo Street and SH1, Ngaruawahia	Legal description	Part Allots 187 190 TN OF Newcastle
Authority	Unknown	Subject to WTTS	Unknown

Background

This site consists of a flat mowed grass site and a few trees between the main road and Galileo Street. As shown in the aerial photo the land parcel only incorporates a small portion of the grassed area, with the majority being unformed legal road. There is a metal fence acting as a safety barrier alongside the main road. There are footpaths across the site providing pedestrian linkages.

Reserve Issues

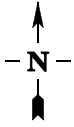
- Lack of signage to identify the site as a public asset.
- The majority of the site is located on an unformed legal road.
- Safety issues associated with proximity to busy roads, e.g. unsuitable for informal sporting activity.
- Limited recreational potential.

Reserve Management Policy

1. Stop the unformed legal road and incorporate it in to the reserve or declare the reserve to be road and maintain as a berm.

Proposed Development

No specific development is anticipated.



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3.5.5 Te Mana o Te Rangi Reserve, Ngaruawahia



Reserve Classification	Not Reserve Recreation Purposes (Public Work)	Area	5.1986 ha
Location	Great South Road, Ngaruawahia	Legal description	Section 1 SO 305281
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This large site is located between Great South Road and the railway line within Ngaruawahia. It is a former dump site and vents were removed from the surface in late 2015. The site is relatively flat with some established trees at the North-West end of the site. A fenced off dog exercise area is also located in the North-West portion. In 2016 Council resolved to name the reserve 'Te Mana o Te Rangi Reserve'.

Reserve Issues

- Ensure that consideration is given to railway safety. This can occur with options such as the use of fencing and/or landscaping buffers, and locating buildings away from the rail boundary, as potential means of managing the risk associated with the rail network adjoining public open space.
- Development potential is impacted due to former use as a dump site.
- Lack of signage to identify the site as a public asset.

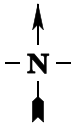
Reserve Management Policy

1. Consider urban design principles to further buffer the railway line from the site.
2. Allow this site to be used by the Dog Kennel Club as an alternative to The Point.
3. Produce a landscape plan for the site to be implemented.

Proposed Development

- No specific development is anticipated. Development potential is impacted due to former use as a dump site.





Ngaruawahia Highway South Reserve



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3.5.6 Penny Crescent Reserve, Hopuhopu



Reserve Classification	Not reserve Held for water supply purposes	Area	0.2857 ha
Location	Penny Crescent, Hopuhopu	Legal description	Section I SO 58672
Authority	Public Work	Subject to WTTS	Yes

Background

This site is located on a land parcel that also includes a water treatment plant. The site area includes a playground, grass area and some trees adjacent to the Waikato River.

Reserve Issues

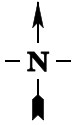
- Opportunity to improve visual amenity.

Reserve Management Policy

None identified.

Proposed Development

- Improve the visual amenity overlooking the river and install seating.



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3.5.7 Taupiri War Memorial Hall Reserve, Taupiri



Reserve Classification	Not Reserve Fee Simple	Area	0.2034 ha
Location	Greenlane Road, Taupiri	Legal description	Lot 3 DP 31023 and Lot 4 DP 31023
Authority	Owned in Fee Simple	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This is the site of the Taupiri War Memorial Hall. The remainder of the land is flat mown grass, with the portion behind the hall being fenced and gated off.

Reserve Issues

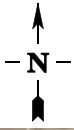
- The site is located next to a school, which provides more suitable space for informal sporting recreation and also includes a children's playground.
- Lack of signage to identify the site as a public asset.
- Limited recreational potential.
- Encroachment by neighbouring property.

Reserve Management Policy

- I. Address encroachment issue.

Proposed Development

If the hall is identified as excess to requirements in the future then dispose of the property.



Taupiri War Memorial Hall Reserve



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3.5.8 Westgate Street Reserve, Ngaruawahia



Reserve Classification	Not Reserve	Area	0.0468 ha
Location	Westgate Street and Herschel Street, Ngaruawahia	Legal description	Allotment 694 Newcastle Township
Authority	Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Background

This open space extends beyond the land parcel and also incorporates a portion of the legal road. The site is mown and has not been developed, with the exception of a public footpath and a couple of established trees.

Reserve Issues

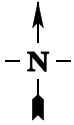
- Lack of signage to identify the site as a public asset.
- Most of the site area is actually outside of the land parcel (on the legal road).

Reserve Management Policy

1. Consider amending property boundary if a need is identified in the future.

Proposed Development

Consider disposal of this reserve, subject to a surplus land assessment.



Westgate Street Reserve



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3.6 Raglan Ward

3.6.1 Puriri Street Reserve, Raglan



Reserve Classification	Overwide unformed legal road	Area	0.1105 ha subject to survey
Location	Puriri Street, Raglan	Legal description	Unformed Legal Road
Authority	Unformed Legal Road	Subject to WTTS	Unknown

Background

This site is located on legal road. It contains play equipment, picnic tables, established trees and bollards by the road entrance. Public toilets are located at the edge of the site.

Reserve Issues

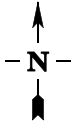
- Erosion and sea level rise.

Reserve Management Policy

1. Retain playground at present but note proximity to the Warihi Park Playground in future decision making, as identified in the Waikato District Council Playground Strategy.

Proposed Development

No specific development is anticipated.



Puriri Street Reserve



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3.7 Whangamarino Ward

3.7.1 Te Kauwhata Railway Reserve and Village Green, Te Kauwhata



Reserve Classification	Lot 6 DPS 76080: General Land Section I: Recreation Purposes (Public Works Act 1981)	Area	Lot 6: 0.8547 ha, Section I SO 306019: 0.0596 ha, Section I SO 305346: 0.5521 ha
Location	Te Kauwhata Road and Saleyard Road, Te Kauwhata	Legal description	Lot 6 DPS 76080, Section I SO 306019, Section I SO 305346
Authority	Lot 6: Transferred Section I: Vested	Subject to WTTS	No

Reserve Classification	Local Purpose Community Use	Area	0.0843 ha
Location	14 Te Kauwhata Road, Te Kauwhata	Legal description	Section I SO 381034
Authority	Public Work	Subject to WTTS	Unknown

Background

These four land parcels are adjacent to the railway line in Te Kauwhata. Lot 6 DPS 76080 includes a soldiers memorial that was established in 2015 and a skate park. Section I SO 305346 includes a childrens playground, barbeque, picnic table and gravel carpark. There are also established trees, gardens and grass areas for informal sporting recreation within the site. The railway is largely separated from the site by plantings.

The smaller land parcels on the West of the railway line are grassed site, with a pedestrian linkage from the Northern one to the site on the other side of the railway.

Reserve Issues

- Ensure that consideration is given to railway safety. This can occur with options such as the use of fencing and/or landscaping buffers, and locating buildings away from the rail boundary, as potential means of managing the risk associated with the rail network adjoining public open space.
- Connectivity between land parcels.

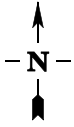
Reserve Management Policy

None identified.

Proposed Development

- Establish adult exercising equipment alongside the children's play area and an assault course aimed towards teenagers.
- Consider urban design principles to further buffer the railway line from the site.
- Look to increase walkway opportunities by acquiring land to the North of the site.
- Improvements and expansion to skate park.





Te Kauwhata Railway Reserve and Village Green



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