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EXTRAORDINARY STRATEGY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

9AM, TUESDAY 1 AUGUST 2023

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EXTRAORDINARY STRATEGY & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

1 August 2023

MEETING NOTICE

Pursuant to Clause 22 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, I hereby requisition an extraordinary meeting of the Council to be held at 9.00am on Tuesday, 1 August 2023 in the Council Chamber, first floor, Civic Administration Building, 32 The Square, Palmerston North, to consider the business stated below.



MAYOR

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. **Karakia Timatanga**

2. **Apologies**

3. **Notification of Additional Items**

Pursuant to Sections 46A(7) and 46A(7A) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, to receive the Chairperson's explanation that specified item(s), which do not appear on the Agenda of this meeting and/or the meeting to be held with the public excluded, will be discussed.

Any additions in accordance with Section 46A(7) must be approved by resolution with an explanation as to why they cannot be delayed until a future meeting.

Any additions in accordance with Section 46A(7A) may be received or referred to a subsequent meeting for further discussion. No resolution, decision or recommendation can be made in respect of a minor item.

4. Declarations of Interest (if any)

Members are reminded of their duty to give a general notice of any interest of items to be considered on this agenda and the need to declare these interests.

5. Public Comment

To receive comments from members of the public on matters specified on this Agenda or, if time permits, on other Committee matters.

(NOTE: If the Committee wishes to consider or discuss any issue raised that is not specified on the Agenda, other than to receive the comment made or refer it to the Chief Executive, then a resolution will need to be made in accordance with clause 2 above.)

6. Hearing of Submissions - Interim Speed Management Plan 2023 (School Speed Limits)

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7. Summary of Submissions - Interim Speed Management Plan (School Speed Limits)

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Memorandum, presented by Peter Ridge, Senior Policy Analyst.

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9. Summary of Submissions - Waterloo Park Land Exchange Proposal

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Memorandum, presented by Aaron Phillips, Activity Manager - Parks.

10. **Vautier Park - Proposal to continue supporting Netball Manawātū Centre Incorporated by notifying the public of the intention to grant community occupancy via a lease of Council land** Page 133

Report, presented by Bryce Hosking, Group Manager - Property and Resource Recovery.

11. **309 Main Street - Proposal to continue supporting Senior Citizens Association Palmerston North by notifying the intention to grant community occupancy via a lease of Council land** Page 155

Report, presented by Bryce Hosking, Group Manager - Property and Resource Recovery.

12. **16 Featherston Street - Proposal to grant a lease to Takaro Sports Incorporated** Page 183

Report, presented by Bryce Hosking, Group Manager - Property and Resource Recovery.

13. **117 Vogel Street - Proposal to grant a lease on Council land to Te Kohanga Reo National Trust Board (Te Awhina Kohanga Reo)** Page 187

Memorandum, presented by Bryce Hosking, Group Manager - Property and Resource Recovery.

14. **21 Guildford Street, Ashhurst - Proposal to grant a lease to Ashhurst Community Trust** Page 191

Memorandum, presented by Bryce Hosking, Group Manager - Property and Resource Recovery.

15. **Committee Work Schedule** Page 209

16. **Karakia Whakamutunga**

17. **Exclusion of Public**

To be moved:

“That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting listed in the table below.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each

matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for passing this resolution

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public as stated in the above table.

Also that the persons listed below be permitted to remain after the public has been excluded for the reasons stated.

[Add Third Parties], because of their knowledge and ability to assist the meeting in speaking to their report/s [or other matters as specified] and answering questions, noting that such person/s will be present at the meeting only for the items that relate to their respective report/s [or matters as specified].

SUBMISSION FROM CONSULTATION

TO: Strategy & Finance Committee

MEETING DATE: 1 August 2023

TITLE: Hearing of Submissions - Interim Speed Management Plan 2023 (School Speed Limits)




RECOMMENDATION(S) TO STRATEGY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. That the Strategy & Finance Committee hear submissions from presenters who indicated their wish to be heard in support of their submission.
2. That the Committee note the Procedure for Hearing of Submissions, as described in the procedure sheet.

SUBMITTERS WISHING TO BE HEARD IN SUPPORT OF THEIR SUBMISSION

Submission No.	Submitter	Page No. (in separate document)
342	Chris Teo-Sherrell	389
329	David Lane	374
320	Anne Strawbridge	361
127	Troy Duckworth, Turitea School	145
36	Alex Turner-Steele	50
373	Rosalie Heckler	435
241	James Irwin	265
62	Alan Leipst	77

ATTACHMENTS

1. Submissions_Part 1 (attached separately) 
2. Submissions_Part 2 (attached separately) 
3. Procedure Sheet 

Procedure Sheet Hearing of Submissions

Presenting your submission

You have indicated a wish to present your submission before a Committee of Councillors, you can do this either in-person or online. You may speak to your submission yourself or, if you wish, arrange for some other person or persons to speak on your behalf.

We recommend that you speak to the main points of your submission and then answer any questions. It is not necessary to read your submission as Committee members have a copy and will have already read it.

Questions are for clarifying matters raised in submissions. Questions may only be asked by Committee members, unless the Chairperson gives permission.

Time Allocation

10 minutes (including question time) will be allocated for the hearing of each submission. If more than one person speaks to a submission, the time that is allocated to that submission will be shared between the speakers.

Who will be there?

The Strategy and Finance Committee will hear the submissions. The Committee comprises of elected members as identified on the frontispiece of the Agenda.

There will also be other people there who are presenting their submission. The Hearing is open to the media and the public.

Agenda

An Agenda for the meeting at which you will be speaking will be publicly available at least two working days prior to the meeting. It will be published on the Palmerston North City Council website ([Agendas and minutes](#)) and available to view at the Customer Service Centre. The Agenda lists the submissions in the order they will be considered by the Committee, although there may be some variation to this.

Venue

The meeting will be held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Civic Administration Building, Te Marae o Hine, 32 The Square, Palmerston North.

The Council Chamber will be set out with tables arranged appropriately. You will be invited to sit at the table with the Councillors when called.

Tikanga Maori	You may speak to your submission in Maori if you wish. If you intend to do so, please contact us no later than four days before the date of the meeting (refer to the "Further Information" section below). This is to enable arrangements to be made for a certified interpreter to attend the meeting. You may bring your own interpreter if you wish.
Visual Aids	A whiteboard, and computer with PowerPoint will be available for your use.
Final Consideration of Submissions	Final consideration of submissions will be at the ordinary meeting of the Strategy and Finance Committee on 20 September 2023. The media and public can attend these meetings, but it will not be possible for you to speak further to your submission or participate in the Committee deliberations.
Changes to this Procedure	The Committee may, in its sole discretion, vary the procedure set out above if circumstances indicate that some other procedure would be more appropriate.
Further Information	If you have any questions about the procedure outlined above please contact Natalya Kushnirenko, Democracy & Governance Administrator, phone 06 356-8199 extension 7106 or email natalya.kushnirenko@pncc.govt.nz .

MEMORANDUM

TO: Strategy & Finance Committee

MEETING DATE: 1 August 2023

TITLE: Summary of Submissions - Interim Speed Management Plan (School Speed Limits)

PRESENTED BY: Peter Ridge, Senior Policy Analyst

APPROVED BY: David Murphy, Chief Planning Officer

RECOMMENDATION TO STRATEGY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. That the Committee receive the memorandum titled 'Summary of Submissions – Interim Speed Management Plan (School Speed Limits)' presented to the Strategy & Finance Committee on 1 August 2023.
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1. ISSUE

The Council received 378 submissions on the draft interim Speed Management Plan (School Speed Limits). Seventeen submitters indicated they wish to make an oral submission.

This memorandum provides an initial summary of the key issues raised in the written submissions. A full analysis of the written and oral submissions will be provided to the Committee in September.

2. BACKGROUND

On 5 April 2023, the Council approved the draft interim Speed Management Plan (School Speed Limits) for public consultation. The written submission period was open from 1 May until 2 June. The Council received 378 written submissions during this time. The submissions are included in the agenda.

The consultation webpage provided an interactive map showing the locations of the schools where speed limit changes were being proposed, with the ability to click through to see the details of those proposed changes. The form gave submitters the opportunity to indicate if they supported, opposed or were not sure about that proposal, as well as to make specific comments on that part of the proposal. Across the 378 submissions received, 471 comments were made on specific school areas. Submitters also had the opportunity to make general comments about the proposals at the end of the submission form.

3. SUMMARY OF SUBMISSIONS

Table 1 provides a breakdown of the 'raw' number of submitters in support or opposed to the specific proposals for each school or area, as indicated by their response on the online form. The green shading indicates where the number of submitters that supported the proposal exceeded the number who opposed. The red shading indicates where the number of submitters who opposed the proposal exceeded the number in support.

Table 1: Number of submissions supporting or opposing each proposed school speed limit change

School	Total	Support	Opposed	Not sure
Aokautere School	26	18	6	2
Ashhurst School	11	2	8	1
Awapuni School	14	4	6	4
Bunnythorpe School	9	6	3	0
Carncot Independent School	10	6	3	1
Central Normal School/Queen Elizabeth College/Palmerston North Boys' High School Cluster	32	17	13	2
Cloverlea School	27	13	10	4
College St Normal School	19	10	9	0
Cornerstone Christian School	9	2	5	2
Freyberg High School	12	5	6	1
Kairanga School	3	3	0	0
Longburn Adventist College	4	2	1	1
Longburn School	10	10	0	0
Mana Tamariki	2	1	0	1
Manawatū Community High School - Manawatū Kura a Iwi	8	7	1	0
Manakura	1	1	0	0
Monrad/Takaro School/Our Lady of	9	4	5	0

School	Total	Support	Opposed	Not sure
Lourdes School Cluster				
OneSchool Global - Palmerston North Campus	12	4	8	0
Palmerston North Adventist Christian School	2	2	0	0
Palmerston North Girls' High School	15	9	6	0
Palmerston North Intermediate Normal School	19	10	9	0
Parkland School	10	6	2	2
Riverdale School/Awatapu College/West End School Cluster	41	24	16	1
Roslyn School	9	6	2	1
Ross Intermediate	16	8	7	1
Russell Street School	14	8	4	2
St James School/Hokowhitu School/Winchester School Cluster	39	21	14	4
St Peters College/Milson School Cluster	38	21	17	0
Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Manawatū	2	1	1	0
Te Kura o Wairau	4	4	0	0
Terrace End School	15	9	4	2
Turitea School	16	15	1	0
Whakarongo School	3	2	1	0

In addition to the submissions made using the online form, a further ten 'freeform' submissions were made which expressed general support or opposition to the proposed speed limit changes. Of those ten, eight were generally in support, while two were generally opposed to the proposed speed limit changes.

A full analysis of the specific points of support or opposition will be completed for the next report to the Committee.

Engagement

Throughout the consultation period the proposal was widely promoted through Council's communication channels. In addition to the consultation page on the Council website, the consultation document was made available at the Council's Customer Service Centre and at each of its libraries. It was also directly provided to identified key stakeholders. Schools were provided with an information pack that included details of the proposal and information that they could share with school families to encourage engagement and participation in the consultation process.

The consultation process was promoted with a mixture of print and radio advertising, and 'organic' and promoted posts on social media platforms. Drop-in sessions were organised at four schools throughout the consultation period, with a fifth session hosted at the central library.

Social media promotion included three organic posts, and one paid advertised post. Screenshots of the comments and replies are included in Attachment 1. One comment has been redacted because it was related to a housing matter rather than the speed management plan and included personally identifiable information. Table 2 shows the key statistics for each post:

Table 2: Social media engagement

	Impressions¹	Reach²	Engagement³
Post #1 1 May 2023	119,446	34,640	9,241
Post #2 7 May 2023	12,743	12,030	1,292
Post #3 31 May 2023	5,753	5,448	655
Post #4 (paid) 1 May 2023	109,187	30,323	n/a

¹ This refers to the number of times the post was viewed. A single person may view the post multiple times.

² This refers to the number of people who saw the post at least once.

³ This refers to the number of times people engaged with the post. This is a combination of views, reactions, comments, shares and clicks.

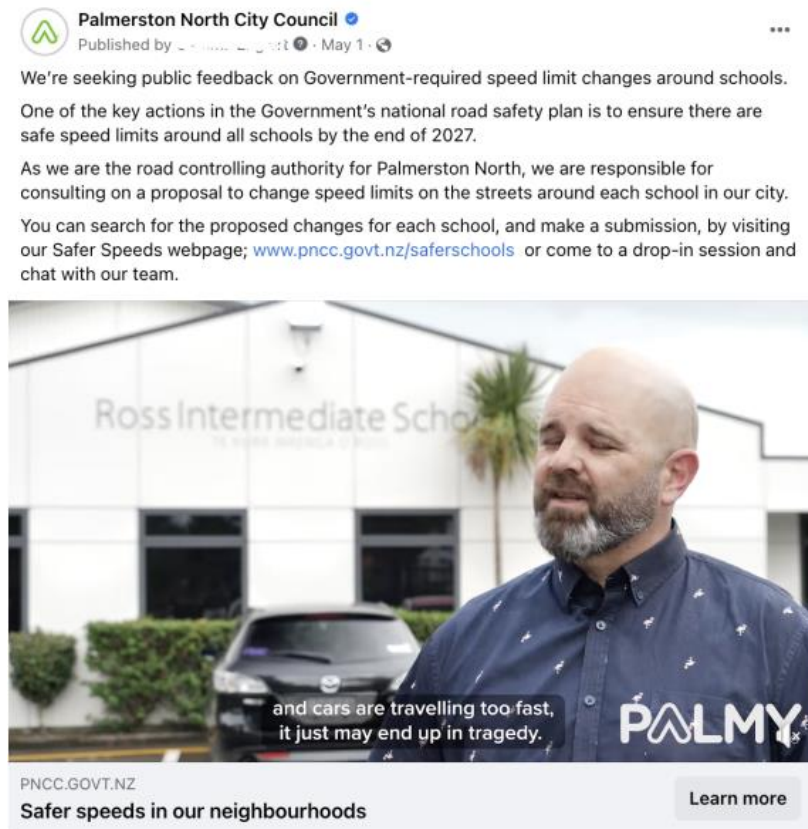


Figure 1: Post #1 1 May 2023. NB: this post was also turned into a paid ad (Post #4)

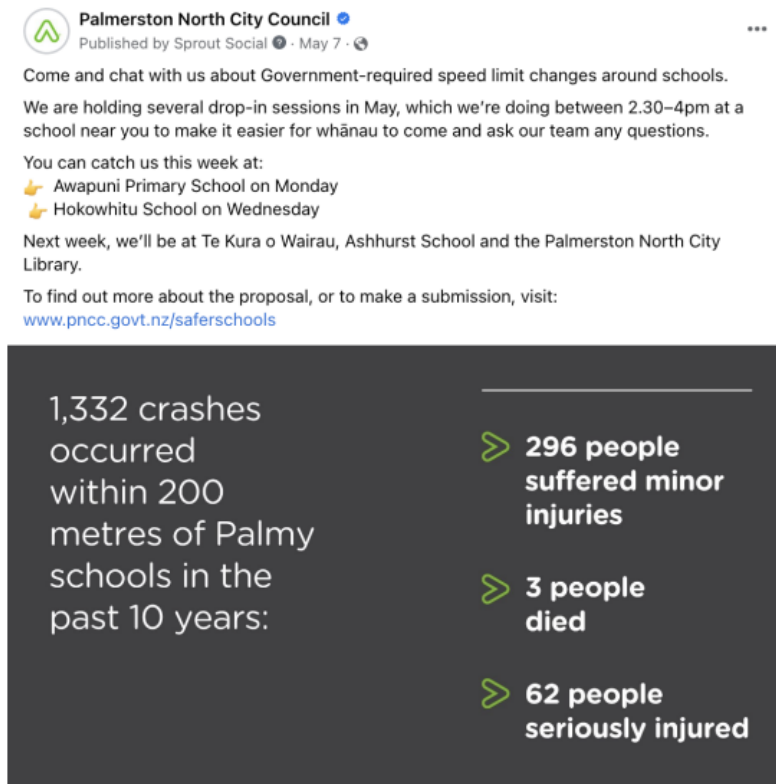


Figure 2: Post #2 7 May 2023



Figure 3: Post #3 31 May 2023

4. NEXT STEPS

Officers will provide analysis of all the issues raised in the written and oral submissions and provide advice and recommendations to the Committee in September.

5. COMPLIANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Does the Committee have delegated authority to decide?	Yes
Are the decisions significant?	No
If they are significant do they affect land or a body of water?	No
Can this decision only be made through a 10 Year Plan?	No
Does this decision require consultation through the Special Consultative procedure?	No
Is there funding in the current Annual Plan for these actions?	No
Are the recommendations inconsistent with any of Council's policies or plans?	No
The recommendations contribute to Goal 1: An Innovative and Growing City	
The recommendations contribute to the achievement of action/actions in Transport	
The action is: progressively review speed limits throughout the City on a staged basis.	
Contribution to strategic direction and to social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being	This report is part of the process of consulting on the proposal to reduce speed limits around schools in our city. The reduction of speed limits around schools contributes to the improvement of safety on our transport network. Speed is a significant factor in the survivability of both drivers and pedestrians in the event of a collision. Slower speeds around schools therefore contributes to improved safety outcomes for our community.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Social Media Comments on the draft Interim Speed Management Plan (School Speed Limits) [↓](#) 



Hayley McGillivray

Palmerston North City Council THANK YOU!!!! Aokautere - where we are - people speed down here easily 100km and we can't let the kids walk or bike to school! We're literally a 5minute walk too which is sad - this area has quite a few school based families too.

Now you just need to figure how to stop the massive pickup que from blocking the traffic heading into the 100km zone....yes I made a submission about it 😊

Like Reply Hide 7w Edited



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Cyrus Baker

I have noticed at this particular intersection on featherston st (freyberg and Ross) at school start and end there is no teachers monitoring the crossings. Kids are just sprinting across the crossing in dribs and drabs. Maybe start with constant monitors on the crossing until a decision is made to help protect children and drivers.

Like Reply Hide 7w Edited



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Rob Groom

Cyrus Baker I agree, but having any crossings at a roundabout is just a bad idea.

Like Reply Hide 6w



2



Christine Couchman

Cyrus Baker why should teachers control the crossings of schools? They have enough to do. Employ people such as they do in the UK with "lollipop" people. When Freyberg and Ross were built there was no roundabout at the junction. Controlled crossings should be installed and only work when pupils need to cross ie not for cars.

Like Reply Hide 5w





Cyrus Baker


Christine Couchman hay all for suggestions tbh teacher or lollipop person that round about needs to be controlled. Agree with controlled crossings I'm


Just saying why slow everything down when there is already no basic controls in place. Kids running across with out waiting at 50 or 40km is dangerous no matter what. Until a decision is made or till the controlled crossings are Installed somebody needs to control it teachers or someone else.

Like Reply Hide 5w


 **Matt Soong**
Do we know the number of incidents and severity from vehicles travelling between 40 and 50? What are the stats? This would be a good start for decision making.
Like Reply Hide 4w

 **Dave Martin** Top fan
As long as it sticks to around school areas, I have no complaint. My worry is if it stretches out all over the city.
Like Reply Hide 6w

 **Maree Boss**
Dave Martin this is the plan, if you look at the maps it extends so many streets around schools it will end up being most of the city
Like Reply Hide 5w


 **Rachel Cammock**
Why are the submissions not anonymous? Or names not kept private when making all of the submissions available to read on your website or the library?
Like Reply Hide 6w

 **Mike Dixon** Top fan
Great idea to lower limits around schools, however without any sort of enforcement, this entire process become a box-ticking exercise. Limits are not enforced even with the current limits of 40 or 50kph. Hoons still do 70-80+ down Fitzherbert Ave daily.
Like Reply Hide 7w

 **Karolina Kml** Top fan
Mike Dixon I reckon. Kids are so unpredictable, slower is common sense, backed with speed cameras. People moan, jump up and down if they have to drive real slow. But no one wants life changing accidents. ...
Like Reply Hide 6w Edited

 **Rosalie Heckler**
Mike Dixon 100 + km down Park Rd 24 / 7 !!
Like Reply Hide 5w Edited

 **Ian Shortt**
Mike Dixon you should really observe the drivers of the cars that are speeding, biggest majority aren't Hoon's but everyday Mum's and Dads, People that should know better.
Like Reply Hide 5w Edited

 **Mike Dixon** Top fan
Ian Shortt Mums & Dads can be classed as hoons as well I guess
Like Reply Hide 5w

 **Ian Shortt**
Mike Dixon either they are or aren't Hoon's you can't have both ways.
Like Reply Hide 5w

Bryan Lewis
If this is about schools and kids. Why are many of the zones directly outside the schools slated for permanent 30kmh and surrounding street variable 30kmh? Why would kids be going to school between say 7pm-6am? Unless I'm reading it wrong?

Like Reply Hide 5w

Ben White
Bryan Lewis gotta be on the lookout for school kids when driving around town at 3am

Like Reply Hide 4w

Cameron Smith Top fan
This should not be in place 24/7.
Before & after school for a certain time, yes, but not 24/7.
That is over the top !.

Like Reply Hide 7w

Ted Frickleton Top fan
Cameron Smith It's not 24/7..There are hours written on the boards at some 40km zone signs.. Freyberg st..is one example..!

Like Reply Hide 6w

Glenn Weggery
Ted Frickleton but they are talking about making these reductions permanent, not just at school drop off and pickup times.

Like Reply Hide 6w

Pete Stewart
Ted Frickleton yes I they're talking 24/7 and if you find William Woods article in the Guardian most of the town will be lowered to 40 and lots of parking will be removed

Like Reply Hide 5w

Pete Stewart
Ted Frickleton I sent a screen shot of part of it to your messenger

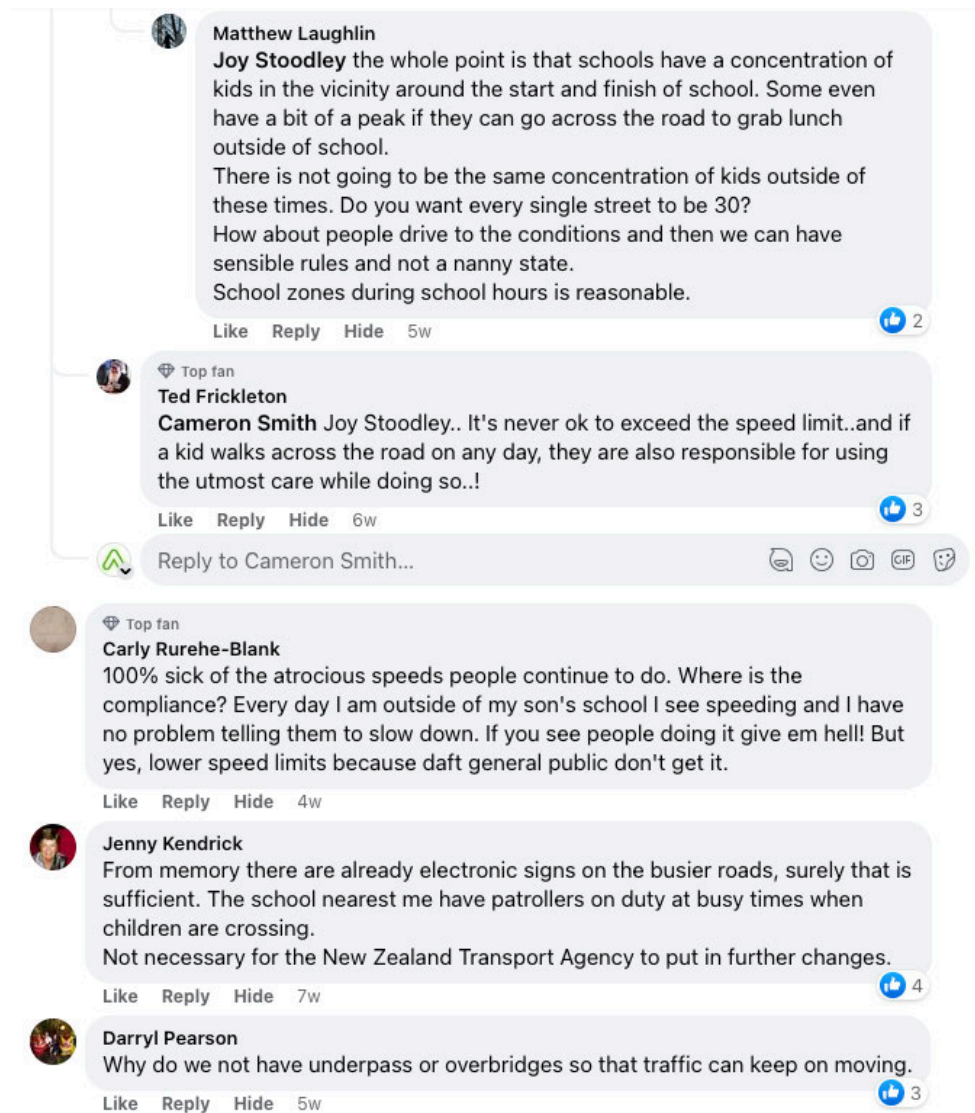
Like Reply Hide 5w

Joy Stoodley
Cameron Smith so if a kid walks across the road on Saturday it's ok to speed?

Like Reply Hide 6w

Cameron Smith Top fan
Joy Stoodley
No need to be childish about it.
I am sure you can answer your question for yourself.

Like Reply Hide 6w



Cameron Featonby
 So, the dangerous drivers described run red lights, drive through pedestrian crossings even with the crossing board out and cut corners. I didn't hear a description of a driving slamming on their breaks and skidding to a halt just in time. What was described are dangerous drivers. If they can't drive lawfully and follow the basic road code, what impact will speed restrictions have?
 If I'm honest, I think speed restrictions are necessary around pick up and drop off. The illuminated signs that only activate during these times are perfect. I'm just raising some questions because I don't think 24/7 restrictions are going to have an effect on these reckless drivers. Speed limits during busy pedestrian times are a great idea though.

Like Reply Hide 7w 38

Max Mmpower
Cameron Featonby na council want you to have slow painful death if hit by a car not a quick one 🤔

Like Reply Hide 6w

Chris Hince
Cameron Featonby how dare you bring nuance and thoughtfulness to a council discussion!

Like Reply Hide 4w 2

Reply to Cameron Featonby...

Donna Meehan
 This crossing needs to be controlled like it is at Boys High. I've seen those students just step out while texting. They don't even look and all cross randomly so the traffic is backed up to Vogel St some days.

Like Reply Hide 4w


Elinor Wood
Donna Meehan I totally agree. I drive this road three times a week during the morning rush hour. I would encourage Ross Intermediate (and Freyberg) to provide a patrol at this crossing. This would definitely control the flow of traffic

Like Reply Hide 4w


Reply to Donna Meehan...


Wayne Wolfsbauer
 Totally agree with reducing speed limits especially around schools. Our road statistics clearly demonstrate the incompetence and entitlement of NZ drivers in general. Child safety is too important to be left to "driver" opinion

Like Reply Hide 7w 5





Rob Groom
I walked to school along a busy 70k limited stretch of road when i was young. My parents taught me how to cross the road and walk safely in the footpath. More personal responsibility and less govt hand holding is what is needed.

Like Reply Hide 6w  35




Ian Shortt
Rob Groom I agree with you, Parents should be teaching their children basic road safety, but how many Parents are about to get out of their gas guzzling cars and walk with their children to school. I live near a couple of schools and I have observed some of the worst drivers around schools are the Parents of said children at these schools.

Like Reply Hide 6w  2




Elisabeth Hollier
how about moving the school speed zone for Cornerstone on Mihaere? When the school 40 km signs were placed was years ago before the school expanded into a high school so don't start now until you are well in the school drop off zone. It's on the edge of industrial, so many trucks going through it's very unsafe especially those parked up trucks waiting to deliver to countdown! I have personally witnessed a kid being knocked off her bike on the way to school due to the congestion and low visibility yet people still are going at 50 coz they aren't in the "40" zone

Like Reply Hide 6w





Joy Stoodley
Need speed cameras in that area. Times I seen kids nearly been kill due to parents speeding their is no excuse. More fines too.


Like Reply Hide 6w




Tania Kopytko
Agree safer speeds around schools but we also need safer speeds for electric scooters that use the footpath. They can rush full speed past a gate and not even hear a horn of a car that is slowly trying to drive out. No helmets are worn. They are fatalities and injuries waiting to happen every day as school kids go home.



Like Reply Hide 5w  9





 Top fan
Alison Cleaver
Tania Kopytko totally agree


Like Reply Hide 5w


 **Kym Anson**
Wow, so sad the number of people who display anger over measures aimed to improve safety for children 😞 As a child, I rode a bike to school in Palmy, the roads are so much busier now, I wouldn't let my children ride to school. My oldest is now in high school and keen to ride, but I'm not keen due to the poor attitudes of many drivers towards cyclists....every day some people don't give cyclists safe space, scary to see.


Like Reply Hide 6w   10

 **Sandra Wallace**
Kym Anson I understand your concern, but most drivers are responsible, I agree with the slow down measures around schools that we have now, and the ones that don't are not going to change just because the rest of us are crawling along at 30km. The kids will be in more danger as they will be complacent about crossing the road. And it's not always the cars that cause the accidents. I drive to work during going to school times and am very aware, but many times I've had to brake hard to avoid kids running out between cars. Road awareness is what is needed.


Like Reply Hide 5w  3

 **Ian Shortt**
Sandra Wallace totally agree with your comments Parents need to teach their kids how to cross roads safely, A person walking can stop far quicker than a couple tonnes of car being driven.


Like Reply Hide 5w 

 **Peter Seymour-East**
Kym Anson so


Like Reply Hide 5w


 **Peter Seymour-East**
Take the bubble wrap off



Like Reply Hide 5w



 **Karina Williams**
Kym Anson I completely understand what you're saying. Whilst many drivers are not the issue, there are enough that choose to not obey lower speed signs that are already in place around our schools. My oldest is now year 13 and I can count on one hand how many times he has biked to school. He just felt way too uncomfortable with the amount of trucks and cars that didn't stay out of the cycle lanes and that took risks that made him feel unsafe. After he came off his bike (just a skinned knee nothing bad) after avoiding a car, he said nup that's it and has stuck with walking, scootering or bussing since then.


Like Reply Hide 4w



 **Emilie Clark**
Kym Anson absolutely, Palmy is the worst towards cyclists.
Like Reply Hide 3w


 Reply to Kym Anson...


 **Ken Benn**
Why not build overhead crossings (pedestrian bridges) at schools. They provide safe passage and then we do away with stop start traffic which only contributed to emissions.
Like Reply Hide 7w  9


 **Ken Benn**
They don't have to be stairs. Many countries around the world seem to overcome this. Or is it too hard for New Zealand? We just don't have the skills, creativity and will power to design long term solutions. Especially for drunks.
Like Reply Hide 7w 



 **Mike Batchelor**
Ken Benn Wheres the cash coming from
Like Reply Hide 4w

 **Brodie Campbell**
Mike Batchelor one of the council's art projects
Like Reply Hide 3w 

 **Jonathon Smith-Pula**
Ken Benn I like this idea.
Like Reply Hide 4w

 Reply to Ken Benn...


 **Robert Dabb**
Less cars around schools sounds the best plan for health and safety...lets see more kids walking or biking. All for safety but long term health is being ignored with the traffic jam of drop offs and pickups every day.
Like Reply Hide 5w

 **Ezra Pain**
Here's a thought. If more parents let their kids walk bike etc there would be less cars around schools. I can understand if you live far. When it is school holidays hardly any cars around schools.
Like Reply Hide 6w  5

Jane Sutherland
Many people don't even obey the 40km per hr limit we currently have - why would they do the 30 km speed properly? Kids, parents and drivers each need to exercise personal responsibility.

Like Reply Hide 4w

Elizabeth Cranston
You might want to look at your consultation document. I'm available for a job in proof reading.



Like Reply Hide 7w

Sieda Hornby
🤔 people aren't going to go 30 down tweed street, people currently drive 60 down the street even with 2 speed bumps.

Like Reply Hide 6w

Amber Cairns
Top fan
Sieda Hornby exactly my thoughts!

Like Reply Hide 6w

Reply to Sieda Hornby...

Audrey Greenwood
I agree that during school times, speeds be reduced, but 8am to 9am, 3pm to 4 pm maybe, but not 24/7 and certainly not 52 weeks of the year. School is only in 40 weeks of the year at the most. I live in Fairs Road several blocks from the Milson School, and St Peters. I cannot see any reason why i should be limited to 30ks at all times.

Like Reply Hide 3w

**Jill Scott-Bodell**

Where is the map? I can't see any link to it. There are already 40km limits down Albert St and that doesn't stop hoons doing donuts and racing at night. What we need is speed humps. This will also stop the big trucks using suburban streets as well. They are worse than most cars for speed down Albert St.

Like Reply Hide 4w

**Donald Scott**

Overall slower speeds will never overcome poor driving practices. We do in fact have speed limits in high risk areas.

Like Reply Hide 5w

**Roxanne Jones**

How about giving pedestrians the right of way problem solved And drivers to drive accordingly to the conditions People need to start thinking for themselves With common sense All in the name of personal responsibility .

Like Reply Hide 5w



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**Marie Beales**

Having lived by St Peter's College for 4 years and each day watching cars , buses, cyclists, scooters , motorbikes, pedestrians and speeding traffic driving past doing wheelies on the corner etc ,it's so dangerous for the students an parents . There is not one pedestrian crossing no speed limit signs , no road patrol it's chaos.

Like Reply Hide 6w

**Helen Dodd**

We received a letter about this for Albert Street but we're. NOT told what the speed would be.

Like Reply Hide 5w

**Rae M Ryan**

I find it funny how someone always has to be blamed and they always say it's. Not the kids it's always the traffic.. Well today children were biking 4 kids next to each other which were making cars cross the center lane.. Good luck at changing anything.. Everything changes in time..

Like Reply Hide 6w




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**Leisha Jacobs**


For years I have been concerned about the driving habits and parking habits of some drivers around schools with many calls to the city council and the police and everytime I have been told to ring the other one (ring the city council get told to ring the police and vice versa) reducing the speed will help but if people park on yellow line and block the view of pedestrians and other drivers accidents will still happen

Like Reply Hide 4w




Sangui Moinette
 Very clever to not put in one single map all the proposed changes. The amount of streets passing in permanent 30km/h zones is MASSIVE!!
 Could you please give us the percentage of streets impacted by the permanent and variable changes? Is there a map somewhere with all proposed changes visible at the same time?
 I'm all for improving safety on roads, but I'm not sure the proposed changes are reasonable...
 And I have the very disagreeable feeling you on purpose did the process complicated (a map with a pin for each school, on which we need to click and then click on another link to finally see the proposed changes... Just for that one pin...)... My red flag is on and I'm wondering where the scam is...
 The way the changes are at the moment, you should call these changes "we decided to turn all residential areas in 30km/h zones" rather than using schoolchildren safety as an excuse...

Like Reply Hide 7w Edited 13




Melvyn F. Smith
Sangui Moinette I read that to cover all Palmy schools streets it's over 40 kms of speed restrictions.

Like Reply Hide 5w




Russell Seagar
 How many children get hit outside of a school verses on other streets away from schools? Are the accidents outside of schools child verses car or car verses child?



Like Reply Hide 4w






Clay Moore
 I see no issue???? What's wrong with speed reductions? If you got somewhere to be then leave earlier no???


Like Reply Hide 4w 1


 **Sherrill Baylis**
 Can understand having lower speeds around schools, which we already have. However, I firmly believe that schools should be talking about personal responsibility re traffic. We used to be taught on how to cross the road & behave sensibly when riding bikes, or walking by the then Traffic Department. I had to walk from & cross Featherston St near Albert St. Walk up Langston Ave into Stanley Ave, then up Russell St from 5 yrs of age to 8 yrs of age by myself. I learned at 6 yrs of age what happens when someone runs across the road while not looking. My eldest nephew was hit by a car at age 7 yrs, just by running across the road. I can still remember him lying there, blood pouring from a head wound. Yes he sustained a brain injury. However it taught me to be more careful when looking both ways before crossing the street.


Like Reply Hide 6w   9



 **Paito Ro-Be**
Sherrill Baylis agree... also kids should learn how to deal with traffic. I've seen some really unconscious behaviours from them when leaving school. There is no effective slow limit, if kids and schools do not do their parts.



Like Reply Hide 6w   5


 **Ros Hallam**
Paito Ro-Be they still do all this. However, kids are still impetuous, especially if their parents are waiting across the road for them. And parents are not always good role models either. Let's be proactive with our traffic speed too. Better to be safe than sorry. The possibility of knocking over a child is unthinkable.




Like Reply Hide 6w  2


 **Sherrill Baylis**
Ros Hallam,
 Most of us on here are parents. Therefore it is up to us & schools to teach our children about road safety. No amount of speed restrictions will stop a child from being injured. I still vividly remember a horrible accident on the corner of Thames St & Tremaine Ave. It occurred many years ago when a young boy was knocked off his bike & his head was crushed by the double back left wheel of the big diesel truck. There are no words to explain the horror I felt after witnessing that.


Like Reply Hide 6w   3







 **Paito Ro-Be**
Ros Hallam drivers can be all proactive possible, but if kids do not cross the road paying attention tiene what they are doing, then even an accident at 5km/h can occur. Reducing speed it's not the unique solution. It's necessary to see the whole picture and not just make responsible the drivers.
 Like Reply Hide 6w Edited  2


 **Karina Williams**
Sherrill Baylis gosh that sounds awful!
 Like Reply Hide 4w

 **Chris O'Hara**
Sherrill Baylis 100% agree. Another issue with pedestrians is distractions particularly with looking at phones while crossing roads. I'm not suggesting banning phones while walking lol but it's about education not controls.
 Like Reply Hide 5w   4

 **Carly Rurehe-Blank**
 Top fan
Sherrill Baylis yes but the majority of drivers are impatient morons, so set the speed really slow so that they stick out like a sore thumb, and there is less harm. Slower speeds around kids that are still learning, these kids make mistakes so its up to the grown ups to pull finger and stop being impatient!
 Like Reply Hide 4w

 **Karina Williams**
Sherrill Baylis you're so right. I occasionally drop my kids to school and on many of those days have I had school kids just walk out in front me, as if the road they are crossing is a pedestrian crossing (it isn't, it has a safe spot to wait at the centre of the road which means they don't have to cross the entire road at once, but no white lines etc for a pedestrian crossing).
 Like Reply Hide 4w

 Reply to Sherrill Baylis...     

 **Chris Hattle**
 Speed restrictions would be advantageous for some aspects of safety
 However when driving past secondary schools slowly students often just step in front of cars - often followed by a line of more students. This is an accident risk. At primary schools the students either walk over crossings or are taken over the road by parents. These same parents though can fling cardoors open infront on approaching traffic or step out while holding children to provoke cars to slam on brakes.
 Pedestrian behaviours are as much of an issue as vehicle speeds.
 Like Reply Hide 6w

Emma Bleakley
 There is so much bad behaviour by motorists - even the parents dropping the kids off.
 New measures need enforcement or they are pointless.
 My kids school got a new crossing recently and parents continue to cross kids (and themselves) in other places despite the crossing being the safest place. They park on the crossing, do u-turns right in front of the school and drive far too fast down the narrow busy street.
 In the clip there were parents risking the busy road dragging their kids across - where is the crossing?
 Come on people take responsibility for your own actions!

Like Reply Hide 6w

Maree Boss
 Good drivers will drive to the conditions and be aware of their surroundings. Bad drivers will do what they want regardless of speed reductions.

Like Reply Hide 5w

Zain Als
Maree Boss exactly!

Like Reply Hide 4w

Reply to Maree Boss...

Peter Hunt
 You can have as many road signs, speed limit signs, speed humps and flashing lights as you want, but they are only effective if they are policed. Traffic enforcement and the consequences from breaking the law are non-existent in the wider Manawatu area. Stand beside a "compulsory stop" sign or traffic lights for a few minutes and you will soon see the extent of disrespect for traffic signs. And that disrespect continues into all manners of driving. Too many drivers also looking at their mobile phone at the bottom of their steering wheel.














Like Reply Hide 5w

Andrew Brownlie
 Let's just shut the country down completely. That seems to be exactly what the minority want. Is it any worse today than it has been for centuries. We already have reduced speeds around schools. Regular enforcement is what is required. Nothing more.

Like Reply Hide 6w

Andrew Brownlie
 Yep.

Like Reply Hide 6w

-  **Lynn McIndoe**
There is probably no point commenting. Remember the referendum on Maori Ward's?
Completely ignored!
Like Reply Hide 4w
-  **Colin Macpherson**
Make the speed limit on ALL roads/streets 30kpm. Then at least we would know what the hell the speed limit is!
Like Reply Hide 6w
-  **Terry Macpherson**
It is ridiculous to lower the speed limits beyond school drop off periods and to also include all the surrounding streets. This is clearly a move to lower speed limits across the whole city in the name of protecting children. So, let's have the real discussion rather than hiding the true intention. I don't think there is any real opposition to reducing speed limits at the key time around schools. However, it make absolutely no sense to drop speed limits all the time, none at all. Unless you are trying to control our use of motor vehicles full stop. Then the argument is why and then the argument is how will this benefit society and the environment? The latter has been shown that if the whole world was electrified vehicles, and you only counted the drop in emissions from the vehicles removed from the roads, the effect on the environment will be barely noticeable, and non-measurable if you included the additional carbon emissions of producing and charging electric vehicles. Push back PNCC on this proposal and say we support only restrictions at key times and only on the roads where children are dropped off.
Like Reply Hide 4w  6
-  **Brian and Judy Dredge**
Terry Macpherson In my day the only children who were dropped off to schools in the city were from the country. The rest either walked to school or biked.
Like Reply Hide 4w
-  Reply to Terry Macpherson...     
-  **Jane Ross**
Comes down to Educating children from young age re pedestrian/cycling/traffic safety(since Appears to be No Longer Done in Schools? Or Home?) & Driver Awareness At All Time's. Everyone needs to take Personal Responsibility no matter what Age. Speed reductions already in place near school's are creating enough other traffic congestion etc as it is(eg. Ruahine St) so to make further unnecessary restrictions is waisting \$\$\$\$.
Like Reply Hide 6w  3

Steve Jones
50 k 70 k and 100 k. Apart from roadworks, dropping the speed is dumb
Like Reply Hide 6w 2

Peter Seymour-East
One has to ask the question how many children have been injured or killed out side schools under the current regulations very few if any I suspect nzta and councils are bubble rapping children slowing the traffic speeds around schools further will majorly disrupt traffic flows around the city at peak times adding to conjection lasting longer than it would be
Like Reply Hide 5w 1

Romina Iwikau Top fan
I'd like to see these safety considerations be extended to all schools, including those just outside the city limits. Many of these schools have grown and have more students who walk or bike to school. The issue isn't always drivers and speed, but also many PN roads aren't safe for cyclist.
Like Reply Hide 7w 3

Palmerston North City Council Author
Romina Iwikau the Government's national road safety plan is to ensure there are safe speed limits around all schools - not just in Palmy 😊
Like Reply 7w 3


Romina Iwikau Top fan
Palmerston North City Council it would be awesome if safe road crossings were available at all schools.
Like Reply Hide 7w 2



Ian Shortt
Romina Iwikau teach your kids how to cross roads safely and there shouldn't be a problem.
Like Reply Hide 5w


Raywene Hill
Romina Iwikau I'd like to see it for all rural schools, as most of them are in 100k zones , but apparently it's not as necessary for rural schools judging by the lack of it happening outside town's
Like Reply Hide 7w 3


Romina Iwikau Top fan
Raywene Hill I completely agree. I've seen so many near misses its scary
Like Reply Hide 7w 1


 **Max Mmpower**
 Didn't know Seddon street had schools down it. How bout removing those poo stains off the road first. Know how many people they inconvenience? Did you even get locals opinions? Don't think so


Like Reply Hide 6w  2


 **Palmerston North City Council** 
Max Mmpower yes, we did.


Like Reply 6w 


 **Max Mmpower**
Palmerston North City Council I think local residents would say otherwise. I don't remember anything in mail about it. One by shop sure but the entire road is now useless to travel down



Like Reply Hide 6w 

  **Paul Godbaz**
Palmerston North City Council LIAR. I do not know even one resident who was approached .



Like Reply Hide 6w  3


 **Max Mmpower**
Paul Godbaz don't think anybody was. They made a Facebook post saying they're going up within the week of it happening.


Like Reply Hide 6w 

  **Paul Godbaz**
Palmerston North City Council I believe that Council MAY have posted out some notice but they send mail to the Owner of the property. It should go to the Resident. Many houses in Seddon Street are rented and Owners don't forward mail to the tenants .Therefore the residents are merely mushrooms. Kept in the dark and fed bulls hit.


Like Reply Hide 6w

  **Julie Johnstone**
Max Mmpower and the bus has to stop on it if the bus has to lowered it beaches 🤔


Like Reply Hide 6w 

 **Ian Shortt**
Max Mmpower it's to stop the boy racers shortcutting through Seddon street YEAH RIGHT. I personally think if children are taught the basics of how to cross roads sensibly like our parents taught us there wouldn't need to be all these Draconian measures put in place. The next thing that the Minority will be complaining about will be the exhaust fumes being emitted from slow running cars.


Like Reply Hide 5w

 **Paul Godbaz**
 A representative of Fulton Hogan delivered to most of the properties in Seddon Street a notice telling us that the work was going to commence on Tuesday 28th March. This was in the afternoon of 24th March. Date-stamped and on file at my place.

Like Reply Hide 6w

 **David Stone**
 There should be speed cameras as well. A lot of people speed past school entrances now so it won't make any difference to those speeding now!!

Like Reply Hide 5w

 **Val Pratt**
 First year with family members attending St Peter's College. As I do the afternoon school run I was absolutely amazed at the congestion of traffic outside the school gates in both Rennie and Holdsworth Avenues. Not to mention that up to five school buses are parked in their parking bays waiting to pull out into the traffic soon after 3.15pm. As there is no controlled pedestrian crossings, no speed / school signage, Students are dodging the speeding traffic to cross to the other side of the road to awaiting parked cars.
 I feel the speed of cars should be lowered right down to 30k when passing thru these two streets outside St Peter's College at a set time both in the morning and afternoon when school is in attendance. As far as installation of a pedestrian crossing goes, this could be looked into by parties all round...starting with the Palmerston North Council, the School Board and Parents. I'm sure having a crossing in place either in Rennie and/or Holdsworth Avenues will ensure the Students will be able to cross the road under a controlled and safe way knowing they will get home safely....

Like Reply Hide 6w

Robert Dabb
Val Pratt or restrict parent drop off zone to no closer than 300m...or none at all. A little walk could solve several problems at once...better health...less cars to cause issues...less fuel burned...and its entirely free

Like Reply Hide 5w

Jodie Littler Top fan
Robert Dabb great idea but being a Catholic school some kids might come from places where walking or public transport isn't possible. Most of the non religious schools have great public transport options if you want to send your child to your local school. But if you are wanting your child to go to a Catholic school then there aren't many options. And no, I am not Catholic, my son didn't attend St Peters but I can understand why there might be more parents taking and picking up their kids at a school like that. I live on JFK and the congestion around school start and finish times can be awful! But at the end of the day it's about keeping the kids safe.







Like Reply Hide 5w

Wayne Wildbore
Val Pratt , how about more kids bike , so mummy doesn't have to pick them up adding to the congestion ?

Like Reply Hide 5w

Jodie Littler Top fan
Wayne Wildbore how about more kids get knocked off their bikes by inconsiderate drivers? Lowering the speed limits further around schools at the beginning and end of the day will help. But yeah, all day long speed limits are stupid.

Like Reply Hide 5w

 Reply to Val Pratt...     

Peter Watene
 I disagree to lower speeds around schools. This opens up the kids to differential speeds at other crossings making it difficult for them to judge the vehicle speed. Also on the crossings they are not taught to not cross if a vehicle is between the painted diamond on the road and the crossing. They continue to step out in front of traffic expecting to be safe. This confusion is the major cause of traffic jams around schools, as well as parents dropping them off. ...

Like Reply Hide 4w

**Dave Quinn**

People putting down their phones while driving , especially the parents as the rest of us are normally at work during these times would prob be more productive

Like Reply Hide 3w

**Sharleen Strawbridge**

Awesome idea. And should be same for country schools.

Like Reply Hide 3w

**Amanda Hansen**

OK BUT ONLY DURING BUSY BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL TIME LIKE SOME SCHOOLS CURRENTLY EG MONRAD INTERMEDIATE AND 40km SLOW ENOUGH.

If kids can't use crossings and aren't able to be checking for cars they shouldn't be alone and left to walk!

The idiots who speed and drive crazy are still going to!! Don't punish everyone for the stupid actions of only a few who you won't stop anyway, even the police can't as they can't even chase criminals without being told to abandon by comms!!!

Like Reply Hide 6w

**Jacob Wagener**

Focus on filling in potholes and making the roads safer and smoother before we talk about more speed bumps and speed limits

Like Reply Hide 4w

**Wynette Brown**

Exactly slow the heck down! I'm in disbelief when I see speeding around schools. One day I witnessed a lady who was upset she had to WAIT at the pedestrian crossing so after she put her foot down to reach the corner half a k up the road. Some people just have NO patience. CCTV those areas.

Like Reply Hide 3w

**David Southee**

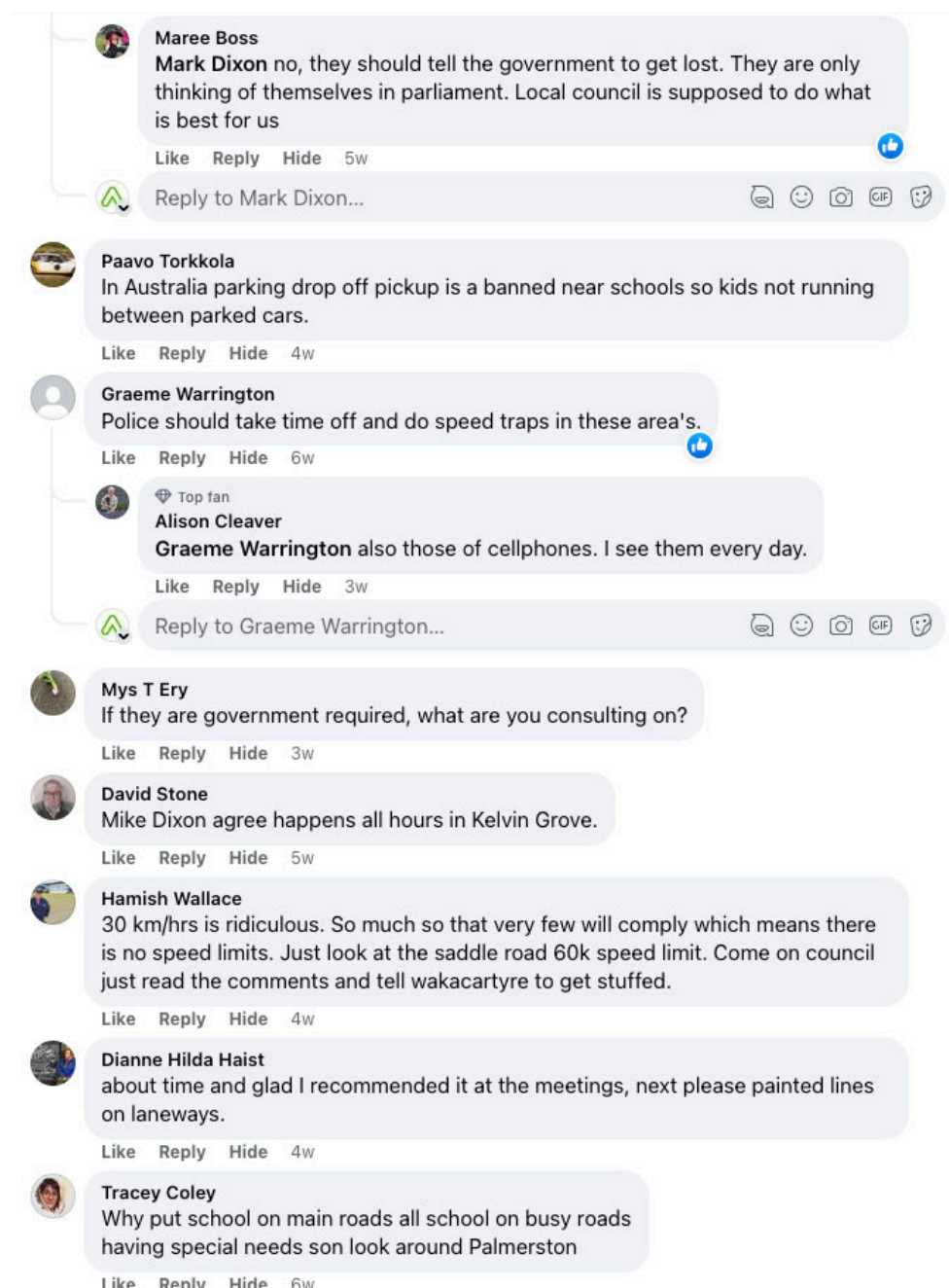
Bit excessive should not be 24/7 and only limited to the immediate area of the school. Botanical Road will continue to have a variable speed limit and has 2 large schools feeding into it . We live between slacks and Buick and we have 1 small Primary School and a Kindy. Your proposal is to have several streets in this area reduced to 30 kgs. The traffic density would be a fraction compared to Botanical Road and the population of school would be half the amount or less to the 2 schools feeding Botanical Roadwhat's with that ?














Like Reply Hide 5w

**Mark Dixon**

Why do you need to waste money on administration in order to gather feedback on a government directive, like it or hate it, it is what it is, just implement it.

Like Reply Hide 6w



-  **Chris O'Hara**
Why don't you just be honest about what this is all about PNCC? You are as corrupt and out of control as Central Government!!!
Like Reply Hide 4w 
-  **Dean Auckram**
Pedestrian bridges or tunnels for the schools on busy roads. Traffic congestion relief and safer for the kids to get home?
Like Reply Hide 6w Edited 
-  **Anej Ttenneb**
Violet Paul Spot jarius
Like Reply Hide 7w
-  **Heston Hutaue**
Totally agree with reduced speed limit to 30 km around schools. Children can sometimes be reckless n we as adults must have responsibilities to keep children safe.
Like Reply Hide 5w
-  **Helen Angland**
Just have a 30km signs just b4 schools running off Solar. Don't put all roads to 30kms, that is too slow. I think commonsense is needed around schools for drivers. If you can't use commonsense then you shouldn't have a liscense.
Like Reply Hide 4w
-  **Fiona M Green**
Whakarongo school zone is so dangerous , so many near misses its great that the speed has been lowered but no one seems to pay attention or care, the road rage from users who haven't noticed the reduced speed signs is so intimidating there are so many children in cars coming to and from the school and if they can't get it right it's not going to end well for anyone
Like Reply Hide 6w 
-   Top fan
Matthew Willey
Pedestrians bikes scooters are all more vulnerable than cars. They should have right of way. Compare the consequences of a pedestrian distracted by their text message with that of a driver.
With great power comes great responsibility, as they say.
Like Reply Hide 4w
-  **Sri-Lila Dhar Adhikari**
Yes We Go To School And We Are A Bright Students!School Is A Seddon Pilgrim And Student Life Is A Golden Life!
Like Reply Hide 7w  2

Cara Richards

Porsha Burgess

Like Reply Hide 6w

Alister Cairns

Daniel Oppatt

Like Reply Hide 5w

Daniel Oppatt

Alister Cairns you were talking about this Friday night

Like Reply Hide 5w

Reply to Alister Cairns...

Stewart Waldman

, Don't listen to the WOKE Government, especially their department Woke Ko taah he.

Like Reply Hide 7w

Author

Palmerston North City Council

Stewart Waldman it's actually Waka Kotahi 😊 Make sure you make a submission and tell us your thoughts:

<https://www.pncc.govt.nz/.../Proposed-safer-speeds-around...>

Like Reply 7w

Stewart Waldman

Palmerston North City Council No, it's actually Vessel One.

Like Reply Hide 7w

Colin Macpherson

Palmerston North City Council NZTA

Like Reply Hide 6w

Top fan

Darren Smith

Stewart Waldman always a dumb arse comment on Fb and you win it, get a grip FFS

Like Reply Hide 7w


Joy Stoodley

Stewart Waldman not the grov it's the parents that are the worse. I walk everywhere and seen it all. How many near misses kids being kill on main roads by schools and kindys


Like Reply Hide 6w

ITEM 7 - ATTACHMENT 1


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 **Ted Frickleton** Top fan
 I reckon 40km around schools is ok, but drivers need to be educated that it's not for the whole day..9am when school is in.. it's 50km..then before the end of school it goes down to 40..🤔 also, it doesn't apply on the weekend for goodness sake..! Also whoever decided to place that pedestrian crossing so close to the intersection and roundabout on Freyberg/ Featherston streets should be shot with a ball of their own snot..! So dangerous, when you're turning left into Freyberg st, the crossing is right in your blindspot..! ..rant over..! 🙌🙌🙌🙌🙌







Like Reply Hide 6w


 **Palmerston North City Council** Author
 Ted Frickleton shot with a ball of their own snot.... that's a new one! 😂
 - Sam


Like Reply 6w Edited


 **Ted Frickleton** Top fan
Palmerston North City Council No.. It was old when I was a kid in the 60s..!

Like Reply Hide 5w

 Reply to Palmerston North City Council...     

 **Ray Alcock**
 2027? are they planning to fix the potholes as well?

Like Reply Hide 6w  3

 **Mo Khan**
Ray Alcock they haven't been able to fix the screw up on Park Road new traffic lights by the Lido, so how will they do this.
 The road was rubbish where they did the work when the new lights went in and despite asking PNCC several times about this, an excuse is always there as to why this hasn't been done.
 Too many pen pushers and no accountability, bring back the contractor and get them to fix their rubbish work with no cost to the ratepayers, but no the council would rather just talk and talk and talk

Like Reply Hide 6w



Tracy Taylor

Why did you take away the crossing on Highbury Ave near the corner of Ronberg? Hardly anyone stops for the kids to cross. And put a crossing further down near the bus stop. No one uses it. Put back the old crossing for the safety of our primary school kids.

Like Reply Hide 3w



Like Reply Hide 6w







Sherrill Baylis


Cameron Featonby,

Speed restrictions won't make any difference. In fact & this is just my view, but I believe we will see more traffic accidents, if speed restrictions are lowered from 40kms/hr to 30kms/hr.

Like Reply Hide 6w




-  **Nortz Foxtrot**
These type of laws already exist **Palmerston North City Council** but they are not enforced by the Police, due to reasons.
Additional laws will not actually solve the problem at hand - this is simply virtue signaling in an attempt to be viewed as doing something.
Like Reply Hide 3w
-  **Jason Prisk**
Maybe you should move school crossings off Albert st, so that the morning traffic can actually flow?? You have two schools within a stones throw of each other and between the two, you back traffic up to an unacceptable level.
Like Reply Hide 3w
-  **Lawrence Kara**
Great idea ,Obviously not happening, who's doing it ,are they inpatient parents with screaming kids in the back being distracted.24/7 sounds like revenue gathering to me
Like Reply Hide 5w
-  **Lawrence Kara**
Giving kids the right of way without thinking.I was taught back in the day to look both ways an we crossed the road anywhere
Like Reply Hide 5w
-  **Maui Tūheitia Pompey**
These clowns are all in a rush to get no where
Like Reply Hide 4w
-  **Anej Ttenneb**
Nicky Bennett Spot Jarius
Like Reply Hide 7w
-  **Jamarl Thomson**
It should be law for schools to provide adequate parking, and turning around space for pickups and drop offs..... some are just downright non existent and dangerous
Like Reply Hide 3w 
-  **Carl de Malmanche**
Design traffic flows better
Like Reply Hide 6w
-  **Owen Fairless**
More jokes from liabour
Like Reply Hide 3w
-  **Anej Ttenneb**
Lesley Bennett Spot Jarius x
Like Reply Hide 7w




Cheryl Davidson
Palmerston North City Council What were the age groups involved in the accidents?


Like Reply Hide 6w




April Papple
 I'm all for having lower speed limits around schools 😊 Are there currently discussions for zebra crossings on grey street? There is a non protected crossing right outside a school and daycare. I see so many kids crossing every time, I think it would be extremely beneficial.

Like Reply Hide 6w




 Top fan
Kristin Huff
 Hi Team. Thanks for the information. I was reading all this on a phone while traveling, so perhaps I missed it in small print, but what is the accompanying plan for clear/attention-getting signposting entering/leaving these areas? Thanks.

Like Reply Hide 4w



Liz Mary
 I admit I am totally perplexed why anyone would be against lower speed limits around schools.
 Anyone reading, I'm genuinely curious about potential points of view of those against this. I like understanding perspectives out of my own.

Like Reply Hide 6w



Morghann Turner-Steele
Liz Mary it is not that we are against lower limits, it is that there are streets in the vicinity (my street is 2 streets back from a school) where they are proposing a permanent decrease (not just during school hours) to 30km which as this street is truly not that busy it makes no sense.
 As a parent of 2 young kids, 1 of which walks to school, I am also not concerned with the speed limit down here as parents already do go slowly during school time to align with the road code

Like Reply Hide 6w

**Karey Lee**

Are you using the same PR agency as the government for your stats? They say nothing and as others have pointed out they need to be yearly and show a trend. Times, ages, speed, all these factors should be presented as well. Personally I'd like to know whether they have gone up or down since all the parking was taken away on College near West End School. People now park illegally or in the small shopping carpark so those needing them can't use it at drop off and pick up times.

Like Reply Hide 6w



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**Logan Alve**

How about enforcing parking? some day someone is going to get killed down shelley street from everyone parking over the yellow lines and basicly anywhere a car can fit!

Like Reply Hide 6w

**Linda Funnell**

Half the problem is all the parking in and around pedestrian crossings which the **Palmerston North City Council** put there. Some schools don't even have pedestrian crossings either so start thinking about the bigger picture and whats causing the problem 😞

Like Reply Hide 4w

**Keyur Anjaria**

Can you please break the stats by year. That might provide a better problem definition..... currently the case presented doesn't appear compelling.

Like Reply Hide 6w



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**Rachel Malaquin**

Hi there, can you please send a link to the rules of scooter riding. My son, who only has a learner license, uses scooters to get to work sometimes. If he scooters on the footpath, he has nearly been hit by cars, and if he scoots on the road he is constantly yelled at or tooted at by drivers. He is a contentious kid who is a capable driver and knows and keeps the law. I think he would be safer in his car on a learner's tbh.

PN drivers are becoming less tolerant and very impatient.

We have L plates and one lady driving a Fulton Hogan ute tooted and abused us when he indicated to go right, correctly. She then speed past on the left side, yelling out the window. My son was a bit shaken, and I was in the passenger seat, couldn't believe it.

Like Reply Hide 3w

Ian Shortt
The next thing People living in Park Road/ Botanical Road will be complaining about is the Diesel fumes from the Trucks if these 30 kph speed limits are adopted around schools, in Park road heading South you have the back entrance to Girls Highschool, then Awatapu College at the corner of Park And Botanical then Westend school then onto Monrad Intermediate and Takaro school filtering onto Botanical and further up Somerset Road school kids accessing Botanical Road. I travel this way frequently and I am curious to know who the heck is going to Police these school speed limits as there are 40 kph limits now but I have never seen them being Policed by any of the Boys and Girls dressed in Blue.

Like Reply Hide 6w

Angela Bright
Our lady of Lourdes also needs it. Especially in the mornings. Some people just don't care.

Like Reply Hide 6w

Dora Elizabeth Edmonds
Remember the Clearfield Doctrine Made all courts into corporations! NZ government is a corporation and so are all councils!

Like Reply Hide 6w

Jared Sayer
Maybe the mum's should stop going to school pick up, drunk 🤪

Like Reply Hide 6w Edited 5

Har Mony
Jared Sayer maybe both genders should just stop travelling under the influence of anything. Never mind putting this on mums.

Like Reply Hide 6w 3

Reply to Jared Sayer...

Colin Cable
Enforcement of cars illegally parked on yellow lines by lazy parents might help

Like Reply Hide 6w 9

Philip Hydes
Colin Cable it be good and help if the council didn't take away all the parking on the streets and by schools

Like Reply Hide 6w 4

Kendall Mottram
Colin Cable and ones that park in front of or in peoples driveways from 2:30 onwards

Like Reply Hide 6w



Top fan

Gerry Keating

As per usual with social media posts, it is easy to put up "stats" without any real context.

There must be close to 50 schools in Palmerston North. That's just under 3 crashes per school per year. That's just under 30 people per year injured. 3 deaths in 10 years. Just over 6 people seriously injured per year. And of course, how were these stats recorded?

We all want to keep our community safe. However, if you drive past a school now, especially at drop off/pick up times, it is generally bad driving habits that are the issue, not speeding. People who speed, will always speed. Driving past a school with a 40km limit is very easy to do. Yet people drive at 50/60km. Changing it to 30km will not change the habits of those people. They will still drive at 50/60km. Parents/caregivers are also part of the issue because nowadays no one wants to walk. I drive past Hokowhitu School most mornings and there is always chaos as people try to park as close to the school as possible for fear their children may have to walk a few extra metres. And these are the people that are causing the issues near schools. They are not aware of their surroundings. They are not aware of other road users. They are only aware of getting that one spot that isn't really a spot but it's close to the school so my child doesn't tire their poor feet walking.

The easiest thing to do is reduce the speed limit. That's why so many agencies use this method. It is too hard to teach people proper driving skills. However, this method is also counter productive as these people will still drive fast anyway. They are immune to speed limits.

And as other people have mentioned, why have a 30km limit 24 hours a day? That doesn't make sense. Why not have the Police or a similar agency with ticketing powers, be at schools during these times and ticket people who break the rules? Park in the wrong spot, instant ticket. Speed past a school, instant ticket. Block a driveway, instant ticket.

Like Reply Hide 6w



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Anna Fletcher

Do you happen to have the statistics on the time of day and day of these crashes? Although zero crashes around schools would be great. It is also important to know how many of these crashes occurred during the weekends? Nights? School holidays? And how many occur during peak school drop off and pick up times.

Like Reply Hide 6w



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Mo Khan

Anna Fletcher it'll also be a good comparison to see how many crashes happened in the region using the same metrics. Wonder if PNCC will provide that

Like Reply Hide 6w



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Top fan

Darryl Witton

Mo Khan Not on your nelly! They are trying to sell a story. I think we're asking too many sensible questions.

Like Reply Hide 6w

**Mo Khan**

Darryl Witton agree mate. They're being very selective in the narrative and if we don't hold them responsible especially at the local level (after all we pay their wages & salaries as ratepayers), we'll get totally screwed in the process.

Since the Government has said this must happen, then what's the bloody point of asking for submissions.

You see, if we do send in the submissions and they still go ahead with the change which they have to anyway, they then have the right to say we consulted and we made the changes. They won't say that this was a forced change

Like Reply Hide 6w



Top fan

Darryl Witton

Mo Khan It's happened many times. I tried a few times to put in submissions on different things, but I realized quickly that democracy is a farce. The machine keeps going no matter what we say. James line for example, they did some of the works for the subdivision then a few months later they asked for submissions if it should go ahead. As if they'd do the work for nothing! It was already a done deal, so why bother asking? As you say, it's so they can tick the box that they consulted people. The rules say they have to consult, but the rules don't say they have to actually listen. It's good knowing I'm not the only one that sees through the charade.

Like Reply Hide 6w



Author



Palmerston North City Council



Anna Fletcher Whether the crashes involved pupils or not, they still happened within 200m of schools and all would have had significantly less severe outcomes had lower speed limits been in place - therefore it's not an issue of when and what days the crashes occurred, but the fact they occurred at all.



- Sam


Like Reply 6w









 **Sean Scott**
Palmerston North City Council this is ridiculous, by that same logic it shouldn't matter whether they happened within 200m of a school or not, but that they happened at all
 Like Reply Hide 6w  2



 **Mo Khan**
Palmerston North City Council so you don't have the figures. Using your logic, crashes happen all over NZ roads, should they also be dropped to 30mm, I'm sure there are children living near most of the roads in NZ. Oh wait, isn't that what NZTA WK doing at the moment, how silly of me to miss this one
 Like Reply Hide 6w 

 **Anna Fletcher**
Palmerston North City Council, I never mentioned pupils in my comment. Please can you post a link or send me a file of the data? I am not against dropping the speed during school drop off and pick up times.
 Like Reply Hide 6w Edited 



 **Anna Fletcher**
Palmerston North City Council the timing of the crashes is important to factor into whether the lower speed limit should be temporary or permanent in the nearby streets. Please can you share the data?
 Like Reply Hide 6w


  **Palmerston North City Council** 
Anna Fletcher 3,562 crashes occurred in the city
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 Like Reply 5w 

 **Anna Fletcher**
Palmerston North City Council Thank you very much. Is it possible to break it down further? I'm sure there are streets near schools where NO crashes have occurred. Also regarding the deaths and serious incidents. How many of these were over 5 years ago, has there been other safety measures installed (for example like pedestrian crossings, traffic lights, roundabouts and judder bars) in those areas to slow down traffic? and has those areas seen a decrease in crashes/improvement in safety?
 Like Reply 5w 


 **Pixie Taiwhati** Top fan
10yrs come on shouldn't u be looking at it yearly?
Like Reply Hide 6w  2







 **Dave Martin** Top fan
I though you may have been at Westend school or Awatapu as huge changes around that area.
Like Reply Hide 6w


 Author
Palmerston North City Council 
Dave Martin We're at Awapuni Primary School tomorrow afternoon, which is just down the road.
- Sam
Like Reply 6w Edited



 **Karey Lee**
What day/time is the library meeting?
Like Reply Hide 6w

 Author
Palmerston North City Council 
Hey Karey, it's on Saturday, 20 May - 12pm to 1pm 😊 - Gem
Like Reply 6w 

 **Karey Lee**
Palmerston North City Council thank you 😊
Like Reply Hide 5w 

 Reply to Palmerston North City Council...     

 **Richard Deller**
For comparison, can you provide the same statistics for roads that are not within 200m of a school? Then we can determine if the roads near schools are the problem or not.
Like Reply Hide 6w  6

 Author
Palmerston North City Council 
Richard Deller 3,562 crashes occurred in the city
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Like Reply 5w



Dora Elizabeth Edmonds

Richard Deller you expect us to believe all your stats when WE KNOW THIS IS all about imprisonment in your 15-20 minute cities! Again conditioning us I DO NOT CONSENT!

Like Reply Hide 2w



Reply to Richard Deller...



Christina Rosealie

Isn't that why those blinking *30km* signs come on during peak school traffic times?

Like Reply Hide 6w



Author

Palmerston North City Council ✓

Christina Rosealie yes, they are variable speed signs for school pick up and drop off times. We're proposing a combination of permanent and variable signs.

- Sam

Like Reply 6w



Morghann Turner-Steele

Are these the only locations you are doing these drop in sessions? I would have assumed that Central normal would be a school holding this as a major change is planned for the far surrounding streets from here inc Rangitikei (main highway) Thanks!

Date	Where
Monday, 8 May, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
Wednesday, 10 May, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
Thursday, 11 May, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
Thursday, 12 May, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
Thursday, 13 May, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
Thursday, 14 May, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
Thursday, 15 May, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
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Thursday, 25 May, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
Thursday, 26 May, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
Thursday, 27 May, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
Thursday, 28 May, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
Thursday, 29 May, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
Thursday, 30 May, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
Friday, 1 June, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
Friday, 2 June, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
Friday, 3 June, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
Friday, 4 June, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
Friday, 5 June, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
Friday, 6 June, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
Friday, 7 June, 2:00pm - 3pm	Wassop Primary School
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Author

Palmerston North City Council ✓


Morghann Turner-Steele that's all the public meetings we have planned - unfortunately, we can't do it at every school. I'll pass on your suggestion to the team though 😊 - Gem

Like Reply 6w




 **Morghann Turner-Steele**
Palmerston North City Council thanks Gem! I have already completed the online form with my feedback anyway but just wanted to check I wasn't missing something 😊
Have a great day!!


Like Reply Hide 5w

 **Palmerston North City Council** ✓
You can come to any session though 😊


Like Reply 5w


 **Jessica Larsen**
Is this for all schools in Palmerston North?


Like Reply Hide 6w


 **Palmerston North City Council** ✓
Jessica Larsen yes, the government requires us to change speed limits around all schools in the city, so we're now seeking feedback on those proposed changes.
-Sam

Like Reply 6w Edited

 **Mo Khan**
Palmerston North City Council so the Government "requires" PNCC to change the speed limit, does this mean that you have to change the speed limit regardless of the feedback? If that's the case, why are you wasting time asking for feedback when the feedback won't make any difference since the Government has said to do it.....

Like Reply Hide 6w  3

 **Palmerston North City Council** ✓
Mo Khan as it explains in the link to our website above, we're asking for your feedback because we want to hear from you if you think there are any roads around schools that we've missed, or if you think the zones where speed limits are proposed should be longer or shorter on each street.
- Sam

Like Reply 6w Edited 



Ian Shortt

Palmerston North City Council consultation with the General Public will be a waste of time because Council have already decided what is going to happen otherwise you wouldn't be sending out notices to affected residents about the dropping of speed limits around schools.

Like Reply Hide 6w



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Mo Khan

Palmerston North City Council Hi Sam, thanks for the response, but you didn't answer the question. Are the speed changes going to be made irrespective of the feedback, forget about the length or street etc.

Will the feedback from the Joe Public make the council feel better and that will that they have taken the Joe Public on the journey of change which has to be done because the Government has said it has to be done?

I see this as the feel good stuff and not achieving anything, just wasting our time.

You will follow the instructions from the Government no matter how much we agree or disagree with the change.

Here I was thinking that the local councils were independent bodies and not the Government's puppet

Like Reply Hide 6w



Author

Palmerston North City Council ✓

Mo Khan Changing speed limits around schools is legislation - so, yes, the speed limits will be changed irrespective of the feedback, but you can help to shape where the speed limits apply on each street, whether they should be permanent or variable or, alternatively, suggest other streets we might not have included in our proposal. So, there's still plenty of scope for change. I hope that answers your question.

- Sam

Like Reply 6w



Mo Khan

Palmerston North City Council thanks Sam, it does and in a sense it tells me that whatever we say or do is not going to change things because the speed limits will be reduced and let us hope that once they're, there is some kind of enforcement to follow and not a smack on the wrist with a wet bus ticket either

Like Reply Hide 6w

Emma Jane
Will you ever look to put a safe crossing in on Main St (Terrace End Cemetery area)? So many school kids cross that daily it's only a matter of time before something happens.
Like Reply Hide 6w 5

Genevieve Doube
Emma Jane it is so hard crossing here!! But it is also state highway so that sits with Waka Korahi and not Council 😞
Like Reply Hide 6w Edited 3

Palmerston North City Council
Emma Jane we are having conversations with Waka Kotahi about this.
-Sam
Like Reply 6w 2

Reply to Emma Jane...



Renata M Tombleson
How about the roundabout in featherston and Russell streets. Unsafe and children walk up to Russell street school that way and also the kindy.
Like Reply Hide 6w





Palmerston North City Council
Renata M Tombleson We are looking at this as part of our Featherston St Safety upgrades and some intersection improvements in time 😊
Like Reply 5w





Renata M Tombleson
Palmerston North City Council it's been a problem for years
Like Reply Hide 5w




Reply to Palmerston North City Council...



Cheryl Davidson
Palmerston North City Council are the board members actually going to show up this time as they didnt attend the budget one at the library! Pretty annoyed I took time out of my day to ask questions before writing a submission and the two council members could not speak on behalf of the board.
Like Reply Hide 6w


 **Palmerston North City Council** 
Cheryl Davidson These drop in sessions are being run by Council staff, not elected members, though elected members may turn up if they wish to do so.
 - Sam
 Like Reply 6w

 **Darryl Witton** 
 Why are the stats always skewed? It'd be nice to have factual evidence to base opinions off.
 1- 10 years is a LONG time! The last year is more relevant.
 2- "within 200 meters of Palmy schools" At what times did these happen? Why 200 meters, and not the more immediate vicinity?
 3- Of those accidents that happened near schools during school hours, how many involved school kids and workers?
 The ambiguity of the info is very misleading. It is skewed.
 Like Reply Hide 6w   18

 **Darryl Witton** 
 I should add that My older boy goes to CSNS, and I normally drive past 3 schools 4 times a day, and pickup every day. I'm constantly frustrated by bad (hesitant) and slow drivers going 30-40km all the way down College St. I have made multiple complaints about parking and traffic, but it's come to naught. IMO speed is not the issue. Driver skill and attitude is. All this will do is make journeys longer and cause more frustration ensuring some drivers will attempt to make up lost time elsewhere.
 Like Reply Hide 6w   6

 **Vicki Hill**
Darryl Witton I agree - stats are often skewed, and without context, to support arguments that require public buy-in. Sadly, when it comes to road safety, the authorities are limited with what they can influence - they can control speed limits easier than driver behaviours/attitudes so I presume that's why they focus on that.
 Like Reply Hide 6w   2

 **Em Fawcett**
Darryl Witton as someone who is doing the school run every day, I'm surprised that you don't know about the existing 40km/h limit, and that you're frustrated that people are slowing down to keep children (including yours) safe. ...
 Like Reply Hide 6w 




Top fan

Darryl Witton

Em Fawcett Perhaps you misunderstand. The speed limits are outside of the schools immediate vicinity only at pickup and dropoff, which I'm OK with (though I disagree this solves the issues, as is evident with them reducing limits further and over a wider area). I'm talking about the drivers going this speed all the way down the street, well outside of these times and zones. IMO those going 40km without being aware of their surroundings are more of a hazard than those speeding.

Like Reply Hide 6w Edited




Top fan

Darryl Witton

Vicki Hill Sad but true! I have some good friends that are involved in this area, and they have expressed exactly that point. They need to enact positive change, but the only tool they have is to reduce speed, remove lanes etc. I have resolved myself to accepting I can't change the machine, but I don't mind throwing in my 2 cents when they spout skewed info to sell their story 😊

Like Reply Hide 6w




Author

Palmerston North City Council

Darryl Witton Here's some quick stats for you 3,562 crashes occurred in the city

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Like Reply 5w




Top fan

Darryl Witton

Palmerston North City Council Thanks! Really didn't expect a reply. Can you please add context:


- 1- Is this still over the last 10 years, or last year?
- 2- Is there any chance you can sort out a map with the zones indicated on it? I suspect these school zones encompass a rather large area, more than 15.7% of Palmy. If you can't provide a map, can you confirm if this is the case? ie: what percentage of town is in school zones.

Like Reply Hide 5w Edited


 **Kristin Huff** Top fan
Palmerston North City Council thanks for these stats. Can you clarify:
 We're the 3 deaths during peak school times?
 How many of the serious injuries were during peak times?
 Can you break the stats down by year?
 Safety is certainly important. Right now I am uncertain of the imperative, as 78 crashes in school zones over 10 yrs is 8/yr. Less than 1/month. Across 50 ish schools in Palmy.
 The stats need true context to better inform responses and decision making. Thank you.


Like Reply Hide 4w

The comment Darryl Witton is replying to has been deleted.


 **Darryl Witton** Top fan
Tristan Stern And you based that opinion on what? The fact I haven't hit anyone or been nailed having to do a hook turn everyday on College St after pickup tells me you have no idea what you're on about. It's bloody dangerous.

Like Reply Hide 6w


 Reply to Darryl Witton...

 **Caroline Bellon Chaves**
 I am curious about those accidents and if speed was the main factor and What time of the day those accidents happen.
 I am in more favour of cameras, if you really want making people accountable. Reducing speed does nothing if people already speeding in 40/50km zones.







Like Reply Hide 6w 3


 **Palmerston North City Council** Author
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Like Reply 5w 3

 **Caroline Bellon Chaves**
Palmerston North City Council thank you, is speed the main reason for the accidents, bad driving or drugs/ alcohol?

Like Reply Hide 5w 3

-  **Liz Mary**
I wish it was more automatic for a driver to put on their indicator's always and not just when they thought people were around
Like Reply Hide 3w 2
-  **Em Fawcett**
Mystified how this is 🤔 to some??! I know I'd rather my children had a 10% chance of death than 80% in case of an accident 🙄
Like Reply Hide 3w 9
-  **Matt Soong**
Those stats are not helpful in the decision making. what we need to know is the actual number and severity of incidents that have happened between 40k and 50k in these zones. This will give us the real world data to identify if there is an issue that needs attention. (The proposed limit is 40k right?)
Like Reply Hide 3w Edited 4
-  **Ricki Samuel le Mar-walker**
How fast do I need to be going to guarantee death??
Like Reply Hide 3w 2
-  **Cheryl Davidson**
30kmh did not prevent a child being hit by a car and flown to Wellington hospital in critical condition at Linton a week ago...all the streets there are 30kmh so are you saying they should now be 10kmh?
Like Reply Hide 3w 1
-  **Annabel Hardy**
Cheryl Davidson having road rules has not prevented all accidents. All the streets have road rules so are you saying that we should just ban driving?
Like Reply Hide 2w




Top fan

Julie Johnstone

Those big utes that come up to a adults shoulders no chance cant even do a flip over the bonnet like in the old days

Like Reply Hide 3w




Joel Gordon

Julie Johnstone The size of some new cars definitely doesn't help. Especially the SUVs and Utes.

I'll never understand why so many people choose SUVs now anyway.

Like Reply Hide 3w




Top fan


Wayne Belk

Joel Gordon People are buying four-wheel-drive these days SUVs because of the state of our roads With all the potholes Because there's no money to fix the roads any more Wasting money on speed bumps Cycling lanes that are not even getting used Wonder how much money they spend a year on road cones they are everywhere And now they don't want to fix the roads Properly with pedestrian crossing's They would be better off to spend money on teaching kids at school Road safety

Like Reply Hide 3w




Reply to Julie Johnstone...



Allan Kirk

So you heavily promote the low death rate at 30kmh. Have you ever considered the risk that you will bring about complacency about cars and schools in kids and parents, something that is too often dangerously fatal?!


Like Reply Hide 3w



Jade Wilde-Campbell


You know what prevents death to pedestrians on the road altogether? Not being on it

Like Reply Hide 2w



Lance Rowe

Let's go here first <https://www.nzta.govt.nz/.../information-for-pedestrians/...>



NZTA.GOV.T.NZ

General pedestrian guidelines | Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency

Like Reply Hide 3w

Shane Keyword
Dont know why school streets deserve variable speed limits, but other streets are permanent? Seems a little backwards. How does driving at 30kmh help on a street with no school at 10pm save kids?

Like Reply Hide 3w

Shane Keyword
Do you have to comment on each section independently? Or is it one comment that captures all roads?

Like Reply Hide 3w

Reply to Shane Keyword...

Sean Scott
Evidence overwhelmingly shows that, yes while higher speeds cause more fatal accidents, there are less accidents at higher speeds.

Like Reply Hide 2w

Annabel Hardy
Sean Scott can you please provide your sources on that?

Like Reply Hide 2w

Reply to Sean Scott...

Stewart Waldman
Stop trying to justify lowering speed limits. It makes no sense. 🙄

Like Reply Hide 3w 2

Shane Keyword
Stewart Waldman Which kid do you propose is sacrificed in order to Stewart to maintain speeding around ?

Like Reply Hide 3w 3

Stewart Waldman
Shane Keyword who said anything about speeding around ? You're making assumptions.

Like Reply Hide 3w

Shane Keyword
Stewart Waldman Well, you are complaining that reducing speed limits to reduce negative outcomes from accidents makes no sense. So, are you pro-death/anti-reduced speeds, or not.

Like Reply Hide 3w 2

Stewart Waldman
Shane Keyword are you one of the doomsday preppers ? There's nothing wrong with the speed limits as they are. Let's just ban motor vehicles completely, would you be happy then ?
 Like Reply Hide 3w Edited

Stewart Waldman
Shane Keyword I'm 100% against reduced speed limits, as are many others.
 Like Reply Hide 3w

Cheryl Davidson
 Shane Keyword thats an easy answer... if a child cant be left at home alone legally due to age and is left to walk unsupervised to school then it's their parents that are willingly sacrificing them.
 Like Reply Hide 3w Edited

Annabel Hardy
Cheryl Davidson what kind of deranged crap is that?
 Like Reply Hide 2w

Reply to Shane Keyword...

Reply to Stewart Waldman...

Joel Gordon
 Not just around schools, change it to 30 in the city centre too.
 Far too many idiots just wander out in front of cars, most of which are doing 50, which is what you'd expect given that's the speed limit, but limiting it to 30 in the city centre would make it that much easier to react to people just wandering out.
 Also wouldn't change much in terms of how long it takes to get around in the city centre given how short the distances are that usually end up driven between the stop and start.
 Like Reply Hide 3w

Palmerston North City Council
 Hey **Joel**, later this year we'll be reviewing speed limits around the city centre and some other parts of the city. We'll do a post when we're consulting on this 😊 - Gem
 Like Reply 3w

SUBMISSION FROM CONSULTATION

TO: Strategy & Finance Committee

MEETING DATE: 1 August 2023

TITLE: Hearing of Submissions: Waterloo Park Land Exchange Proposal

RECOMMENDATION(S) TO STRATEGY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. That the Strategy & Finance Committee hear submissions from presenters who indicated their wish to be heard in support of their submission.
2. That the Committee note the Procedure for Hearing of Submissions, as described in the procedure sheet.

SUBMITTERS WISHING TO BE HEARD IN SUPPORT OF THEIR SUBMISSION

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9	Chloe Brown	
10	Julie Griffiths	
11	Samuel Hill	
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13	Jim Jefferies	
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18	Gwenna Finikin	
19	Michael & Jade Charles	
20	Camille Ornberg	
21	John Groat	
22	Peter Jeffery	
23	Sheila Barrass	
24	Lyn Meyers	

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26	Graham Scott	
27	Leigh Anthony	
28	Jacqueline Carr	
29	Tanenuiarangi Manawatū Inc, Rangitāne o Manawatū	Alana Nuku
30	Rosemary Watson	
31	Adelia Sadler	
32	Anne Hopkins	
33	Beck Broughan	
34	Doug Kidd	
35	Lilian Rowe	
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37	Tony Hodgson	
38	Pauline Hodgson	
39	Retain the Reserve (Petition 218 signatories)	Rosemary Watson

Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Bruce
Last name	Philpott
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	I support the proposal. The current location of the reserve will make little sense once the sub-division goes ahead.

Merle Lavin

From: Submission
Subject: FW: Waterloo Park submission

From: D & S White
Sent: Wednesday, 12 April 2023 5:17 pm
To: Submission <submission@pncc.govt.nz>
Subject: Waterloo Park submission

Can't make the online form work so here it is..

David White

Not representing any organisation
Don't want to be heard in person

Submission

I oppose the sale of this reserve or the exchange of it for another parcel in the new subdivision. Reserves should be kept for future generations to use. Once disposed of they cannot be reinstated. By moving the reserve as proposed you are taking away from existing residents and giving the residents in the development the green space. The new development should provide its own green space and not take from the existing amenities. I find it strange that PNCC promote green space in your own development on Napier Rd but are happy to remove green space from other parts of the city. This reserve should be retained. Has PNCC not learnt from previous attempts to rezone reserves that the public do not want this to take place?

Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Simone
Last name	Laing
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	I support the exchange of land, and believe it makes sense to re-locate the future shared entrance to a more central location in the development.

Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Summer
Last name	Hunt
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	Taking away that strip of land will mean that my neighbours and I will have no privacy or peace once the three story buildings are up, presumably as close to the fence line as possible. Absolutely heartbreaking from our points of view. We are so unlucky, we are also getting multiple kainga ora homes on the other side. Way to turn a lovely area into a shitbox really.

Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Morgan
Last name	Marshall
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	This photo is very misleading taken not looking at the mature trees, you talk about sustainability and carbon neutral but want to cut down trees. Stop wasting money and putting rates up, do the basics right first

Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Susan
Last name	Doohan
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	I support this exchange, it appears to be more usable and safe for more members of the community

Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Morgan
Last name	Weaver
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	<p>There is a very well used river entrance on the corner of Ruahine St only a couple hundred meters away that has had no upgrades in the past 20 or so years and has had numerous safety issues raised by the numerous ratepayers that use this entrance around access and lighting etc.</p> <p>Lets maintain/upgrade the already well utilised entrance before spending money creating another.</p> <p>This use of rate payers \$\$ and land only benefits the landholder selling the plots as it will provide a much larger financial upside to the sale prices. It is concerning that council are choosing to utilise ratepayers \$\$ in this way and begs many questions around how closely aligned private and public interests are here.</p>

Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Richard
Last name	Withy
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	Fantastic idea, we need reserves and playgrounds in new residential subdivisions. Will the existing reserve be released for housing to the developer?

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Your contact details	
First name	Chloe
Last name	Brown
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	We are one of the houses right beside this piece of land and we purchased this property because of the land and a gate out to the river pathway. We would rather work as a community to have fruit trees and maintain a community garden/park

Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Julie
Last name	Griffiths
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	<p>Not a good idea for two reasons:</p> <p>a) There's a danger of more green land being used for buildings such as housing. That can cause floods and other unnecessary damage.</p> <p>b) Some Residents who live in the area have already spoken out against the idea. Quite possibly, their privacy could be affected if the transaction went ahead.</p>

Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Samuel
Last name	Hill
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	Any housing being constructed in place of reserve land is total, absolutely and utterly short-term vision of the highest order. We need to plant more native trees, have greater reserve land, and more recreational spaces for both the health and wellbeing of the population and for nature. Your ludicrous proposal will only benefit the already-high-profit-making property developers to the detriment of the general public and nature. You should be creating more reserves, not swapping one reserve for another. With the greatest of respect, this is a shambolic idea and shameful. Green our cities, don't concrete them. All the best. Sam

Merle Lavin

From: Submission
Subject: FW: WaterlooExchange

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From: Nick Dymock
Sent: Saturday, 15 April 2023 12:24 pm
To: Submission <submission@pncc.govt.nz>
Subject: WaterlooExchange

I presume they will be doing the exchange so that they can put extra housing in there. This will mean extra pressure on things like the Winchester school. Do they have enough room for extra students from the development. There will also be extra traffic with more residents in the development. We will have to slow the traffic down on streets like Ruahine Street. This can be done by putting in judder bars. And will help with keeping out boy racers. It was done at the Esplanade where there is judder bars every hundred m eters .Why can't it be done on Ruahine street ?

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Your contact details	
First name	Jim
Last name	Jefferies
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	In favour of the exchange. It will provide better access to the river park for events such as relay for life.

Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Cameron
Last name	Smith
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	<p>I oppose the Waterloo Park Land Exchange.</p> <p>A simple redevelopment & modernisation of existing entrances, I believe provides an adequate & cost effective solution for the city's ratepayers.</p> <p>At the same time, while Waterloo Park, is in the spotlight, there is the opportunity to look at ways the council can assist the public to appreciate & maximise the full potential of Waterloo Park.</p> <p>I have spoken to residents neighbouring the park, who suggested planting fruit trees, for use by all residents in the city. This could also help local foodbanks & Just Zilch, for example.</p> <p>This simple move, would help beautify the park, while encouraging more use of it.</p> <p>An expensive new entrance, in my view, is not necessary, a simple redevelopment of existing entrances, would, I believe, achieve much of the desired outcome.</p>

Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Linda & Rowan
Last name	Bell
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	<p>Reference to your letter dated 11/04/2023 to homeowner/residence regarding the proposed land exchange - part of Waterloo Park.</p> <p>We believe it won't be in the best interest of the community to exchange the land in Waterloo Park for land of an equal value as outlined in Figure 2.</p> <p>We believe it would better serve the interests of the community to retain this land as a reserve and keep Waterloo Park intact.</p> <p>We propose that fruit trees etc. could be planted for foraging; provide foot access from Ayr Place, via the Scout Hall. It would also provide a reserve for residence of the new housing development by Kainga Ora proposed for 16-22 Tilbury Avenue and 7, 11, 12 Ayr Place, where twenty-nine new houses are going to be built.</p> <p>The newly proposed recreational reserve would not be available to these twenty-nine new families.</p> <p>The proposed entrance to the river as outlined on the plan can still be provided by the landowner/developer.</p> <p>With the pedestrian footpath via the Scout Hall and car park, it would link Ayr Place with Tilbury Avenue and to the new development and access to the river pathway.</p> <p>When decisions like this are made, it must be for the benefit of the whole community, not just for the benefit of a landowner or developer.</p>

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Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Beth
Last name	Lew
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	<p>I think that the rezoning of land in Waterloo Park to be residential instead of industrial is a great idea and timely. I do feel that sufficient green space needs to be provided so that more of the new residents would be able to garden and provide for some of their own food. I think this is an essential measure that all new builds need to take into consideration because of the current issues we are facing- i.e. climate change issues and the rising costs of food and transportation. Please keep that green buffer zone and add to it if possible and provide space for community gardens. The number of people who want to provide homegrown veggies because they can't afford to buy them is rising daily.</p> <p>I have read Rosemary Watson's submission to you about your proposal on the exchange of land in Waterloo Park and agree with what she has written. I would particularly want to draw your attention to this part of her submission: Retaining the buffer strip as part of the reserve is key to overcoming access issues, as well as providing a larger area for kai. Please refer to attached map document. The plans for the new Roxburgh Crescent development show a pedestrian and cyclist access from new proposed road A out to Ruahine Street (where Zander Engineering is currently situated). It would seem that with relatively minimal extra input, a small extension of pedestrian access could be provided into the current dead end of the buffer strip (options at position 1 on map). This would provide an easy street to street connecting pedestrian route through the two parts of the reserve/kai area, past the Hokowhitu Scout Hall, to Ayr Place. Another pedestrian access from the Roxburgh Crescent development to the reserve strip could be included between planned sections at the south end of proposed street B (position 2 on map).</p> <p>It has recently been established that there is actually no evidence for contamination of either of the above parts of Waterloo Park reserve, in either Horizons' HAIL register or PNCC records. Indeed, PNCC last year planted a few fruit trees in the reserve area near the Scout Hall, which would certainly not have been sanctioned were there indications of possible site contamination.</p>

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	<p>The reserve site would seem to meet many of the other desirable criteria for community food production re soil type, water, toilet access, sunlight, shelter, and so on.</p> <p>At this stage, it is envisaged that, rather than having individual vegetable plots/gardens, there would be more of a large communal/community orchard area or productive park with a variety of size- and site- suitable fruit and nut trees and berry plants/fruited shrubs, with maybe a herb garden and a foraging area. Planting of trees is also one of the best ways to improve the quality of existing green space in terms of air filtration, cooling effects, and 'slowing down' heavy rain. There is too the possibility of the area becoming an educational place where pruning, training and espalier techniques etc. could be taught to the wider public, as at the Ashhurst community orchard.</p> <p>A wider more ambitious vision would be to also try to incorporate suitable planting into at least part of the Horizons owned 'bowl' of land between the stopbank and the current Higgins land, up to the proposed new public access to the River Park. (Possible 'indicative extension to Higgins property' in this area, and possible contamination issues, to be taken into account.) This could also allow another access point to/from Roxburgh Crescent from the kai area, and also enhance accessibility of the kai area to River Park users (position 3 on map). And depending on Manawatu River Park visions and regulations, might there also be the possibility of suitable larger nut trees etc. as specimens on the river side of the stopbank in this area providing summer shade as well as food.</p> <p>thank you Beth Lew</p>
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Your contact details	
First name	Luke
Last name	Cooney
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	I am completely in support of this exchange of land, and the wider plans to rezone Roxburgh ave for medium density housing. The land in question, a thin strip sandwiched between private property, provides no community value and benefits only a few adjacent landowners. This exchange provides greater community space and access to the river, plus supports more housing in an ideal location. An easy yes from me,

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Your contact details	
First name	Gwenna
Last name	Finikin
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	Please do not do this exchange. Please turn it in to a community orchard. If three storey houses are put on that strip, it will affect those to the south of the building. Keep this area and extend the planting and access. This is a brilliant opportunity for the whole area, including new residents, to have access to a community activity and free food.

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Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?

☐ Yes

☒ No

YOUR SUBMISSION:

What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?

We live on Waterloo Crescent and enjoy walking by the Manawatu River, also past the Higgins Rd depot.

We support the PNCC wish to have built dwellings on Roxburgh Crescent, including car parking and access to the river highlighted in the green colour on page 2 of your letter.

We also wanted propose the blue colour section to be used as 'localized' food producing area for local residents.

Signature

[Signature]

30/4/2023

Date

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Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Camille
Last name	Ornberg
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	<p>I would like the green space to be retained and put to good use like a community orchard/garden/ walkway river access.</p> <p>I think with the amount of housing proposed to go up, and with the cost of fruit and vegetables rising, it makes sense to start using land for community gardens.</p> <p>I realise that there will be another river access put in however, the green space will be limited as it will have car parks on it.</p>

Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	John
Last name	Groat
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	<p>My initial thoughts were that this was a good idea, but then I thought:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The new accessway is good and should go ahead. 2. Would the new accessway go ahead if Waterloo Park was not next to the proposed private development? I would hope it would. 3. Why can the access way not go ahead without need to take land from the park? 4. The residents close to the park would still enjoy a buffer zone between them and the new housing. 5. Others will have many ideas for improvements in the current buffer zone that will benefit everybody. One example is orchard tree planting. <p>Finally: it should be clear that I am completely opposed to this unnecessary proposal.</p>

Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Peter
Last name	Jeffery
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	<p>I would like the buffer strip kept. The buffer strip is the only space available for a community orchard. The proposed swap land had been use for industrial purposes and is potentially contaminated.</p> <p>Loss of green space. With the move to medium density house Palmerston North will loose significant amount of green space. This is largely private but makes up the total green space of the city. Proving habit for birds, clean air and human well-being.</p> <p>With the right selection of plants and trees the land can be come a connect spoke to the city via Pahiatua St for native birds from native planting on the river flood plain.</p> <p>The new development could still have an access way to the river in approximately the proposed location by using the storm water drainage zone with a boardwalk (like what has been done at the Central lagoon development)</p> <p>If the space is lost now their will never be another chance.</p>

Merle Lavin

From: Submission
Subject: FW: Proposed land exchange - part of Waterloo Park.

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Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Proposed land exchange - part of Waterloo Park.

Parks Team,
 PNCC.

Submission

Hi Team,

Thank you for your letter dated 11th April 2023 requesting feedback on proposed submission for: Proposed land exchange - part of Waterloo Park.

I have referenced the act below for clarity:

Reserves Act 1977

The Reserves Act 1977 was established to acquire, preserve and manage areas for their conservation values or public recreational and educational values.

Main functions

The Reserves Act has three main functions. These are:

- To provide for the preservation and management, for the benefit and enjoyment of the public, areas possessing some special feature or values such as recreational use, wildlife, landscape amenity or scenic value. For example, the reserve may have value for recreation, education, as wildlife habitat or as an interesting landscape.
- To ensure, as far as practicable, the preservation of representative natural ecosystems or landscapes and the survival of indigenous species of flora and fauna, both rare and commonplace.
- To ensure, as far as practicable, the preservation of access for the public to the coastline, islands, lakeshore and riverbanks and to encourage the protection and preservation of the natural character of these areas.

Recreation Reserves (Section 17)

The main purpose of these reserves is the provision of areas for recreation and sporting activities. This is to provide for the physical welfare and enjoyment of the public and for protection of the natural environment and beauty.

My specific questions are:

1. Will the new piece of proposed land exchange be covered by the Recreational Reserve Act and therefore meet the purpose and requirement of this act. I have heard you are thinking of using the new proposed land exchange for parking, is this correct?
2. How will the proposed land swop affect the drainage for nearby properties, specifically the houses already in situ on Tilbury Avenue?
3. Could the existing reserve be better utilised as a recreational area in accordance with the act, and accessed by the proposed new development?

Kind regards

Sheila Barrass

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☐ Yes

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YOUR SUBMISSION:

What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?

I have had an overall view of the proposed land exchange and feel it would not be an equal swap of green area as it seems to be switching to carparking. A very valid suggestion is to keep the land as it is and make it into a community garden come orchard for the new housing.

Signature

Date

7/5/23

Merle Lavin

Subject: FW: Waterloo Park land exchange

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Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

-----Original Message-----

From: Scotty O

Sent: Friday, 12 May 2023 11:23 am

To: Submission <submission@pncc.govt.nz>

Subject: Waterloo Park land exchange

To Whom It May Concern,

I disagree with the proposed Waterloo Park land exchange. I feel the buffer strip would be better suited as a community orchard or walkway (especially since pedestrian access has been already been proposed via the local dairy.

Additionally, since the new housing development allows houses to be 3 stories high, there is still a need for a buffer strip between the existing homes on Tilberry Crescent and any new development in order to preserve sunlight/views/privacy.

Kind regards,

Scott O'Connor

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Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Scott
Last name	O'Connor
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	<p>I disagree with the exchange of land. I feel the buffer strip would be better suited as a community orchard or walkway (especially since pedestrian access has been already been proposed via the local dairy.</p> <p>Additionally, since the new housing development allows houses to be 3 stories high, there is still a need for a buffer strip between the existing homes on Tilberry Crescent and any new development in order to preserve sunlight/views/privacy.</p>

Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Graham
Last name	Scott
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	<p>Hi, My view is that this piece of land should stay as is with better access for the local neighbours, reasons:</p> <p>(1) this land could be turned into a community garden with fruit trees and meeting place for the local community.</p> <p>(2) opening this land up will be great for the local scout group who could have there own garden's, which will teach them (how too) later in life.</p> <p>(3) Leaving this land as a green space will be great for the people living on these new very small sections that are proposed in this new subdivision.</p> <p>(4) What I see with the so called exchange of land is that it will be car parks for people living in this development due to the size of these sections so easier access for the public will be limited, plus another beautiful green space will disappear and can never be replaced, so PLEASE do not exchange this land.</p>

Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Leigh
Last name	Anthony
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	I would be happy to see this exchange go ahead

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Signed.....



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Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?

☒ Yes

☐ No

YOUR SUBMISSION:

What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?

I object strongly to the exchange of ^{our} Waterloo Park reserve land - an area of 'green space' adjacent to gardens of existing housing.
It is designated RESERVE LAND & should never be "sold" or exchanged ~~to~~ to/with a private profit-making developer - it is PUBLIC OPEN SPACE and should as it is now ^{continue} be green space accessible to ANYONE.

Signature Jacqueline Y. Carr.

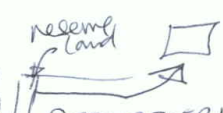
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The re-siting of the industrial area is welcomed by me as I notice the fumes (cancerone & ^{har producing} toxic emissions from the tarmac area of the current Higgins site. It not only smells foul on weekdays & makes us cough but it is also, together with electro-plating ^{business}, a source of ground & water contamination. I trust there will be supervised & accountable removal, treatment, & lawful disposal/storage of such before any future residents occupy the site.

The developer should include the costs of the above ^{decontamination} together with the inclusion of green space within the residential complex including access to the river; (3) Also allow space for tree/shrub/eco-corridor planting around the site ^{perimeter} & not expect to cram in as many properties as possible given the benefits of 'green space' & water-holding/flooding amelioration of non-hard surface land. The current series of extreme weather events & likelihood of increased frequency of them with climate change & proximity of the proposed residential area to the River Manawatu flood plain & flood bank makes the above more important than ever.

I don't know what sort of "access" is proposed to replace the Roxburgh crescent road but a walkway access near the Scout Hall, steps/ramp down to ^{+walking/wheelchair} (so disabled access but ^{NOTE} e. Bikes/cars ^{so not} ~~so~~ tarmaced, or use it to ^{reserve land} plant & sitting area.  PEDESTRIAN ACCESS ^{only}.



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Waterloo Park Land Exchange

Tēnā koe Aaron

After discussion and reviewing the Waterloo Park Land Exchange documentation, I can advise that we formally support the proposal for the exchanged land.

Please let me know if you have any queries.

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Spread the cloak of Peace and Love, so shall blossom the people of humility

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Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

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Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	I oppose the proposed land exchange. Please see my e-mail, with two attachments, just sent to submission@pncc.govt.nz for explanation of my views. Please acknowledge receipt of that e-mail. Thank you.

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Merle Lavin

From: S7(2)(a) Personal Privacy
Sent: Tuesday, 16 May 2023 4:12 pm
To: Submission
Subject: Rosemary Watson - Personal submission re Waterloo Park proposed land exchange
Attachments: RoxburghTilburyfoodmap.pdf; PNCCStrategyFinanceletter.docx

Personal submission re :
Part Waterloo Park - Proposal to exchange land

Rosemary Watson
 S7(2)(a) Personal Privacy

I am totally opposed to the proposed exchange of the strip of Waterloo Park reserve land that runs between the houses on the north side of Tilbury Avenue and the Higgins yard extension off Roxburgh Crescent, which was at one time a Manawatu Catchment Board tree nursery/plantation.

I have already made pre- public consultation submissions to this effect on this proposal, in March 2023, both by e-mail to all Council members of the PNCC Strategy and Finance Committee, and by public comment in person, to the 22 March 2023 meeting of that Committee, in response to Agenda Item 15 (report to Committee presented by Kathy Dever-Tod) of that meeting.

The above two previous submissions are now on public record. The text of the e-mail submission is attached here as a .docx file (PNCCStrategyFinanceletter.docx), and a map presented at the time is also attached (RoxburghTilburyfoodmap.pdf).

The PNCC video of the in-person presentation is at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aghxkaoRkBc> , starting at approximately 1:44:58 of the recording.

Please refer to these items as necessary. Some details have changed a little as new information has come to light in the intervening time, but the main reasons I am opposed to the exchange have not changed significantly.

I support in general terms the proposed rezoning of industrial land at Roxburgh Crescent for development of appropriate residential housing. Though I have known for several years of the plans for housing at Roxburgh Crescent, it was a huge surprise to find the reserve land exchange proposal was to be part of those plans.

Unapologetically NIMBY

I bought ■ Tilbury Avenue in 1987, partly because the section had 'undeveloped' land on two sides, and for the sunny northerly aspect of the large back garden. I value my privacy and my sleep, and chose to buy where I would not be overlooked, and where night noise would be minimal. I also chose to live in an area where there were trees and wildlife. I am a keen gardener, and my garden is my living area as much as my house is. I mainly grow a variety of food-bearing trees, shrubs and plants, many of which require good light and/or long sunlight hours. I consider all these to be important amenity values for my lifestyle, and if the reserve were lost, and residential sections developed adjacent to my home's northern boundary, many of

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these values would be considerably depleted. My enjoyment of my own home would be severely compromised, something I feel extremely anxious about.

With the potential for 3-storey, 11 m houses to be built only 1 m from Tilbury Avenue property boundaries, if the reserve were to be taken away, one can envisage considerable shading, loss of access to sunlight, overlooking, and loss of privacy for the existing homes and their sections, along with increased noise. This is in addition to the loss of the adjacent green space itself, the trees, birdlife and wildlife corridor that the reserve supports, and, for some residents, the loss of direct access to recreational areas, which was an important factor in their choice of home. Whilst the neighbours on this part of Tilbury Avenue may put different weights on these different aspects, we are in general agreement that loss of the reserve is going to be a negative factor for all of us. I can predict that not the least part of the negative factor would be a reduction in property values.

The Palmerston North City Council District Plan (section 7, Subdivision) notes that subdivision can affect existing character and amenity values, and section 10 (Residential zone) recognises some of the specific issues that new subdivision can have on existing communities:-

"It is important that the environment in which people live is as pleasant as possible and that a particular ambience is created. This ambience and amenity comes from the style of development which occurs on the site itself and the way in which each site's development impacts on adjoining sites and on the neighbourhood as a whole."

"Achieving a pleasant environment within a site inevitably requires consideration of adjoining sites, particularly with regard to issues such as privacy, shadowing, etc. ... there are clear effects both within and between sites, arising from residential development which needs to be mitigated in some way to ensure overall residential amenity is maintained. Impacts on public space ... and the character of existing areas must be considered to maintain a healthy, safe and attractive residential environment."

"Infill and multi-unit housing development often results in closer buildings and living, ..., a reduction in permeable surfaces, and the removal of established vegetation. As such, the design of housing development needs to limit these adverse effects, to ensure it does not impact on the amenity standards or privacy of residents and fits within the character of existing neighbourhoods."

Resource management issues as noted in the District Plan include:-

"Housing intensification and how it can be best integrated into the character of existing residential neighbourhoods."

"The effects of activities and buildings on one site, on another, in amenity terms, particularly with regard to noise, overshadowing and privacy issues" and

"The value of vegetation in the residential areas and the contribution made by open space, permeable surfaces, trees and vegetation to residential amenity values."

The District Plan also includes policies to mitigate some of these issues "which the community has indicated are important in achieving a pleasant living environment with high overall amenity standards":-

"To ensure that the design of housing development does not result in adverse effects on adjacent property by: • Managing the intrusion of privacy on adjoining dwellings; • Managing the degree of overshadowing or obstruction of the daylight and sunlight penetration to any adjoining site or dwelling."

"To encourage the retention of significant vegetation and trees."

"To protect the ambient acoustic standards of the residential environment. "

Specifically relating to new buildings, the District Plan says:

"In dealing with the issue of the height of buildings in the Residential Zone, it is clear that there are a number of associated effects. Most of these effects impact on adjacent sites and dwellings ... The major effects which arise from the height of buildings are: i. Effects on the penetration of sunlight and daylight to adjacent sites and buildings. ii. Effects associated with overlooking which may lead to actual or perceived

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loss of privacy for outdoor areas or dwellings on adjacent sites. iii. Effects arising from the physical bulk of the building which may lead to a feeling of loss of privacy due to the perception that the building on the adjacent site is oppressive. While some of these effects can be dealt with by a recession plane approach, it is also necessary to control the location of windows to address the privacy issues. Equally it is also important that any recession plane is related to the orientation of the building in relation to the sun. For instance, a building close to a southern boundary is likely to have the greatest effect on neighbouring properties."

Please note that the last sentence is applicable here - the new houses built on their small sections at the southern end of the Roxburgh development will be sited close to their southern boundaries to maximize their own northern aspect and sunlight etc. in their own amenity areas, and without the reserve buffer strip, the existing Tilbury Avenue houses and sections could be severely impacted.

So, the will of Council to act to respect and protect existing residents and their values is apparently there, and so it should be. How could it ever be right to diminish the quality of life for a current neighbourhood, whilst having the goal of building better communities? And yet that appears to be exactly what is happening here. Whilst construction of new homes on the Roxburgh site will undoubtedly contribute to a wider choice of housing for some, loss of the current reserve strip would remove choice for those who have already selected this location for its amenity values. I understand that two potentially-affected households on Tilbury Avenue feel the possible loss of amenities so strongly that they have indicated that they will move away if the reserve exchange proposal goes ahead. It appears that not only is the Council not supporting the existing residents, but it is actually, albeit unintentionally, facilitating the break-up of an established community in its efforts to meet Government housing quotas. Is that really what Council intends, to tick boxes for building houses while at the same time destroying happy homes? Surely that is not the way to achieve our city vision?

I understand that the proposed Roxburgh Crescent housing site is to have its own bespoke set of rules, and that the 11 m height restriction applies site-wide, up to the developer. I have heard nothing since last year's public pre-consultation to indicate that any of this has been changed as a result of public feedback. With the lack of specifics here, if PNCC were truly concerned about integrating the new Roxburgh Crescent site into the neighbourhood without disadvantaging current residents, then removing the existing reserve strip reserve should never have been considered.

Whilst the District Plan does have some design standards and rules to address some of the pertinent issues, and supposedly guard against factors like unreasonable shading, loss of sunlight and loss of privacy, where is the input from existing residents on what is reasonable or unreasonable for their own values and lifestyle? Should we not have a say as to whether, for instance, 3 hours continuous sunshine in our living areas on the shortest day of the year would be reasonable, compared to what we get now; and in some older homes, what is classed as outdoor living areas anyway? Existing residents' values are apparently protected by a set of rules they have little influence over, especially if resource consents and neighbour notification are no longer required.

The best protection against amenity loss and consequent reduction in property values that the Council can actually give to Tilbury Avenue residents at this time is to retain the existing reserve.

Furthermore, recent climate change history has shown the reality of some infill subdivisions leading to flooding in adjacent areas during high rainfall weather events, despite the best intentions and plans of engineers etc. Thus, retaining the existing reserve strip would give another level of 'soak-away' protection, and increased confidence that Tilbury Avenue houses would not be adversely affected by 'Roxburgh run-off'.

The Parks and Logistics report states that the land functions as a 'buffer strip' between industrial uses and residential housing. Until recently, I thought that the 'buffer strip' was portioned off Manawatu Catchment

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Board land for that purpose in the early 1990s (when Higgins bought a large part of the previous tree nursery to expand their yard southwards). However the 'strip' actually appears on city plans as part of a larger reserve area, now the northern end of Waterloo Park, as early as 1960, before any significant industrial development in the Roxburgh Crescent area.

Whatever its original *raison d'être*, in the face of the Roxburgh Crescent development and the upcoming Kainga Ora redevelopment intensification in Tilbury Avenue and Ayr Place, I contend that the reserve in its current position would continue to have a valid role as a 'buffer strip', albeit with a different purpose. In the future, if retained, it would fulfil the main criteria of a local reserve, i.e. as amenity for the local area by breaking up the urban environment and providing for passive recreation. The reserve strip would be the green space lungs of Tilbury Avenue; take away our lungs and we will suffocate.

Unashamedly optimistic

Whilst very valued by local residents, the current reserve strip at present does have a low level of recreational/amenity use by the general public (though not as limited as suggested in the tabled report). This is partly due to its dead-end status, and partly due to limited maintenance.

As per my previous submissions, residential development at Roxburgh Crescent enables the possibility of opening up the dead-end of the reserve and linking it into and through the new housing area. This would provide the opportunity for a through-route for community walking access from the Scout Hall at Ayr Place to Ruahine Street beside Winchester Street dairy, a new pedestrian route town-side of the stopbank in the neighbourhood.

If this new walking route were to be enhanced, that would further increase the public's use of the area by providing even more reason to go there. What better enhancement might there be than to improve the quality of the green space along both 'arms' of the new route by site-appropriate attractive plantings which also provide a food resource for the community? Hence the revival of earlier ideas for turning the area into a public food production area. Several of the previous apparent constraints are no longer valid, and the earlier problem of limited access would be overcome if the dead-end were opened up as indicated above. Surely that would not be so hard to achieve if the will were there to do it?

The food production area would likely be most useful to all in the nearby community if it took the form of a 'community orchard'. Ideally this would probably be a mix of tree and shrub species and cultivars which together provide a variety of fruit and berries, with something in season to pick all throughout the year. It would build on the small planting of fruit trees that the PNCC Community Development team has already placed near the Hokowhitu Scout Hall in collaboration with the Scouts group. It would help those residents on nearby sections too small for much tree planting, and also provide refreshment for casual pedestrian users of the new route and those accessing the nearby River Park walkways. To add further amenity, maybe include a little seating, possibly a picnic table or two, and the space becomes literally a 'green and pleasant land', an 'oasis' at the centre of a fairly densely built zone: a place-making 'gathering area', where people with a common interest can meet each other, thus enhancing their sense of community belonging and engagement.

It's difficult to plan properly for the community 'orchard' whilst under the spectre of the integral buffer strip area being taken away in the proposed land exchange, and because even after that potential hurdle is overcome, there will be a whole new set of factors to consider and processes to work through.

However some developments since my submissions for the 22 March Strategy and Finance meeting include:

- no longer considering the future use of Horizons land east of the Roxburgh Crescent planned housing as a possible extension to the 'orchard', due to unresolved issues about potential contamination in that area, and the need to allow sufficient unplanted area for machinery access to the stopbank.
- visited Ahimate community orchard near Buick Crescent in Awapuni, and believe that type of community food production could definitely be an appropriate model for the Waterloo Park opportunity.

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- site visit by Councillor Zabelin, and discussion with her about possible plans to simplify the requirements for communities to use Council-administered public land for food production
 - site visit by Daniel Morrimire of Manawatu Food Action Network (MFAN), including general discussion about possibilities for food production on the site.
 - site visit by Amy Viles and Martin Brady of PNCC's Community Development team, including general discussion of site possibilities and constraints. One newly identified issue was the desirability/necessity for provision of a water supply for the buffer strip part of the site, were the area to be used as a community 'orchard' (there is already a water supply at the Scout Hall).
- (Again, how hard would that be to achieve if the will were there, considering the extent of new water reticulation that will be going ahead for the new housing development anyway?)
- attended recent Community garden hui run by MFAN and Environment Network Manawatu (ENM), discussed various issues relating to food resilience and sovereignty etc., met useful contacts with community food interests.
 - recent advances by PNCC and ENM towards a kai resilience policy for the city recognise the general desirability of community food production
 - public consultation on the possible land exchange is underway, and good support for the community orchard possibility has been identified in the neighbourhood.
- All of the above relate directly to the present submission, as none are useful progress unless the reserve exchange proposal is declined by Council.

'Un-reserve-dly' outspoken

By now it should be apparent that I am passionate about retaining the current reserve at Waterloo Park. However please note that I am not opposed *per se* to the development of a 'better' or 'enhanced' River Park entrance within the proposed Roxburgh Crescent housing development, as part of the overall plan for the River Park. I am though absolutely opposed to exchanging the Waterloo Park reserve land to achieve that 'better' entrance.

Although the land exchange has now been established to be one of equal land areas, it is not equal in terms of actual green space, since the report on the proposal indicates car-parking in part of the planned new area. (I understand the need/desire for additional parking in the area for River Park users from other parts of the city, but I wonder if that is what will actually result. It would seem that there is no obligation on the developers to provide garaging or on-site parking on individual sections, and if off-site parking was to be the case over much of the site, then one could foresee new residents, instead of River Park visitors, occupying any public parking spaces provided.)

The proposed exchange is also inequitable in terms of quality of green space, as the current reserve contains several large trees, whereas any tree planting on the proposed site will take years to mature. The soil quality in the proposed area may well also be lower because of contamination or compaction issues from industrial use.

Though outside the immediate issue of this submission, it is noted that if the "indicative extension to Higgins boundary" shown on the Roxburgh Crescent structure plan goes ahead, this will result in even more significant loss of mature trees and public green space city-side of the stopbank.

In my earlier submission I referred to the recent report by Simon Upton, Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment, on the importance of keeping public green space in urban design, and enhancing its quality where possible - include and improve, don't remove. I'm bringing this to Council's attention again here now, since it is so important for both the climate and the well-being of the citizenry, and I urge Council to pay appropriate heed and act accordingly.

The current reserve is apparently a local recreation reserve. It would seem that the proposed reserve at the new location would be more a citywide destination reserve, since its stated purpose in the report (section 5.1) is to enhance and support the Manawatu River Park and efforts to improve access to and

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values around it. The provision of 'visitor' parking, as mentioned above, lends weight to this definition. Indeed, at the Strategy and Finance meeting on 22nd March, Council officers explained that a local or neighbourhood reserve was not deemed necessary in the new housing development, and that the aspirations for the reserve in the area were just to improve connections to the awa (river).

In which case, is the proposed land exchange actually even possible under the Reserves Act 1977?

Copying directly from Section 15 of that act, below, with my underlining:

(1)

The Minister may, by notice in the Gazette, authorise the exchange of the land comprised in any reserve or any part or parts thereof for any other land to be held for the purposes of that reserve:

provided that this power shall not be exercised with respect to any reserve vested in an administering body except pursuant to a resolution of that body requesting the exchange.

(6)

The land acquired by the Crown or by the administering body, as the case may be, by way of that exchange shall be held as a reserve under this Act or as part of an existing reserve, as the case may be, subject to the same control and management and for the same objects and purposes as those for which the land given in exchange was held.

It appears to me that the proposed exchange is not actually like for like, since the two areas do not have the same objectives and purposes, thus it does not meet the above requirements of the Reserves Act.

As previously submitted, why does it actually have to be one or the other reserve anyway? In the interests of overall enhancement of the neighbourhood, should we as a city not be working towards achieving both/and?

I have asked Council officers how the vision for an enhanced River Park entrance would have been achieved if the current Waterloo Park 'buffer strip' reserve had not been conveniently 'available' (or maybe not? - see above) for exchange. As yet, I have not had a definite answer on this. Answers relate instead to what the river entrance would look like if the reserve exchange proposal is declined, which is not the same question. It appears from the outside as if options for providing an enhanced river entrance, other than the reserve land exchange, were not seriously considered, and that the proposed reserve land exchange was simply adopted as the 'cheapest', and maybe also 'easiest', option to get a new reserve in the new location, since it involves no land purchases. Don't we all know from bitter experience that cheapest and/or easiest is very often not best?

It has been indicated by Council staff that options other than the reserve land exchange would definitely be possibilities, but may involve additional resourcing. I would strongly entreat that genuine investigation of alternative options and resourcing should be carried out. How can we make this into a win-win-win situation, for the City, the developers and the new neighbours their development will bring to the area, and also the existing local residents?

There would appear to be sufficient time to do this investigation, since section 5.3 of the tabled report mentions the expectation that finalised details relating to the new river access point be considered in the development of the 2024/34 Ten Year Plan.

Yes, retaining the current reserve, and also making space for the new one the Council proposes for the enhanced River Park entrance, may mean slightly fewer houses could be built on the Roxburgh site. But

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wouldn't those new houses which would back onto, and thus potentially have direct access to, the existing green space reserve (future orchard?), command higher prices than if they backed onto Tilbury Avenue housing, such that the developer would not lose out financially?

Yes, PNCC have advised publicly that for the enhanced river entrance *"the level of development contributions funding would likely be in line with that for other river entrances and Manawatu River Park developments where 34% is currently recovered from development contributions and 66% is ratepayer funded"*. But 'likely' implies some flexibility here, does it not? A quick 'Joe Public' look through the PNCC Development Contributions Policy 2021 - 2031 indicates different scenarios around provisions for reserves (both the land and any community infrastructure built on the land) depending on the type of reserve (citywide or destination vs. local): and section 5.5 also allows for Special Circumstances, where *"Council reserves the discretion to enter into specific arrangements outside the Development Contributions Policy with a developer for the provision of particular infrastructure to meet the special needs of a development"*. There would definitely seem to be some room for workability here.

Though Council officers have advised that there is 'not necessarily' any legal obligation for the site developer to provide reserve space in this instance, I posit that this aspect would also warrant further exploration. For instance, has the possibility of financial contributions (of money and/or land) from the developer under resource management legislation, to provide for parts of the desired enhanced river access not covered by development contributions, been sufficiently considered?

Even if there were no legal obligation, how about some simple philanthropy? Higgins are generally viewed as good corporate citizens, and have supported Palmerston North through various local sponsorship and community initiatives. A donation of land or money to finance the provision of the new reserve might not be out of the bounds of possibility, maybe even in return for naming rights? The Higgins Reserve... what a legacy to the city that would be! What a recognition of the Higgins family and the importance of their company in the history of Roxburgh Crescent and Palmerston North itself! An innovative business and an aspirational Council, surely there are opportunities to investigate here?

It has already been noted that, because of the uniqueness of the site, the Council has developed a 'bespoke' set of rules for the Roxburgh Crescent development. Surely this implies the flexibility to investigate and then potentially implement the above and other options, for the purpose of improving overall outcomes at the site and in the neighbourhood. I would urge the Council to explore creative and visionary solutions to enable the 'both/and' reserve scenario at this time. Where there's a will, there's a way...

But in the end, if the choice were to be 'either/or', rather than 'both/and', I would choose to "Retain the reserve" at Waterloo Park.

Thanks for considering my submission.
Rosemary Watson 16/5/23

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To: PNCC Strategy & Finance Committee Chair and Members

From: Rosemary Watson, **S7(2)(a) Personal Privacy**

Re: PNCC Strategy & Finance Committee Meeting, 22 March 2023, Item 15

Report: Part Waterloo Park - Proposal to exchange land

Greetings to all.

I'm writing this to you as an individual, but much written here also represents the current general viewpoint of my neighbours from 15 to 25, and 24, Tilbury Avenue.

Direct residential neighbours of the proposed reserve land exchange area recognise the need for new housing in the city, and support in principle the rezoning of industrial land in the Roxburgh Crescent area for development of suitable residential housing.

They also support Option 2 of the current report: "Decline the proposed reserve exchange".

They value 'their' green-space reserve strip and don't want to lose it, for a variety of reasons: some chose specifically to live in their current homes because of the non-built environment behind their sections. Most of those neighbours would experience loss of amenity of some sort if the reserve strip were to be taken away; some of that would be human experience and some would likely be in decreased property values.

Personally, as a keen gardener with most of my section area being behind my property, I would be devastated to have buildings up to 11 m high as close as 1 m from my north-facing boundary, with resultant loss of sunlight, excess shading and loss of privacy through overlooking my own green living space.

Retaining the reserve strip could actually also enhance the value of sections at the southern end of the Roxburgh Crescent development, compared to them having direct residential properties on their back fence.

Addressing points in the tabled report re the current buffer strip reserve:

3.3 Trees

Though the trees are valued by most residents for their birdlife (ruru and tui most prominent natives), and by some for their dappled shade, it is acknowledged that eucalyptus trees especially can and do shed branches. When prior approaches to PNCC have been made by Tilbury Avenue residents to trim the trees for safety etc. they have not been successful. There is some irony in the fact that the trees are now seen as a risk to adjacent housing, and are "likely to require removal", or "would need to be removed" (section 4.5), if Plan Change E residential development were approved.

3.4 Green waste and weeds

Past lack of maintenance of the buffer strip saw worse-than-current weed problems from under the trees up to the dead end. Some Tilbury Avenue residents did place lawn clippings under the trees to attempt to kill off 'wandering Jew' etc. In December 2019 I approached Dave Evans from PNCC about the weed problem, and he facilitated a clean up of the area, except for the very end as per Figure 5; maintenance has been better since then. Recently, some Tilbury Avenue residents have put lawn clippings under the trees, as mulch to support the growth of native species planted in an attempt to enhance the area. Much of the other 'green waste' on the ground is from natural bark and twig/leaf shedding by the large trees.

5.4 Safety

The dead end nature of the buffer strip has not yet proved undesirable to nearby residents from a safety point of view: it is not known why this might change were it to remain a dead-end between two rows of residential properties instead of one and the current industrial zone.

3.5 Recreation value/public amenity

Whilst the area is visited by more people than just the immediate residents, it is acknowledged that the buffer strip currently does have a low level of recreation value to the wider community.

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It is also acknowledged that a reserve in the proposed new location could enhance the new public access to the Manawatu River Park.

However, whilst the new reserve proposed for the exchange is provisionally “an area of similar value”(section 1.4) to the current buffer strip, it would appear to include a significant amount of vehicle parking (section 4.3). This would provide value to River Park users largely from outside the new development, but would not directly benefit the new residents. Furthermore, it would result in a net reduction of reserve green space in the area, and the reserve part which is to be green space is likely to have shallow lower quality soil due to the probable need for site remediation following its industrial use.

Thus from a green space perspective the proposed exchange would not seem to be of similar value, as mentioned above.

It is pertinent to note the latest report on green space in city planning recently tabled by Simon Upton, the Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment, and discussed in various media, including our local Manawatu Standard just this weekend (references below). Some general take-outs this reader got from the document are as follows:

- Planning for green infrastructure should be as important as planning for hard infrastructure
- Some extra legislation might needed to promote/enable this
- Some green spaces are better in some respects than others
- Public green space is important as private green space can often be lost due to infill etc.
- It's desirable to improve the quality of existing green space on publicly owned land
- If public green space is lost, it can't be recovered

With those factors in mind, the need for a land exchange should be questioned.

Why does the neighbourhood have to have either.../or...? ('pinching from Peter to pay Paul')

Why could it not be both.../and...?

How would an attractive River Park entrance have been planned for if there were no buffer strip available for potential exchange?

In a development of this size, where the landowner/developer stands to potentially gain considerable capital value by the rezoning from industrial to residential, even if there were no current legal requirement, surely there should be some moral obligation to provide a certain amount of public reserve area? Would there not be several routes for this, via development contributions, other financial contributions or land donations for example?

Or, at this stage, do the agreed bespoke rules for development on this site specifically preclude those provisions for some reason?

So, both reserve areas if possible please, PNCC and Higgins.

Another opportunity - community kai

It is requested that another opportunity might be considered by PNCC, and specifically now, by the Strategy and Finance Committee, yourselves, that of using public green space land in the area, including the current buffer strip, as a community food production area. This would also appear to contribute to PNCC's desired goals and actions in the area (as per Compliance and Administration section in tabled report). Further, there would be direct societal benefits to the local community via place-making and enhancement of human health through better nutrition etc.; and it would contribute to local food resilience. There are presently no known specific public/community kai areas in the Hokowhitu area.

The Waterloo Park reserve area between the stopbank and the houses at the end of the bowl of Tilbury Avenue cul-de-sac (which, if assessed, would also probably be viewed as currently under-used by the general public) has apparently been considered historically for use as a community garden, though obviously this did not eventuate.

In the more recent past, some Tilbury Avenue residents have thought that the Reserve land above, together with the current buffer strip on the north side of Tilbury Avenue, could be a good overall site

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for community food production, but as keen gardeners with our own sections, or simply busy people, the concept hasn't been considered further until now.

In the middle of last year, Kainga Ora indicated their plans to remove four houses near the end of Tilbury Avenue, and one in Ayr Place, and build thirteen (subject to final plans) dwellings on smaller sites in their place, in an area that directly borders the Waterloo Park reserve. Then, last November, PNCC announced the Plan Change E proposal to rezone the Roxburgh Crescent area to residential medium density housing, with up to 123 new houses on small sites.

Lots of new houses on small sections coming into the immediate area of the reserve land lend much more current importance to the idea of community food-growing and hence food resilience in the neighbourhood. Having Waterloo Park reserve, including the buffer strip, as a location for this, would lead to greater public amenity value and use of both sections of the reserve area. Also, with Tilbury Avenue now facing intensification of housing on both sides, it would prevent loss of a part of the street's 'green lungs'.

Initial responses from PNCC have suggested that the idea of a community food-growing space is not supported due to poor access with the current layout, and possible contamination issues.

Retaining the buffer strip as part of the reserve is key to overcoming access issues, as well as providing a larger area for kai. Please refer to attached map document. The plans for the new Roxburgh Crescent development show a pedestrian and cyclist access from new proposed road A out to Ruahine Street (where Zander Engineering is currently situated). It would seem that with relatively minimal extra input, a small extension of pedestrian access could be provided into the current dead end of the buffer strip (options at position 1 on map). This would provide an easy street to street connecting pedestrian route through the two parts of the reserve/kai area, past the Hokowhitu Scout Hall, to Ayr Place. Another pedestrian access from the Roxburgh Crescent development to the reserve strip could be included between planned sections at the south end of proposed street B (position 2 on map).

It has recently been established that there is actually no evidence for contamination of either of the above parts of Waterloo Park reserve, in either Horizons HAIL register or PNCC records. Indeed, PNCC last year planted a few fruit trees in the reserve area near the Scout Hall, which would certainly not have been sanctioned were there indications of possible site contamination.

The reserve site would seem to meet many of the other desirable criteria for community food production re soil type, water, toilet access, sunlight, shelter, and so on.

At this stage, it is envisaged that, rather than having individual vegetable plots/gardens, there would be more of a large communal/community orchard area or productive park with a variety of size- and site- suitable fruit and nut trees and berry plants/fruited shrubs, with maybe a herb garden and a foraging area. Planting of trees is also one of the best ways to improve the quality of existing green space in terms of air filtration, cooling effects, and 'slowing down' heavy rain. There is too the possibility of the area becoming an educational place where pruning, training and espalier techniques etc. could be taught to the wider public, as at the Ashhurst community orchard.

A wider more ambitious vision would be to also try to incorporate suitable planting into at least part of the Horizons owned 'bowl' of land between the stopbank and the current Higgins land, up to the proposed new public access to the River Park. (Possible 'indicative extension to Higgins property' in this area, and possible contamination issues, to be taken into account.) This could also allow another access point to/from Roxburgh Crescent from the kai area, and also enhance accessibility of the kai area to River Park users (position 3 on map). And depending on Manawatu River Park visions and regulations, might there also be the possibility of suitable larger nut trees etc. as specimens on the river side of the stopbank in this area (summer shade as well as food)?

However, back to the present...

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Community food production areas should rightly be requested/initiated by the community. As such, the idea has been generated and immediate local interest gauged. So far, there has been limited specific engagement with PNCC. Thanks go to Cr. Wood for taking the time back in December to visit the area, discuss the proposed Plan Change E and related matters including the possible reserve exchange and community kai, and then facilitating answers to further questions via Councillor Help. Thanks also to Cr. Johnson for initial contact re community kai, which has not progressed further due to the proposed reserve exchange. There has also been early contact with Dave Mollard, Kai Resilience project manager at Environment Network Manawatu.

It will be relatively simple to get the opinions of the wider current local community; it just involves walking and talking, and it takes time. The Kainga Ora local community engagement team have been approached to offer their views re the community kai concept on behalf of their existing and eventual new clients in the area (awaiting response). However it's impossible to really engage with a large part of the neighbourhood about this right now, as it simply doesn't exist: the homes haven't been built yet; the families aren't there.

But it must be right to try to consider and advocate now for those future residents (let's say approx. 120 new houses over the two developments, and average 3 people per house, so maybe 360 new neighbours) whose sections may be able to accommodate a veggie box or two, but simply won't be large enough for larger food-growing ventures.

If the reserve buffer strip is lost now, it cannot be regained later, and the chance for a kai area, with its associated benefits to new and existing residents, is likely lost with it. Hence this submission.

As per Simon Upton's report, page 140:
 "...the choices we make today about how we want to manage population growth, urban form and green spaces will be the ones we live with forever".

Please support Option 2.

Thank you for reading and considering this submission to the Committee.

Rosemary Watson
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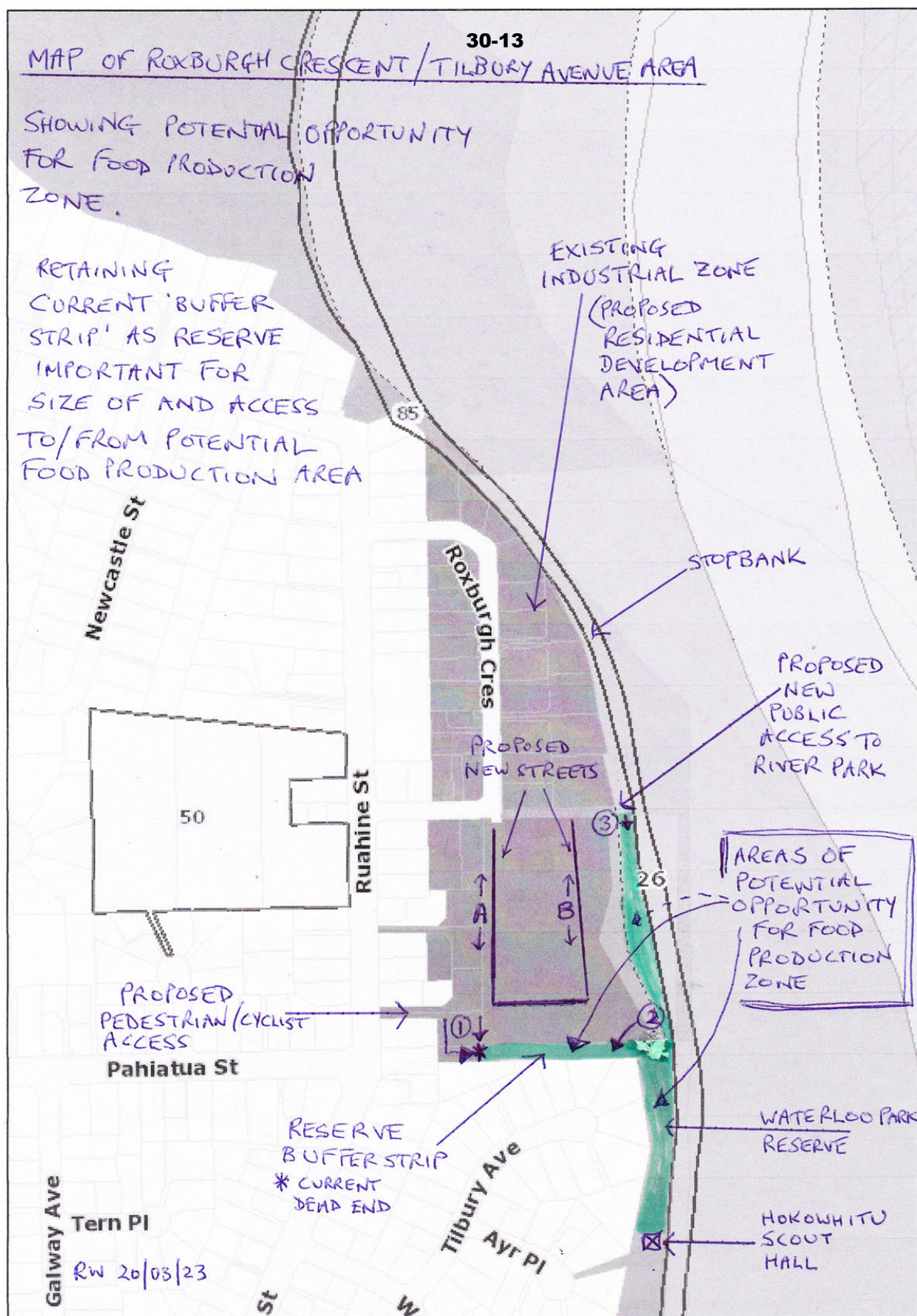
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Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Adelia
Last name	Sadler
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	<p>Against</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I don't see how what will essentially be a car park for a new public access to the river is an exchange for a wild space. 2. The current trees in this wild space safely hold Tui, Morepork whose song can be heard across the area. 3. A neighbour is proposing that we develop this existing wild space to grow edible gardens/ orchard/ herbs and so on, as per other council approved spaces across Palmerston North. That this area be developed as a foraging space for the benefit of the neighbourhood; including folk from this proposed development at the back of Tilbury Ave, and also the housing NZ development in Tilbury Ave (also being built). 4. Government Ministers talk about the need to KEEP green spaces. 5. Green spaces, trees esp large trees are the breath of life to human beings. In this time of climate change, keeping them is an imperative. 6. We are being asked to turn an industrial site into something residential. That in itself is a major endeavour. With due diligence on the part of the developer AND council we are pleased if this is SAFE to do, we need housing. I am not arguing against this. 7. My argument is that these houses do not also take away the future inheritance of us all - wild spaces that can be developed into places to walk, forage, and benefit everyone. 8. Short term gains (removing one thing to get another) in this case, I see as detrimental to the lives of us all who live, pay our taxes and rates in this area now and in the future. <p>I approve the houses, NOT the falsehood of this exchange that offers a carpark not even for those who will buy these small houses and pay taxes and rates but for the general public to use. This seems a small gift to Palmerston North people who live and walk and use this river way now, let alone in the future when more whanau live here too.</p> <p>Developers AND council please re-think your proposal for the benefit of both yourselves and US.</p>

Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Anne
Last name	Hopkins
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	Why fix something that's not broken, leave the green space for the birds. I'm not against the housing but by taking green space, given that we live on a river, flooding needs green spaces to hold the water. From what we can see there is enough land on the Higgens site to build. An extra car park is not needed, they can park on the road and walk. Leave out green space, thank you.

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Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Beck
Last name	Broughan
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	<p>I am a resident on Tilbury Ave. My partner and I first moved to the street as renters approximately 5 years ago, and took the opportunity to buy the property we were renting around 6 months later. Both as renters and home owners, we chose to live here because of the natural outlook (not hemmed in by houses on all sides), and the quiet friendly character of the cul de sac. We had hoped to remain here permanently, and have invested ourselves and our resources in this community.</p> <p>I am strongly opposed to the proposed plan to transfer ownership of the strip of reserve behind Tilbury Ave to property developers. I think that calling the proposed deal a land "swap/exchange" is disingenuous. A swap implies an exchange of 'like' for 'like'. However, in this case, the proposed swap is for an area of undeveloped land that fulfills multiple 'green infrastructure' roles (both environmental and social), for what will essentially be a car park within the new subdivision.</p> <p>I would argue that removing this area of established green space is a backwards step for the majority of stakeholders. Retention of the reserve land (either as it is, turned into a community orchard, or a walkway with native plantings etc), benefits the current and future residents, as well as the environment as a whole in numerous ways:</p> <p>Benefits to local residents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved mental health and well-being through increased exposure to the natural environment • Improved physical health due to the ability of trees and other plants to absorb air pollutants and trap airborne particulates • Improved noise abatement as density of the urban environment increases • Protection from extremes of temperature through shading and evapotranspiration • Mitigation of the loss of privacy resulting from a high density of multi-story dwelling looking directly into living spaces (i.e. the north facing aspect of Tilbury Ave) • Maintenance of some elements of the character of the area that attracted current residents, leading them to invest in the area • Retention of accessible land for the creation of future community spaces, to help cater for the increased numbers of residents without access to a backyard of their own as urban density increases (e.g. for creation of a community orchard)

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	<p>Benefits to the environment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of habitat for native flora and fauna (currently Morepork, Tui, Fantails, Emperor moths) • Provision of permeable surface area for storm water infiltration (slowing, filtering, and reducing storm water run-off) • Provision of local buffering of air temperatures through shading and evapotranspiration • Improvements in air quality, through absorption of airborne pollutants and trapping of airborne particulates <p>Removal of the current reserve would benefit property developers both via increasing the number of sections that they can sell for a profit, as well as increasing the overall value of properties within the proposed subdivision as a result of their proximity to the proposed new council owned public river access. However, this would come at a high cost to the current residents and the environment as a whole.</p> <p>The proposed plan to transfer ownership of the strip of reserve land explicitly goes against the council's own stated values and objectives for increasing housing density in Palmerston North. In the Council's own words:</p> <p>"Achieving a pleasant environment within a site inevitably requires consideration of adjoining sites, particularly with regard to issues such as privacy, shadowing, etc. Thus, there are clear effects both within and between sites, arising from residential development which needs to be mitigated in some way to ensure overall residential amenity is maintained.....Impacts on public space of the street and the character of existing areas must be considered to maintain a healthy, safe and attractive residential environment..... the design of housing development needs to limit these adverse effects".</p> <p>Allowing an uninterrupted strip of multi-story units to be built directly on the north-facing boundary of the current dwellings on Tilbury Ave (most of which are single story dwellings), does not demonstrate regard to issues of privacy, shadowing, or the character of the existing area.</p> <p>The idea that incorporating green infrastructure into urban developments has significant environmental, social, economic, and public health benefits is not a new one. It would be disappointing if Palmerston North City Council were to approve transfer of a strip of land to private commercial interests that would leave the current local community, and the environment as a whole, considerably worse off.</p> <p>(quote sourced from SECTION 10: RESIDENTIAL ZONE, 25 October 2022, https://www.mdh.org.nz/resourcepage/palmerston-north-district-plan-residential-zone/)</p>
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Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Doug
Last name	Kidd
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	<p>I enter this submission to oppose the Waterloo Park land exchange where the current reserve strip is to be exchanged a new reserve in the proposed development. I do support the proposed development but feel retaining the reserve.</p> <p>Reserves are important in defining the character of a community. Palmerston North has a developed the river walkway system which is known as a destination for city residents and visitors. The lesser-known reserves are the hidden gems that make our communities unique. The local reserves are an opportunity for residents to explore and discover their city, to have a refuge in their community, represent a recreation for the residents and reserves such as the current Waterrloo Park land exchange parcel represent an opportunity for the development such as community gardens to serve as a community focus point with an opportunity to be social and educational resource. The current reserve is populated by birds such as Tuis, Kereru, Flycatchers, and Moreporks and with maintain the current trees or replanting could retain its character.</p> <p>With the proposed higher density developments by Kainga Ora and at Roxburgh Crescent the community need for reserves is greater then ever. Retaining and developing the reserve could be an important factor in developing and maintaining a community sense of well-being. Once a reserve is lost it is highly improbable that it will be ever regained and the opportunity a community resource has will be lost.</p> <p>For these reasons I strongly support the retaining of the current Waterloo Park reserve.</p>

Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Lilian
Last name	Rowe
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	I would very much like to see the 1,300 square metre of land kept as a reserve and to explore options to develop a community garden or orchard in the space. The reserve area and development of a community food supply there is even more important with the current proposal to build more in fill housing on some adjoining properties.

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Submission on the Waterloo Park land exchange

Your contact details	
First name	Shelley
Last name	Windley-Lewis
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	Yes
Your submission	
What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?	<p>Dear PNCC,</p> <p>I have been a resident of Palmerston North for almost 18 years and have lived in 2 homes during this time. Both these houses have been homes that have green space very close. Our first home in Hardie St had green space at either end of our short street, and our current home in Ihaka St, shares one boundary with the Pastoral Lane Reserve. We purposefully sought out properties that have this close connection to these green spaces, because we value the space, connection with nature and the peace that these spaces bring to our life. When we purchased our current home, we had never imagined that our green space boundary could possibly be exchanged or sold or in some fashion removed. Reading that the council planners have desires to remove green space that adjoins homes has been shocking to say the least. We are opposed to the Waterloo Park land exchange and indeed any such green space exchanges or reductions in existing green spaces for the following reasons.</p> <p>1. Private Property Rights and Value.</p> <p>I suspect, all the properties that share the boundary with this green space in question, and indeed all green space, were all acquired and occupied with this green space adjacent to them. I don't imagine there is any detail on any of the properties titles or LIM that indicate this neighbouring green space could be removed or traded away. I say this as there is no such detail on our title or on the LIM. When we purchased our homes in Palmerston North, we envisage there will always be green space on our boundary, and I believe the Tilbury Avenue would have felt this too, and indeed any ordinary person would believe this would be the case. The Tilbury Avenue properties adjacent to this green space, have value associated with their green space border, and certainly I believe the use and enjoyment of their property is significantly diminished with the removal of the adjoining green space. I don't believe it is right nor just for the council to be able to impact so significantly on the private property rights and don't believe the rights of these existing home owners who have already invested in their properties, should be outweighed by the rights of any potential future home owners.</p> <p>2. Purpose of Green Space</p> <p>I note, in the council's land exchange communication document, the planners describe this green space as seeming to have the singular purpose of operating as a buffer between the existing Tilbury Avenue residents and industrial activities of Roxburgh Crescent. It seems to me there has been a startling oversight to describe this green space in this way. Perhaps, way back when the industrial activities of Roxburgh</p>

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	<p>Crescent were being proposed, one could forgive the planners for describing green space with a singular purpose. Today, however, we all understand how green space affects us, and I think this choice of wording has been careless and poorly thought through, and perhaps chosen to minimise the benefits this space provides to the adjoining property owners. This space has never only provided a buffer to industrial activities. For as long as it has existed, it provides space, peace, and contact with nature to all those who experience it.</p> <p>The latest report from the Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment, urges planners and councils to expand their thinking around the purposes of such green spaces to include, not only the sensory and emotional contact with nature we all experience, but to also recognise the infrastructural benefits green space provide us. He describes storm water management, air filtration, habitat provision and temperature regulation as existing benefits that must be given recognition and weight.</p> <p>He also notes the falling levels of green space in New Zealand, with recorded data for Auckland (at least 30%) and Hamilton (at least 20%) between 1980 and 2016. I am sure PNCC does not want to be part of this trend of green space reduction and should want to hold all existing green space and look to expand green space where possible and included it within all new building developments (residential, commercial, and industrial).</p> <p>3. Roxburgh Crescent Rezone Proposal</p> <p>I have reviewed the material available on the PNCC website regarding this development and understand this is what has initiated the Waterloo Park green space land exchange process. I was surprised to hear that PNCC is still very keen to progress a housing development so close to the stopbank, after the Auckland Anniversary Day Floods and Cyclone Gabrielle. I had anticipated, that as we begin to live through the changes climate change is bringing to NZ, we would prioritise our energy and resources into protecting the integrity and safety of residents of existing buildings (residential and commercial/industrial) that border or are close to the stopbanks. After watching with horror at what has happened to NZ, particularly the parts of NZ that were close to rivers during the cyclone, it doesn't seem at all correct that our planners would be continuing along a path of further residential development adjacent to a stopbank. I don't think its a prudent use of anyone's resources to be placing more homes or property so close to a stopbank. I urge the PNCC to reconsider any new developments adjacent to the stopbanks.</p> <p>Thanks for reading and considering my submission</p>
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Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?

☐ Yes

☒ No

YOUR SUBMISSION:

What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?

I disagree with the current reserve land being taken up in the new housing development. In my view, it would negatively affect nearby neighbours' properties, including the home I live in. I think the land would be better used for something else, such as a community garden, which would benefit the ~~the~~ whole community including all the new future housing and residents in the area.

Signature

Date

Tony Hodgson. TJH.

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YOUR SUBMISSION:

What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?

I disagree with houses being built on the current reserve land, I don't want to be overlooked by houses close to the back fence of my ~~house~~ home and I don't want to lose sunlight coming into our living room, as that's where I spend most of my time. I think keeping the reserve land for fruit and vegetables would be much better for the whole community.

Signature

P.L. Hodgson

Date

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YOUR SUBMISSION: PETITION SUBMITTED HEREWITH

What are your views on the proposed exchange of land in Waterloo Park for an area of land that is of equal value in a new position?

"WE REQUEST THAT PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL
DECLINE THE PROPOSED LAND EXCHANGE OF PART OF
WATERLOO PARK RESERVE. WE BELIEVE THAT RETENTION
OF THE EXISTING GREEN-SPACE RESERVE AREA ENABLES
THE OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP IT AS PART OF AN ACCESSIBLE
'ORCHARD'-STYLE COMMUNITY FOOD PRODUCTION ZONE, WHICH
WOULD PROVIDE A PLACE-MAKING AREA AND A NEW PEDESTRIAN
ROUTE IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD."

Signature

Date

R.P. Rosemary Watson

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39-2**'Retain the Reserve'
Petition**

This is a public submission to Palmerston North City Council in respect of the Waterloo Land Exchange Proposal.

The 25 pages of names and signatures herein, representing 216 people (see below), were collected in April and May 2023, during the period of public consultation on the above proposal.

Name collection was mostly via door-knocking in the local area covered by the Palmerston North City Council mail-drop, also through talking to pedestrians using the local parks, streets and walkways. Copies of the petition and background information were, with appropriate permissions, also placed in the Hokowhitu Village Centre and the Charity 'op-shop' on Manawatu Street. Further support was obtained at the recent Environment Network Manawatu (ENM) /Manawatu Food Action Network (MFAN) hui on community gardens, and at May's monthly Palmy Crop Swap.

Please note the petition wording was chosen carefully, not guaranteeing the community 'orchard' but stressing the desire to retain the existing reserve to allow the opportunity to investigate its use for such in the future. Where possible, all signatories were verbally advised of that fact at the time of signing.

Given more time and better weather etc., I believe collection of many more names would have been possible; in my experience, well over 90% of those spoken with agreed to sign. For various reasons, collectors simply didn't get chance to go over the full area of mail drop, or go back to those houses where no-one was in, or people were sick and couldn't talk first time round.

It was interesting to note that a few people who agreed in principle with the petition chose not to sign without the permission of their landlords or husbands, who were not available to ask. I also noticed a considerable amount of disenfranchisement from tenants (along the lines of "we're only renting, it doesn't matter what we think"), until I reminded them that they were actually the residents and thus part of the local community.

Petition notes**- Name gathering**

4 collectors - R (18 pages), A (2 pages), S (1 page), P (1 page)

2 sites - Hokowhitu Community Centre HCC (1 page), Manawatu Street Charity Shop MSC (2 pages)

Pages (sheets) labelled accordingly

- Signatories

To my best knowledge there is no duplication of names in the following counts:-

R - 178, A - 13, S - 5, P - 2, HCC - 8, MSC - 10, total **216 people** signed

This is a conservative total.

There are two instances (one on Sheet R5, one on Sheet 1A) where 2 names are written on the same line, with only one signature against them. In the above total these have only been counted as one person. If it is valid that a person can sign for their spouse as well as themselves, then the total would be 218 people.

Two names on Sheet MSC1 have not been included in this total as unfortunately no contact details were provided.

Rosemary Watson

17th May 2023

Procedure Sheet Hearing of Submissions

Presenting your submission

You have indicated a wish to present your submission before a Committee of Councillors, you can do this either in-person or online. You may speak to your submission yourself or, if you wish, arrange for some other person or persons to speak on your behalf.

We recommend that you speak to the main points of your submission and then answer any questions. It is not necessary to read your submission as Committee members have a copy and will have already read it.

Questions are for clarifying matters raised in submissions. Questions may only be asked by Committee members, unless the Chairperson gives permission.

Time Allocation

10 minutes (including question time) will be allocated for the hearing of each submission. If more than one person speaks to a submission, the time that is allocated to that submission will be shared between the speakers.

Who will be there?

The Strategy and Finance Committee will hear the submissions. The Committee comprises of elected members as identified on the frontispiece of the Agenda.

There will also be other people there who are presenting their submission. The Hearing is open to the media and the public.

Agenda

An Agenda for the meeting at which you will be speaking will be publicly available at least two working days prior to the meeting. It will be published on the Palmerston North City Council website ([Agendas and minutes](#)) and available to view at the Customer Service Centre. The Agenda lists the submissions in the order they will be considered by the Committee, although there may be some variation to this.

Venue

The meeting will be held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Civic Administration Building, Te Marae o Hine, 32 The Square, Palmerston North.

The Council Chamber will be set out with tables arranged appropriately. You will be invited to sit at the table with the Councillors when called.

Tikanga Maori	You may speak to your submission in Maori if you wish. If you intend to do so, please contact us no later than four days before the date of the meeting (refer to the "Further Information" section below). This is to enable arrangements to be made for a certified interpreter to attend the meeting. You may bring your own interpreter if you wish.
Visual Aids	A whiteboard, and computer with PowerPoint will be available for your use.
Final Consideration of Submissions	Final consideration of submissions will be at the ordinary meeting of the Strategy and Finance Committee on 20 September 2023. The media and public can attend these meetings, but it will not be possible for you to speak further to your submission or participate in the Committee deliberations.
Changes to this Procedure	The Committee may, in its sole discretion, vary the procedure set out above if circumstances indicate that some other procedure would be more appropriate.
Further Information	If you have any questions about the procedure outlined above please contact Natalya Kushnirenko, Democracy & Governance Administrator, phone 06 356-8199 extension 7106 or email natalya.kushnirenko@pncc.govt.nz .

MEMORANDUM

TO: Strategy & Finance Committee

MEETING DATE: 1 August 2023

TITLE: Summary of Submissions - Waterloo Park Land Exchange Proposal

PRESENTED BY: Aaron Phillips, Activity Manager - Parks

APPROVED BY: Chris Dyhrberg, Chief Infrastructure Officer

RECOMMENDATION(S) TO STRATEGY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. That the Committee receive the memorandum titled 'Summary of Submissions – Waterloo Park Land Exchange Proposal' presented to the Strategy & Finance Committee on 1 August 2023.
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1. BACKGROUND AND ISSUE

- 1.1 Council is in the process of considering rezoning industrial land in the Roxburgh Crescent area to residential use.
- 1.2 Part of Waterloo Park is a strip of land 11m wide and 120m long that acts as a buffer between the existing industrial activities in Roxburgh Crescent and residential housing in Tilbury Avenue.
- 1.3 Council received [a report](#) on a proposal to exchange this reserve strip for land within the Roxburgh Crescent rezoning area at the Strategy & Finance Committee meeting of 22 March 2023.
- 1.4 Council resolution 19-23 was:
 1. That Council agree to consult the community, in accordance with Section 15 of the Reserves Act 1977, on the proposal to exchange 1,300m² of Waterloo Park, being part of Part Lot 44 DP 22620 held in title WN8C/884, for new reserve land in the Roxburgh Crescent area if the rezoning of that area is approved.
 2. That Council note that the land is Crown derived and such final approval of the exchange is subject to the approval of the Department of Conservation.
- 1.5 This report provides a summary of the submissions received to the proposed land exchange to accompany the hearing of submissions.

- 1.6 A further report will be prepared for a subsequent meeting to consider the matters raised in the submissions, and any further matters identified through the hearings, and seek a Council decision on the proposal.

2. SUMMARY OF SUBMISSIONS

- 2.1 39 submissions, including 1 petition, were received.
- 2.2 The breakdown of overall position of the 39 submissions is shown in Figure 1.

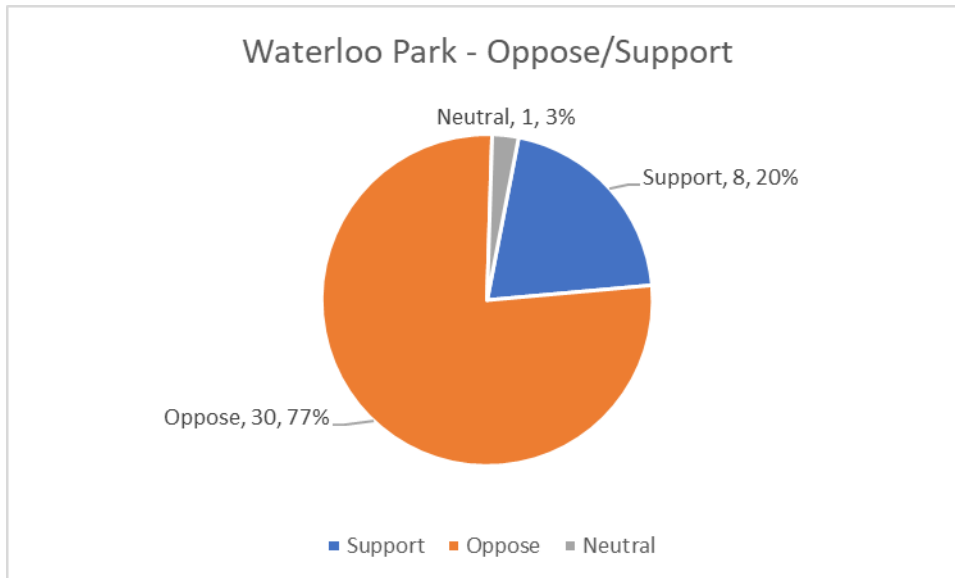


Figure 1: Overall submission position breakdown

- 2.3 218 people⁴ signed the petition opposing the exchange. The petition was headed with the statements:

"We request that the Palmerston North City Council decline the proposed land exchange of part of Waterloo Park Reserve.

We believe that the retention of the existing green-space reserve area enables the opportunity to develop it as part of an accessible 'orchard' – style community food production zone, which would provide place-making area and a new pedestrian route in the neighbourhood."

- 2.4 Some people made an independent submission and signed the petition⁵.

⁴ One line included two names with one signature. One submission noted it represented the views of people at several addresses.

⁵ A thorough audit has not been conducted but could be for final reporting if Council considered it would be material to its final decision.

- 2.5 Submissions in support of the proposal were, in the main, general comments, with one stating the view that the current reserve strip only benefited a few neighbours, and two submissions noting support for the improved river access that would result from the exchange.
- 2.6 Two submissions suggested Council both retained the existing reserve and develop an enhanced river entrance in the plan change area.
- 2.7 One submission was categorised as neutral, posing a few questions but not indicating support or opposition.
- 2.8 The table below summarises reasons given by those in opposing the proposal in categories:

Matters raised in opposition	# times
Want community garden/park where is	18
Privacy/3 story buildings next to existing houses/housing buffer	11
Loss of reserve/green space	9
Climate change mitigation	5
Create new path connection through	5
Exchange area will be for car parking	4
Loss of birdlife in existing trees	4
Loss of trees	4
Retain as stormwater soak protection for Tilbury Avenue areas	4
Supports developer/new area	4
Green space for small sections in new housing area	3
New reserve will be used for car parking	3
Flooding effects of more housing	1
Housing traffic effects	1
Potential contamination	1
Upgrade Ruahine entrance instead	1

Table 1: Matters raised in submissions

3. MATTERS TO BE ADDRESSED IN THE FINAL REPORT

3.1 Council Officers have noted the following questions in submissions that will be addressed or clarified in the final report:

3.1.1 Relating to the proposed new reserve area within the rezoning:

- Will it be covered by the Reserves Act?
- Would new reserve area be used for parking?
- Will the river access carparking become a resident's carpark area if no carparks provided on residential sites?
- What would it cost to develop?
- Would developer pay for decontamination?
- What would access to river be like with or without the exchange?

3.1.2 Relating to the existing reserve area:

- Is it contaminated?
- What would the existing reserve cost to develop (as per submission 38's proposal)?

3.1.3 Other/Plan change matters:

- How would the proposed exchange affect stormwater discharge for existing Tilbury Avenue properties?
- Reserve purpose - local reserve vs. citywide and ability to exchange as per submission 30?
- Why is no reserve required to be provided by developer?

4. SOCIAL MEDIA FEEDBACK

4.1 There were 80 comments on Council's Facebook post:

- 11 were Council Officers answering questions or providing direction to make a submission.
- 13 were from submitter number 30, who also organised the petition. Those views are well documented.
- 9 were people tagging others or offered no opinion.

4.2 Of the remainder, comments included:

- A preference for spending on other projects.
- Concern the aim was to financially benefit the private land developer.
- Debate about the merit of rezoning the industrial land.
- A suggestion that Council does not listen to the community.

5. CONSULTATION SUMMARY

5.1 Community consultation ran from 11 April to 17 May 2023 and included:

- A letter drop to the properties within 500m walking distance
- Public Notice published on 11 April 2023 with a correction⁶ published 15 April 2023
- Media advisory sent out at the start of the consultation period
- Signs on site on top of the stop-bank, at the Ayr Place/Scout Hall carpark and at the reserve strip area entrance
- Website information published from 12 April 2023
- Social Media posts – reach 20,846 with 3,294 post engagements

6. NEXT STEPS

6.1 Consider matters raised in the hearings and submissions to bring a deliberations report to the Committee meeting of 20 September 2023.

7. COMPLIANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Does the Committee have delegated authority to decide?	Yes
Are the decisions significant?	No
Can this decision only be made through a 10 Year Plan?	No
Does this decision require consultation through the Special Consultative procedure?	No
Is there funding in the current Annual Plan for these actions?	Yes
Are the recommendations inconsistent with any of Council's policies or plans?	No
The recommendations contribute to Goal 2: A Creative and Exciting City	
The recommendations contribute to the achievement of action/actions in Active Communities	
The action is: Administer the Reserves Act.	
Contribution to strategic direction and to social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being	This report summarises submissions in order to assist Council in its decision making.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

⁶ Ayr Place was referenced in the original public notice, corrected to Tilbury Avenue.

REPORT

TO: Strategy & Finance Committee

MEETING DATE: 1 August 2023

TITLE: Vautier Park - Proposal to continue supporting Netball Manawatū Centre Incorporated by notifying the public of the intention to grant community occupancy via a lease of Council land

PRESENTED BY: Bryce Hosking, Group Manager - Property and Resource Recovery

APPROVED BY: Chris Dyhrberg, Chief Infrastructure Officer

RECOMMENDATION(S) TO STRATEGY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. That Council continues to support Netball Manawatū Centre Incorporated by notifying the public of its intention to grant community occupancy of Council land at Vautier Park, Palmerston North in accordance with the Support and Funding Policy 2022 and Section 54 of the Reserves Act 1977.
2. That Council notes the land affected by the community occupancy of Netball Manawatū Centre Incorporated is described as Part Section 248 TN of Palmerston North WN16B/1168.

SUMMARY OF OPTIONS ANALYSIS FOR

Problem or Opportunity	<p>Netball Manawatū has requested support from Council by granting community occupancy through a new lease agreement.</p> <p>This report seeks Council's approval to commence the public notification process for the preferred option (Option 1) in accordance with the Support and Funding Policy and Section 54 of the Reserves Act 1977.</p>
OPTION 1: (preferred option)	Notify the public of Council's intention to continue supporting Netball Manawatū by granting occupancy via a lease under the Reserves Act 1977 of the existing site being part of Vautier Park.
Community Views	Community views will be sought during the public notification period.
Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The community views, along with any objections received as required under the Reserves Act 1977, will be considered to inform the decision. Council can continue supporting and developing the relationship with Netball Manawatū. This enables Netball Manawatū to continue their activities.
Risks	No risks are identified.
Financial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The costs of public notification will be minor. Council will receive the annual rent of \$600 plus GST.
OPTION 2:	Do not notify the public of the preferred option (intention to support through a lease) that would effectively end Netball Manawatū's occupancy of Council land.
Community Views	Community views to inform the Council's decision on the club's proposed occupancy will not be sought.
Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should the lease end, and the club be requested to vacate the premises, Council will explore options for the continued use of the land prior to potentially seeking alternative community occupancy options. This process is a requirement under the Support and Funding Policy and gives the opportunity to investigate alternative use of reserve land when a leasing arrangement ends. Under the current lease, at the expiration of the lease Council has the option to purchase the club's buildings and improvements within three months of the date of expiration at a price agreed between both parties.

Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council may be perceived as not supporting the sport and recreation activities of Netball Manawatū. • If Council wish to proceed with this option, Netball Manawatū will be required to vacate the land and, unless agreed otherwise, remove all assets, and return the land to its original state.
Financial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council would no longer receive the existing annual rent of \$600 plus GST. • Council staff time would be required to assist with the process of the removal of improvements.

RATIONALE FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

1. OVERVIEW OF THE PROBLEM OR OPPORTUNITY

- 1.1 Netball Manawatū has been occupying Council land at Vautier Park since 2013. Their lease expires on 30 June 2023 and Netball Manawatū now requests a new lease so they can continue to occupy the site.
- 1.2 Under the Council's Support and Funding Policy if a for-purpose organisation requests a new lease for the occupancy of Council land at the end of their agreed term, the proposal is to be publicly advertised to seek feedback from the public.
- 1.3 In addition, as the leased land is recreation reserve land, any new lease is also subject to the requirements of the Reserves Act 1977 which also requires public notification of Council's intention to grant a new lease.
- 1.4 This report seeks Council's approval to commence the public notification process in accordance with the Support and Funding Policy and Section 54 of the Reserves Act 1977, noting that this is the first step in the process and only seeks approval for consultation. Consultation feedback and the final decision to lease to Netball Manawatū will be brought to the Strategy & Finance Committee in a subsequent report.

2. BACKGROUND AND PREVIOUS COUNCIL DECISIONS

- 2.1 Netball Manawatū Centre Incorporated was formed in 2008. Since that time Netball Manawatū has played an active role in the community. Netball Manawatū provides several services to the Palmerston North Community including netball competitions, school holiday programmes and development opportunities.
- 2.2 Vautier Park opened in 1964, however Netball Manawatū has only held a building and land lease since 2013. Netball Manawatū owns the upper level of the Vautier Pavilion with the lower being owned by the Council. The

current lease with Council is for the lower floor area of the building and for the airspace above it (where the upper floor is).

- 2.3 Netball Manawatū has over time made significant investments to improve its facilities and operations, as noted in Netball Manawatū Financial Statement for 2022 with the total value of its assets being \$289,964.
- 2.4 Netball Manawatū works in partnership with other sporting groups in the community, making their facilities available for other for-purpose groups to utilise.
- 2.5 In addition to the Lease Agreement, Netball Manawatū has an annual Service Level Agreement for the use of courts and changing facilities for netball during the winter season.
- 2.6 Netball Manawatū manage and facilitate netball schedules including all training bookings and weekly game schedules, and act as a representative for all affiliated clubs. In line with Council's Fees and Charges Policy, Netball Manawatu pays \$9,231 for the use of 16 courts and associated changing facilities for the winter season.

3. THE PROPOSAL

- 3.1 The proposed lease area is part of Council's property at Vautier Park, comprising of 140m² of the lower floor area and approximately 336m² of airspace in which the upper floor area is located.
- 3.2 If the land and building lease is granted the annual rent is proposed to be \$600 plus GST. This is consistent with the rental framework in Council's Support and Funding Policy 2022.
- 3.3 The proposed term would be five (5) years, with a right of renewal for a further five (5) years.
- 3.4 If a new lease is commenced, the use of the site would remain the same.



Figure 1: Proposed Leased area

4. ASSESSMENT OF PROPOSAL UNDER THE SUPPORT AND FUNDING POLICY

- 4.1 The Support and Funding Policy provides a framework for how Council will deliver support and funding to groups, organisations, and individuals to achieve the vision of the city. One form of support within the policy is to enable for-purpose groups to occupy Council-owned property at community rental rates.
- 4.2 All for-purpose groups expressing an interest in occupying Council-owned property, either for a new occupancy or renewal of an existing occupancy, must make an application. The application is then assessed by Council Officers to ensure that firstly they meet the policy's eligibility criteria before proceeding any further.
- 4.3 The application from Netball Manawatu is attached to the report as Appendix 1.
- 4.4 Further assessment considerations are outlined in the policy. In broad terms, the assessment covers three main areas:
 - a) The Policy for the Use of Public Space – guidelines relevant to the application.
 - b) Reserves Act 1977 – including consideration of the values and purpose of the reserve and the impacts on the public use of the reserve.
 - c) Impact on the locality and park operations.

A copy of the assessment is attached as Appendix 2.

- 4.5 In summary, following the assessment against the policy, Council Officers conclude that Netball Manawatū meets all criteria required.

5. LEASING POWERS UNDER RESERVES ACT

- 5.1 In addition to the Support and Funding Policy requirements, as the land is a reserve held under the Reserves Act 1977, the leasing provisions also apply.

- 5.2 Section 54(1)(b) of the Reserves Act 1977 allows for an administering body to:

'lease to any voluntary organisation part of the reserve for the erection of stands, pavilions, gymnasiums, and, subject to sections 44 and 45, other buildings and structures associated with and necessary for the use of the reserve for outdoor sports, games, or other recreational activities, ... which lease shall be subject to the further provisions set out in Schedule 1 relating to leases of recreation reserves issued pursuant to this paragraph:

provided that a lease granted by the administering body may, with the prior consent of the Minister given on the ground that he or she considers it to be in the public interest, permit the erection of buildings and structures for sports, games, or public recreation not directly associated with outdoor recreation.'

- 5.3 'Necessary' is not interpreted as requiring that all or even most visitors or users of the reserve need/want to use the service or activity provided under the lease. Reserves often have activities on them that only some of the visitors to the reserve use. The balance of the reserve, Takaro Park, is available for general use by the community.

- 5.4 The proposal would see the continued use of part of the reserve by Netball Manawatū. The lease does not alter the current user experience or change the existing capacity for other activities

6. LAND STATUS

- 6.1 A summary of the land status information is:

Title	Reserve Status
Part Section 248 TN of Palmerston North WN16B/1168	Recreation reserve

7. GIVING EFFECT TO THE PRINCIPLES OF THE TREATY OF WAITANGI

- 7.1 The Reserves Act 1977 is subject to Section 4 of the Conservation Act and requires that administering bodies under the Reserves Act 1977 give effect to the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi.

- 7.2 Rangitāne o Manawatū representatives have considered the proposal. Rangitāne are comfortable with this proposal and happy for it to proceed.

8. DESCRIPTION AND ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

Notify the public of Council's intention to continue supporting Netball Manawatū by granting occupancy via a lease under the Reserves Act 1977 of the existing site being part of Vautier Park.

- 8.1 This is the preferred option.
- 8.2 Council will seek feedback on continuing to support Netball Manawatū through the process outlined in the Support and Funding Policy.
- 8.3 Council must give people the opportunity to submit on the proposal, and be heard, before deciding to grant a lease as per sections 119 and 120 of the Reserves Act 1977.
- 8.4 After considering feedback, Council can then decide to enter a formal lease with the Club.
- 8.5 Netball Manawatū contribute to the community and show strong alignment with Council's strategic direction. The Club adds to Council's priority to ensure the use of all community recreation facilities is optimised.

Do not notify the public of the preferred option (intention to support through a lease) that would effectively end Netball Manawatū's occupancy of Council land.

- 8.6 The impact of this option would mean that the opportunity to seek community feedback on Netball Manawatū's continued occupancy of the site would not occur.
- 8.7 In turn, this would mean that the lease would cease, and Council would follow the process outlined in the Support and Funding Policy to determine the future use of the land (refer 5.5.1(b)). The first step in this process is to carry out a strategic options review.
- 8.8 The implication of this option on the Club would mean that they would not be able to continue leasing the site. Under the lease provisions, a decision would then need to be made regarding the improvements owned by Netball Manawatū.
- 8.9 This option poses the risk that Council will be perceived as not supporting the activities of Netball Manawatū that have occupied the site since 2013.

9. CONCLUSION

- 9.1 The proposal is consistent with the requirements of the Support and Funding Policy. Continued occupancy will allow Netball Manawatū to offer recreational activities to the community.

9.2 Public notification on the continuing support will provide opportunities for submissions and objections to be made before a decision is made fulfilling the requirements of the Support and Funding Policy 2022 and section 54 of The Reserves Act 1977.

9.3 It is recommended the Committee proceed with Option 1. Netball Manawatū's activities contribute to outcomes to achieve Goal 3 of Council's strategic direction.

10. NEXT ACTIONS

10.1 Public notification of the intention to grant the lease, seeking submissions and objections.

10.2 Provide the opportunity for any submitters that wish to be heard to speak to Council.

10.3 Consider the objections and submissions and provide advice to Council on whether to accept, modify or decline the lease proposal.

11. OUTLINE OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

11.1 The proposed consultation process meets the public notification requirements of the Support and Funding Policy 2022 and the Reserves Act that requires a minimum of one month period advertised in the Manawatū Standard, Dominion Post and on the Council website.

COMPLIANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Does the Committee have delegated authority to decide? If Yes quote relevant clause(s) from Delegations Manual Agree for notification, accept, or decline any lease agreement entered by Council under the Support and Funding Policy or that relate to a lease of a Reserve.	Yes
Are the decisions significant?	No
If they are significant do, they affect land or a body of water?	No
Can this decision only be made through a 10 Year Plan?	No
Does this decision require consultation through the Special Consultative procedure?	No
Is there funding in the current Annual Plan for these actions?	Yes
Are the recommendations inconsistent with any of Council's policies or plans?	No
The recommendations contribute to Goal 2: A Creative and Exciting City	
The recommendations contribute to the achievement of action/actions in Active Communities	

The action is: Administer the Reserves Act 1977.	
Contribution to strategic direction and to social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being	The recommendation is in line with Council's Support and Funding Policy which supports community groups to deliver benefits contributing to the cultural, economic, environmental, and social wellbeing of the city.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Application - Netball Manawatū [↓](#) 
2. Assessment of lease proposal - Netball Manawatū [↓](#) 

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Application form

Application No. 0004 From Ashleigh Kate Araroa-Waerea
Form Submitted 13 Apr 2023, 12:11PM NZST

About Your Group

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Organisation registration details

Organisation Name
Netball Manawatu

NZ Charity Registration Number (CRN)
CC31948

New Zealand Charities Register Information	
Reg Number	CC31948
Legal Name	Netball Manawatu Centre Incorporated
Other Names	Netball Manawatu
Reg Status	Registered
Charity's Street Address	43 Puriri Terrace Roslyn Palmerston North
Charity's Postal Address	4414 43 Puriri Terrace Roslyn Palmerston North
Telephone	4414 (06) 3582572
Fax	
Email	gm@netballmanawatu.org.nz
Website	http://www.netballmanawatu.org.nz
Reg Date	12:00am on 30 Jun 2008

Information retrieved at 11:50am on 11 Jun
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Current Address
43 Puriri Ter
Roslyn Palmerston North 4414 New Zealand

Primary Phone Number
06 358 2572
Must be a New Zealand phone number.

Primary Website
<https://www.netballmanawatu.org.nz>
Must be a URL.

Contact Details

Primary Contact
Miss Ashleigh Araroa-Waerea

Primary Contact Email
gm@netballmanawatu.org.nz
Must be an email address.

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Primary Contact Phone Number

027 228 7182

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Secondary Contact Name

Mark Piper

Secondary Contact Phone Number

027 536 3276

Must be a New Zealand phone number.

Secondary Contact Email

markepiper07@gmail.com

Must be an email address.

Secondary Contact Phone Number

027 536 3276

Must be a New Zealand phone number.

Applying for: Please tick which relates to your application

- ☐ Occupying/leasing a (previously unoccupied) council-owned property
- ☐ Constructing a new community building on council-owned land
- ☒ Renewing an occupancy/lease

What is the Vision of the organisation, what are you wanting to achieve?

Netball Manawatu's key statement is "Everyone's game"

This is supported by 4 key pillars:

- 1) To be the leading Sports organisation in the region - for players, umpires, officials, volunteers and all who attend on the sidelines.
- 2) To be financially strong - To create multiple funding streams to make our game as accessible as possible for all.
- 3) To have the highest quality experience for all involved - Focusing on clean sidelines, a strong focus on injury prevention, strong connection to our clubs & communities and the best development pathways for all who participate in the game.
- 4) To be innovative and digital - A strong digital presence connecting our clubs, communities, players, volunteers, officials, umpires and sponsors.

How are the major decisions in your organisation taken? (e.g. Trust Board, Management Committee) *

Netball Manawatu has a Board made up of Elected directors (elected from with the Netball Community) and Appointed directors (screened and appointed by the elected directors).

We have a minimum of 3 elected directors (max of 4) and 2-4 appointed directors.

The Board meets on a monthly basis and focuses on overall governance of the organisation.

Who are the current members of the major decision-making group? *

Board Membership below:

Mark Piper - Chairperson - Appointed

Bevan Catley - Deputy Chair - Appointed

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Chelsea Millar - Elected

Lisa Aull - Elected

Margaret Kaihe-Woolston - Elected

Barry Clough - Appointed

Chelsea Hopkins - Youth Board advisor (non-voting)

Are staff employed or is all work carried out voluntarily? *

Netball Manawatu has 4 employed staff and a number of volunteers.

If staff are employed, what is the source (s) of funding used to pay them? *

Funding comes from a mixture of players fees and Grants

What are the key positions in the organisation (paid and/or voluntary) ?

Netball Manawatu has 4 employed staff.

1 x General Manager

1 x Community Manager

1 x Development Manager

1 x Competitions officer

- Part time cafe staff

Netball Manawatu also has a long list of volunteers:

- Umpires

- Officials

- Patron

- Service committee

What in general terms are the roles of these positions?

1 x General Manager - Overall responsibility for Netball Manawatu reporting to Board. Leadership, strategy, sponsorship & Grants, Overarching financials.

1 x Community Manager - Netball Smart activator (H&S), communication, tournaments and events

1 x Development Manager - Player, coach and umpire development. Competition support

1 x Competitions officer - Competition calendar, competition rules, registrations, grading meetings, volunteer coordination

Who currently holds these positions? Please give names and brief resumes.

General Manager - Ashleigh Kate Araroa-Waerea (from 17 April)

Community Manager - Rebecca Boyd

Development Manager - recruitment underway (this is the role vacated by Ashleigh Kate)

Competitions Officer - Donna Simpson

Please summarise your organisation's achievements since its establishment?

Netball was first played in the Manawatu in 1914 and has been the leading women's sport in the Manawatu region since its inception, as well as Netball being the leading Women's sport nationally.

We utilise all of the 17 courts at Vautier park during our season and also run games and

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tournaments at CET Arena.

Today, Vautier Park in Puriri Terrace is the home of Netball Manawātū.

Vautier Park opened in 1964 on land donated by the Palmerston North City Council. This complex started with 6 courts, then 12 and currently 17. The Steffensen Lounge was added in 2010 to encourage more community social interaction.

Today we have more over 4,500 players, coaches, umpires and officials actively involved in "Everyone's game".

We cover all age groups, ethnicities and genders and pride ourselves on our inclusivity - being one of the first netball centres to change our uniform standards to allow more choice for players.

Additional information

No files have been uploaded

Please upload any additional information to support your application

Intended Use

What is the intended use of the property?

- ☒ Sport and Recreation
- ☐ Community or social service
- ☐ Education
- ☐ Other:

What service is to be provided from the property? Please give a full description

Netball Manawatu is the home of Netball in the Manawatu region.

We provide all of the following:

- Netball Competitions - premier, club, secondary school, intermediate
- School holiday programmes
- Representative teams
- NZ level umpires and officials
- Development opportunities at all levels

What are the objectives of the service or activity ?

To make Netball accessible for all and make it "everyone's game"

This covers players, managers, coaches, umpires, officials, volunteers and the community around us.

Who is expected to benefit from the service/project? (i.e. who will be the end users or client group) ?

We have over 4,500 people involved in Netball across a very wide demographic.

What geographic catchment will the project serve?

We bring people in from the wider Manawatu region, with the majority coming from Palmerston North and Fielding.

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What is the demographic profile of those who are expected to benefit from the service / project?

All demographics are covered.

We cover all ages from players through to our volunteers.

All genders (a focus for us is to improve male participation in Netball) and all identities are welcome.

How many people are expected to use the service/project on an annual basis?

More than 4,500 people

How was this need identified ?

Netball was first played in 1914 and has continued to grow and flourish.

Which organisations in the City are providing services for a similar target group? (i.e. similar geographic location, demographic profile)

We are the only Netball organisation in Palmerston North but other sports clubs also provide unique services for their members.

In what way does your service/activity differ from that supplied by these other organisations?

We are the only Netball club

What evidence do you have that the service/activity will meet the need identified?

Over 100 years of history and a strong and growing community.

Has the service/project been pilot tested for effectiveness? If so, please give details of pilot test and results.

Not applicable, we have been going on this ground since 1964

Has the service/project previously been operated in Palmerston North or anywhere else in New Zealand? If yes, please give details.

Yes, Netball has been played in Palmerston North for >100 years

How will you measure the level of success of this service/project?

Ongoing numbers of participants

Readiness

What are the costs involved in establishing this activity/service? Please give the main categories of cost and as close an estimate as you can manage for each category.

Not applicable - already established

How do you anticipate funding these costs? (e.g. funds in hand, grants, fund raising) Please specify which funds have already been secured and which are subject to further work/decisions.

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Not applicable - club already established

What are the estimated costs of operating the service/project on each year?

Overall costs of ~\$400,000

- Staff costs
- Rep teams
- vehicle costs
- accountancy costs
- Insurance

How do you anticipate funding these costs?

A combination of players fees, grants and sponsorship

Have you prepared a business plan for the service/project? If yes, please supply a copy.

Not applicable - we are a well established club

Upload Business Plan

No files have been uploaded

Please supply a copy of your most recent audited accounts.

Filename: Accounts.pdf

File size: 146.8 kB

If you are lease a property, what is the timeline for making the service/project operational?

It is already operational, we are looking to extend our lease

Please specify plans for resourcing (equipment, services, people, tools etc.)

Covered in our Service Level Agreement with PNCC.

Have you prepared any conceptual and technical plans? Please Upload

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Please explain how your proposed lease will contribute to one or more goals of Council (it is not necessary to contribute to more than one goal):

Netball Manawatu exists to service our communities. We provide safe and exciting opportunities for people to connect on and off the court.

We have a strong focus on clean sidelines, ensuring our players, managers, umpires, officials and all who take part in our great game can enjoy themselves.

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Assessment of Lease Proposal – Support and Funding Policy

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Date: 19 April 2023

Group Name: Netball Manawatū

Proposed Lease Location: Vautier Park, Palmerston North

Use of Public Space Policy

Criteria	Assessment
Supports the achievement of the Council's goals	Activities of Netball Manawatū are consistent with goals two and three of Council's strategic direction.
Is accessible to the wider community	Netball Manawatū activities seek and support the Palmerston North community.
Adds to the variety of events or activities available in Palmerston North	Netball Manawatū provides opportunities to promote confidence and create connections within the community
Enhances any precinct identities (e.g. Broadway as a hospitality precinct)	Netball Manawatū supports and enhances the range of recreational activities at Vautier Park.
Provides an experience (rather than a simple commercial exchange)	Netball Manawatū are focused on personal development and community engagement.
Does not significantly limit the availability of space for general community use	The lease does not affect the availability of the space for general community use.
Rangitāne o Manawatu feedback on the proposed activity	Rangitāne o Manawatu representatives have considered the proposal and have no comment.
Potential impact of the occupancy and proposed activities	Netball Manawatū has been occupying in this location since 1950. The lease has no negative impact on the public's benefit and enjoyment of the land/reserve. The lease will not affect the availability of space for the general community use or other for-purpose groups, as it is an existing use.

Reserves Act 1977 Considerations

Criteria	Assessment
Meets the defined purpose of recreation reserve in Section 17(1) of the Reserves Act 1977.	Netball Manawatu is providing a sports club organisation to the local community. It is undertaken in people's leisure time and contributes to the community. This activity is consistent with the purpose of recreation reserves.
The public shall have freedom of entry and access to the reserve, except for the ability to lease areas under Section 54.	The area is proposed to be leased under Section 54 and therefore public access is not required.
Where scenic, historic, archaeological, biological, geological, or other scientific features or indigenous flora or fauna or wildlife are present on the reserve, those features or that flora or fauna or wildlife shall be managed and protected to the extent compatible with the principal or primary purpose of the reserve.	No trees or vegetation are required to be removed by the proposal.
Those qualities of the reserve which contribute to the pleasantness, harmony, and cohesion of the natural environment and the better use and enjoyment of the reserve shall be conserved.	Netball Manawatu, as an existing occupier will not negatively impact the existing pleasantness and enjoyment of the reserve.
To the extent compatible with the principal or primary purpose of the reserve, its value as a soil, water, and forest conservation area shall be maintained.	The proposed lease will not impact on soil, water and forest conservation.
Does not significantly limit the availability of space for general community use	The lease does not affect the availability of the space for general community use.

Impact on the locality and Park operations

Criteria	Assessment
Aesthetics	Netball Manawatū currently occupies the site. There are no additional impacts from the continuing occupation of the site
Security	The Netball Manawatū will be responsible for security of their buildings and assets
Cleaning and Offensive litter	Netball Manawatū is responsible for managing litter within its leased area
Vegetation	No trees or shrubs would be required to be removed
Carparking	Existing car parking is available. No new effects are created in approving a new lease
Affected Parties	Parties identified include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Members of Manawatu Netball - Manawatu Lawn Tennis - Neighbouring residents and tenants - Local Community - Rangitane o Manawatu

REPORT

TO: Strategy & Finance Committee

MEETING DATE: 1 August 2023

TITLE: 309 Main Street - Proposal to continue supporting Senior Citizens Association Palmerston North by notifying the intention to grant community occupancy via a lease of Council land

PRESENTED BY: Bryce Hosking, Group Manager - Property and Resource Recovery

APPROVED BY: Chris Dyhrberg, Chief Infrastructure Officer

RECOMMENDATION(S) TO STRATEGY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. That Council continue to support Senior Citizens Association Palmerston North Incorporated by notifying the public of its intention to grant community occupancy of Council land, via a lease at 309 Main Street, Palmerston North, in accordance with the Support and Funding Policy 2022.
2. That the Committee note the land affected by the community occupancy lease to Senior Citizens Association Palmerston North Incorporated is described as Lot 2 DP 40465.

SUMMARY OF OPTIONS ANALYSIS FOR

Problem or Opportunity	<p>The Senior Citizens Association has requested further support from Council by granting community occupancy through a new lease agreement.</p> <p>This report seeks Council's approval to commence the public notification process for the preferred option (Option 1) in accordance with the Support and Funding Policy 2022.</p>
OPTION 1: (preferred option)	Notify the public of Council's intention to continue supporting Senior Citizens Association by granting occupancy via a lease under the Support and Funding Policy 2022 of the existing site at 309 Main Street.
Community Views	Community views will be sought during the public notification period.
Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The community views, along with any objections received will be considered to inform the decision. Council can continue supporting and developing the relationship with Senior Citizens Association. This enables the Senior Citizens Association to continue their activities.
Risks	No risks are identified.
Financial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The cost of public notification will be minor. Providing the Council eventually entered into a new lease, Council will continue to receive the annual rent of \$150 plus GST. Note that in addition to the lease subject to this report, the Senior Citizens also lease the Council-owned carpark at the rear of the building. Council would continue to receive the annual rent of this carpark of \$700.00 plus GST.
OPTION 2:	Do not notify the public of the preferred option (intention to support through a lease) that would effectively end the Senior Citizens Association's occupancy of Council land.
Community Views	Community views to inform the Council's decision on the club's proposed occupancy will not be sought.
Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should the lease end, and the Association is requested to vacate the premise, Council will explore options for the continued use of the land prior to potentially seeking alternative community occupancy options. This process is a requirement under the Support and Funding Policy and gives the opportunity to investigate alternative use of

	<p>land when a leasing arrangement ends.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Under the current lease, at the expiration of the lease Council has the option to purchase Senior Citizens Association buildings and improvements within three months of the date of expiration at a price agreed between both parties.
Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council may be perceived as not supporting the Senior Citizens Association. If Council wish to proceed with this option, the club will be required to vacate the land and, unless agreed otherwise, remove all assets, and return the land to its original state.
Financial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council would no longer receive the annual rent of \$150.00 plus GST and very likely the \$700.00 plus GST annual rent for the rear carpark. Council staff time would be required to assist with the process of requiring the removal of their improvements.

RATIONALE FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

1. OVERVIEW OF THE PROBLEM OR OPPORTUNITY

- 1.1 The Senior Citizens Association has been occupying Council land at 309 Main Street, Palmerston North since 2004. Their lease expires on 30 September 2023. The Association now requests a new lease so they can continue to occupy the site.
- 1.2 Under the Council's Support and Funding Policy if a for-purpose organisation requests a new lease for the occupancy of Council land at the end of their agreed term, the proposal is to be publicly advertised to seek feedback from the public.
- 1.3 This report seeks Council's approval to commence the public notification process in accordance with the Support and Funding Policy, noting that this is the first step in the process and only seeks approval for consultation and consultation feedback. The final decision to lease to the Association will be brought to the Strategy & Finance Committee in a subsequent report.

2. BACKGROUND AND PREVIOUS COUNCIL DECISIONS

- 2.1 The Senior Citizens Association have occupied the site since 2004 and provide members of the Palmerston North community with a welcoming environment to enhance lives with social activities including, but not limited to, concerts, games, dance, and quiz events. These activities benefit the mental and physical wellbeing of their users.

- 2.2 The Senior Citizens Association work in partnership with other groups in the community, making their facilities available for other for-purpose groups to utilise.
- 2.3 The Senior Citizens Association own all improvements and buildings on the site; Council only lease the land.
- 2.4 The Association has over time developed the area and has invested a significant amount to improve its facilities, as noted in the annual Financial Statement for 2022, with the total value of its fixed assets now being \$256,150.

3. THE PROPOSAL

- 3.1 The proposed land only lease area is approximately 959m² and situated at 309 Main Street, Palmerston North as outlined in red shown in Figure 1 below.
- 3.2 If the lease is granted, the proposed annual rent is \$150 plus GST. This is consistent with the rental framework in Council's Support and Funding Policy 2022.
- 3.3 The proposed term would be five (5) years, with a Right of Renewal for a further five (5) years.
- 3.4 If a new lease is commenced, the use of the site will remain the same.



Figure 1: Proposed lease area

4. ASSESSMENT OF PROPOSAL UNDER THE SUPPORT AND FUNDING POLICY

- 4.1 The Support and Funding Policy provides a framework for how Council will deliver support and funding to groups, organisations, and individuals to achieve the vision of the city. One form of support within the policy is to enable for-purpose groups to occupy Council-owned property at community rental rates.
- 4.2 All for-purpose groups expressing an interest in occupying Council-owned property, either for a new occupancy or renewal of an existing occupancy, must make an application. The application is then assessed by Council Officers to ensure that firstly they meet the policy's eligibility criteria before proceeding any further.
- 4.3 The application from the Senior Citizens Association is attached to the report as Appendix 1.
- 4.4 Further assessment considerations are outlined in the policy. In broad terms, the assessment covers three main areas:
- a) The Policy for the Use of Public Space – guidelines relevant to the application.
 - b) Reserves Act 1977 – including consideration of the values and purpose of the reserve and the impacts on the public use of the reserve. This is not a consideration of this application as the land does not have reserve status.
 - c) Impact on the locality and park operations.

A copy of the assessment is attached as Appendix 2.

- 4.5 In summary, following the assessment against the policy, Council Officers conclude that the Senior Citizens Association meets all criteria required.

5. LAND STATUS

- 5.1 A summary of the land status information is:

Title	Reserve Status	Zoning
Lot 2 DP 40465	No reserve status	Inner business

6. DESCRIPTION AND ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

OPTION 1: Notify the public of Council's intention to continue supporting Senior Citizens Association by granting occupancy via a lease under the Support and Funding Policy 2022 of the existing site at 309 Main Street.

- 6.1 This is the preferred option.

- 6.2 Council will seek feedback on continuing to support the Senior Citizens Association through the process outlined in the Support and Funding Policy.
- 6.3 Council must give people the opportunity to submit on the proposal, and be heard, before deciding to grant a lease as per the Support and Funding Policy.
- 6.4 After considering feedback, Council can then decide to enter a formal lease with Senior Citizens Association.
- 6.5 The Association contribute to the community and show strong alignment with Council's strategic direction. The Association supports Council's priority to build and maintain relations with local communities of identity, interest and place to understand and support their strengths and aspirations.

OPTION 2: Do not notify the public of the preferred option (intention to support through a lease) that would effectively end the Senior Citizens Association's occupancy of Council land.

- 6.6 The impact of this option would mean that the opportunity to seek community feedback on the Senior Citizens Association's continued occupancy of the site would not occur.
- 6.7 In turn, this would mean that the lease would cease, and Council would follow the process outlined in the Support and Funding Policy to determine the future use of the land (refer 5.5.1 (b)). The first step in this process is to carry out a strategic options review.
- 6.8 The implication of this option on the Club would mean that they would not be able to continue leasing the site. Under the lease provisions, a decision would then need to be made regarding the improvements owned by the Association.
- 6.9 This option poses the risk that Council will be perceived as not supporting the activities of the Senior Citizens Association despite having occupied the site since 2004.

7. CONCLUSION

- 7.1 The proposal is consistent with the requirements of the Support and Funding Policy. Continued occupancy will allow the Senior Citizens Association to continue their activities in the community.
- 7.2 Public notification on the continuing support will provide opportunities for submissions and objections to be made before a decision is made, fulfilling the requirements of the Support and Funding Policy 2022.
- 7.3 It is recommended the Committee proceed with Option 1. The Association's activities contribute to outcomes to achieve Goal 3 of Council's strategic direction.

8. NEXT ACTIONS

- 8.1 Public notification of the intention to grant the lease, seeking submissions and objections.
- 8.2 Provide the opportunity for any submitters that wish to be heard to speak to Council.
- 8.3 Consider the objections and submissions and provide advice to Council on whether to accept, modify or decline the lease proposal.

9. OUTLINE OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS



- 9.1 The proposed consultation process meets the public notification requirements of the Support and Funding Policy 2022 and the Reserves Act that requires a minimum of a one month period advertised in the Manawatu Standard, Dominion Post and on the Council website.

COMPLIANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Does the Committee have delegated authority to decide? If Yes quote relevant clause(s) from Delegations Manual Agree for notification, accept, or decline any lease agreement entered by Council under the Support and Funding Policy or that relate to a lease of a Reserve.		Yes
Are the decisions significant?		No
If they are significant do, they affect land or a body of water?		No
Can this decision only be made through a 10 Year Plan?		No
Does this decision require consultation through the Special Consultative procedure?		No
Is there funding in the current Annual Plan for these actions?		Yes
Are the recommendations inconsistent with any of Council's policies or plans?		No
The recommendations contribute to Goal 3: A Connected and Safe Community		
The recommendations contribute to the achievement of action/actions in Connected Communities The action is: Build and maintain relationships with local communities of identity, interest, and place to understand and support their strengths and aspirations.		
Contribution to strategic direction and to social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-	The recommendation is in line with Council's Support and Funding Policy which supports community groups to deliver benefits contributing to the cultural, economic, environmental, and social wellbeing in the city.	

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Application - Senior Citizens Association [↓](#) 
2. Assessment of lease proposal 2023 [↓](#) 

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About Your Group

* indicates a required field

Organisation registration details

Organisation Name

Organisation Name

NZ Charity Registration Number (CRN)

The Charity Registration Number provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the Charity Registration Number correctly.

New Zealand Charities Register Information	
Charity Registration	
Number	CC 344 11
Organisation Name	Senior Citizens Assn. Palm Nth
Other Names	
Status	
Street Address	309 Main St. P.N.
Postal Address	309 Main St PN.
Telephone	0274588288 - 3588246.
Fax	
Email	senior309@xtra.co.nz.
Website	
Date Registered	15-11-2008

Must be formatted correctly.

Current Address

Address

Primary Phone Number

Must be a New Zealand phone number.

Primary Website

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Must be a URL.

Contact Details

Primary Contact

Title	First Name	Last Name
Mrs	Val	Bulmer

Primary Contact Email

~~senior309 Main Street~~ ~~senior309~~ senior309@xtra.co.nz.

Must be an email address.

Primary Contact Phone Number

0274 588 288

Must be a New Zealand phone number.

Secondary Contact Name

Organisation Name
~~309 Main Street~~ Jan. Cook (President Senior Citizens)

Secondary Contact Phone Number

021 023 98627

Must be a New Zealand phone number.

Secondary Contact Email

jan.kencook15@gmail.com

Must be an email address.

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Applying for: Please tick which relates to your application

- ☐ Occupying/leasing a (previously unoccupied) council-owned property
- ☐ Constructing a new community building on council-owned land
- ☒ Renewing an occupancy/lease

What is the Vision of the organisation, what are you wanting to achieve?

How are the major decisions in your organisation taken? (e.g. Trust Board, Management Committee) *

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Committee

Who are the current members of the major decision-making group? *

Comm.tee.

Are staff employed or is all work carried out voluntarily? *

1 person employed (Val Bulmer)
All other voluntarily.

If staff are employed, what is the source (s) of funding used to pay them? *

Membership Fees Entry Fees to activities.

What are the key positions in the organisation (paid and/or voluntary)?

Committee voluntarily
Secretary/Treasurer/Hall Custodian paid.

What in general terms are the roles of these positions?

Who currently holds these positions? Please give names and brief resumes.

Val Bulmer holds the above 3 positions
as has since 2013.

Please summarise your organisation's achievements since its establishment?

Provided Senior Citizens of P.N.
with entertainment, activities and
fellowship.

Additional information

Attach a file:

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Please upload any additional information to support your application

Intended Use

What is the intended use of the property?

- ☐ Sport and Recreation
☒ Community or social service
☐ Education

What service is to be provided from the property? Please give a full description

- 0 Providing a welcoming environment to enhance lives with social activities for all ages

What are the objectives of the service or activity ?

As Above

Who is expected to benefit from the service/project? (i.e. who will be the end users or client group) ?

Senior Members of the PN Community.

What geographic catchment will the project serve?

PN City area and surrounding area.

What is the demographic profile of those who are expected to benefit from the service / project?

Guests over the age of 60.

How many people are expected to use the service/project on an annual basis?

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Approx 150 people per week.

How was this need identified ?

Which organisations in the City are providing services for a similar target group?
(i.e. similar geographic location, demographic profile)

A number of Rest Homes,
Grey Power.

In what way does your service/activity differ from that supplied by these other organisations?

x Not Sure

What evidence do you have that the service/activity will meet the need identified?

Continuing attendance of members and others
at all our activities.

Has the service/project been pilot tested for effectiveness? If so, please give details of pilot test and results.

No

Has the service/project previously been operated in Palmerston North or anywhere else in New Zealand? If yes, please give details.

Don't know

How will you measure the level of success of this service/project?

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By future attendance
numbers

Readiness

What are the costs involved in establishing this activity/service? Please give the main categories of cost and as close an estimate as you can manage for each category.

How do you anticipate funding these costs? (e.g. funds in hand, grants, fund raising) Please specify which funds have already been secured and which are subject to further work/decisions.

What are the estimated costs of operating the service/project on each year?

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Senior Citizens Association (PN) Inc
Performance Report
For the year ended
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Senior Citizens Association (PN) Inc
Entity Information
 For the year ended
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Legal Name of Entity: Senior Citizens Association (PN) Inc

Type of Entity and Legal Basis: Registered Charity

Registration Number: CC34411

Entity's Purpose or Mission:

Providing a welcoming environment to enhance lives with social activities for all ages.

Entity's Structure:

The rules of the Society states that the committee will consist of:

- President
- Vice President(s) – up to two
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Committee Members – minimum of three

All must be members of the Association.

Main Sources of the Entity's Cash & Resources:

- Members pay:
 - Subscriptions
 - Door fees
 - Fees for the activities they participate in

Main Methods Used by the Entity to Raise Funds:

- The building is rented to local community groups
- Grants are applied for to acquire new equipment

Entity's Reliance on Volunteers and Donated Goods or Services:

The Society relies on volunteers for its board and the organisers of its events and members meetings.

Contact Details

Postal Address: 309 Main Street
PALMERSTON NORTH 4440

Email: senior309@xtra.co.nz

Senior Citizens Association (PN) Inc
Statement of Service Performance
For the year ended
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Description of the Entity's Outcomes:

The committee manages various groups and organises activities for the entertainment and enjoyment of the people in the community.

Description and Qualification of the Entity's Outputs:

- | | |
|------------------|-----------------|
| • Cards | 2 days per week |
| • Dance club | 1 day per week |
| • Scrabble | 1 day per week |
| • Concerts | 1 per week |
| • Quiz Afternoon | 1 day per month |

Additional Output Measures

Other groups using the facilities are:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| • Inner Smile Tai Chi | 8 sessions per month |
| • Manawatu Dance Club | 5 sessions per month |
| • Weight Watchers | 4 sessions per month |
| • RSA Welfare Group | 1 sessions per month |
| • PN Aeroneers | 1 session per month
(or as required) |
| • Central District Indian Association | Various sessions throughout the
year, but not on a regular basis. |
| • Lift Up Your Life Yoga Group | 4 sessions per month |
| • Morvon Walker Zumba Group | 4 sessions per month |
| • Grey Power Manawatu | 1 sessions per month |
| • RSA Ladies Group | 1 day per month |

SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION (PN) Inc
Statement of Receipts and Payments
For the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	Note	2022	2021
		\$	\$
Operating Receipts			
Subscriptions and other receipts from members	2	8,931	8,572
Receipts from providing goods and services	3	22,816	17,864
Investments income	4	749	319
Other income	5	1,852	-
Total operating Receipts		34,348	26,755
Operating Payments			
Payments to volunteers and employees	6	4,225	4,770
Payments related to providing services	7	23,184	28,596
Other operating payments	8	600	1,238
Total Operating Payments		28,009	34,604
Net Operating Surplus (Deficit)		6,339	(7,849)
Capital Payments			
Purchase of assets		-	-
Net Surplus		6,339	(7,849)
Increase (Decrease) in Bank Accounts and Cash		6,339	(7,849)
Cash and Bank accounts at the beginning of the year		54,149	61,998
Cash and Bank accounts at the end of the year		60,488	54,149
Represented by:			
Cash on hand		-	120
Cheque account		14,632	5,074
Savings account		7,454	11,192
Term deposits		38,402	37,763
Total Cash and Bank Accounts		60,488	54,149

This report has not been reviewed or audited and must be read with the accompanying notes.

Senior Citizens Association (PN) Inc
Statement of Resources and Commitments
As at 31 December 2022

Schedule of Resources	This Year	Last Year
Bank Accounts and Cash	60,488	54,149
(from Statement of Receipts and Payments)		
Other Resources		
Fixed assets		
• Buildings (2021 valuation)	250,000	235,000
• Furnishings	6,639	6,639
• Heat pumps	11,122	11,122
• Office equipment	462	462
• Other	127	127
• Defibrillator	<u>2,800</u>	<u>2,800</u>
	<u>271,150</u>	<u>256,150</u>
Money owed to the Entity (including GST)		
Scrabble Group	-	110
Yoga Group	70	-
GST	<u>-</u>	<u>16</u>
	<u>70</u>	<u>126</u>
Schedule of Commitments		
Money Payable by the Entity (including GST)		
Inland Revenue		
• PAYE	71	57
• GST	1,833	-
Ali Fix Aluminium	322	-
BOS	112	-
J Cook – Reimbursements	157	-
PNCC – Rates	1314	-
- Rent	403	-
Shamrock Cleaning	460	173
Spark	-	60
Grey Power – Electricity	<u>-</u>	<u>112</u>
	<u>4,672</u>	<u>402</u>
Other Commitments (including GST)		
Palmerston North City Council		
• Lease of land	978	978

Senior Citizens Association (PN) Inc
Notes to the Financial Report
For the year ended 31 December 2022

1. Accounting Policies**Basis of Preparation**

Senior Citizens Association (PN) Inc is permitted by law to apply PBE SFR-C (NFP) Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting - Cash (Not-For-Profit) and has elected to do so. All transactions are reported in the Statement of Receipts and Payments and related Notes to the Performance Report on a cash basis.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Senior Citizens Association (PN) Inc is registered for GST. Therefore amounts recorded in the Performance Report are exclusive of GST (if any). GST owing, or GST refunds due as at balance date are shown in the Statement of Resources and Commitments.

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
2 Subscriptions and other receipts from members		
Cards	3,285	2,984
Dance club	1,984	1,925
Door takings	1,449	1,279
Raffles	773	790
Subscriptions	861	1,048
Scrabble	284	83
Sundry	295	463
Total	<u>8,931</u>	<u>8,572</u>
3 Receipts from providing goods or services		
Rent	22,816	17,864
4 Investment Income		
Interest	749	319
5 Other Receipts		
GST (net)	1,852	-
6 Volunteer and employee related expenses		
Wages	4,225	4,770
Total	<u>4,225</u>	<u>4,770</u>

These notes are continued on the next page.

Senior Citizens Association (PN) Inc
Notes to the Financial Report (continued)
For the year ended 31 December 2022

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
7 Payments related to providing goods or services		
Advertising	-	20
Cleaning and laundry	2,100	1,891
Computer expenses	545	409
Custodian	249	260
Entertainment	2,040	1,720
Gas and electricity	2,135	1,696
Housekeeping	234	231
Insurance	6,827	6,387
Printing, stationery and postage	82	87
Raffle costs	261	666
Rates and rent	4,575	5,565
Refreshments	587	417
Repairs and alterations	1,444	8,111
Telephone	242	628
Other	1,863	508
Total	23,184	28,596
8 Other operating expenses		
Accountancy	600	600
GST	-	638
Total	600	1,238
9 Related Party Transactions		
There were no related party transactions		
10 Events after Balance Date		
There were no significant events after balance date.		

Assessment of Lease Proposal – Support and Funding Policy

In considering an application of a for purpose organisation to use public space, and particularly where there are competing applications for the use of public space or high demand for a public space, the Council will assess the applications against the criteria set out in both policies.

Date: 13 June 2023
Group Name: Senior Citizens Association Palmerston North
Proposed Lease Location: 309 Main Street, Palmerston North

Use of Public Space Policy

Criteria	Assessment
Supports the achievement of the Council's goals	Activities of Senior Citizens Assoc. are consistent with goals two and three of Council's strategic direction.
Is accessible to the wider community	Senior Citizens Assoc. activities seek and support the Palmerston North community.
Adds to the variety of events or activities available in Palmerston North	Senior Citizens Assoc. provides opportunities to promote confidence and create connections within the community
Enhances any precinct identities (e.g. Broadway as a hospitality precinct)	Senior Citizens Assoc. supports and enhances the range of activities at 309 Main Street.
Provides an experience (rather than a simple commercial exchange)	Senior Citizens Assoc. are focused on personal development and community engagement.
Does not significantly limit the availability of space for general community use	The lease does not affect the availability of the space for general community use.
Rangitāne o Manawatu feedback on the proposed activity	Rangitāne o Manawatu representatives have considered the proposal and have no comment.
Potential impact of the occupancy and proposed activities	Senior Citizens Assoc. has been occupying the site since 2004. The lease has no negative impact on the public's benefit and enjoyment of the land. The lease will not affect the availability of space for the general community use or other for-purpose groups, as it is an existing use.

Impact on the locality and Park operations

Criteria	Assessment
Aesthetics	Senior Citizens Assoc. currently occupies the site. There are no additional impacts from the continuing occupation of the site.
Security	The Senior Citizens Assoc. will be responsible for security of their buildings and assets
Cleaning and Offensive litter	Senior Citizens Assoc. is responsible for managing litter within its leased area
Vegetation	No trees or shrubs would be required to be removed
Carparking	Existing car parking is available. No new effects are created in approving a new lease
Affected Parties	Parties identified include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Members of the Senior Citizens Assoc. - Neighbouring residents and tenants - Local Community - Rangitane o Manawatu

REPORT

TO: Strategy & Finance Committee

MEETING DATE: 1 August 2023

TITLE: 16 Featherston Street - Proposal to grant a lease to Takaro Sports Incorporated

PRESENTED BY: Bryce Hosking, Group Manager - Property and Resource Recovery

APPROVED BY: Chris Dyhrberg, Chief Infrastructure Officer

RECOMMENDATION(S) TO STRATEGY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. That Council grant a lease of the land at 16 Featherston Street (part of Takaro Park), Palmerston North described as Lots 1 – 12 inclusive and Lots 14 and 15 DP 2938 to Takaro Sports Incorporated, in accordance with Council's Support and Funding Policy and Section 54 of the Reserves Act 1977.

1. ISSUE

- 1.1 The Takaro Sports Club has been operating at 16 Featherston Street, Palmerston North since 1950.
- 1.2 The formal land lease with the Takaro Sports Club expired in 31 March 2019 and they have been operating on a month-by-month lease ever since. The Takaro Sports Club own their building and all improvements; Council only lease the land to them.
- 1.3 The Takaro Sports Club requested a new lease to continue operating. As the land leased is reserve land, the lease request is subject to the requirements of the Reserves Act 1997 in addition to Council's Support and Funding Policy 2022. These requirements included public notification of Council's intention to grant a new lease on the reserve.
- 1.4 The public notification process is now complete with no submissions received.
- 1.5 This report seeks approval to grant a new lease to the Takaro Sports Club in accordance with Section 54 of the Reserves Act 1977 and Council's Support and Funding Policy.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 A report to Council on 22 March 2023 assessed the proposal and as a result Council resolved:

1. *That Council continues to support Takaro Sports Club Incorporated by notifying the public of its intention to grant community occupancy of Council land at 16 Featherston Street (part Takaro Park), Palmerston North, in accordance with the Support and Funding Policy 2022 and Section 54 of the Reserves Act 1977.*
2. *That Council notes the land affected by the community occupancy of Takaro Sports Club is described as Lots 1-12 inclusive and Lots 14 and 15 DP 2938.*

- 2.2 Consultation was completed in June 2023. No submissions were received.
- 2.3 If entered the proposed lease will commence on 1 April 2023 and will be for a term of five (5) years with one right of renewal of a further five (5) years.
- 2.4 The proposed annual rent is \$500 plus GST. This is consistent with the rental framework in Council's Support and Funding Policy 2022.

3. RESERVES ACT CONSULTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS

- 3.1 Council has consulted the community on the proposal to lease as required by Section 54 of the Reserves Act 1977.

3.2 Public notice, as required by Sections 54(2) and 119 of the Reserves Act 1977, was published in May in the Manawatu Standard, The Dominion Post and Council's website.

3.3 No submissions were received and there were no requests to be heard. As such the requirements of Section 120 of the Reserves Act have been met.

4. CONCLUSION

4.1 Council have been supporting the Takaro Sports Club through leasing land to the Club since 1950.

4.2 Given there were no objections to the new lease proposal, and both the requirements of the Reserves Act and the Support and Funding Policy have been met, it is recommended that Council continue to support them and proceed with granting a new lease to the Takaro Sports Club.

5. NEXT ACTIONS

5.1 A new Lease is executed between Palmerston North City Council and the Takaro Sports Club Incorporated.

COMPLIANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Does the Committee have delegated authority to decide? If Yes quote relevant clause(s) from Delegations Manual Agree for notification, accept, or decline any lease agreement entered by Council under the Support and Funding Policy or that relate to a lease of a Reserve.		Yes
Are the decisions significant?		No
If they are significant do, they affect land or a body of water?		No
Can this decision only be made through a 10 Year Plan?		No
Does this decision require consultation through the Special Consultative procedure?		No
Is there funding in the current Annual Plan for these actions?		Yes
Are the recommendations inconsistent with any of Council's policies or plans?		No
The recommendations contribute to Goal 2: A Creative and Exciting City		
The recommendations contribute to the achievement of action/actions in Active Communities The action is: Council supports a variety of clubs and organisations through consistent and transparent lease arrangements at parks and reserves and community centres.		
Contribution to strategic direction	The recommendation is in line with Council's Support and Funding policy, which seeks to support community groups to	

and to social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being	deliver benefits contributing to the cultural, economic, environmental, and social wellbeing of the city.
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ATTACHMENTS

Nil

MEMORANDUM

TO: Strategy & Finance Committee

MEETING DATE: 1 August 2023

TITLE: 117 Vogel Street - Proposal to grant a lease on Council land to Te Kohanga Reo National Trust Board (Te Awhina Kohanga Reo)

PRESENTED BY: Bryce Hosking, Group Manager - Property and Resource Recovery

APPROVED BY: Chris Dyhrberg, Chief Infrastructure Officer

RECOMMENDATION(S) TO STRATEGY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. That Council grant a lease of the land at 117 Vogel Street, Palmerston North, being described as Lot DP 78520 to Te Kohanga Reo National Trust Board (Te Awhina Kohanga Reo) in accordance with Council's Support and Funding Policy.

1. ISSUE

- 1.1 Te Kohanga Reo National Trust Board has been operating at 117 Vogel Street, Palmerston North since 1999.
- 1.2 The formal land lease with the Trust expired on 31 May 2023. The Trust own their building and improvements, Council only lease the land to them.
- 1.3 The Trust requested a new lease so it can continue to operate. The lease request is subject to Council's Support and Funding Policy 2022. This included public notification of Council's intention to grant a new lease under the Support and Funding Policy.
- 1.4 The public notification process is now complete with no submissions received.
- 1.5 This report seeks approval to grant a new lease to the Trust in accordance with Council's Support and Funding Policy.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 A report to the Strategy and Finance Committee on 22 March 2023 assessed the proposal and as a result the Committee resolved:

1. That the Committee continue to support Te Kohanga Reo National Trust Board, by notifying the public of its intention to grant community occupancy of Council land, via a lease at 117 Vogel Street, Palmerston North, in accordance with the Support and Funding Policy 2022.

2. The Committee note the land affected by the community occupancy lease to Te Kohanga Reo National Trust Board is described as Lot 1 DP 78520.

- 2.2 Consultation was completed in June 2023. No submissions were received.
- 2.3 If entered the propped lease will commence on 1 June 2023 and will be for a term of five (5) years with one right of renewal of a further five (5) years.
- 2.4 The proposed annual rent is to be \$150 plus GST. This is consistent with the rental framework in Council's Support and Funding Policy 2022.

3. CONCLUSION

- 3.1 Council have been supporting the Trust through leasing to them since 1999.
- 3.2 Given there were no objections to the new lease proposal, and the requirements of the Support and Funding Policy have been met, it is recommended that Council continue to support them and proceed with granting a new lease to Te Kohanga Reo National Trust Board (Te Awhina Kohanga Reo).

4. NEXT STEPS

- 4.1 A new lease is executed between Palmerston North City Council and Te Kohanga Reo National Trust Board (Te Awhina Kohanga Reo).

5. COMPLIANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Does the Committee have delegated authority to decide? If Yes quote relevant clause(s) from Delegations Manual Agree for notification, accept, or decline any lease agreement entered by Council under the Support and Funding Policy or that relate to a lease of a Reserve.	Yes
Are the decisions significant?	No
If they are significant do, they affect land or a body of water?	No
Can this decision only be made through a 10 Year Plan?	No
Does this decision require consultation through the Special Consultative procedure?	No
Is there funding in the current Annual Plan for these actions?	Yes
Are the recommendations inconsistent with any of Council's policies or plans?	No
The recommendations contribute to Goal 3: A Connected and Safe Community	
The recommendations contribute to the achievement of action/actions in Connected Communities	

The action is: Support and strengthen Maori community networks and agencies as they work to address issues of opportunity and concern.	
Contribution to strategic direction and to social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being	The recommendation is in line with Council's Support and Funding Policy which supports community groups to deliver benefits contributing to the cultural, economic, environmental and social wellbeing of the city.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

MEMORANDUM

TO: Strategy & Finance Committee

MEETING DATE: 1 August 2023

TITLE: 21 Guildford Street, Ashhurst - Proposal to grant a lease to Ashhurst Community Trust

PRESENTED BY: Bryce Hosking, Group Manager - Property and Resource Recovery

APPROVED BY: Chris Dyhrberg, Chief Infrastructure Officer

RECOMMENDATION(S) TO STRATEGY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. That Council grant a lease of the land at 21 Guildford Street (part of Ashhurst Village Valley Centre), Ashhurst being described as part of Sections 339 and 340, DP 152 to Ashhurst Community Trust, in accordance with the Council's Support and Funding Policy 2022.

1. ISSUE

- 1.1 The Ashhurst Community Trust has been operating at 21 Guildford Street Ashhurst since 2014.
- 1.2 Their current lease is for the land only and expires in March 2024. The leased land is 456m² and has two buildings on the site, both owned by the Trust.
- 1.3 The Trust proposes to create 'The Woodshed' which will provide opportunities for members of the community to take part in joinery and fabrication projects that support and create connections within the community.
- 1.4 This will see them expand the area they lease from Council to 936m², remove one of their buildings, and replace it with a new building and improvements (an old schoolhouse). Figure 1 below shows the proposed site plan for the new lease.
- 1.5 To support this new initiative, the Trust requested a new lease now rather than waiting for the current one to expire.

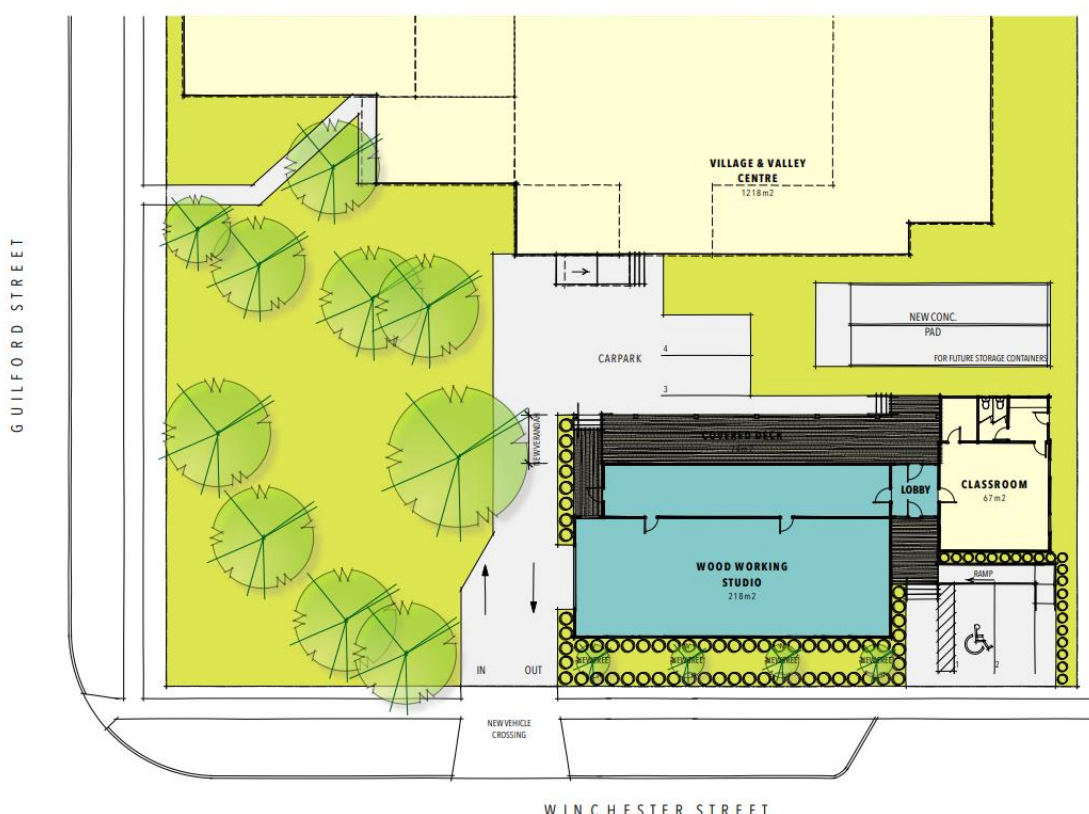


Figure 1: Detailed plan proposed by Ashhurst Community Trust

- 1.6 As the Trust is a for-purpose group and is receiving community rental rates the new lease is subject to the process outlined in the Support and Funding Policy 2022. This included public consultation of Council's intention to grant a new lease for Council's land and buildings.
- 1.7 The public notification process is now complete, and this report now seeks approval to grant a lease to Ashhurst Community Trust in accordance with Council's Support and Funding Policy.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 A report to Council on 22 March 2023 assessed the proposal and as a result Council resolved:
 - a) That the Committee supports Ashhurst Community Trust's proposal by notifying the public of its intention to grant community occupancy of Council land at 21 Guildford Street (part of Ashhurst Village Valley Centre), Ashhurst, in accordance with the Support and Funding Policy 2022.
 - b) The Committee notes that the land affected by the Ashhurst Community Trust community occupancy is described as part of Sections 339 and 34, DP 152.

3. CONSULTATION OVERVIEW

3.1 Consultation took place from 29 May 2023 to 30 June 2023. The consultation consisted of:

- Public notice in Manawatu Standard
- Online advertisement on the Council website
- A social media post on the Ashhurst Community Facebook group
- Posters being provided to the Ashhurst Library
- Letter drop to neighbours in the nearby vicinity`
- Public notice in the Village Valley Voice; and
- A billboard onsite.

4. SUMMARY OF SUBMISSIONS

4.1 Ten (10) submission were received during the consultation period. Please refer to Appendix 1 for the full submissions.

4.2 Whilst none of the submissions were opposed to the proposal, two (2) of the submissions did raise concerns around fencing and carparking. These matters are considered minor and Officers are confident they can be worked through as part of finalising the lease. The concerns raised are summarised in the table below:

Concern Raised	Officer Comment
The existing classroom has been neglected over the years; the submitter has requested that some efforts to repair parts of the building are to be addressed.	<p>The Ashhurst Community Trust has advised that it intends to repair the classroom in addition to its developments.</p> <p>The Lease agreement will include provisions for the tenant to repair all maintenance concerns with the standard of the buildings and improvements.</p>
That a new 1.8m fence be built around the surrounding area.	<p>The concerns raised are not directly related to 'The Woodshed' activities but to the Village Valley Centre area.</p> <p>As the fence is not within the leased area, any decision to erect a fence can be considered separately to the lease and will be subject to the Fencing Act 1978.</p>
The impacts on car parking within the	Ashhurst Community Trust have

area.	included additional car parking with their proposal. Officers consider that there is sufficient car parking available in the immediate area around the leased site.
Car parking protruding over boundary affecting the ability of FENZ to operate effectively.	The consideration of a fence around the Village Valley site will resolve this concern.

4.3 In addition to the formal submissions below is a summary of the response to the social media post:

- The Facebook post was posted in the Ashhurst private group which consists of roughly 5,000 members. There were forty-six (46) 'like' reactions and twenty-six (26) comments.
- Comments were focused on positive feedback and in support of the proposal. Some comments related to alternative uses were inconsistent with Council's Support and Funding Policy Criteria.

5. NEW LEASE

5.1 The proposed Deed of Lease will commence contemporaneously with the Deed of Surrender of lease being signed. The new lease will have a 5-year term with one right of renewal of a further five (5) years.

5.2 The annual rent for the proposed lease will be \$100 + GST.

6. CONCLUSION

6.1 Council has been supporting the Ashhurst Community Trust by leasing the land at 21 Guildford Street to them since 2014.

6.2 Whilst none of the submissions were opposed to the proposal, two (2) of the submissions did raise concerns around fencing and carparking. These matters are considered minor and Officers are confident they can be worked through as part of finalising the lease.

6.3 Given there were no objections to the new lease proposal it is recommended that Council continue to support them and proceed with granting a new lease to Ashhurst Community Trust.

7. NEXT STEPS

7.1 A new lease is executed between Council and Ashhurst Community Trust for the expanded lease area.

8. COMPLIANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Does the Committee have delegated authority to decide? If Yes quote relevant clause(s) from the Delegations Manual Agree for notification, accept, or decline any lease agreement entered by Council under the Support and Funding Policy or that relates to a lease of a Reserve.	Yes
Are the decisions significant?	No
If they are significant do, they affect land or a body of water?	No
Can this decision only be made through a 10 Year Plan?	No
Does this decision require consultation through the Special Consultative procedure?	No
Is there funding in the current Annual Plan for these actions?	Yes
Are the recommendations inconsistent with any of Council's policies or plans?	No
The recommendations contribute to Goal 2: A Creative and Exciting City	
The recommendations contribute to the achievement of action/actions in Active Communities The action is: Council supports a variety of clubs and organisations through consistent and transparent lease arrangements at parks and reserves and community centres.	
Contribution to strategic direction and to social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being	The recommendation is in line with Council's Support and Funding Policy which supports community groups to deliver benefits contributing to the cultural, economic, environmental and the social wellbeing of the city.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Submissions [↓](#) 

**Submissions on Intention to renew and expand lease
at 21 Guildford Street, Ashhurst**

Subm No	Submitter	Contact Persons
1	Steve Ackerman	
2	Raewyn Parsons	
3	Mike & Teia Douglas	
4	Emma Tankersley	
5	Terri Standish	
6	Neroli Sharp	
7	Matthew Clark	
8	John Muirhead	
9	Fire & Emergency New Zealand	Fleur Rohleder, BECA & Jason Thom, Fire & Emergency NZ
10	Harvey Jones	

Merle Lavin

From: Submission
Subject: FW: Ashhurst Woodshed proposal

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**Submission on Intention to renew and expand lease at 21 Guildford Street,
Ashhurst**

From: Steve Ackerman
Sent: Tuesday, 30 May 2023 7:38 pm
To: Submission <submission@pncc.govt.nz>
Subject: Ashhurst Woodshed proposal

Hello PNCC

I am in full support of the plan to remove a building and make a purpose-built woodshed. As a practicing Technology teacher in Secondary schools for the last 20 years, I would love to be involved in this project.

As a Head of Dept, I have helped in the design requirements of several refurbishment of school workshop spaces. I would be happy to be on a committee or put my "two cents worth" in on what is handy and what is essential to operate a safe and worthwhile workspace.

regards,
Steve Ackerman

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Merle Lavin

From: Submission
Subject: Submission on 21 Guildford Street, Ashhurst

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**Submission on Intention to renew and expand lease at
21 Guildford Street, Ashhurst**

From: Raewyn Parsons
Sent: Tuesday, 30 May 2023 4:10 pm
To: Submission <submission@pncc.govt.nz>
Subject: Submission on 21 Guildford Street, Ashhurst

Attn Democracy and Governance Manager

As an Ashhurst homeowner, regular user of The Village Valley Centre and frequent visitor to 92 Winchester Street (opposite the proposed site), I approve of the continued lease and improvements. I think it would be a great asset to the club both locally and nationally.

Regards
Raewyn Parsons

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Merle Lavin

From: Submission
Subject: FW: Submission on 21 Guildford Street, Ashhurst

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**Submission on Intention to renew and expand lease at
21 Guildford Street, Ashhurst**

From: Mike&Teia Douglas
Sent: Tuesday, 30 May 2023 1:15 pm
To: Submission <submission@pncc.govt.nz>
Subject: Submission on 21 Guildford Street, Ashhurst

To whom it may concern,

We think this is a wonderful idea and will be a wonderful addition to our community.

It has our support.

We do not wish to present or add anything further

Many thanks
Teia Douglas

Merle Lavin

From: Submission
Subject: FW: Guildford St proposal

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**Submission on Intention to renew and expand lease at
 21 Guildford Street, Ashhurst**

From: Emma Tankersley
Sent: Tuesday, 30 May 2023 3:18 pm
To: Submission <submission@pncc.govt.nz>
Subject: Guildford St proposal



To Whom it May Concern

Fully supportive of this idea - its a great use of that space and the buildings on it currently have been the target of vandals many times before. I love the idea of the Woodshed - I lived near the Menzshed in Waikanae and think its a great idea. In Ashhurst we have lots of talented people in our community so this would be a great addition to the area by the VVC, we use it for several community projects so wont distract from that use at all, will add to it for our community immensely.

thank you

Emmas



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Merle Lavin

From: Submission
Subject: FW: Ashhurst community trust shed

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**Submission on Intention to renew and expand lease at 21 Guildford Street,
Ashhurst**

From: Terri or Jack Zwart
Sent: Sunday, 28 May 2023 12:00 pm
To: Submission <submission@pncc.govt.nz>
Subject: Ashhurst community trust shed

Hi

We are in favour of the ashhurst community trust replacing the shed with their proposed plan. Although we are outside the PNCC boundary, Ashhurst is our community and feel we should be allowed to have our input too.

Regards

Terri Standish

Merle Lavin

From: Submission
Subject: FW: Changes. Ashhurst Village Valley Centre

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**Submission on Intention to renew and expand lease
at 21 Guildford Street, Ashhurst**

-----Original Message-----

From: Nickie Sharp
Sent: Sunday, 4 June 2023 8:33 pm
To: Submission <submission@pncc.govt.nz>
Subject: Changes. Ashhurst Village Valley Centre

To whom it may concern,

Dear Sir/Madam,

I think that if the Ashhurst Community Trust wants to remove one building and then replace it with one giving the Village a facility for Community training that it is a good idea. I support the idea but do not want to make a personal appearance at a Council Committee Meeting.

Yours faithfully,

Neroli Sharp.

Merle Lavin

From: Submission
Subject: FW: Submission for 21 Guildford Street, Ashhurst

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Submission on Intention to renew and expand lease at 21 Guildford Street, Ashhurst

From: Matthew Clark
Sent: Wednesday, 14 June 2023 8:13 am
To: Submission <submission@pncc.govt.nz>
Subject: Submission for 21 Guildford Street, Ashhurst

Good morning,

My name's Matt and I live in Ashhurst with my family and am a member of the Ashhurst Volunteer Fire Brigade.

I believe the proposed community training and social facility "The Woodshed" will be a great benefit to the greater community and I will probably use the facilities with my sons if/when they come to fruition.

My only concern is its proximity to the Fire Brigade, specifically the car parking. There are several car parks out front of the station and across the street utilised by Firefighters as they respond to callouts.

If these car parks are taken up by those utilizing the proposed facility then Firefighters will have trouble parking their personal vehicles and thus delaying our response time.

Please consider proper formal engagement with the Ashhurst Volunteer Fire Brigade in regards to this matter should this proposal move forward. I believe several simple solutions are available and a compromise between all parties will quickly be found.

I am available to be heard by the Council Committee.

Thank you
Matt

Merle Lavin

From: Submission
Subject: FW: Submission re changes on Guildford Street Ashhurst

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Submission on Intention to renew and expand lease at 21 Guildford Street, Ashhurst

From: John Muirhead
Sent: Friday, 30 June 2023 1:49 pm
To: Submission <submission@pncc.govt.nz>
Subject: Submission re changes on Guildford Street Ashhurst

To whom it may concern

I am writing to express my thoughts on the proposal to establish a woodworking studio adjacent to the Village and Valley Centre in Ashhurst. I have been a resident of Ashhurst for 45 or so years, and have considerable interest in the ongoing development of the village.

I am pleased to think that the rather bedraggled metal building currently on the site might be removed entirely, so that the wood working studio can be erected in its place. I trust that this new building will not be an eyesore.

I am also very relieved to know that the old Awahou school house is to be incorporated into this site as a classroom; it was brought into the township many years ago and has to my view not been well used. In my walks around the town, I have never seen occupants there.

The school house is a really historic building and is a reminder of the lengths that the early settlers in Ashhurst and the Pohangina Valley went to ensure that their children would be well educated. It is in my view a true legacy building for the local area.

I have one reservation about the current proposal and it relates to the school house, which has been shamefully neglected over the years. Rot has developed on virtually all sides of the building, over a long time. There have been a few attempts to fix this problem, but they have been of a manner unsympathetic to what could be a very handsome building. I would ask for one thing to be done with this building, and that is to return it to its original appearance, as far as possible. The windows, for example, are not appropriate to its period of origin; one can still see the pulleys from which the original sash windows were suspended. A second is to remove the rot (one corner of the building is near collapse, I think) and to replace the lost timbers with rusticated boards that are consistent with each other. This may sound like the wishes of a purist, but it is not so difficult to find appropriate windows and timbers in the demolition yards around the Manawatu.

My proposal, therefore, is that the woodworkers who will occupy the studio might be asked to begin their work by a concerted effort to save and restore this wonderful little school house, and to position it where it can be admired by visitors as well as local passers-by.

Yours sincerely

John Muirhead

Merle Lavin

From: Submission
Subject: FW: Submission - 21 Guildford Street lease

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**Submission on Intention to renew and expand lease at 21 Guildford Street,
 Ashhurst**

From: Fleur Rohleder
Sent: Friday, 30 June 2023 2:31 pm
To: Submission <submission@pncc.govt.nz>
Cc: Thom, Jason
Subject: Submission - 21 Guildford Street lease

Kia ora koutou,

I am emailing on behalf of Fire and Emergency New Zealand regarding the intention to renew and expand the lease at 21 Guildford Street, Ashhurst. As you can see in the picture below, the lease site is located immediately adjacent to the Ashhurst fire station.



I have contacted the local Fire and Emergency team regarding this proposal and they have raised the following concerns:

- Fire and Emergency would like to see a 1.8m high fence along the boundaries with the station. The current buildings are prone to vandalism and children also regularly climb over the fence at the rear of the station from the skate park, which is also a concern due to the brigade using the rear of the station as parking when responding to emergencies.
- The plan supplied indicates that there will be disabled parking right next to the boundary fence, which could result in people parking in front of the driveway to the station. This would seriously impact the response of the brigade as staff parking is to the rear of the station and street parking is minimal, especially where there may be an event being held at the woodworking studio or classroom.

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Jason Thom (Property Manager at Fire and Emergency) would like Fire and Emergency to be consulted regarding the proposed development on the expanded lease land to ensure their ability to operate and respond to emergencies from the Ashhurst fire station is not adversely affected by the works. Please can I ask you to contact Mr Thom directly on this – his contact details are as follows:

Ngā mihi,

Fleur Rohleder

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Merle Lavin

From: Submission
Subject: FW: Proposed change to Ashhurst Village Valley Centre - "Woodshed"

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**Submission on Intention to renew and expand lease at 21 Guildford Street,
Ashhurst**

From: H Jones
Sent: Monday, 3 July 2023 8:43 am
To: Submission <submission@pncc.govt.nz>
Cc:
Subject: Proposed change to Ashhurst Village Valley Centre - "Woodshed"

Attn Democracy and Governance Manager

My apologies as this submission is late and was supposed to have been lodged last Friday.

I support the proposed change to swap out the smaller building and replacement it with a larger shed with capability for woodworking options along the lines of a Menzshed.

Once it is finished and operational, this facility will be an asset to the town and will provide a venue for retired members of the community, along with other handy people to engage in joinery projects which would otherwise be outside the scope of a private garden shed.

It is central and easier to secure, which will help to maintain equipment to be stored and used there.

I wish them well for this venture

Harvey Jones

COMMITTEE WORK SCHEDULE

TO: Strategy & Finance Committee

MEETING DATE: 1 August 2023

TITLE: Committee Work Schedule

RECOMMENDATION TO STRATEGY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. That the Strategy & Finance Committee receive its Work Schedule dated August 2023.

COMMITTEE WORK SCHEDULE – AUGUST 2023					
Item No.	Estimated Report Date	Subject	Officer Responsible	Current Position	Date of Instruction/ Clause number
1.	1 August 2023	Part Waterloo Park Proposal to exchange land – Hearing of submissions	Chief Infrastructure Officer		22 March 2023 Clause 19
2.	1 August 2023	Draft Interim Speed Management Plan – Hearing of submissions	Chief Planning Officer		Council 5 April 2023 Clause 46
3.	2 August September 2023	Information relating to the description, timing and quantum of the infrastructure work programmes to enable growth in Aokautere	Chief Infrastructure Officer Chief Planning Officer	Work in progress; being addressed as part of 24/34 LTP and preparation for hearing on Plan Change G Aokautere	9 March 2022 Clause 11.4

4.	September 2023	Waka Kotahi Recreation Pathways Fund Associated with Te Ahu a Turanga Highway - report on the outcome of the funding application, including any financial implications for consideration as part of the draft 2023/24 Annual Budget process	Chief Infrastructure Officer	Deferred to September as application is being worked through with Waka Kotahi	27 April 2022 Clause 30
5.	September 2023	Quarterly Performance & Financial Report (quarter 4 ending 30 June 2023)	Chief Financial Officer	Present to Council	Terms of Reference
6.	September 2023	Treasury Report (Quarter 4)	Chief Financial Officer	Present to Council	Treasury Policy
7.	September November 2023	Treasury Policy Review	Chief Financial Officer	In line with LTP	Treasury Policy
8.	September 2023	Part Waterloo Park - Proposal to exchange land - deliberations report	Chief Infrastructure Officer		Terms of Reference
9.	September 2023	Draft Interim Speed Management Plan - deliberations report	Chief Planning Officer		Council 5 April 2023 Clause 46
10.	September 2023	Draft Water Supply Bylaw - deliberations report	Chief Planning Officer		

11.	2 August 15 November 2023	Rates review	Chief Financial Officer	Workshop on 9 August	Terms of Reference
12.	November 2023	Amendment of Palmerston North Animals and Bees Bylaw 2018	Chief Planning Officer		22 March 2023 Clause 9
13.	November 2023	Quarterly Performance & Financial Report (quarter 1 ending 30 September 2023)	Chief Financial Officer		Terms of Reference
14.	November 2023	Treasury Report (Quarter 1)	Chief Financial Officer		Treasury Policy
15.	November 2023	Vegetation Framework to include a Tree Policy focused on Council administered streets and public spaces	Chief Planning Officer		Committee of Council 9 June 2021 Clause 31.8
16.	August 2024	Draft Waste Management and Minimisation Bylaw – Approval for Consultation	Chief Planning Officer		11 August 2021 Clause 21

ATTACHMENTS

NIL