

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: 24 October 2023

Group Name: Papaiōea Pasifika Community Trust

Proposed Lease Location: 21 Havelock Avenue (part of Bill Brown Park), Palmerston North

Use of Public Space Policy

Criteria	Assessment
Supports the achievement of the Council's goals	Activities of the Trust are consistent with goals two and three of Council's strategic direction.
Is accessible to the wider community	The Trust activities seek and support the Palmerston North community.
Adds to the variety of events or activities available in Palmerston North	The Trust intends to provide opportunities to promote and create connections within the community.
Enhances any precinct identities (e.g. Broadway as a hospitality precinct)	The Trust supports and enhances the activities at 21 Havelock Avenue.
Provides an experience (rather than a simple commercial exchange)	The Trust is focused on supporting community initiatives and providing a service for the community.
Does not significantly limit the availability of space for general community use	The Licence would reduce the availability of the space for general community use. This is not expected to be a significant impact due to the size of the proposal.
Rangitāne o Manawatu feedback on the proposed activity	Rangitāne o Manawatu representatives will be consulted during the public notification period.
Potential impact of the occupancy and proposed activities	The proposed licence will have a minor impact on the amount of greenspace however, the location of the proposal is of least disruption to other park users.

Reserves Act 1977 Considerations

Criteria	Assessment
Meets the defined purpose of Local purpose Reserves in Section 23(1) of the Reserves Act 1977.	The Trust is providing an educational community garden to the local community. This activity is consistent with the purpose of Recreational 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 proposed is a licence agreement therefore public access is not impacted.
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 current 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.	The Trust will have minimal impact on the existing pleasantness and enjoyment of the reserve. The proposal will provide further opportunities to the community.
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 licence will not impact soil, water and forest conservation.

Impact on the locality and Park operations

Criteria	Assessment
Aesthetics	The proposal has little impact on the site aesthetics.
Security	The Trust will be responsible for security, including any vandalism or graffiti.
Cleaning and Offensive litter	The Licence holder will be made responsible for cleaning litter from the vicinity produced by the project.
Vegetation	No trees or shrubs would be required to be removed with the current plans provided by the Trust.
Car parking	Existing car parking is available.
Affected Parties	Parties identified include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Neighbouring residents and tenants- Members of the Trust- Bill Brown Park Users- Local Community- Rangitane o Manawatu