Assessment of Lease Proposal

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:	Palmerston North Canoe Club
Proposed Lease Location:	154 Centennial Drive, Palmerston North

Reserves Act 1977 Considerations

Criteria	Assessment
Meets the defined purpose of Local purpose Reserves in Section 23(1) of the Reserves Act 1977.	The Club is providing recreational activities to the local community. It contributes to the community. This activity is consistent with the purpose of Recreational Reserve.
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.	The Club is an existing occupier and 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	The proposed lease will not impact soil, water and forest conservation.

forest conservation area shall be maintained.	
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	The Trust currently occupies the site. There are no additional impacts from the continuing occupation of the site
Security	The Trust will be responsible for the security of their buildings and assets
Cleaning and Offensive litter	The Trust 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: - Neighbouring residents and tenants - Park Users - Local Community - Rangitane o Manawatu