



Christchurch City Council

BURWOOD/PEGASUS COMMUNITY BOARD AGENDA NO 208

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IN THE BOARDROOM,
CNR BERESFORD AND UNION STREETS
NEW BRIGHTON

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1. APOLOGIES

2. CONFIRMATION OF REPORT

The report of the ordinary meeting of the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board held on Wednesday 16 March 2005 has been circulated to Board members.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the report of the ordinary meeting held on Wednesday 16 March 2005 be confirmed.

3. PETITIONS

4. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

SOUTHWEST & EAST CHRISTCHURCH METRO SERVICE REVIEW

Matthew Noon, Environment Canterbury, will be in attendance to speak about the above review.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1 LETTER FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT GROUP

The attached letter was received from the General Manager Strategic Development Group in response to the Board's earlier action point about the historic radio transmitter on Rawhiti Domain.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the letter be received and the information forwarded to the Radio Heritage Foundation.

5.2 DUKE MEMORIAL PROPOSAL

The attached proposal was received regarding a memorial to Duke Kahanamoku at New Brighton.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the proposal be referred to the Artworks in Burwood/Pegasus Working Party for consideration.

6. RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATIONS

Time is allocated at Board meetings for Residents' Association representatives to address the Board on local matters.

Janette Hinton, from the Horseshoe Lake Residents' Association, will be in attendance to outline the group's activities. Each residents' group is invited to do this in rotation.

7. ROYAL PARK RESERVE: PLAYGROUND UPGRADE

General Manager responsible:	General Manager City Environment
Officer responsible:	Greenspace Manager
Author:	Robyn Croucher, Parks & Waterways Area Advocate Burwood/Pegasus, DDI 941-5314

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to confirm Board support for Royal Park Reserve playground renewal, following community consultation.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Royal Park Reserve is a small neighbourhood park used widely by the local community. It currently consists of a single fort structure with swing set and metal slide. The Greenspace Unit has \$35,000 available this financial year, from the Capital Works - Playground Renewals budget to upgrade the Royal Park play facility.
3. A draft concept plan was distributed in February 2005 to approximately 450 residents, local interest groups and organisations for public comment. A noticeboard was also positioned onsite explaining the proposed development. The plan indicated total removal of the current structure, as it no longer meets current playground safety standards, and suggested installation of several different play items (not duplicated in nearby playgrounds) known to be popular and more in line with current trends. The proposal also included some general landscape features, and new park furniture, to further enhance the reserve.
4. By the end of the consultation period, 86 submissions had been received. 74 respondents supported the proposal, and 12 wanted to see significant changes made to the design. Overall, the responses indicated strong support for the upgrade and general design details, with a significant number of people happy about the variety of equipment proposed. The consultation also drew a noteworthy response from the neighbourhood children, and local Queenspark School - with two classes contributing to the consultation.
5. The consultation asked for feedback on what people liked about the plan, and suggested alterations and/or additions to the design. The information received was then abridged, and the more common themes listed to help further refine the development plan. The main themes are as follows:

What was liked:

- Overall design details; layout, pathways, picnic table and trees.
- Variety (and colour) of equipment proposed.
- Diversity across the age groups, in particular equipment for the younger children.
- Roktopus, spica, spinner bowl, swings and slide.
- Additional landscaping.

What changes/additions were suggested:

- (a) Three most common play item requests (in order):
 - Climbing structure (monkey bars).
 - Seesaw.
 - Flying fox.
- (b) More play equipment for the older children eg adventure playground.
- (c) Keeping the large grassy area free for ball games and general play.
- (d) Include more seating for the parents/caregivers.

6. Whilst a large proportion of respondents supported the initial proposal with no significant changes made, there have been some common preferences regarding play items and also the layout, which project staff feel could be integrated into the design without compromising the main plan. In light of the responses received, project staff propose the following changes be made:
- Install monkey bars.
 - Replace the children's mini bike with a miniature seesaw.
 - Paint a hopscotch area adjacent to the playground.
 - Ensure the large open grassy area is retained for ball games and general play.
 - Install an additional seat to allow for better supervision of the reserve area close to Royal Park Drive.
7. The redevelopment plan for Royal Park Reserve seeks to re-establish the playground as an attractive, stimulating and safe area for children to play and adults to rest/supervise. The revised plan has been amended from the original plan to include several additional play items popular with the local children.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

8. \$35,000 has been allocated in the 2004/05 financial year to upgrade the playground structure at Royal Park Reserve. The proposed playground has been designed accordingly.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve the proposed plan to upgrade the play equipment for Royal Park Reserve.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the abovementioned recommendation be adopted.

8. NORTH NEW BRIGHTON WAR MEMORIAL HALL: LANDSCAPE PROPOSAL

General Manager responsible:	General Manager City Environment
Officer responsible:	Greenspace Manager
Author:	Robyn Croucher, Parks & Waterways Area Advocate Burwood/Pegasus, DDI 941-5314

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to confirm Board support for the North New Brighton War Memorial Hall (the 'Hall') landscape proposal, following community consultation.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The Greenspace Unit has \$40,000 available this financial year to upgrade the area of land surrounding the North New Brighton War Memorial Hall. Board members will be aware of the work recently underway to refit and upgrade this community facility. The landscape proposed will compliment the upgrade and enhance the appearance of the general area surrounding the building. It will also create a more fluid connection between the Hall and the North Beach Surf Clubrooms.
3. A preliminary landscape development plan was circulated for public comment in February 2005 to local businesses, the North New Brighton Residents' Association, user groups of the community facility and to residents living opposite the landscaped area. A letter explaining the proposal was also distributed to approximately 350 residents in the wider area, and a noticeboard was positioned onsite for general viewing.
4. The plan suggested:
 - Landscaping the immediate area outside the Hall to define spaces of flow to/from the building in an attractive, pleasant outdoor setting.
 - Installing tiled artworks at nodes surrounding the Hall and leading towards the surf clubrooms. The tiles, along with relocation of the Llew Summers sculpture to a more prominent position, would enhance and add artistic flair to the area.
 - Framing sections of the pathways linking the hall to the surf clubrooms in coastal plants and wooden slat seating.
 - Relocating the memorial stone, and its drinking fountain, nearer to the sea wall.
 - The plan also included spaces set aside for surfboards, piping for shade sails, and enhancement of the existing plantings/lawn area.
5. Feedback from the consultation indicates general support for the upgrade, with respondents happy to hear work is being planned to enhance this area of the foreshore. Most respondents took the time to make helpful suggestions as to the design details - a summary of the suggestions are outlined below:

What people liked the most:

- Garden plan - replacement and additional landscape plantings.
- Relocation and repair of Leaver Memorial.
- Tiled artworks and repositioning of Llew Summers sculpture.
- Proposed seating.
- General landscape design - particularly flow between the two buildings.

What people wanted included/altered:

- More seating, picnic tables and rubbish bins.
- Trees for shade (suggestions for ngaio and cabbage trees).
- Removal of car park planting plots and Norfolk Island Pines.
- Retention of Llew Summers sculpture at its current position.
- Replacing the proposed aggregate surfacing with material of a smoother finish.
- Repainting and upgrading of the area surrounding the Surf Club rooms.
- That the concept of donator tiles be considered for the Leaver memorial.

6. In light of the responses received, project staff propose the following changes be made to the final design:
 - Include an additional picnic table in the lawn area.
 - Plant additional trees for shade and also shelter (from the southerly wind).
 - Design additional seating to extend along the foreshore wall.
 - That the Parks and Waterways Area Advocate consult with the North New Brighton Residents' Association on issues specific to the car park planter beds.
7. The final amended plan will be available at the meeting for Board members information.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

8. \$40,000 has been allocated this 2004/05 financial year to landscape the area surrounding the North New Brighton War Memorial Hall. Additional funding will be made available in 2005/06 to see the project to completion. The proposed landscape plan has been designed accordingly.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve the proposed plan to landscape the area of land surrounding the North New Brighton War Memorial Hall.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.

9. MEMBERS' REPORTS BACK FROM THE COMMUNITY BOARDS CONFERENCE

Carmen Hammond and Tina Lomax will present oral reports on their experiences at the community boards conference in Dunedin from 3-6 March 2005.

10. COMMUNITY BOARD PRINCIPAL ADVISER'S UPDATE

10.1 For members' information attached are schedules of funds distributed in 2004/05 for the Discretionary Funds (following the allocation meeting on 18 February 2004) and the Community Response Assistance Fund.

10.2 For members' information a list of all Board Committees, Subcommittees and Working Parties is attached.

10.3 NOTICE OF UPCOMING BOARD REPORTS

QEII Draft Concept Plan – April
Board Objectives & Performance Measures – April
Bexley Cycleway – no confirmed date

10.4 START TIME OF BOARD MEETINGS

The Board at the beginning of this term decided that it would meet at 4.30 pm on a Wednesday to accommodate other commitments that members have. Does the Board wish to reconsider the start time of the meetings, for example, to change the starting time to 5.00 pm? If so, the Board will need to rescind the earlier decision made.