

Item 1: Mount Iron Draft Reserve Management Plan Objectives

SESSION TYPE: Workshop

PURPOSE/DESIRED OUTCOME:

The purpose of the workshop is for the Community Board to provide direction on the objectives in the draft Reserve Management Plan (RMP), particularly where there were a range of views expressed by the community.

DATE/START TIME:

Thursday, 21 March 2024 at 1.00pm

TIME BREAKDOWN:

Presentation: 15 minutes

Debate/Discussion: 1 hour, 45 minutes.

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ATTACHMENTS:

Α	Presentation on draft Mount Iron RMP objectives (to be provided Monday 18 March)
В	Draft Objectives for the Draft Mount Iron RMP (to be provided Monday 18 March)
С	Detailed maps of Mount Iron (to be provided at the workshop)

Version: 2024-1

Draft Mount Iron Reserve Management Plan Objectives – For WUCCB Workshop 21.03.2024

[Options]

5.1 Commercial Use and Events

Objectives

- 5.1.1 Ensure residents and visitors do not experience displacement due to commercial or event use. This includes all areas of the reserve, such as trails, access points, car parks and toilets.
- 5.1.2 Ensure the community and environmental benefits outweigh the costs of any commercial or event use.
- 5.1.3 Permit events and commercial use that provides for a variety of appropriate commercial and recreational opportunities that support the local community's enjoyment of the reserves.

5.2 Community

Objectives

- 5.2.1 Support and encourage community connection on, and to, the reserve.
- 5.2.2 Support opportunities for community governance.
- 5.2.3 Support kaitiakitanga and connection to the land/reserve through protection, preservation and guardianship.
- 5.2.4 Support mana whenua values [Values and content to be confirmed. Have reached out to Aukaha and TAMI. Also Blue Green Netowork Kai Tahu Values Report is close to completion which may have shared values for Mount Iron

5.3 Ecology

Objectives

- 5.3.1 Continue the use of Mount Iron Scenic Reserve for conservation purposes.
- 5.3.2 Protect and enhance the Significant Natural Areas.
- 5.3.3 Support and encourage establishment and maintenance of quality, diverse, local indigenous ecology and succession.
- 5.3.4 Control invasive pest plant and animal species to allow the native ecology to thrive.
- 5.3.5 Enable the community to work in partnership with Council to restore the ecology and manage pest species.
- 5.3.6 Establish environmental and cultural educational signage.

5.4 Infrastructure

Objectives

- 5.4.1 Provide strong connections to active transport networks to reduce the need for car parking.
- 5.4.2 Limit structures, allowing them only where they enhance the ecological, landscape and recreation experience.
- 5.4.3 Allow for built structures that support the uses of the reserves and that positively contribute to the amenity of the area and provide public benefit.

Note: Structures can include buildings, car parks, fences, signage. All of which would need to meet the requirements of the QLDC District Plan.

5.5 Landscape and Geology

Objectives

- 5.5.1 Protect the distinctive Mount Iron geology.
- 5.5.2 Acknowledge Mount Iron is a key landmark and gateway to Wānaka, and the maunga for many people.
- 5.5.3 Acknowledge it is an Outstanding Natural Feature (ONF).

5.6 Recreation

Objectives

- 5.6.1 Prioritise informal and natural experiences.
- 5.6.2 Enable active and passive open space recreation in defined areas for use, access and enjoyment of Mount Iron Reserve.
- 5.6.3 Facilitate reasonable access to as many areas of Mount Iron Reserve as possible for persons with restricted mobility.
- 5.6.4 Recognise the value of the reserve in providing respite from the surrounding urban area.
- 5.6.5 Provide for separate mountain bike and walking trails.
- **5.6.6** Formalise a sustainable and well managed trail network within the reserves that meets the needs of a range of trail users, provides a legible track system, and considers ongoing maintenance and safety requirements.

5.7 Wildfire

Objectives

5.7.1 Manage the reserve to protect the environment, users and adjoining land from wildfire.

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Introduction 15 mins

• Purpose, Next steps, Engagement Summary

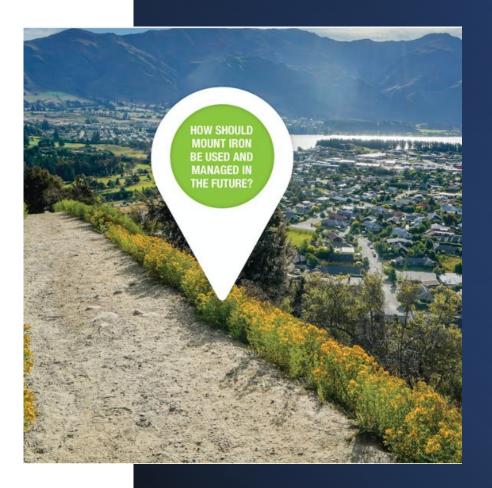
Workshop Objectives 50 mins

• Themes 1-4

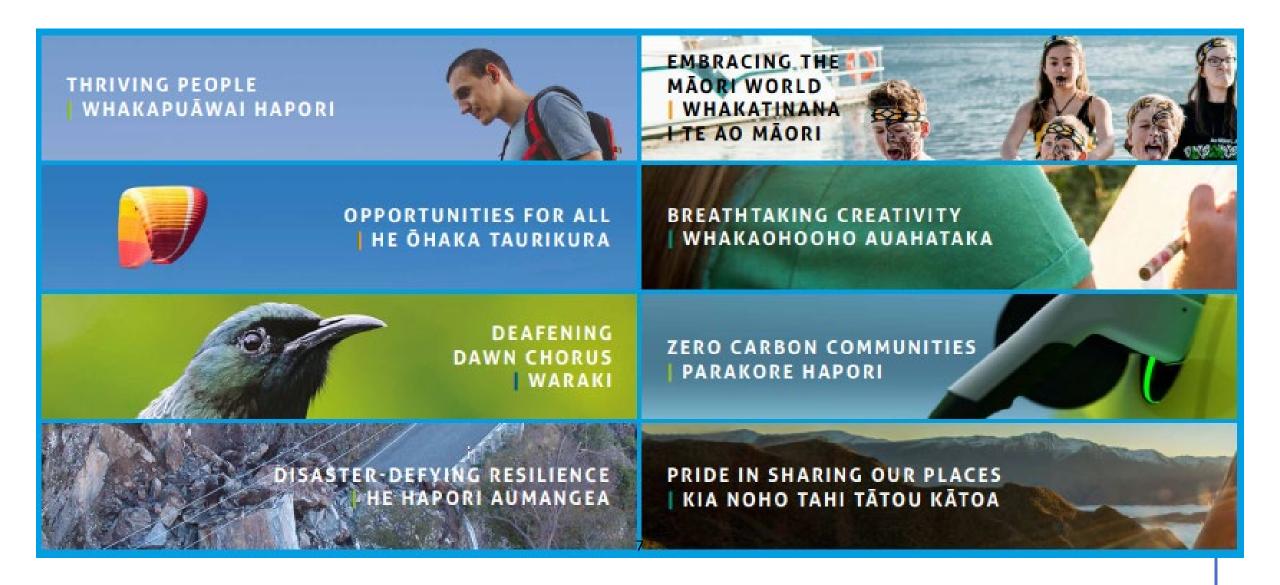
Break 5 mins

Workshop Objectives 50 mins

• Themes 5-7



QLDC Vision Beyond 2050

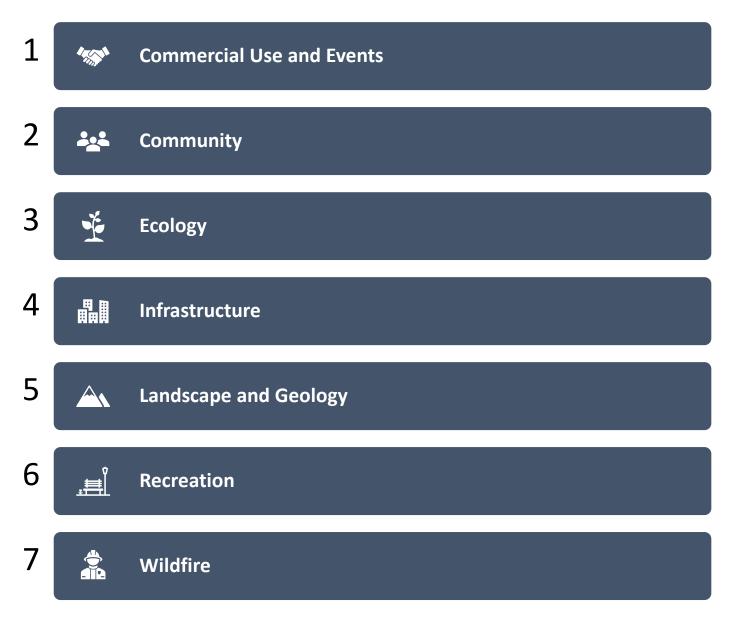


Vision Community's long-term outlook for Mount Iron

[Option]

Mount Iron Reserve is a revered Wānaka landmark that unites and brings the community together to protect its geological and ecological values and provide natural recreation experiences in the heart of an urban environment, while giving residents and visitors a sense of kaitiakitanga.

Themes



Yes to bike trails and designated trails

Engagement feedback spectrum:

Recreation

Users, amount of development

Bring back bike trails

A full circle

Keep the current walking trails just for walking

Have bike trails on Little Mount Iron

Don't want too many bike trails and mingling of bikes and pedestrians

Prioritise the walking trail

Keep the 'secret' tracks for people to discover

Add little loops and nature trails

Develop a walking track along northern boundary of DOC/QLDC reserve

Keep existing walking tracks and increase walking tracks track around the bottom

Separate biking and walking trails

> Purposely built mtb trails for all

Restricted access in areas

> Shared path commuter trails for school and access to work

A trail from Hikuwai to Allenby face (bike trail)

Accessible trails for people of mixed ability e.g. some trails wheelchair friendly

Map and mark all trails up through the top of Mount Iron, make clear for everyone

Fast commute route

types of users

Prohibitive



Permissive

Engagement feedback spectrum:

Control

rabbits

Broom control

Hawthorn

control

Ecology

Flora, fauna, pests – planning, managing, maintaining

Protect and promote biodiversity

Education - a place

etc., to learn about

our native ecology,

Eradicate all the

wilding trees -

hawthorn,

cotoneaster,

Douglas fir,

radiata pine

for our residents,

tamariki, locals

taonga etc.

Don't plant

non-native

Protect views

at top)

from top (keep

vegetation down

trees

Value the sense of ownership, build community ownership and respect and deep connection with the maunga and its mauri / ecology

Community Removal of native planting wilding trees with all groups on includes Mount Iron (e.g. deciduous trees bikers, climbers, cherries etc. and paragliders) conifers to protect

Remove kanuka replant with low flammable natives

Cover it in natives -

enhance biodiversity

mix of planting,

More varied

Native planting

Anderson Road

alongside

and 3 Parks

planting

ecological restoration including planting and trapping

Make bird friendly and biodiverse loop track

Restore the

ecology

Enhance springs and the creek near access point

sanctuary,

A 50-year biodiversity enhancement plan

Ecological

fence it

key 4

More native

planting along the

track e.g. More greens, not kanuka

native ecosystem

Inactive

Minimise

rabbits

Engagement feedback spectrum:

Commercial Use & **Events**

leases, licenses, permits, concessions

set parameters No commercial outlets No commercial No commercial operations Only commercial activity that does Café in old No including cafes, Not activities that not reflect our No woolshed commercial gondolas, quad commercialised benefit the commercialisation values e.g. Luge activities or bike tours and café on the Kaupapa of the concessions top place No No No Tiny office No commercial No commercial commercial No mass commercial commercial use, occasional spaces activities that presence tourism, or developments use and tour events ok No commercial negatively impact or activities, groups commercial habitat, for profit activities no excessive tours

infrastructure

Prohibitive



Permissive

Allow commercial activity within