

**Wānaka Community Board
20 February 2020**

Report for Agenda Item | Rīpoata mo te Rāraki take 4

Department: Community Services

Title | Taitara: Notice of Intent to Prepare a Reserve Management Plan for the Hāwea Domain on Domain Road, Hāwea Flat

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT | TE TAKE MŌ TE PŪRONGO

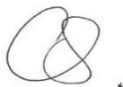
To recommend that a Notice of Intent is published advising the public that a Reserve Management Plan for the Hāwea Domain is to be prepared in accordance with S41(5) of the Reserves Act 1977.

RECOMMENDATION | NGĀ TŪTOHUNGA

That the Wānaka Community Board:

1. **Note** the contents of this report
2. **Recommend to Council** that a Notice of Intent is published advising the public that a Reserve Management Plan for the Hāwea Domain is to be prepared, in accordance with S41(5) of the Reserves Act 1977.

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CONTEXT | HORPOAKI

- 1 The Hāwea Domain was vested to Council in 1998 as a Recreation Reserve. The reserve and location are identified in ATTACHMENT A.
- 2 The Hāwea communities have expressed a desire for investment and development of Hāwea Domain.
- 3 To date a Reserve Management Plan (RMP) has not been prepared. Based on the wishes of the community, it is timely to commence that process.
- 4 Hāwea Domain is located approximately 4.5km from Lake Hāwea and 2km from Hāwea Flat. It occupies an area of 44.35 hectares, and contains a horse race track, informal buildings, decommissioned tennis courts and mature trees. A water course crosses the site from east to north. Electricity is available to the site. A consistent source of potable water is not currently available. The Hāwea School Track between Lake Hāwea and Hāwea Flat passes around the north east corner and is an important bicycle route for school children.
- 5 The site is regularly used for organised recreation and community events. A portion of the interior of the race track is leased to the Hāwea Wānaka Pony Club for training and competitions. The Hāwea Food Forest uses approximately one hectare located on the northern boundary. The Hāwea Picnic Race Club uses the reserve for annual events. Approximately 22 hectares on the south and west boundaries have been leased for rural use; grazing and baleage. This lease ended in 2019. A new leasee is being sought for the grazing licence with a view to reducing the lease area over time as the reserve is developed.

ANALYSIS AND ADVICE | TATĀRITANGA ME NGĀ TOHUTOHU

- 6 The Reserves Act 1977 process for developing Reserve Management Plans requires that the Council first declares its intention to prepare a management plan, and this must be notified and suggestions called for to inform the development of that plan.
- 7 Option 1 Notify the intent to prepare a Reserve Management Plan.

Advantages:

- 8 The public will be made aware of the Council's intent to prepare a RMP and will have the opportunity to input into the draft.
- 9 Council will be acting in accordance with the Reserves Act 1977.
- 10 The Draft RMP, when it is notified, will seek to be representative of the public's views.
- 11 Council will begin a process which will result in a clear and consistent plan for managing the reserve and enabling future development.

- 12 A notice will be published in the local papers, information will be put on the QLDC website and all stakeholders will be contacted, to seek input on the draft content.

Disadvantages:

- 13 None

- 14 Option 2 Do not notify the intent to prepare a RMP.

Advantages:

- 15 None

Disadvantages:

- 16 Council will not be acting in accordance with the Reserves Act 1977.

- 17 There will be no clear vision for the management and development of the reserve.

- 18 Council will not meet the community's expectation than a RMP will be prepared.

- 19 This report recommends **Option 1** for addressing the matter.

CONSULTATION PROCESS | HĀTEPE MATAPAKI:

SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT | TE WHAKAMAHI I KĀ WHAKAARO HIRAKA

- 20 This matter is of medium significance, as determined by reference to the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy because it involves a potentially low level of community interest as users of the reserve.

- 21 The persons who are affected by or interested in this matter are the general public and users of the reserve.

RISK AND MITIGATIONS | NGĀ RARU TŪPONO ME NGĀ WHAKAMAURUTANGA

- 22 This matter relates to the Community & Wellbeing risk category. It is associated with RISK00009 within the QLDC Risk Register, which relates to 'ineffective management of community assets'. This risk has been identified as having a high inherent risk rating. However, for this matter, the risk is low.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | NGĀ RITENGA Ā-PŪTEA

- 23 Preparing the RMP is planned for within existing budgets.

COUNCIL EFFECTS AND VIEWS | NGĀ WHAKAAWEAWE ME NGĀ TIROHANGA A TE KAUNIHERA

- 24 The recommended option is consistent with the principles set out in the Reserves Act 1977, which requires Reserve Management Plans to be in place for recreation reserves.

25 This matter is not currently included in the Ten-Year Plan or Annual Plan. Implementation of proposed development resulting from the RMP will be added into the Ten-Year and Annual Plans.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2002 PURPOSE PROVISIONS | TE WHAKATURETURE 2002 O TE KĀWANATAKA Ā-KĀIKA

26 The recommended option:

- Will help meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost-effective for households and businesses.
- Can be implemented through current funding under the Ten-Year Plan and Annual Plan;
- Is consistent with the Council's plans and policies; and
- Would not significantly alter the intended level of service provision for any significant activity undertaken by or on behalf of the Council, or transfer the ownership or control of a strategic asset to or from the Council.

ATTACHMENTS | NGĀ TĀPIRIHANGA

A Reserve and Location Plans