





AGENDA





5:30PM, Thursday 18
August 2022
Council Chambers
59-63 Huia Street
Taumarunui





TAUMARUNUI-ŌHURA WARD COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF MEETING

A MEETING OF TAUMARUNUI-ŌHURA WARD COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 59-63 HUIA STREET, TAUMARUNUI ON THURSDAY, 18 AUGUST 2022, AT 5:30PM

Members

Chairperson Karen Ngatai Taumarunui Ward
Deputy Chairperson Kim Wheeler Taumarunui Ward
Councillors Graeme Cosford Taumarunui Ward
Adie Doyle Taumarunui Ward

Robyn Gram Taumarunui Ward
Lyn Neeson Öhura Ward

Mayor Don Cameron

Clive Manley
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Quorum (4)

Roles and Powers of Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee

Membership

Taumarunui (5) and Ōhura (1) Ward Councillors and the Mayor.

Purpose

To be the prime interface between the ratepayers and public of the Ward.

Operating Principles

- Operate meetings according to Council's Standing Orders.
- · Use informal workshops for in-depth consideration of key projects.
- Authorise the Chairperson to make statements to the media accurately and reporting decisions of the Committee.

Areas of Responsibility

- Represent and act as an advocate for the interests of the community.
- Consider and report on all matters referred to it by the territorial authority, or any other matter of interest or concern to the Ward Committee.
- Maintain an overview of services provided by the territorial authority within the community.
- Prepare an annual submission to the territorial authority for expenditure within the community.
- · Communicate with community organisations and special interest groups within the community.
- Undertake any other responsibilities that are delegated to it by Council.

Delegated Authority

- The co-ordination of rural reserves and hall committees.
- To allocate the approved budget for the following activities in the area:
 - o Footpaths programme;
 - o Parks and Reserves discretionary spend;
 - o Public information signage.
- To approve:
 - Temporary road closures for events (subject to administrative imperatives;
 - o Street names;
 - o Parades, collections and special uses of the roads;
 - o Changes to speed restrictions on local roads (subject to NZTA rules);
 - o Road closures.

Meeting Frequency

· Monthly (as required) – last Thursday.

TAUMARUNUI-ŌHURA WARD COMMITTEE

ORDER PAPER

A MEETING OF TAUMARUNUI-ŌHURA WARD COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 59-63 HUIA STREET, TAUMARUNUI ON THURSDAY, 18 AUGUST 2022, AT 5:30PM

PUBLIC BUSINESS

Page

1	Apologies	
2	Declarations of Interest: Notification from Elected Members of: 2.1 Any interests that may create a conflict with their role as an elected member relating to the items of business for this meeting; 2.2 Any interests in items in which they have a direct or indirect pecuniary interest as provided for in the Local Authorities (Members' Interests) Act 1968	
3	Notification of Additional Items: Pursuant to Sections 46A(7) and 46A(7A) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, to receive the Chairperson's explanation that specified item(s), which do not appear on the Agenda of this meeting and/or the meeting to be held with the public excluded, will be discussed. Any additions in accordance with Section 46A(7) must be approved by resolution with an explanation as to why they cannot be delayed until a future meeting. Any additions in accordance with Section 46A(7A) may be received or referred to a subsequent meeting for further discussion. No resolution, decision, or recommendation can be made in respect of a minor item.	
4	Confirmation of Order of Meeting	
5	Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and Reinstatement of Standing Orders	5
6	Confirmation of Minutes: 9 June 2022	6
7	Northern Tree Programme 2022/23	11
8	Ohura Slip Progress Report	19
9	Town Centre Revitalisation Update	23
10	Capital Works and Members Request for Information	76
	PUBLIC EXCLUDED BUSINESS	
11	Resolution to Exclude the Public for Consideration of Committee Business	83

Please Note: The Reports attached to this Order Paper set out suggested resolutions only. The suggested resolutions do not represent Council policy until such time as they might be adopted by Council resolution. This Order Paper may be subject to amendment.

Report to: Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee

Meeting Date: 18 August 2022

Subject: Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and

Reinstatement of Standing Orders



Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to enable the Ward Committee to temporarily suspend Standing Orders in their entirety to allow Members and the public to address the Ward Committee.

Significance and Engagement

2.1 There is nothing in this Report that triggers the Significance and Engagement Policy.

Public Forum Guidelines

- 3.1 The Ward Committee has adopted the following Public Forum Guidelines:
 - (a) Five minutes speaking time will apply to each speaker or group.
 - (b) Members of the public wishing to speak must advise the Ward Committee of the reasons and subject he/she wishes to address the Committee a minimum of two clear working days prior to the meeting.
 - (c) The Chair may refuse applications which are repetitious or offensive and may terminate a speaker in progress where the subject matter is disrespectful or offensive.
 - (d) There are not to be criticisms of individual Ward Committee members or individual staff members.
 - (e) The Public Forums are designed for people to speak about matters of interest to them to the Ward Committee. It is not intended that people should be questioning Committee members on these occasions. However, Committee members may ask questions of speakers to clarify their statements.

Suggested Resolution(s)

That the Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee:

- 1 Receives the Report Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and Reinstatement of Standing Orders; and
- Temporarily suspends Standing Orders in their entirety to allow Members and the public to address the Ward Committee, pursuant to Section 27(4) Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002.

The Ward Committee received addresses as follows:

RESOLVED

That the Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee:

1 Reinstates Standing Orders in their entirety for consideration of the Agenda, pursuant to Section 27(4) Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002.

Tasha Paladin

GOVERNANCE MANAGER

TAUMARUNUI-ŌHURA WARD COMMITTEE

MINUTES

MEETING OF TAUMARUNUI-ŌHURA WARD COMMITTEE HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 59-63 HUIA STREET, TAUMARUNUI ON THURSDAY, 9 JUNE 2022, AT 5:30PM

PUBLIC BUSINESS

Present		
Chairperson	Karen Ngatai	Taumarunui Ward
Councillors	Graeme Cosford	Taumarunui Ward
	Adie Doyle	Taumarunui Ward
(via Zoom)	Robyn Gram	Taumarunui Ward
	Lyn Neeson	Ōhura Ward
	Kim Wheeler	Taumarunui Ward
Mayor	Don Cameron	(via Zoom) 5:33PM Item 5
Staff	Clive Manley	Chief Executive
	Stuart Watson	Acting Environmental Manger
	Andrea Nicol	Manager Land Transport
(via Zoom)	Pauline Welch	Executive Manager Community & Economic Development
,	Warrick Zander	Executive Manager Regulatory & Customer Services
(via Zoom)	Warren Furner	Executive Manager Infrastructure
(via Zoom)	Rina Hepi Tasha Paladin	Manager Community & Recreational Facilities Governance Manager
	i asiia Falaulii	Governance manager
In attendance	Georgia-Rose Joh	nston Kokiri Trust

1 Apologies

No apologies were received

2 Declarations of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared

3 Notification of Additional Items

No additional items were notified

4 Confirmation of Order of Meeting

The order of the meeting was confirmed.

5 Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and Reinstatement of Standing Orders

Note: Mayor Cameron joined the meeting at 5:33PM

The Committee temporarily suspended Standing Orders in their entirety.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Doyle Seconded: Cr Cosford

That the Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee:

- Receives the Report **Public Forum: Temporary Suspension and Reinstatement of Standing Orders;** and
- Temporarily suspends Standing Orders in their entirety to allow Members and the public to address the Ward Committee, pursuant to Section 27(4) Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002

The Ward Committee received addresses as follows:

- Georgia Rose Johnston of Kokiri Trust gave a presentation to Members about Healthy Families Te Ngira and the vision for the Ruapehu Community [Minute Attachment]. Healthy Families is a large-scale prevention initiative focusing on creating more equitable and healthy communities. Councillors are welcome to attend the Health Promotion meetings to provide their views and input into the programme.
- Members congratulated Taumarunui's Jack Jordan on winning the Timbersports World Trophy title in Austria.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Neeson Seconded: Cr Wheeler

That the Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee:

1 Reinstates Standing Orders in their entirety for consideration of the Agenda, pursuant to Section 27(4) Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002.

6 Confirmation of Minutes: 21 April 2022

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Cosford Seconded: Cr Doyle

That the Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee:

1 Confirms the Public Business Minutes of the Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee meeting held 21 April 2022 as a true and correct record.

7 Ohura Memorial Hall Plumbing Update

Members received a report provide background information and options for the proposal to convert an existing toilet into a single shower in the Ohura Memorial Hall.

Council's position is that a shower forms the basic criteria of a Civil Defence Centre and supports the proposal on that basis. However, it is not Council's position to compromise the local businesses that offer various overnight accommodation options by providing an alternative option at the Memorial Hall. Upon investigation it was identified the toilet is too small to upgrade; and a shower will require a separate hot water system. Council's Manager Community & Recreational Facilities spoke to the report and answered Members' questions.

It was noted the sceptic field is subject to a feasibility study as it is at capacity supporting the hall and new toilet block. The introduction of a single shower will place the field at maximum capacity.

Members requested a report be tabled providing the hot water system options and associated ongoing costs to the rate payer of each option.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Neeson Seconded: Cr Cosford

That the Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee:

- 1 Receives the Report Ohura Memorial Hall Plumbing Update; and
- 2 Supports the proposal to explore feasible options to install a single shower facility at the Ohura Memorial Hall for use by the Hall users, managed by the Hall Committee

8 Accessible Walkways North and Wayfinding Update

Members received a report providing a status update on each section of the Taumarunui Accessible Walkways North and wayfaring signage.

Accessible walkways provide areas for recreation and exercise in the natural surroundings, benefiting the wellbeing of the immediate community and enhancing the experience had by visitors to the area. The sections covered in the report included: Cherry Grove and the River Track, in addition to wayfaring signage projects.

Council's Manager Community & Recreational Facilities spoke to the report and answered Members' questions.

Officers undertook to follow up with Horizons Regional Council as part of the monthly review to explore options to mitigate risks associated with high river levels and low bridges along Cherry Grove walkway.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Neeson Seconded: Cr Wheeler

That the Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee:

- 1 Receives the Report Accessible Walkways North and Wayfinding Update; and
- 2 Supports the continuation of the development of the accessible walkway, wayfinding and proposal to explore feasible options for further extension and sealing of the walkway.

9 Capital Works and Other Items of Interest 2021/22 List

Members were provided with an update on planned Capital Works and other Items of interest in the Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee area in 2021/22. Relevant staff spoke to this report and answered Members' questions.

Key Items discussed:

- R1 SH43 Forgotten World Highway: Officers advised work would commence on the Tunnel Hill Drop out this week with completion anticipated by the end of September 2022.
- C6 Te Marie Track: Officers advised investigations into the design and upkeep of the track to meet Recreation Aotearoa's standards commenced last year and formed part of the

condition assessment undertaken as part of the walking and cycleway strategy. The designs have been shared with Iwi for feedback before a report can be presented to the Committee.

- C8 Cherry Grove Toilets: Members noted the signage was being damages and requested if images could be painted on the side. Officers undertook to review signage for all the Ward's toilets.
- O1 Taumarunui Town Map: the project has been significantly delayed due to challenges with translations and local capacity to support the project. Council's Executive Manager lwi Relationships is exploring options to progress the translation aspect.
- O2 Veranda Strengthening Programme: Council's Executive Manager Community & Economic Development is preparing a report for the August meeting.

Fish Pond and Town Centre Revitalisation (excluding the Living Wall): Council's Executive Manager Community & Economic Development is preparing a report for the August meeting.

Living Wall: failure to deliver upon a contracted maintenance schedule has been addressed and will fall under the new Parks and Reserves contract recently awarded. Officers have explored alternate options for the living wall and undertook to return a report to Members detailing associated costs.

Dog Exercise Area near the CBD: Officers worked through suggestions provided by the Ward Committee and determined none were suitable. Officers undertook to provide Members with an update in the Capital Works Report outlining the reasons for unsuitability and noted the topic forms part of the Ruapehu Bylaw and Dog Policy review currently underway.

Earthquake prone building signage: a report is being prepared for the 22 June meeting of Council that identifies earthquake prone buildings within the District. Signage will be erected once the report has been tabled and work undertaken with affected business owners.

Cleaning of the Dump Station at the Taumarunui Holiday Park: In accordance with the Ground Lease Agreement, it is the responsibility of the Lessee to maintain the dump station, however, Officers advised a works order had been raised with a contractor to include as part of its ongoing schedule and undertook to follow up with the Contractor and update the Capital Works Report.

Community Notice Board in Taumarunui: Members recommended the notice board be either spruced up or removed and the gardens tidied up and requested Officers return to the Committee with suggestions.

Flyover Gardens: officers advised a service level request to tidy up the flyover gardens had not been delivered on and has been deferred to the new Parks and Reserves contractor.

Stormwater Drains and Culvert Maintenance: Officers advised it is a capacity challenge as opposed to maintenance programming as the drainage network is under capacity for the current volume and requires modification. The property is on Kiwi Rail land, not owned by Council, which also provides challenges to access. A storm water engineer was investigating the issues and the report with recommendations was anticipated in the following week.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Doyle Seconded: Cr Neeson

That the Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee:

1 Receives the report Capital Works and Other Items of Interest

10 Resolution to Exclude the Public for Consideration of Committee Business

Section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 gives the Committee the right by resolution to exclude the public from the whole or any part of the proceedings of any meeting only on one or more of the grounds contained within that Section.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr Cosford Seconded: Cr Neeson

That the Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee:

- Receives the Report Resolution to Exclude the Public for Consideration of Committee Business; and
- 2 Excludes the public from the following part of the proceedings of the meeting.
- Notes the general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing the resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

	al Subject of each to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under S48(1) for passing this resolution
C1:	Confirmation of Public Excluded Minutes: 21 April 2022	The reason(s) for excluding the public is/are recorded in the Public Business Minutes of the meeting	48(1)(a)
C2:	Confidential Briefing	To protect the privacy of natural persons. To maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expressions of opinions by, or between, or to members of or officers or employees of any local authority, or any persons to whom Section 2(5) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 applies, in the course of their duty.	

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act or Section 6 or Section 7 or Section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 as the case may require which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public as stated in the above table.

The Public Business part of the meeting concluded at 6:56PM.

Confirmed this 18th day of August 2022.

Karen Ngatai
CHAIRPERSON

Report to: Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee

Meeting Date: 18 August 2022

Subject: Annual Tree Programme North 2022/23



Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of this Report is to advise Members of planned tree works throughout the Northern part of the District for the 2022/23 financial year.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

- 2.1 This report does not trigger the Significance and Engagement Policy.
- 2.2 This report does not trigger the Social Policy.

Background

- 3.1 Council has an annual budget for planned tree work throughout the District.
- 3.2 The planned tree schedule for work has been developed to ensure the community is notified and has the opportunity to feed back any concerns over planned work, and that Council Officers have the appropriate approval to allow work to proceed. The process entails presentation of the work list to the Ward Committee or Community Board for the area and notification to the property owner immediately adjacent to the Council property or road reserve where a tree is planned to be felled.
- 3.3 Problem trees are generally brought to the Council's attention by the adjacent landowner or concerned member of public. However, tree work is only for trees that are in decline, dead, or where a tree may have become a problem due to location or size. Stump grinding is also carried out; this is often completed a number of years after the tree has been felled, due to budgetary constraints.
- 3.4 Once a tree has been removed, the decision to replant is made with appropriate species, size and location being considered. The tree programme notes where a replacement tree has been recommended. Planting of replacement trees is undertaken under the same budget.
- 3.5 Note that items will remain on the tree programme until the work is complete, as budget allows.

Discussion

- 4.1 It has been some time since the last Annual Northern Tree Programme and with no formal pipeline of tree works since mid- 2021 it has been difficult to engage Arborists. Any safety critical works have been carried out on an ad hoc basis however, the bulk of requests are still to be actioned.
- 4.2 In order to improve our responsiveness to requests and to provide flexibility delivering the resulting work, Community & Recreational Facilities is in the process of engaging both local

and external contractors providing a mix of capabilities to suit the works for the entire district. The two main Arborist contractors who will service both North & South are Tree Truck and River City, both are Whanganui based and are Power Co./Lines Co approved. These contractors will provide expert arborist opinions and will be in District for three or four days at a time, a couple of times a year. It is the intention that during their assignment these main contractors will also be reviewing and reporting on the status of the trees and following up on stumping etc. such that Council may manage its trees in a more proactive manner. Council is especially keen for these arborists to audit the Heritage trees.

- 4.3 The local contractors are being on-boarded and will be able to provide a responsive service to the more ad hoc requests.
- 4.4 Attached is a list of planned work for the Northern District. Also attached is a list of Heritage Trees which require auditing

Financial Implications

Is there funding in the current Long-Term Plan / Annual Plan for these actions?

- 5.1 Council has an annual budget for planned tree work throughout the district. The budget for the northern part of the district (north of National Park) is \$44,000 for FY2022-23.
- 5.2 This budget is allocated as \$43,000 for Taumarunui and \$1,000 for Ohura as per the Long Term Plan. Items will remain on the tree programme until the work is complete, as budget allows.

Next Actions

- Once the proposed works are approved, the works will be allocated out to the appropriate contractor as described in the body of this report.
- 6.2 Progress will be provided monthly in the Capital Works update.

Suggested Resolution(s)

That the Taumarunui-Ohura Community Board:

- 1 Receives the Report Annual Tree Programme North 2022/23;
- 2 Approves / Does Not Approve the 2022/23 planned tree works for the Northern District; and
- 3 Approves / Does Not Approve the Heritage Trees audit list

Carole Colquhoun

COMMUNITY PROPERTY OFFICER: OPERATIONS

Email address for point of contact: carolec@ruapehudc.govt.nz

Attachment(s)

- Northern Tree Programme Northern Heritage Tree list
- 1 2

ATTACHMENT

Date logged	RFS	LOCATION	WORK REQUIRED	РНОТО	COUNCIL APPROVAL	COUNCIL COMMENT
TAUMARUN	NUI					
1-Jul-17		Golf Road	Remove wattles on Golf road cutting		27-Jun-19	Front row of overhanging Wattles to be removed
25-Nov-21	159271	2 LAIRDVALE ROAD, TAUMARUNU	The occupier of 69 Golf Road has expressed concern at some of the trees on the council land at 2 Lairdvale Road. He said he has gone through and removed dead branches from trees that border his property however he thinks a professional needs to go through and clean them up. Recommendation: Trim trees			
14-Sep-21	157043 160320 160477	Tuhua Domain and Golf Road, Taumarunui Hikurangi Tce 117 Golf Road	Wattle trees around town - Various complaints about wattles around town and in Reserves Looking for guidance on Wattle trees - Parks & Reserves Contractor could remove seedlings when observed to minimise issues once they are grown Wattles on Council Reserves can be addressed systematically			
14-Oct-21	158022	72 Lairdvale Road Taumarunui	property backs onto the reserve and caller is concerned with the high winds we are having the trees could break and fall on her house or garage. Can someone please check them out. Downer reviewed 27/05 - trees are good samples Suggest have arborist review, and trim			

ATTACHMENT

Date logged	RFS	LOCATION	WORK REQUIRED	РНОТО	COUNCIL APPROVAL	COUNCIL COMMENT
12-Jan-22	160302	13 Rangaroa Road, Taumarunui	There is a large tree on the berm outside of this property, the top of which is getting near to the power lines. Can this please be trimmed? Have passed request to The Lines Company, if they do not attend Council will need to.			
23-Mar-22	162287 160796	Totara Crescent, Taumarunui Taumarunui Domain	Heritage trees need to be reviewed, one fell during rough weather March 22			Added to list for annual review
26-Apr-22	161736	Owhango Cemetery	Customer has raised concerns about poplar tree. Reviewed by Arborist April 2022, keep on list for annual review			Added to list for annual review
25-May-21	153211	4 New Road, Taumarunui	There is a large tree at the back of 4 New Road on the bank above Golf Road. This tree shades caller's property and he is also concerned it may fall onto the road below as it is near to the edge. Can you please check if it is on private property or on our side and contact the customer			
26-May-22	163618	Carters Terrace	Tree is in street light, contractor recommends adding to tree programme			
23-Jun-22	160302	Bell Road/Rangaroa Road	Various requests for trees along the incline to be trimmed. The Lines Company will address some trees in the area between South and the Incline (CTE 5071) Council will need to address those nearer to Bell Road			

Northern Tree Programme
ATTACHMENT

Date logged	RFS	LOCATION	WORK REQUIRED	РНОТО	COUNCIL APPROVAL	COUNCIL COMMENT
4-Jul-22	165326	174 Golf Road	Conifers to be removed as they are significantly overshadowing house			
19 Jan 2022 + previous	160518	41 House Avenue	Large Poplar Trees in gully are causing resident concern. Arborist reviewed and has confirmed trees will get bigger and may cause risk to house but are more likely to slide down slope onto State Highway This location is difficult to get to, and will likely require traffic management below the site			

Ref	Location	Botanical Name	Common Name	Evaluation Score
1	Golf Road Cemetery, Taumarunui	Sequoia sempervirens	Coastal Redwood	165
2	Manson Gardens, Taumarunui	Fagus sylvatica 'purpurea'	Purple Beech	165
3	Hakiaha Street, Taumarunui	Sequoia sempervirens	Coastal Redwood	170
4	Hakiaha Street, Taumarunui	Sequoia sempervirens	Coastal Redwood	195
5	Hakiaha Street, Taumarunui	Quercus ilex	Holm oak	180
6	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Quercus coccinea	Scarlet oak	180
7	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	175
8	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	185
9	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	185
10	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	180
11	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	180
12	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	180
13	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	180
14	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	170
15	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	180
16	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	190
17	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	180
18	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	180
19	Corner of South and High Street, Taumarunui	Sequoia sempervirens	Coastal Redwood	185
20	Rangaroa Domain, Taumarunui	Castanea sativa	Sweet Chestnut	165
21	Rangaroa Domain, Taumarunui	Sequoia sempervirens	Coastal Redwood	185
22	Rangaroa Domain, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	185
23	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Sequoia sempervirens	Coastal Redwood	180
24	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Sequoia sempervirens	Coastal Redwood	69
25	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Sequoia sempervirens	Coastal Redwood	185
26	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Sequoia sempervirens	Coastal Redwood	165
27	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Sequoia sempervirens	Coastal Redwood	175
28	Taumarunui Domain, Taumarunui	Sequoia sempervirens	Coastal Redwood	180
29	Hakiaha Street, Taumarunui	Cupressus macrocarpa	Monterey cypress	200
30	Main South Highway 4, Taumarunui	Dacrycarpus dacrydioides	Kahikatea	210
32	Opposite 106 Mangawhero Extension, Ohakune	Nothofagus solandri	Black beech	190
33	Opposite 106 Mangawhero Extension, Ohakune	Nothofagus solandri	Black beech	180
34	Opposite 114 Mangawhero Extension, Ohakune	Nothofagus solandri	Black beech	195
35	Opposite 114 Mangawhero Extension, Ohakune	Nothofagus solandri	Black beech	190
36	Opposite 116 Mangawhero Extension, Ohakune	Nothofagus solandri	Black beech	190
37	Opposite 116 Mangawhero Extension, Ohakune	Nothofagus solandri	Black beech	180
66	1 Totara Crescent, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	165
67	1 Totara Crescent, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	170
68	1 Totara Crescent, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	160
69	1 Totara Crescent, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	170
70	2 Totara Crescent, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	165
71	2 Totara Crescent, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	160

Northern Heritage Tree List ATTACHMENT

Ref	Location	Botanical Name	Common Name	Evaluation Score	
72	2 Totara Crescent, Taumarunui	Podocarpus totara	Totara	175	
73	2 Totara Crescent, Taumarunui	aumarunui Podocarpus totara		175	
78	Manunui Cemetery	Pinus Brutia	Pine	No evaluation undertaken	
79	Scout Den, O'Reilly Crescent, Matapuna	Podocarpus totara and Dacrycarpus dacrydioides	Stand of 40 Totara trees and Kahikatea	No evaluation undertaken	
80	Outside 25 Taumarunui Street, Taumarunui (Note 1)	Podocarpus Totara	Totara	No evaluation undertaken	

Report to: Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee

Meeting Date: 18 August 2022

Subject: Öhura Road Slip Progress Report



Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform Members of the progress on the slip on Ōhura Road, between Waitewhena and Ōhura North Roads.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

2.1 Significance

This report does not trigger the Significance and Engagement Policy.

2.2 Engagement

The community is being informed on the slip progress through Facebook and on the Council website. The affected landowner has been kept in contact with. Council officers have kept in contact with the affected tourism operator. In setting up for work on the site in August, community members have had input into the opening times.

2.3 **Social Impact**

This report does not trigger the Social Policy.

Background

- 3.1 On Saturday 18 June, a large slip fell from above Ōhura Road, between Waitewhena and Ōhura North Roads. The slip affected the road and rail below it, closing both.
- 3.2 The slip occurred after a period 18 rain days out of the previous 20 days, with rainfall of up to 52mm a day.

Discussion

- 4.1 A temporary access road was installed around the slip in the days following, but the road remained closed as the risk of the slope remobilising following intense or prolonged rainfall events remained high.
- 4.2 A GHD geotechnical engineer visited the site on 28 June and assessed the slip. It is a deep seated rotational failure. The toe of the slip is buttressed by the rail line and nearby bank.

4.3 The geotechnical engineer provided three remediation options:-

Opt	Description	Road	Rail	Risk	Cost
1	Form two lane road on temporary road Leave large portion of slip material in place above road and on rail line. Rail not reinstated as temporary road is above it. High risk of continued slipping over time	Yes	No	High	Low
2	Reinstate existing road Remove debris material on existing road Partially unload mid slope of hill Rail line not cleared due to risk of destabilising deeper seated failure. Continued slipping expected over time.	Yes	No	High - Moderate	Moderate
3	Remove slip debris and reinstate existing road Unload slip. Likely to reduce drive force on deeper seated portion of failure affecting rail corridor. Rail corridor reinstated. Lower risk and maintenance expected over time due to removal of slip material. Note that deeper rotational failure beneath the road would remain and future ground movement possible.	Yes	Yes	Moderate - Low	High

- 4.4 Option 3 was chosen as it provides for both the road, rail and reduction of ongoing risk of slippage and maintenance costs over time.
- 4.5 Jilesen Group began work on the soil disposal site on 26 July.
- 4.6 A photo showing the Options is attached to and forms part of the report.

Financial Implications

Is there funding in the current Long Term Plan / Annual Plan for these actions?	Yes

- 5.1 The preferred option is expected to cost around \$450,000 to reinstate the road. Council is applying to Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency to receive emergency work funding at base rate of 74%.
- 5.2 Council has provision in the Long Term Plan for emergency works funding for the local share.
- 5.3 The cost to remediate the rail line does not sit with Council.

Next Actions

6.1 Jilesen began work to remove the slip material on 1 August.

- 6.2 To allow for safe and efficient clearing of the slip the road will remain closed while they are working, however there will be two open times during the day: 10:15 am to 10:45 am and 2:45 pm to 3:15 pm.
- 6.3 It is expected to take two to three months to unload the slip material and reinstate the road.

Suggested Resolution(s)

That the Taumarunui-Ōhura Community Board:

1 Receives the Report Ohura Road Slip Progress Report

KWiid

MANAGER: LAND TRANSPORT

Email address for point of contact: andrea.nicol@ruapehudc.govt.nz

Attachment(s)

1 **Öhura Road Remedial Options Assessment**



Report to: Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee

Meeting Date: 18 August 2022

Subject: Taumarunui Town Revitalisation Update



Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to update Members on the progress of the Taumarunui Town Revitalisation Project.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

2.1 Significance

This report does not trigger the Significance and Engagement Policy.

Background

3.1 INITIAL CONSULTATION

- 3.1.1 On 28 July 2016, the Taumarunui/Ohura Ward Committee resolved to commission Bespoke Landscape Architects to produce an overall plan for Taumarunui and to specifically develop the designs for the Taumarunui Town Centre following an expression of interest and request for proposal process. This plan included enhancing the entrances to the town, greater connecting walkways, and the further development of the domain.
- 3.1.2 Public consultation was carried out in November/December 2016 with very initial designs being presented in an open shop forum to allow people to spend time looking at the designs and providing feedback. The initial feedback resulted in the following:
- 3.1.3 The CBD area redevelopment was to be done in three stages.
 - (a) The west side of Hakiaha Street between the boundary of the old library and the boundary to the south of the Taumarunui Railway Station.
 - (b) The verandas on the east side of Hakiaha Street and down Manuaute Street.
 - (c) Manuaute Street re-development.
- 3.1.4 Initial thinking was that the old toilets would be demolished and construction of new toilets on the ex-library site, there would be a number of new elements in the open area between the new toilets and the town clock and there would be changes to the railway station including façade work, and the verandas would be replaced.

3.2 Adopted Concept Plans for the CBD

- 3.2.1 There were several reiterations of the concept plans over the next 18 months and the final design was by the Taumarunui/Ohura Ward Committee in June 2018.
- 3.2.2 The final developed concept plan covered redevelopment divided into three areas as follows:
- 3.2.3 Area A Civic Space. The area from the existing gardens to the west of the old library building extending to the existing public toilets is to be redeveloped into a multi-use civic

space and family play space. Key features of which include:

- (a) Moveable café style furniture to allow the space to be used for casual seating, market
- (b) days and planned community events
- (c) Shade pergola over part of the space for summer shade and winter protection
- (d) Steel laser cut panels to the rear of the space depicting key elements in the town's
- (e) history
- (f) A rear wall with planted elements incorporated reflecting local flora and geology
- (g) including space for visitor photo opportunities
- (h) Central sculptural elements
- (i) Family play space consisting of mounds, sunken areas and stylised representation of the meeting of the two rivers.
- 3.2.4 Area B Parkland connection. The area from the existing toilet to the railway station
 - (a) Renovated fish pond and grotto
 - (b) Enhanced ornamental plantings
 - (c) New rear fence
 - (d) Graduated benching to lift up to the station platform and new entrances to the station
 - (e) building
 - (f) New pavements linking area A to the station
 - (g) Laser cut silhouettes reflecting local historical identities
 - (h) Targeted up-lighting of specimen trees

 Note- this development included removing the slip lane car park
- 3.2.5 Area C Station Building connections. The redevelopment of the Station Building was to be a separate project.
- 3.2.6 The verandas on the south side of Hakiaha Street were also a separate project.
- 3.2.7 The concept plans are attached.

Discussion

4.1 TAUMARUNUI TOWN REVITALISATION

4.1.1 Main Street

- 4.1.2 Work on the Main Street redevelopment started in 2019, with the changes to the bus shelters, and parking outside the Railway Station, and moving on to the redevelopment of the area between the old library site and the public toilets and including the fishpond area. From there to the Railway station is part of the Railway Station project. Completion of the civic space was completed by September 2019 with public opening 14 September 2019.
- 4.1.3 While not part of the original town revitalisation project, the public toilets and showers at the railway station were also renewed. This continues to generate some income (\$6,700 to date).
- 4.1.4 There was further work completed in 2022 to put a shelter over part of the civic space.

4.2. Issues

4.2.1 There were two main issues after the development, the fishpond and the living wall. The living wall has been replanted and redesigned, but the fishpond still poses some ongoing problems.

4.3 Living Wall

The living wall was constructed to specification, however several elements of the design required increased maintenance and attention from suitably qualifies staff to maintain the species of plants chosen. After failure of the plants and watering system a decision was taken in spring 2021 to use potted colour and to work with local business owners to help maintain the plants. This has demonstrated how we can achieve the outcome intended in the original design. It is expected that Recreation Services will be more active in garden bed and maintenance of features like this across the district. The Living Wall has been reinstated.

- 4.3.1 A report went to the TOWC on the 22 April 2021, laying out all the issues with the design of the pond, and proposing a solution of a pump being installed. This was not approved by the TOWC, and it was requested that the designers come to the Ward Committee to discuss the Fish Pond and the Wall. The Contractor stated that the pond was constructed to the plans supplied and to NZ regulations and that while the pond may not be the most conducive design for fish it is appropriate for the streetscape and as an ornamental pond and with the addition of appropriate plants to provide shelter and oxygenation, fish would survive as intended.
- 4.3.2 The independent advice highlighted the following key issues:
 - (a) The pond slopes around the edges and is too shallow resulting in the water being unstable and becoming too warm in the summer, putting stress on the fish and making them susceptible to disease and parasites;
 - (b) The pond has no filtration to remove solid organic matter and toxins from the water;
 - (c) The circulation provided in the pond is insufficient therefore not enough oxygen is being introduced to promote a healthy beneficial bacterial colony (aerobic bacteria) to control sludge production and prevent the pond from smelling, and
 - (d) The pond is an unsealed concrete pond which leaches lime, raising the pH above the ideal pH and putting further stress on the fish.
 - (e) Further comments was that the sloping sides of the pond limited the ability to grow sufficient plants to cover the surface of the pond, which would assist filtration and oxygenation.
- 4.3.3 An agreement has been reached with the original designer and contractors to ensure that remedial work will be carried out to ensure the pond is safe for both fish and people.

4.4 Taumarunui Public Toilets

4.4.1 While the initial thinking was for new public toilets, the final proposal was to refurnish the existing ones. While the TOWC approved this in October 2019, work did not start until 2021. There were significant delays resulting from COVID-19 and supply chain disruption however the refurbished public toilets were reopened in December 2021.

4.5 Railway Station development

- 4.5.1 The work to undertake an upgrade of the Hakiaha Street toilet facility, a new roof on the Town Square pergola and development of an Archive Facility in the space allocated for museum archive artifacts within the leased area of the Taumarunui Railway Station was put out to public tender on 7 September 2020.
- 4.5.2 Funding (\$64,000) was received from Lotteries for the Archives (upstairs at the Railway station) and Council provided the local share required of \$80k from the Town Revitalisation budget. The work has been completed.

4.5.3 The original Governance group has continued to meet and will now work though the options and possibilities for the redevelopment of the museum and I-SITE space, now that the Archives space has been completed, but this is at the early stage of this project.

4.6 Veranda Upgrade

- 4.6.1 The Veranda upgrade was on hold over the past two years due to COVID. This has recently been picked up again, and work is currently underway to ensure that the previous costing for the upgrade is still current.
- 4.6.2 Next steps are to inform property owners on Hakiaha Street of the cost of the upgrades, and the details associated with that. Once there is agreement of the costs being borne by Council and the property owners, work can begin. The project has been divided into five portions each of which can be carried out separately. The work in each portion is discrete and independent of whether other adjoining portions have been/will be completed. The timing and progression of this project will depend on the uptake of this proposal by all the Owners within a work portion.
- 4.6.3 The design is basic and focused on ensuring that the infrastructure is safe and meets earthquake standards. Future thinking will be required to give the veranda' a unique Taumarunui theme, which will match the wayfinder project and the design of the railway station.
- 4.6.4 This phase is scheduled to be completed in 2022, with replacements beginning in 2023.

4.7 Other developments

- 4.7.1 Manuaute street: The original Town Revitalisation plans included some changes to Manuaute Street. No further discussion or plans have been actioned, and this should be a future project scheduled to commence after Hakiaha Street is completed.
- 4.7.2 Walkways: A recent report went to the Ohura Taumarunui Ward Committee (June 9th) and this is attached to this report.
- 4.7.3 The accessible walkways project has been progressing over several years, with the first stage at Cherry Grove Ōngarue (Northern Entrance Bridge) to Morero Terrace (Victory Bridge) lengths completed in the 2017/18 financial year and the second stage at Turaki Street to Matapuna Stopbank (Across from 140 Taupo Road) lengths were completed in 2020/21 financial year. Work is continuing on this.
- 4.7.3 Wayfinder: The planning phase of the project is underway. The high-level plan is:
 - (a) Develop a Wayfinder Strategy
 - (b) Engage a designer to develop the concepts
 - (c) A public open day to held at the end of phase one to present concepts to the community and seek feedback and provide information on location of signs
 - (d) Community Board endorsement
- 4.7.4 Water Infrastructure through Hakiaha Street: This project is scheduled to being in late August, in conjunction with Bell Road.

4.8 Completed Town Revitalisation projects

4.8.1 Northern Entrance

- 4.8.2 The Northern Entrance Project first started in 2004, as a joint project involving Council, Taumarunui Rotary Club and Enterprising Taumarunui Incorporated (ETI). In 2011 GHD produced a gateway visioning document for the Northern Entrance to Taumarunui as probono value-add work for Council. The community had been discussing an upgrade to the Northern Entrance for a number of years, however had not arrived at a conclusion of what to do with the space.
- 4.8.3 It was then determined that an iconic canoe structure and signboards be erected rather than the shelter proposed in the early GHD plans. Revision C of the plans was produced by GHD in July 2013, which explained the design progression and the preferred concept as the canoe and its representations (attached).
- 4.8.4 A significant part of that project was the new King Tawhiao sign, which is a stunning feature when lit up at night. There was considerable engagement with iwi on getting this right.
- 4.8.5 A walkway was also added to the planning in 2016, connecting the area with Cherry Grove, and completed in the 2017/18 year.

4.9 Taumarunui Playground

4.9.1 The Taumarunui Domain Playground was proposed for an upgrade in June 2017, with a preferred supplier selected in December 2018, and construction in 2019. The playground was opened in July 2019.

Financial Implications

Is there funding in the current Long Term Plan / Annual Plan for these actions?	Yes

5.1 The report is for information so there are no financial implications.

Suggested Resolution(s)

That the Council:

1 Receives the Report Taumarunui Town Revitalisation Update

Pauline Welch

EXECUTIVE MANAGER: COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Email address for point of contact: pauline.welch@ruapehudc.govt.nz

Attachment(s)

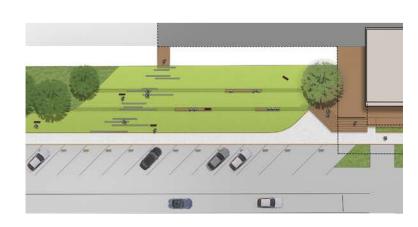
- 1 Concept Plans for Taumarunui Town Revitalisation
- 2 Walkways Report June 2022
- 3 Concept design for Northern Entrance Taumarunui Gateway

TAUMARUNUI TOWN CENTRE

HAKIAHA STREET, TAUMARUNUI







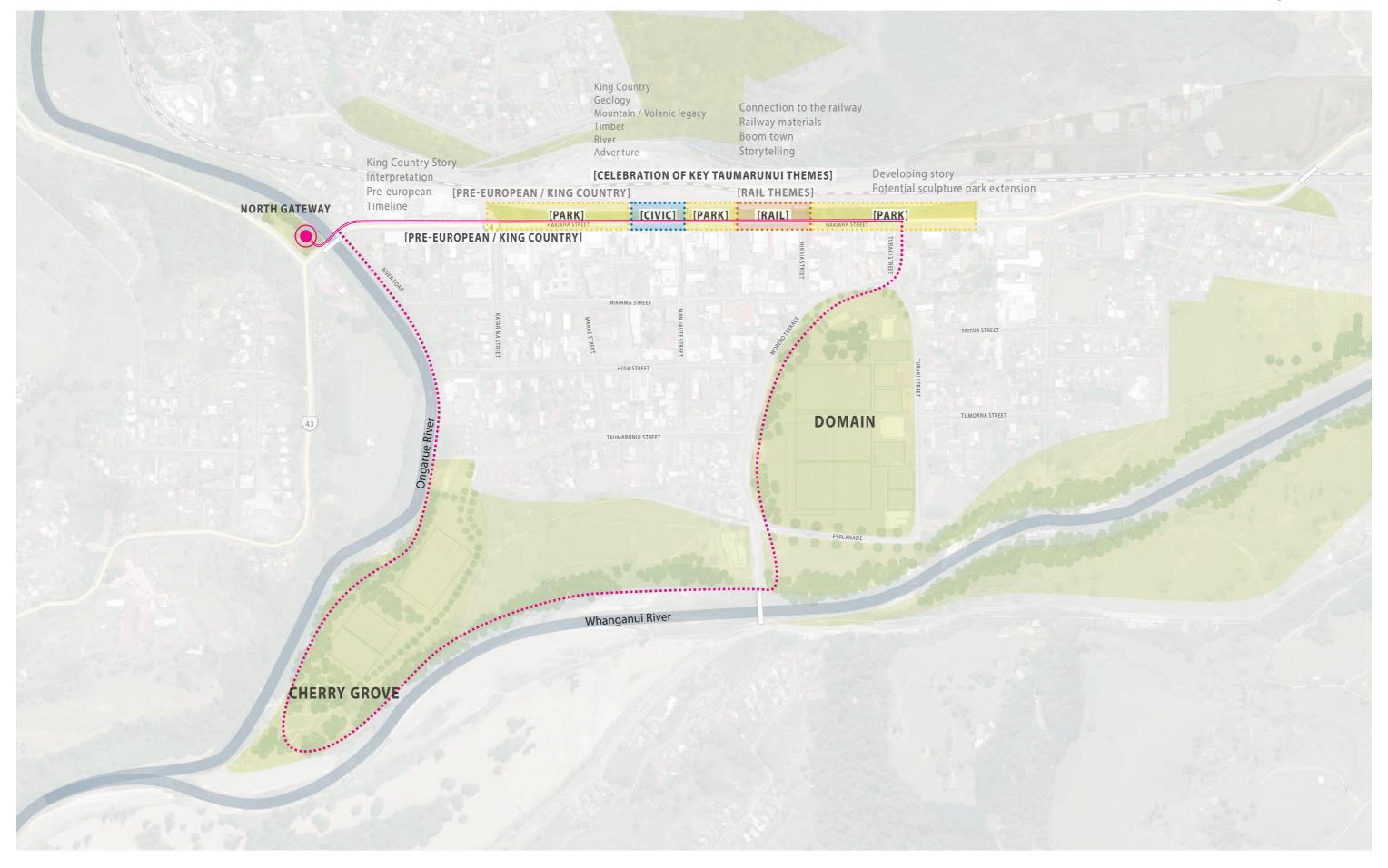
CONCEPT PRESENTATION

June 2018



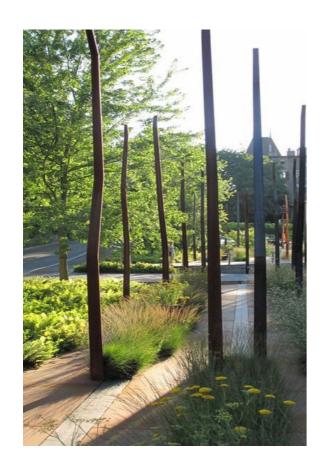


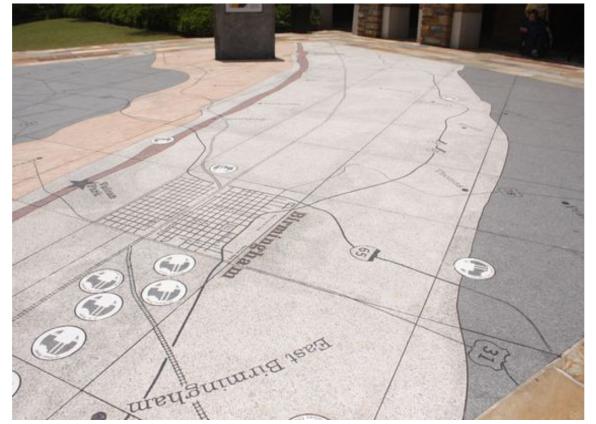










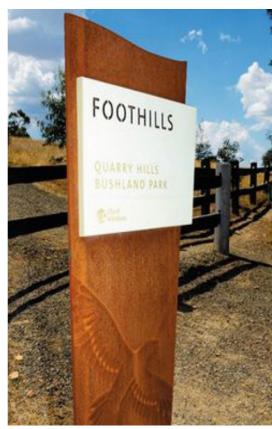






















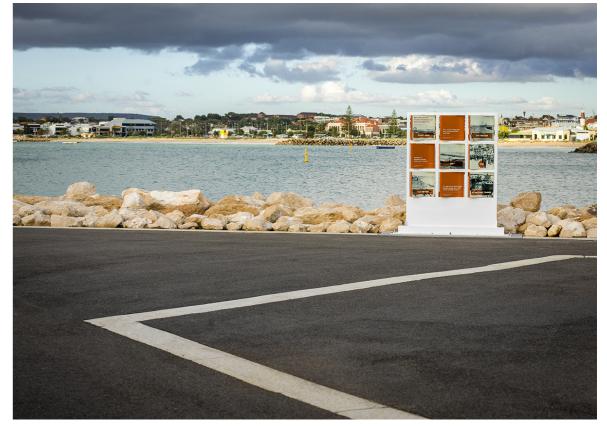


































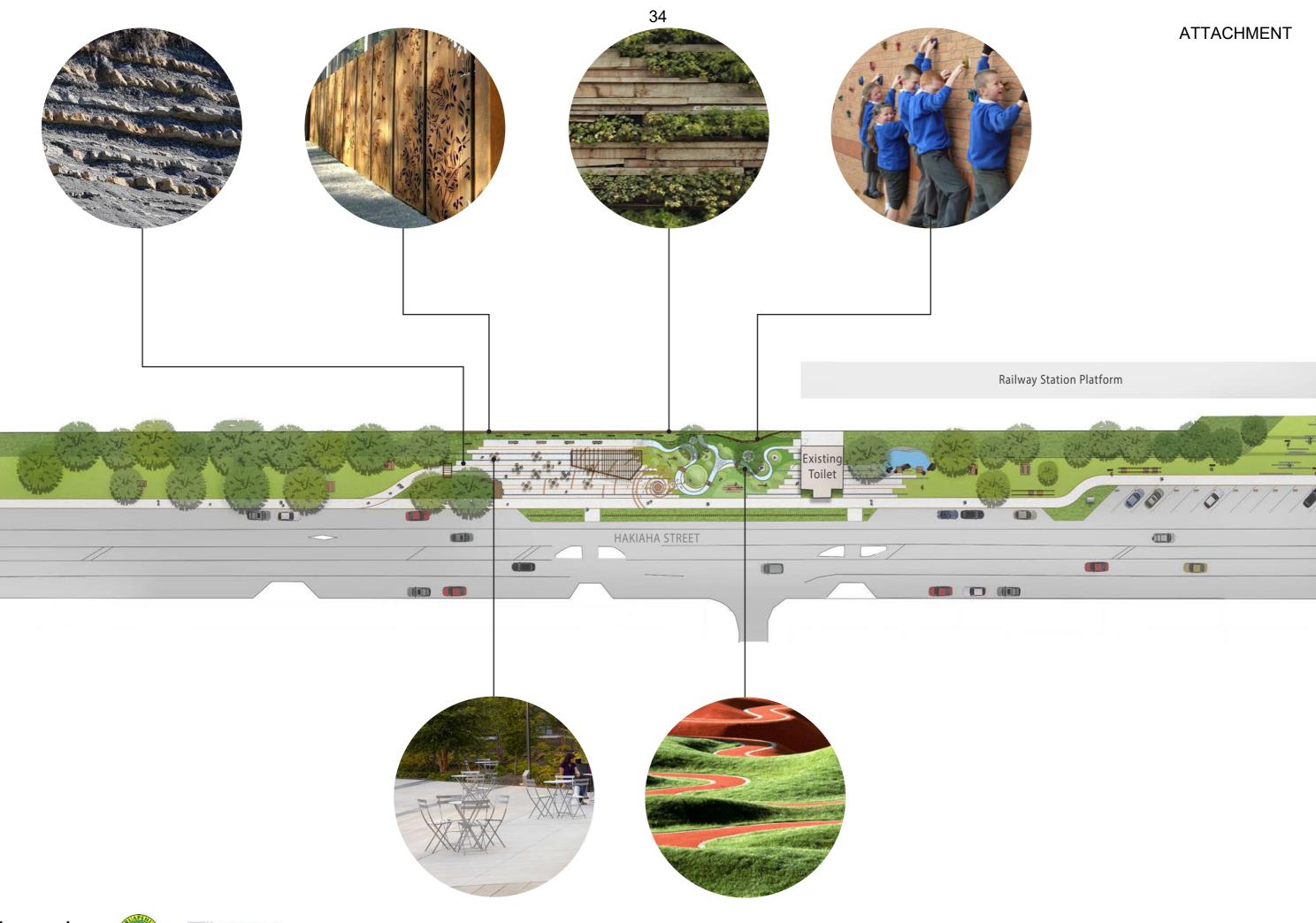


Working Group Process:

- Came together following the last public presentation to critique and challenge the current design and look to incorporate stories and messages that are specific to Taumarunui and its people.
- The group represents a relatively diverse cross section of the community who kindly volunteered their time to support the process.
- Two workshop style sessions were facilitated. The first formed more of a critique session, focussing on what was good and what could be improved about the current design, and the town centre generally. Many great ideas and comments were tabled.
- This feedback was taken on board and the second session looked to present back ways that we, as the design team and group members, could better facilitate a design that responded to the critique and ideas tabled in the first workshop. Clear preferences and actions were agreed upon by the group.
- The following design represents our attempts to transform these actions into a revised and refined design approach.





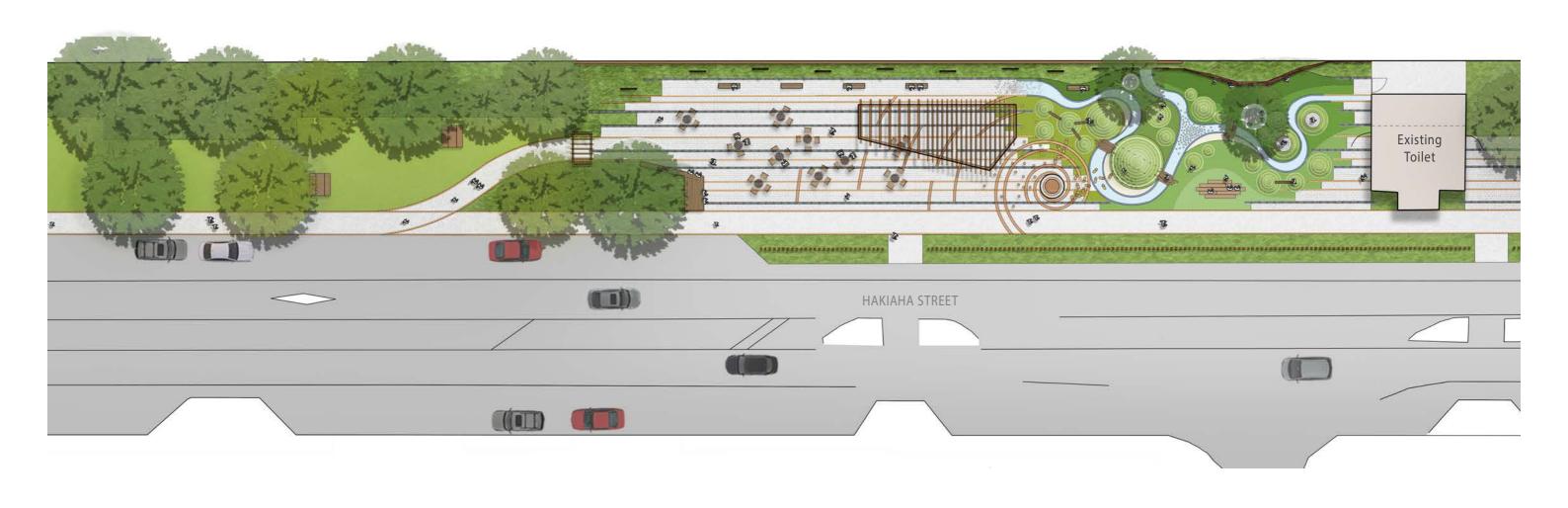






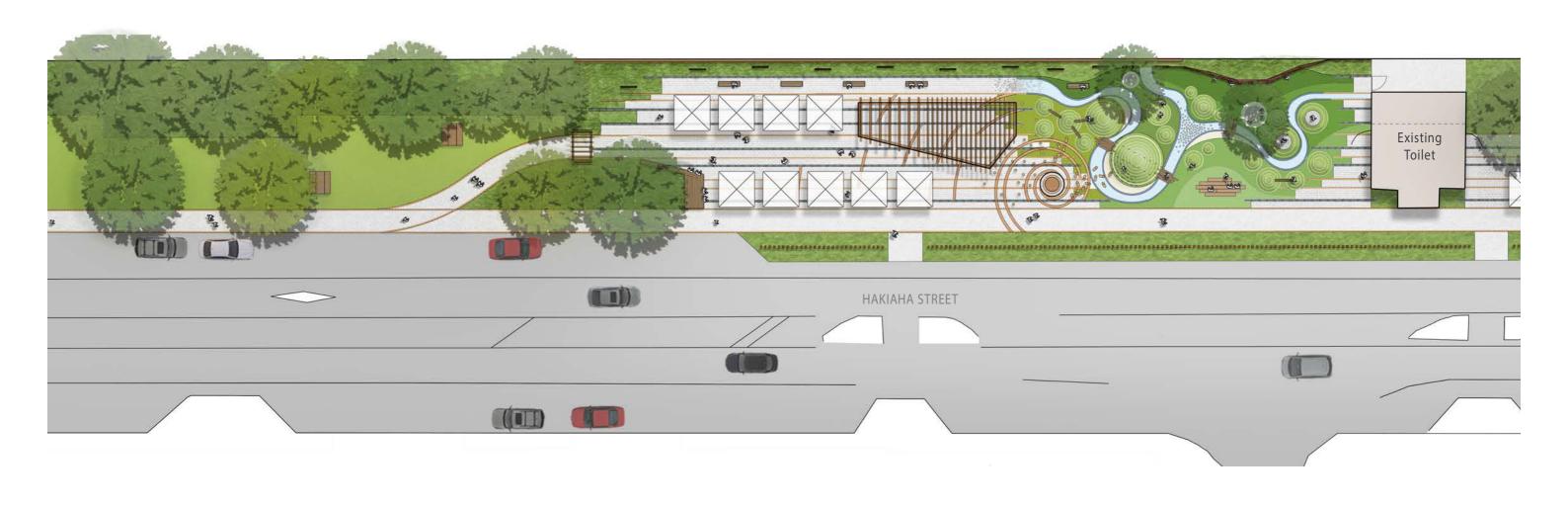






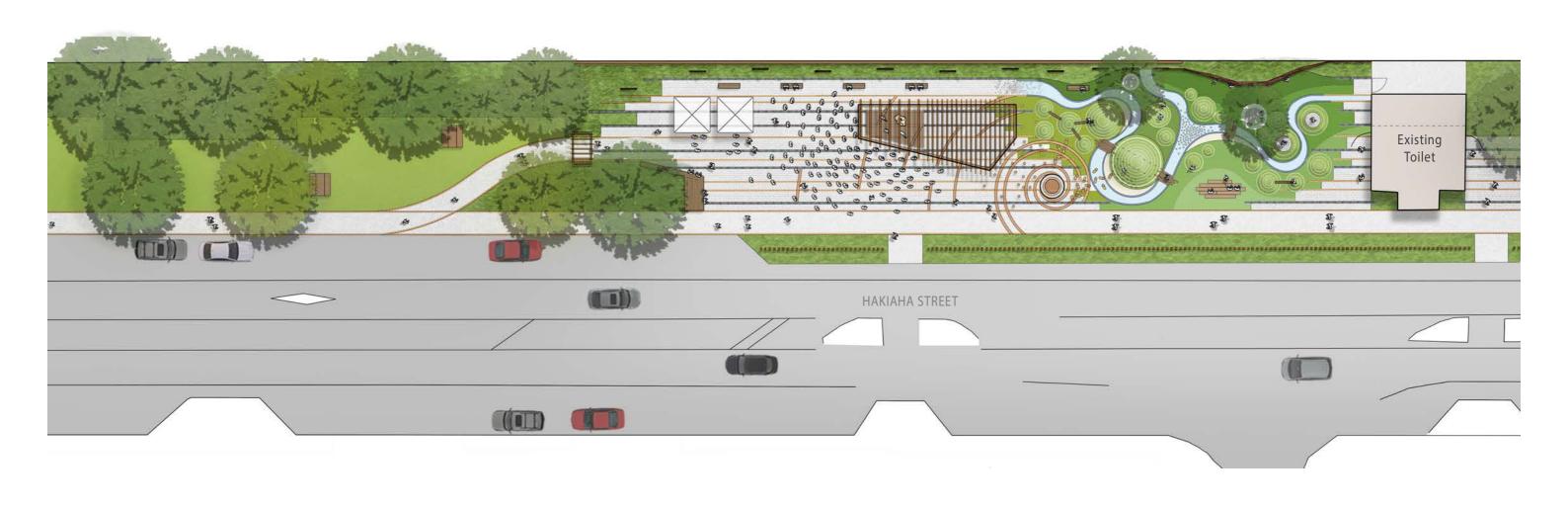


































































Key Items for Further Engagement

- The iconic central sculpture (led by iwi)
- Silhouette sculptures
- Cultural panels to the screen / fence to the rear of the civic space
- Low barrier screen fence to the road edge
- Photo opportunity elements
- Temporary art installations on a 3-6 monthly basis or associated with specific events (e.g. Matariki)













Report to: Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee

Meeting Date: 9 June 2022

Subject: TOWC Accessible Walkways North and Wayfinding

2021/22



Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide Members with a status update on each section of the Taumarunui Accessible Walkways North and wayfaring signage.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

2.1 Significance

This report does not trigger the Significance and Engagement Policy.

2.2 Social Impact

Consideration of accessible walkways and the exclusion of stock from the Whanganui River triggers the Social Policy.

Accessible walkways provide areas for recreation and exercise in the natural surroundings, benefiting the wellbeing of the immediate community and enhancing the experience had by visitors to the area.

There is an expectation from the community that waterway boundary fencing be undertaken to preserve the quality of water in our rivers, and it is important that Council, as the Local Authority, leads by example.

Background

- 3.1 The accessible walkways project has been progressing over several years, with the first stage at Cherry Grove Ōngarue (Northern Entrance Bridge) to Morero Terrace (Victory Bridge) lengths completed in the 2017/18 financial year.
- 3.2 The second stage at Turaki Street to Matapuna Stopbank (Across from 140 Taupo Road) lengths were completed in 2020/21 financial year.
- 3.3 At the Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee (TOWC) meeting held 13 December 2018, reported priorities as provided by the tramping club are as follows:
 - (a) Ramps
 - (b) Directional signage
 - (c) Stiles, and
 - (d) Marker posts.
- 3.4 GHD is providing in-kind engineering advice for these ramps, as it has previously on other areas of the walkway. Work to be undertaken within 5 metres of the toe of a stop bank requires resource consent from Horizons Regional Council. Council's Environmental Manager has been seeking a blanket consent for Council work within these areas, which impacts on the construction of ramps near stop banks.

3.5 The tramping club identified locations and priority for signage with maps of the walkway.

(a) Cherry Grove High
(b) Sawmillers entrance High
(c) Northern entrance Medium
(d) Opposite Mr Pizza Low
(e) Manunui Rugby Grounds Low

- 3.6 Stiles have been signalled by the Tramping Club as a high priority item. Replacement or repair of stiles can be completed using the existing Taumarunui Parks and Reserves maintenance budget. New crossings which exclude stock but allow for the passage of bikes, wheelchairs and prams will require capital funding either from the Accessible Walkways budget or as a project in their own right
- 3.7 Council manages four sections of Accretion Land alongside the Whanganui River in Taumarunui as shown in green in Figure 1.



Figure 1: Whanganui River Accretion Land

- 3.8 The sections are leased for grazing purposes under Licence to Occupy Agreements. Although the Licence to Occupy for the Accretion Land provides for the repair and maintenance of fences by the Licensee, the cost of the fence is likely more than the lease is worth to the licensee. Council could instead work with the licensee to reach an agreement as to a suitable contribution from them toward the unfunded portion of the cost of fencing.
- 3.9 Iwi (Ngāti Hāua in particular) continue to express the need for any works to be done in engagement with them. Ngā Tāngata Tiaki o Whanganui continues to offer advice for the implementation of Te Awa Tupua in a way that supports connection and reconnection to the Awa.
- 3.10 In 2019 a project scope and preliminary design was undertaken for wayfinding, exploring diverse options for signage. In 2021/24 triennium it was adopted into the Long Term Plan.

Discussion

4.1 CHERRY GROVE

- 4.1.1 The Community and Economic Development team is looking for opportunities to apply for funding to seal the accessible walkway.
- 4.1.2 Council has increased the maintenance frequency for this walkway to monthly checks and clearing. Recreational Services will take over the continued maintenance of this walkway from July 1.

4.1.3 The expense and practicalities of the provision of "doggy-do" bins was of some concern to Council in 2018. Dog Control Policy is under review, Council will investigate costs of doggy-do bags as part of refuse bin empties at Cherry Grove.

4.2 RIVER TRACK

4.2.1 Council consulted with Ngāti Haua late in 2020/21 financial year around grazing leases for the Whanganui River Accretion Land. Part of the discussion was the desire by both Council and Ngāti Haua to get the river fenced off. Council was awarded a fencing grant from Horizons which will contribute towards getting 1,148 metres of fencing erected, with Council making up the shortfall. The two sections in red on the below map are to be fenced which will mean complete fencing of the accretion land on these stretches of river. This will leave approximately 600 metres toward Manunui remaining to be fenced in future as budget allows.



Figure 2: Whanganui River Accretion Land fencing

- 4.2.2 Opportunities presented for cost efficiencies while a digger was on site by combining work to the fence line with the continued development of the accessible walkway. This included levelling the route for the walkway for the length of the fence line marked in red on the map above to 1.5metres in width and applying rock which would be rolled in to provide a hard surface for walkers.
- 4.2.3 The Ramp design at Turaki Street is complete and engineering review is underway for Taupo Road Ramp to gain the slope to meet the criteria of an accessible walkway. Horizons Regional Council will lead the construction of the ramp under its Resource Consent with Council, Engineers and local contractors.
- 4.2.4 Kissing gate investigations are underway with materials to be purchased in 2021/22 financial year.
- 4.2.5 Construction cost estimates are under review for itemised works for the river walkway completion.
- 4.2.6 Maintenance schedules for this part of the accessible walkway will be identified on completion of this section, alongside the delivery of the Walking and Cycling strategy.

4.3 WAYFARING SIGNAGE

- 4.3.1 The Community and Economic Team is currently in the planning phase of the project and is reviewing project scope in line with Council's Town Revitalisation plans.
 - (a) Phase 1 to include a step that confirms the type, quantity, and location of signs to be included in Phase 2.
 - (b) A public open day will be held at the end of Phase 1 to present concepts to the community and seek feedback
 - (c) Phase 3 allows for a meeting with the Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee / Community Board to seek endorsement

- (d) Phase 4: collective to investigate opportunities for better integration with trails and cycleways
- (e) Phase 5: Apart from the above (integration investigations) the project is to be town centre focused in line with the wayfinding strategy

Financial Implications

Is there funding in the current Long Term Plan / Annual Plan for these actions? Yes

- 6.1 Council allocated funds in each year of 2018/21 LTP triennium for \$10,500 budget for Accessible Walkways North.
- 6.2 Council has allocated funds in each year of 2021/24 LTP triennium for \$50,000 budget for Accessible Walkways North.
- 6.3 Council has allocated funds for the first year of 2021/24 LTP triennium for \$10,000 budget for Wayfinding signage.

Next Actions

- 7.1 Confirm funding eligibility for sealing the accessible walkway with the Community and Economic Development team.
- 7.2 Obtain maintenance price for maintenance of Accessible walkway north from Parks and Reserve Contractors.
- 7.3 Obtain price for doggy do dispensers, refills and maintenance at Cherry Grove from Parks and Reserves Contractors.
- 7.4 Install kissing gates and remove stiles where required.
- 7.5 Horizons build ramps at Turaki Street and Taupo Road Stop banks.
- 7.6 Explore further opportunities for accessible walkways north.

Suggested Resolution(s)

That the Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee:

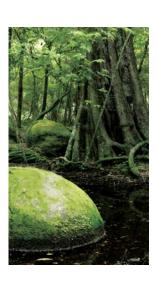
- 1 Receives the Report Accessible Walkways North and Wayfinding Update; and
- 2 Supports the continuation of the development of the accessible walkway, wayfinding and proposal to explore feasible options for further extension and sealing of the walkway.

Rina Hepi

? Nepi

MANAGER COMMUNITY AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

Email address for point of contact: rina.hepi@ruapehudc.govt.nz







Taumarunui Gateway Visioning Document

This document presents a vision for the future gateway for Taumarunui. Located at the town's northern entrance, the gateway presents an opportunity to showcase Taumarunui's heritage, culture, and future direction. The design concepts presented in this document draw on the rich natural and cultural heritage of the district. They present a series of elements that work together as a coherent whole, but are also able to be implemented in a staged approach with community support.

The objectives of the design are:

- 1. To create a gateway and a sense of arrival to the Taumarunui Township for visitors from the North.
- 2. To tell the story of the region and Taumarunui's cultural history.
- 3. To communicate an identity based on the township's past, its landscape, and its future as the entrance to the adventure tourism region beyond.

The document is divided into a series of sections. These sections are listed below:

Physical Context and Site Analysis	4-5
Natural, Cultural and Social Context	6-11
Concept Design - Site Plan	12-13
Staging Plan	14-15
Design Elements - Shelter Structure	16-17
Design Elements - Gateway Sign	18-19
Design Elements - Furniture and Rest area	20-21
Design Elements - River Lookout	22-23
Photo-representation of Future Gateway	24-25

54 ATTACHMENT



Taumarunui's Wider Context

Taumarunui is located in a landscape comprised of productive farmland, bush-clad hills and sweeping river valleys, which changes dramatically beyond as visitors approach the mountain. The township itself is located near the convergence of the Ongarue and Whanganui rivers where they meander through the hills and valleys formed between Tongariro forest park and Whanganui National Park. The rivers and hillsides form a strong part of the identity of the town, with the surrounding rural areas also being a strong influence.

The area is rich in history, with the township located where three lwi meet - Whanganui to the South West, Maniapoto to North West & Tuwharetoa to the East. European history includes the construction of the rail line, with the timber and rail industry forming the backbone of the emerging town.

Ruapehu is a major tourist destination in both summer and winter, with many adventure tourism activities such as skiing, jet boating, tramping, cycling available in the area. Taumarunui is the first township visitors arrive at when entering the Ruapehu area from the north after travelling from Hamilton along the State Highway 4 connection. The future prosperity of the town is very much connected to the growth of tourism in the region.

The Gateway's Local Context

The site is located on State Highway 4, immediately north of Kururau Road where visitors turn to cross the Ongarue river and enter the township.

The road follows the river in a south east direction, and the site is nestled between the two. To the south is Te Peka hill, which has a walkway to the summit with an entrance opposite the site, and a further entrance north of the site.

In the past the township to the east on Hakiaka Street was visible across the river from the road as visitors approached, however this connection has been lost over time as the trees on the riverbank have grown.





Site Analysis

The site is bounded by mature trees to the north west, the Ongarue River and line of vegetation and trees to the north east, Kururau Road to the south east, and State Highway 4 to the south west.

There is currently an informal carpark on the road edge where visitors can pull off the State Highway. This is adjacent to a level area which currently has a concrete pad on it. The pad is the foundation of what was a local jet boat operators building. There is a tall sign to the east of the pad with an image of Tawhaio on it, which is to remain and to be refurbished. A footpath connects the carpark to the bridge alongside the road edge.

From the concrete pad the land falls steeply towards the river to another level area which appears to be part of a floodway, however the existing vegetation suggests this would not flood often, or severely when it does. The area is open and grassed, with a few specimen trees dotted through the centre. The bank of the river drops steeply from the edge of this area, with large trees and shrubs along its edge. These trees block views to the town, however they also potentially provide some stabilisation of the bank, and so other means of stabilisation may be required if they are removed.

There is an existing 'Taumarunui' sign further north along the road and an information sign beside the concrete pad. The jetty formerly used by the jet boat operation is located along the river.



Kururau Road /Hakiaha St Bridge Orientation: North West





State Highway 4 Orientation: West



Lower Bank Corner Orientation: West



Concrete Pad Orientation: West



Lower Bank Corner Orientation: North East

The Natural, Cultural & Social Context - Meeting of Cultures

Both Maori and European have a strong kinship to the land, reflected through use of the landscape as a resource and as a place of origin.

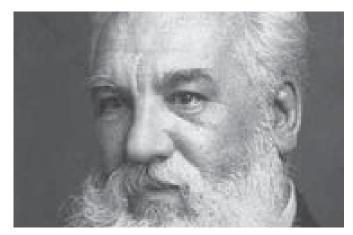
An important part of the design is representing the cultural significance of the region, and how Taumarunui has acted as a centre for local lwi, providing a middle ground and place of meeting.

The cultural background of the area can be represented in the waka sculpture and supports. There is also potential to represent the connections between cultures within the site by creating physical links through ground treatment or use of materials, or by using traditional building materials and construction methods.

Whanganui, Ngati Maniapoto & Ngati Tuwharetoa lwi have coexisted in King Country since settlement.



Alexander Bell (1874) was believed to be the first European settler in Taumarunui living locally as a trader.





The monument representing King Country known as 'Rohe Potae' or 'brim of a hat', referring to King Tawhaio's claim to land demonstrated by throwing his hat onto a map of the North Island

The Maori Warrior Chief, and second Maori King. King Tawhaio (1915)







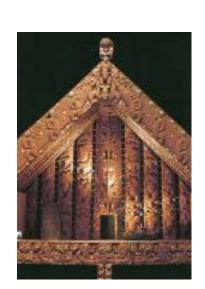




Meeting and integration of elements



Integration of local forms







The Natural, Cultural & Social Context - Rail and Forestry Heritage

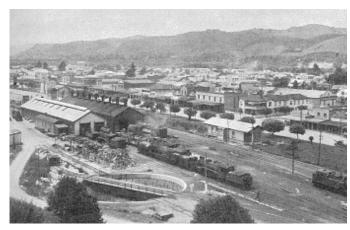
Taumarunui has a rich rail heritage directly relating to its proximity to the North Island Main trunk Line which helped to accelerate the towns growth and population during the timber industry boom in the early 1900's. The rail and timber industry forms an important part of the towns history and identity.

The railway's character is derived from its horizontal structure and its industrial materials. This has the potential to influence the design through use of the forms and materials from the rail and timber industry - steel and gravel, substantially sized timber elements, linear forms and industrial type construction methods.

The use of native timbers as rail sleepers countersunk into the earth or gravel beds can be an interpretation of this character.

The sleepers and gravel form the strong foundations of the railway, where the steel tracks reveal direction. This can be applied on site to the ground plane, to begin to inform way finding.

The North Island's Main Trunk Line was completed in 1908 servicing the timber industry boom that lasted into the mid 1900's.



The region experienced prosperity due to the opening of the passage between Te Kuiti and Taumarunui in 1903.





Ongarue Bridge - completed in 1911 and rebuilt in concrete in 1927.

New Zealand's forestry boom in the 19th century







Totara Sectional Cut



Railway Sleepers









Concrete with rough-sawn timber



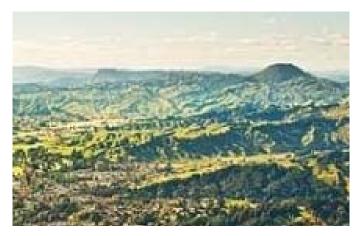
The Natural, Cultural & Social Context - Natural Land Formation

The King Country character is largely influenced by its landscape. The undulating rocky and rugged terrain, dense bush clad hills and valleys and winding rivers form both the character of the area and support the fast growing adventure tourism industry which is expected to have a significant impact on the town's future.

Taumarunui itself is built on an alluvial plain, on the northern bank of the Whanganui River, the third largest river in New Zealand, where it meets the Ongarue River. The Whanganui River flows north-west from the slopes of Mount Tongariro. At Taumarunui it flows south-west to the Whanganui National Park. The Ongarue River travels south from the Hauhungaroa Ranges, acting as a large tributary to the Whanganui River.

The river can inform the design through use of patterning and flowing forms, enhancing visual connections to the river itself from the site, and the use of vegetation common to the river.

The Hauhungaroa Ranges to the east & north east.



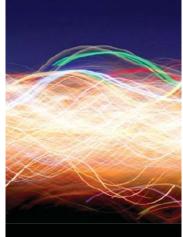
The merging of the Ongarue and Whanganui river, continuing south as the Whanganui River.



Mt Ruapehu, New Zealand's largest active volcano.



Formed from years of alluvial sediment succession from the surrounding hills and valleys of King Country.



Confluence patterning



Braided river confluence



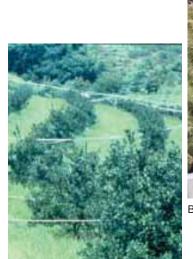
Meandering forms



River confluence



Braiding slope planting



Bank planting



The Natural, Cultural & Social Context - Future Tourism

Taumarunui is the gateway to the Ruapehu District and the adventure tourism attraction programmes the District contains. These make use of the unique natural elements of King Country, including river tours, tramping, horse back riding, Maori food tours and caving. Taumarunui's economic future is dependant largely on the growth of the area as a tourist destination.

Adventure tourism can be interpreted as the experience of the untamed rugged wilderness and include activities that have an element of danger, risk or lack of control. This idea can be expressed in the materiality and form of elements within the design through the use of rugged, natural materials such as weathered timber and coarse river stone and the design of structures which defy gravity or have an element of instability.

River boat tours run on the Whanganui River and previously on the Ongarue.





The Ruapehu District acts as the central ski and snowboarding destination in the North Island.

Tours allow visitors to explore the native bush in the hills, valleys and rivers surrounding Taumarunui.



River canoeing and jet boat tours are run on the Whanganui River.









Industrial steel structures



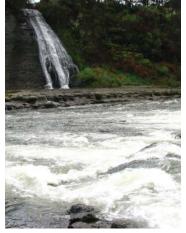
Views of vast landforms



River activities



River stone



Rapic



efving gravity

The Natural, Cultural & Social Context - Vegetation

The landscape of the District is an important aspect of the character and identity of Taumarunui. The untouched landscape formations of undulating rocky topography, rugged bush clad hills of dense green vegetation, and meandering rivers with lush banks form a palette of colour and texture.

Taumaruni similarly has its own unique character informed largely by its location on an alluvial plane at the convergence of the Whanganui and Ongarue rivers.

The pastoral landscape also informs the character of the area reflected through the numerous exotic tree species, shelter belts and naturalised exotic tree species along the river bank.

Local species identified include natives such as totara, flax, tree ferns, toi toi, astelia and grasses, plus exotics seen in the pastoral surroundings such as willow, poplar and the existing magnolia trees on site.

Planting on the site can reflect the lush and rugged natural character of the wider regional landscape, while also referencing the significant pastoral character.

This mix or convergence of character can be achieved through a structuring of planting with exotic species for street trees and larger specimen trees and a lower, understorey of predominantly native species.























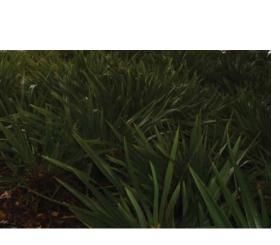












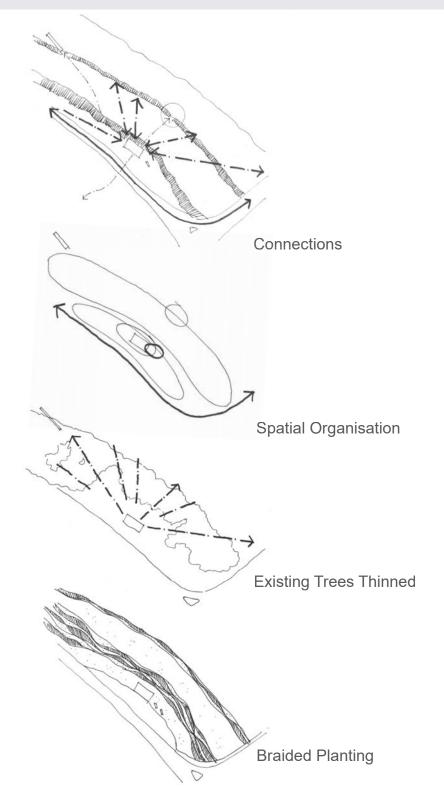


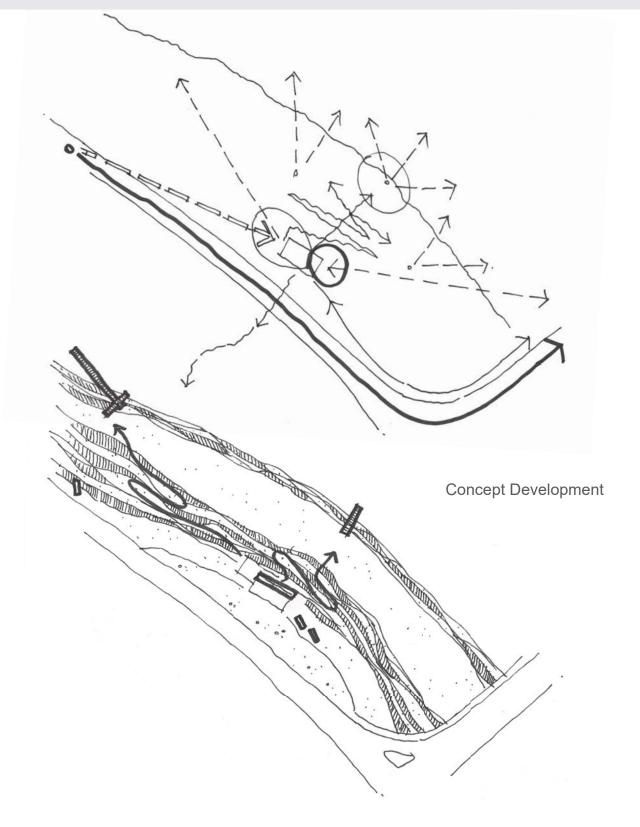
Concept Development

The concept draws upon an analysis of the regional, local, natural and social context. Firstly, physical and visual connections have been considered - the view of the site for visitors travelling along SH4 and across the site and the river to the town, the view from the site to the river and across to the town, the connection across the road to the walkway entrance, the pedestrian connection across the bridge to the town, and the connection through the site to the rivers edge and the existing jetty.

The spatial arrangement of the site was then considered, the 'landing' area adjacent to the road (upper terrace), the slope (between terraces), the more passive space in the floodway (lower terrace), and the river bank itself. The views from the site are constrained by the tree planting on the river bank, and proposed thinning or lifting of the canopies of these trees aims to improve visual connections. Finally a braided pattern, taken from the eddies and swirls of the river confluence, is introduced to inform the arrangement of planting of the steeper areas of the site.

Other landscape and built elements are then located based on relationships to views, physical connections and spatial arrangement with an emphasis on revealing the unique qualities of the site.





'Welcome to

recreation Area

Upper terrace

grassed area

Gravel carpark

Waka structure

See page 16 Gravel pathway

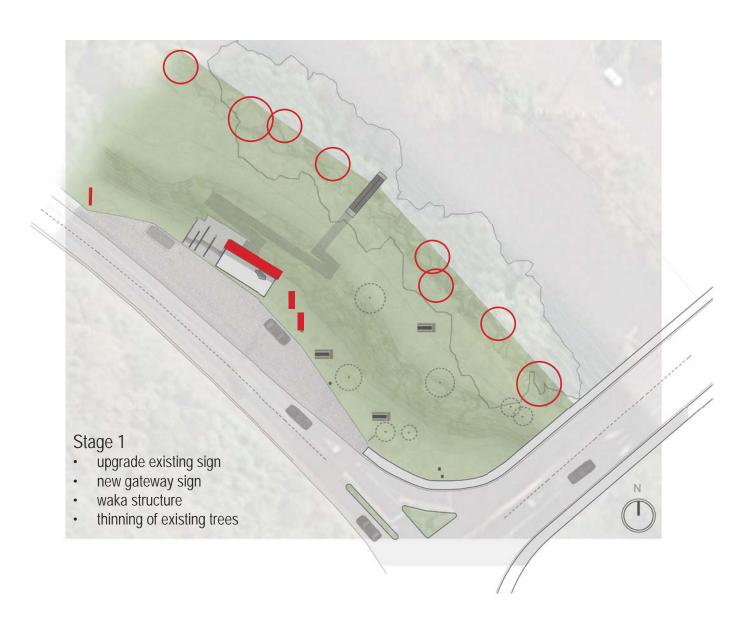
terrace River opening

(3.)



Implementation and Staging

Due to the nature of the design being made up of a series of individual elements, staging the implementation is quite straight forward. A possible implementation plan is given here for how the gateway could be staged.









ATTACHMENT

Design Progression - Shelter Structure and Waka

Through the development of the design, the key feature of the site has gone through several iterations. Originally the structure was envisaged as a shelter structure, located on the edge of the existing concrete pad. With four connecting roof structures, it was designed to represent the coming together/meeting of cultures and the branches face to the four points of the compass. A carved Po was proposed for the central pole, with the story of each of the lwi told on sign blades on the outer posts of the structure, with the European history of the areas timber and rail industries are told on the reverse side of each of the blades.

The second iteration used the same I beam materials reflective of the rail industry and which relate to the history of the area, as well as continuing the language of the rest of the site. The roof supporting structure was reflective of the steel truss bridges common in the area and used in the rail industry. Its a simple clean form, was easy to construct, and storm water to be channelled off the shelter into the planting behind.

The final iteration and the preferred concept is the Waka, as seen on the opposite page.

'Waka' Concept

The preferred concept for the gateway is based around the story of the waka and its representations. The Whanganui and Ongarue Rivers form part of the backbone to the Taumuarunui settlement and so are intrinsically linked to its 'sense of place'. Large waka were built in the surrounding area, and were the primary form of transport for the river based tribes.

In this concept the importance of the waka is reinforced. The waka is highly visible, and is directly related to the adjacent river.

The design allows for people to move under and around the waka, to touch, feel and engage with the concrete panels telling stories of the area. The openness of the pillars maintains the visual connection between the sculpture and the river.

The waka concept ties into the already proposed material palette, and the forms, textures and colours area also repeated through the use of steel I beams and textured concrete.













ATTACHMENT

Key Components

1. Waka sculpture

A Waka sculpture forms the central piece of the concept. The idea for the Waka is based around the notions of the journey through life, and is symbolic of the 'peoples/community' journey.

The design and materiality of the waka sculpture is something that will require careful consideration.

2. Four Pillars

The four pillars relate to the story of both the lwi and European culture in the area. The pillars are supporting the 'peoples/community' journey. They are strong, bold, heavy, and anchored to the land.

The pillars can be constructed from steel I beams and precast concrete panels. The frames for the pillars will consist of the steel I beams and these will be fixed to the existing concrete platform. This will give them the structural integrity required to stand and support the waka sculpture.

The precast concrete panels are then in filled into the steel frame. The concrete panels could be patterned around the idea of Tukutuku panels. The pattern on the concrete could relate to the stories of the local iwi, or have images of Taumarunui.

*Note that the panels do not have to be concrete. Other materials such as steel or fibreglass could be used to show stories, imagery or patterns. These materials could also be backlit to add another dimension to the design at night.

3. River Boulders

River boulders are to be incorporated around the base of the concrete pad. The boulders will be set into the ground to prevent any movement and risk of rolling. They will also hide the edges of the existing concrete pad. In the gaps between the boulders there will be soil added to allow native plants to grow, and the boulders will also be surrounded with native planting.

The precast concrete panels are patterned around the idea of Tukutuku panels. Tukutuku panels are a traditional Māori art form. They are decorative wall panels that were once part of the traditional wall construction used inside meeting houses. The forms and patterns on the panels tell stories about the iwi or local area.













Examples of Tukutuku panels are precast concrete panels



River boulders and native planting to be placed around the edge of the concrete platform

The design, form, and materiality of the waka sculpture is highly important and will require input and feedback from local iwi.







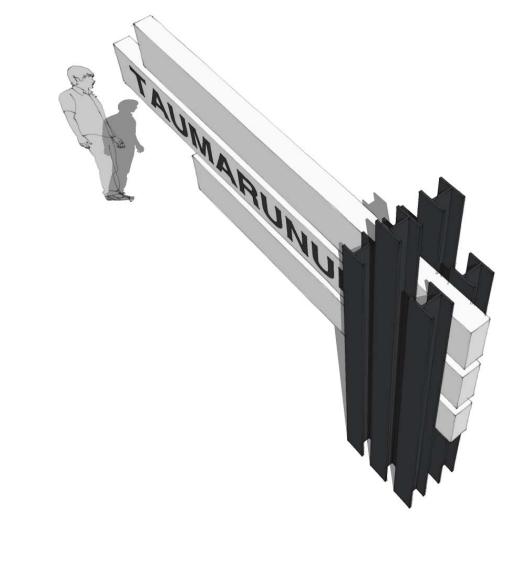
Examples of waka inspired sculptures by William Jameson and Virginia King

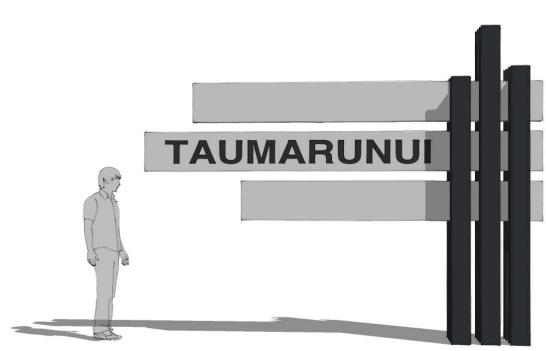
Taumarunui Sign

The proposed Taumarunui sign is a significant element of the gateway, a large structure seen from vehicles approaching the site. Drawing on the timber and rail heritage of the area, it is comprised of large solid pieces of weathered timber and industrial powder-coated steel I beams evocative of the industrial nature of rail related structures. An element of instability is incorporated into the character of the sign - through an over sizing of horizontal timber elements relative to the vertical steel elements.

Text is routed into the timber and stained to create the required contrast.

The vertical steel I beams could also incorporate laser cutting in the pattern of local carving forms.





	Option One	Option Two	Option Three
Technic	Taumarunui	TAUMARUNUI	TAUMARUNUI
Roman D	Taumarunui	taumarunui	TAUMARUNUI
Microsoft PhagsPa	Taumarunui	taumarunui	TAUMARUNUI
Levenim	Taumarunui	taumarunui	TAUMARUNUI
Cambria	Taumarunui	taumarunui	TAUMARUNUI
Calibri	Taumarunui	taumarunui	TAUMARUNUI







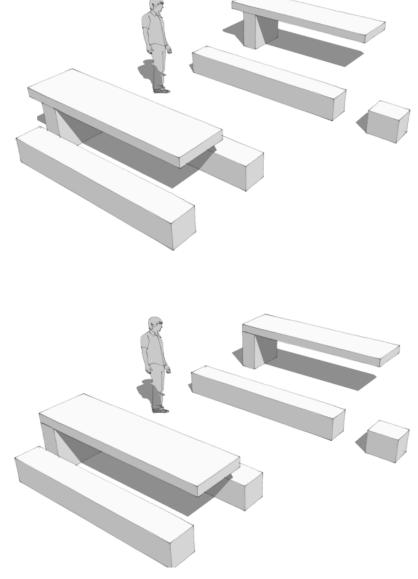


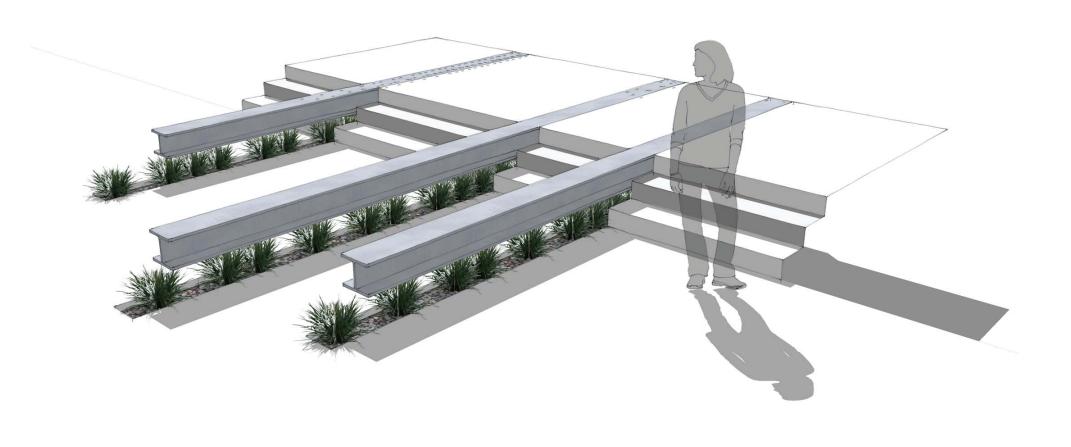


Picnic Table and Seating

Picnic tables and seating again draw on the timber heritage through the use of large slabs of weathered timber, and again make use of a sense of instability or feeling of being 'on edge' through cantilevering.

In the main rest area, steel I beams cantilever from a higher ground plane projecting out from the stairs to create informal seating, underplanted with native grasses and groundcovers.























Main Rest Area

The main rest area makes use of surface materials to evoke the character of Taumarunui. Options include the use of cast concrete with a rough-sawn timber surface texture, gravel, in-ground timber slabs, and coloured concrete.

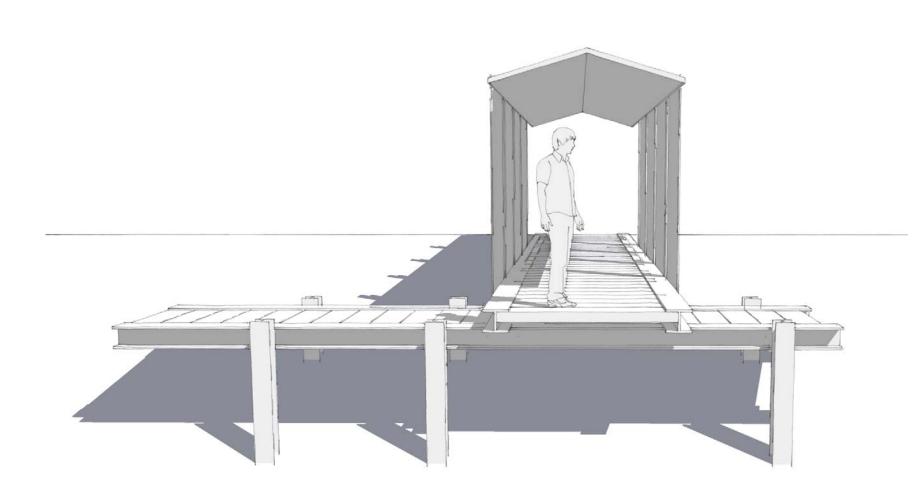
The area incorporates the existing concrete pad which could be resurfaced or sandblasted to tie into the proposed informal seating, steps, and proposed shelter structure.

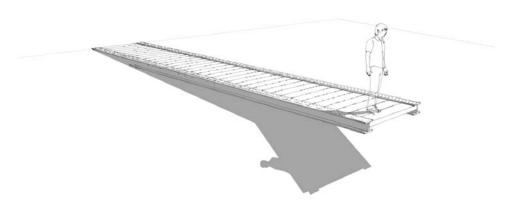


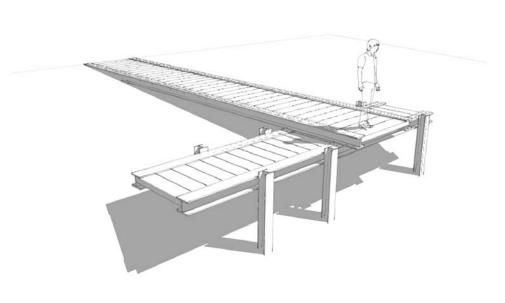
The River Lookout

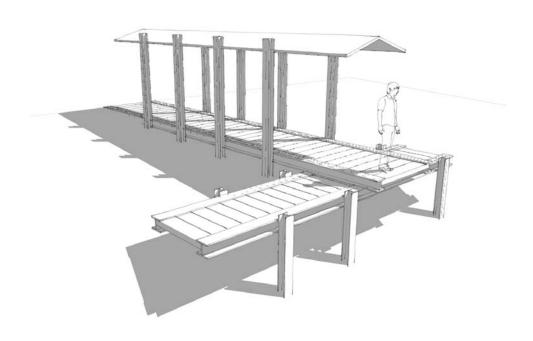
The lookout allows visitors to get close and engage with the river, experiencing views to the town and creating a strong link between the gateway site, river and town.

Constructed of timber with a steel I beam framework and with a pitched roof profile echoing that of the main shelter structure, the lookout can be implemented in stages as depicted, with the first deck initially constructed and following stages adding the second level deck and finally the shelter.























King Tawhiao Sign

The existing King Tawhiao sign is to be refurbished. The frame will be repainted a charcoal colour and infilled with panels. The picture of King Tawhiao is to be removed and assessed, and replaced with the Lindauer painted design shown here.



Report to: Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee

Meeting Date: 18 August 2022

Subject: **Capital Works and Other Items of Interest**



Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of this Report is to provide an update on the planned capital works and other items of interest in the Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee area in the 2022/23 Financial Year.

Significance and Engagement, Social Impact

2.1 Significance and Engagement

This report does not trigger the Significance and Engagement Policy 2018.

2.2 Social Impact

This report does not trigger the Social Policy 2018.

Discussion

3.1 **WORKS**

The list is a combination of contracted items and other items that Members have displayed an interest in. Other items can be added to the list on request. Updates since the last report are highlighted.

3.2 **Key to Status:**

RED: Significant concerns regarding project progress to time and/or budget targets AMBER: Visibility of issues that might impact project time or budget targets

GREEN: Project being managed within time and budget targets

Suggested Resolution(s)

That the Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee:

1 Receive the report Capital Works and Other Items of Interest

Clive Manley

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Email address for point of contact: clive.manley@ruapehudc.govt.nz

Attachments

1 Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee Capital Works and Other Items of Interest

Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee Capital Works and Other Items of Interest: 18 August 2022

3.3 R	3.3 ROADING			Updated by: A. Nicol				
Item	Activity	Key Date(s)	Status	Commentary				
R1	SH43 Forgotten World Highway	September 2022	Green	Tunnel Hill Drop out at RP 22km Road opened to one lane in December 2019. Waka Kotahi in investigation stage, getting options in place. Design approved, awaiting commencement date. Aug 2022: Work is underway on the retaining wall construction.				
R2	Footpath Renewal	June 2023	Green	Footpath condition rating to identify work programme is complete. The list of sites will be submitted to key stakeholder groups and Ward Committee. Grassing of last year's new section of footpath on Simmons Road is programmed.				
R3	Pavement	June 2023	Green The renewal sites are:					
	renewals			Road	Location (km)	Length (km)	Status	Description of work
				Poro O Tarao Rd	8.15	1.20	Completed	Pavement
				Ongarue Waimiha Rd	5.98	2.50	Planned for this financial year	Earthworks and pavement – deferred from 2021/22
R4	Minor Improvements	June 2023	Green	Funding has been approved \$280k list currently being re-prioritised. Aug 2022: Valley meetings will be held after the new contracts start in October. Funding will be allocated to minor improvements in conjunction with rehabilitation sites; and items identified at Valley meetings.				
R5	Stop Sign at Short Street	TBC	Amber	June 2021, Resident's concerns at lack of Stop Sign at end of Short Street leading onto Hakiaha Street and potential for traffic accidents. Officers referred to safety team at Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency who felt more appropriate measures were needed to mitigate risk to pedestrians and drivers. A speed table has been suggested (raised section of the road, with ramps on each side that aims to slow vehicles to a safe speed) Budget for works sits with Waka Kotahi. Jan 2022 This work is low priority for achieving funding. The speed table would be located at spot where it would slow traffic approaching the intersection but didn't interfere with the crossing point. It would likely be on the far side of the crossing point, so traffic is calmed as it approaches pedestrians. The exact location would be determined in the planning stage.				

3.4 ENVIRONMENTAL			Updated by: S. Watson	
Ite	Activity	Key Date(s)	Status	Commentary
E1	Taumarunui Water Supply Resource Consent	July 2022	Amber	Jan 2022: Outstanding resource consents have been identified as an issue by the new water regulator Taumata Arowai. Ongoing discussions with Ngāti Hauā and Ngā Tāngata Tiaki o Whanganui to ensure Council complies with the requirement to ensure Te Mana o te Wai is given effect as set out in the new Water Services Act. Aug 2022: Delayed due to staffing constraints with Iwi
E2	Hakiaha Street Upgrade	Ongoing	Amber	Jan 2022 Awaiting proposal from Veolia. Veolia and Hydrotech are looking at the impact of the supply chain issues on delivery of the project. Contract issued for construction estimated start date is late May. Dependant on COVID delays. Aug 2022 :Start date is now late August 2022
E3	Horizons Stopbank Culverts	Ongoing	Amber	Ongoing discussions with Ngāti Hauā and Ngā Tāngata Tiaki o Whanganui about stormwater management in Taumarunui.
E5	Hikumutu Wastewater Treatment Plant	June 2022	Amber	Aug 2022: The new step screen is being installed and security fencing has been upgraded around the facility Consent issued for work to start on the upgrade to the building and electrical systems
E6	Main Street Relining	August 2021	Red	A component of the Main (Hakiaha) Street revitalisation project. Previously approved by Council FY 18/19. Jan 2022 : Project is complete in the business area of town. Aug 2022 : Design work is being undertaken for the New World development tie in between the designer and Veolia
E9	Taumarunui Transfer Station Upgrade	July 2022	Amber	Oct 2021: Budget for roof structure approved to be reallocated to overall upgrade of site. Ward Committee approved upgrade plans. Majority of works to begin April/May 2022. Contractors in line to begin all upgrades.
E10	Golf Road Main	June 2022	Amber	Jun 2022: Hydrotech is undertaking the upgrade of the Golf Road Water Main between Bell Road and Lairdvale Road prior to moving onto the Hakiaha Street Upgrade with the new Water Main down Bell Road from Winstone Place. Aug 2022: Work has been completed in Golf Road with the final stage the tie into the Bell Road and Short Street Main Street upgrade which will be completed with this work in late August.

3.5 COMMUNITY & RECREATIONAL FACILITIES		LITIES	Updated by: Candice McNaught	
Item	Activity	Key Date(s)	Status	Commentary
C2	Taumarunui Grandstand	October 2022	Amber	Decision for next steps will require a subcommittee meeting to discuss. Quotes are being sought to replace the hot water cylinder for the North end changing rooms following a leak. A quote for two options for replacement of the roof has been received by one contractor and we are awaiting a quote from a second contractor. Lock put on downstairs room to enable Districts Rugby Club to store equipment here securely while Athletics Building is used by New World. Mar 2022: Monthly cleans scheduled for facility with one off deep clean scheduled. Investigations underway to extend safety rails on upper level of grandstand. May 2022: User groups including Districts and Junior Rugby have regular bookings for the jubilee grandstand. Deep clean of facility completed in May. Users have the option to use the upper level of the grandstand if desired. Daily charge for the grandstand is \$50 per use through Council's customer services team. Further seed funding required for upper level barrier upgrades.
C3	Taumarunui Saleyards	2022/23	Green	May 2022: License to occupy up for review with TRAC, site still being used by compliance and GHD. Trees used as training for Civil defence volunteers.
C4	Hakiaha Street Decorative Lighting	2022/23	Green	May 2022 : Investigations underway for decorative lighting for Taumarunui Railway Station platform in conjunction with TRAC. Investigations into long term Matariki lighting in Mansons gardens and infrastructure to support temporary lighting.
C5	Taumarunui Domain	September 2022	Red	Realignment and Drain boardwalk: There is \$21,000 available in capital budget that could be allocated to support the THRIVE initiatives at the Domain. Meeting held 29 March 2021 with THRIVE representative and Te Awanui a Rua Charitable Trust to discuss progress and drain. Final approval required for the planting plan. Queried whether the funding could be passed over to an organisation and tagged for this purpose prior to the end of the financial year if a decision not made on location of boardwalk. Meeting with MWA Solutions and Tutukaka Consultants Ltd to develop overall plan for the Domain. Tutukaka Consultants to meet with iwi. Testing of the water in the drain to be undertaken to assess levels of Iron and E.Coli bacteria. Tests results show that the quality is reasonable. Iwi would like entire drain to be fenced. Meeting to be arranged with iwi, Property & Waters Team. May 2022: Concepts for fencing options on agenda for next operational meeting with Ngāti Hauā.
				Taumarunui Domain Shelter: May 2022: (Hiab operator) will reconnoitre the route well in advance, so that Council will have time to remove bollards/impediments if required. Onsite investigations complete to ascertain orientation to ensure best shade. Site will be fenced for works to commence. Karakia will be organised with Iwi Team to liaise. Earthworks, sump and

				concrete pad will be completed. Rotary to install July 2022. Council to pick up any additional items, advertise opening and blessing.
				Taumarunui Ramp: May 2022: Planting renovations completed for Taumarunui Domain with onsite visit with Recreational services in June for future planting plans.
C6	Taumarunui Walkways Operational Budget	September 2022	Amber	Sunshine Track: Mar 2022: Onsite investigations undertaken by Recreational and Community Facilities team included Tramping Club Taumarunui investigating an alternate track around the fallen trees, but terrain not suitable for alternate track. Builder scoped works to build a bridge over four of the fallen trees and local Arborist cutting through two of the fallen trees. Estimated (6-7k). Require a Representative of Ngati Haua present when works commence, scope of works approved. Currently no existing budget to extend up into the Red Woods in LTP, will begin investigations to extend. Fallen trees with lwi to manage the logistics of the removal. May 2022: Report to provide status update in confidential.
				Sunshine Hill Walkway: has been tidied up with vegetation cleared, drains realigned and the surface gravelled and compacted. Cr Ngatai has asked that meeting to discuss options for maintenance of tracks going forward be a whole TOWC discussion. May 2022: Part of the overall condition assessment completed by Xyst. Budget constraints for ongoing maintenance. Scoping for possible integration into Parks and Reserves delivery in future.
				Rangaroa Track: May 2022: Part of the overall condition assessment completed by Xyst. Budget constraints for ongoing maintenance. Scoping for possible integration into Parks and Reserves delivery in future. For volunteers to express interest in maintenance, Health and Safety Induction to site with tools is sufficient to begin regular maintenance.
				Te Peka Track : May 2022: Part of the overall condition assessment completed by Xyst. Budget constraints for ongoing maintenance. Scoping for possible integration into Parks and Reserves delivery in future. Engagement required with lwi for interest in maintenance upkeep, Stuart Shaw and some volunteers still maintaining parts.
				House Ave Walkway: May 2022: (Land Transport) Renewal of quotes for re-instatement. Investigations to be completed by NZTA for Health and Safety if construction of a new rebuilt walkway is commenced. Under budget constraints for rebuild. Report for project to TOWC in 2022/23 Financial year.
				Te Marie: Discuss with DOC/ Visit Ruapehu, updating the i-SITE brochures to associate with Taumarunui. Condition assessment complete by Xyst for works to be feed into a wider walking and cycleway strategy. May 2022: Final draft underway for strategy, working in with Land transport for funding for cycle ways, walkways to be managed by Recreational and Facilities. Report to council 2022/23 Financial year. Any increases to level of service will need to be workshopped with the strategy as it will incur possible rate rise. June 2022 : Officers advised

				investigations into the design and upkeep of the track to meet Recreation Aotearoa's standards commenced last year and formed part of the condition assessment undertaken as part of the walking and cycleway strategy. The designs have been shared with lwi for feedback before a report can be presented to the Committee.
C7	2021/2022 Accessible Walkways Capital Budget	Summer 22/23	Amber	Accessible Taumarunui River Walkway: March 2022: Met with Horizons in March to discuss. Horizons agreed to undertake works under their own Resource Consent for ramps impacting the stopbank. Concept designs for the entire project underway by Recreational and Community facilities team. May 2022: Existing project brief to complete accessible walkway with metal finish from King Tawhio to Manunui Camping ground in LTP. Contractors engaged to quote for Ramps off GHD design at Turaki Street and Across from 140 Taupo Road. Ramps will be completed 2022/23 financial year alongside native planting from Horizons (Nigal Jordan & Wayne Spencer). Kissing gates purchased in 2021/22 financial year with project briefed with stakeholders. NZTA have approved under pass for walkway under Manunui bridge. Right of way to be established with one private land owner.
				Additions: Rotary have expressed interest to maintain Saw Millers Grove, Whaakarotahi Trust expressed interested to maintain from Saw Millers Grove to Manunui Bridge. Horizons expressed interest for walkway to connect from King Tawhio to Taringamotu river next to Taumarunui Transfer station. Engagement with Maniapoto, Ngāti Hauā, Nga Tangata Tiaki underway. Report to provide status update.
C8	Cherry Grove Domain	Summer 22/23	Amber	Soccer Field: May 2022: \$15,000 budget allocated for repairs to damage of the Cherry Grove domain following vandalism. Turf repairs clashed with the organised summer league in 2021. Repairs scheduled as part of the new Parks and Reserves Contract with Recreational Services National Turf Manager.
				Cherry Grove Toilets: May 2022: Cleaning frequency four times weekly. Scoped for minor improvements 22/23 financial year.
C9	Wayfaring Signage	October 2022	Green	May 2022: Guide to visual standards for signs for Ruapehu under review. The final will be used for walkways including the accessible river walkway project.
C10	Town Centre Toilet Signage	Click or tap here to enter text.	Choose a progress status	June 2022: Members noted the signage was being damages and requested if images could be painted on the side. Officers undertook to review signage for all the Ward's toilets.
C11	Dog Exercise Area	Click or tap here to enter text.	Choose a progress status	Officers worked through suggestions provided by the Ward Committee and determined none were suitable and noted the topic forms part of the Ruapehu Bylaw and Dog Policy review currently underway. Aug 2022: All areas suggested by the Ward committee are significant sites for iwi. They require significant engagement with iwi and at this stage are considered

				nonviable options. Council staff will engage with Iwi through the Ruapehu Bylaw review on this matter. It should also be noted; when Council originally resolved the investigation of a dog exercise area for Taumarunui, it was intended to be along the main road for visitors to use, rather than breaching the Ruapehu Bylaw by having dogs in the CBD. This request, also makes any of the suggested sites not located along the main highway non-viable for the original request, as Nga Huinga has an exercise area for the public to use.
C12	Taumarunui Campground Dump Station	Click or tap here to enter text.	Choose a progress status	In accordance with the Ground Lease Agreement, it is the responsibility of the Lessee to maintain the dump station, however, Officers advised a works order had been raised with a contractor to include as part of its ongoing schedule and undertook to follow up with the Contractor and update the Capital Works Report.

3.6 OTHER ITEMS				Updated by:	
Item	Activity	Key Date(s)	Status	Commentary	
01	Taumarunui Town Map	Ongoing	Red	Map drafted. Working on Māori language words for facilities and locations of interest. June 2022: the project has been significantly delayed due to challenges with translations and local capacity to support the project. Council's Executive Manager lwi Relationships is exploring options to progress the translation aspect.	
O2	Veranda Strengthening Programme	Project restarting	Green	May 2022: The Veranda Project was put on hold in 2021, as the additional costs which would fall on business when they were sustaining considerable pressure due to the ongoing pandemic, were felt to be better left until a more stable commercial environment was reached. The project is now being picked up. The costs will need to be reassessed. Report to August 2022 Meeting	

Report to: Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee

Meeting Date: 18 August 2022

Subject: Resolution to Exclude the Public for Consideration for

Committee Business



Purpose of Report

1.1 Section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 gives the Board the right by resolution to exclude the public from the whole or any part of the proceedings of any meeting on one or more of the grounds contained within that Section.

Suggested Resolution(s)

That the Taumarunui-Ōhura Ward Committee:

- 1 Receives the Report Resolution to Exclude the Public for Consideration of Committee Business; and
- 2 Excludes the public from the following part of the proceedings of the meeting.
- Notes the general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing the resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

	eral Subject of each ter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under S48(1) for passing this resolution
C1:	Confirmation of Public Excluded Minutes: 9 June 2022	The reason(s) for excluding the public is/are recorded in the Public Business Minutes of the meeting.	48(1)(a)
C2:	Confidential Briefing	To protect the privacy of natural persons. To maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expressions of opinions by, or between, or to members of or officers or employees of any local authority, or any persons to whom Section 2(5) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 applies, in the course of their duty.	s7(2)(a), s7(2)(c), s7(2)(f)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act or Section 6 or Section 7 or Section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982 as the case may require which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public as stated in the above table.

Tasha Paladin

GOVERNANCE MANAGER