

Community Park operations update – September 2020 to November 2020

Meeting: Mangawhai Community Park Governance Committee
Date of meeting: 07 December 2020
Reporting officer: Hamish Watson, Parks and Recreation Manager

Purpose/Ngā whāinga

To report to the Mangawhai Community Park Governance Committee (MCPGC) on the Operations and Capital Works programmes to support governance of the Master Plan.

Executive summary/Whakarāpopototanga

- The focus for the last quarter has been the Te Tai Tokerau Redeployment Package, now this is coming to an end staff can refocus on the agreed works plan.
- Public toilets are continuing with a building consent issued, now waiting on toilet to be built, this will likely be March for install.
- Staff are continuing to work on the wetland plan and bridge works. Engagement with NRC and Tracks Trust will be undertaken as part of this work.
- Shared path RC has been applied for in the same application as the sandhill removal, this is waiting on approval, once approved work can begin.
- Staff are continuing to work with the Historic Village to complete the works for RC and Building consent sign off.
- Staff are in the process of establishing a Traffic Impact Assessment for the Mangawhai Community Park which will support individual applications for consents within the park. This will cover normal day to day interactions for the park, not extraordinary events.

Recommendation/Ngā tūtohunga

That the Mangawhai Community Governance Committee:

- a) Notes the Community Park operations update - September 2020 to November 2020.

Context/Horopaki

The MCPGC is the body which oversees the implementation of the Mangawhai Community Park Master Plan (the Master Plan) for the Mangawhai Community Park (MCP). The revised MCP 2015/2025 Work Programme was adopted in June 2016 and amended in May 2017.

The Master Plan was developed after public consultation and feedback and adopted by Council on 25 November 2014. The Vision for the Park is:

Mangawhai Community Park will be a visible, predominantly natural, public space at the entrance to Mangawhai Heads, used (freely) by the community for recreation and enjoyment of the outdoor environment.

Discussion/Ngā kōrerorero

Health and Safety:

Previously KDC received an abatement notice for an unauthorised fire within the Park, staff were asked to look at Council's obligations and any rules for fires, as Mangawhai Community Park is not a Reserve there is nothing under Council's bylaws but it does fall under the Northland Regional Council (NRC) rules. Staff will share this information with all stakeholders through the Friends of Mangawhai Community Park Group.

▪ Rule C7.1.1 Outdoor burning outside the Whangarei airshed- permitted activity.

1. the discharge does not result in any noxious, dangerous, offensive or objectionable odour, smoke, dust, or any noxious or dangerous levels of airborne contaminants beyond the boundary of the subject property or in the coastal marine area, and
2. the only materials burnt are a) untreated wood, paper, cardboard, vegetative matter, and b) animal carcasses and offal on production land, and
3. it does not take place on an industrial or trade premises, unless burning is in an incineration device and only untreated wood, paper, cardboard and vegetative matter generated on-site are burnt, and
4. where any outdoor burning is likely to last for more than 24 hours and it is within 100 metres of a smoke-sensitive area on another property: a) the neighbouring property with the smoke-sensitive area must receive notification no less than 24 hours and no more than two weeks before the outdoor burning activity is to take place, and b) notification must: i. be in writing (which can include email or other electronic means), and ii. include: 1. a contact name and number for the person supervising the burn, and 2. details of materials to be burnt, and 3. general time the burning will commence, and 4. approximate length of time the burn will take.

Note: Prior to the lighting of any fire in open air, the fire season in the location should be checked and any necessary permit(s) obtained from Fire and Emergency New Zealand.

For the avoidance of doubt this rule covers the following RMA activities: • Discharge of a contaminant into air from outdoor burning (15(1) and s15(2A)).

Te Tai Tokerau Redeployment Package:

Work has continued with the Te Tai Tokerau Redeployment Package with all the approved tree removal complete. We are looking at budgets and the possibility of clearing the 'Mertz' site on Thelma south Road. Stage 1 planting is nearing completion with just some additional planting to be done now the last of the mulching has been completed. The last of the track clearance has been completed now. Staff have allowed budget as part of this package to cover any pest plant control that is needed over summer before planting can be completed next season.

Staff have had to apply for a resource consent (RC) with KDC and NRC to remove the sandhill, although the area is zoned rural it falls under the coastal area, so a RC is required. Staff are also working with stakeholders to look at options as this work will need to be carried out safely so investigating ways to complete this work while keeping the area open. The water tank will most likely not survive the shift so this has now been added to the sandhill removal scope. Once they have completed the sandhill work the carpark driveway concrete extension will be completed. There are also additional funds from the tree sales that can be utilised later.

- Budget spend to date for this work \$330,390 Expected spend \$760,000

Capital Works:2020-21

Description	Budget	Spend to date	Comments
Wetland development plan	\$30,000	\$5,496	Working with NRC and stakeholders to gather information
Develop area behind Fire Station/St John's	\$30,000		Ongoing
Resource Consent & Bridge above Historic Village	\$40,000	\$1,765	Ongoing
Carry over works: Urban landscape design and Traffic assessment Golf Club/Club entrance	\$31,000	\$5,879	Continued work on the Urban Landscape Design Plan
Total spend	\$131,000	\$13,140	

Note: Carry overs were approved, Financials adjusted to show new balance.

Next Quarter:

- Continue with toilet installation
- Redeveloping area behind St Johns and Fire Station
- Shared path development
- Wetland plan

Financial implications

The financial budgets are set within the Long-Term Plan (LTP) and respective Annual Plan.

Significance and engagement/Hirahira me ngā whakapāpā

The decisions or matters of this report do not trigger the significance criteria outlined in Council's Significance and Engagement Policy, and the public will be informed via agenda on the website.

Next steps/E whaiake nei

Continue to implement the Works Programme and Master Plan