

Long Term Plan 2024-2027 – Deliberations Open Spaces and Facilities

104 comments were received for Open Spaces and Facilities. We have grouped these by location due to specific community needs and wants. There were also some themes tagged to open spaces and facilities that will be responded to in their relevant group topic.

Theme	Submissions	Topic	Points raised on submissions	Options and Assessments	Impact on LTP 2024-2027	Recommendation to Council	Response (to submitter/s)
Invest in / maintain parks / gardens / playgrounds	16	Kaiwaka	<p>More playgrounds in Kaiwaka</p> <p>Consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - End of Hastie Lane - Top of Marshall Road - Skateboard park on donated land below 4Square <p>Major revamp:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Playground at sports ground 	No funding available in this LTP	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Playground location suggestions will be added to the Council future activity pipeline for consideration in the next LTP
		Dargaville	Fence around Selwyn Park due to children playing by State Highway	No additional funding to fully fence around the entire park in this LTP	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Health and Safety audits are conducted quarterly with assessment of road safety. A project exists in year 2024-2025 of the LTP for general fencing, playground, and drainage improvements within Selwyn Park
			Plant trees in Selwyn Park for shelter		No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	This request will be added and included within the vegetation management plan for that park and will assess if further trees for shelter is required
			Install a small playground on Council owned land	No additional funding for	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	The planning of what Council considers to be the best use for

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			on Montgomery Avenue, Dargaville	playground is included in the LTP			some land is underway. Any further playgrounds will be assessed and considered in the next LTP
			There is another mountain bike park at Harding Park that few know about because there is no signage giving direction of its location.	Signage and promotion of the park is underway, will be completed by December 2024, and funded within the 2024-25 operational budget	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Work on the Harding Park mountain bike track is continuing with Council and community groups working together. Signage and promotion will be installed.
		Mangawhai	Have no dogs on the beach and build a dog park that holidaymakers pay for	This requires a change to the current dog bylaw. At present, there is no plan to amend this bylaw	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Please refer to our current dog bylaw. https://www.kaipara.govt.nz/council/policies-bylaws-and-legislation/bylaws At present, there is no plan to amend this bylaw.
			A. Lincoln Downs Park - postpone any construction to next 3 year period B. Hand over Lincoln Downs to a community group to develop. Sport Northland and	A. The 'Trackies' group are already involved in developing some of this area. B. Council will be interested to discuss any other options with interested	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	A. Council is maintaining funding in year 2026-27 of the LTP, as the 'Trackies' group are already involved in developing some of this area. B. Council will be interested to discuss with any with interested community group/s to explore options, or all, or greater involvement in Lincoln Downs

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			others support this proposal.	Community group/s to explore options or all or greater involvement in Lincoln Downs			
Invest in / maintain community sports facilities	14	Kaiwaka	Kaiwaka sports grounds in need of a boost. Pay someone to look after the grounds and surrounds	Not recommended to outsource this activity	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Council will continue to provide funding for the maintenance of the grounds. Any improvements to the driveway, carpark and other amenities will be assessed in the Annual Plan consultation process or will be assessed in the next LTP.
			McLean Park upgrade to include a pontoon and drainage solution	No funds available for a pontoon in the LTP	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Funds are available for the drainage solution, and this will be completed next financial year. We will add the suggestion of a pontoon into our future activity planning and assessed in the next LTP.
			Work with community group who has developed concepts for recreational and social use of McLean Park with skate/ 'roll play' areas, picnic spaces, and a jetty for river access	Work with Community groups to initiate recreational and sporting facilities and seek external funding when available	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Council will continue to work with the community groups to develop McLean park, however, funding will be assessed in the next LTP

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		Dargaville	Kauri Coast swimming pool - increase the subsidy for KDC ratepayers and residents - make it an indoor pool	The contract renewal is in year one of the LTP and any funding will be agreed at that date	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	As operational activities and management of this facility are considered, cost recovery is an important factor. The contract renewal is in year 2024-25 of the LTP and any funding will be agreed at that date.
		Mid Kaipara	Urgent need for indoor court facility in Otamatea area	No funding available for indoor court facility within this LTP	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Indoor facilities have been noted across the District and these suggestions will be included in future activity planning and assessed in the next LTP
Invest in / maintain community toilets	5	Kaihu	The Kaihu Valley trail needs to have toilet facilities.	No funding available for toilet facility within this LTP	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Will propose that this suggestion is included for consideration in the business case and external funding for stage 2 of the KVT.
		Dargaville	Dargaville town toilets, always closed or broken.	Operational funds are included in year one of the LTP for increased repairs to this facility	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Operational funds are included in the LTP for increased repairs to this facility.
		Taharoa Domain	Kai Iwi lakes needs a lot spent on upgrades. The toilet facilities are disgusting.	Council and external funds are available for visitor's toilets and upgrading wastewater treatment system	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	A project is underway to establish day visitor toilets to relieve the pressure on those at the campground. Part of this project is to upgrade the wastewater treatment system.

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				in year one of the LTP			
Invest in wharf repairs	2	Wharves	Urgent repairs needed to the Whakapirau Wharf	Funding is available in year one of the LTP for repairs to the wharf	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	A structural report has been commissioned to understand what works are required here and the necessary repairs will be scheduled for completion in the 2024-25 financial year.
			Fix Tinopai wharf	Funding is available in year one of the LTP for repairs to the wharf	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Funding is available in year 2024-25 of the LTP for repairs to the wharf.
Invest in / maintain berms	5	Berms	Council intervention when berms aren't cared for by resident	This is considered on a case by case basis	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Council has Berm Mowing Operational Guidelines . This is considered on a case by case basis.
Invest in pest control	4	Pest control	Work with NRC, DoC and others for pest control	This is covered as part of our routine maintenance activities.	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	It is already proposed within this LTP to adopt more multi-agency collaboration and this subject could be one of those. These suggestions will be included in future activity planning.
General	22	All Kaipara	Recreational spaces are accessible	For rebuild of new spaces accessibility should be at the forefront of the conversation for environmental planners and	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Accessibility is considered in the design of all new facilities and where required for, safety assessed on case by case basis.

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				landscape architects			
			Support for investment in active recreation facilities and services including indoor facilities	No funding available in the LTP	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	These suggestions will be included in future activity planning and assessed in the next LTP.
			Put off spending on anything other than water supply, wastewater and roading recovery	No funding available in the LTP	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	This has largely been the focus of this LTP with only necessary works included.
			- Keep reserves for sport and recreation facilities only rather than other community facilities - Less buildings and prioritise green spaces in our reserves	No funding available in the LTP	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	These suggestions will be included in future activity planning for sports and recreational activities. Any new programmes will be assessed in future LTP.
			-Contract Parks management to independent organisations -Break it up into smaller contracts for each geographic area	No funding available in the LTP	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	Council has a current contract for maintenance of parks, reserves, cemeteries, public toilets, buildings, and gardens. When this contract is up for renewal in June 2027 this will be considered as part of the procurement process.
			Consider user pays for facilities, whether that is targeted rate or fee for use	No user pays but additional targeted rate for parks and libraries are	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	No user pays but additional targeted rates for parks and libraries are proposed in this LTP.

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				proposed in this LTP			
			Town beautification - More seats for resting when people are walking - More small community gardens or playgrounds - Tidying up of streetscapes - Close some roads to be pedestrian access only at busy times - Weed management - Community planting days	No funding available in this LTP for any improvements of beatification of streetscape. However, we will continue with general maintenance on playground, streetscapes and weed management.	No change to the LTP	No change to the LTP	These suggestions will be included in future activity planning for roading, parks, streetscapes and assessed in the next LTP.
Mangawhai slip repair	22	Mangawhai Heads Beach slip	Surf club should be a priority of this council, if not let them fix.	All 22 submissions indicated KDC should support the progression of the slip repair as the Surf Life Saving Club is a hugely important part of the community providing a service to the	No change to the LTP	Council is working through the options with the Mangawhai Surf Club.	Staff are working through a plan to revitalise the Mangawhai Heads reserve for future Council direction. \$150k has been budgeted to develop a Masterplan. Council is working through the options with the Mangawhai Surf Club.

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				community that literally saves lives. Council is working through the options with the Mangawhai Surf Club.			