

PART ONE:

INTRODUCTION

AND BACKGROUND

Key objectives of the Management Plan are summarised below:

- To recognise that the Massey Ward Reserves have various uses and a range of users and to provide for and enhance the continued use and enjoyment of the reserves.
- To maintain and improve the management and administration of the Massey Ward reserves.
- To maintain and improve the vegetative structure of the reserves to provide a more pleasant amenity for users.
- To implement the objectives of the Green Network where possible.
- To encourage and support community participation and input into the future development of any of the Massey Ward reserves subject to this Management Plan.
- To ensure that the existing electricity infrastructure in the Reserves is recognised and protected and that the enhancement and management of the Reserves takes into account the unique requirements of this infrastructure base.

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- To encourage the development and management of reserves to meet the needs of the local community.

1.0 Context

1.1 Massey Ward Environment

The Waitakere City Massey Ward extends from Herald Island in the north, to Ranui in the west and Lincoln Road to the south. The Massey Ward is comprised of a mix of business and residential development and covers a large area of Waitakere City, generally on land that has a gently sloping topography. There is a range of housing styles and influences, from the 1960's (Massey Area) to the 1980's.

The reserves are located within the neighbourhoods of Herald Island, Whenuapai, Hobsonville, West Harbour, Royal Heights, Massey, Ranui and Lincoln. Map 1 illustrates the locations of the 72 reserves included in this plan.

These Local reserves have been developed for different functions and purposes, which is evident from the park audit that has been undertaken as part of this Reserve Management Plan. The reserves have all been designed to meet the needs of the local community.

The reserves are typically located within an urban residential context and, in places, form an integral component of a wider neighbourhood reserve network. It is noted that this Reserve Management Plan has been prepared for the Local reserves in the Massey Ward and does not include City-wide or Esplanade Reserves which are subject to separate plans.

The character of each of the reserves varies from a simple pedestrian walkway to playgrounds, sports fields, community facilities and passive open space. The larger reserves accommodate buildings of various capacity and function from sports club rooms to community halls and other public facilities.

There are a variety of elements to the reserves with the smaller spaces being defined by the residential neighbourhood in which they are located. The larger reserves have visual connections with the broader city environment encompassing the Waitakere Ranges and the Waitemata Harbour.

This Reserve Management Plan will set out the Objectives and Policies for the management of the Massey Ward Local Reserves.

The Plan has been produced within the framework of the Waitakere City Council Parks Strategy.

The Plan has been divided into 5 distinct areas within the Ward being:

Whenuapai/ Herald Island/ Hobsonville;

Bannings Way Reserve
Bass Reserve
Bill Moir Reserve
Connemara Reserve
Hendrika Court
Herald Island Domain & Access Strip
Reflection Reserve
Sailfish Reserve
Starlight Park

Tornado Reserve
Whenuapai Hall Reserve
Wiseley Reserve
Oak Park

West Harbour;

Buckingham Common
Buisson Glade Reserve
Crosby Reserve
Da Vinci park
Flaunty Reserve
Hilda Griffin Reserve
Kayle Glen Walk
Luckens Reserve
Midgely Park
Mona Vale Reserve
Pahi Park
Rena Place Recreation Reserve
St Margarets Park
Trig Reserve
West Harbour Reserve

Massey East;

Claverdon Park
Holmes Reserve
Makora Park
Manutewhau Reserve
Royal Heights Reserve
Spargo Reserve
Tatyana Park

Massey West;

Cyclarama Reserve
Emerald Valley Park
Gallony Park
Keegan Park
Kemp Park
Lilburn Crescent
Lincoln Park Reserve
Massey Domain
Massey Leisure Centre
McClintock Reserve
Melia Reserve
Raelene Reserve
Reynella Reserve
Royal Reserve
Rush Creek
Sarajevo Reserve
Triangle Park
Zita Maria Park

Henderson / Ranui;

Alan Reserve
Coroglen Reserve
Corran Reserve
Daytona Reserve
Elvira Walk
Fairdene Reserve
Ferngrove Park
Glen Norman Reserve
Greenberry Reserve
Kingdale Reserve
Lincoln Road Plant Reserve
Marinich Reserve
Martin Jugum Reserve
Pooks Reserve
Ranui Domain
Ranui Station Park
Sun Place Esplanade Reserve
Waitemata Corner
Woodford Reserve.

1.2 The Purpose of the Reserves Management Plan

The intention of the Management Plan is to, "Provide for and ensure the use, enjoyment, protection and preservation, as the case may require, and to the extent that the administering body's resources permit, the development as appropriate, of the reserve for the purposes of which it is classified."

1.3 How to use this Reserve Management Plan

The Management Plan is presented in three parts:
Part 1 - contains the statutory and strategic context in which management plans are created. This also sets out a site analysis of each reserve within the Massey Ward, and description of the public consultation that was undertaken.

Part 2 - This part of the Plan includes a summary of submissions that were received as part of the consultation. It sets out the Objectives and Policies, which in part, have been based upon consideration of the submissions.
Part 3 - includes Concept Plans for 18 selected reserves, showing how future development can be implemented.
Part 3 includes a Table of Works for each reserve which outlines the priorities for implementation.

1.4 The Reserve Management Plan Process

Under Section 41 of the Reserves Act 1977, there are certain criteria and steps that must be undertaken before a Management Plan is created and adopted. Steps for this Plan are outlined below:

December 2004

Massey Community Board approve proposal to prepare and publicly notify Management Plan for Massey Ward reserves.

February 2005

Public notification of intention to prepare Management Plan. Submissions called for.

January/February

Background research and initial discussions and contact with interest groups. Issues identified and evaluated and included in Draft Plan.

March/April 2005

Open days on Management Plan issues and suggestions.

April 2005

Preliminary Public submissions close.

May/July 2005

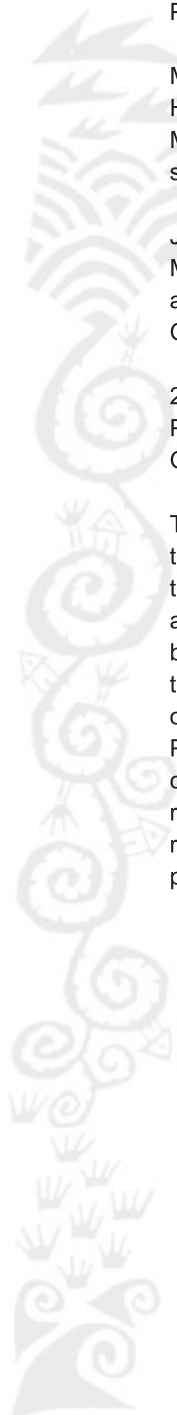
Preparation of Draft Management Plan.

September 2005

Advisory Board meeting held to determine content of Draft Plan and discuss issues.

October 2005

Massey Community Board approve the Draft Plan to be publicly notified for submissions for a two month submission period.



December 2005

Public submissions on Draft Plan close.

May 2006

Hearing of submissions on Draft Plan by the Massey Community Board and decisions on submissions.

July 2006

Modification of Plan according to decisions and adoption of final Management Plan on behalf of Council.

2006-beyond

Plan kept under continual review by Waitakere City Council.

The Reserves Act requires that every reserve is to have a Management Plan prepared for it. Once the Management Plan has been adopted, the administering body (in this case Waitakere City Council) is to keep that Plan under continual review as is outlined above. This is required to ensure that the Plan is able to adapt to changing circumstances and requirements. The review procedure is outlined within the Act and requires a public notification and submission process as outlined above.