

Part Two

Objectives and Policies

This part of the Management Plan sets out issues and their subsequent policies and implementation actions in terms of the objectives for managing the Park. Further implementation actions are detailed in Part 3 of the Plan, which outlines specific works proposed for the Park.

1. Vision Statement

To create a park which retains the natural open space character of all the Park land at Harbourview for the perpetual enjoyment of the people of Waitakere City and the Auckland region.

The Harbourview Park will be managed to recognise and protect the significant natural character and features of the natural environment whilst providing for appropriate recreation, use, access, education, tourism and enjoyment.

2. Natural Values

Coastal and harbour ecology is dynamic and complex. Establishing a long-term sustainable management approach within the Management Plan requires the implementation of policies which conserve and enhance existing natural values and which take into account the dynamic nature of the environment. The vegetation present within the Park significantly affects amenity value and use and adds to the natural character of the Park. The Park contains opportunities for the extension of existing vegetation to enhance ecological values and green linkages.

Objective

To extend, protect and enhance where appropriate the natural ecosystems in the Park and associated environment and to increase opportunities for people to enjoy nature in the Park.

POLICY 2.1

Protect, and where appropriate, enhance the diversity of native vegetation and wildlife of the Park. (Enhance: provide opportunity for natural regenerations to native ecosystems and plant species that would have been found in the area)

The Department of Conservation has notified a Discussion Document for Controlled and Open Dog Areas within the Auckland Conservancy. This document has been produced in accordance with the Conservation Act 1987 and applies to land administered by the Department. Within the document it is proposed that the foreshore area adjoining Harbourview Park be designated as a controlled dog area (no access)

Implementation

- Manage existing native vegetation to provide for natural regeneration.
- Undertake vegetation restoration and revegetation through planting programmes within areas of grassland and exotic vegetation.
- Seek the involvement of the local community in the revegetation and vegetation management of the Park.
- Establish a commitment to and programme for eco-sourcing, propagation and supply of native species of the area for use in vegetation restoration within the Park in accordance with Council's Eco-sourcing Policy.
- Native plantings within the Park are to be sourced from the Tamaki Ecological District. Exotic tree species are only to be planted if they can be harvested or they provide food, e.g. fruit trees.
- Minimise the use of exotic species within the Park.
- Undertake removal of weed species that are threatening the viability of native ecosystems, according to the priorities outlined in the WCC Weed Strategy.



- Protect native and sensitive areas from recreational damage by fencing and/or the creation of formal pathways as appropriate.
- Establish a robust monitoring programme for wetland regeneration in the Lowland Reserve in liaison with Department of Conservation.
- Protect native wildlife areas through the creation of dog restraint areas as appropriate.
- Prohibit any dog access in the lowland / foreshore area.
- Limit unleashed dog access to the upper terrace area and to areas outside events areas. Dogs will be kept on leashes unless in an area indicated for dogs to be allowed to run free.

POLICY 2.2

Extend coastal corridor linkages with other existing natural areas.

Implementation

- Identify, protect and where appropriate, enhance all natural habitats and ecosystems, in order to increase the native biological diversity of the Park.
- Enhance the vegetated corridor along the coast, particularly in areas where vegetation has been modified and removed and creates gaps within the corridor.
- Establish planting programmes in identified locations, which will utilize a range of appropriate naturally occurring native plants and that will enhance habitat and promote further food sources for native fauna.
- Identify and protect scarce and locally uncommon plant species in the Park.
- Develop detailed planting plans for any planting carried out within the Park as part of Council records.

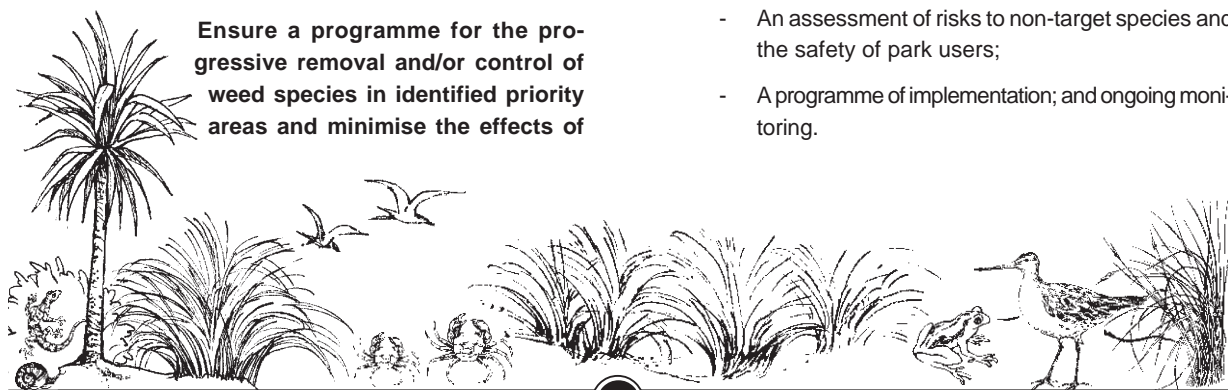
POLICY 2.3

Ensure a programme for the progressive removal and/or control of weed species in identified priority areas and minimise the effects of

weed and animal pest invasion on the native flora and fauna within the Park.

Implementation

- Reinforce and confirm the prioritised areas for weed removal as identified in the WCC Weed Strategy.
- Monitor and discourage weed encroachment from neighbouring properties.
- Weed control will be in accordance with WCC current herbicide policy. Herbicide use should be minimised where possible.
- Weed species have been assigned to 4 categories of priority for control, based on an assessment of their relative threat to the ecological values and practicality of control based on population size and distribution. The weed management programme is attached in Part 3 as Appendix 4
- In addition to the WCC Weed Strategy, the Auckland Regional Plant Pest Management Strategy 1 July 1997 - 30 June 2002 may be referenced to aid in identifying weed pests.
- Control and where possible eradicate animal pests as per management programme attached in Part 3 as Appendix 4.
- Include, where appropriate, the eradication of gambusia / mosquito fish in a pest management programme for this Park.
- The swampy zone contributes as a measure to discourage predators such as domestic cats.
- Develop and implement a comprehensive Pest Management Plan. The pest management plan should as a minimum include the following:
 - An assessment of animal pests present;
 - Methods of control/management, including an assessment of alternatives;
 - An assessment of risks to non-target species and the safety of park users;
 - A programme of implementation; and ongoing monitoring.





POLICY 2.4

Ensure that maturing specimen trees are maintained in accordance with the standards and techniques of approved arboriculture practice and that continued specimen tree plantings are undertaken where appropriate.

Implementation

- Identify required remedial arboriculture work and carry out tree surgery work where necessary on identified and prioritised significant native and exotic trees.
- Remove and replant any trees that are dead, dying or posing any hazard in accordance with the Parks standards and management policies.
- Undertake a programme of specimen tree planting in the Park to improve the amenity values and provide shade at open grass areas.



Implementation

- Identify and monitor streams to determine the ecological health of the streams associated with the Park.
- Encourage native riparian vegetation, where appropriate, prevent erosion, decrease flooding and improve water quality.
- Use permeable and semi-permeable surfaces wherever possible so as to reduce the quantity of stormwater entering streams and creeks.
- Prohibit any livestock access to the streams and wetland areas.

POLICY 2.5

Protect the natural coastal landforms of the Harbourview foreshore located within the Park.

Implementation

- Prevent activities being carried out which will compromise the natural formation and stability of coastal areas.
- Avoid Park development, which has significant adverse effects on the coastal landscape, particularly when viewed from the sea.
- Seek implementation of soft engineering solutions to erosion problems as identified within the ARC Technical Bulletins - Coastal Hazard Strategy and the Coastal Erosion Manual.
- Prohibit any horse access in the lowland area.

POLICY 2.7

Increase public understanding of environmental values and processes

Implementation

- Involve the local community in any restoration efforts, including planting and weed eradication groups.
- Encourage stream and coastal ecology and restoration programmes with local schools, ensuring that projects are carried out in identified areas where minimal damage can occur.

POLICY 2.6

Restore the life-sustaining capabilities of streams within the Park.



- Facilitate, where appropriate, workshops with both existing and new community groups.
- Implement, where appropriate, education signs interpreting the Park values, in accordance with Policies 3.1.1 and 3.1.2.
- Consider Pollen Island information during design of detail interpretation signs.

POLICY 2.8

Protect the panoramic views over the Park and the Waitemata Harbour towards the Auckland Isthmus and Rangitoto Island.

Implementation

- Locate plantings and maintain vegetation subsequently to retain key primary view shafts from residential areas as indicated on the Concept Plan.

3. Cultural Heritage and History

3.1 Maori Cultural Heritage

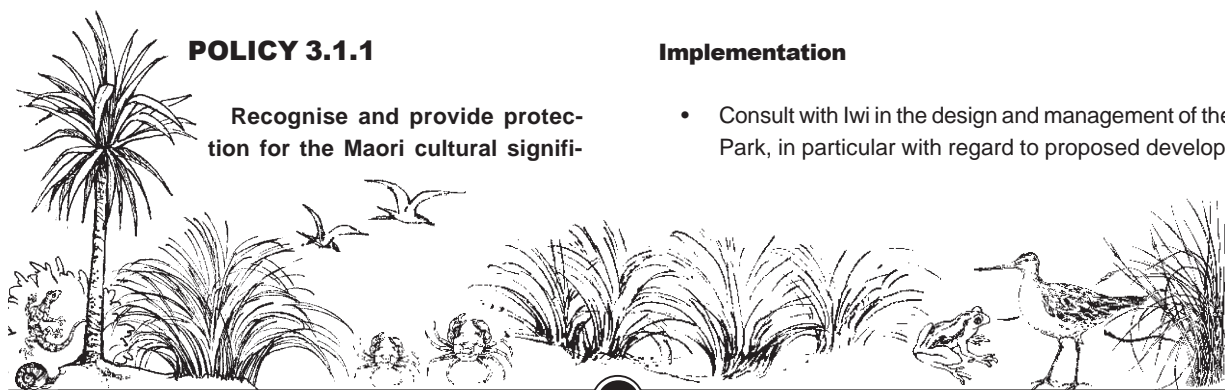
Harbourview has a long Maori cultural history. This Park is of significant interest to Maori and its protection and appropriate management is of prime importance. Both Te Kawerau a Maki and Ngati Whatua have connections with the park land area.

Objective

Recognise, protect and, as appropriate promote the Maori cultural and historical values of the Park, together with the wider environment and work in partnership with Iwi on the management of sites of significance in the Park in consultation with NZ Historic Places Trust and the Department of Conservation.

POLICY 3.1.1

Recognise and provide protection for the Maori cultural signifi-



cance of any site or place associated with the Park.

Implementation

- Decide on the appropriate form of interpretation or sites of cultural significance within the Park and broader environment, and the appropriate treatment of these sites and support the gathering of history in consultation with Iwi.
- Avoid the introduction of additional elements or structures that detract from or degrade the existing Maori cultural values of the Park.
- Develop a strategy for the appropriate interpretation of the Maori cultural values of the coast and implement this strategy in a staged way over time.
- Liase with Iwi to identify sites and areas in the Park that are of significance.
- Identify appropriate site for the location of pou whenua in consultation with Iwi.

POLICY 3.1.2

Provide for the customary use of native flora by Ngati Whatua and Te Kawerau a Maki and local Maori groups.

Implementation

- Implement planting programmes (utilising, where possible appropriate eco-sourced native species) that include plants for customary use such as for arts, rongoa (medicinal), ceremonial and food purpose in consultation with Iwi.
- Any cultural harvesting of plants must be consistent with the Draft Cultural Harvesting Protocols.

POLICY 3.1.3

Involve Iwi in the design and management of the Park.

Implementation

- Consult with Iwi in the design and management of the Park, in particular with regard to proposed develop-



ments within the Park and the location of the structures.

- Consult with Iwi over the management of identified archaeological sites. Establish a database of the archaeological sites with approved management approaches for each.
- Consult with Iwi and highlight any areas of tapu and investigate possible options, where appropriate, to discourage public access to those areas.

POLICY 3.1.4

Recognise and provide for the protection of any site or place of archaeological significance associated with the Park.

Implementation

- Undertake archaeological assessments prior to any work involving terrain modification being undertaken within the Park. This includes plantings, fencing and power undergrounding.
- Liaise with Ngati Whatua and Te Kawerau a Maki over any issues associated with Maori archaeological sites.

POLICY 3.1.5

Ensure the integrated management of archaeological and heritage sites by the ARC and WCC, in particular where sites are covered by both Territorial Authorities.

Implementation

- Work with ARC to identify sites, which require integrated management and formulate a management approach for any such sites.

CULTURAL HERITAGE ISSUES

At present there is little recognition of tangata whenua associations and values associated with the Park, a result of colonisation of Auckland. The wider relationship of the Park to the Whau portage, the Waitemata and ancestral papakainga and resource gathering areas could be promoted.



Objective

Protect and restore the cultural heritage and mana of Iwi and their relationship with the Park and its surroundings.

POLICY 3.1.6

Protect and appropriately celebrate the known archaeological sites on the Park. Ensure that Iwi representatives are consulted early when proposals are developed that involves earthworks.

Develop an interpretation strategy that may include but not be restricted to signage, artworks and planting that recognises Iwi and relationships with Te Atatu and surrounding significant sites.

3.2 European Cultural Heritage

A long history of European settlement along the Waitemata Harbour has left a legacy of historical sites and stories. Harbourview hosts remnant World War II gun emplacements, farms and homestead sites with historical values, which are an important element in the story of the past and changes which have occurred over time.

Objective

Recognise, protect and, as appropriate, promote the European cultural and historical values of the Park.

POLICY 3.2.1

Recognise and provide for the protection and interpretation of any site or place of historical significance associated with the Park.

Implementation

- Identify and locate historical sites and heritage trees located in the Park and ensure appropriate protection of such sites in consultation with the Historic Places Trust and local people.

- Register the brick villa, wooden cottage and gun emplacements under the Historic Places Act and include the two buildings - the District Plan Schedule.
- Provide interpretation signs, where appropriate, which tells the story of the site or the building.
- Support be given, as appropriate, for the gathering of the oral history of the areas which will enable further knowledge of the Park. Copies of any such information gained by the community should be forwarded to the Parks Manager for inclusion as a future addendum to this Management Plan.
- Include the management policies for historical sites from Conservation Plans at completion thereof.
- Include the historical status of all historical sites in the District Plan and register it under the Historic Places Act at completion of Conservation Plans to ensure formal protection.
- The Old Cottage will serve the purpose of an information and administration facility.
- The brick villa will serve the purpose of an education and information centre and/or community based facility.



there are two existing stormwater ponds, which are part of the water management strategy in the Park. Opus International Consultants conducted a stormwater pond safety assessment in December 1999 (22)

“Harbourview Amenity Pond: The pond is not perceived to be dangerous and fencing would not be aesthetically pleasing in this location. A barrier around the jetty should be considered, as there is nothing to prevent falling. It should be noted that the boardwalk that crosses the emergency spillway could be hazardous at times of high flow” (22)

“ Harbourview: This pond is not perceived to be a hazardous pond even though it is not fenced and has steep, although less than 1.5m high, external batters. There is a reserve area and public road between the houses and the pond” (22)

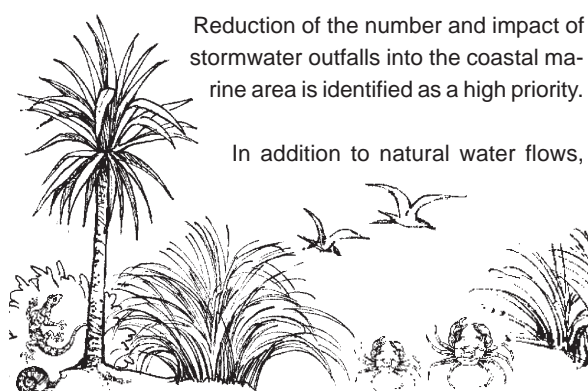
4 Physical Processes

Objective

Ensure that the potential adverse effects of structures and physical processes on the natural character and landscape values of the Waitemata Harbour coast are avoided, remedied or mitigated.

4.1 Stormwater Discharge

Stormwater outfalls frequently contribute to the erosion and scouring of the Park and can detract from the amenity value of the reserve areas.



Reduction of the number and impact of stormwater outfalls into the coastal marine area is identified as a high priority.

In addition to natural water flows,

POLICY 4.1.1

Minimise the number of stormwater outflows direct to the coastal marine area.

Implementation

- Provide for continued liaison with Ecowater Solutions and the Auckland Regional Council on implementing a programme of outfall upgrades, including the aesthetic enhancement of relocated outfalls.



- Encourage and where possible, implement a reduction in the number of stormwater outfalls by linking them together integrated system with a reduced number of discharge points.

POLICY 4.1.2

Ensure that safety precautions are taken for people in close vicinity of the ponds.

Implementation

- Provide signs to make people aware of the ponds.
- Create barriers between walkways and ponds through a strip of buffer planting.

4.2 Structures in the Coastal Environment

There are a number of historic structures that are located on and adjacent to the Park.

POLICY 4.2.1

Rationalise the extent of coastal structures (board walks, jetties, boat ramps and reclamations) to those necessary to provide for the public use and enjoyment of the Park.

Implementation

- Identify all existing coastal structures in the Park and identify structures to be retained.
- Identify the requirement for future coastal structures within the Park, in particular those that allow for enhanced recreational access to the coastal environment and harbour.
- Acknowledge the heritage values of existing coastal structures acknowledged in the assessment of structures to be retained.

POLICY 4.2.2

Assess coastal structures in relation to criteria set out in the Auckland Regional Council Coastal Hazard Strategy and employ the most appropriate methods for maintenance, repair and replacement of those structures.

Implementation

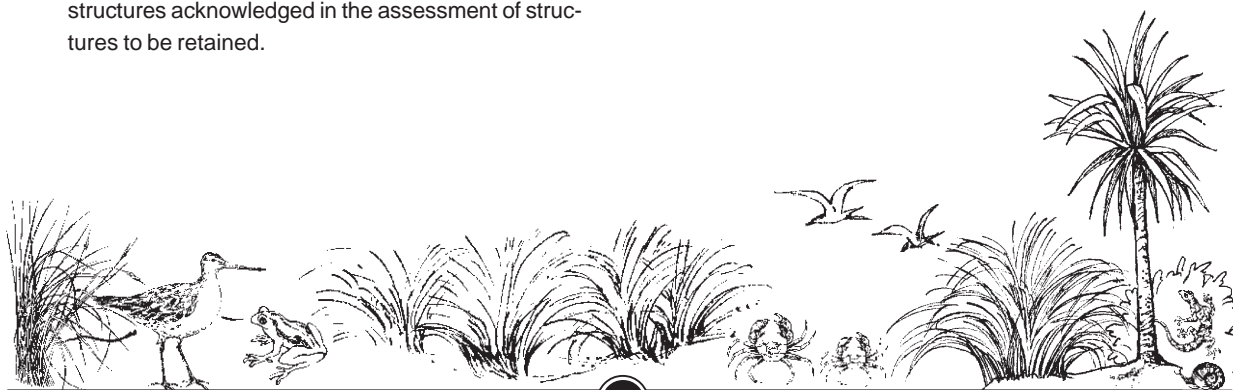
- Ensure that all existing structures identified for retention, an application will be made to the Auckland Regional and Waitakere City Councils for appropriate resource consents.
- Ensure liaison with Auckland Regional Council and the Department of Conservation on issues of impacts of structures below mean high water springs.
- Continue to monitor and maintain when required (particularly after storm events) the removal and/or crushing as required, of sand/shell build up in the foreshore area.

POLICY 4.2.3

Prevent private coastal structures in the Park unless they are subject to an existing easement or lease.

Implementation

- Identify all privately owned coastal structures and those not allowed for by existing easement/lease and facilitate their removal in association with ARC or change their status to public structures if they are elements to be kept.
- Ensure that any actions are consistent with the WCC Draft Encroachment Policy.
- Undertake all construction works as indicated on the design concept plan in Part 3 and identified in the draft Resource Consent conditions.



POLICY 4.3

Rehabilitate and reinstate the extension of the wetlands.

Implementation

- Rectify previously undertaken drainage works so that natural water levels are achieved.

5. Access, Parking and Circulation

Objective

Increase opportunities for people to enjoy nature and to understand and observe the natural processes and systems occurring in the Park.

The Parks Strategy promotes opportunities for “restoring areas that are highly visible to the community, inspire participation and can convey to the public the concept of the Green Network”. Harbourview Park provides opportunities to observe and understand the Green Network, the migratory habits of fish and birds and habitat progression and succession through the unique combination of natural features in the Park.

Present opportunities to observe the natural processes and to enjoy nature in the Park are limited by poor access to the central and southern part of the Park, weed infestation, degraded natural habitats and fences on the lease areas of the Park.

POLICY 5.1

Facilitate public access to the Park to provide logical linkages and passive recreational opportunities.

Implementation

- Provide safe, accessible and attractive pedestrian entrances at appropriate points.
- Provide safe walking tracks which

do not compromise ecological values and which connect strategic areas with ecological, historical and cultural heritage value within the Park.

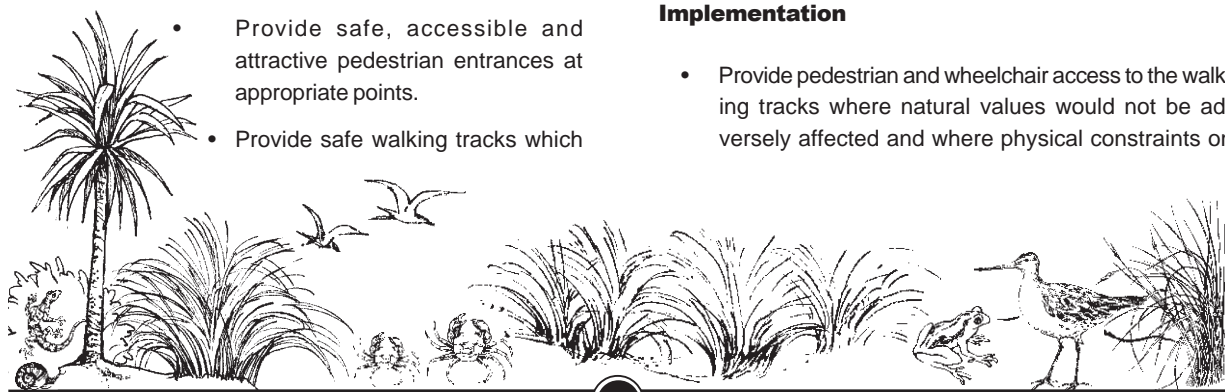
- Provide interpretation information along the walkways through community and Iwi consultation.
- Provide for safe pedestrian access to the streams and ponds in appropriate places.
- Construct viewing platforms and bridges along the walkway to allow for the observation of aquatic species.
- Investigate and develop hides for creating bird watching opportunities in consultation with Department of Conservation and Forest and Bird Protection Society and consider appropriate interpretation signs.
- Investigate the development and extension of existing walkways and path networks and new walkway linkages in appropriate places within the Park.
- Provide lighting along the walkway in accordance with safety standards as listed in Policy 6.2.
- Provide appropriate park furniture i.e. complementary seating and shade that allow the enjoyment of views.
- Provide potable water points along the walkway.
- Strengthen the connection between the Park and Te Atatu Town Centre.
- Develop a cycle trail and linkage through the Park in consultation with the community, ARC and the Auckland City Cycle Club.
- Investigate and provide for a pedestrian crossing/underpass from Gloria Avenue to the Park.
- Provide for walking and cycling connections between local residential areas and public transport systems.

POLICY 5.2

Improve the connectivity of the pedestrian network with the local neighbourhood and within the Park

Implementation

- Provide pedestrian and wheelchair access to the walking tracks where natural values would not be adversely affected and where physical constraints on





the site allow for it according to safety standards.

- Upgrade existing and develop new entrances where appropriate and provide adequate signage to ensure public knowledge of the access points for the Park.
- Provide for walking and cycling connections between local residential areas and public transport systems.

POLICY 5.3

Manage vehicle parking and roading so as not to compromise the natural character of the Park while providing for a variety of car park locations for the focus uses of the Park.

Implementation

- Restrict vehicle access onto sensitive areas through the use of bollards and/or fencing.
- Develop unobtrusive roading and parking in sympathy with the open park nature of the area and include traffic calming features to ensure safety of pedestrians.
- Provide for car parking, which gives views to the harbour.
- Ensure that vehicles are prevented from stopping next to the trees by providing vehicle stops and/or bollards in strategic locations.
- Undertake planting where possible to mitigate adverse visual effects of car parking.
- Provide park and ride facilities to support public transport development.

POLICY 5.4

Facilitate public access to the foreshore and Waitemata Harbour where appropriate.

Implementation

- Ensure acknowledgement through education that public access to the coastal marine area is an important function.
- Investigate and develop a boardwalk link to the walking track over a part of the wetland system in consul-

tation with Department of Conservation.

- Initiate work with the Auckland Regional Council and Department of Conservation on identifying areas where it is desirable that public access is provided to water.

6. Recreation and Use

The Harbourview Park is a focus for a number of formal and informal recreation uses. Apart from pony club activities, the majority of the activities currently carried out are of passive nature.

Objective

Provide for the use and enjoyment of the Park by the local and regional communities and maximise the opportunities for high quality passive recreational activities in the Park while ensuring the protection of open space and natural and cultural heritage values of the Park.

POLICY 6.1

Provide for a variety of recreational pursuits and recreation needs while respecting the needs and values of all users.

Implementation

- Investigate the need for non-motorised boat access points and appropriate locations for such facilities and provide them where so identified.
- Investigate an appropriate site for an adventurous playground where physical constraints on the site allow for it and construct it where so identified.
- Accommodate older children's needs within the Park facilities.
- Provide open grass areas suitable for casual games and other informal outdoor events.
- Allow for passive recreational opportunities for older adults.
- Recognise and allow for the requirements of Maori traditional and cultural activities within the Park.
- Investigate and allow a three-year trial period, subject to a



yearly review, for the Pony Club in the Park, if the trial is successful the Club will stay if not it will go.

- Encourage user groups and lease holders to enter into joint arrangements to ensure the efficient and best use of facilities.
- Provide a designated area for operation of model planes within the Park as part of the informal activities.
- Provide safe walking tracks and a cycle route as described in Policy 5.1.
- Provide for picnic facilities with BBQ's at appropriate locations.
- Provide public facilities (toilets) at appropriate locations.

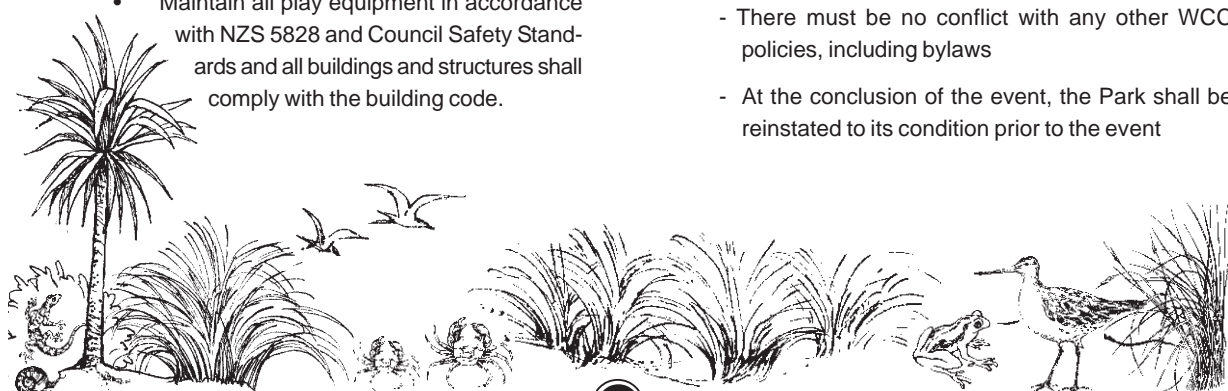


POLICY 6.2

Provide a safe environment for the Park.

Implementation

- Implement "Safer Design for the Green Network: Designer Guidelines" to ensure the buildings, facilities and plantings are designed and maintained in a way that minimises safety concerns and maximises surveillance.
- Assess lighting requirements and install if required at key locations.
 - Maintain all play equipment in accordance with NZS 5828 and Council Safety Standards and all buildings and structures shall comply with the building code.



- Ensure walking and cycling tracks are well maintained.
- Provide shade by way of trees or other structures around open spaces for Park users.
- Include traffic calming features on roads to ensure safety for pedestrians.
- Provide safe pedestrian access to the Pony Club area with safety proof fencing.
- Ensure safety-proof fencing around the Pony Club area is well maintained.

POLICY 6.3

Increase the use and range of recreation facilities.

Implementation

- Encourage parties leasing land and buildings to enter into joint arrangements in accordance with the Community Assistance Policy, to enable the efficient use of facilities by a range of groups to include youth, older people, woman and all cultures.
- Provide for facilities for visitors to the Park in appropriate places to enable them to enjoy the Park without impacting on the natural values.

POLICY 6.4

Provide for short-term special events in appropriate locations.

Implementation

- Proposals for special events will be assessed against the following criteria:
 - Events must be of public interest and value
 - There must be no conflict with the Park values
 - There must be no permanent occupation or utilisation of any part of the Park
 - There must be no conflict with any other WCC policies, including bylaws
 - At the conclusion of the event, the Park shall be reinstated to its condition prior to the event



- There must be full compliance with all the conditions Council attaches to any permit allowing the short term special event, otherwise a Resource Consent application will be required
- A temporary stage area may be utilised on the Park.

POLICY 6.5

Ensure that there is no encroachment into the Park from adjacent private properties and that there is a progressive removal of existing encroachment features and practices.

Implementation

- Identify the number and extent of encroachment into the Park and undertake progressive consultation with private landowners and establish a method of mutual agreement for removal of encroachment and/or maintenance of those areas if there is an agreed benefit to the wider public.
- Undertake regular monitoring of Park boundaries for encroachment and ensure appropriate enforcement action is undertaken, where necessary, according to the WCC Encroachment Policy.
- Identify waste dumping areas created by private developers and general public on the Park and conduct clean up activities without compromising ecological, archaeological and historical values in the Park.

POLICY 6.6

Establish guidelines for all commercial activity on the Park to ensure the retention and enhancement of the Park values and use.

Implementation

- Commercial activity will not be permitted within the Park unless it meets the following criteria:
 - Is in accordance with all statutory regulations and local bylaws affecting the Park
 - Will be in accordance with the Objectives and Policies of this Plan

- Priority will be given to activities which take advantage or benefit from the natural coastal character values of the Park and will not detract from the existing character and use of the Park
- No commercial activities will be permitted in the Park which have the potential to damage native fauna and flora
- The commercial activity will generally provide a benefit to the public which is greater than any adverse effects caused
- The commercial activity will not cater exclusively to any one sector of the public except where this is provided for and is appropriate in terms of the Objectives and Policies of this Plan

POLICY 6.7

Ensure health and safety procedures are adhered to during earthworks.

Implementation

- The finding from the investigations confirms the fill type classification given in the Waitakere City Council Closed Landfill Investigation Report, namely "cleanfill with some organics". However, given the potential for landfill gas presence and soil contamination at the site, any earthworks should be carried out with appropriate health and safety procedures.

7. Support for regional policies

Objective

Support for regional policies, which have a focus on sustainable development and which support the environment including the Regional Growth Strategy and Regional Land Transport Strategy.



POLICY 7.1

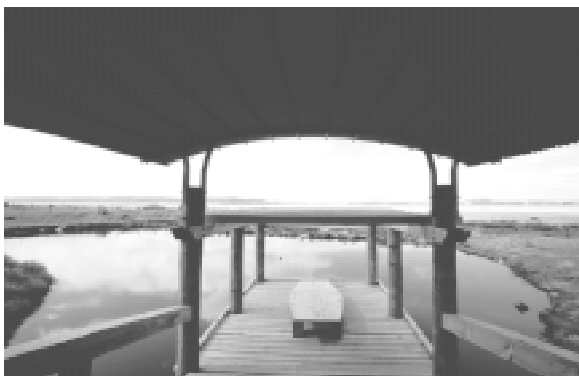
Allow for future possibilities of bus, ferry, wharf and park and ride facilities (including associated terminal buildings and shelters) in the Park in accordance with ARC and DOC requirements.

Implementation

- Incorporate outcomes of current research into public transport needs from the harbour land into the Management Plan, potentially making provision for ferries, buses and associated park and ride facilities.
- Keep the area south and adjacent to the marae site open and free of development to accommodate future possible ferry and associated facilities.
- Maintain this area by keeping horses on the land for mutual benefit to the Park maintenance and community need for equestrian sport opportunity.

8. Furniture and Structures

There are a number of buildings and utility services located within Harbourview. These are buildings, park furniture and toilets, pumping station, power lines, clubhouse and associated Pony Club facilities. As the provision of such facilities in the Park has potential to adversely affect the character of the Park, these should be located so that they do not detract from the recreation and amenity values of the Park.



POLICY 8.1

Maintain existing Network Utility Infrastructure and ensure that new utility services are only located on the Park if required for some function of the Park.

Implementation

- Identify and ensure, where possible and appropriate, that existing poorly located utility services are better integrated into the Parks environment.
- Ensure that existing infrastructure in the region is recognised and protected and that the enhancement of the Park area takes into account the unique requirements of this infrastructure base.
- Ensure any design for development of the Park includes involvement from Ngati Whatua and Te Kawerau a Maki as outlined in Policy 3.1.3.

POLICY 8.2

Provision for any new buildings or structures other than those identified in this Management Plan will not be permitted within any part of the Park. Extensions to existing buildings will be assessed according to Policy 6.3.

POLICY 8.3

Ensure that any new structures or additions to existing structures are designed to complement the open space character of the Park and improve their identity while not compromising the natural character of the environment.

Implementation

- Any proposal for addition of or extension to a building or structure within the Park must meet the following criteria:
 - The need for the structure to be within the Park
 - The need for the structure to be sited in the location identified
 - The protection of archaeological or heritage areas from disturbance



- The protection of public views
 - The maintenance of the Park's character
 - The contribution of the structure to the quality and experience of the Park
 - The public benefit obtained from the structure
 - A minor impact from the immediate neighbourhood
 - An ability to meet relevant District Plan requirements
 - An ability to meet the Objectives and Policies of this Plan
 - Effects on landscape when viewed from the Harbour
- Utilise appropriate design guidelines and building materials, including utilising permeable and semi-permeable paving options wherever possible so as to reduce the quantity of stormwater run-off.
 - Meet relevant Regional Plan: Coastal Requirements.
 - Undertake all construction works as indicated on the design Concept Plan in Part 3 and identified in the draft Resource Consent conditions.

POLICY 8.4

Adopt a unified approach to the design of site furniture, facilities and signs.

Implementation

- The design of park furniture should be in accordance with Council's Park Design Guidelines and as indicated in Design Guidelines in Part 3 of this Plan.
- Apply high standards of design and materials to all site furniture and facilities.

POLICY 8.5

Park furniture, including litter bins, seats, signs, and barbeques will be provided at an appropriate level to cater for local and visitor community use of

the Park. Design and location of park furniture will be provided in a way that minimises visual impact on the Park

Implementation

- Amalgamate signs where possible in order to reduce the overall number of signs and all signs will be in accordance with the WCC Code of Practice, Parks Guidelines.
- Provide litterbins and additional park furniture at appropriate locations in the Park.

POLICY 8.6

Ensure that, where possible, new or upgraded/renewed structures including roads, buildings and furniture, are set back from the coastal edge, sensitive ecosystems and archaeological and cultural heritage sites.

POLICY 8.7

Park furniture and structures may include art components, which will add value to the Park.

Implementation

- Design and implement art works in consultation with the public and Iwi.
- Design and implement art works in consideration with historical, cultural and ecological values of the Park.

POLICY 8.8

Ensure that new and/or upgraded structures within the Park and park facilities are designed in a manner that takes advantage of sustainability initiatives such as energy efficiency, renewable energy, water re-use and recycling, waste minimisation and other sustainable building initiatives



Implementation

- Identify and incorporate opportunities for energy efficiency and water efficiency to reduce the resource requirements for buildings and structures of the park
- Identify and incorporate opportunities for renewable energy (such as solar and wind power) to contribute towards meeting the energy needs for the park facilities
- Take all opportunities to reduce, reuse and recycle wastes that are generated by the Park.

9. Existing Network Utility Infrastructure

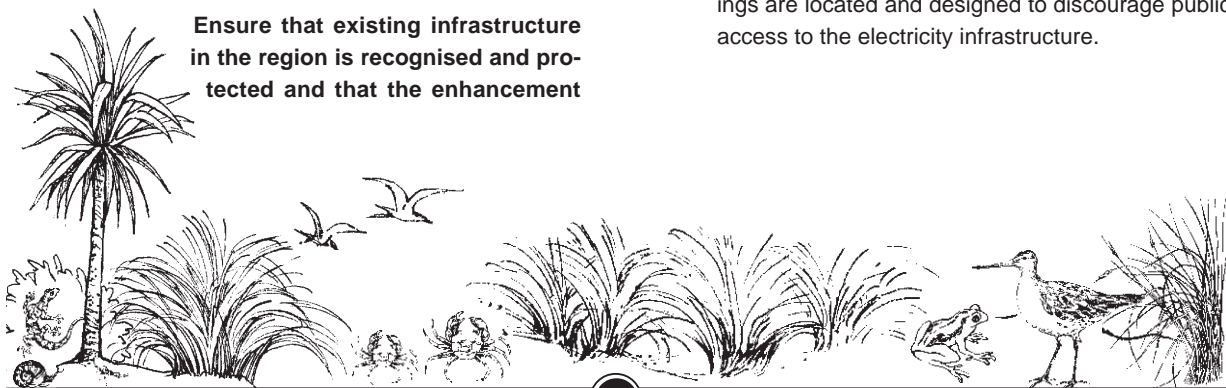
Waitakere City has a large amount of vital infrastructure that needs to be acknowledged when developing and enhancing parks within the City. In order to maintain public reserve areas that are safe and useable, measures should be taken to ensure reserve areas are managed so that existing utilities are not compromised.

Acknowledgement in the Harbour view People's Park Open Space Management Plan of the Henderson-Otahuhu A 220 kV double circuit transmission line and the limitations this existing line imposes on present and future land use activities within the Park is essential, as this line is part of a National Grid.

It is necessary to recognise the statutory right of Transpower, under the Electricity Act 1992 to inspect, maintain and operate the existing facilities that are located on and traverse the Harbour view People's Park. Providing for the upgrading of these existing facilities maximises the utilisation of a significant physical resource without additional significant adverse effects on the environment.

POLICY 9.1

Ensure that existing infrastructure in the region is recognised and protected and that the enhancement



of the Park takes into account the unique requirements of this infrastructure base.

Implementation

- The Council will liaise with infrastructure providers to ensure the appropriate development and management of the Park is undertaken.
- Ensure that buildings and structures established within the Park have adequate separation distances from infrastructure. In terms of transmission lines, the New Zealand Code of Practice for Electrical Safe Distances, NZECP 34:2001 sets out the required separation distances that are necessary to reduce the risk of flashovers or contact with live conductors by mobile plant and buildings or structures.
- Protect the integrity of the infrastructure and ensure public safety in the unlikely event of an emergency or a fault, by ensuring that adequate separation distances (as specified in the NZECP 34:2001) between the ground and transmission line conductors are maintained.
- Protect the integrity of the infrastructure and/or public safety in the unlikely event of an emergency or a fault, by ensuring that the type and location of any trees are selected so that no part of the trees will encroach on the necessary 4m-clearance distance from the Transpower conductors.
- Provide for the continued and unrestricted access, inspection, operation, maintenance (including vegetation trimming) and upgrading of the existing electricity infrastructure that traverses the area covered by the Management Plan.
- Ensure that excavation near towers complies with the safe separation distances specified in the NZECP 34:2001 so that the stability of the towers is not threatened.
- Ensure that activities such as walking tracks and buildings are located and designed to discourage public access to the electricity infrastructure.



10. Administration and Management

The structure for administration or day-to-day management of the reserves is primarily established in the context of the Reserves Act 1977. Consideration also has to be given to the District Plan prepared under the Resource Management Act 1991.

The effectiveness of this Management Plan needs to be constantly monitored. The Regional Coastal Plan has a bearing on the management of the Park as it is located within the coastal environment and has strong links with the coastal marine area.

Council bylaws equally, need to be integrated within the intent of the Management Plan. This is particularly important in respect to the interface between the Park and beach activity, dog control and public behaviour within the Park.

Objective

Ensure the Park is managed in terms of its classifications, when classified under the Reserves Act 1977.

POLICY 10.1

Ensure that the Park is classified according to the use and values to ensure continued protection and appropriate use.

POLICY 10.2

Any activity or development not provided for under the Policies and Implementations in the Management Plan will not be permitted.

POLICY 10.3

Achieve the implementation actions outlined within each Policy in this document; Waitakere City Council will follow an Annual Plan process to allocate funds for these actions. The actions identified in the Policies are necessary to achieve the objectives of the Management Plan.

POLICY 10.4

Provide for user concessions by way of permit for special events as detailed in Policy 6.4.

Implementation

- Permits for temporary concessions or events may be granted for the use of areas of the Park that are compatible with the objective for the Park and in accordance with policy or implementation under this Management Plan. Applications are made to the Manager of Parks, who may consult with the City Development Committee or Community Board as required to assess such applications.
- Permits for special events may incur an additional bond or charge in respect to the potential for damage or the need for remedial works.
- Concessions may be granted in respect to refreshments and for wheeled transport compatible with the values of the Park.
- Prohibit events in the lowland area of the Park.

POLICY 10.5

Use the control of lease agreements to ensure the most effective and equitable use of the Harbourview Park.

Implementation

- Provide for the continuation of leasing areas of land within the Park to provide for community use and well-being.
- Ensure new applications for leases will have to conform to the criteria as set out in the Community Assistance Policy and Parks Strategy. In addition the applicant will need to satisfy the Waitakere City Council that the proposed use:
 - Will be in accordance with the Objective and Policies of this Plan
 - Will be in accordance with the Reserves Act 1977



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- Will not detract from the existing environment and use of the park
 - Will generally provide a benefit (or benefits) to the public, which is greater than any adverse effect caused by granting the lease
 - Is in an appropriate location
 - Will not cater exclusively to any one sector of the public, except where this is provided for and is appropriate in terms of the Objectives and Policies of this Plan
- Identify the feasibility and extent of equestrian facilities within the Park through a three-year trial period, subject to a yearly review. If the 3 year pony club trial is successful, the club will stay. If not the club will go.
 - Revise and renew all existing leases in accordance with the criteria listed above.

POLICY 10.6

Keep this Management Plan under regular review.

Implementation

- Ensure that this Management Plan is re-notified under the Reserves Act after classification of the Reserves under the Reserves Act 1977

POLICY 10.7

Promote and support the interest and the development of the Harbourview Park and assist in acquiring funds and/or assets for special projects associated with the development and maintenance of the Park.

Implementation

- Establish Friends of the Park Group and promote membership of the Group and support its objectives.

