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**BURWOOD/PEGASUS COMMUNITY BOARD
7 JUNE 2006**

**A meeting of the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board
was held on Wednesday 7 June 2006 at 6.00 pm**

PRESENT: Glenda Burt (Chairperson), Carmen Hammond, Tina Lomax, and Don Rowlands.

APOLOGIES: Apologies were received and accepted from Caroline Kellaway, Carole Evans and Gail Sheriff.

The Board reports that:

PART A - MATTER REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION

**1. ROAD STOPPING UNFORMED ROTHESAY ROAD CORRIDOR
(ASTON DRIVE EXTENSION TO BOWER AVENUE)**

General Manager responsible:	General Manager City Environment, DDI 941-8656
Officer responsible:	Acting Transport and City Streets Manager
Author:	Tom Lennon, Property Consultant

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Council's approval that, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 319(h) and 342 of the Local Government Act 1974, it resolve to stop that portion of road as shown on the plan described as Section 1 on SM 1622-02, comprising an area of 2.4200 ha (see plan attached).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. In July 2004 the Council approved the stopping in principle of the unformed section of Rothesay Road between Willoughby Lane and Bower Avenue. When stopped, the land will be formally amalgamated with the adjoining Bottle Lake Forest Park.
3. A big portion of this section of unformed Rothesay Road is identified as "Road to be Stopped" in the City Plan (refer to Volume 3, plans 19B and 20B). The adjoining land and residential property is now fully developed with alternate road access and frontage.
4. Final survey of the land is near complete and a formal resolution to stop the road is now required before Council can action the necessary procedures under the Local Government Act.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

5. The Board does not have delegated authority to authorise the commencement of a road stopping process under the provisions of the Local Government Act. Such decision needs to be made by the full Council.
6. The owners of 32 properties adjoining the subject portion of Rothesay Road have been notified by letter of the proposal and were given the opportunity to submit their comments in this regard. Council received 11 letters from adjoining owners in support of the road-stopping proposal.
7. The privately owned properties adjoining the unformed section of Rothesay Road are being served by Willoughby Lane, Cobblewood Court, Millcroft Place and Forest Drive. No objections have been received to date.

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Board recommend to the Council that, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 319(h) and 342 of the Local Government Act 1974, Council resolve to stop that portion of legal road described as Section 1 SM 1622-02 having an area of 2.4200 ha and when stopped that the land be amalgamated with the adjoining Bottle Lake Forest Park.

BOARD RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.

2. RAWHITI DOMAIN AND THOMSON PARK DRAFT MANAGEMENT PLAN AND LANDSCAPING

General Manager responsible:	General Manager City Environment, DDI 941-8656
Officer responsible:	Greenspace Manager
Author:	Richard Holland, Planning and Investigations Team Manager

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek final approval from the Council to release the Rawhiti Domain and Thomson Park Draft Management Plan for public consultation.
2. At the Council meeting of 16 March 2006, the Rawhiti Domain and Thomson Park Draft Management Plan was held over to allow staff to report back with further information on the availability of funds for the future implementation of the proposals contained in the draft management plan. It was decided that as there had been changes to the budget for the park that it should be reported back to the Board first and was withdrawn from the Council agenda of 18 May 2006.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

3. Final approval from Council via the Board again is sought to release for public consultation the Rawhiti Domain and Thomson Park Draft Management Plan this is following reporting to the Environmental Diversity Portfolio Group on 1 February 2006 and the Board previously on 15 February 2006.

Previous Board recommendations were:

1. That the Council approve the Rawhiti Domain and Thomson Park draft Management Plan, and information about the proposed picnic and volleyball area be released for public consultation.
2. That the consultation process in paragraph 8(e) of the staff report be amended to include presenting the plan to a meeting of key stakeholders.
3. That two on-site meetings be held on days of high public usage of the domain and park.
4. That the Board host a public meeting, as part of the consultation process.
4. At the Council Meeting of 16 March 2006 concern was expressed as to the budget provision for the proposed works which apart from some minor enhancement works mainly related to the replacement of the ageing tree infrastructure.
5. On Wednesday 13 June 2001, the Council publicly notified, with advertisements in the public notices of The Press and The Star, its intention to review the Rawhiti Park Management Plan in accordance with the Reserves Act 1977. A discussion document was distributed to stakeholders and their ideas and comments invited.

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6. At its meeting on 2 July 2001, the Board was informed of the process being undertaken by the Parks and Waterways Unit to review the 1988 Rawhiti Park Management Plan and was invited to submit comments and suggestions in developing a draft plan. The Board decided:
 - (a) That the information be received.
 - (b) That the North New Brighton Residents' Association, New Brighton Residents' Association, and Ascot/Freeville Residents' Group be included as key stakeholders.
 - (c) That key stakeholders, including the Community Board, be given an opportunity to meet together before a draft management plan is prepared.
7. During July/August 2001, Council staff met with many of the sport and community groups who use Rawhiti Domain and Thomson Park to discuss their specific needs or issues in the reserve.
8. On 25 September 2001, a public workshop was held at the Rawhiti Golf Clubrooms to provide an opportunity for stakeholders to share ideas and agree on a direction for future management of the reserve, and for staff to outline the process for development of the management plan. Comments from this workshop and from various groups and individuals have been incorporated into the draft plan.
9. In March 2002, stakeholders were informed of a delay in development of the management plan when it was discovered that the reserve was incorrectly vested and classified under the Reserves Act 1977. Following a resolution by the Council on 28 August 2002, classification of the reserve was advertised in the New Zealand Gazette on 25 August 2005 and the draft management plan was subsequently completed (circulated separately).
10. The Draft Long Term Council Community Plan 2006-2016 has now confirmed as essential capital projects on page 72 of the draft LTCCP funding of \$17.2 million for the next 10 years to replace many of the city's older trees that have reached the end of their managed life. A new budget page for the management plan (page 31) has been produced for approval of the Council prior to release for consultation (**Appendix 1**).

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

11. Funding for the Rawhiti Domain and Thomson Park Draft Management Plan has been assigned in the 2006-2016 Draft LTCCP, especially the replacement of the aging tree infrastructure (page 72) which makes up the bulk of the costs for the next 10 years.
12. Page 31 of the Rawhiti Domain and Thomson Park Draft Management Plan has been replaced with a new page indicating those works that are covered by the Draft LTCCP. Those items still not covered are in the 2010/2011 year on and total \$83,000 over five years and will be reviewed as part of the 2009-2019 LTCCP.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board recommends to the Council that approval be given for the Rawhiti Domain and Thomson Park Draft Management Plan and information about the proposed picnic and volleyball area to be released for public consultation.

BOARD RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted, but with the addition of the previous Board recommendations:

1. That the consultation process (in paragraph 15 of this report) be amended to include presenting the plan to a meeting of key stakeholders.
2. That two on-site meetings be held on days of high public usage of the domain and park.
3. That the Board host a public meeting, as part of the consultation process.

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BACKGROUND ON RAWHITI DOMAIN AND THOMSON PARK DRAFT MANAGEMENT PLAN

13. Council's are required to keep reserve management plans under continuous review. Generally, a minimum of 10 years is accepted as an appropriate review period. As the 1988 Rawhiti Park Management Plan was becoming out of date and obsolete, and a number of new initiatives were being proposed in the reserve, the Board requested that it be updated.
14. Funding is available in the next financial year to begin landscaping of Rawhiti Domain. It is proposed to use this funding to enhance the picnic opportunities between the community garden and tennis courts with planting, furniture, and a grass or sand volleyball court. Both for efficiency and to illustrate how the picnic and volleyball area fits in with the bigger picture for the reserve, it is intended to consult on the proposed landscaping for this year simultaneously with consultation on the longer term management plan, rather than conduct two separate consultation procedures.
15. The planned consultation process will involve the following:
 - (a) Public notification of the draft management plan in accordance with the Reserves Act 1977.
 - (b) Information regarding the draft management plan and the proposed picnic and volleyball area displayed on a noticeboard on site.
 - (c) The draft management plan and information about the proposed picnic and volleyball area displayed on the Council's 'Have Your Say' website inviting comment.
 - (d) A letterbox drop to approximately 1,000 households neighbouring the reserve with a leaflet (Appendix 2) advising of the availability of and highlighting key points of the draft management plan. Included in the flyer will be information about the proposed picnic and volleyball area will and public comment invited.
 - (e) A leaflet and a complete copy of the management plan sent to all key stakeholders (including groups with a lease or licence on the reserve, three residents associations, honorary wardens, and individuals who have previously expressed interest in the process) inviting comment.
16. Results of consultation on the proposed picnic and volleyball area will be reported back to the Board in July 2006 and due to the delay work planned to begin this financial year will need to be carried forward to next financial year.
17. Consultation on the management plan must follow the procedures set out in the Reserves Act 1977 which requires that the plan be publicly notified and that interested parties be given at least two months to make submissions. The Act also allows for a hearing if required. All written submissions and hearings will be considered in development of the final plan which will be reported to Council for approval.
18. As Rawhiti Domain and Thomson Park together are categorised as a metropolitan park, delegation for final approval of the management plan rests with Council.

OPTIONS

19. As an alternative to approving the draft management plan for public release, Council could require changes to the current document before it is released for public comment. Unless significant gaps or incorrect information are identified in the document, this would be an unnecessary delay in the consultation process. Should Council have suggestions or comments on the draft management plan, it would be more appropriate to submit those comments through the consultation process so that they can be considered when preparing the final document. All submitters will also have the opportunity to speak at a hearing should they so desire.
20. The second alternative is to discontinue the management plan review entirely. However, this would contravene the Reserves Act 1977 and is therefore unacceptable.

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PREFERRED OPTION

21. The preferred option is that the Council approves the Rawhiti Domain and Thomson Park Draft Management Plan for public release together with the landscape proposal for a picnic and volleyball area.

ASSESSMENT OF OPTIONS

The Preferred Option

Approve the Rawhiti Domain and Thomson Park Draft Management Plan for public release together with the landscape proposal for a picnic and volleyball area.

	Benefits (current and future)	Costs (current and future)
Social	Provides the opportunity for communication with the community, community involvement in management of the reserve.	Printing and advertising costs. Staff time
Cultural	Raises awareness of and proposes a management direction for historical and cultural values of the reserve.	None.
Environmental	Raises awareness of and proposes a management direction for environmental values of the reserve.	Potential loss of open space from additional proposed buildings in the reserve.
Economic	Provides direction for future expenditure in the reserve.	No commitment at this stage but raises expectations of future capital and operating costs.

Extent to which community outcomes are achieved:

Primary alignment with community outcome: 'A well governed city'

Also contributes to 'A city for recreation fun and creativity' and 'a city of people who value and protect the natural environment'

Impact on Council's capacity and responsibilities:

Resources spent on Rawhiti Domain are not available for other projects.

Effects on Maori:

Input has been invited from Te Ngai Tuahuriri Runanga.

Consistency with existing Council policies:

Management plan required under the Reserves act 1977.

Views and preferences of persons affected or likely to have an interest:

Community input has been sought in developing the draft management plan.

Other relevant matters:

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Maintain The Status Quo (If Not Preferred Option)

Discontinue the management plan review.

	Benefits (current and future)	Costs (current and future)
Social	None	No community input into future management of the reserve
Cultural	None	No direction provided for future management of cultural values of the reserve.
Environmental	None	No direction provided for future management of environmental values of the reserve.
Economic	Savings in consultation and printing costs.	Potential for future inefficient adhoc expenditure.

Extent to which community outcomes are achieved:

Primary alignment with community outcome: Does not contribute to achieving any community outcomes.

Impact on Council's capacity and responsibilities:

No guidance for future expenditure in the reserve.

Effects on Maori:

No opportunity for Maori input into management of the reserve.

Consistency with existing Council policies:

Inconsistent with Reserves Act 1977.

Views and preferences of persons affected or likely to have an interest:

No opportunity for community input.

Other relevant matters:

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Option 3

Make changes to the current document before it is released for public comment.

This is the process that is currently taking place.

	Benefits (current and future)	Costs (current and future)
Social	Opportunity to improve information in the plan	Time delays
Cultural	Opportunity to improve information in the plan	Time delays
Environmental	Opportunity to improve information in the plan	Time delays
Economic	Opportunity to improve information in the plan	Time delays. Additional costs in altering the document.
Extent to which community outcomes are achieved: Primary alignment with community outcome: 'A well governed city' Also contributes to and		
Impact on Council's capacity and responsibilities: None		
Effects on Maori: None		
Consistency with existing Council policies: NA		
Views and preferences of persons affected or likely to have an interest: Ensures accuracy and completeness of information		
Other relevant matters:		

PART B - REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

3. COMMUNITY GROUP DEPUTATION

On behalf of the New Brighton Historical Society, Rebe Nolan and Lynne Hillier were in attendance to inform members of the Society's activities, including the relocation to new premises (but with additional administrative costs now being incurred), longer opening hours, and proposed office purchases.

4. COMMUNITY BOARD PRINCIPAL ADVISER'S UPDATE

The Board **received** items of information under the Community Board Principal Adviser's Update.

The Board **agreed** to consider the preparation of a submission to the Gaming Venues and TAB Policy Review.

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5. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ADVISER'S UPDATE

The Board **received** items of information under the Community Engagement Adviser's Update.

6. UPDATE FROM BOARD LIAISON MEMBERS ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

The Board **received** an update from members on their assigned outside organisations.

7. PINE TREE PLANTING AT SOUTH NEW BRIGHTON DOMAIN

At the meeting held on 19 April, the Board received a deputation from the South New Brighton Residents' Association who were asking for an inclusive replacement pine tree planting programme for the Domain.

The Parks and Waterways Advocate reported on the Board-approved (July 2003) programme and the planting works undertaken. Due to difficulties with the planting programme, some trial planting will now be undertaken, with the residents being invited to assist.

The Board **received** the report, and asked that the information be forwarded to the Association.

The Board **agreed** to hold a seminar (after the contract for the Ocean Outfall has been let) to discuss all relevant matters pertaining to the Domain, and that Jellicoe Street residents be invited to participate.

PART C - REPORT ON DELEGATED DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE BOARD

8. CONFIRMATION OF REPORTS

The Board **resolved** that the reports of the ordinary meeting held on Wednesday 17 May 2006, subject to the inclusion of "lack of connecting footpath at the Bridge Street Bridge" within clause 3 under "Issues identified included...", and the extraordinary meeting held on Wednesday 8 May 2006 be confirmed.

9. SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

By way of a supplementary agenda, the Board **resolved** to receive the report "Parklands Reserve Car Park Development" for consideration.

10. PA HARAKEKE - JANET STEWART RESERVE

The Styx Project Area Leader and Parks and Waterways Area Advocate sought Board approval to proceed with the concept plan for an integrated artwork design, adopt the landscape plan, to approve the installation of signage about Janet Stewart and funding for associated costs of \$5,000 and approve the removal of one birch and two willow trees.

The Board **resolved** to approve:

- (a) The design for the integrated artwork for the Pa Harakeke at Janet Stewart Reserve, as outlined in the report.
- (b) The new landscape plan with its amendments.
- (c) The instalment of Janet Stewart signage and provide funding of \$5,000, from 2005/06 Discretionary Funds.
- (d) The removal of one birch and two willow trees.
- (e) The retention of the mature Ash tree (as identified in the Arborist report of 17 May 2006, recommendation 3).

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11. PARKLANDS RESERVE CAR PARK DEVELOPMENT

The Parks and Waterways Area Advocate sought Board approval to the installation of a car park at Parklands Reserve, to receive funding from the Southshore Spit Car Park project (which is not now likely to proceed), and to consider the future of six gum trees on Parklands Reserve.

The Board **resolved** to approve:

- (a) The Parklands Reserve Car Park Development Plan.
- (b) The removal of two gum trees from the southern boundary of Parklands Reserve.
- (c) Moving the oak tree from its current location, in close proximity to the boundary fence, and relocate it more centrally in the Reserve.

The Board **resolved** to note to receive the funds previously set aside for the Southshore Spit Car Park will be transferred to the Parklands Reserve Park.

12. OUT OF SCHOOL PROGRAMMES

The Community Development Adviser sought Board approval for three applications to be funded from the 2005/06 Out of School Programme Project Funding, \$12,000 being available.

The Board **resolved** to allocate funding to each of the groups on the following basis:

- (a) Agape Trust \$2,000.
- (b) Parkview OSCAR \$5,000.
- (c) Burwood OSCAR \$ 5,000.

The Board **decided** to prepare a submission to the Council for discussion at the upcoming forum with local members of Parliament, and ask Councillors to raise the issue of funding for out of school programmes from the Ministry Of Social Development.

13. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FUND APPLICATIONS - MATT HOLSTEIN, DARRAGH KENNY AND MICHAEL BAILEY

The Community Recreation Adviser sought Board approval for three applications to be funded from the 2005/06 Youth Development Scheme.

The Board **resolved** to fund \$250 each to Matt Holstein, Darragh Kenny and Michael Bailey for their attendance at the Southern Skies Soccer Tournament in Brisbane in July 2006. All applications would be funded from the 2005/06 Discretionary Fund.

The Board **decided** to write to Aranui High School, congratulating them on their success at the recent National Sheilah Winn Festival of Shakespeare in Schools Competition.

14. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FUND APPLICATIONS- MATT BAXTER

The Community Recreation Adviser sought Board approval for one application to be funded from the 2005/06 Youth Development Scheme.

The Board **resolved** to fund \$500 to Matt Baxter, for his attendance at the New Zealand/Australia Softball Friendship Series in Sydney in June 2006. The application would be funded from the 2005/06 Discretionary Fund.

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15. NEW BRIGHTON MALL PLAYGROUND - ADDITIONAL FUNDING REQUEST

The Acting Team Leader - Capital Programme (Transport and City Streets) and Project Leader - Capital Projects Team (Greenspace) sought Board consideration to making a further funding contribution towards the New Brighton Mall integrated artwork/playground structure.

The Board **resolved** to fund \$19,000 to the New Brighton Mall play area from its 2005/06 Discretionary Fund.

16. UPDATE ON 2005/06 PROJECT AND DISCRETIONARY FUNDING AND PROPOSALS FOR RE-ALLOCATION OF SURPLUS FUNDS, AS AT 30 MAY 2006

The Community Secretary requested the Board to consider the allocation of its remaining 2005/06 Discretionary funding. Various surplus funds were identified.

The Board **resolved**:

1. That the following unspent funds be returned to the Board and added to its Discretionary Fund for reallocation to other projects:
 - \$5,000 not required by Te Ropu Tamariki
 - \$626 not required for the Christmas Events Fund
 - \$870 in the Neighbourhood Week Fund
 - \$111 not required for the Community Garden Pride Awards
 - \$144 not required for the Parklands Baptist Church
 - \$742 not required for the Older Adults Programme
 - \$700 in the Sport and Recreation Fund
 - \$394 in the Community Response Fund
2. To note that the reallocations agreed to, in 1 above, will result in \$25,434 being available for reallocation to other projects in the 2005/06 financial year.
3. To note that four further reports for Discretionary Funds were received and these were detailed in clauses 7,11,12 and 13 of the agenda for this meeting.

17. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

The Board **resolved** that the draft resolution to exclude the public, set out on page 30 of the agenda be adopted.

The meeting concluded at 8.35 pm.

CONSIDERED THIS 21ST DAY OF JUNE 2006

**GLENDIA BURT
CHAIRPERSON**