## 12. WALNUT TREE PARK – ACQUISITION OF LAND

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The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of the details of a proposed purchase of a piece of land adjacent to Walnut Tree Park. The report will also be presented to the Parks and Recreation Committee

Housing New Zealand have subdivided their property at 25 Bangor St. There is a pathed walkway along the edge of the property adjacent to the reserve (Lot 15 in proposed subdivision). The public use the path as well as residents as it appears to be part of the reserve. The walkway runs from Bangor St to a private driveway but could be extended through the reserve to connect with Hurley St. The walkway is not physically separated from the reserve and there is an existing fence between the path and the houses.



The total area of the land to be purchased is  $50\text{m}^2$  and includes an existing path. An agreed value of \$6500 has been determined for the land. Sufficient funds are held in the 2000/2001 reserve purchase budget to acquire the land concerned. Survey costs will be met by Housing New Zealand.

## **CONCLUSION**

The pathway has been in public use for over 10 years and with the HNZ subdivision and sale of the units to private owners the purchase of the path is necessary to maintain the public's use of the path.

**Recommendation:** That Lot 15 be purchased off Housing NZ for the agreed sum of \$6 500 as an extension

to Walnut Park.

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**Recommendation:** That the officer's recommendations be adopted.