

## **7.0 POLICIES**

### **7.1 Recreation**

- ◆ To develop and encourage the provision of facilities necessary and desirable for the public use of the reserve consistent with its character and function.
- ◆ To provide for access and the parking of vehicles in designated areas.
- ◆ To retain and develop areas of open space and planted shelter for informal recreation.
- ◆ To provide for pedestrian access through the reserve and as a link with adjacent recreational resources.
- ◆ To maintain the public's freedom of access and use in balance with protecting the amenities of the reserve and the camping ground.
- ◆ To prohibit overnight camping in areas of the reserve outside of the existing camping ground.
- ◆ To prohibit fires in the reserve except in barbecue facilities set aside specifically for this purpose.

### **7.2 Buildings and Facilities**

- ◆ To permit and encourage the provision of those buildings and facilities necessary and desirable for the use and enjoyment of the reserve.
- ◆ To encourage community support in the provision of any buildings and facilities.
- ◆ To support long-term use of any site, building or facility by way of a formal agreement under the Reserves Act where this is desirable for the best use and enjoyment of the reserve.
- ◆ The location and layout of any future buildings and facilities shall be consistent with the current development plan.
- ◆ The design and construction or renovation of buildings and facilities shall be in harmony with other buildings and structures and the use of the reserve minimise the opportunities for vandalism and have consideration for the safety and wellbeing of the public.

### **7.3 Vegetation**

- ◆ To maintain the plant life in the reserve in good health through an annual maintenance programme.
- ◆ To remove existing growth that is not in accord with the character and function of the reserve consistent with the development plan.
- ◆ To develop and maintain a planting programme to provide open grassed areas, appropriate shelter and screening in accord with the development plan.
- ◆ To design all plantings to minimise the creation of spaces that may attract undesirable behaviour.

- ◆ To create a visual screen between the reserve and the camping ground by the use of plantings in a hedging effect.
- ◆ Established trees will be maintained in sound condition and may be trimmed and if need be removed for reasons of safety or good management as set out below (tree can also be read as bush or shrub):
  - the tree is dead, dying or diseased
  - the tree has become a danger to public safety
  - the tree interferes with essential public utilities
  - the tree is obstructing the waterflow in any drainage system
  - the tree has outgrown its location or site and is causing or could cause serious damage to buildings or property, publicly or privately owned
  - the tree is inhibiting the growth of a more desirable species
  - the tree is a poor specimen or unsuited to the site due to incompatible growing conditions or the height, age or bulk of the tree and needs to be removed in order that more suitable specimens can be planted.

#### **7.4 Lighting and Night Time Use**

- ◆ To permit lighting to facilitate access and nighttime use consistent with the character and function of the reserve and the amenities of the surrounding area.

#### **7.5 Landscape**

- ◆ To develop and maintain the form of the reserve to provide for informal recreational use and associated facilities as shown on the development plan.
- ◆ Further shaping, mounding, top soiling and mulching will be undertaken as funds become available to assist in the establishment and maintenance of new and existing plantings and other recreation facilities.
- ◆ The entrances to the reserve will be developed to increase its visibility and to give a sense of entry using planting and signs.

#### **7.6 Vehicle Access and Parking**

- ◆ To develop and maintain a formed and sealed accessway for vehicles from Awapuni Road to extend into the area of the reserve beside the tennis court as set out in the development plan.
- ◆ To develop a vehicle entrance at the rear of the surf club to allow access to adjacent parking areas.
- ◆ To develop and maintain parking areas adjacent to the foreshore as set out in the development plan.
- ◆ To provide adequate physical restraints to limit vehicles to the formed access and carpark and to provide physical speed constraints as necessary.

- ◆ Council vehicles and other vehicles authorised by Council shall have access to all parts of the reserve as is necessary for management purposes.
- ◆ Parking areas and ramps for people with disabilities will be provided where practicable.

### **7.7 Pedestrian Access**

- ◆ The public will have pedestrian access to all parts of the reserve at all times except the area and facilities which are provided specifically for the surf club or camping ground.
- ◆ To provide pathways as shown on the development plan so as to encourage use of the reserve and pedestrians access through the reserve to link the reserve with other recreational resources in the locality.

### **7.8 Fences**

- ◆ To ensure a secure fence in conjunction with screen planting is maintained along the common boundary with the camping ground.
- ◆ To provide low fences around developed plantings and specimen trees as a barrier to and protection from vehicle movements.
- ◆ Fences and barriers where provided shall be of a design and construction to harmonise with the management objectives and policies of the reserve.

### **7.9 Maintenance**

- ◆ A regular maintenance programme will be provided for all trees, shrubs and grassed areas.
- ◆ A regular weed control programme will be maintained particularly along fencelines, pathways and on sealed areas such as carparks and tennis courts.

### **7.10 Utility Services**

- ◆ To permit those utility services necessary for the operation of the reserve, its buildings and other facilities.
- ◆ All services are to be located under ground where practicable.

### **7.11 Dog Control**

- ◆ Dogs will not be permitted on the reserve.