

4.1 Signage

Waikirikiri Reserve requires a reserve sign. The sign should be placed on the corner of Tyndall Road and Dalton Street. The sign should illustrate permitted and prohibited activities for Waikirikiri Reserve. If possible the sign should be made of materials and designed in a way to mitigate the effects of possible vandalism. Signs are important for public information and to encourage appropriate recreational use of the reserve.

4.2 Fitness Trail/Training Stations

A fitness station including 5-6 training stations could be established along one side of the reserve (*see site plan of proposed development 4.5*). The trail running from just beyond the ablution block straight to the end of the reserve. A walkway could also be developed running along side the fitness trail for runners. The walkway would also provide easier access for spectators to the fields during the wet winter months. The walkway should run the length of the reserve from the ablution block (approximately 300m in length) and be 1.5-2 metres wide allowing enough room for dual use. Eventually this path may be continued around the full perimeter of the reserve providing a walkway around the reserve away from the built environment. The path should be made of materials which are as graffiti proof as possible.

4.3 Netball/Basketball Court

Netball and basketball are popular sports in Gisborne. Netball/basketball courts have been identified by Reserves Planning and community facilities asset management as a recreation facility which would be well utilised in the Kaiti area. Waikirikiri Reserve is an excellent site for such an activity (*see 4.5 site plan including proposed development*). It is proposed that such a court be developed along the Tyndall Road street frontage, alongside the carpark. Community facilities Asset Management have estimated the cost of one court to be approximately \$25,000.

Of course this further development could only be considered when funding allows. Council is currently spending a lot of money on Waikirikiri Reserve simply maintaining the reserve and ridding present recreation and community facilities of graffiti. Unfortunately this expenditure effects the recommendations and possibilities for further development for Waikirikiri Reserve.

4.4 Future Recommendation : Recreation and Community Centre

A Recreation and Community Centre could provide a useful facility for the Kaiti community. A proposal has been made by a member of the community through the submission process (*see Appendix 6.3*) for such a facility.

The proposed centre includes basketball/volleyball/netball courts, meeting rooms, IT suite, gym/aerobics room and toilets/showers/changing area.

This proposal may need to be revisited in the future when/as funding and the community's needs dictate. Currently there are other centres offering similar facilities which exist in Gisborne (including Kaiti) which are currently under-utilised and under-funded.