

Elected Member Briefing – 25 October 2018
Committee Room 1

Time	Topic <i>*Related Committee</i>	HCC Presenter	Time Req'd (mins)
9.30am	Rototuna Community Hub – Options and Feasibility Study <i>Community, Services and Environment Growth and Infrastructure</i>	Natasha Ryan	45
10.15am	Development of Sport and Recreation Strategy <i>Community, Services and Environment</i>	Amanda Banks	60
11.15am	MORNING TEA		15
11.30am	Playgrounds of the Future Plan Review <i>Community, Services and Environment</i>	Maria Barrie Hannah Helleur	45
12.15am	Greater Hamilton Urban Growth Strategy (GHUGS) <i>Growth and Infrastructure</i>	Jen Baird Greg Carstens	60
1.15pm	FINISH		

Rototuna Town Centre

➤ Options & Feasibility Study



Purpose & agenda

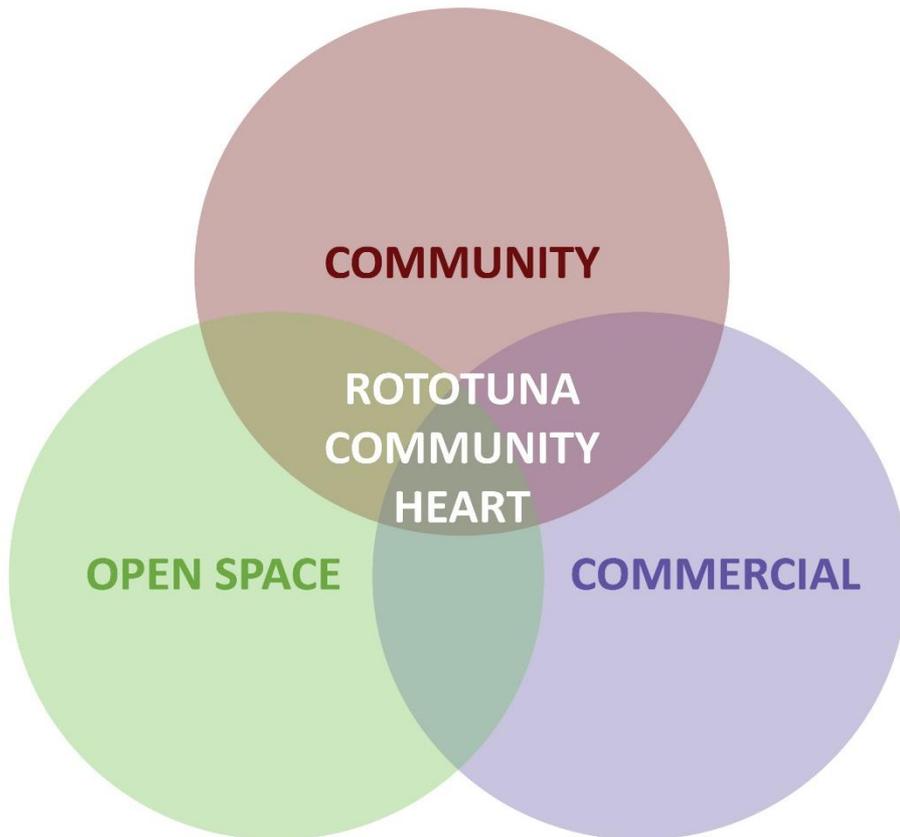
- Briefing purpose: to provide direction to the project
- Agenda
 - Context
 - Placemaking
 - Investment process: appetite for ambition
 - Next steps

Context

- **Project purpose** is to:
 - Identify what community facilities will go where (inside the red border) and how they will be funded
 - Be ready to design next financial year
- **Success:** A cohesive, connected and compelling place to be, an integrated urban village



Placemaking



What we have heard:

- An inviting, playful centre
- Puts people first
- Reflects community input
- Focuses on connections
- Demonstrates innovative, creative design
- Is 'green', energy efficient and sustainable
- Holistic cohesive experience

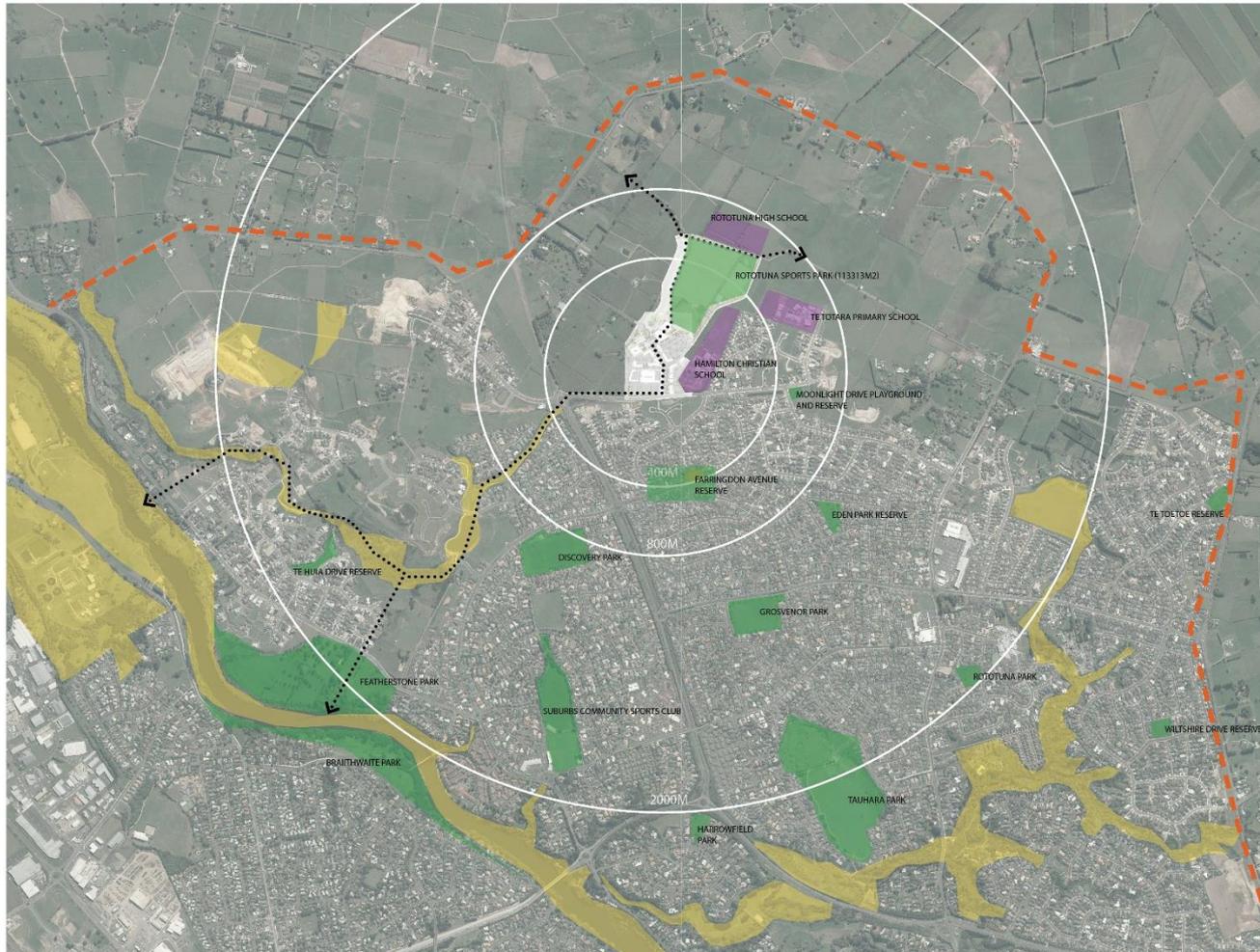
Placemaking



How we get there:

- A shared vision
- Integrated development
- Coordinated investment
- Investment guidelines
- Design guidance

Heart of Rototuna



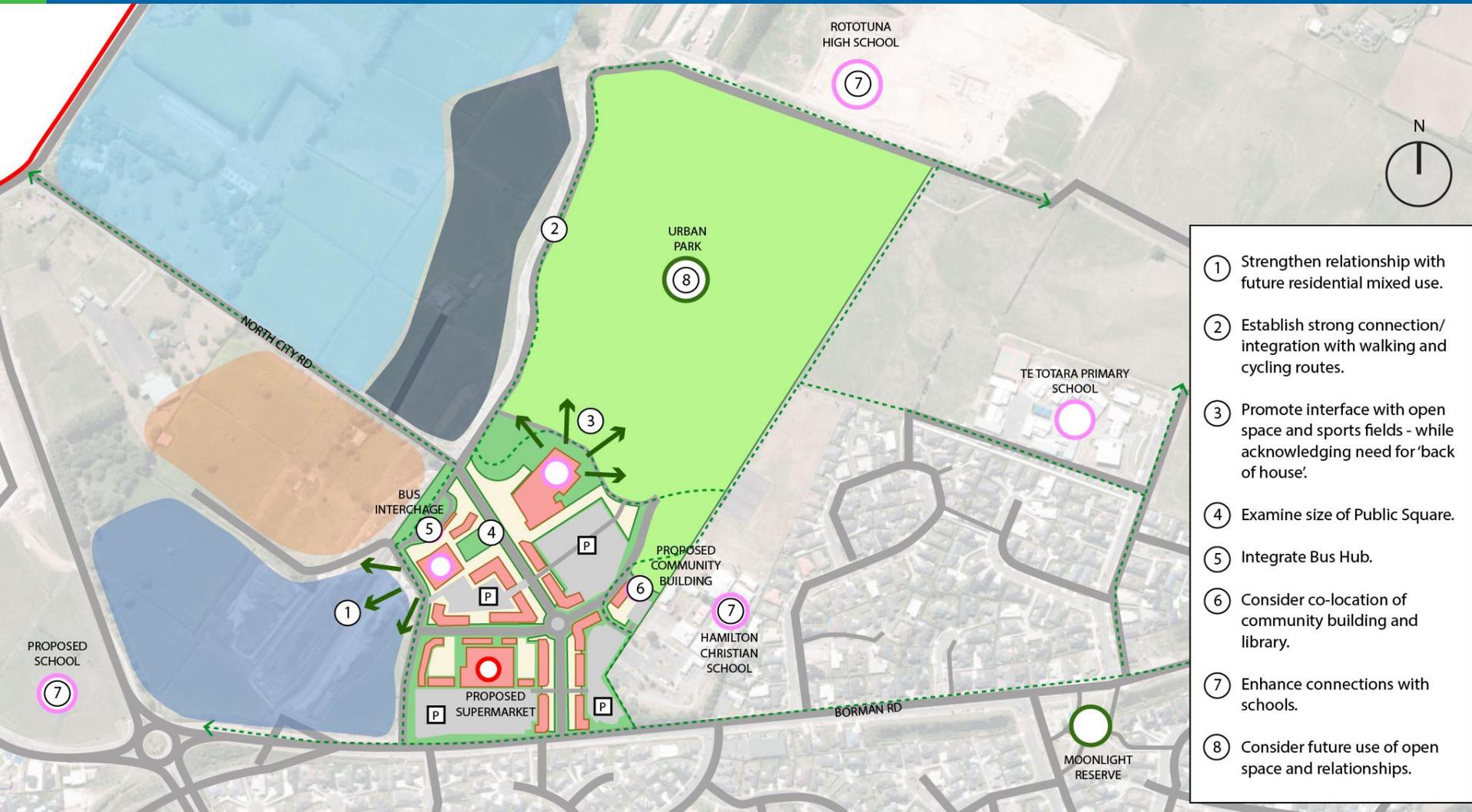
PUBLIC REALM COMPARISONS

- ROTOTUNA PLAZA, HAMILTON - 4,116m²
- GARDEN PLACE, HAMILTON - 6,400m²
- MIDLAND PARK, WELLINGTON - 1,155m²
- ST PATRICKS SQUARE, AUCKLAND - 2,247m²
- CITY SQUARE, MELBOURNE - 2,843m²
- KARANGA PLAZA, AUCKLAND - 3,050m²
- TAKUTAI SQUARE, AUCKLAND - 2,086m²
- CIVIC SQUARE, WELLINGTON - 1,830m²
- PHOENIX CARPARK, TAURANGA - 2,840m²
- SUN DIAL SQUARE, RICHMOND, TASMAN - 1,325m²
- THE SQUARE, PLAMERSTON NORTH - 40,000m²
- CATHEDRAL SQUARE, CHRISTCHURCH - 5,930m²
- VICTORIA SQUARE, CHRISTCHURCH - 12,365m²

LEGEND

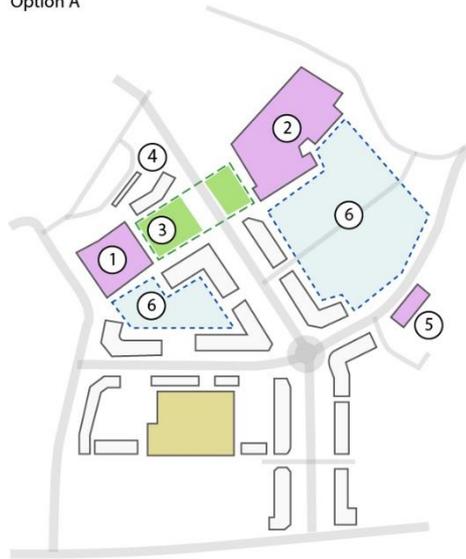
- SCHOOLS (IN CLOSE PROXIMITY)
- OPEN SPACES
- PROPOSED OPEN SPACES IN DISTRICT PLAN
- POTENTIAL CONNECTION TO WAIKATO RIVER FROM ROTOTUNA

Connecting with the surrounding context

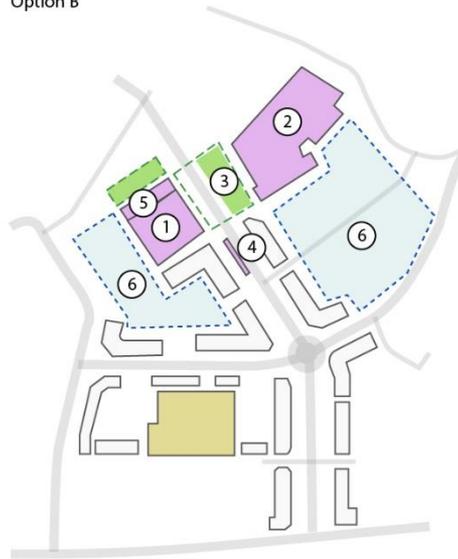


Option Development

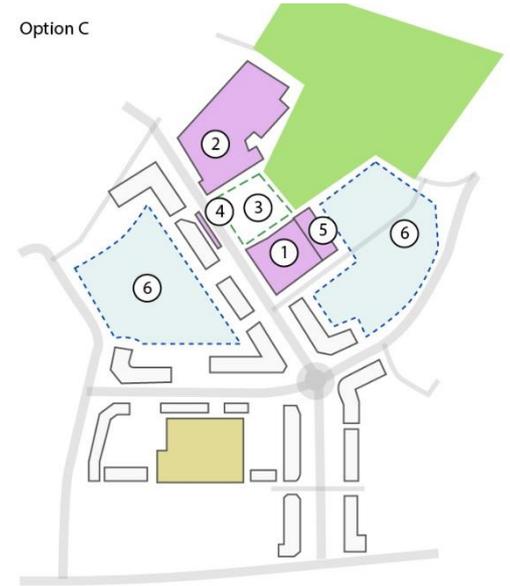
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Option B



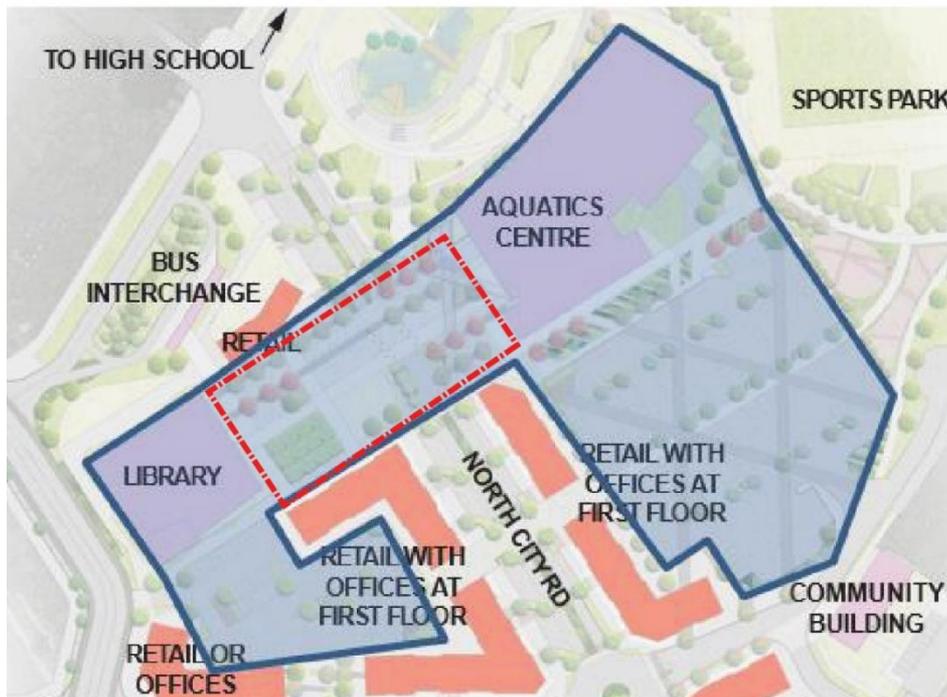
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KEY

- ① Library
- ② Aquatic Centre
- ③ Town Square
- ④ Bus Hub
- ⑤ Community Centre / Creche
- ⑥ Carparking

Option testing and assessment



People focused spaces



Queenstown Masterplan (Beca / LandLAB)

- Smart technology
- Active modes
- Public transport
- Connections with nature
- Healthy living
- Diversity
- Time



Investment

- How ambitious is Council prepared to be?

Investment Overview

- Outcome one integrated, quality development that meets community needs
- A co-ordinated public and private investment
- Within budget
- Current HCC \$19.6 m capex, Library operational funding budgeted, but currently no Aquatic operational funding

A Co-ordinated Public and Private Investment

- Foster a common vision, which ideally is compelling
- Early discussions with possible community funders regarding relevant project components, eg urban play
- With developer work together to cluster relevant retail and community offerings, eg as part of a greater library/community hub cluster a café + bookshop + options that reinforce maker spaces (eg commercial - IT retailer; community – Men’s Shed)
- Ask developer to build some component for us for \$x and/or release of land.

Aquatic Facilities

- Must complement Waterworld
- Priority is to meet needs of local catchment which is likely to primarily be aquatic education and aquatic fitness programs including lap swimming
- Reality is aquatic facilities lose money except Learn-To-Swim, fitness centre and wellness/health services, eg physio
- One model can cluster these types of components

Aquatic Facilities

- Zero water Splash Pads or even simpler can work for urban play
- Possible solution can be larger LTS pool + 'moveable floor solution' for older adult group fitness + some lap swimming (29° to 31° C)
- To achieve desired solution may require some capital contribution by Council as incentive (say via tender), ie private party builds and operates with specified public outcomes.

Next Steps

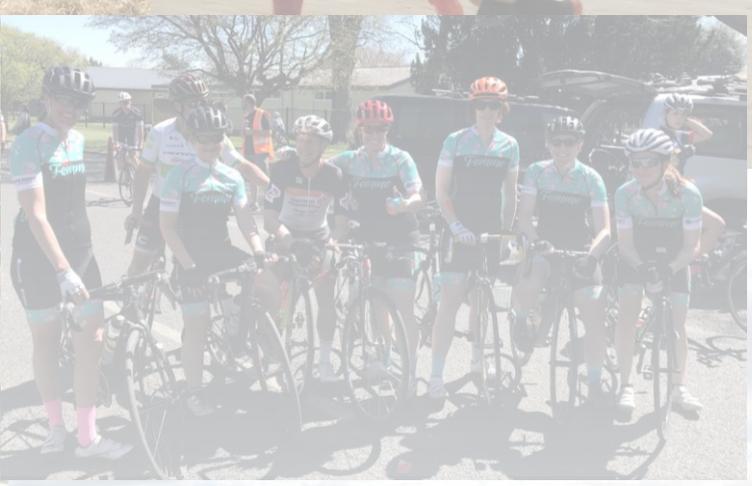
- Briefing 29/11/18: Discuss criteria for assessing options
- Future:
 - Stakeholder engagement opportunities
 - Workshop to confirm the options short list
 - Briefing to confirm preferred option based on feasibility
 - Council meeting resolution for preferred option

Development of Council's Sport and Recreation Strategy



Purpose of today

- Progress update
- Next steps
- Draft 'strategy on a page'
- Gain your feedback





Progress so far

The Importance of Play





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Our Memories of Play

What are some key points from this information?

How does this relate to HCC's business?

What was delightful?
Freedom
Sharing experience
Exploring
Autonomy from parents' rules
Nature
Unstructured (space)
Free (cost) \approx low tech
Danger (perceived)
Dirty
Secretive / Isolated
Adult-free / Isolated
Use what you've got to create the fun you want to
Richness
Organic



Is play always dirty?
Learning life skills for independence go hand in hand
Are we sanitizing our spaces too much?
Play is spontaneous
Building resilience
relation to raising creativity & youth
Do we need to have fun to inspire fun?

Function' of a road –
putting the fun back in function



Ponsonby, Auckland 1971 (source: Te Ara)





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Play objectives

- Play is a Council-wide priority
- Play is planned with, and valued by, the community
- We are courageous and innovative in our commitment to play
- Our city is re-imagined as a playground
- Everyone knows about opportunities to play

Play ideas and concepts

- Ziplining to work across the river
- Stormwater swales designed for racing play boats
- Trees to climb, bushes for huts in public places
- Rethinking safety and risk
- Street BBQs focused on family, social connection and fun
- Play pop-up in parks
- Skating in Garden Place – watching people play
- Public art that can be played on

Next steps

- Targeted engagement
 - Regional sports organisations
 - Informal recreation
 - Presenting at mana whenua forum
- Develop strategy
 - Strategic context
 - Current state of play in Hamilton
 - Play, sport and recreation trends
 - Additional detail on strategy direction

VISION

Hamilton is a great place for everyone to play

PURPOSE STATEMENT

Hamilton City Council provides spaces, facilities and services to enable everyone to play and be active

OUTCOME AREAS

**Hamilton is reimagined as
an urban playground**

*We develop a connected and
accessible network of play
opportunities throughout the
city*

**Decision-making is
informed by evidence and
community voice**

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**Hamilton's play opportunities
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*We work with our key partners
to deliver play opportunities for
everyone*

**We are responsive to
changing play, sport and
recreation trends**

*We embed sustainability
and resilience practices and
principles in to facilities and
infrastructure*

Focus questions

- Is the vision, purpose and outcomes areas broadly appropriate?
- Do the outcome areas reflect your vision for play in Hamilton?
 - If not, where should we be making changes?

Within the
Play Strategy

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Outside the
Play Strategy

INDICATIVE DELIVERY PROJECTS

- Greenways Plan
- Playspaces of the Future Plan
- Public transport network amendments to link to open space and recreation facilities
- Older Persons Playground
- Council staff play circle
- Promotion and activation of open space, recreation facilities and visitor destinations (storyboards, events, apps)

- Sports field capacity assessment (with Waikato and Waipa Councils)
- Development of Level of Service for sports fields (and feasibility study on options to deliver adopted level of service)
- Virtual play research and information clearinghouse (for play, active recreation and sport research and information)

- Development of UOW Indoor Recreation Centre
- MOU with willing schools (connected greenways)
- Development of cohesive, organised sport sector in Hamilton
- Re-thinking the function of streets through relationship with transport, urban design and landscape architect specialists

- Sport and recreation facility capacity and demand assessment (including process for assessing development and redevelopment of sports and recreation facility buildings)
- Aquatics Plan

PLAYGROUNDS OF THE FUTURE

Review of Hamilton's Playgrounds Plan



Hamilton City Council

Te kaunihera o Kirikiriroa

PURPOSE OF BRIEFING

Purpose of today's briefing is to provide an update on:

- Review of the Playgrounds of the Future Plan
- 10 Year Plan playground development programme
- Community engagement approach



SCOPE OF PLAN REVIEW

2018-28 10 Year Plan Council resolution:

That the Council:

- a. Redirects the current playgrounds funding in the draft 10YP to the continuation of the Playgrounds of the Future Plan; noting the plan is to be reviewed with a view to incorporate upgrading and potential new neighbourhood playgrounds and potential skate parks; and
- b. Notes that one third of funding is to be sought from the private sector.



WHERE WE HAVE COME FROM

- 2013 review of Playgrounds Policy
- Low community satisfaction with playgrounds
- Community demand for 'all day experience' playgrounds
- A new unique approach to playground provision
- Playgrounds of the Future – focus on Destination Playgrounds

The current plan set expectations for
when and **where** destination
playgrounds would be developed



WHERE WE ARE NOW

- Playgrounds of the Future – good approach but delivery needs fine tuning
- We currently have 85 playgrounds
- High community satisfaction with destinations
- Increased community satisfaction with neighbourhoods
- Neighbourhood playgrounds vary in age, quality and facilities available
- Increasing requests for skate, parkour, exercise equipment
- Some gaps in playground provision across the city
- Play Strategy under development







FUTURE VISION

**Our playgrounds are vibrant,
social, creative spaces for
everyone to play together**



WHERE WE ARE HEADING

- A network of high quality playground across the city
- Increase whole family play experience
- Playgrounds for all ages and abilities
- Community led design
- Flexibility on location and type of play
- Utilisation of funding opportunities



WHAT THIS LOOKS LIKE

- Increased community involvement in playground development
- More nature play, sensory play, accessible play equipment, parkour, outdoor exercise and skate elements
- Using what we have well – utilising parks existing assets like toilets and car parks
- More creative play spaces
- Skate, parkour, youth facilities, exercise equipment and informal play opportunities

Play for all









HOW WE WILL ACHIEVE THIS

- Looking after and enhancing what we have
- Planning for new play spaces that include skate, parkour and exercise equipment
- Planning for new playgrounds in growth areas
- Continue to seek external funding



HOW WE WILL ACHIEVE THIS

- Test our vision with the community
- Plan for play spaces where there is need
- Alignment with other projects and existing park assets 'bang for buck'
- Continue identifying funding opportunities
- Re-phasing of programme to align with funding opportunities

A flexible programme that responds to community need and funding opportunities



YEAR 1 – 3

Year	Location	Project
2018/19	Mangaiti Park Hillcrest Stadium Hillcrest Park Innes Common	New playground New playground Existing playground renewal Upgrade and renewal including exercise equipment
2019/20	Melville Park Lake Domain	Upgrade and renewal of skate and playground area Upgrade and renewal of lower level playground
2020/21	Glenview Park Hayes Paddock Hammond Park Claudelands Park	Upgrade and renewal Upgrade and renewal Upgrade and renewal Upgrade and renewal

- Awaiting outcomes of funding applications for Yr 1 projects
- \$102k confirmed external funding



YEARS 4-7

Year	Location	Project
2021/22	Central City Melville area Tauhara Park	Destination Skate Park Upgrade existing playground Upgrade and renewal destination playground
2022/23	TBC Chartwell area Dinsdale area	Destination Playground Upgrade existing playground Upgrade existing playground
2023/24	Rototuna area Fairfield area	Upgrade existing playground Upgrade existing playground
2024/25	Pukete Area	Upgrade existing playground



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- Engage on vision for future play spaces as part of wider play strategy
- Going forward – greater community input into each playground project



Next Steps

- Testing of re-phased programme to identify the impact on the Financial Strategy
- Approval of playground development budget by Finance Committee
- Community endorsement of the vision

