

Subject: Papanui-Innes Community Board Meeting, Friday 13 September 2019, Item 9. Shirley Community Reserve

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Hi

After reading the agenda for the Papanui-Innes Community Board meeting to be held on Friday, 13 September 2019, below are my comments regarding Item 9. Shirley Community Reserve - temporary pump track location.

1. Shirley Community Reserve Consultation Comments

<https://ccc.govt.nz/assets/Documents/Consultation/2019/8-August/Shirley-pump-track/19-994467-Shirley-Pump-Track-Submission-Feedback-Table-and-Staff-Responses-Online-28-08-2019-PIP0653.pdf>

"Shirley Community Reserve temporary pump track – Submission table and staff responses – August 2019
26189 Kim Brown, 26222 Leon & Heather Blewett, 26330 Samuel Jack, 26813 Don Gould, 26819 Joanna Gould (mine), 26828 Jacqueline Tither, 27623 Mark Wilson"

Why did these submitters say No to "Do you support the plan" & what were their comments?

2. Attachment F – Shirley Community Reserve temporary pump track – Community Views and Preferences

https://christchurch.infocouncil.biz/Open/2019/09/PICB_20190913_ATT_3227_PLANS.PDF

"1.2 For those who indicated they do not support the landscape plan, the most common comments were about:

- Not what the community asked for (MacFarlane Park location)
- Not wanting the multi-use table
- Want a community centre
- The track is too expensive
- Make it permanent
- Safety concerns over having to cross a busy road
- Need additional rubbish bins and to increase rubbish removal
- Concern over being advised the track could only be onsite for 1-2 years
- Will negatively impact neighbours in relation to noise and rubbish, which is already an issue at the reserve and attracting people displaying undesirable behaviour
- No toilets"

3. Noise Levels/Setback

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4. Context/Background

4.3 There has been demand for a skate, scooter and bike park in the Shirley area identified through various community research papers since the early 1990s. Attempts to install a skate park in MacFarlane Park have proved not viable due to lack of suitable space and separation from neighbours."

"The original idea of the location being at McFarlane Park was not suitable, as it doesn't have the set back needed for this type of facility, the closest residential property is 30 m away and it does not have the suitable setback. Permanent skate facilities still need to be placed at least 40 m from residential properties in order to meet District Plan noise standards. This is the distance the Council works to due to previous noise testing of permanent skate parks. While permanent skate surfaces can create less noise, it's the dropping and landing of skateboards that can create noise and requires the 40 m setback."

A skate park facility is designed and used differently from a pump track, there is no "dropping and landing of skateboards".

"A pump track is a circuit of rollers, banked turns and features designed to be ridden completely by riders "pumping"—generating momentum by up and down body movements, instead of pedaling or pushing. It was originally designed for the mountain bike and BMX scene, and now, due to concrete constructions, is also used by skateboard and scooter riders, and accessible to wheelchairs. Pump tracks are relatively simple to use and cheap to construct, and cater to a wide variety of rider skill levels." https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pump_track

<http://ccc.govt.nz/assets/Documents/The-Council/HYS/2015/RMA92030074Documentsfornotification.PDF>

Sumner Skate Park Report by PLANZ Consultants for the Christchurch City Council

- Page 12 & 13 Day-time noise, Night-time noise

- Page 16 & 17 Policy 4.2.9/10/11 Impacts of Noise, Sound Levels, Policy 14.4.1 Adverse Effects

- Page 36-48 Report from Marshall Day Acoustics

4. Accessible Table instead of a Multi-Use Table

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5. Options Analysis

5.4 Option 2: Amend the proposed landscape plan to include an accessible picnic table instead of a multi-use table at Shirley Community Reserve.

5.4.1 Option 2: Include a picnic table that is accessible to people of all abilities in place of a multi-use table at Shirley Community Reserve."

I support Option 2. Accessible Table. This would be more practical and better used by everyone in our community.

My idea for the new Shirley Centre at 10 Shirley Road is about being inclusive & having an accessible playground.

5. New Suggestion

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2. Executive Summary

2.2 This report is being provided to fulfil Waipapa/Papanui-Innes Community Board's resolution (PICB/2018/00129) from 7 December 2019.

4. That the Board engage with the local education facilities, residents and community groups to encourage involvement and fundraising."

- <https://www.stuff.co.nz/national/108863277/23-million-in-government-funding-announced-to-get-more-school-children-cycling>

- <https://www.nzta.govt.nz/walking-cycling-and-public-transport/cycling/cycling-education/>

- <https://www.education.govt.nz/school/property-and-transport/school-facilities/bike-and-fitness-tracks/>

- <https://bikeon.org.nz/bikes-in-schools/#pump-track>

<https://www.yumpu.com/en/document/read/62748054/norwest-news-july-23-2019>

"Parents get stuck into school's new bike track" St Francis of Assisi Catholic School,

<https://www.mairehaubiketrack.nz/>, Hirepool loaned a loader free of charge.

"We want this to be a community thing, and the working bees are as much about building communities as getting things done" Julian Meates, Parent Representative on the Board of Trustees for St Francis of Assisi Catholic School.

The Board could engage with Shirley Primary School & their Board of Trustees, to work together with them to create a permanent bike/pump track in the Shirley Primary School grounds.

This would address a number of the issues highlighted by the submitters in No 1. & 2. above, that can not be resolved at the Shirley Community Reserve, 10 Shirley Road site in Richmond.

"Open space and specific purposes (Cemetery, schools, tertiary education, golf resort, defence Wigram and hospital) only require a 10 m set back to meet noise standards. So Mairehau School doesn't need to meet the 40 m setback distance."

This could be a community lead project that connects the community through active participation involving: the School, Board of Trustees, pupils, community, NZTA?, Ministry of Education?, Bike On "Bikes in Schools"?, fundraising, working bees and sponsorship opportunities.

This suggestion would create a much needed and long awaited local facility in the local Shirley community, providing easy and safe access for all the children of Shirley.

The Board could also engage with Banks Avenue School & their Board of Trustees, to work together with them to create a permanent bike/pump track in the new Banks Avenue School grounds, on the former Shirley Boys High site in the Innes Ward.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Thanks,
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