NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Newfield Park, JG Ward and 38 Suir Street Hearings to be held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Civic Theatre, 88 Tay Street, Invercargill on Tuesday 15 September 2026 at 12.00 pm

Cr P M Boyle
Cr A L de Vries
Cr L Tou-McNaughton
Ms J Eruera

MICHAEL DAY
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Newfield Park, JG Ward and 38 Suir Street Hearings - Public

15 September 2026 12:00 PM

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Hearing	Sub #	Name	Time
	#	**Meeting Opened**	
1	NPR060	Carolyn Weston	12:00
2	NPR046	Caleb Honiss	12.10
3	NPR056	Sonya Carey – Newfield Park School *Via MS Teams*	12.20
4	NPR057	Invercargill City youth Council Fletcher Mathilda	12.30
5	JGW001	John Winter	12.40
6	JGW026	Kylie Fowler	12.50

Hearing Timetable – Newfield Park, JG Ward and 38 Suir Street Hearings

NEWFIELD PARK – HEARINGS

To:	Newfield Park Hearings Panel
Meeting Date:	Tuesday 15 September 2026
From:	Cassie Horton – Interim Manager – Strategy Parks and Recreation
Approved:	Rex Capil – Group Manager – Community Spaces and places
Approved Date:	Thursday 10 September 2026
Open Agenda:	Yes
Public Excluded Agenda:	No

Purpose and Summary

This report presents the submissions received on the proposed revocation of reserve status and recommendations for the Hearings Panel to consider.

Recommendations

That the Hearings Panel:

1. Receives the report "Newfield Park - Hearings".

2. Receives the submissions, Summary of Submissions and Social Media Report.

3. Notes the Hearings Timetable (Doc ID: 11282275).

Background

Council's proposal to revoke reserve status on Newfield Park was endorsed to proceed at the Council Meeting on 29 July 2025.

Three options were developed for consultation with the community, which took place 3 July – 7 August 2026.

Public notification was undertaken as a requirement under the Reserves Act 1977. The proposal was publicly notified in accordance with the Reserves Act 1977 requirements in the Southland Times twice. Information was made available on Let's Talk.

Consultation was also undertaken with the Commissioner (DOC) and mana whenua, with no submission provided by the Rūnaka.

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Sixty submissions were received with four requesting to be heard.

Issues

Options

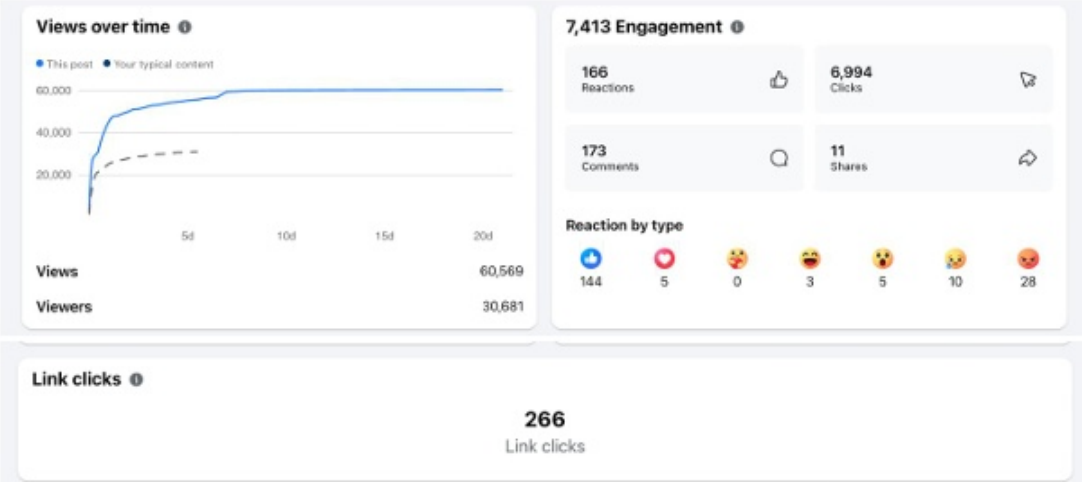
Option One - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs.
Option Two - Revoke Reserve status on all of the land.
Option Three - Do nothing.

Option three (do nothing) was the most preferred option (33 responses), followed by option one revoke status on some of the land (23 responses). Option two was the least preferred (four responses). The majority of submissions indicated that the main reason for doing nothing was to retain it as open space for play, it is used as a space for local residents, and problems causing a disruption and safety concern being close to the school (traffic, noise, development). It provides a habitat for bird life and could support climate change. There were also comments that once it is gone, we will not get it back. Some noted if this went ahead, they would support option one over option two.

Submitters who preferred option one (retain reserve status on some of the land) noted the reasons being to retain some land for open green space and community play, plantings, while also allowing community growth and development.

Social Media Report

7,413 people engaged with this post which mentioned both Newfield and JG Ward proposals, with 173 comments.



Next Steps

Deliberations will take place on 24 September 2026.

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Attachments

1. Submissions to be heard:
   - 1.1 Hearings Slot 1 – NPR060 Carolyn Weston (Doc ID 11282272)
   - 1.1 Hearings Slot 2 – NPR046 Caleb Honiss (Doc ID 11282300)
   - 1.3 Hearings Slot 3 – NPR056 Sonya Carey (Doc ID 11282267)
   - 1.4 Hearings Slot 4 – NPR057 Invercargill Youth Council (Doc ID 11282270)

2. Submissions not to be heard (Doc ID 11283100)

3. JG Ward Reserve and Newfield Reserve Social Media Report (Doc ID 11282841)

4. Summary of Submissions (Doc ID 10921936)

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NPR060

Submission – Newfield Park Proposal

Date: 5th August 2026

To: Invercargill City Council

From: Carolyn and Tony Weston

Email: [redacted]

In August 2024, we moved back to Dome Street and now live in a townhouse on the same block as Newfield Park. This is the closest park to our house and the only park Carolyn can walk to. It is the largest park in our neighbourhood, the other playgrounds being pocket-sized parks.

We first bought a house in Dome St in 1985 and our two sons grew up in Newfield. We have fond memories of Newfield Park and enjoyed the grass, trees and play equipment.

We object to the whole or part of Newfield Park being sold to build a subdivision. We need to treasure green areas within our suburbs. Recent research concludes, people need access to green areas and bird songs within their neighbourhood. These parklands decrease the level of stress within individuals. This research showed that when people are in built-up areas with lots of traffic and other noises, their stress levels increase. It also showed having plenty of parks in a city creates a healthy environment.

There used to be a line of trees along the lane from Dome St to Centre St but these have been cut-down. We also need to provide some trees to help with climate changes.

Recently, we learnt from South Alive, no fruit and nut trees are growing in Newfield. It would be great if the Fruit and Nut Trees Group were able to plant some fruit and nut trees in Newfield

Park so those of us living in Newfield can easily access crop from these trees.

After rain, when walking over the grass in Newfield Park, the ground was very soft and mucky. Having some trees in the park would help to drain some of the excess water. If this land is subdivided, how much drainage would need to be done, prior to the ground being suitable for building on? Has a land surveyor studied the suitability of building on this land?

In your consultation document, you advice that Newfield Park is Crown Land. If the land is no longer required by the Crown we understand Ngai Tahu has the first chance to use the land for their own purposes. Your document suggests that you would sell the land then give Ngai Tahu the funds from the sale. You need to check the law about that.

You also propose to build 20 homes for disabled people. Whilst accessible homes need to be built in Invercargill, why separate disabled people from living amongst abled bodies people? As a disabled woman, I enjoy living amongst abled bodies neighbours. I know there are groups of ICC social housing around the city, these maybe fine in a small group of 5 or 6, but 20 of these homes together is far too many. Segregation is another form of institutionalisation which should be discouraged within city planning.

When learning about civil emergencies from experts trainers, disabled people are advised to get to know our immediate neighbours and let them know what assistance we may need in a civil defence emergency. Building 20 social homes together for disabled people is dangerous in the case of a bad earth-quake, flood or strong winds. Having 20 disabled people living next to each other doesn't encourage these people to mingle and get to know able bodies people living in the same area.

How will people in the immediate neighbourhood know what assistance these disabled people will require during a civil emergency? It could be hours or days before a civil emergency staff member is able to assist these disabled people.

Another factor in building a large block of 20 homes for disabled people together, can create social isolation. Whilst individuals may develop a friendship with another person with a disability, there is little incentive to go further afield and meet and build friendships with other people. This does not comply with the concept of “Enabling Good Lives” which Government supports where disabled people can choose the live-style they desire. Council must insure that when planning and building social houses for disabled people, these homes are fully accessible, be integrated into a general neighbourhood and comply with UNCRDP and “Enabling Good Lives ideology”.

We would like to speak to this submission.

Please advise us of the date and time we can speak to the Committee responsible for this proposal.

Carolyn Weston QSM and Tony Weston

NPR046

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 30, 2026 15:19:09 pm
Last Seen: Jul 30, 2026 15:19:09 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Caleb Honiss
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	Yes
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 2 – Revoke Reserve status on all of the land

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Invercargill has over 3000ha of parks and reserves. I live close by three of them (within a 800m radius) and out of those three only one is used and even then-not very often. My four children probably use it more than anyone else in the neighbourhood. As a city we have far to many parks and reserves sucking millions of dollars of maintenance every year from the taxpayer. This is not a good outcome for the city or the ratepayer as we could and should be spending this money on necessary infrastructure maintenance or paying off debt. It would be great to see more parks sold off and the money used to upgrade the existing parks that do get used or to be earmarked for paying off debt and or maintenace.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

I am a property developer based in Invercargill and have completed multiple small subdivisions throughout the city. I have scoped the property for subdivision. - If you were to complete Option 1 there would be no proper road access to the remainder of the land and you would not be able to yield enough lots to make the subdivision feasible. -The only way to make the subdivision a viable option is to continue the road and infrastructure from Wilfrid St. The road access from Center St is not wide enough to achieve a subdivision other than a small handful of lots. -If you were to sell the site with Option 1, as a developer you would have to pay me to take the land as it would cost more to develop than the potential sale of the sites. Certainly by the time the council removed reserve status and subdivided the front portion you would have cost more money than the sale of the remainder of the site -Therefore the only viable option is to either do everything, or do nothing. Doing nothing however, is not a good result for the city and the already overburdened rate payers.

NPR056

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Aug 07, 2026 09:22:00 am
Last Seen: Aug 07, 2026 09:22:00 am
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Sonya Carey
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	Yes
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	Newfield Park School
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	Yes
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

The Invercargill City Council is seeking feedback on the proposal to revoke the reserve status of Newfield Park (83 Wilfrid Street, South Invercargill) partially or fully. Newfield Park School is located at 82 Wilfrid Street, South Invercargill and therefore any changes in the reserve status of Newfield Park and subsequent use of the land as a result will have a direct impact on the school and its operation. The council has provided this with regards to the motivation for the proposal; 'Council identifies this land as having little recreational or environmental values under the Reserves Act 1977 parameters, and minimal demand to book the space. Council also acknowledges its proximity to other green spaces that are better utilised. This land is therefore viewed as being surplus to requirements. On 24 June 2025, Council was approached by Te Pare Kauika Ltd with a proposal to build up to 22 residential units on the site. The proposal to begin the public consultation process was approved through Council resolution on 29 July 2025 to proceed with the revocation of reserve status and disposal process for Newfield Park. This process formalises the next steps required under the Reserves Act 1977.' Firstly the Newfield Park School board wishes to note, we are not aware of any meaningful attempt by Council to invest in, promote, or enhance the reserve to increase community use. The Reserve Act purpose refers not only to recreational use, but also recreational potential, whether active or passive, as a relevant consideration under the Act. The consultation material does not explain whether the apparent underutilisation of Newfield Park has been influenced by obvious drainage or stormwater issues. If wet ground conditions have limited recreational use, it would be appropriate for Council to demonstrate what investigations, maintenance, or improvement measures have been undertaken before determining that the reserve is surplus to requirements. The apparent underutilisation of Newfield Park should not, by itself, be treated as evidence that the reserve is no longer required. The proposed change in use of land, including the potential of up to 22 residential units on the site, raises a number of concerns for the board; In the case of any possible future development, there are already significant drainage issues related to this park. How will these be addressed and what impact will this have on the school? There are already significant traffic flow and parking issues that impinge on the school operation (and we would suggest the local kindergarten and residents as well) connected to Wilfrid Street, Centre Street and also Lime Street, given traffic may increase across all these entrances depending on future plans, how will increased traffic in this area be addressed without causing further health and safety issues? The park is used by members of the public as a short cut from one side of a large block to the other side. If this is not available, there is a likelihood that this would increase foot traffic through the school grounds. The potential impact of increased vandalism, graffiti and inappropriate behaviour on the school grounds is both a financial and social cost for the school community. The section of the walkway from Centre Street to Wilfrid Street gets plenty of foot traffic, with both kindergarten and school drop offs, travelling backwards and forwards to high schools, and other recreational uses such as dog walking. It is unclear how any changes in the park would impact on the walkway use. The Newfield Park School board recognises the potential community benefits of additional housing for kaumātua and tangata whaikaha that are appropriately located. However, reviewing the information released by the Invercargill City Council requesting feedback on proposed options, Newfield Park School board notes that the information provided per option is insufficient to make a considered decision about the impact on the community and in particular on the local primary school. The Newfield Park School board therefore proposes 'option 3. Do nothing' until further information can be provided on the potential impact of option 1 and option 2.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

Newfield Park School board acknowledges the purpose of this consultation is in regards to the reserve status of land and many of the concerns held in relation to the justification for option 1 and 2 would also be subject to additional approval processes. The Board wishes to make it clear that if the decision maker is of mind to grant option 1 or 2 in this instance, the Council shall take this as notice that any future development proposed is requested to duly consider Newfield Park School board to be notified as an affected party, providing the opportunity to further input and involvement.

NPR057

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Aug 07, 2026 12:06:24 pm
Last Seen: Aug 07, 2026 12:06:24 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Invercargill City Youth Council
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9810
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	Yes
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 2 – Revoke Reserve status on all of the land

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Youth Council feel that the current reserve of Newfield Park is "under-utilised" by the surrounding community according to the report to elected members in 2013 listing green spaces for potential disposal. Youth Council understand that the green space is often muddy and impassable/unusable throughout certain times of the year. It is within close proximity to the already popular and amenity-strong Elizabeth Park, Dome Street Reserve, Kinmont Playground, and a variety of others, therefore providing alternative green spaces nearby. Having Newfield Park School so close, would be a positive convenience for new residents within the proposed community housing development. There are also four secondary schools within the general vicinity of Newfield Park. Rugby Park and multiple churches are also within walking distance, catering to multiple demographics, and therefore contributing to the cultural vibrancy of the city. Compared to Option 1, Option 2 allows for a greater footprint for potential development allowing for the proposed residential buildings to be more spread out, benefitting wellbeing of the residents and eliminate the need for costly subdivision of the land area.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

Youth Council would like to suggest that there is purpose given to a natural buffer, such as a tree-line, in-between Newfield Park School/alley way and any future subdivision to reduce potential disturbances and noise pollution. If the Council has the ability to make a recommendation to the Crown/DOC/LINZ on a preferred entity to obtain the land following revocation, Youth Council suggest that Te Pare Kauika, who provided the original proposal for the land, is that entity. It is suggested that the former reserve be zoned for residential use for low density homes only and not commercially zoned.

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 06, 2026 14:06:24 pm
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IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Stacey McGimpsey
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Although I do believe that Newfield Park can be utilised more for our community, using the land for subdivision would put more strain on the infrastructure of an already populated area while also taking away some of the limited green space that is used by our school and kindergarten, as well as causing potential safety issues for our children. Newfield Park's location would be put to better use providing more for our existing community, rather than just trying to expand it.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR002

A6540226

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 08, 2026 09:25:39 am
Last Seen: Jul 08, 2026 09:25:39 am
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Alice Jamieson
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	Yes
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Newfield park is used by local residents to play and exercise. Birds nest there. It is a much smaller and quieter space than Elizabeth Park and easier to keep eyes on people and animals. It is also flat.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

I often use Newfield park and see kids playing or families throwing a ball around or playing cricket. The school next door does not allow dogs so people with dogs cannot use that area. It would be nice if drainage could be improved.

NFR003 A6540214

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 16:39:46 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 16:39:46 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Valerie Dearman
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Only support if it is used for supported housing for seniors a and people living with a disability Play area retained with focus on disability equipment Retain walkway access which is used by primary and secondary school students mostly n

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

The play area could be developed in partnership with the housing development with full access for all public users

NPR004 A6540220

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 18:49:45 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 18:49:45 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Riva Noble
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	not answered
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Still giving children a place to play but also allowing invercargill to grow

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR005

A6540212

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 18:52:18 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 18:52:18 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1. **Name:**	Campbell
Q2. **Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3. **Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4. **Email:**	[redacted]
Q5. **Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6. **Postcode:**	9812
Q7. **Address:**	[redacted]
Q8. **Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9. **Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10. **Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

It doesnt need to be changed, just leave it as it is.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR006

A6540228

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 18:56:36 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 18:56:36 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Emily Muir
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	Yes
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	Newfield Primary and Sense Rugby
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

This is the only decent size green area in Newfield. The local kids deserve somewhere nice to go and play. At best I would support option 2 but the idea of turning this into council housing scares me for this community.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR007 A6540216

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 19:01:30 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 19:01:30 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Sharna
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Still would like to have a green belt

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

Have used this area for the last 18 yrs. While it is very wet and muddy at times I would still like to use it in future but understand the need to add more housing.

NPR008 A6540224

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 19:02:12 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 19:02:12 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	David Noble
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Option one helps with community growth and still allows room for our kids to play in a save space

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

I would like a small portion of the sale price to be used to upgrade some of the equipment at the park as I feel an upgrade would make the park more usable for family's and draw more kid to want to play and usualize the park.

NPR009 A6540210

Respondent No: 9
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 19:03:23 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 19:03:23 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Nicole Lankshear
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	not answered
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

People still use that area, children waiting for school to start or parents waiting with there little kids waiting for siblings if anything you should build a better playground there instead of tearing it down and creating more traffic and risk to the children there.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 19:03:26 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 19:03:26 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1. **Name:**	Levi Tipu
Q2. **Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3. **Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4. **Email:**	[redacted]
Q5. **Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6. **Postcode:**	9812
Q7. **Address:**	[redacted]
Q8. **Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9. **Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10. **Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Makes sense

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR011

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 19:04:42 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 19:04:42 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Sarah M
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

I suggest the council leave the land alone, it is reserved land for a reason and should stay that way. You say it's underutilised but never upgrade smaller parks only the main Queens Park and rich area playgrounds, but never the one's where kids go to kick a ball or run around. Yet another selling off of land to developers, we don't want more land developers wrecking our reserves. The only one's benefiting are the crown and council, people lose out because the gentrification of our city is out of control, which fuels antisocial behaviour, etc. Housing sounds great in theory, but if it's little cranped flats and two storey 1-2bedroom places it's not a home, that's a cramped apartment with no outdoor space, no indoor soace, no yard, no privacy, too close to others so noise becomes terrible and adds to the decline in happy neighbours and increases irritability, aggression, etc with others because there's no peace and no privacy. Leave the reserve alone.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

Stop trying to sell our reserves to gentrify our city and cram everyone in like sardines, a house has a proper yard, is not in such close proximity to others and has privacy. Land developers can find somewhere else to buy up, or buy houses that are already built and do them up instead of taking our reserves away. Council only say they're underutilised as a way to sell off land that doesn't beling to them.

NPR012

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 19:08:39 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 19:08:39 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Francie
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9810
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Dont want it to be developed. Please leave as it is

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR013

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 19:08:44 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 19:08:44 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Ashleigh hill
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	Yes
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	Newfield park school
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

The kids absolutely love playing on that park after school. It builds up their mana and they are excited to go there. It would be sad to take it away.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR014

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 19:09:59 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 19:09:59 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Skye
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	not answered
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Because kids still use this space and it's too close to the school for a housing development

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR015

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 19:21:48 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 19:21:48 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	John Johnstone
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9810
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Reserve are reserves full stop.Should not be sold,especially if it's for an exclusive ethnicity, racist obviously if this is intended. This should not be developed full stop.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

The council has neglected these reserves, only basically maintained.The good old train and tank were great years ago,but removed by the woke brigade and fun police.The good days have been destroyed by council staff .

NPR016

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 19:22:07 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 19:22:07 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	John-William Barrow
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9810
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Keeping our reserves and play spaces is important, and I don't like to see it get sold off, especially to no profit to the council. I would support Option 1 over Option 2 however if anything were to go ahead.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR017

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 19:29:48 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 19:29:48 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Matthew Milner
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	not answered
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

I think we need to keep our open spaces and playgrounds

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR018

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 19:47:09 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 19:47:09 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Genna Hayward
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9879
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

We definitely need more housing although I'm not sure we need that many houses for disabled people (I'm not in the know in that area to know demand). But keeping some play space and building houses is a win win in an under used space that costs to upkeep.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

If this is the option to go ahead I think the play equipment needs updating to ensure it is used.

NPR019

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 19:48:21 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 19:48:21 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Carl McKenzie
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9810
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Low income families deserve decent housing & proximity to a school makes this a good site. The school fields should be able to fulfil any function the field is currently being used for as long as the playground is retained.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

Please place a covenant on the land to ensure it will always be used for community housing & never sold to private real estate investors.

NPR020

Respondent No: 20
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 20:24:24 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 20:24:24 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Adena
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Because more housing is needed and im a disabled person with major health issues waiting on heart surgery and I may need one of these units at si.e stage

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR021

Respondent No: 21
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 20:51:43 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 20:51:43 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Courtney
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	not answered
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Building on that land would disrupt the learning of the children at the school right next door. It took 4 months for a company to build 2 houses across the road from me and the noise was so freaking loud and disruptive. So if 20 or more houses were to be built there it would take what a year? How is that fair to the children at the school?

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

Get the tramway/Rockdale rd subdivision finished first!!! Thats a better idea

NPR022

Respondent No: 22
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 20:54:12 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 20:54:12 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Kerstyn Dolamore
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Kids enjoy this space, would be nice to continue to have access to the playground. Some additional items would be great too.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR023

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 21:38:02 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 21:38:02 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Bronnie Jeynes
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Green spaces are incredibly important in urban environments and should be maintained and better utilised not disposed of. Newfeild Park provides well utilised walking access between local residential streets and a busy play area. It's green space provides a quiet area away from traffic as well as ecosystem services such as absorbing rain water and some limited habitat for native birds. A number of native birds (including ones who's names are used on the walkway system surrounding the park) utilise it over winter. Either disposing of the park or developing the majority of it would severely impact all of these aspects. As a local resident having this nearby green space is part of what attracted us to buy in the area and are looking to raise a family here. We regularly walk through and around Newfield Park with our dog and are certainly not the only ones who do. The numerous quiet cul-de-sac surrounding it make for great family living with kids often playing in the street when thepark is too wet. Increased traffic through development would reduce the livability of the area and increase risk to the many kids who walk to the school and neighbouring kinder. Multiple studies have shown the importance of green spaces as sponges for water, cooling effects in warming urban environments and significant mental benefits to those who live nearby. These only become more important in the face of a growing urban population and climate change. Green spaces like Newfield Park should be treasured, not disposed of. I'd love to see the space better utilised, perhaps through planting and development of a wetland system, as the park is very wet already for large parts of the year, and would create great urban habitat for a wide range of native birds which is very much lacking in this part of Invercargill. Development would also likely severely impact drainage and cause signify issues for surrounding properties, many of which are low lying. Development would push the run off into these properties making their backyards unusable. Currently Newfield Park acts as a reasonable sponge holding a lot of water (much to the enjoyment of the ducks and plovers currently using it). In conclusion, while I agree that the space is underutilised, I believe that disposing of Newfield Park or developing it would be a mistake and that enhancing it as a green space would provide much bigger benefits to the local community.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR024

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 23:00:52 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 23:00:52 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Jill Sinclair
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9810
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Keeps some green space for recreational purposes, and access would not be from Wilfred Street which is a busy enough street with school traffic. More traffic to access subdivision would make this small street too busy for current residents.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

Concerns of increased traffic (foot and vehicle traffic to access subdivision mixing with school traffic and parking which is busy enough with school traffic.

NPR025

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 15, 2026 05:39:35 am
Last Seen: Jul 15, 2026 05:39:35 am
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Marc
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	not answered
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Parent of disabled teen, would love to see spaces created for those with disabilities to live a semi normal adult life

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR026

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 15, 2026 07:13:34 am
Last Seen: Jul 15, 2026 07:13:34 am
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Chris Malcolm
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	not answered
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

I acknowledge the proposed development will provide a positive social outcome for the community and help meet a need for inclusive housing. However, that does not change the fact that this is public reserve land that, once sold, is unlikely to ever be recovered for public use. Te Pare Kauika Ltd approached Council seeking to acquire this land and will be the primary beneficiary of the purchase and development. While the benefits may extend to the wider community, I do not believe ratepayers should be expected to fund subdivision, surveying, legal, or other costs associated with the sale. Those costs should be recovered through the sale price or otherwise met by the purchaser. Land within the city is a finite resource. Once reserve land is disposed of and developed, it is effectively gone forever. For that reason, I support retaining a portion of the reserve while still enabling the proposed development to proceed. Retaining the remaining area would preserve a public connection between the two streets, maintain some open-space value for the neighbourhood, and provide a buffer between the school and the new development. In my view, Option 1 provides a better balance between achieving the housing outcome and retaining public reserve land for future generations.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR027

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 15, 2026 07:51:27 am
Last Seen: Jul 15, 2026 07:51:27 am
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Martyn Grace
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9810
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

As a prior parent to kids at Newfield park, a prior teacher aide at Newfield park and now a teacher at Newfield kindergarten I have seen this area in used for a decade now. As I see it, it is a massively underused area. The play area at one end is loved and use by whanau and tamariki, but the main grass area seems to exist as a reason to use the large lawn mowing tractor. Diverse open Green spaces are a valuable part of a healthy, urban area. There are plenty of open fields in and around the area. An ideal use of this area would be a regenerative urban forest or low scrub. I understand the financial constraints on planting out every potential wildlife haven instead of moving it into grass clippings. More low cost housing is needed and close to schools, busses, etc. Revoke the reserve status on the main part of the field for low cost housing development, but retain a play area that helps connect the community, perhaps with some more native tree/flaxes.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

Question: How much does it cost to mow this area each year verses the cost of subdivision and park equipment movement?

NPR028

Respondent No: 28
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 15, 2026 08:02:20 am
Last Seen: Jul 15, 2026 08:02:20 am
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Kim Brown
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

I grew up in Auckland and watched a lot of our green space get filled. It was devastating and now the jumbled, squashed over crowded city is a disgrace. Surely we have plenty of derelict areas we could be cleaning up and repurposing before destroying more. I know growth and development is popular but they come with their own pressures... Invercargill's infrastructure is not ready for the growth that seems to be heading our way..

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR029

Respondent No: 29
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 15, 2026 13:31:06 pm
Last Seen: Jul 15, 2026 13:31:06 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Jena Young
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Keeps the space as is - for community use. Unsure how new builds will change the area. Also being right by the school.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR030

[redacted]

From: Policy
Sent: Monday, 13 July 2026 10:23 am
To: [redacted]
Subject: FW: Newfield park reserve status submission

-----Original Message-----
From: Bruce Halligan [redacted]>
Sent: Saturday, 4 July 2026 2:31 pm
To: Policy <Policy@icc.govt.nz>
Subject: Newfield park reserve status submission

Hi Couldn't log onto Let's Talk despite multiple attempts at resetting password etc Anyhow , thoughts as follows:

- this area does seem pretty underutilised . However by the same token when gone from the public estate it's gone forever

-there is not much detail on the entity which wishes to acquire this area in the material provided nor their intended use. While it sounds a good use , we consider that if it is going to be preferentially disposed of then the subsequent residential units should be available to all the ethnicities . We also consider that there should be some future guardrails so that it remains for housing for elderly and those living with disabilities.

- we would favour Option 1 as it retains some land in public ownership including where the play equipment is currently .

Thanks for considering this feedback, and we don't wish to be heard .

Bruce and Denise Halligan
[redacted]
Invercargill 9811 email [redacted] Sent from my iPhone

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NPR031

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 15, 2026 21:18:44 pm
Last Seen: Jul 15, 2026 21:18:44 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Richard Little
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9810
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

I think reserve land should remain reserved land. Once gone we won't get it back.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

No

NPR032

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Bobsyouruncle
Email: [redacted]

Responded At: Jul 15, 2026 21:36:40 pm
Last Seen: Jul 15, 2026 09:21:53 am
IP Address: 122.63.147.243

Q1.	**Name:**	Amelia
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

This green space is well used by local residents every day, with many people walking and exercising their dogs there. It provides an important open area for the neighbourhood and is especially valuable given its location next to a school. Once this land is developed, it cannot be replaced. I encourage the Council to protect this space and consider alternative locations for housing that do not result in the loss of a well-used community asset.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

I believe enhancing this public space would provide long-term benefits for the community and be a worthwhile investment for current and future generations. Like a better playground, pump track, native trees, picnic areas, dog park, paved walking track ect.

NPR033

Respondent No: 32
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 16, 2026 00:16:33 am
Last Seen: Jul 16, 2026 00:16:33 am
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Danielle jenkins
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

My child attends the primary school there (Newfield Park school) for 1 the street connecting is already majorly congested at school pick up and drop off time and this would only make it worse and 2 im extremely concerned about the types of people that would be going into these housing as they would be around primary school children and also kindergarten children often the types of people that go into the housing built in my opinion aren't good people to be in such close facility to young children often they smoke drugs drive their cars fast and generally keep these places in awful condition...the list goes on im extremely concerned for the safety of the children who attend the primary school and kindergarten.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

Nope i think I've covered it my main concern is the children and rightfully so.

NPR034

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 16, 2026 08:47:05 am
Last Seen: Jul 16, 2026 08:47:05 am
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Laura Williams
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9810
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

This is a space a lot of people use to let their dogs have a run. Retaining some of the park would be beneficial for this purpose. The school field and playground is accessible for kids for weekend and after school recreation. For its location and size, it would be great to see affordable housing in this space - though I would not support reduction of reserves like Elizabeth Park or the other small parks that are located further away from the school as every child should be within easy walking distance of a park.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

The greatest need for Invercargill's population is housing suitable for our aging population so PLEASE make sure these houses will be wheelchair friendly and suitable for older people long term. Selling off parks for private investment is not worth it as once they are gone they are gone, but if it serves the needs of the community it can sometimes be worth the sacrifice. If the park is to go, make sure it's worth the loss.

NPR035

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 16, 2026 14:32:29 pm
Last Seen: Jul 16, 2026 14:32:29 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Alyce Taylor
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	Yes
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	Newfield Park School
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

To avoid residential housing bordering the school which is a risk to children safety and learning. Also poses a large traffic and congestion risk to the school traffic which is already quite high.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

This is a good use of the space but appropriate area needs left bordering the school as this is a community space and needs protected as council housing would pose its own risk In this area as seen on centre st outside the shop already.

NPR036

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 16, 2026 18:50:08 pm
Last Seen: Jul 16, 2026 18:50:08 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Mark Doggett
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	not answered
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

I don't think you could have access from Wilfrid st, it would all need to be via centre st, to keep the kids safe entering school as much as you can. We do need more housing, and I don't think that park gets a huge amount of use. Just wouldn't want it to be a slum, as all those streets around there take great pride in their houses.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

Why not just sub divide the land and sell it to people who may want to buy a section and build a nice modest house

NPR037

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 16, 2026 22:19:06 pm
Last Seen: Jul 16, 2026 22:19:06 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Nikki
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9810
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

You want to take parks away from our children all so you a build houses that won't even house us. They will be given to immigrants. Do you really think k taking land from our children is worth the money you will make from them?!

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR038

Respondent No: 37
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 17, 2026 00:39:05 am
Last Seen: Jul 17, 2026 00:39:05 am
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Olivia
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

This playground was part of my childhood and playing there was so fun I would like to keep the area as it is, so one day I can bring other children to experience what I did. Also I think it's better to have the alleyway without houses along it as there is many children walking down there each day.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR039

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: GardenNess
Email: [redacted]

Responded At: Jul 17, 2026 06:59:50 am
Last Seen: Jul 16, 2026 18:48:54 pm
IP Address: 203.184.52.13

Q1.	**Name:**	Vanessa Witt
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

I have spent quite a bit of time staying iwith family in a rental property near the end of Wilfrid Street. As such, i have been a frequent user of the playground with my grandchildren and other young family members. I also observed other children from the neighbourhood making frequent use of the playground. From what I observed, it is not necessary to retain the entire grassed area for community use, but there is a definite benefit to retaining a portion that includes the playground, as proposed in Option 1. Using the remaining underutilised land for community housing seems like a good use for the land.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR040

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 20, 2026 09:59:53 am
Last Seen: Jul 20, 2026 09:59:53 am
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Abby Prendergast
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9810
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

I support using part of Newfield Park for Te Kāwai while retaining an area for public recreational purposes. Our community needs both recreational spaces, and housing that provides long-term social benefits. These shouldn't be looked at as competing priorities. I believe there is an opportunity to achieve both in the Newfield Park area. The project by Te Pare Kauika Ltd appears to have the potential to benefit local people for years to come. Supporting a project like this would demonstrate the council's commitment to meeting the changing needs of both Kaumātua and Rangatahi of our community. At the same time, as a youth mental health nurse, I recognise the importance of parks to provide opportunities for tamariki to play and for the wider community to enjoy. For these reasons, I encourage the council - if possible - to take a balanced approach revoking part of Newfield Park for Te Kāwai but retaining some land to protect the recreational space. I believe this approach best reflects the needs of our community without losing valuable recreational space.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR041

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 20, 2026 16:28:59 pm
Last Seen: Jul 20, 2026 16:28:59 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Matina
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9810
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Council reserves are meant to be just that - reserved from use.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NP042

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 20, 2026 23:52:57 pm
Last Seen: Jul 20, 2026 23:52:57 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Autumn Walsh
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9810
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

I believe this land could be used for other purposes, as next to a primary school. Having make it a football field, rugby field etc.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

By all means I don't love option one, but I hate option two. Dozens of kids play on the play set after school while waiting for caregivers to pick them up. I believe should be kept.

NPR043

Respondent No: 42
Login: muzzy
Email: [redacted]

Responded At: Jul 22, 2026 11:48:01 am
Last Seen: Aug 04, 2026 20:12:12 pm
IP Address: 125.239.31.53

Q1.	**Name:**	murray
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9810
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 2 – Revoke Reserve status on all of the land

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

sell and use the funds elsewhere

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

no

NPR044

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 22, 2026 16:47:30 pm
Last Seen: Jul 22, 2026 16:47:30 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Mark
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Great for the kids.no need to be so built up in this area

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR044

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 29, 2026 10:42:29 am
Last Seen: Jul 29, 2026 10:42:29 am
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Kimberly McClenaghan
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	not answered
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

I think it is important to keep some of the reserve in place

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR047

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Aug 01, 2026 20:54:46 pm
Last Seen: Aug 01, 2026 20:54:46 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Mary Grant
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9810
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

I have lived with Newfield Park at the end of my street for over 30 years. Having a swing and a green space at the end of the street has been great for my children, grandchildren and numerous other children of all ages that use the playground equipment, limited as it is, and park area most days. It is useful to have a link through to Lime Street from Wilfrid Street that can be used within school hours. Serious drainage work will need to be done whichever option is chosen with larger water drainage for Wilfrid/Centre Street. Wilfrid Street is a low point in the area so water drains towards Metzger and there is serious water issues at my neighbour's house at [redacted] Metzger Street with water coming up out of their drains when there is heavy rain. Any work being undertaken at Newfield Park must include larger drainage pipes for Wilfrid Street to stop this happening. If Option 1 is chosen drainage would need to be undertaken in the remaining park area. Historically Newfield School has used the park for some sports events but it has been too wet and is mainly a home for ducks and oyster catchers in the Winter. The Park is part of the "Low Mow" option which is fine but areas around the play equipment can't be allowed to grow and then the longer grass mown and left lying around. There is no rubbish bin in the area so any paper rubbish just gets cut up with the long grass. I picked up a bag of rubbish about 2 months ago, which was left by some of the local teenagers, and took it home and put it in my wheelie bin. There is always rubbish left around the playground area and it would be a good idea to reinstate a rubbish bin in the play area. I would also like the park bench seat retained and maintained.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

The Proposal sheet that was dropped in my letterbox didn't make sense. Option 1 says "...retain some land for continued access and play from Nicol Street to Lime Street" I don't think the walkway to Centre Street is included in this proposal as the Newfield Kindergarten still needs access via the walkway and there is direct street access from Lime to Nicol Street.

NPR048

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Aug 03, 2026 13:46:46 pm
Last Seen: Aug 03, 2026 13:46:46 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Katherine Ellen Amos
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

I feel green spaces should be protected in our city. It's nice to have a bit of breathing room and enjoy the fresh air. Also, as a parent with children at both Newfield school and Newfield kindy, I feel the building process (construction vehicles, noise, materials being moved in and out, etc.) would cause distraction and disruptions for the students and their learning. We also walk to school and kindy each morning, and we use the alley way to access them. I'm worried this development would make it harder/unsafe to use with workers/builders around. And lastly, if the project were to go ahead and people were living so close to the school/kindy, I would want to make sure there is no risk to the children.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR049

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Aug 03, 2026 18:30:35 pm
Last Seen: Aug 03, 2026 18:30:35 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Alisa Cole
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

There isn't any information to make a informed decision. What are you actually asking the community to agree to.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR050

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Aug 03, 2026 18:37:35 pm
Last Seen: Aug 03, 2026 18:37:35 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Rob Cole
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

There isn't the information on what you are actually asking. What would you like but not the reason. There could be so many problems especially for the school. Access and drainage would be too concers as well how would be living there and what impacts that could have.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR050

Respondent No: 50
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Aug 03, 2026 18:48:38 pm
Last Seen: Aug 03, 2026 18:48:38 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Linda Stevens
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Because there is so many places that have submittions for subdivision that haven't been actioned (by the Marae for example) we don't need to mess ground next to school. Before we agree to anything some real information would be needed with what the use of the land would actually be. Access would need to be carefully considered with Wilfred Street not being able to support any extra traffic.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR052

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Aug 03, 2026 20:31:44 pm
Last Seen: Aug 03, 2026 20:31:44 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Chelsea Stevens
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

Because its a wasted space otherwise, and I think having a small amount of kaumatua housing or something similar would be good. I also think there needs to be some grass space left to separate the school from whatever new buildings are erected.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

If there is to be new building erected in this space, surely the council will work with the school to ensure that it will remain a safe area for children coming and going from school. Perhaps making the new buildings accessible from centre st only

NPR053

Respondent No: 52
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Aug 04, 2026 06:38:37 am
Last Seen: Aug 04, 2026 06:38:37 am
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Bronwyn
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	Yes
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	Newfield Primary School
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	not answered
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	No
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 3 - Do Nothing

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

I support this option beach it would have a big impact on the children and sounding family that currently occupy this space/area and no good reasons have been given for these decisions.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

No

NPR053

Respondent No: 53
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Aug 04, 2026 17:26:22 pm
Last Seen: Aug 04, 2026 17:26:22 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Joanne Carson
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9810
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 1 – Option 1 - Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

I grew up in Nichol Street I know and appreciate the value of having that park there lots of kids in the area played there after school and in the weekends all the kids in the community would gather there I know lots of friendships were formed. We have fond memories of the Newfield park & we still talk about the Train & Canon & hijinks that we used to get up to they were fun times please retain some community play area for future generations to enjoy.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

Retaining some ground for a unique dedicated play area would give the best of both worlds.

NPR055

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Aug 04, 2026 17:31:22 pm
Last Seen: Aug 04, 2026 17:31:22 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name:**	Ben Finn
Q2.	**Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?**	No
Q3.	**Club or Organisation Name**	not answered
Q4.	**Email:**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Contact Phone:**	[redacted]
Q6.	**Postcode:**	9812
Q7.	**Address:**	[redacted]
Q8.	**Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q9.	**Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q10.	**Which option do you support?**	Option 2 – Revoke Reserve status on all of the land

Q11. **Why do you support that option?**

It's sitting there doing nothing. Might as well build some affordable housing on it and no point keeping some as you'll have to continue to maintain it.

Q12. **Is there anything else you would like to tell us?**

not answered

NPR058

Make a submission

letstalk.icc.govt.nz

Newfield Park, Revocation of Reserve Status

Name: Jess Chalmers

Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve? ☐ Y / ☐ N

Club:

Email: [redacted]

Contact Phone: Postcode: 9812

Address: [redacted]

Would you like to receive emails about future consultations? ☑ Y / ☐ N

Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing? ☐ Y / ☑ N

Which option do you support?

☐ 1 – Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

☐ 2 – Revoke Reserve status on all of the land

☑ 3 - Do nothing

Why do you support that option?

We need all the green spaces for future generations and the neighbourhoods

Please attach extra sheets of paper if required.

How do I find out more and make an online submission on the Newfield Park Status Revocation?

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Post: Submission – Newfield Park Status Revocation Feedback
Invercargill City Council
Private Bag 90104
Invercargill 9840

Invercargill CITY COUNCIL

Submissions are due by 5pm, Friday 7 August 2026.



NPR059

Make a submission

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Newfield Park, Revocation of Reserve Status

Name: Patrick James Burrowes

Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve? ☐ Y / ☑ N

Club:

Email:

Contact Phone: [redacted] Postcode:

Address:

Would you like to receive emails about future consultations? ☐ Y / ☑ N

Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing? ☐ Y / ☑ N

Which option do you support?

☐ 1 – Revoke reserve status on some of the land, retaining 0.5 ha, which will incur subdivision costs

☐ 2 – Revoke Reserve status on all of the land

☑ 3 - Do nothing

Why do you support that option?

I feel there are not enough reserves in the town as it is - we are nothing without our bonding with nature - Please leave the Reserve as it is

Please attach extra sheets of paper if required.

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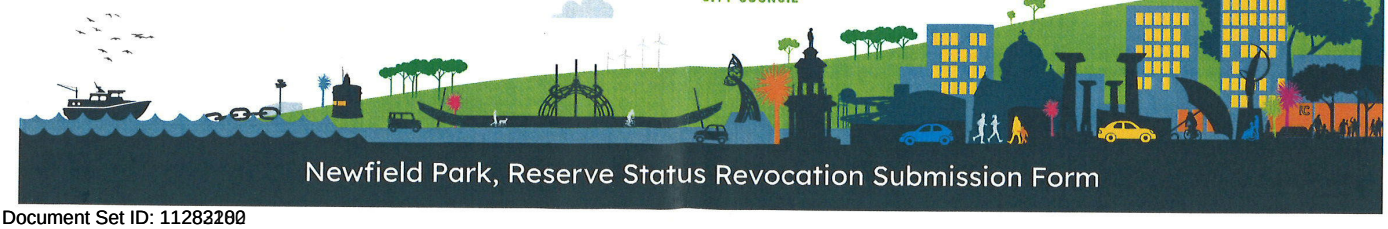
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Invercargill City Council
Published by Gemma Nind · July 14 ·

We're proposing changes to two reserve sites: Newfield Park and JG Ward in Bluff.

At Newfield Park in Invercargill, we're considering revoking the reserve status of the 1.8-hectare site, either in full or only in part, with any remaining land retained as a reserve. Council has been approached by a not-for-profit developer with a proposal to build up to 22 community housing units if the land becomes available.

At JG Ward Reserve in Bluff, we're proposing to subdivide the site and sell approximately half of the land, including 38 Suir Street. The proceeds from the sale would be invested back into the remaining reserve, funding upgrades and formally classifying it as a reserve under the Reserves Act.

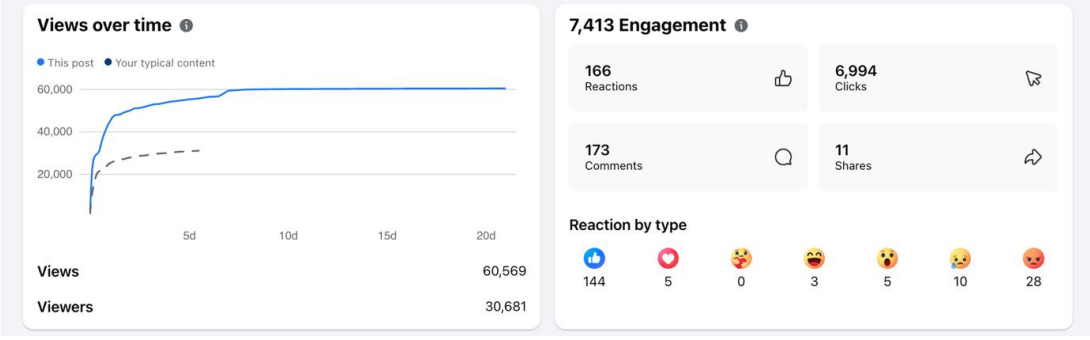
These are important community spaces, and we want to know what you think. Share your feedback here:

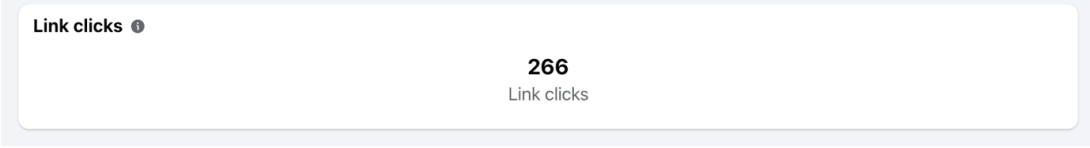
JG Ward Reserve: https://letstalk.icc.govt.nz/optimising-jg-ward-reserve
Newfield Park: https://letstalk.icc.govt.nz/revocation-newfield-park **See less**





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Anne Irwin · 6w
Activation of space and compensation for administering space.
Sounds like a plan for a paid carpark

Reply Hide

Jimmy McAlister · 6w
In a nutshell, how much will the council make from the sale of each park?
Ball park figure?

After costs.

Net money.

Then what rates are expected to be gained once this "not for profit, charity, non tax paying business has completed the development?

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Ken Hummy Humm · 7w
Not for profit developer.???

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Dale Cournane · 7w
A not for profit developer? Who may that be please?

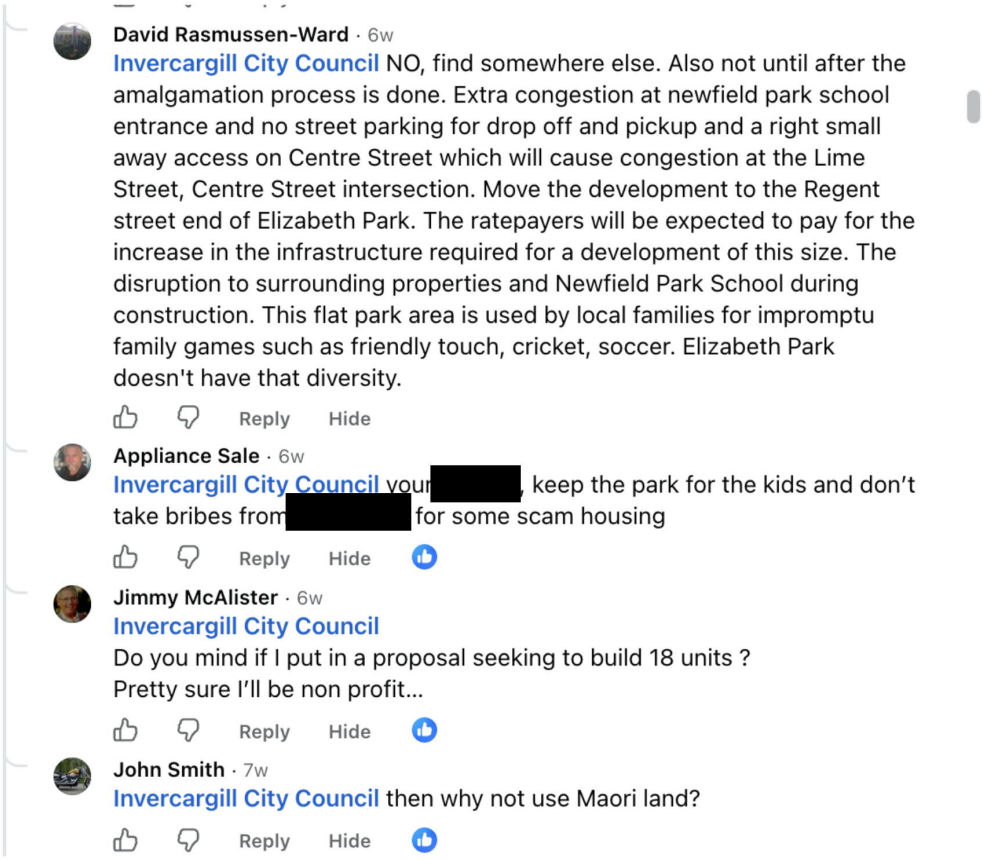
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Invercargill City Council · 7w · Author
Hey Dale Cournane it is Te Pare Kauika Ltd. Council was approached by them with a proposal to build up to 22 residential units on the site. The proposal is for purpose-built community housing for local kaumātua and tangata whaikaha (people living with disabilities). 🙂 - Gem

Reply

Courtney MacDonald · 6w · Top fan
No leave Elizabeth park alone. The rockdale tramway rd area had plenty of land. Do it there.

Reply Hide



David Rasmussen-Ward · 6w
Invercargill City Council NO, find somewhere else. Also not until after the amalgamation process is done. Extra congestion at newfield park school entrance and no street parking for drop off and pickup and a right small away access on Centre Street which will cause congestion at the Lime Street, Centre Street intersection. Move the development to the Regent street end of Elizabeth Park. The ratepayers will be expected to pay for the increase in the infrastructure required for a development of this size. The disruption to surrounding properties and Newfield Park School during construction. This flat park area is used by local families for impromptu family games such as friendly touch, cricket, soccer. Elizabeth Park doesn't have that diversity.

Reply Hide

Appliance Sale · 6w
Invercargill City Council your [redacted], keep the park for the kids and don't take bribes from [redacted] for some scam housing

Reply Hide

Jimmy McAlister · 6w
Invercargill City Council
Do you mind if I put in a proposal seeking to build 18 units ?
Pretty sure I'll be non profit...

Reply Hide

John Smith · 7w
Invercargill City Council then why not use Maori land?

Reply Hide



JimJam Porter · 7w
If they need the space to solve housing issues, it would be great to see a space left for a community garden at the least. Maybe relocate lots of beautiful villas and get them up to spec rather than building generic houses. Another option could be Earth ship eco houses. Time for innovative ways to stop draining resources and start preserving what we already have

Reply Hide



Erin Egerton · 7w
There are enough empty abandoned houses that could become land for those houses

Reply Hide



John Smith · 7w
They were set aside for the public to enjoy, not for councils to sell for real estate

Reply Hide



Mamasita Ezi Jones · 7w
Hopefully the right people move into the houses

Reply Hide



Mamasita Ezi Jones · 7w
Like the housing idea. So people ain't homeless

Reply Hide



Marie Marama · 7w
Keep our green spaces better for our environment plant some trees

Reply Hide



Saundra Makai · 7w
We need new playground all these old parks giving depressed it 2026 not 1930s time to break all these old playgrounds down a restore it so all kids can get out of the house and enjoy life

Reply Hide



Tee Na · 7w
Sounds like it's time to sell up and get outta newfield before house prices plummet 🤦‍♀️

Reply Hide



Janine Murray · 7w
Newfield Park is a waste of land. It's use as a playground is pretty much null and void. It's mainly idle with ratepayers footing the continuous bill for its upkeep. Best to sell off and yes for housing, which we need more off.

The Bluff is best left as is. Who would want to build and live on that very noisey corner. Trucks etc operating from the port 24/7.

Reply Hide



Appliance Sale · 7w
I remember those swings

Reply Hide



Bernette Hogan · 7w
22 houses is too dense. Reduce drastically and keep some green space

Reply Hide



Wayne Trusler · 7w
Leave them as they are!

Reply Hide



Ko Kiri Ahau · 7w
[redacted].....say no more 😌

Reply Hide



Sarah Maley · 7w
Donagh Booth would be great to think there was more housing for the elderly

Reply Hide



Gee Parāone · 7w
So you're pretty much putting [redacted] next to the schools & parks. Good going invercargill 🤣 I can't wait to get out of this hole 💯

Reply Hide



Dan Knowler · 7w
Non for profit?. Land development is always for profit

Reply Hide



Tania Evans · 7w
[redacted]hy would you want to sell all of our beautiful parks. No leave them alonen

Reply Hide

Invercargill City Council · 7w · Author
Hi Tania, there is an option to do nothing and leave them. Please make sure you pop your feedback in the links above

Reply

Reply to Invercargill City Council

Reply to Tania Evans

Ken Lyons · 7w
Having spent the early '60's pre-teen years living in Nichol Street, I have good memories of the tank etc however from the sound of things, "affordable" housing is becoming a priority - pretty much the same here in Perth.

Reply Hide

Bex Churches · 7w
Or why don't you just make the park better and more inviting? Add more of a playground or a scooter track in there.

Reply Hide

Invercargill City Council · 7w · Author
Hey Bex, for JG Ward, our plan is to invest the proceeds generated by sale back into the remaining parcel of land. - Gem

Reply

Michael Heugh · 7w
With Newfeild park which I live 2 minutes away it should be cleaned up from the loads of rubbish and the alleyways need urgent work clean up and redo the concrete paths. We talk about a green clean NZ, I myself have spoken and last year sent pictures of motorbikes driving through the park after rain leaving Tyre marks (impression). It seems know person wants to take responsibility.. So instead of spending millions on road how about cleaning and redoing alleyway footpaths.

Reply Hide

Drome Vaineritua · 7w
Aslong as their not being built for [redacted]

Reply Hide

Trevena Webb · 7w
I still think a park similar to Caroline Bay in Timaru would be great for Newfield, including a bike/ scooter/bike park track around the park for all the young kids in the area to actually have a place to ride their scooters, ride ons, bikes, and including shelter and seating.

Reply Hide

Kurt Rohloff · 7w

Seems Invercargill City Council you've asked for questions. Here's some pretty reasonable ones we'd all like answered. Thank you

Who is the not-for-profit developer, and why has its identity not been disclosed?

Why has Council not named the organisation before seeking public feedback?

Has the developer previously completed similar community housing projects? If so, where?

How was this developer selected? Was there an open expression of interest or tender process?

Who will own the land once the reserve status is revoked?

Will the land be sold, leased, or transferred, and on what terms?

What is the estimated market value of the land, and what price would the developer pay?

Who will be eligible to live in the proposed housing?

Will the homes remain community housing permanently, or could they eventually be sold privately?

Reply Hide

Invercargill City Council · 7w · Author

Hey Kurt Thanks for your questions.
The not-for-profit developer is Te Pare Kauika Ltd, and their name is included on the webpage linked in our post. Unfortunately, we couldn't fit all of the information into the social media post itself.
Council was approached by Te Pare Kauika Ltd with a proposal to build up to 22 residential units on the site. The proposal is for purpose-built community housing for local kaumātua and tangata whaikaha (people living with disabilities). They presented their proposal to Council to gauge whether there was support for progressing it.
If all or part of the reserve status is revoked, the land would become Crown land available for disposal by the Crown through the Ministry for the Environment/Land Information New Zealand, in consultation with the Department of Conservation. If the Crown decides not to retain ownership, the Rights of First Refusal process under the Ngāi Tahu Claims Settlement Act 1998 would apply.
The proposal is for the land to be sold if the reserve status is revoked. It is not proposed to be leased.
The market value of the land has not yet been determined, as this would only occur if the reserve revocation process is completed.
Eligibility for the housing would be determined by the community housing provider, not Council. The proposal is for purpose-built housing for local kaumātua and tangata whaikaha (people living with disabilities).
If the reserve status is revoked and the land is sold, it would become privately owned. - Gem

Reply

Paul Searancke · 7w

Invercargill City Council , just to be clear. You're saying that the privately owned company Te Pare Kauika Ltd is a Not For Profit? And by inference that they a Community Housing Provider?

Reply Hide

Dorothy Ellen Bulling · 7w
Invercargill City Council would have been better if all this information had been contained in the original post.
It was what I expected to see.
Reply Hide

Reply to Invercargill City Council

Most Relevant is selected, so some replies may have been filtered out.

Reply to Kurt Rohloff

Cheryl Mary Batt · 7w
22 veted community houses would be a help towards our housing shortage. We are very privileged to have all the green spaces we do, but many are under used.
Reply Hide

David Rasmussen-Ward · 6w
Cheryl Mary Batt maybe sell of the big open space by Ward Street and Herbert Street
Reply Hide

Jane Thompson · 7w
Cheryl Mary Batt well said. And housing for those with disabilities is not easy to find.
Reply Hide

Reply to Cheryl Mary Batt

Jason Chisholm · 7w
The old tank park.
Reply Hide

Jeff Moyles · 7w
Leave our parks alone.



Non profit lol nice choice of words to smooth it over. They're making profit somewhere to wanna spend millions

Reply Hide



Annmarie Gleeson · 7w

And so it begins soo all off our green spaces will be housing

Reply Hide



Richard Osborn · 7w

Yeah, why not sell off the cabinet along with the china. What the Invercargill City Council, obviously fails to understand or care about. Is once these amazing open spaces are gone, they gone for good.

Before selling off our parks, what happened to the big development of I think 400 houses and a wee shopping centre. Between Rockdale Road and Regent Street, in front of the Marae? They put in a couple of roads and then nothing else has happened for the last couple of years.

Also cynically, note park in question is down south. Would this be happening if it was north of Tay Street?

So as a regular user I am completely against it.

Reply Hide



Rose Rai · 7w

As other mentioned, it's a big concern WHO exactly is moving into these "community" houses basically at the front door of a primary school.

I hope there is a decent spaced barrier so the houses will be placed more on the southern side of the area. Driveway planning and construction when building is a concern for the children. Yes it will probably be safe. You never know these days, was my school it's only 2 seconds out the gate of the school hence the conern

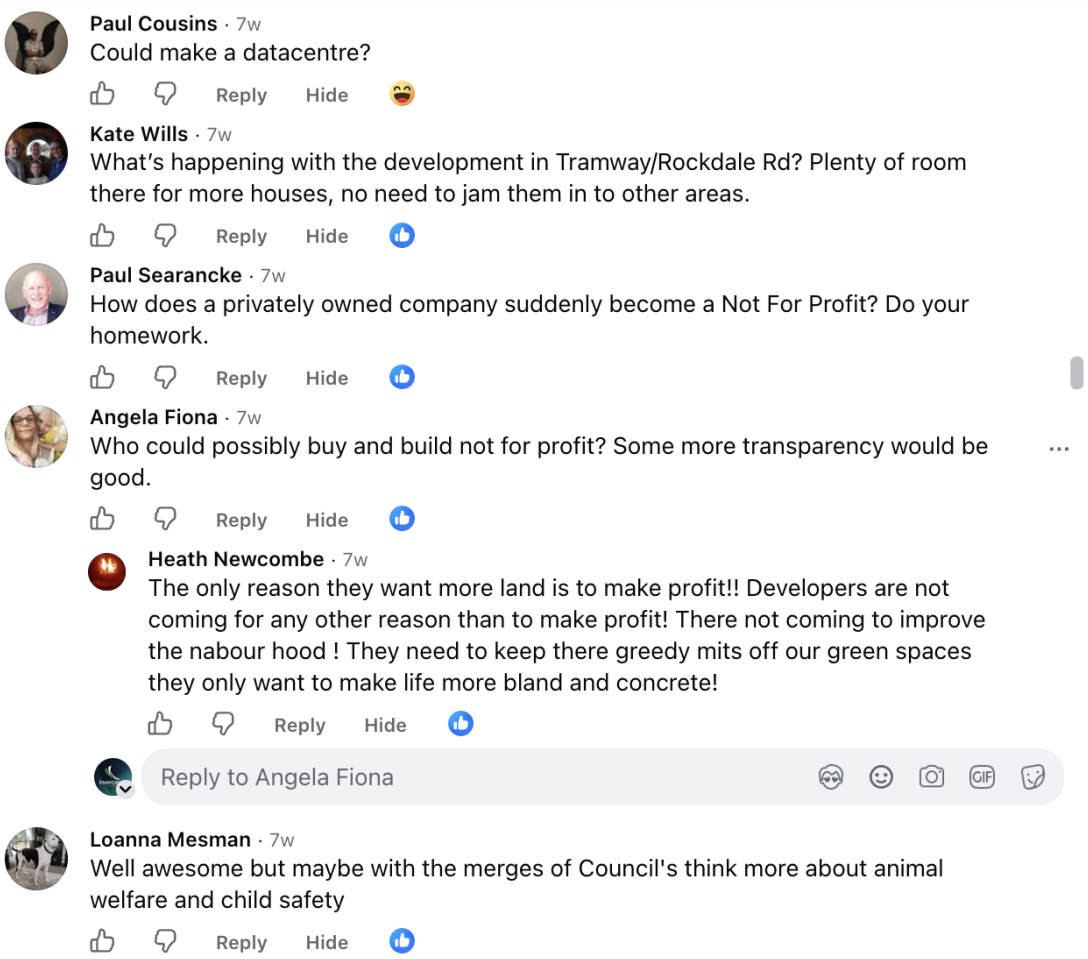
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Nigel Blackwater · 7w

whats the point of doing anything in bluff until the road down there is fixed properly.

Reply Hide


Paul Cousins · 7w
Could make a datacentre?
Reply Hide
Kate Wills · 7w
What's happening with the development in Tramway/Rockdale Rd? Plenty of room there for more houses, no need to jam them in to other areas.
Reply Hide
Paul Searancke · 7w
How does a privately owned company suddenly become a Not For Profit? Do your homework.
Reply Hide
Angela Fiona · 7w
Who could possibly buy and build not for profit? Some more transparency would be good.
Reply Hide
Heath Newcombe · 7w
The only reason they want more land is to make profit!! Developers are not coming for any other reason than to make profit! There not coming to improve the nabour hood ! They need to keep there greedy mits off our green spaces they only want to make life more bland and concrete!
Reply Hide
Reply to Angela Fiona
Loanna Mesman · 7w
Well awesome but maybe with the merges of Council's think more about animal welfare and child safety
Reply Hide

Vee Ellen · 7w
Brilliant use of the green space next to Newfield school - But only if the people/families going into the low cost housing are fully vetted and safe to have around the school and kindergarten (who surround the green space and walkway area). With a school, kindergarten, laundromat, dairy, and bus route at their backyard, it's an awesome location for low cost housing.

Reply Hide

Gina Thomson · 7w
I broke my ankle in the westend bluff park played there all the time as a kid leave it as a park

Reply Hide

Shane Peterson · 7w
Dont sell any reserve land. Stop looking for profits. Wachner Place was gifted to the people of invercargill and never should have been turned into a bus lane for a private hotel, and Donovan Park land ahould not be sold to a private business. Reserve land should be used as public spaces for the public, not sold

Reply Hide

Neill Rumble · 7w
If our population keeps increasing year and year we will definately need housing .Good thought re Newfield land being developed.Profit for ICC if NPO can undertake new houses without borrowing. Commend council for thinking outside the square.

Reply Hide

Kay Ramsay · 7w
Great idea for Newfield park, no ones using besides kids waiting to be picked up from school anyway, its like a bog this time of year. Rest of the year its got long grass and pretty uninviting

Reply Hide

David Rasmussen-Ward · 6w
Kay Ramsay when the field is dry over summer there are a lot of families out playing games on it

Reply Hide



Robert Ferrari · 7w

ICC why on earth don't you actually fund this yourself as a council, do the exact same thing and then you have the people re; all Invercargill residents owning this rather than another NFP organisation which will have a CEO and some staff to pay anyway, whereas the administration and staff scale that the ICC already have you should be building these asset projects and managing them.

This project is no different to the ICC residential housing properties the council is already involved in. Why would you not wanting to be increasing your investment and stake in providing more sustainable housing.
The best investment comes from doing this ourselves right here in our city. ICC should be investing in sustainable assets, plenty of them and growing more income to build far more wealth that ultimately allows you to keep demands on rates increases far less as a reliable income from the people of Invercargill. It's about time you pull up your sleeves and get your entrepreneurial big pants on.

Reply Hide Edited



Trent Holden · 7w

Plenty of run down houses and buildings in both locations that I'd rather see demolished and new builds put on rather than new builds on parks which seems totally unnecessary.

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Drome Vaineritua · 7w

Trent Holden but there's people is those places smh

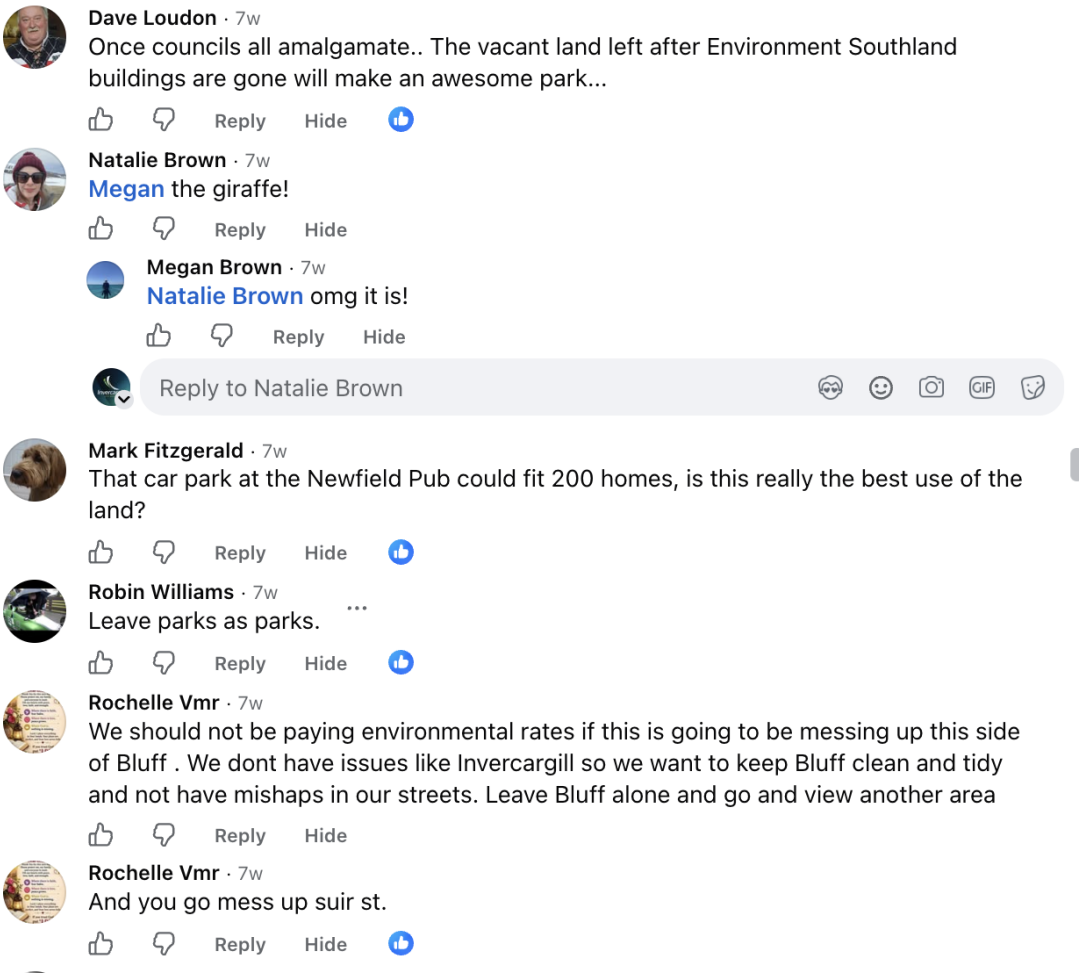
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Trent Holden · 7w

Some of the houses are end of life and falling down so when people move out or sell they can be demolished and new warmer compliant houses built with often 3-4 houses fitting on the same sections. It means all infrastructure like sewage is already in place at the gate.

Reply Hide



Dave Loudon · 7w
Once councils all amalgamate.. The vacant land left after Environment Southland buildings are gone will make an awesome park...

Reply Hide

Natalie Brown · 7w
Megan the giraffe!

Reply Hide

Megan Brown · 7w
Natalie Brown omg it is!

Reply Hide

Reply to Natalie Brown

Mark Fitzgerald · 7w
That car park at the Newfield Pub could fit 200 homes, is this really the best use of the land?

Reply Hide

Robin Williams · 7w
Leave parks as parks.

Reply Hide

Rochelle Vmr · 7w
We should not be paying environmental rates if this is going to be messing up this side of Bluff . We dont have issues like Invercargill so we want to keep Bluff clean and tidy and not have mishaps in our streets. Leave Bluff alone and go and view another area

Reply Hide

Rochelle Vmr · 7w
And you go mess up suir st.

Reply Hide

Matt Turnbull · 7w

"Council does not receive the revenue received from the sale of Crown derived land, however it may be able to apply for compensation."

Why bother then?

To go through this kind of process somebody is making a big profit...

Councils community outcome of "enabling the increase of housing" is a pretty weak reason for this, there is plenty of underdeveloped land in Invercargill!

If your goal is to increase housing then simply:
- Re-zone some of the huge amounts of privately owned land for development so those parcels can be subdivided and sold.
- Reduce barriers and council fee's for subdividing full size sections in developed areas. This will go hand in hand with the new granny flat rules so that a granny flat can be built, subdivided and sold.
- Run a council driven campaign that drastically reduces building and resource consent costs for new builds.

The three options above will stimulate the local economy far more than a large scale development, employ local tradesmen and generate profit for local businesses, while keeping proceeds from land sales in our local community.

Furthermore, even at a reduced rate, subdivisions, land sales, and small scale developments will be economically beneficial to local council through multiple and consistent consent applications rather than a single one off large scale development.

Reply Hide

Damian Mair · 7w · Top fan

Invercargill City Council the man has the most valid point. Seems his questions might fit the too hard basket?

Reply Hide

Matt Turnbull · 7w

Invercargill City Council feedback would be appreciated here....

Reply Hide

Nash Varghese · 7w
Matt Turnbull there's always more to the story. Not for profit doesn't mean charity.

Reply Hide Edited

Reply to Matt Turnbull

Courtney MacDonald · 7w · Top fan
I thought it was already in the pipeline for housing at newfield Park? Im sure i read about it already, the marae was involved or something.

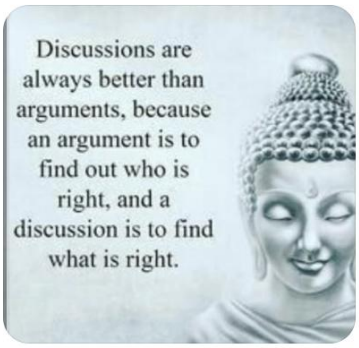
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Carl Valentine Goldsmith IV · 7w



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Danielle Kathleen Jenkins · 7w

What types of people would be moving into the housing right next to the school would be my only concern 🤔

Reply Hide

Janine Murray · 7w

Once you put 'FOR SALE' up and it gets sold, you have NO control on what is built and who goes in there. It also has nothing to do with the school near by what is done with the land.

Reply Hide Edited

Stacey McGimpsey · 7w

That's a concern to many of us. It could be completely safe, until it isn't

Reply Hide

Stacey McGimpsey · 7w

Grace Polley my thoughts exactly

Reply Hide

Grace Polley · 7w
Stacey McGimpsey my thoughts exactly! I personally don't want it happening at all! That's a safe place for children to be with teachers watching them at the end of the school day!

Reply Hide

Stacey McGimpsey · 7w
Grace Polley that's my thoughts too. I also worry about if someone gets upset at one of the children and lashes out or if someone decides to mouth off (happens occasionally unfortunately) and something happens. Protecting the families & children that are already a part of the community should be at least considered

Reply Hide

Grace Polley · 7w
Stacey McGimpsey how would it not effect the school?! That's my thing.. for us that drop off and pick up on Wilfrid st, will be distrusted by their vehicles and machinery...

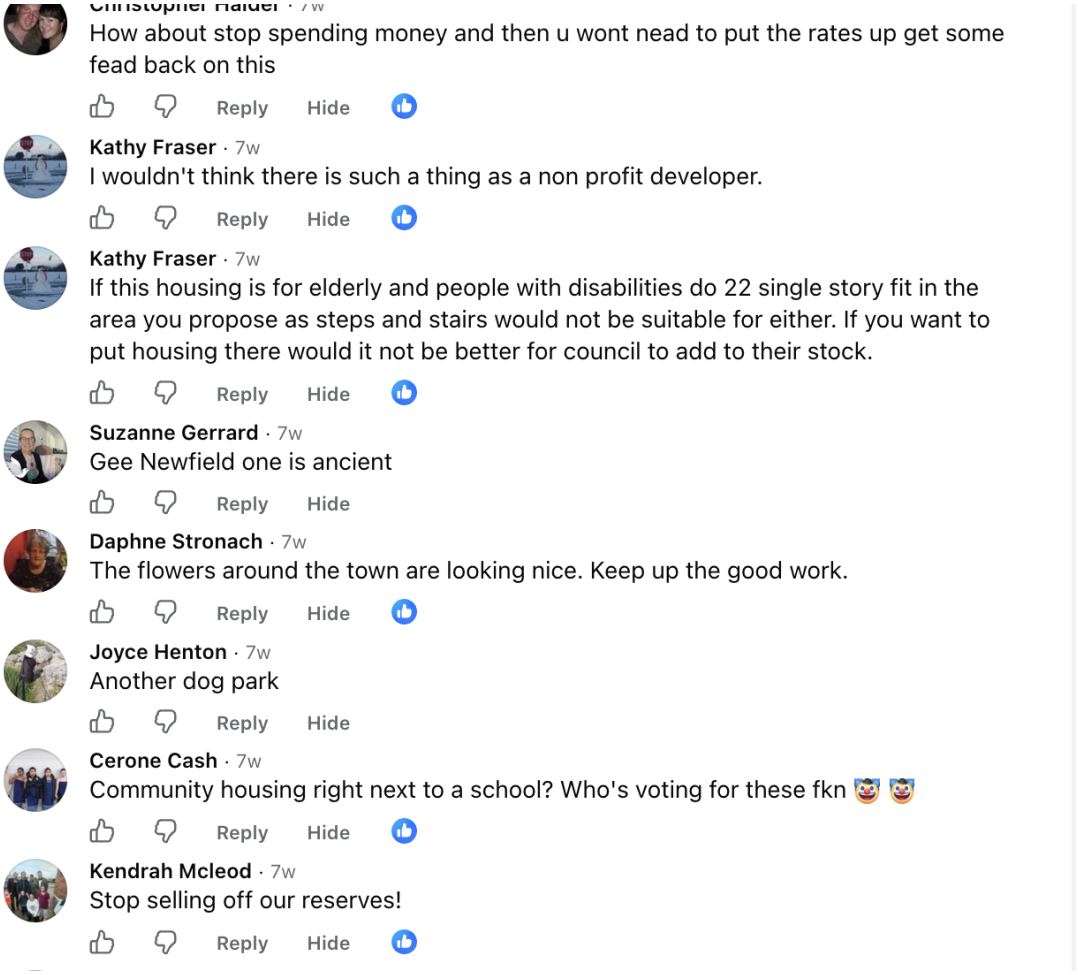
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Stacey McGimpsey · 7w
Grace Polley I highly doubt it, the council most likely think that it won't effect the school so wouldn't bother

Reply Hide

Grace Polley · 7w
Stacey McGimpsey I wonder if the council have spoken to school about it?

Reply Hide



Christopher Haider · 7w
How about stop spending money and then u wont nead to put the rates up get some fead back on this
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Kathy Fraser · 7w
I wouldn't think there is such a thing as a non profit developer.
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Kathy Fraser · 7w
If this housing is for elderly and people with disabilities do 22 single story fit in the area you propose as steps and stairs would not be suitable for either. If you want to put housing there would it not be better for council to add to their stock.
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Suzanne Gerrard · 7w
Gee Newfield one is ancient
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Daphne Stronach · 7w
The flowers around the town are looking nice. Keep up the good work.
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Joyce Henton · 7w
Another dog park
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Cerone Cash · 7w
Community housing right next to a school? Who's voting for these fkn 🤡 🤡
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Kendrah Mcleod · 7w
Stop selling off our reserves!
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Martin Smith · 7w
I grew up in Newfield and went to the school next to this park and spent a lot of time playing on the tank, the train but hardly played in the paddock. Seems a very good use of the land that has been the same for decades.

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Benjamin West · 7w
Wait, when is the winter garden being finished? It's almost been a year...

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Jamie Mcgearty · 7w
Do it, great idea, newfield park is a bog and theres plenty of parks close by.

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Rose Rai · 7w
Jamie Mcgearty it's a bit dad they want to reuse the land but I suppose the pomona/center street park is nearly finished with a full upgrade, this is a miserable small park but remember kids hanging out after school here.

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Reply to Jamie Mcgearty



Invercargill City Council · 7w · Author
Hey! Thanks for all the comments and questions. If you've left a question and we haven't managed to get to it tonight, we'll reply first thing tomorrow.
– Gem

Reply



Damian Mair · 7w · Top fan
Invercargill City Council you didn't get back to all the questions? Typical council promises.

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Terry Fitzgerald · 7w
I agree that the [redacted] have already decided what's going to happen and that this is a pc sham to think that you can have your own opinion and say 🤔

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Sonya Short · 7w
If Council explained what they are doing with the proceeds then there can be actual community feedback. If its to pay for things our rates already cover, then no. If it is to pay for interest on loans we never asked for, probably fair enough, but not disclosing what will be done when developer pays for land....? Also, is said land going to be sold under-value to one of your mates as in other Councils in NZ??? Conflicts of interests need to be well and truly disclosed.

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Invercargill City Council · 7w · Author
Sonya we have it in our FAQs on our website (sorry, it was too much to fit in one Facebook post)

For Newfield Park: Proceeds from sale of lands acquired by the Crown, will be dealt with through Land Information New Zealand (LINZ). Council can seek compensation for administering the land, but it is important to note that compensation cannot be counted on as guaranteed revenue from sale. However, the proposal that initiated this consultation will support Council's community outcome of enabling the increase of housing.

For JG Ward Reserve: The plan is to invest the proceeds generated from the sale back into the remaining parcel of land. This would primarily increase activation of the space and provide an opportunity to hear what our community would like to see there.

No decision on either has been made on either, please make sure you pop your feedback in the links above.

Reply


Brent Rogers · 7w
Invercargill City Council more slum housing built without permits already happened Andrew housing and icc
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Reply to Invercargill City Council
Reply to Sonya Short
Stacy Milne · 7w
Leave JG Ward park alone
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Taff Hewton · 7w
Leave our green areas alone. As has been commented already here, what's happening with the development on tramway road in front of the marae? Or look at some of the now defunct school grounds. And as far as " not for profit" developer, well why do it if not for profit. Nobody does anything like that if there's not going to be a profit for somebody.
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Allison Fox · 7w
Taff Hewton yes like the half burnt out Elston Lea school in McQuarrie street a DISGRACE to ever owns it
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Steven Smith · 7w
Taff Hewton nail it thanks
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Jane Pearce · 7w
Yeah let's crowd more and more houses into tiny spaces....just like some other tourist spot close to us.....
Yep and council.... Just ask for public ideas, but do it anyway!

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Saundra Makai · 7w
We don't need more houses

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Shane Harvey · 7w
Id like to develop the queens park golf coarse please,thankyou.

Reply Hide

Heath Newcombe · 7w
Good spot for a data centre 👍

Reply Hide

Reply to Shane Harvey

Sally Cooper · 7w
Community housing is pretty vague!!! Specifically what kind of community housing matters. What will the social and economic impact be to existing owners and housing prices by filling up an area with community housing? As owners who have lived directly next door to an emergency housing house for the last 4 years with a constant rotation of feral neighbours it became so unbearable we have had to sell and move elsewhere.

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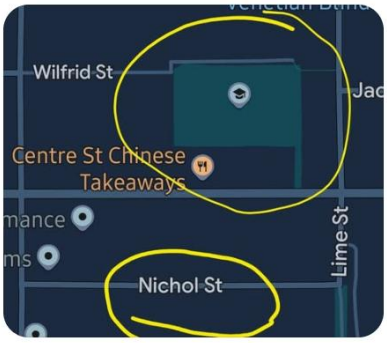
Amanda Jean · 7w
Sally Cooper they said in an earlier post that its going to be housing for people living with disabilities

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Lesley Gray · 7w
Why open up new field park what happened to all the houses which were going to be built on corner of tramway road and Rockdale road

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Nigel Ferguson · 7w
Might need to re check the streets that border the newfeild park site? You mention nicol st but it is no where near close enough to be bordering the park?? How about the facts are right before asking for people's opinion



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Invercargill City Council · 7w · Author
Hey Nigel, Newfield Park is accessible via Nichol Street. There's an alleyway from the street that connects through Centre Street directly to it 🙂 - Gem



Nigel Ferguson · 7w
Invercargill City Council yes but you have to cross centre st. So with your theory you can also say it can be accessed from tweed st?
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Reply to Invercargill City Council

Nigel Ferguson · 7w
You possibly mean lime st
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Courtney MacDonald · 7w · Top fan
I seen that, I feel someone messed up somewhere there.
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Reply to Nigel Ferguson

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Shayden Nicholl · 7w
Why not develope that into soccer fields for the nearby school
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Bex Hayes · 7w
Shayden Nicholl because that won't make the council any money 🤐😌
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Lloyd Bryant · 7w
School already has big field areas
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Robert Ferrari · 7w
Lloyd and an amazing soccer field facility at Thompson Turnball Park area off Tay St.
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Steven Smith · 7w
Lloyd Bryant exactly
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Shayden Nicholl · 7w
Lloyd Bryant so does it really need housing areas? Already know who will get those komplexes so why not create a soccer rugby pitch evn build another park like elizebeth seeing as invercargill is about to have a boom of people can never have enough public areas
Reply Hide

Reply to Lloyd Bryant

Shayden Nicholl · 7w
Or rugby fields instead of building more housing for what?
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Shayden Nicholl · 7w
Tas McNaughton i love that idea also but sadly the reality isnt just and i know your not aloud kids at the grand we werent aloud in their unsure about the other place havnt asked them. Safe to say ill just take my kids out of that skool simple fixture
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Tas McNaughton · 7w
Shayden Nicholl are you taking into account that if its near a school that its probably going to be young family's in those houses? Maybe consider yourself fortunate that you're not in that situation, we already have multiple venues for sports. I think its a great idea, at least people arent going to be on the streets or at the coachmans or the grand with their babies.
Reply Hide

Shayden Nicholl · 7w
Glad its humerous to you im for real kall me what you want but schooling to me is more of a priority than some ones view on facebook about people needing houses when in reality people need homes not housing komplexes filled with entitlements and debauchary theres plenty of land around instead of just throwing simple plans into the mill and making it work without regard for generations.

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Shayden Nicholl · 7w
Jaz Forde you know newfield park is literaly right by the school and the ones the councel or government seem so inclined on housing arent really the folk id want shacked up right where my kids go to school but hey if thats the case ill just move my kids school we all have a choice and i choose to say get forked on housing komplexes thankyou

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Jaz Forde · 7w
Shayden Nicholl if you think there's adequate housing in southland then you are clearly living under a rock.... The need for homes is far greater than another rugby ground when there is more then enough sports fields across Invercargill. As the population increases so does the need for more housing 👩‍🦰

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Reply to Shayden Nicholl

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Nicole Lankshear · 7w
Why are you trying to put 22 community houses in a place of a playground that is still thoroughly used ? Right next to a school?

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Mike Lindsay · 7w
Nicole Lankshearyes this was asked by many people when it was brought up a couple of years ago. Maybe they are hoping the public has changed its mind as the majority were against it going by comments at the time.

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Nicole Lankshear · 7w
If anything its an increased risk to children from cars plus the mess it will make with parking, let alone all the construction disruption to the school when they are building them?

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Reply to Mike Lindsay

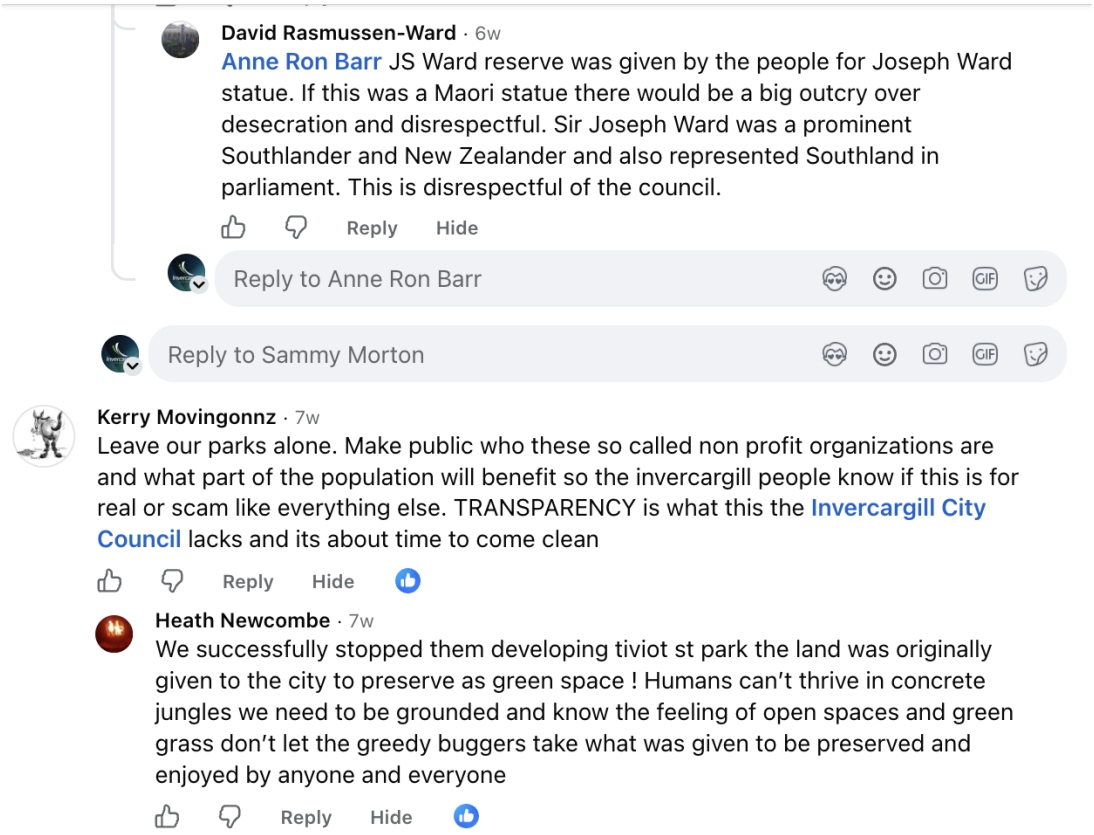
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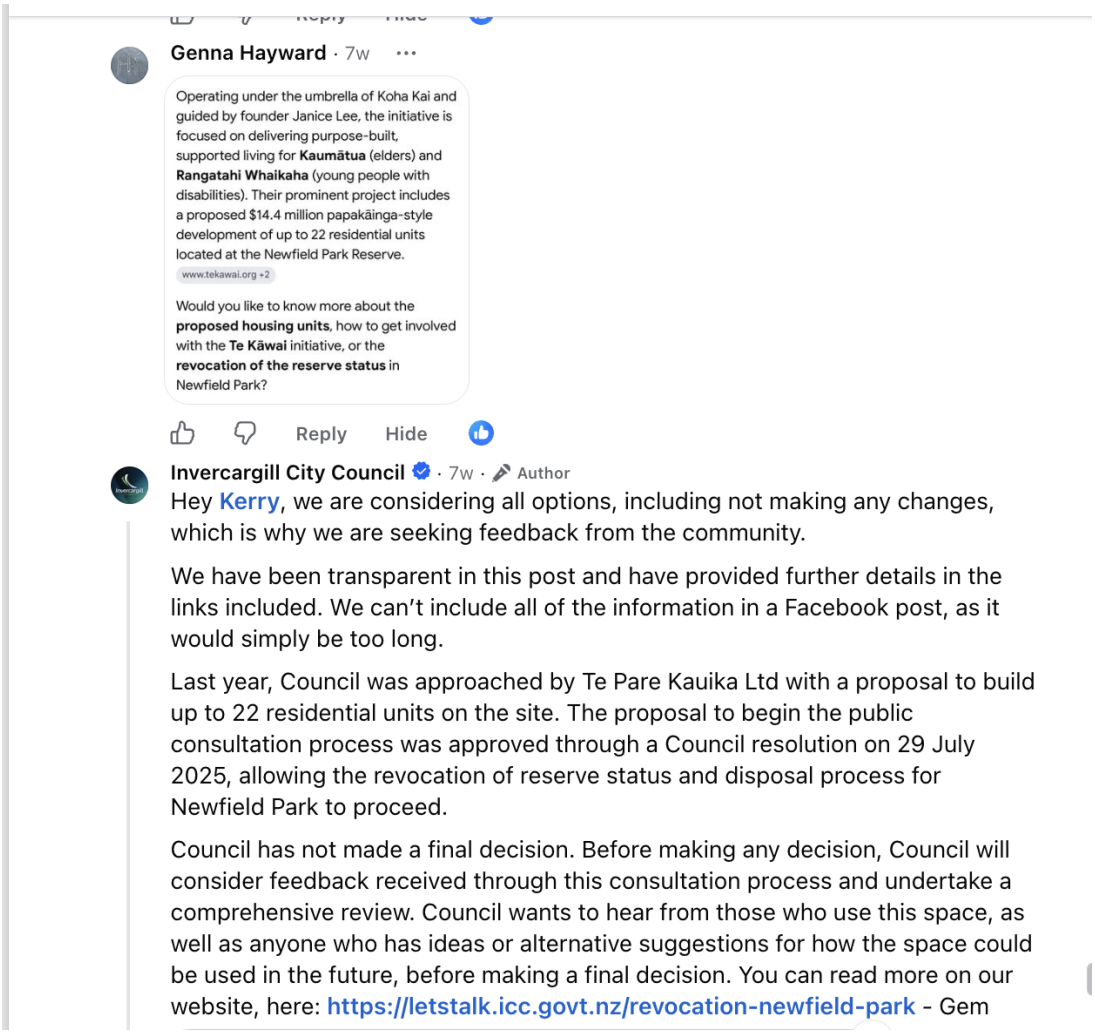
Sammy Morton · 7w
leave parks alone
put more play equipment
leave bluff alone
why don't you build houses on land at Rockdale road across where houses are already where big sign is sitting on empty land
or up by tramway and rockdale road
leave the parks and bluff alone

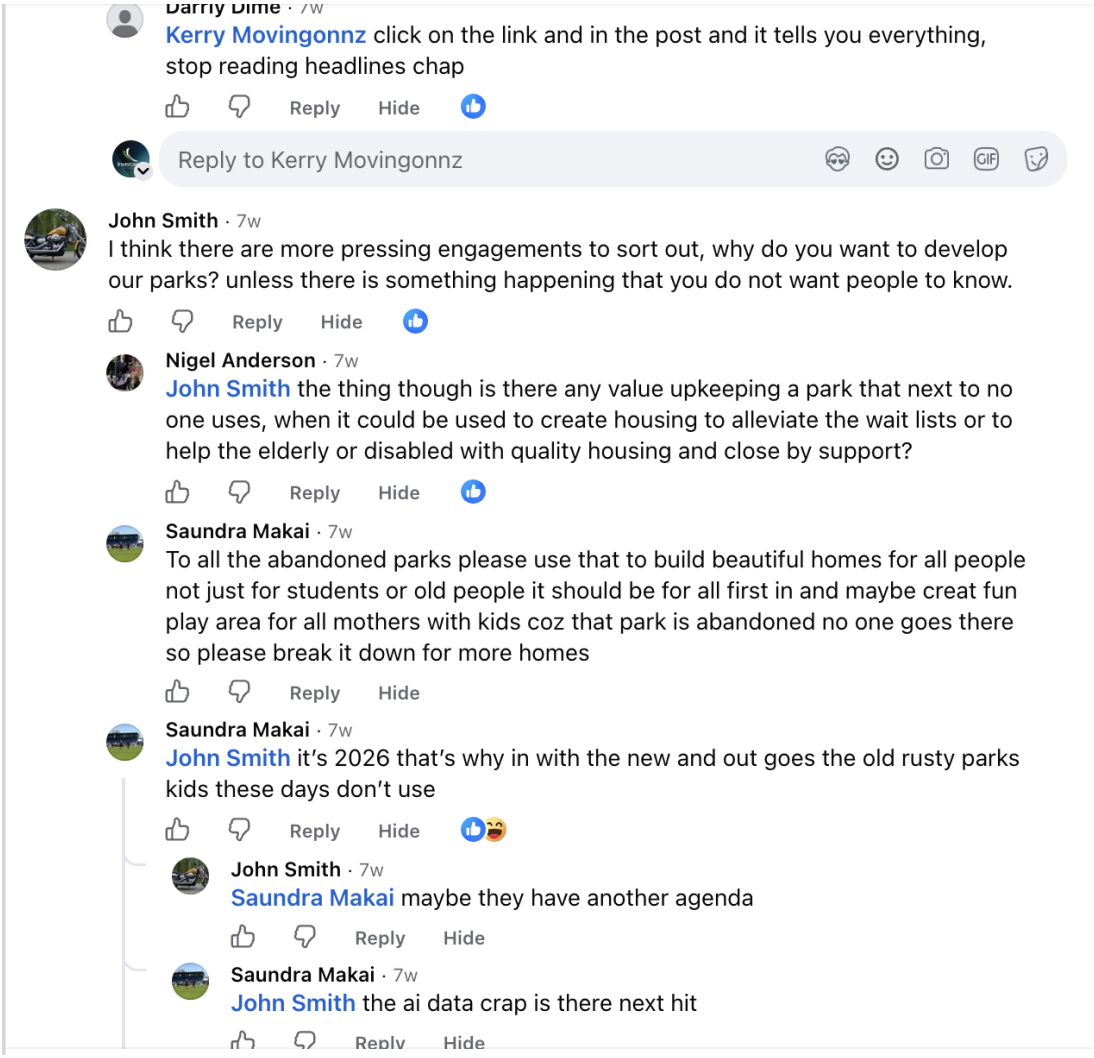
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Anne Ron Barr · 7w
Sammy Morton

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David Rasmussen-Ward · 6w
Anne Ron Barr JS Ward reserve was given by the people for Joseph Ward statue. If this was a Maori statue there would be a big outcry over desecration and disrespectful. Sir Joseph Ward was a prominent Southlander and New Zealander and also represented Southland in parliament. This is disrespectful of the council.
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Reply to Anne Ron Barr
Reply to Sammy Morton
Kerry Movingonnz · 7w
Leave our parks alone. Make public who these so called non profit organizations are and what part of the population will benefit so the invercargill people know if this is for real or scam like everything else. TRANSPARENCY is what this the Invercargill City Council lacks and its about time to come clean
Reply
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Heath Newcombe · 7w
We successfully stopped them developing tiviot st park the land was originally given to the city to preserve as green space ! Humans can't thrive in concrete jungles we need to be grounded and know the feeling of open spaces and green grass don't let the greedy buggers take what was given to be preserved and enjoyed by anyone and everyone
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Genna Hayward · 7w
Operating under the umbrella of Koha Kai and guided by founder Janice Lee, the initiative is focused on delivering purpose-built, supported living for Kaumātua (elders) and Rangatahi Whaikaha (young people with disabilities). Their prominent project includes a proposed $14.4 million papakāinga-style development of up to 22 residential units located at the Newfield Park Reserve.
www.tekawai.org +2
Would you like to know more about the proposed housing units, how to get involved with the Te Kāwai initiative, or the revocation of the reserve status in Newfield Park?
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Invercargill City Council · 7w · Author
Hey Kerry, we are considering all options, including not making any changes, which is why we are seeking feedback from the community.
We have been transparent in this post and have provided further details in the links included. We can't include all of the information in a Facebook post, as it would simply be too long.
Last year, Council was approached by Te Pare Kauika Ltd with a proposal to build up to 22 residential units on the site. The proposal to begin the public consultation process was approved through a Council resolution on 29 July 2025, allowing the revocation of reserve status and disposal process for Newfield Park to proceed.
Council has not made a final decision. Before making any decision, Council will consider feedback received through this consultation process and undertake a comprehensive review. Council wants to hear from those who use this space, as well as anyone who has ideas or alternative suggestions for how the space could be used in the future, before making a final decision. You can read more on our website, here: https://letstalk.icc.govt.nz/revocation-newfield-park - Gem


Darrly Dime · 7w
Kerry Movingonnz click on the link and in the post and it tells you everything, stop reading headlines chap
Reply Hide
Reply to Kerry Movingonnz
John Smith · 7w
I think there are more pressing engagements to sort out, why do you want to develop our parks? unless there is something happening that you do not want people to know.
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Nigel Anderson · 7w
John Smith the thing though is there any value upkeeping a park that next to no one uses, when it could be used to create housing to alleviate the wait lists or to help the elderly or disabled with quality housing and close by support?
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Saundra Makai · 7w
To all the abandoned parks please use that to build beautiful homes for all people not just for students or old people it should be for all first in and maybe creat fun play area for all mothers with kids coz that park is abandoned no one goes there so please break it down for more homes
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Saundra Makai · 7w
John Smith it's 2026 that's why in with the new and out goes the old rusty parks kids these days don't use
Reply Hide
John Smith · 7w
Saundra Makai maybe they have another agenda
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Saundra Makai · 7w
John Smith the ai data crap is there next hit
Reply Hide

Rowan Greig · 7w
When you have open space in the form of a park, then it should be retained.
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Dal Harimate · 7w
Newfield park hasn't changed much what happen to the tank that was there?
Reply Hide

Chris Dawson · 7w
Dal Harimate it's outside the Toy and Transport Museum in Wanaka nowadays.
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Reply to Dal Harimate

Raewyn Stewart · 7w
These posts always make me smile. You ask for everyone's thoughts, but if you're honest, you've usually already made up your minds. You're just ticking the boxes.
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Wullie Gunn · 7w
Raewyn StewartYou may think that's true, and sometimes it might be, but not always.
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Michael Oliver · 7w
Raewyn Stewart they are never honest.only when it suits them.its a test to see how people react with land being sold.soon all land won't be owed by New Zealand
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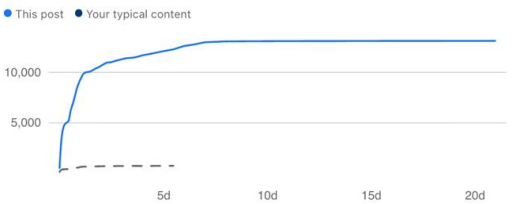
We're proposing to subdivide JG Ward Reserve and sell approximately half of the land, including 38 Suir Street. The proceeds from the sale would be invested back into t... **See more**



Proposed portion of land to sell - indicative boundary only.
Proposed area to designate as recreational reserve under the Reserves Act 1977.

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Views over time



Views	13,134
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2,342 Engagement

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68 Comments	3 Shares

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Link clicks



Seb Uglav · 7w
Is the for proposed for sale land intended for housing or commercial development? Also how high above sea level?

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Chris Patterson · 7w
Subdivision my [redacted] it'll get filled up with [redacted] and other imports who don't belong in this country!you council [redacted] need [redacted]

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Jude Bennett · 7w
Just a huge money grab imo

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Liz Cooper · 7w
Reserve land is reserve land not to be sold.

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Archie Kāhu Bailey · 7w
Just make sure this time if you must do this that you survey the land properly and disclose all relevant risk, contamination & restriction information on it to potential buyers. Lost historical records isn't an excuse - put the work in and be transparent.

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Charles Te Au · 7w
The whole lot is non registered contaminated land

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Kylie Fowler · 7w
Bluff Community Board could you please confirm what costs will be calculated against the sale? If sold, will ALL the funds go toward the green space or will subdivision, surveying and legal costs be taken off first?

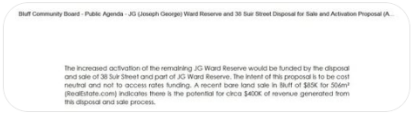
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Kylie Fowler · 7w
Here is the response



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Kylie Fowler · 6w
They have done some numbers. The reserve piece to be sold is 3700approx sqm which is less than four 1/4 acre (1024sqm) sections. The 85K property they quote was 15 Burrows St - 3 properties back from the cenotaph/Marine Pde intersection - a flat drive on section. 38 Suir St is currently valued at $70K - three years ago it was $47K.



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Bluff Community Board · 7w · Author
Hi Kylie, survey and subdivision costs, including legal fees will be required before the sale, so they will be deducted from net sale proceeds as a cost of sale if disposing of only part reserve. - Gem

Reply



Kylie Fowler · 7w
Bluff Community Board sad that it took an emailed LGOIMA request for you to finally answer this.
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Marion Metz · 7w
Kylie Fowler I would imagine the cost will be taken off first
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Lindsay Polmear · 7w
I hope all those commenting with strong opinions on the matter are actually sharing it through the link - make it count folks
Reply Hide

Allan Todd · 7w
Lindsay Polmear Yes we need everyone to share the link and have their say
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Carwyn Henigan · 7w
Find another way to fund 'upgrade'. People and ratepayers have spoken. And said no. Listen to the music.
Reply Hide Edited

Kylie Fowler · 7w
Carwyn Henigan they have been over taxing bluff residents for a few years and have accrued over $200k. They think we are stupid and will fall for this. They'll claim there is no money left from the sale after surveying etc
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Carwyn Henigan · 7w
Kylie Fowler Thanks m8, I'm only just starting to learn about the extent of all this now, as I only returned home to Bluff 4 years ago. I agree, they are [redacted] for thinking we are that stupid. [redacted]
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Chavah Kinloch · 7w
An upgrade to the reserve will be great for the community. It's the sale of the land that is worrisome. We'll be watching to see how it's handled.
Reply
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Britt-Amber Barris · 7w
Chavah Kinloch bluff community board need to step up and fight against this...pay attention to.what the people want
Reply
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Chavah Kinloch · 7w
Britt-Amber Barris I am a "people"? I think it would be great to have them upgrade it to a playground, some benches for picnics. As it is now... it's a whole lot of nothing
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Reply to Britt-Amber Barris
Reply to Chavah Kinloch
Michael O'Hara · 7w
By the time the sale goes thru, If say it happens and was sold after the proposed 2 counil merger its not guaranteed it /or money would stay in Bluffs best interests. I think it should be left how it is and put more focus in to current Bluff projects. Just my view tho as an individual
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Tyron Strongman · 7w
Great idea, the western end of the reserve isn't suitable for recreational purposes anyway and the eastern end desperately needs some tlc, however from memory a sizeable chunk of the yellow zone is a swamp?

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Reply to Chris Patterson

Reply to Tyron Strongman

Ree Whaitiri · 7w
No just no!

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Lindsay Thomas · 7w
Is there a buyer in the mix already who approached the board to sell ?

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Lindsay Thomas · 7w
Is Argyle park a better option to sub divide?

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Bluff Community Board · 7w · Author
Hi Lindsay, no there is not - Gem

Reply

Kylie Fowler · 7w
Lindsay Thomas one guy wanted to a while ago and neighbours all said no thanks and then this was suggested. We aren't short of land in Bluff. 38 Suir used to have petrol leak on to it I'm told.

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Richard Trow · 7w

Richard Trow · 7w
Yeah, what Lindsay says.
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Reply to Lindsay Thomas

Liz Frisken · 7w
Julie Frisken
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Julie Frisken · 7w
As bylaws state there is meant to be a green space for subdivisions
Town and country planning act bylaw as for all city councils
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Kylie Fowler · 7w
Allan Todd Too true. It is overly maintained.
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Allan Todd · 7w
Kylie Fowler Prior to them talking about disposing of this area it was mowed twice a year, since the decided they wanted to get rid of it they mow it every 2 weeks to artificially inflate the costs of maintaining it
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Kylie Fowler · 7w
Julie Frisken there is still going to be a green space. They are only doing this to save $10k in mowing per year seemingly. There won't be any money left to reinvest if it sells after they process the reserve status removal, subdivision and surveying etc
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Nic Milne · 7w
Listen to the people and leave it alone
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Teresa Dixon Rawiri · 7w
Leave it alone.
Reply Hide

Alex Graham · 7w
Sell half develop it and maybe put some houses on it
Reply Hide

Kylie Fowler · 7w
Alex Graham it is obvious you don't know the site.
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Carwyn Henigan · 7w
Alex Graham Good [redacted] bro, encourage the [redacted] to come here. Vote Alex for Mayor 👏
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Britt-Amber Barris · 7w
Alex Graham why, we have sections available
Leave our greenspaces alone
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Britt-Amber Barris · 7w
Alex Graham then they can go to [redacted]
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Britt-Amber Barris · 7w
Alex Graham not what developers want to sell
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Britt-Amber Barris · 7w
Alex Graham not what developers want to sell
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Alex Graham · 7w
Britt-Amber Barris simple people need more affordable housing
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Reply to Britt-Amber Barris

Reply to Alex Graham

Sammy Morton · 7w
leave it alone
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Mirinea Goodman · 7w
Leave it
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Peter Boyce · 7w
When we brought our house 40 odd years ago we where told it was a reserve and it would never be sold
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Kylie Fowler · 7w
Peter Boyce this is their required consultation to take it out of reserve status. Their website info is already misleading by claiming this will protect it when it is already protected.
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Bec Foggo · 7w
Leave it alone
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Tira Teawhe · 7w
Agree, leave it alone
Reply Hide



Peter Topi · 7w
Leave it be
Reply Hide



Sally Ryan · 7w
Leave it alone
Reply Hide



Mike Shaw · 7w
Agree if it's not broken don't fix it
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Britt-Amber Barris · 7w
[redacted]off and subdivided your own town we dont want tiny homes of pint side sections. Green spaces are a must.
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Riki Rei Rapata · 7w
Leave it alone this is a silly decision. Fundraise for the community to help with costs don’t sell it that gives overseas buyers the opportunity to take advantage of bluff community...

pictures of what could be appreciated in the community I’ve posted underneath my comment
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Riki Rei Rapata · 7w



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Riki Rei Rapata · 7w



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Stacy Milne · 7w

Leave it alone 😔

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Jake Allan · 7w

Invested back into what exactly?

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Bluff Community Board · 7w · Author

Hey Jake Allan, our plan is to invest the proceeds generated from the sale back into the remaining parcel of land. This would primarily increase activation of the space and provide an opportunity to hear what our community would like to see there.

This is a cost-neutral proposal, so the scale of activation opportunities for the reserve will depend on the amount of revenue received from the disposal and sale - which we wouldn't know unless and until the land is sold, if it proceeds. - Gem

Reply

Kylie Fowler · 7w

Bluff Community Board I believe the claims made in earlier consultation said they'd spend the majority of the money on lauding Sir Joseph Ward.

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Submission Number	Q1 (Name:)	Q2 (Do you represent a club or organisation that currently uses Newfield Park Reserve?)	Q3 (Club or Organisation Name)	Q6 (Postcode:)	Q8 (Would you like to receive emails from Council about future consultations?)	Q9 (Would you like to speak to Elected Members about your submission at a hearing?)	Q10 (Which option do you support?)	Q11 (Why do you support that option?)	Q12 (Is there anything else you would like to tell us?)
NPR001	Stacey McGimpsey	No		9812	No	No	3	Although I do believe that Newfield Park can be utilised more for our community, using the land for subdivision would put more strain on the infrastructure of an already populated area while also taking away some of the limited green space that is used by our school and kindergarten, as well as causing potential safety issues for our children. Newfield Park's location would be put to better use providing more for our existing community, rather than just trying to expand it.	
NPR002	Alice Jamieson	No		9812	Yes	Yes	3	Newfield park is used by local residents to play and exercise. Birds nest there. It is a much smaller and quieter space than Elizabeth Park and easier to keep eyes on people and animals. It is also flat.	I often use Newfield park and see kids playing or families throwing a ball around or playing cricket. The school next door does not allow dogs so people with dogs cannot use that area. It would be nice if drainage could be improved.
NPR003	Valerie Dearman	No		9812	Yes	No	1	Only support if it is used for supported housing for seniors a and people living with a disability Play area retained with focus on disability equipment Retain walkway access which is used by primary and secondary school students.	The play area could be developed in partnership with the housing development with full access for all public users
NPR004	Riva Noble	No			No	No	1	Still giving children a place to play but also allowing invercargill to grow	
NPR005	Campbell	No		9812	No	No	3	It doesnt need to be changed, just leave it as it is.	
NPR006	Emily Muir	Yes	Newfield Primary and Sense Rugby	9812	Yes	No	3	This is the only decent size green area in Newfield. The local kids deserve somewhere nice to go and play. At best I would support option 2 but the idea of turning this into council housing scares me for this community.	
NPR007	Sharna	No		9812	No	No	1	Still would like to have a green belt	Have used this area for the last 18 yrs. While it is very wet and muddy at times I would still like to use it in future but understand the need to add more housing.
NPR008	David Noble	No		9812	Yes	No	1	Option one helps with community growth and still allows room for our kids to play in a save space	I would like a small portion of the sale price to be used to upgrade some of the equipment at the park as I feel an upgrade would make the park more usable for family's and draw more kids to want to play and usualize the park.
NPR009	Nicole Lankshear	No			No	No	3	People still use that area, children waiting for school to start or parents waiting with there little kids waiting for siblings if anything you should build a better playground there instead of tearing it down and creating more traffic and risk to the children there.	
NPR010	Levi Tipu	No		9812	Yes	No	1	Makes sense	
NPR011	Sarah M	No		9812	No	No	3	I suggest the council leave the land alone, it is reserved land for a reason and should stay that way. You say it's underutilised but never upgrade smaller parks only the main Queens Park and rich area playgrounds, but never the one's where kids go to kick a ball or run around. Yet another selling off of land to developers, we don't want more land developers wrecking our reserves. The only one's benefiting are the crown and council, people lose out because the gentrification of our city is out of control, which fuels antisocial behaviour, etc. Housing sounds great in theory, but if it's little cranped flats and two storey 1-2bedroom places it's not a home, that's a cramped apartment with no outdoor space, no indoor soace, no yard, no privacy, too close to others so noise becomes terrible and adds to the decline in happy neighbours and increases irritability, aggression, etc with others because there's no peace and no privacy. Leave the reserve alone.	Stop trying to sell our reserves to gentrify our city and cram everyone in like sardines, a house has a proper yard, is not in such close proximity to others and has privacy. Land developers can find somewhere else to buy up, or buy houses that are already built and do them up instead of taking our reserves away. Council only say they're underutilised as a way to sell off land that doesn't beling to them.
NPR012	Francie	No		9810	No	No	3	Dont want it to be developed. Please leave as it is	
NPR013	Ashleigh hill	Yes	Newfield park school	9812	No	No	3	The kids absolutely love playing on that park after school. It builds up their mana and they are excited to go there. It would be sad to take it away.	

NPR014	Skye	No			No	No	3	Because kids still use this space and it's too close to the school for a housing development	
NPR015	John Johnstone	No		9810	No	No	3	Reserve are reserves full stop.Should not be sold,especially if it's for an exclusive ethnicity, racist obviously if this is intended. This should not be developed full stop.	The council has neglected these reserves, only basically maintained.The good old train and tank were great years ago,but removed by the woke brigade and fun police.The good days have been destroyed by council staff .
NPR016	John-William Barrow	No		9810	No	No	3	Keeping our reserves and play spaces is important, and I don't like to see it get sold off, especially to no profit to the council. I would support Option 1 over Option 2 however if anything were to go ahead.	
NPR017	Matthew Milner	No			No	No	3	I think we need to keep our open spaces and playgrounds	
NPR018	Genna Hayward	No		9879	No	No	1	We definitely need more housing although I'm not sure we need that many houses for disabled people (I'm not in the know in that area to know demand). But keeping some play space and building houses is a win win in an under used space that costs to upkeep.	If this is the option to go ahead I think the play equipment needs updating to ensure it is used.
NPR019	Carl McKenzie	No		9810	No	No	1	Low income families deserve decent housing & proximity to a school makes this a good site. The school fields should be able to fulfil any function the field is currently being used for as long as the playground is retained.	Please place a covenant on the land to ensure it will always be used for community housing & never sold to private real estate investors.
NPR020	Adena	No		9812	Yes	No	1	Because more housing is needed and im a disabled person with major health issues waiting on heart surgery and I may need one of these units at si.e stage	
NPR021	Courtney	No			Yes	No	3	Building on that land would disrupt the learning of the children at the school right next door. It took 4 months for a company to build 2 houses across the road from me and the noise was so freaking loud and disruptive. So if 20 or more houses were to be built there it would take what a year? How is that fair to the children at the school?	Get the tramway/Rockdale rd subdivision finished first!!! Thats a better idea
NPR022	Kerstyn Dolamore	No		9812	No	No	1	Kids enjoy this space, would be nice to continue to have access to the playground. Some additional items would be great too.	
NPR023	Bronnie Jeynes	No		9812	Yes	No	3	Green spaces are incredibly important in urban environments and should be maintained and better utilised not disposed of Newfeild Park provides well utilised walking access between local residential streets and a busy play area. It's green space provides a quiet area away from traffic as well as ecosystem services such as absorbing rain water and some limited habitat for native birds. A number of native birds (including ones who's names are used on the walkway system surrounding the park) utilise it over winter. Either disposing of the park or developing the majority of it would severely impact all of these aspects. As a local resident having this nearby green space is part of what attracted us to buy in the area and are looking to raise a family here. We regularly walk through and around Newfield Park with our dog and are certainly not the only ones who do. The numerous quiet cul-de-sac surrounding it make for great family living with kids often playing in the street when thepark is too wet. Increased traffic through development would reduce the livability of the area and increase risk to the many kids who walk to the school and neighbouring kinder. Multiple studies have shown the importance of green spaces as sponges for water, cooling effects in warming urban environments and significant mental benefits to those who live nearby. These only become more important in the face of a growing urban population and climate change. Green spaces like Newfield Park should be treasured, not disposed of. I'd love to see the space better utilised, perhaps through planting and development of a wetland system, as the park is very wet already for large parts of the year, and would create great urban habitat for a wide range of native birds which is very much lacking in this part of Invercargill. Development would also likely severely impact drainage and cause signify issues for surrounding properties, many of which are low lying. Development would push the run off into these properties making their backyards unusable. Currently Newfield Park acts as a reasonable sponge holding a lot of water (much to the enjoyment of the ducks and plovers currently using it). In conclusion, while I agree that the space is underutilised, I believe that disposing of Newfield Park or developing it would be a mistake and that enhancing it as a green space would provide much bigger benefits to the local community.	
NPR024	Jill Sinclair	No		9810	No	No	1	Keeps some green space for recreational purposes, and access would not be from Wilfred Street which is a busy enough street with school traffic. More traffic to access subdivision would make this small street too busy for current residents.	Concerns of increased traffic (foot and vehicle traffic to access subdivision mixing with school traffic and parking which is busy enough with school traffic.

NPR025	Marc	No			Yes	No	1	Parent of disabled teen, would love to see spaces created for those with disabilities to live a semi normal adult life	
NPR026	Chris Malcolm	No			Yes	No	1	I acknowledge the proposed development will provide a positive social outcome for the community and help meet a need for inclusive housing. However, that does not change the fact that this is public reserve land that, once sold, is unlikely to ever be recovered for public use. Te Pare Kauika Ltd approached Council seeking to acquire this land and will be the primary beneficiary of the purchase and development. While the benefits may extend to the wider community, I do not believe ratepayers should be expected to fund subdivision, surveying, legal, or other costs associated with the sale. Those costs should be recovered through the sale price or otherwise met by the purchaser. Land within the city is a finite resource. Once reserve land is disposed of and developed, it is effectively gone forever. For that reason, I support retaining a portion of the reserve while still enabling the proposed development to proceed. Retaining the remaining area would preserve a public connection between the two streets, maintain some open-space value for the neighbourhood, and provide a buffer between the school and the new development. In my view, Option 1 provides a better balance between achieving the housing outcome and retaining public reserve land for future generations.	
NPR027	Martyn Grace	No		9810	Yes	No	1	As a prior parent to kids at Newfield park, a prior teacher aide at Newfield park and now a teacher at Newfield kindergarten I have seen this area in used for a decade now. As I see it, it is a massively underused area. The play area at one end is loved and use by whanau and tamariki, but the main grass area seems to exist as a reason to use the large lawn mowing tractor. Diverse open Green spaces are a valuable part of a healthy, urban area. There are plenty of open fields in and around the area. An ideal use of this area would be a regenerative urban forest or low scrub. I understand the financial constraints on planting out every potential wildlife haven instead of moving it into grass clippings. More low cost housing is needed and close to schools, busses, etc. Revoke the reserve status on the main part of the field for low cost housing development, but retain a play area that helps connect the community, perhaps with some more native tree/flaxes.	Question: How much does it cost to mow this area each year verses the cost of subdivision and park equipment movement?
NPR028	Kim Brown	No		9812	Yes	No	3	I grew up in Auckland and watched a lot of our green space get filled. It was devastating and now the jumbled, squashed over crowded city is a disgrace. Surely we have plenty of derelict areas we could be cleaning up and repurposing before destroying more. I know growth and development is popular but they come with their own pressures… Invercargill's infrastructure is not ready for the growth that seems to be heading our way..	
NPR029	Jena Young	No		9812	Yes	No	3	Keeps the space as is - for community use. Unsure how new builds will change the area. Also being right by the school.	
NPR030	Bruce and Denise Halligan							This area does seem pretty underutilised . However by the same token when gone from the public estate it's gone forever -there is not much detail on the entity which wishes to acquire this area in the material provided nor their intended use. While it sounds a good use , we consider that if it is going to be preferentially disposed of then the subsequent residential units should be available to all the ethnicities . We also consider that there should be some future guardrails so that it remains for housing for elderly and those living with disabilities. - we would favour Option 1 as it retains some land in public ownership including where the play equipment is currently	
NPR031	Richard Little	No		9810	No	No	3	I think reserve land should remain reserved land. Once gone we won't get it back.	No
NPR032	Amelia	No		9812	No	No	3	This green space is well used by local residents every day, with many people walking and exercising their dogs there. It provides an important open area for the neighbourhood and is especially valuable given its location next to a school. Once this land is developed, it cannot be replaced. I encourage the Council to protect this space and consider alternative locations for housing that do not result in the loss of a well-used community asset.	I believe enhancing this public space would provide long-term benefits for the community and be a worthwhile investment for current and future generations. Like a better playground, pump track, native trees, picnic areas, dog park, paved walking track etc.

NPR033	Danielle jenkins	No		9812	Yes	No	3	My child attends the primary school there (Newfield Park school) for 1 the street connecting is already majorly congested at school pick up and drop off time and this would only make it worse and 2 im extremely concerned about the types of people that would be going into these housing as they would be around primary school children and also kindergarten children often the types of people that go into the housing built in my opinion aren't good people to be in such close facility to young children often they smoke drugs drive their cars fast and generally keep these places in awful condition...the list goes on im extremely concerned for the safety of the children who attend the primary school and kindergarten.	Nope i think I've covered it my main concern is the children and rightfully so.
NPR034	Laura Williams	No		9810	Yes	No	1	This is a space a lot of people use to let their dogs have a run. Retaining some of the park would be beneficial for this purpose. The school field and playground is accessible for kids for weekend and after school recreation. For its location and size, it would be great to see affordable housing in this space - though I would not support reduction of reserves like Elizabeth Park or the other small parks that are located further away from the school as every child should be within easy walking distance of a park.	The greatest need for Invercargill's population is housing suitable for our aging population so PLEASE make sure these houses will be wheelchair friendly and suitable for older people long term. Selling off parks for private investment is not worth it as once they are gone they are gone, but if it serves the needs of the community it can sometimes be worth the sacrifice. If the park is to go, make sure it's worth the loss.
NPR035	Alyce Taylor	Yes	Newfield Park School	9812	Yes	No	1	To avoid residential housing bordering the school which is a risk to children safety and learning. Also poses a large traffic and congestion risk to the school traffic which is already quite high.	This is a good use of the space but appropriate area needs left bordering the school as this is a community space and needs protected as council housing would pose its own risk In this area as seen on centre st outside the shop already.
NPR036	Mark Doggett	No			No	No	1	I don't think you could have access from Wilfrid st, it would all need to be via centre st, to keep the kids safe entering school as much as you can. We do need more housing, and I don't think that park gets a huge amount of use. Just wouldn't want it to be a slum, as all those streets around there take great pride in their houses.	Why not just sub divide the land and sell it to people who may want to buy a section and build a nice modest house
NPR037	Nikki	No		9810	No	No	3	You want to take parks away from our children all so you a build houses that won't even house us. They will be given to immigrants. Do you really think k taking land from our children is worth the money you will make from them?!	
NPR038	Olivia	No		9812	No	No	3	This playground was part of my childhood and playing there was so fun I would like to keep the area as it is, so one day I can bring other children to experience what I did. Also I think it's better to have the alleyway without houses along it as there is many children walking down there each day.	
NPR039	Vanessa Witt	No		9812	Yes	No	1	I have spent quite a bit of time staying iwith family in a rental property near the end of Wilfrid Street. As such, i have been a frequent user of the playground with my grandchildren and other young family members. I also observed other children from the neighbourhood making frequent use of the playground. From what I observed, it is not necessary to retain the entire grassed area for community use, but there is a definite benefit to retaining a portion that includes the playground, as proposed in Option 1. Using the remaining underutilised land for community housing seems like a good use for the land.	
NPR040	Abby Prendergast	No		9810	Yes	No	1	I support using part of Newfield Park for Te Kāwai while retaining an area for public recreational purposes. Our community needs both recreational spaces, and housing that provides long-term social benefits. These shouldn't be looked at as competing priorities. I believe there is an opportunity to achieve both in the Newfield Park area. The project by Te Pare Kauika Ltd appears to have the potential to benefit local people for years to come. Supporting a project like this would demonstrate the council's commitment to meeting the changing needs of both Kaumātua and Rangatahi of our community. At the same time, as a youth mental health nurse, I recognise the importance of parks to provide opportunities for tamariki to play and for the wider community to enjoy. For these reasons, I encourage the council - if possible - to take a balanced approach revoking part of Newfield Park for Te Kāwai but retaining some land to protect the recreational space. I believe this approach best reflects the needs of our community without losing valuable recreational space.	
NPR041	Matina	No		9810	Yes	No	3	Council reserves are meant to be just that - reserved from use.	
NPR042	Autumn Walsh	No		9810	Yes	No	3	I believe this land could be used for other purposes, as next to a primary school. Having make it a football field, rugby field etc.	By all means I don't love option one, but I hate option two. Dozens of kids play on the play set after school while waiting for caregivers to pick them up. I believe should be kept.
NPR043	murray	No		9810	No	No	2	sell and use the funds elsewhere	no

NPR044	Mark	No		9812	No	No	3	Great for the kids.no need to be so built up in this area	
NPR045	Kimberly McClenaghan	No			No	No	1	I think it is important to keep some of the reserve in place	
NPR046	Caleb Honiss	No		9812	Yes	Yes	2	Invercargill has over 3000ha of parks and reserves. I live close by three of them (within a 800m radius) and out of those three only one is used and even then-not very often. My four children probably use it more than anyone else in the neighbourhood. As a city we have far to many parks and reserves sucking millions of dollars of maintenance every year from the taxpayer. This is not a good outcome for the city or the ratepayer as we could and should be spending this money on necessary infrastructure maintenance or paying off debt. It would be great to see more parks sold off and the money used to upgrade the existing parks that do get used or to be earmarked for paying off debt and or maintenace.	I am a property developer based in Invercargill and have completed multiple small subdivisions throughout the city. I have scoped the property for subdivision. - If you were to complete Option 1 there would be no proper road access to the remainder of the land and you would not be able to yield enough lots to make the subdivision feasible. -The only way to make the subdivision a viable option is to continue the road and infrastructure from Wilfrid St. The road access from Center St is not wide enough to achieve a subdivision other than a small handful of lots. -If you were to sell the site with Option 1, as a developer you would have to pay me to take the land as it would cost more to develop than the potential sale of the sites. Certainly by the time the council removed reserve status and subdivided the front portion you would have cost more money than the sale of the remainder of the site -Therefore the only viable option is to either do everything, or do nothing. Doing nothing however, is not a good result for the city and the already overburdened rate payers.
NPR047	Mary Grant	No		9810	Yes	No	1	I have lived with Newfield Park at the end of my street for over 30 years. Having a swing and a green space at the end of the street has been great for my children, grandchildren and numerous other children of all ages that use the playground equipment, limited as it is, and park area most days. It is useful to have a link through to Lime Street from Wilfrid Street that can be used within school hours. Serious drainage work will need to be done whichever option is chosen with larger water drainage for Wilfrid/Centre Street. Wilfrid Street is a low point in the area so water drains towards Metzger and there is serious water issues at my neighbour's house at 60 Metzger Street with water coming up out of their drains when there is heavy rain. Any work being undertaken at Newfield Park must include larger drainage pipes for Wilfrid Street to stop this happening. If Option 1 is chosen drainage would need to be undertaken in the remaining park area. Historically Newfield School has used the park for some sports events but it has been too wet and is mainly a home for ducks and oyster catchers in the Winter. The Park is part of the "Low Mow" option which is fine but areas around the play equipment can't be allowed to grow and then the longer grass mown and left lying around. There is no rubbish bin in the area so any paper rubbish just gets cut up with the long grass. I picked up a bag of rubbish about 2 months ago, which was left by some of the local teenagers, and took it home and put it in my wheelie bin. There is always rubbish left around the playground area and it would be a good idea to reinstate a rubbish bin in the play area. I would also like the park bench seat retained and maintained.	The Proposal sheet that was dropped in my letterbox didn't make sense. Option 1 says "...retain some land for continued access and play from Nicol Street to Lime Street" I don't think the walkway to Centre Street is included in this proposal as the Newfield Kindergarten still needs access via the walkway and there is direct street access from Lime to Nicol Street.
NPR048	Katherine Ellen Amos	No		9812	No	No	3	I feel green spaces should be protected in our city. It's nice to have a bit of breathing room and enjoy the fresh air. Also, as a parent with children at both Newfield school and Newfield kindy, I feel the building process (construction vehicles, noise, materials being moved in and out, etc.) would cause distraction and disruptions for the students and their learning. We also walk to school and kindy each morning, and we use the alley way to access them. I'm worried this development would make it harder/unsafe to use with workers/builders around. And lastly, if the project were to go ahead and people were living so close to the school/kindy, I would want to make sure there is no risk to the children.	
NPR049	Alisa Cole	No		9812	Yes	No	3	There isn't any information to make a informed decision. What are you actually asking the community to agree to.	
NPR050	Rob Cole	No		9812	No	No	3	There isn't the information on what you are actually asking. What would you like but not the reason. There could be so many problems especially for the school. Access and drainage would be too concers as well how would be living there and what impacts that could have.	

NPR051	Linda Stevens	No		9812	Yes	No	3	Because there is so many places that have submittions for subdivision that haven't been actioned (by the Marae for example) we don't need to mess ground next to school. Before we agree to anything some real information would be needed with what the use of the land would actually be. Access would need to be carefully considered with Wilfred Street not being able to support any extra traffic.	
NPR052	Chelsea Stevens	No		9812	No	No	1	Because its a wasted space otherwise, and I think having a small amount of kaumatua housing or something similar would be good. I also think there needs to be some grass space left to separate the school from whatever new buildings are erected.	If there is to be new building erected in this space, surely the council will work with the school to ensure that it will remain a safe area for children coming and going from school. Perhaps making the new buildings accessible from Centre St only
NPR053	Bronwyn	Yes	Newfield Primary School	9812	No	No	3	I support this option beach it would have a big impact on the children and sounding family that currently occupy this space/area and no good reasons have been given for these decisions.	No
NPR054	Joanne Carson	No		9810	Yes	No	1	I grew up in Nichol Street I know and appreciate the value of having that park there lots of kids in the area played there after school and in the weekends all the kids in the community would gather there I know lots of friendships were formed. We have fond memories of the Newfield park & we still talk about the Train & Canon & hijinks that we used to get up to they were fun times please retain some community play area for future generations to enjoy.	Retaining some ground for a unique dedicated play area would give the best of both worlds.
NPR055	Ben Finn	No		9812	Yes	No	2	It's sitting there doing nothing. Might as well build some affordable housing on it and no point keeping some as you'll have to continue to maintain it.	
NPR056	Sonya Carey	Yes	Newfield Park School	9812	Yes	Yes	3	Any changes in the reserve status of Newfield Park and subsequent use of the land as a result will have a direct impact on the school and its operation. Newfield Park School board notes we are not aware of any meaningful attempt by Council to invest in, promote, or enhance the reserve to increase community use. The Reserve Act purpose refers not only to recreational use, but also recreational potential, whether active or passive, as a relevant consideration under the Act. Consultation material does not explain whether the apparent underutilisation of Newfield Park has been influenced by obvious drainage or stormwater issues. The apparent underutilisation of Newfield Park should not, by itself, be treated as evidence that the reserve is no longer required. The proposed change in use of land, including the potential of up to 22 residential units on the site, raises a number of concerns for the board; In the case of any possible future development, there are already significant drainage issues related to this park. How will these be addressed and what impact will this have on the school? There are already significant traffic flow and parking issues that impinge on the school operation connected to Wilfrid Street, Centre Street and also Lime Street, given traffic may increase across all these entrances depending on future plans, The park is used by members of the public for communting. If this is not available, there is a likelihood that this would increase foot traffic through the school grounds. The potential impact of increased vandalism, graffiti and inappropriate behaviour on the school grounds is both a financial and social cost for the school community. The section of the walkway from Centre Street to Wilfrid Street gets plenty of foot traffic, with both kindergarten and school drop offs, travelling backwards and forwards to high schools, and other recreational uses such as dog walking. It is unclear how any changes in the park would impact on the walkway use. Newfield Park School board recognises potential community benefits of additional housing for kaumātua and tangata whaikaha that are appropriately located. Newfield Park School board notes that the information provided per option is insufficient to make a considered decision about the impact on the community and in particular on the local primary school. Newfield Park School board proposes 'option 3. Do nothing' until further information can be provided on the potential impact of option 1 and option 2.	Newfield Park School board acknowledges the purpose of this consultation is in regards to the reserve status of land and many of the concerns held in relation to the justification for option 1 and 2 would also be subject to additional approval processes. The Board wishes to make it clear that if the decision maker is of mind to grant option 1 or 2 in this instance, the Council shall take this as notice that any future development proposed is requested to duly consider Newfield Park School board to be notified as an affected party, providing the opportunity to further input and involvement.
NPR057	Invercargill City Youth Council	No		9810	Yes	Yes	2	Youth Council feel that the current reserve of Newfield Park is "under-utilised" by the surrounding community according to the report to elected members in 2013 listing green spaces for potential disposal. Youth Council understand that the green space is often muddy and impassable/unusable throughout certain times of the year. It is within close proximity to the already popular and amenity-strong Elizabeth Park, Dome Street Reserve, Kinmont Playground, and a variety of others, therefore providing alternative green spaces nearby. Having Newfield Park School so close, would be a positive convenience for new residents within the proposed community housing development. There are also four secondary schools within the general vicinity of Newfield Park. Rugby Park and multiple churches are also within walking distance, catering to multiple demographics, and therefore contributing to the cultural vibrancy of the city. Compared to Option 1, Option 2 allows for a greater footprint for potential development allowing for the proposed residential buildings to be more spread out, benefitting wellbeing of the residents and eliminate the need for costly subdivision of the land area.	Youth Council would like to suggest that there is purpose given to a natural buffer, such as a tree-line, in-between Newfield Park School/alley way and any future subdivision to reduce potential disturbances and noise pollution. If the Council has the ability to make a recommendation to the Crown/DOC/LINZ on a preferred entity to obtain the land following revocation, Youth Council suggest that Te Pare Kauika, who provided the original proposal for the land, is that entity. It is suggested that the former reserve be zoned for residential use for low density homes only and not commercially zoned.
NPR058	Jess Chalmers			9812	Yes	No	3	We need all the green spaces for future generations and the neighbourhoods	

NPR059	Patrick James Burrows				No	No	3	I feel there are not enough reserves in the town as it is - We are nothing without our bodning with nature - Please leave the Reserve as it is	
NPR060	Carolyn and Tony Weston				Yes	Yes	3	This is the closest park to our house and the only park Carolyn can walk to. It is the largest park in our neighbourhood, the other playgrounds being pocket-sized parks. We first bought a house in Dome St in 1985 and our two sons grew up in Newfield. We have fond memories of Newfield Park and enjoyed the grass, trees and play equipment. We object to the whole or part of Newfield Park being sold to build a subdivision. We need to treasure green areas within our suburbs. Recent research concludes, people need access to green areas and bird songs within their neighbourhood. These parklands decrease the level of stress within individuals. This research showed that when people are in built-up areas with lots of traffic and other noises, their stress levels increase. It also showed having plenty of parks in a city creates a healthy environment. There used to be a line of trees along the lane from Dome St to Centre St but these have been cut-down. We also need to provide some trees to help with climate changes. Recently, we learnt from South Alive, no fruit and nut trees are growing in Newfield. It would be great if the Fruit and Nut Trees Group were able to plant some fruit and nut trees in Newfield Park so those of us living in Newfield can easily access crop from these trees. After rain, when walking over the grass in Newfield Park, the ground was very soft and mucky. Having some trees in the park would help to drain some of the excess water. If this land is subdivided, how much drainage would need to be done, prior to the ground being suitable for building on? Has a land surveyor studied the suitability of building on this land? In your consultation document, you advice that Newfield Park is Crown Land. If the land is no longer required by the Crown we understand Ngai Tahu has the first chance to use the land for their own purposes. Your document suggests that you would sell the land then give Ngai Tahu the funds from the sale. You need to check the law about that. Council must insure that when planning and building social houses for disabled people, these homes are fully accessible, be integrated into a general neighbourhood and comply with UNCRDP and "Enabling Good Lives ideology".	

JG WARD AND 38 SUIR STREET – HEARINGS

To:	JG Ward Hearings Panel
Meeting Date:	Tuesday 15 September 2026
From:	Cassie Horton – Interim Manager – Strategy Parks and Recreation
Approved:	Rex Capil – Group Manager – Community Spaces and Places
Approved Date:	Thursday 10 September 2026
Open Agenda:	Yes
Public Excluded Agenda:	No

Purpose and Summary

This report presents the submissions received on the proposal to dispose part of JG Ward and the whole of 38 Suir Street, Bluff. Staff analysis of the submissions and recommendations for the Hearings Panel to consider.

Recommendations

That the Hearings Panel:

1. Receives the report "JG Ward and 38 Suir Street - Hearings".

2. Receives the submissions, Summary of Submissions and the Social Media Report.

3. Notes the Hearings Timetable (Doc ID 11282275).

Background

Council's proposal to sell part of JG Ward and the whole of 38 Suir Street was endorsed to proceed at Council Meeting on 29 July 2025.

Two options were developed for consultation with the community, which took place 3 July – 7 August 2026.

Public notification was undertaken through letter drops, signage, and social media. Information was made available on Let's Talk.

Consultation was also undertaken with the Commissioner (DOC) and mana whenua, with no submission provided by the Rūnaka.

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Twenty-six submissions were received with two of these requesting to be heard.

Options

Two options were presented to the community:

Option One - Support the proposal.
Option Two - Do not support the proposal.

Twelve support the proposal and nine do not support the proposal. Five did not answer whether they supported / did not support.

Reasons for supporting the proposal are:

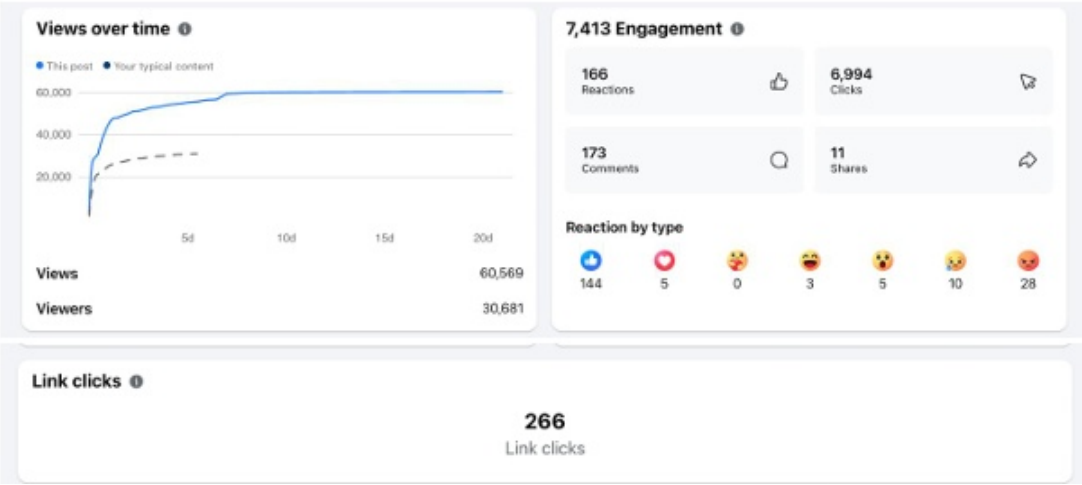
- Use as a gathering space / tourism.
- Gives meaning and purpose.
- Time for an update, as there has been little investment in the area.
- Upgrade suggestions were toilets, storytelling, play and facilities/amenities.

Reasons for not supporting the proposal are:

- Keep as reserve and do it up.
- It would be a loss for Bluff.
- Money should be used for boat ramp facilities.
- Community landmark space.
- Keep as much land as can – do not get rid of green spaces.
- Find money elsewhere for upgrades – do not use from sale.
- Restore as native bush/wetland.

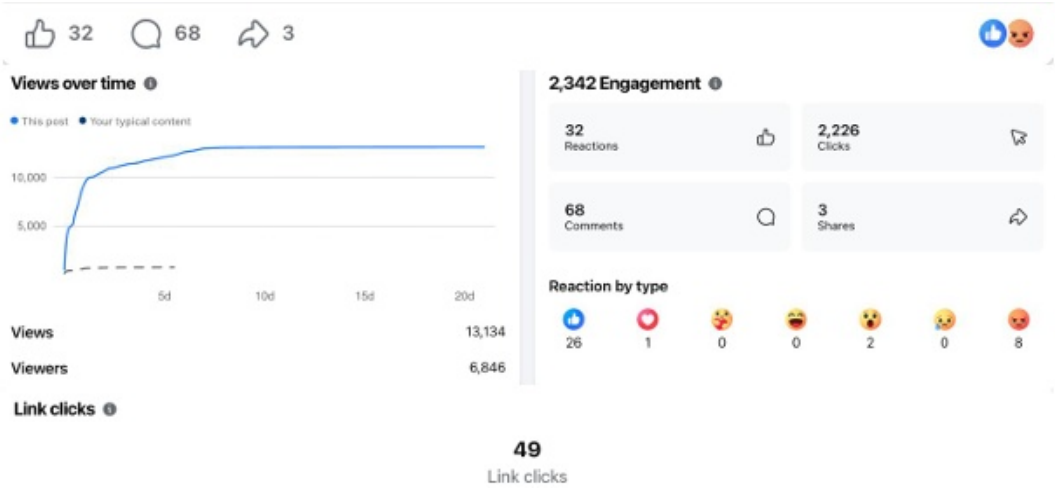
Social Media Report

7413 people engaged with this post which included both Newfield Park and JG Ward proposals. There were 173 comments.



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There was another post put on the Bluff Community Board Facebook page specifically on JG Ward which generated another 2,342 engagements and 68 comments.



Next Steps

Following hearings, the hearing panel will deliberate on 24 September 2026.

Attachments

1. Submissions to be heard:

    1.1 Hearings Slot 1 – JGW001 John Winter (Doc ID 9548034)
    1.2 Hearings Slot 2 – JGW026 Kylie Fowler (Doc ID 11281112)

2. Submissions not to be heard (Doc ID 11283099)

3. JG Ward Reserve and Newfield Reserve Social Media Report (Doc ID 11282841)
   (Refer to appendix 3 of the Newfield Park Hearings combined social media report)

4. Summary of Submissions (Doc ID 9547790)

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JGW001 A6535480

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 09, 2026 11:58:26 am
Last Seen: Jul 09, 2026 11:58:26 am
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name**	John Winter
Q2.	**Organisation**	Bluff resident
Q3.	**Email**	[redacted]
Q4.	**Phone**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Postcode**	9814
Q6.	**Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q7.	**Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing?**	Yes
Q8.	**Do you support the proposal?**	No

Q9. **What is your feedback on the proposal?**

This sale will seriously affect my property of [redacted] as the vehicle access to mine and adjacent properties is at the rear and via the proposed sale area. This would decrease the property values. Also major services to properties bordering the sale area including Water, Power and Sewage are fed through this area and relocation of such services would not be cost effective. The sale are is also prone to flooding with no provision for runoff. As such it stays water logged until the water evaporates or sinks into the ground.

Q10. **Is there anything else that you want to tell us?**

An access path or driveway exists entering from Suir Street between 34 and 38 Suir Street and runs between the two properties and across the back of 34; 30; 24 and 20 Suir Street. This provides access to the garage of Number 34; the driveway of Number 30 and access to Numbers 24 and 20. This driveway has existed for many years and is partly graveled. It is visible on Google Maps.

JGW026

Submission – Proposal for Activation of JG Ward Reserve

Invercargill City Council

Private Bag 90104

Invercargill 9840

I would like to OPPOSE the subdivision of the J G Ward Reserve and sale of a portion of it along with the sale of 38 Suir Street. For the avoidance of doubt, I do not specifically oppose the sale of 38 Suir Street but do as part of this proposal. My reasons for opposing are multi-faceted.

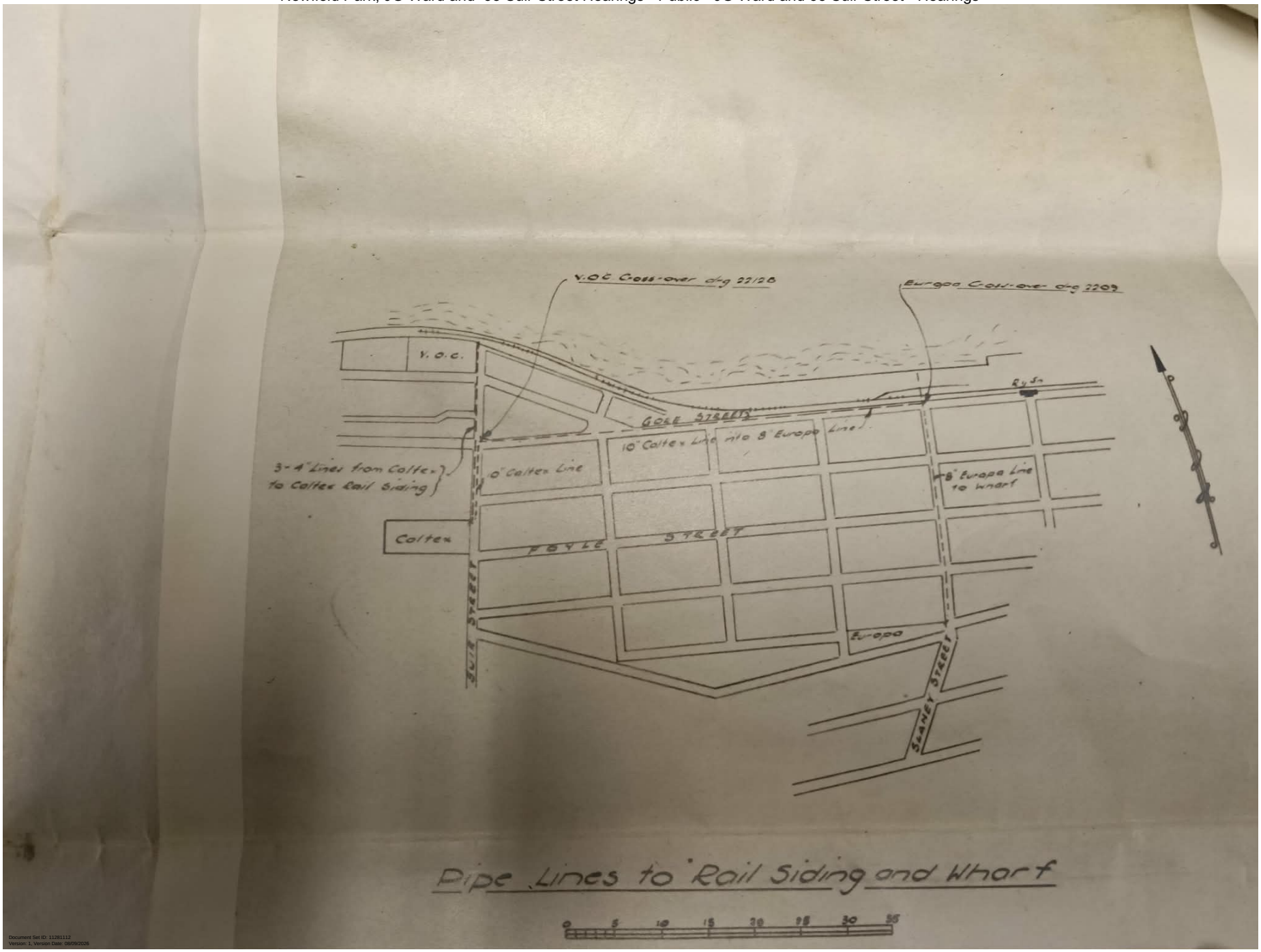
1. I believe this decision originated from a reserve review and it was claimed at the time that it will save $12K in maintenance costs. The property has been significantly over maintained by council for many years and reduced maintenance could achieve a reduction in costs. The costs quoted in earlier documentation presumably include the maintenance of the whole site of which less than half will be sold. The real maintenance cost is likely less than $6k a year. The costs will only be removed once it is sold. There is no maintenance done on 38 Suir Street at all. Savings are small and require a significant outlay and are dependent on the property selling.
2. The report to the June 2025 Bluff meeting stated *"A recent bare land sale in Bluff of $85K for 506m² (RealEstate.com) indicates there is the potential for circa $400K of revenue generated from this disposal and sale process."* The property example used was a flat property with vehicle access situated three properties back (on Burrows Street) from the Cenotaph on Marine Parade. It is not comparable to the proposed sections that could be created on the JG Ward site. A property, 30 Blackwater St, which adjoins the Ward site is currently, and unrealistically, listed at $79K for 1024 m2 and has been vacant for over fifty years. The proposed properties, if sold as separate titles, will not have vehicle access unless 38 Suir Street is sold with them and a significant portion of land will be needed to provide Right Of Way access. Once actual costs of subdivision and surveying are taken off the sale price there is likely very little money available to actually develop the remaining reserve. The properties sit next to SH1 and trucks with engine brakes travel nearby night and day. There is no view and they sit well below Gore Street and the area has historically been the site of water pooling.

3. For many years my husband, who lived on Suir Street adjoining the property and played on the Reserve as a child, has highlighted the issues with the site. In August 2025 I finally contacted Environment Southland with regard to the possibility that the area should be listed as hazardous. In the 1960's and 70's, 38 Suir Street had a pond on it and the area along the bottom of the bank was swampy. Due to a fuel pipe that existed along Gore Street, the pond and swamp showed signs of petrol that had leaked from the pipe above. As evidence and affidavits are collected it is likely to be added to the Hazardous Site Map in the future. I have included a copy of the Deed, held at Invercargill City Library Archives, between Caltex Oil Ltd and Bluff Borough Council from 1955 which confirms its location.
4. Given the current proposals to consolidate councils, any commitments made by Invercargill City Council are unlikely to have any certainty regarding actual implementation. All comments regarding development of the proposed reserve are stated to be dependent on money from the sale. If it doesn't sell, nothing happens except ICC has spent money on the status change and subdivision with no outcome. Even if it sells, how can we be certain the new Council structure will commit to spending the funds on this area as promised?
5. Bluff does not have a shortage of properties available for sale with many being far superior than this problematic site. As a property it will have a lot of competition.

Given all this information it cannot be deemed the desirable nor profitable venture Council purports it to be. I wish to speak to my submission and hope Council staff and elected members visit the site and assess it with an open mind prior to verbal submissions and before making a decision. I am saddened that the Bluff Community Board decided to support the proposal prior to raising it with the community directly. I hope common sense prevails given that no actual figures have been provided to show if any money is likely to remain IF sold.

Kylie Fowler

[redacted]



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THIS DEED is made the 19th day of May 1955 BETWEEN THE MAYOR COUNCILLORS AND BURGESSES OF THE BOROUGH OF BLUFF a Municipal Corporation constituted under the Municipal Corporations Act 1933 (hereinafter called "the Corporation") of the one part and CALTEX OIL (N.Z.) LIMITED a company duly incorporated in New Zealand having its registered office at Wellington and carrying on business there and elsewhere as a Petrol and Petroleum Products Supplier (hereinafter called "the Company") of the other part WHEREAS the Company has requested the Corporation to grant to it an easement to lay conduit pipes for petroleum under Suir Street and Gore Street in the Borough of Bluff as hereinafter set forth NOW THIS DEED WITNESSETH THAT IN PURSUANCE of the powers vested in it by Section 200 of the Municipal Corporations Act 1954 and of a special order duly passed by the Bluff Borough Council on the 28th day of April 1955 the Corporation DOTH HEREBY GRANT unto the Company for a term of fifty years from the First day of April 1955 the right to construct lay and maintain in under and along the strip of land four feet wide running from the Eastern boundary of the Company's property along the west side of Suir Street to Gore Street, across Gore Street to the North side thereof, and thence along the North side of Gore Street to the position opposite the North end of Slaney Street where the conduit-

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JGW002 A6535452

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 16:53:55 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 16:53:55 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name**	Valerie Dearman
Q2.	**Organisation**	Public
Q3.	**Email**	[redacted]
Q4.	**Phone**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Postcode**	9812
Q6.	**Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q7.	**Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q8.	**Do you support the proposal?**	Yes

Q9. **What is your feedback on the proposal?**

Bluff needs a family picnic space where residents and visitors can gather. Visitors to Bluff including an increasing number of tourists would appreciate a gathering area for rest and

Q10. **Is there anything else that you want to tell us?**

Instead of selling the yellow area turn it into an amenities area and park for camper vans etc

JGW003 A6535470

Respondent No [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 19:01:20 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 19:01:20 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name**	Trinity Goodall
Q2.	**Organisation**	Resident of bluff
Q3.	**Email**	[redacted]
Q4.	**Phone**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Postcode**	9814
Q6.	**Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q7.	**Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q8.	**Do you support the proposal?**	No

Q9. **What is your feedback on the proposal?**

Leave the area alone fundraiser to make the whole thing a reserve

Q10. **Is there anything else that you want to tell us?**

Leave our reserves alone

JGW004 A6535450

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 19:15:47 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 19:15:47 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name**	Jimmy Nuetral
Q2.	**Organisation**	not answered
Q3.	**Email**	[redacted]
Q4.	**Phone**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Postcode**	9814
Q6.	**Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations?**	No
Q7.	**Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q8.	**Do you support the proposal?**	No

Q9. **What is your feedback on the proposal?**

While most of the idea is good in theory, mainly the re invigorating of the corner reserve area, I don't believe sale of the land at the rear is a great long term action for Bluff. The current reserve definitely needs a tidy up and replant / landscape to make it a more appealing space from the main road as currently it is just an overgrown eyesore. Perhaps with that area appropriately cleaned up, lights for the statue, bench seats etc it would appeal and attract to more visitors and locals alike. Maybe then the rear reserve could be better utilized down the track as a playground/green space as there is very few of those at the west side of town. Food for thought, would obviously require fundraising and/or council to jump on board to help achieve that over time. Cheers

Q10. **Is there anything else that you want to tell us?**

Good luck!

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 19:29:36 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 19:29:36 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name**	Bob
Q2.	**Organisation**	not answered
Q3.	**Email**	[redacted]
Q4.	**Phone**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Postcode**	9814
Q6.	**Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations?**	No
Q7.	**Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q8.	**Do you support the proposal?**	Yes

Q9. **What is your feedback on the proposal?**

Get rid of it and build a decent play area for kids, I hope the land attracts a lot of interest and fetches a good price.

Q10. **Is there anything else that you want to tell us?**

There has been little investment in this area apart from mowing lawns for a very long time it seems. About time for an update.

JGW006

A6535448

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 19:39:35 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 19:39:35 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name**	Jason (Jack) Kini
Q2.	**Organisation**	not answered
Q3.	**Email**	[redacted]
Q4.	**Phone**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Postcode**	9814
Q6.	**Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q7.	**Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q8.	**Do you support the proposal?**	Yes

Q9. **What is your feedback on the proposal?**

Makes sense, the area you are looking to sell has been idle for the 45 years I've lived here

Q10. **Is there anything else that you want to tell us?**

As long as there is transparency about how much it sells for and what happens with the funds I don't see any issue

JGW007 A6535468

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 19:45:58 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 19:45:58 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name**	John Kissell
Q2.	**Organisation**	not answered
Q3.	**Email**	[redacted]
Q4.	**Phone**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Postcode**	9814
Q6.	**Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q7.	**Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q8.	**Do you support the proposal?**	Yes

Q9. **What is your feedback on the proposal?**

I would hope the Bluff community had a lot of say in how the reserve space was utilised if a sale of the other parcel of land went through.

Q10. **Is there anything else that you want to tell us?**

not answered

JGW008 A6535476

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 14, 2026 20:13:59 pm
Last Seen: Jul 14, 2026 20:13:59 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name**	Nicola
Q2.	**Organisation**	not answered
Q3.	**Email**	[redacted]
Q4.	**Phone**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Postcode**	9814
Q6.	**Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations?**	No
Q7.	**Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q8.	**Do you support the proposal?**	No

Q9. **What is your feedback on the proposal?**

Leave it the[redacted]alone. You closed the boat ramp and build one to make money of the community. Now you want to sell land, to what developers and we all know you won't put that money back into the land. Just like we know you won't put the thousands you make from boat ramp back into it. Why is the community board allowing this. We voted you in for a reason. Fix the stuff that's broken before you brake more stuff

Q10. **Is there anything else that you want to tell us?**

This council and community board I'm not doing the jobs that they voted into today especially the Bluff community board stand for your community not from for the politicians office

JGW009 A6535474

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Proposal to Optimise J G Ward Reserve

PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: Nikki Fewster (Required)

Organisation:

Email: [redacted] (Required)

Phone:

Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations? ☑ Y / ☐ N

Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing? ☐ Y / ☑ N

Do you support the proposal? ☑ Y / ☐ N

What is your feedback on the proposal?

- Public toilets
- fencing around Park.
- Make it fun, friendly for everyone to use.

Please attach extra sheets of paper if required.

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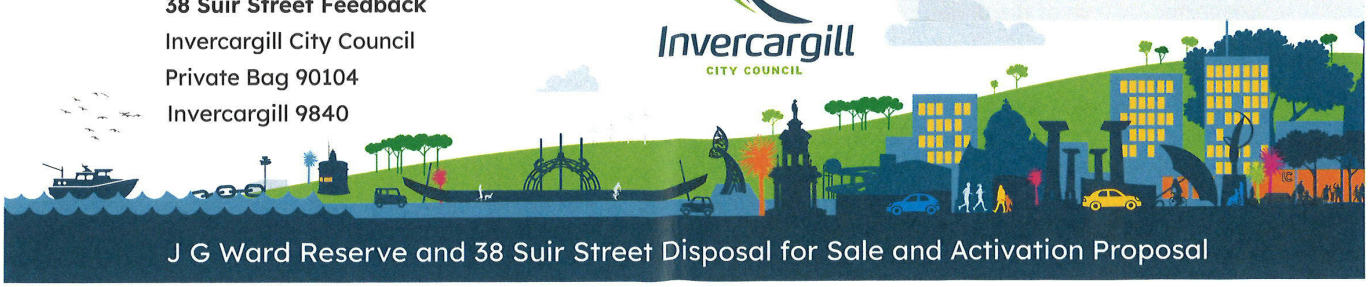
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JGW010 A6535456

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Proposal to Optimise J G Ward Reserve

PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: Danielle Stanley / Tessa Scobie (Required)

Organisation:

Email: [redacted] (Required)

Phone: [redacted] **Postcode:** 9810

Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations? ☐ Y / ☐ N

Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing? ☐ Y / ☐ N

Do you support the proposal? ☑ Y / ☐ N

What is your feedback on the proposal?

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JGW011

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Proposal to Optimise J G Ward Reserve

PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: charlie, Aly (Required)

Organisation: _____

Email: _____ (Required)

Phone: _____ (Required) **Postcode:** _____

Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations? ☐ Y / ☐ N

Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing? ☐ Y / ☐ N

Do you support the proposal? ☐ Y / ☐ N

What is your feedback on the proposal?

a stone rock and some Pictures of the history of waitangi and more

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JGW0012 A6535464

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Proposal to Optimise J G Ward Reserve

PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: Lee Fewster. (Required)

Organisation:

Email: [redacted] (Required)

Phone: [redacted] **code:** 9814

Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations? ☑ Y / ☐ N

Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing? ☐ Y / ☑ N

Do you support the proposal? ☑ Y / ☐ N

What is your feedback on the proposal?

Great Idea.
Get rid of unkept Sections.

Please attach extra sheets of paper if required.

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Proposal to Optimise J G Ward Reserve

PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: Trixie Bull (Required)

Organisation:

Email: [redacted] (Required)

Phone: [redacted] 9812

Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations? ☐ Y / ☑ N

Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing? ☐ Y / ☑ N

Do you support the proposal? ☑ Y / ☐ N

What is your feedback on the proposal?

Whakaaro pai tēnei!!

Please attach extra sheets of paper if required.

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Proposal to Optimise J G Ward Reserve

PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: Tylah H (Required)

Organisation:

Email: (Required)

Phone: (Required) **Postcode:**

Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations? ☐ Y / ☐ N

Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing? ☐ Y / ☐ N

Do you support the proposal? ☐ Y / ☐ N

What is your feedback on the proposal?

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flying fax

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Proposal to Optimise J G Ward Reserve

PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: Hezhi Lin 10 (Required)

Organisation: _____

Email: _____ (Required)

Phone: _____ (Required) **Postcode:** _____

Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations? ☐ Y / ☐ N

Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing? ☐ Y / ☐ N

Do you support the proposal? ☐ Y / ☐ N

What is your feedback on the proposal?

more trips

Please attach extra sheets of paper if required.

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JGW016

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Proposal to Optimise J G Ward Reserve

PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: Piper 10 (Required)

Organisation: _____

Email: _____ (Required)

Phone: _____ (Required) **Postcode:** _____

Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations? ☐ Y / ☐ N

Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing? ☐ Y / ☐ N

Do you support the proposal? ☐ Y / ☐ N

What is your feedback on the proposal?

Slides
Indoor swimming pool

Please attach extra sheets of paper if required.

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PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: Kiri Pudda (Required)

Organisation:

Email: [redacted] (Required)

Phone:

Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations? ☑ Y / ☐ N

Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing? ☐ Y / ☑ N

Do you support the proposal? ☑ Y / ☐ N

What is your feedback on the proposal?

Great idea!
Toilets and appropriate fencing would be beneficial.

Please attach extra sheets of paper if required.

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JGW018

From: [redacted]
Sent: Tue, 21 Jul 2026 09:15:36 +1200
To: [redacted]
Subject: FW: Josph Ward Park Bluff

From: [redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, 15 July 2026 12:13 pm
To: [redacted]
Subject: Josph Ward Park Bluff

To whom it may concern.

I agree sell the land and use the money to make it a viable area for everyone to enjoy.

Regards Alison Patrick Bluff

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JGW019

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 15, 2026 08:38:43 am
Last Seen: Jul 15, 2026 08:38:43 am
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name**	Elaine Goodall
Q2.	**Organisation**	not answered
Q3.	**Email**	[redacted]
Q4.	**Phone**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Postcode**	9814
Q6.	**Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q7.	**Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q8.	**Do you support the proposal?**	No

Q9. **What is your feedback on the proposal?**

Comments on the Bluffys Positive Vibes Only page would suggest the community as a whole are against this proposal. While it would be nice to see this area looking tidier, the council already does not look after other areas in Bluff as it should so why add to the list? We do not need another playground as almost no one uses the one we already have. There is plenty of room along the side of the main road where the foodie vans park, for people to stop and picnic etc so there's no need for this type of space either.

Q10. **Is there anything else that you want to tell us?**

If the sale must go ahead, maybe the money should be used to provide much needed carparking and toilet facilities at the new boat ramp as promised. There are enough empty sections and derelict properties in Bluff now that council should be acting on without providing space for more. There are people who live in that area who were told 'Its a Reserve and will never be sold/built on'. So keep that promise!

JGW020

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 15, 2026 10:25:01 am
Last Seen: Jul 15, 2026 10:25:01 am
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name**	Thomas Mathiesson-Tutahione
Q2.	**Organisation**	bluff resident
Q3.	**Email**	[redacted]
Q4.	**Phone**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Postcode**	9814
Q6.	**Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q7.	**Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q8.	**Do you support the proposal?**	Yes

Q9. **What is your feedback on the proposal?**

Sell the section to the not-for-profit buyer wanting to build community housing. When you are working on developing the reserve, please add 32Amp 3 phase power. Consider a bluff rotunder. and potentially good hedging or fencing boundry for family use near the busy intersection.

Q10. **Is there anything else that you want to tell us?**

not answered

JGW021

Respondent No: 11
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 15, 2026 13:05:24 pm
Last Seen: Jul 15, 2026 13:05:24 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name**	Helen Mulqueen
Q2.	**Organisation**	not answered
Q3.	**Email**	[redacted]
Q4.	**Phone**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Postcode**	9814
Q6.	**Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations?**	No
Q7.	**Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q8.	**Do you support the proposal?**	No

Q9. **What is your feedback on the proposal?**

My daughter wrote to the Bluff community board years ago when she was only about 6yrs old (shes now 11yrs old) requesting more playground equipment for Sir Joseph Ward park. Had to chase & chase a response which was no with no explanation. This area is really the only playground area for children west end of Bluff & instead of downsizing it we should be providing a safe play area for our west end living kids. I strongly oppose the sale of any of this land. It backs onto our kids bus stop & is a community landmark space which should be left alone.

Q10. **Is there anything else that you want to tell us?**

Do a door to door survey! Many of our Bluff residents are elderly simple folks who don't do internet. I feel you are not allowing proper consultation with residents of our town by advertising consultation online. But I also believe this is what you rely on to do what you have already made up your mind to do.

JGW022

Respondent No: 12
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 15, 2026 21:20:16 pm
Last Seen: Jul 15, 2026 21:20:16 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name**	Richard Little
Q2.	**Organisation**	not answered
Q3.	**Email**	[redacted]
Q4.	**Phone**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Postcode**	9810
Q6.	**Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations?**	No
Q7.	**Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q8.	**Do you support the proposal?**	No

Q9. **What is your feedback on the proposal?**

Keep as much land as we can. It will pay dividends in the future.

Q10. **Is there anything else that you want to tell us?**

No

JGW023

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Jul 18, 2026 23:42:57 pm
Last Seen: Jul 18, 2026 23:42:57 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name**	Rose Strong
Q2.	**Organisation**	not answered
Q3.	**Email**	[redacted]
Q4.	**Phone**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Postcode**	9814
Q6.	**Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations?**	Yes
Q7.	**Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q8.	**Do you support the proposal?**	No

Q9. **What is your feedback on the proposal?**

I think unused council land should be restored to bush or left as green space. Selling it is a waste and a loss for everyone in Bluff. I've seen comments that part of the park is wetland/bog, all the more reason to plant it out and make a lovely little native reserve. If the park needs upgrades, run a fundraiser or find money elsewhere.

Q10. **Is there anything else that you want to tell us?**

Please don't subdivide and sell off our green spaces!

JGW024

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: BPagan
Email: [redacted]

Responded At: Aug 04, 2026 17:37:15 pm
Last Seen: Aug 04, 2026 05:31:00 am
IP Address: 149.19.18.118

Q1.	**Name**	Bruce Pagan
Q2.	**Organisation**	Bluff resident
Q3.	**Email**	[redacted]
Q4.	**Phone**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Postcode**	9814
Q6.	**Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations?**	No
Q7.	**Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q8.	**Do you support the proposal?**	Yes

Q9. **What is your feedback on the proposal?**

A redevelopment of the reserve pays due respect for one of Bluffs//Southlands historical figures! For years it has languished in a vastly forgotten state. The proposed redevelopment gives meaning and purpose to the existing reserve.

Q10. **Is there anything else that you want to tell us?**

not answered

JGW025

Respondent No: [redacted]
Login: Anonymous
Email: n/a

Responded At: Aug 05, 2026 13:47:24 pm
Last Seen: Aug 05, 2026 13:47:24 pm
IP Address: n/a

Q1.	**Name**	Britt-Amber Barris
Q2.	**Organisation**	not answered
Q3.	**Email**	[redacted]
Q4.	**Phone**	[redacted]
Q5.	**Postcode**	9814
Q6.	**Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations?**	No
Q7.	**Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing?**	No
Q8.	**Do you support the proposal?**	No

Q9. **What is your feedback on the proposal?**

Selling this greenspace does not make any sense. You state one of the reasons being the cost, thats pretty simple you went from mowing this a couple times a year and now you are over maintaining it.. You will need to keep maintaining until sold, and to be honest who would want to live in a gulley down a bank. Is this not contaminated land, was this not fuel line in the 70s. Bluff has many empty sections for sale, there is not need to get rid of the small amount of greenspaces we have... Bluff does not need high density housing. Saying you will spend this doing up the other part of this land was always your responsibility. LEAVE OUR GREENSPACES ALONE

Q10. **Is there anything else that you want to tell us?**

not answered

Submission Number	Source	Q1 (Name)	Q2 (Organisation)	Q5 (Postcode)	Q6 (Do you want to receive emails from council about future consultations?)	Q7 (Do you want to speak to elected members about your submission at a hearing?)	Q8 (Do you support the proposal?)	Q9 (What is your feedback on the proposal?)	Q10 (Is there anything else that you want to tell us?)
JGW001	Let's Talk	John Winter	Bluff resident	9814	Yes	Yes	No	This sale will seriously affect my property of 30 Suir Street as the vehicle access to mine and adjacent properties is at the rear and via the proposed sale area. This would decrease the property values. Also major services to properties bordering the sale area including Water, Power and Sewage are fed through this area and relocation of such services would not be cost effective. The sale are is also prone to flooding with no provision for runoff. As such it stays water logged until the water evaporates or sinks into the ground.	An access path or driveway exists entering from Suir Street between 34 and 38 Suir Street and runs between the two properties and across the back of 34; 30; 24 and 20 Suir Street. This provides access to the garage of Number 34; the driveway of Number 30 and access to Numbers 24 and 20. This driveway has existed for many years and is partly graveled. It is visible on Google Maps.
JGW002	Let's Talk	Valerie Dearman	Public	9812	Yes	No	Yes	Bluff needs a family picnic space where residents and visitors can gather. Visitors to Bluff including an increasing number of tourists would appreciate a gathering area for rest	Instead of selling the yellow area turn it into an amenities area and park for camper vans etc
JGW003	Let's Talk	Trinity Goodall	Resident of bluff	9814	Yes	No	No	Leave the area alone fundraiser to make the whole thing a reserve	Leave our reserves alone
JGW004	Let's Talk	Jimmy Nuetral		9814	No	No	No	While most of the idea is good in theory, mainly the re invigorating of the corner reserve area, I don't believe sale of the land at the rear is a great long term action for Bluff. The current reserve definitely needs a tidy up and replant / landscape to make it a more appealing space from the main road as currently it is just an overgrown eyesore. Perhaps with that area appropriately cleaned up, lights for the statue, bench seats etc it would appeal and attract to more visitors and locals alike. Maybe then the rear reserve could be better utilized down the track as a playground/green space as there is very few of those at the west side of town. Food for thought, would obviously require fundraising and/or council to jump on board to help achieve that over time. Cheers	Good luck!
JGW005	Let's Talk	Bob		9814	No	No	Yes	Get rid of it and build a decent play area for kids, I hope the land attracts a lot of interest and fetches a good price.	There has been little investment in this area apart from mowing lawns for a very long time it seems. About time for an update.
JGW006	Let's Talk	Jason (Jack) Kini		9814	Yes	No	Yes	Makes sense, the area you are looking to sell has been idle for the 45 years I've lived here	As long as there is transparency about how much it sells for and what happens with the funds I don't see any issue
JGW007	Let's Talk	John Kissell		9814	Yes	No	Yes	I would hope the Bluff community had a lot of say in how the reserve space was utilised if a sale of the other parcel of land went through.	
JGW008	Let's Talk	Nicola		9814	No	No	No	Leave it alone. You closed the boat ramp and build one to make money of the community. Now you want to sell land, to what developers and we all know you won't put that money back into the land. Just like we know you won't put the thousands you make from boat ramp back into it. Why is the community board allowing this. We voted you in for a reason. Fix the stuff that's broken before you brake more stuff	This council and community board I'm not doing the jobs that they voted into today especially the Bluff community board stand for your community not from for the politicians office
JGW009	Event	Nicky Fewster			Yes	No	Yes	Public Toilets. Fencing around park. Make it fun, friendly for everyone to use.	
JGW010	Event	Danielle Stanley and Tessa Scobie		9810			Yes		
JGW011	Event	Charlie, Aly						A shore rock and some pictures of the history of waitangi and more	
JGW012	Event	Lee Fewster		9814	Yes	No	Yes	Great idea. Get ride of unkept sections	
JGW013	Event	Trixie Bull		9812	No	No	Yes	whakaaro pai teneil! (this is a good idea)	

JGW014	Event	Tylah (Age 11)						More toilets. Flying Fox	
JGW015	Event	Hezeniln (Age 10)						More toilets.	
JGW016	Event	Piper (Age 10)						Slides. Indoor swimming pool	
JGW017	Event	Kiri Pudda			Yes	No	Yes	Great idea! Toilets and appropiate fencing would be beneficial	
JGW018	Email	Alison Patrick			no	no	yes	Sell the land and use the money to make a viable space for everyone	
JGW019	Let's Talk	Elaine Goodall		9814	Yes	No	No	Comments on the Bluffys Positive Vibes Only page would suggest the community as a whole are against this proposal. While it would be nice to see this area looking tidier, the council already does not look after other areas in Bluff as it should so why add to the list? We do not need another playground as almost no one uses the one we already have. There is plenty of room along the side of the main road where the foodie vans park, for people to stop and picnic etc so there's no need for this type of space either.	If the sale must go ahead, maybe the money should be used to provide much needed carparking and toilet facilities at the new boat ramp as promised. There are enough empty sections and derelict properties in Bluff now that council should be acting on without providing space for more. There are people who live in that area who were told 'Its a Reserve and will never be sold/built on'. So keep that promise!
JGW020	Let's Talk	Thomas Mathiesson-Tutahione	bluff resident	9814	Yes	No	Yes	Sell the section to the not-for-profit buyer wanting to build community housing. When you are working on developing the reserve, please add 32Amp 3 phase power. Consider a bluff rotunder. and potentially good hedging or fencing boundry for family use near the busy intersection.	
JGW021	Let's Talk	Helen Mulqueen		9814	No	No	No	My daughter wrote to the Bluff community board years ago when she was only about 6yrs old (shes now 11yrs old) requesting more playground equipment for Sir Joseph Ward park. Had to chase & chase a response which was no with no explanation. This area is really the only playground area for children west end of Bluff & instead of downsizing it we should be providing a safe play area for our west end living kids. I strongly oppose the sale of any of this land. It backs onto our kids bus stop & is a community landmark space which should be left alone.	Do a door to door survey! Many of our Bluff residents are elderly simple folks who don't do internet. I feel you are not allowing proper consultation with residents of our town by advertising consultation online. But I also believe this is what you rely on to do what you have already made up your mind to do.
JGW022	Let's Talk	Richard Little		9810	No	No	No	Keep as much land as we can. It will pay dividends in the future.	No
JGW023	Let's Talk	Rose Strong		9814	Yes	No	No	I think unused council land should be restored to bush or left as green space. Selling it is a waste and a loss for everyone in Bluff. I've seen comments that part of the park is wetland/bog, all the more reason to plant it out and make a lovely little native reserve. If the park needs upgrades, run a fundraiser or find money elsewhere.	Please don't subdivide and sell off our green spaces!
JGW024	Let's Talk	Bruce Pagan	Bluff resident	9814	No	No	Yes	A redevelopment of the reserve pays due respect for one of Bluffs//Southlands historical figures! For years it has languished in a vastly forgotten state. The proposed redevelopment gives meaning and purpose to the existing reserve.	
JGW025	Let's Talk	Britt-Amber Barris		9814	No	No	No	Selling this greenspace does not make any sense. You state one of the reasons being the cost, thats pretty simple you went from mowing this a couple times a year and now you are over maintaining it.. You will need to keep maintaining until sold, and to be honest who would want to live in a gulley down a bank. Is this not contaminated land, was this not fuel line in the 70s. Bluff has many empty sections for sale, there is not need to get rid of the small amount of greenspaces we have... Bluff does not need high density housing. Saying you will spend this doing up the other part of this land was always your responsibility. LEAVE OUR GREENSPACES ALONE	

JGW026	Email	Kylie Fowler	Bluff resident	9814		Yes	No	Opposes the subdivision of JG Ward and sale of portion of it along with the sale of 38 Suir Street. Reasons are #1 decision originated from a reserve view and was claimed it would save 12k in maintenance costs. Real maintenance is likely less than 6k a year. Reduced maintenance could achieve a reduction in costs. #2 Property used as example in report to the June 25 Bluff Meeting is not comparable to the proposed sections that could be created on the JG Ward site. Proposed properties won't have vehicle access unless 38 Suir Street is sold with them and a significant portion of land will be needed to provide right of way access. Once actual costs of subdivision and surveying are taken off the sale price there is likely very little money available to develop the remainining reserve. Properties are next to SH1, no view and on a site of water pooling. #3. Thinks it is a hazardous site and has recommended it to Environment Southland to add to their list. #4 if it sells, how can we be certain the new Council structure (when consolidated) will commit to spending the funds on this area as promised? #5 Bluff does not have a shortage of properties available for sale with many being far superior than this problematic site. As a property it will have a lot of competition.	