

Wainuiwhenua Online Survey Full Results

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The Wainuiwhenua Working Group ran an online survey for two and a half weeks in November 2019, asking respondents to give their opinions about nine proposals made by the working group as well as highlighting other issues.

Responses have been received from 248 people in total. One hundred and fifty-eight (64%) of the responses are from Paekākāriki residents.

All of the proposals are supported by more than 80% of respondents (answering either “strongly support” or “somewhat support”).

The strongest support is for the environmental protection proposals, with at least 90% of respondents strongly supporting the reservation and revegetation of the hill country and wetland and stream protection.

The following are the percentages for strong support for each of the proposals (in order):

Rank	Proposal number	Percent of respondents answering "Strongly support"
1	Proposal 1 – Protect and reforest hill country (246 responses)	93%
2	Proposal 2 – Protect and restore streams and wetlands (245 responses)	92%
3	Proposal 3 – Joined up management with adjacent parks (246 responses)	82%
4	Proposal 9- Small area of land transfer to QE Park (248 responses)	77%
5	Proposal 7 – Provide space for wind turbines (248 responses)	74%
6	Proposal 6 – Investigate establishing a historic precinct (248 responses)	60%
7	Proposal 4 - Investigate housing possibilities (244 responses)	60%
8	Proposal 5 – Retain sand dune area as a strategic reserve (246 responses)	59%
9	Proposal 8 – Neighbourhood park & gardens in the Tilley Triangle (247 responses)	58%

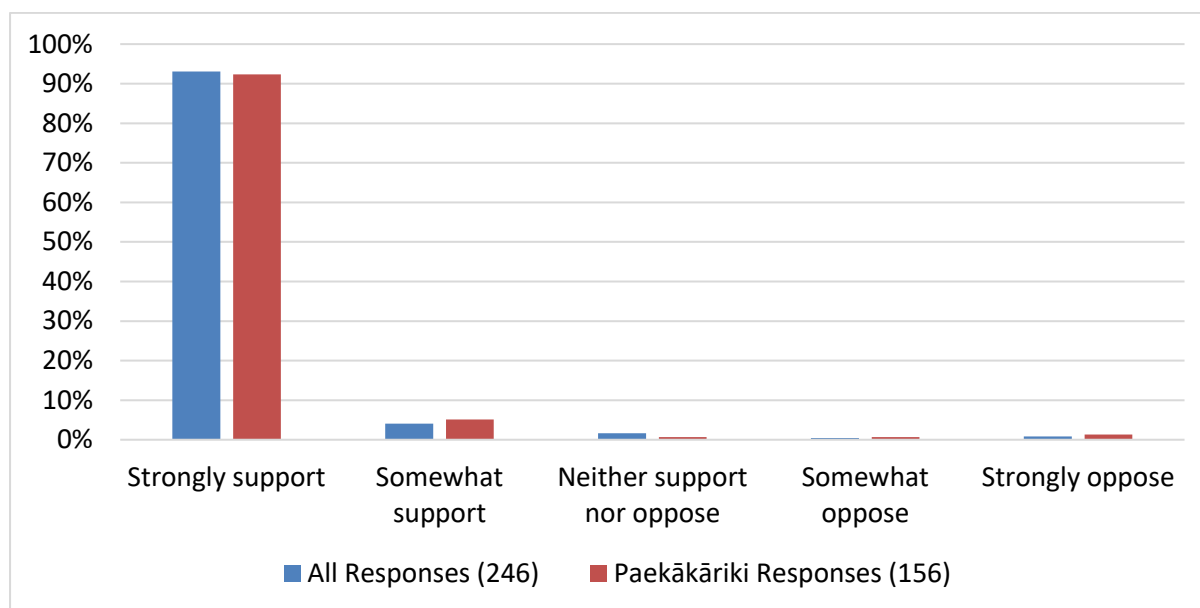
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Proposal 1

Reserve and reforest the hill country and support recovery of native forest on the partially-forested escarpment and gully areas. This includes creating ecological corridor connections between Queen Elizabeth Park, Mt Wainui, and the Paekākāriki escarpment. It could be about 410ha or 90 per cent of the land involved.

This action supports flood control, drought resilience, carbon sequestration, nature conservation and corridors, and recreation.

How much do you support or oppose this proposal?



This is the single most important of all of them - not only from ecological and environmental point of view but also spiritual

This will also support the restoration of kakariki to our village

Excellent! Please do this!

This is an excellent proposal. Carbon sequestration is a critical issue where New Zealand needs to be proactive. This would certainly help in this respect. I also feel the recreational aspects are very significant and would be of immense benefit to the Kapiti community..

This is a very restrictive proposal, it is idyllic but totally unrealistic. A dream created by the wealthy!

Any reserves and new parks should be co-governed with Ngāti Haumia ki Paekākāriki, if that is what they wish.

This is also an excellent response to the increased likelihood of environmental emergencies resulting from climate change (fire and flood). It is also a community resilience measure.

excellent opportunity here for recreational resources as well. This land is ideally suited to mountain bike track development that will bring economic benefits to Paekakariki

The proposal would mitigate to some extent the huge ecological loss of the kohekohe - nikau forest caused by the construction of TGM in the valley of Te Puka Stream.

I see this proposal as crucial, with wide ranging benefits for biodiversity, conservation and flood protection. Well planned recreational use is also important to encourage physical activity, sustainable tourism and connections between people and nature. Both walking and biking opportunities should be developed in line with good environmental protection.

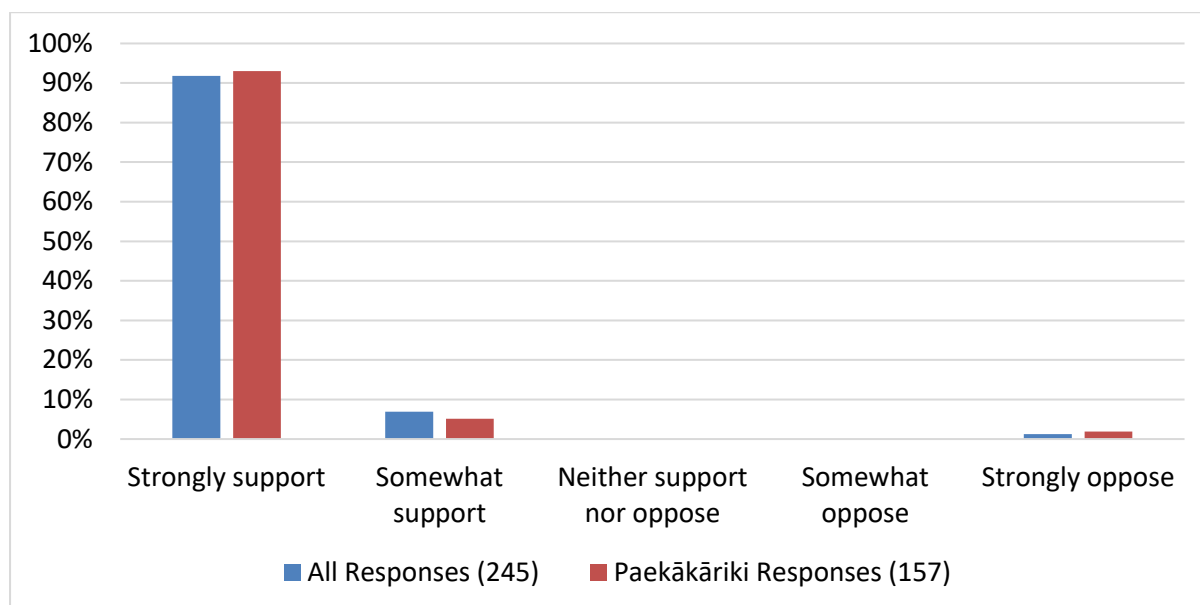
we have a unique opportunity to secure this land in public ownership for future generations
No pine trees!
Reforestation the marginal land in this area has so many benefits, as you have listed. At a time when we face so many environmental challenges, seeing the forest return to these bare hills would not only be sensible, but a symbol of hope.
This could include a natural burial area.
I only agree with this if the land is not suitable for other uses. We are fortunate to have a lot of green spaces in our region but we have a lot who are struggling without homes.
I live at the north end of QE Park and love this idea! I will definitely help replant native, I already do at Whareroa farm
With fire risk being stated recently in NZ by fire authorities as increasing with climate warming, safe space between housing and forested areas needed, to prevent fires running through housing.
Ensure views from the hill road are not blocked. Leave some open areas for lizards, seabird burrows etc.
Fantastic idea, support 1000%
Needed for future flood protection

Proposal 2

Reserve, protect and enhance the flood and flow-path management areas. About 5 per cent of the land (23 ha) is included. Enable riparian revegetation and wetland creation to improve the health of freshwater ecosystems and mahinga kai, and reduce the impacts of flooding.

This action supports protection of freshwater ecosystems, flood control, community resilience, nature conservation, and recreation.

How much do you support or oppose this proposal?



All the wetter areas need t be included not just flood and flow paths. Include present and future wetlands, floodplains and decent riparian margins.

Make sure floodplains are included

I can only 'somewhat support' this proposal, because I believe that pest-animal control and pest-plant control are crucial managemnt tools, NOT planting, because planting is so often merely gardening, ecologically and genetically inappropriate, and a form of community therapy..

This is vital to protect native freshwater species

Wetlands are crucial for our local ecosystem

This will become increasingly important as climate change brings more intense and frequent storm events. Slowing the water flows and stabilising the riparian land to reduce erosion is crucial for the village, the streamside ecosystems and the health of the sea.

IMPROVE FISH ACCESS BY PROVIDING BAFFLES IN CULVERTS, FISH LADDERS, ETC. UNDER THE ROADS AND RAILWAY.

Could this include an eel farm providing employment and kai?

I support this if the area is prone to flooding and is unsuitable for housing.

Yes, we need to restore wetlands - it's going to happen anyway as sea levels rise. Welands absorb huge amounts of carbon, whereas draining them puts methane into the atmosphere. Let's make our wetlands a regional attraction.

Should be larger

I worry about what would happen to the other 95 percent of the land.

Having been a member of the streams group I'm particularly keen about care of the Wainui stream and would like to see it able to return to it's natural path through the farmland, with

restoration of the fish passage and the creation of wetlands. This area could also become an attractive walk close to the village and adjoining the existing walk along the stream.

Wetlands creation needs informed research, as with climate warming the vector-borne diseases - malaria, dengue fever, etc - will be a potential a risk. These two infections are already are reaching lower latittudes in greater parts of Australia already). Public health planning/disease prevention also needs to be written into these plans.

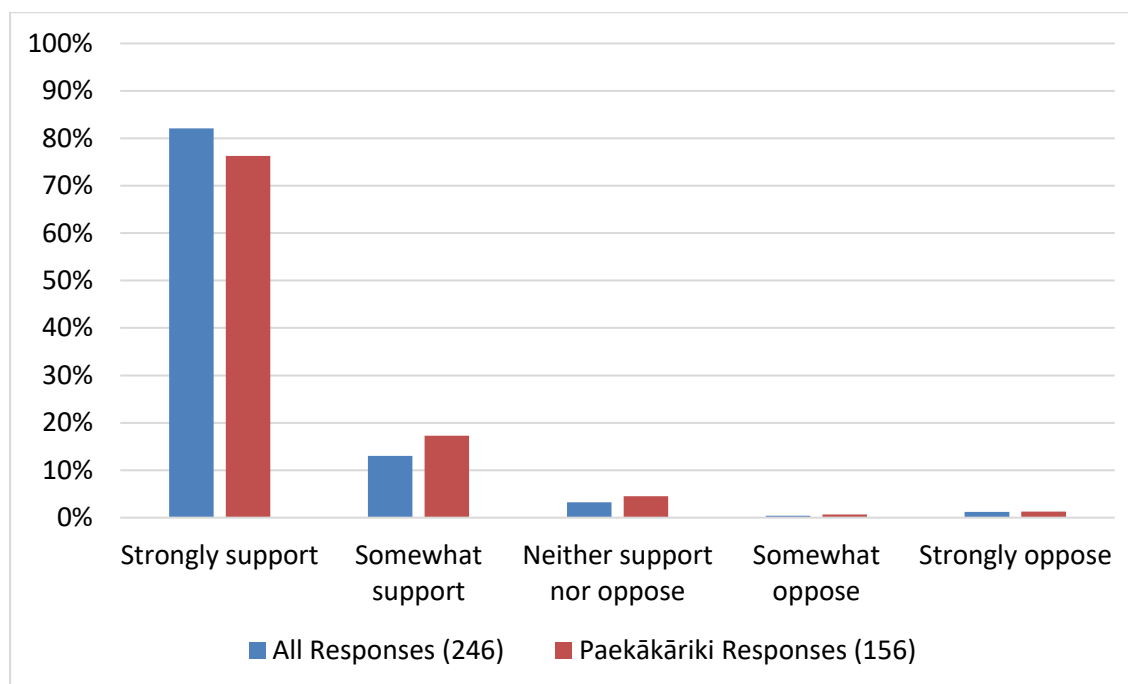
Flood control of Tilley road is most important as we will most likely get more big impact rain events.

Proposal 3

Use the bulk of these lands to form the nexus of a new regional park by joining up the management of the Wainuiwhenua lands with the neighbouring Queen Elizabeth Park, Whareroa Farm, Mt Wainui reserve, and the Paekākāriki-Pukerua Bay escarpment walkway.

This action supports protection of ecosystems, nature conservation, recreation, and economic development.

How much do you support or oppose this proposal?



No issue with a collective strategy but I definitely don't want joined up management.
Wonder whether a regional park would afford sufficient protections for some of this land. Consider conservation status?
The key thing is to protect and restore the land. Avoid dependence on GW supporting an extended Regional Park.
Other side of the railway please. Betty Perkins Way should be a Community Park for social reasons, and to replace Campbell Park in the event of climate change.
But who has the money to manage such a large area?
Same thoughts and views as proposal one.
Any reserves and new parks should be co-governed with Ngāti Haumia ki Paekākāriki, if that is what they wish.
This seems a logical idea
Which also leads into Akatarawa Forest plus rural area and Mataihuka escarpment
Much better, more sustainable than tiny protected mainland islands
We would like to see aspects of the farm retained. Gracing for horses especially.
The existing parks are wonderful, but would be made so much better by being linked. It would raise the profile of all of them and increase their attractiveness as a destination.
This would allow new ventures including horse trekking and extended biking tracks. Great for carbon sequestration as well. Manuka/kanuka planting could support a honey industry.

As long as it allows some community use eg burials, tourist businesses, market gardening
This proposal may need it's own subcommittee as at present these areas are rigidly separated in the minds of owners and managers. The thinking needs to be shifted from rigidly defined boundaries to seeing the area as an ecological whole.
You need to give far more consideration to housing. This area is desperate for it.
Great idea, it'll be a real assets to the Kapiti coast and the nation
The value to be protected, however, is community involvement. We don't want a big government agency to take away all the decisions -- we love this land and want to continue to be part of determining its future. A big park, however would be great!
How protected are these lands? Never to be touched by development? Go for highest protection from development.
Closer liaison but dont want GW or DOC officials running the lot given huge amount of volunteer input
This would add to the economic base of Paekakariki post Transmission gully opening.

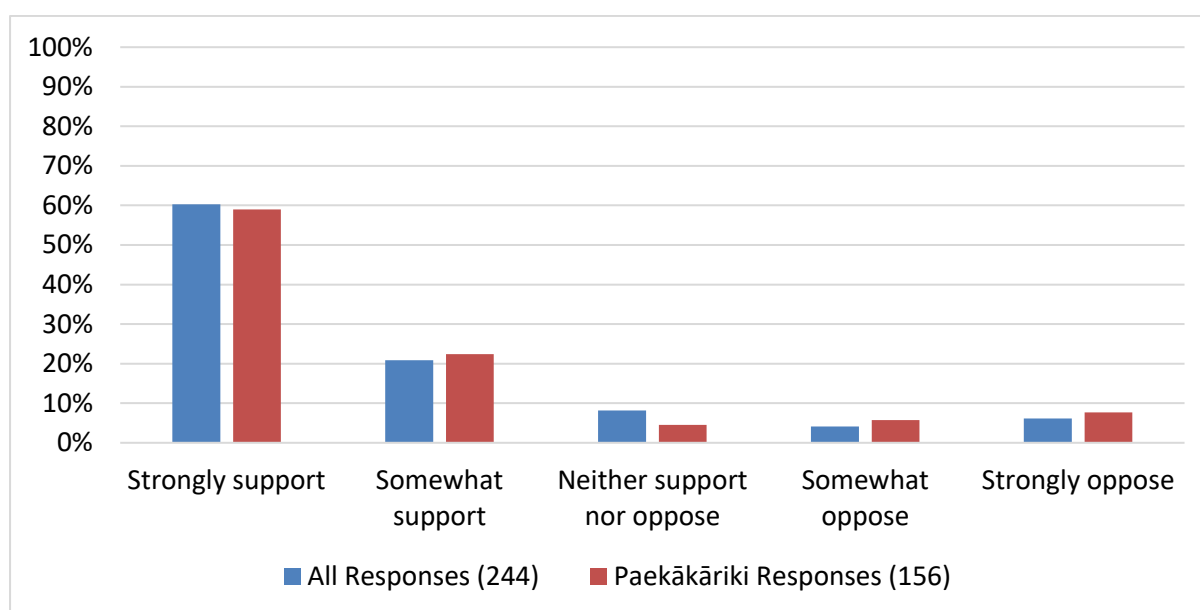
Proposal 4

Investigate social and community housing possibilities for three land parcels that have development potential and are close enough to the existing settlement – about 4-5 ha in total:

- Around Betty Perkins Way (sometimes known as the Tilley Triangle – the southern portion on higher ground, and linked to a neighbourhood park)
- Small area east of houses on the SH1 side of the railway
- Small area east of SH1 near the Perkins' woolshed and farm houses.

This action supports community and iwi housing, diversity within Paekākāriki, and economic development.

How much do you support or oppose this proposal?



Some concern re future flooding potential. Also issue of septic tanks re maintenance and flooding in future weather events. Depends on who gets to decide what “social and community housing” means. Possible tie-in with marae development. Would support Ngati Haumia ki Paekakariki taking the lead agency role.

Concerned about the area east of SH1 near the Perkins' woolshed and farm houses. Depending on traffic volume, old SH1, could still be hazardous for pedestrians. Access to village by car only?

There is no demonstrated need for new housing on this land. Tilley Triangle Park needs to be established instead of any housing development, which can occur on other sites. Please ensure that no harm from housing occurs to our streams water quality/quantity and our village water supply resilience.

As long as housing is affordable for young and lower income families rather than becoming 2nd home buys for the more wealthy.

Totally in support of affordable housing, but the small amount 4-5 ha is tokenism! 20-25 Ha should be set aside for housing, Marae and papakainga. More land should be set aside given so many low-income people have been forced out of Paekakariki.

Tiny Builds, with emphasis on retired peoples. Retaining a good Septic Tank system. It would be a shame if we as a village have to upgrade to a town sewer system, because that will allow bigger builds. Get each individual septic tank owner to look at their own systems.

Much needed in all areas of NZ
People who live on the land will care for it
Paekakariki dose not require social housing and the areas that is being looked at has no access and will upset the current home owners
Fully support iwi housing especially kaumatua flats. As the housing prices are out of reach priority should be given to mana whenua to return to their land. Strongly object to high density housing!
Would prefer increasing density closer to transport and services to reduce automobile use.
Affordable can be achieved by increase work opportunity, tourism
I understand that there amy be significant barriers to housing development but fully support exploring the proposal. Community housing is a critical tool for bringing diversity back to the village.
affordable housing is very much needed in paekakariki and i think this is a great plan
This supports the development of Paekakariki without detracting from the new park proposal. Make sure the housing is not on lower ground and susceptible to flooding.
Affordable housing is a very important issue for Paekakariki - equally important to me as environmental protection, it is about the protection of humans and our diverse society. Iwi housing is very important to acknowledge the mana whenua and honour our treaty obligations.
I strongly support affordable housing in the mix. Would like to see co-housing options that gives our elderly options to remain in the village. There are already community gardens and plenty of land for them to expand. I support neighbourhood park activities on the northern part of the identified Tilley Triangle land between housing and wetlands but not where housing can be accommodated unless it is integrated within a housing development
Should be maintained as a public visitor centre and an entrance to the park. Visitor centre etc. Not community housing! Put that elsewhere. Also you have the old ww2 brick fuel tank in there which should be able to be seen by the public. It is an interesting part of kapiti history.
You need more land given over to housing - you shouldn't just be "investigating it". You seem to be putting the interests of a few without considering the needs of those who have a limited voice.
We have serious soak pit issues in the north end of Tilley Road with a buried stream bed in the paddock which floods, and serious slumping of the paddock behind us during the prolonged drought periods. Normally the water table always remained at surface levels in this paddock. The area is also subject to serious flooding issues. Any housing would require raising of the ground which would cause a worsening of flooding and expensive soak pit issues. I am at [redacted] Tilley and refer to the paddock behind us which is earmarked for housing. We are in the rain belt for Transmission Gully and experience extreme orographic downpours. In addition this paddock is subject to ferocious wind which is funnelled by the gap south of here and hurricane force winds are experienced. Because of the close relationship with Mt Wainui and Transmission Gully's furious winds and downpours, this area needs to be studied by a professional climatologist.
Please, please consider more family friendly affordable housing to support our kura and our whanau
I am concerned about what application criteria will be set for the housing. Otherwise I love that housing will be made available for folks.
this is sensible, carefully planned, community-led growth
Support objectives but would like to understand more about the intended decision-making processes in relation to the potentially difficult issues around allocation.
Community garden should be included on this area
Support provided houses are not built on land subject to flooding and liquefaction - do not be constrained by proximity to exisiting housing - build on good ground
Housing included as part of a plan for the whole area is much more sensible than allowing individual life style blocks with no connection or responsibility to the community .
I don't think some of this land is suitable for housing

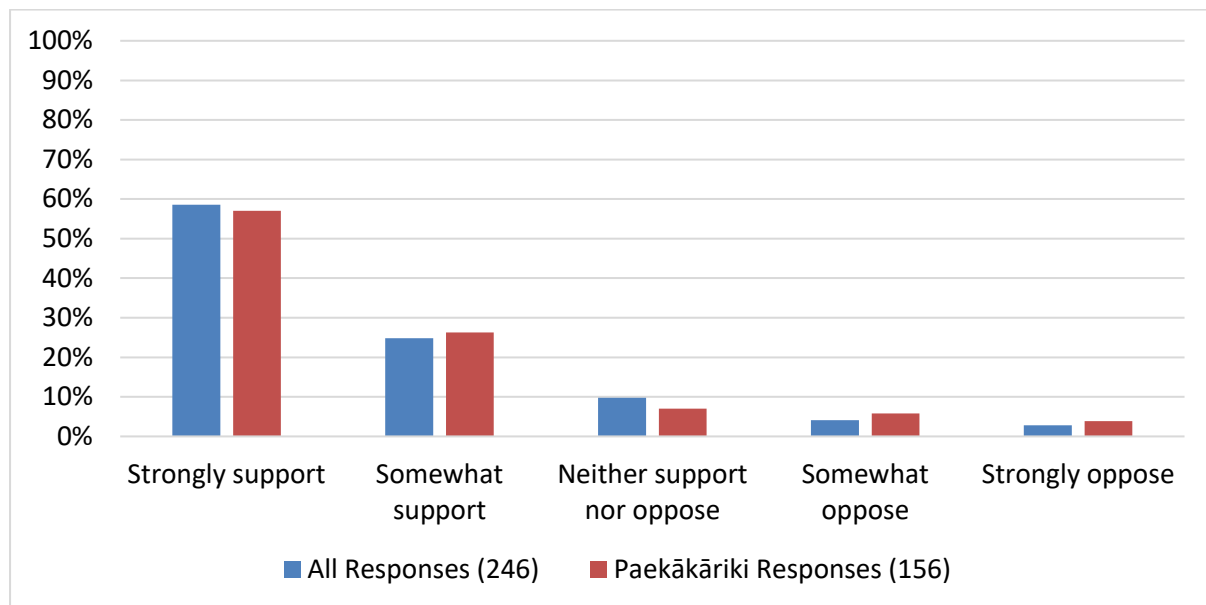
Support the proposal in principle. Further sound research needed on what the gap(s) in housing actually are, and how to absolutely ensure equality
Would like to see more detailed plan of where connecting roads etc would go to service the new homes - would not be in favour of through road linking to SH1.
Don't agree with c (Perkins woodshed). Do agree with a and b
Would be great to have a range of housing options including communally focussed areas where people may prefer to live more communally eg sharing resources, communal spaces, collection of tiny houses perhaps with large communal shared spaces.
Also supports economic development

Proposal 5

Retain the sand dune area south of Mackays Crossing and east of the railway line (about 15ha) as a strategic reserve for community or housing development should climate change impacts require a managed retreat from coastal properties, enabling planning for this contingency well in advance.

This action supports potential community and housing needs and climate change managed retreat.

How much do you support or oppose this proposal?



However, I believe a more comprehensive climate change retreat strategy needs to be put in place. In isolation this will act merely to encourage beaurocratic inaction within Council rather than further steps being taken.

Difficult to see how, in practice, this would enable a managed retreat from coastal properties. Unclear what process this proposal entails.more detail please.

Housing for community climate change use only. How are you going to ensure that this will be how it is managed in the future?

It's not very big compared to the village... Is this enough? Is it high enough ground? What other Climate Change impacts might effect this relocation site?

What a nonsense! 15 ha to move the high-end property owners to a better plan in Paradise. No thanks, they decided to purchase coastal they can afford to have their own contingency plan.

CC mitigation & planning makes sense

If we need to retreat that far we are in the crap and Paekakariki wont be paekakariki any more

Would not want to see this automatically taken up for a high density housing development.

New Zealand is vastly under-prepared for climate adaptation. Action is likely to be needed much sooner than most people think. Thinking ahead is smart and can send a message to the many other coastal areas that are going to find themselves in the same boat at roughly similar times.

Great idea. This will happen sooner than we all think.

Makes sense as the future always brings surprises.

I think we may also (eventually) need to retreat to what is now Whareroa Farm Park... but this is a good start.

another good idea - we need to think ahead, some houses will need moving

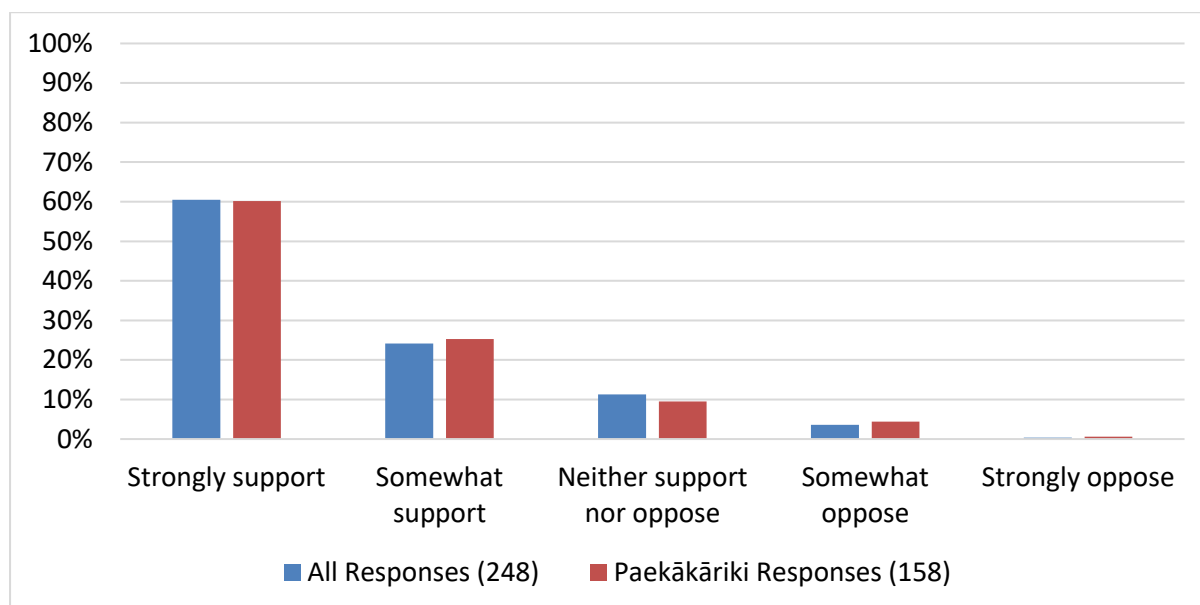
Seems a sensible idea provided the capital and management costs are moderate. Agree that the site is too disconnected from the village to be suitable for housing at this point in time.
Move on this sooner rather than later -
Finally we stop ravaging the land and put in place sensible actions for protection for future generations.
Good idea to have some fall-back resources!
Not sure if raupo swamp is in this area, but need to ensure that raupo swamp is protected.
I think there would need to be a whole strategy around managed retreat, criteria and triggers for when this would happen and how any reserved land would be allocated to those retreating.
Should be extension of the wetland and native restoration

Proposal 6

Investigate the heritage values and protection status of a range of sites southeast of SH1 with a view to establishing an historic precinct (this includes the Perkins' woolshed, farm house, WW2 fuel tank, radar station and kūmera pits on the ridgeline. Some of these sites are already legally protected under the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act).

This action supports heritage conservation and economic development.

How much do you support or oppose this proposal?



In order to maximize the outcomes of these sites clear action needs to be taken once "investigation" is complete.

Suggest that this concept should include, for the project as a whole, more pre-Pakeha culture and heritage recognition.

Let's prioritise what is most important - the time and resources that would be spent on tis would be much better used on othe activities

Dont worry about the woolshed and perkins house. Protect the WWII radar and fuel sites please. We dont need a precinct plan to protect these as they are part of a larger area managed for other reasons.

WWII tank and radar site need protecting. No protection needed for the woolshed and Perkins House. Kumera pits are already protected. A precinct is not suitable - just protect the relevant sites.

Again - who restores these and manages these sites

Now someone is thinking.

This should include wāhi tapu and pā sites - for example the pā site on the east side of the train tracks south of Fisherman's Table - I understand this may not originally have been a Ngāti Haumia pā (see W.W Carkeek) but it must be protected and recognised all the same. The foreshore rocks in that area may also be wāhi tapu going by Carkeek.

Definately do not want to loose Heritage sites!!

This one seems more 'nice to have' than vitally impt, but if there are enough resources to do this, then I'd support it

Important, not vital

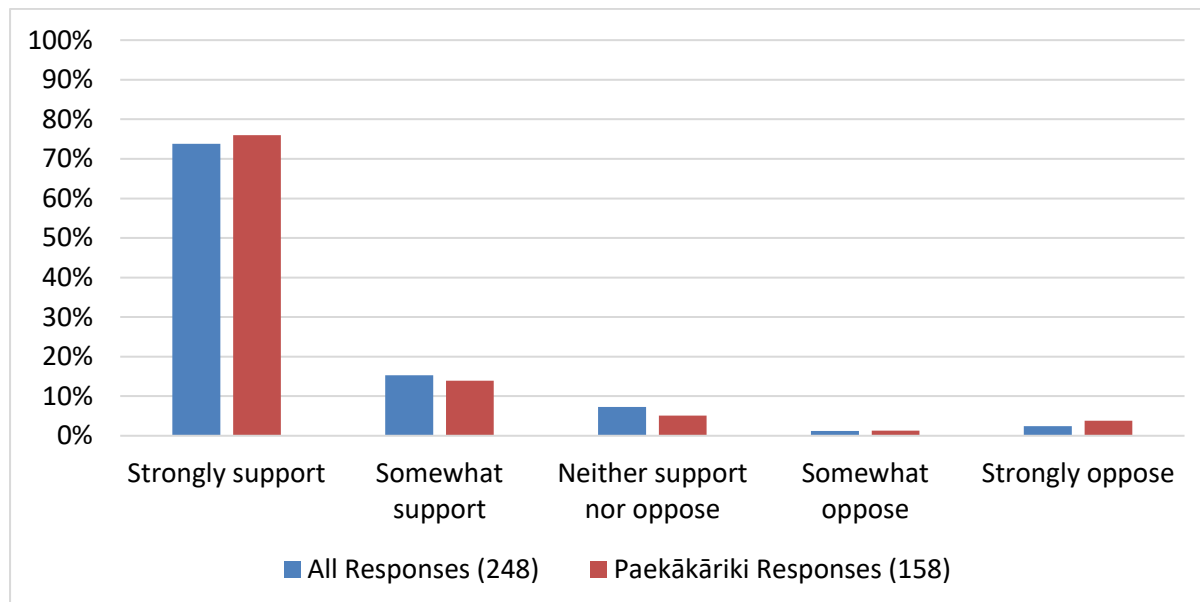
The fuel tank is an interesting grotto but kind of indifferent to the farm buildings unless they have some use. The ridgeline has ascetic appeal for walking/mt biking. Would be concerned that the protection of the kumera pits could preclude tracks in this area.
It's very important that we protect historic sites for future generations.
Didn't know about this - fantastic idea.
This would be great for visitors and locals alike.
this sounds like anthropology and history phds for someone... I think it's important to do the right anthro think re Maori settlement/gardens etc
Well worth investigating. Would seem to offer the prospect of interpretation work that could be of significant interest to visitors.
Not supported if historic precinct inhibits development of the land for housing
Support getting these under protection, but we need to think about if we want to live here and have a peaceful life our environment gives us, or if we want to always have everyone other than the community present in our home town. Parking needs to be properly, planned in for these things.s
Other activities have a higher priority for what will be constrained funding.
Fantastic idea, support 1000%
Again with recognition of what existing volunteer groups already do with respect to these heritage values.

Proposal 7

Provide an area of the ridgeline west of the Transmission Gully route as a site for community wind turbines.

This action supports renewable energy generation and economic development.

How much do you support or oppose this proposal?



This needs to be determined by the local residents and experts in this field. Both in regards to practical implementation and outcomes. Without a feasibility study no real comment can be made.

The community has not been availed of impacts from noise, visual, fauna, transmission lines, access construction, and economic viability. If we use less then we dont need it. It will not make us self sufficient.

Should be conserving energy first. Invest our \$\$ in saving and other measures. Support national large scale wind power development elsewhere. Adverse impacts are not needed.

Supports climate change, fantastic idea, totally supportive.

Support sustainable energy

as it embodies CC mitigation/planning

Initial investigations seem to show viability so I feel this is a totally appropriate use for the small amount of land it would require and the social and environmental benefits it would provide. I feel the visual impact arguments are petty and consider the visual impact of sustainable energy to be a nice juxtaposition against the huge scar and fossil fuel wastefulness of Transmission Gully.

Depend how they look and if this generates enough power for the whole group

I've always supported this.

How would these affect residents of Paekakariki Hill Road?

I'm not fully informed on this issue but like the idea of local, renewable energy

A no brainer this one

Far too visible within that fantastic coastal landscape, would be an ugly blot in such a prime central location. Better alternatives exist, back from the coastal ridge, such as the high ridge above Whareroa

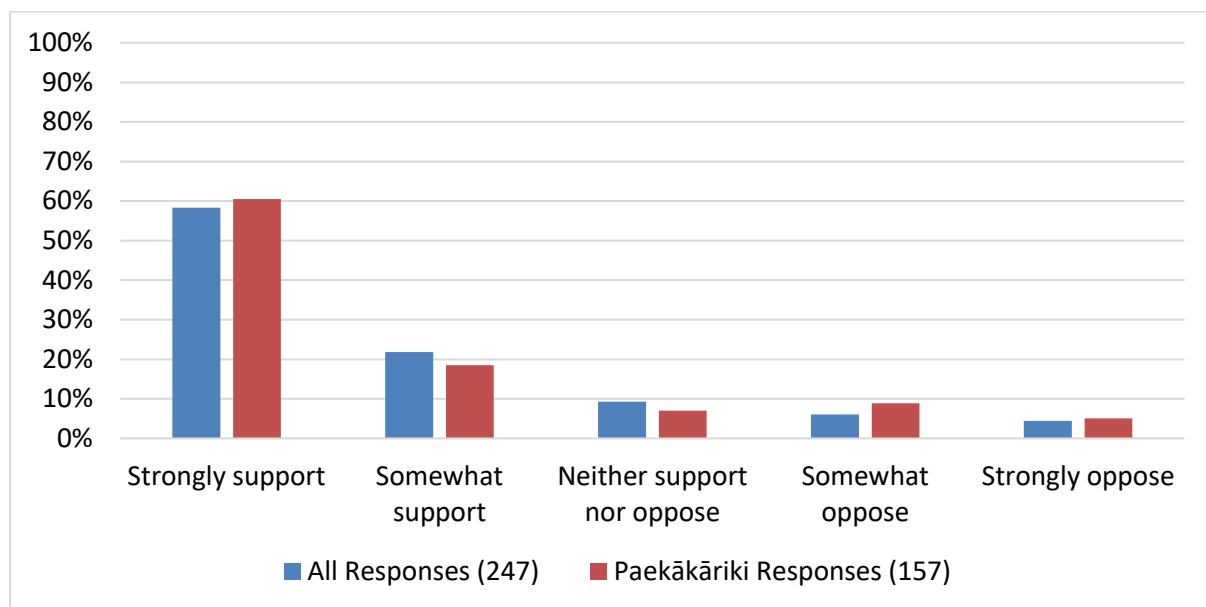
This suggestion is totally unrealistic and had significant risks and does not have any economic justification. Ditch it and put effort into other energy saving measures and the other suggestions in the report.
since there's a keen and knowledge group already behind this idea, go for it!
This would have district wide benefits. But it could also have national benefits by establishing a precedent that could encourage other communities to develop their own small scale renewable energy projects. Together such projects could be a significant contribution to our national need for increasing levels of renewable energy in a decarbonising economy.
I support this if it is not at the expense of the regeneration and ecological protection
Benefits to community have been overstated - this will generate a relatively small amount of lease income and expose us to the risk of sound and vibration from the turbines - not insignificant - These turbines are too close to the villages
This is an excellent idea.
Any opportunity for creating alternative energy, including solar panels, gets many ticks from me.
Investigate solar as well!
We have solar power than can be accessed, if we feel we don't support water-powered electric power. Visual eyesore. Potential risk to birds and flight paths.
Support 1000 %

Proposal 8

Provide for a neighbourhood park and community gardens in the Tilley Triangle. Some of this could be part of potential housing development to the south of the Triangle and some could be in the open space areas in the middle of the Triangle that are subject to ponding.

This action supports community well-being.

How much do you support or oppose this proposal?



Community gardens already exist end of Tilley Road. Campbell Park is only a few minutes walk to the playground. Most of the proposed 450 hectares will be park anyway.

again, no big problem here just good to prioritise elsewhere

Not in the ponding area please - these should be wetlands. The park and gardens should be in an area that does not pond or flood. The Council Open Space plan shows there is a need for this park, and we need a backup for Campbell Park. Local food growing areas are essential for our future.

We already have QEII and Campbell Park. Only a select section of the community will join, access and benefit from this proposal. Most sections in the village are 800sqm or larger, plenty of space for individual gardens. I doubt people from one end of the village will walk to this park and community garden, NO they will probably drive there, heaven help us.

I would prefer community housing in the Tilley Triangle if housing is not possible in other areas. I would also prefer community gardens over a park, we already have two significant parks in the village and we are not short of open space.

I think the playground/park is a necessity, but perhaps more emphasis could be given to supporting the development of the existing community gardens at the top of Tilley Road?

There are enough parks and gardens already in Paekakariki

There's already play grounds and a community garden so we do not require any more especially in this area

Tangata whenua should have autonomy here.

Currently, the area of whareroa walking and cycling track ends at the north end of Tilley Rd. It could be desirable to extend this to the shops and beyond, avoiding roads and hills and also linking to the new proposed housing. Extending the cycle path through the Tilley Triangle (or along the shoreline) should be considered.

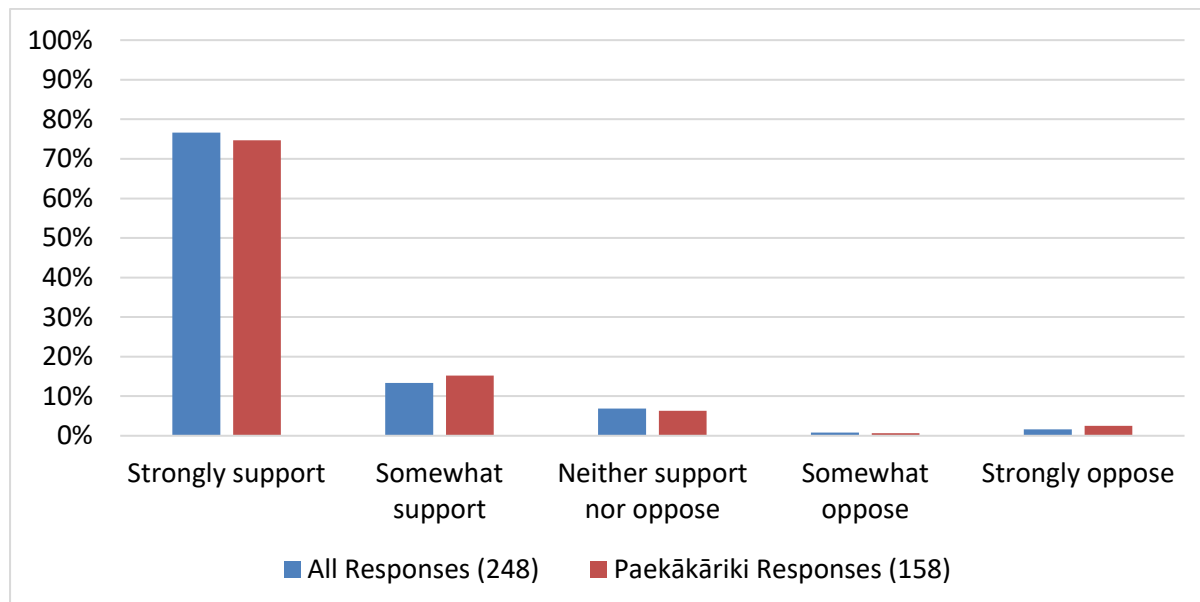
I would also support gardens being proposed for other areas where the soils are especially suitable.
there's already a community garden and i believe housing is a more important issue and should be the top priority
I think rather than community gardens these could be a serious food production unit, maybe part of a youth training and employment project, that could provide a significant part of our local food.
We already have a community garden. Is this a new site for POG to go to if their lease is up, or is this an additional garden?
If there is a choice, I see housing as higher priority. On non-housing land I support park/gardens
Already community gardens and plenty of room for them to expand where they are. Whatever is done on the Tilley Triangle should be integrated with housing
We have lots of parks - we need more housing.
yes, part of good planning for that bit of housing development
We already have some community garden space at the northern end of Wellington and Tilley roads. The proposed site may be more appropriate. The size will need to be reasonably commensurate with the anticipated use.
There are already community gardens and a park so no need for more
This land should be wetlands, and community gardens moved into housing area/s
We don't need another park, so I oppose that. I agree with expanding the community gardens is a good idea
Allocate land for marae -
We are a community of low-density housing on relatively large sections. There are substantial opportunities for private and community gardens on these sections. I question how much demand there is for additional gardening. We are also well supplied with parks and open spaces, within and around the village.
We have plenty of big sections where people can garden alone or with their neighbours, we have parks, and areas of community garden already. We really do not need more. If there's land left over, then ok.
We do already have Campbell Park, the school, the beach and people have their own gardens. We are already in the outdoors environment, with community spaces as well.
I feel like housing is more of a priority given the existence of other community garden areas and recreation areas in the village
The minimum land parcel sizes within Paekakriki mean that a community garden is not required. Community gardens often become rundown and there remain opportunities for smaller well-developed gardens e.g. at the school.

Proposal 9

Transfer a small area of land adjoining Queen Elizabeth Park as a Reserve (as already negotiated between the Greater Wellington Regional Council, Department of Conservation, and NZTA).

This action supports nature conservation, ecological corridors, landscape protection and recreation.

How much do you support or oppose this proposal?



This area would be better used for horse grazing for locals once wetland is in place
transfer it where?
unclear about why this is necessary but support the intended goals.
This needs more detail - what constitutes the 'small area of land adjoining QE park'?
Not enough knowledge here.
There is already a park there.
I support any development that means more EQ park - including less farming.
Not sure where this is but the objective is worthy and if has already been negotiated it is presumably a done deal.
QEII Park is under Trust, I thought. Firstly, I thought this Trust could not be breached. Secondly, why breach this? If this can be breached, what of what we are trying to establish now can be breached in future.
Where's Ngati Haumia in all of this?

Issues and questions

In the course of developing these proposals a number of issues and questions have been raised. These have come from both inside the working group and in wider community discussion. A discussion of the issues and questions can be found in the full report here [PDF, 2 MB]. The issues and questions are:

- Paekākāriki housing needs are not clear
- The impact of additional housing on the Wainui stream
- The impact of additional housing on the water supply resilience of Paekākāriki
- The proposals may not protect 'versatile' soils
- The proposals impact on plans for Tilley Triangle neighbourhood park and community gardens
- Will there be enough resources to support this approach?
- How much energy or forest development?
- Separate Mackays Crossing development?
- Impacts of increased visitor facilities and use.

Please comment here on issues and questions if you wish to:

"Paekākāriki housing needs are not clear" - As outlined by the KDCD housing and business capacity assessment, the projected need for housing in Paekak is minimal. To quote the report "Paekākāriki makes up just 1% of the districts overall future demand". Without commenting for or against, I will merely state that it is important to not commit to achieving goals, unless aligned with the community's needs and Council's vision.

Just that many of the above will require extensive research from independent sources of expertise. The issues raised are valid and require more work.

The data I have presented below is based on conversations with [redacted] from [local Paekākāriki business] and people on the school board.

If you want to keep the shops and school, it's important to make decisions based on that. To keep the shops, [redacted] informed me that only around [redacted] of [their] business is from locals, the rest being people driving past and tourists and that "all the local business struggle in winter". it's important to ensure that any houses developed have easy access to these shops. Transmission Gully is potentially going to reduce passing trade for the Paekakariki shops, which could significantly impact their profitability. Given the new road lay-out, it's likely that promoting use of these shops could be most effectively achieved by providing safe cycling facilities from the housing to the shops. For this reason, I think it's important that any housing development is for car-lite developments with easy access to the QE2 cycle path and that, along with that, there's improved cycling facilities in Paekakariki as, in the other direction (Paraparaumu) the cycling network is fantastic, and we'd need to improve a lot to compete.

The school has plenty of space and, if the roll was to fall by a small amount (someone guessed around 5 pupils) the school would be at risk of losing a teacher. Given the number of households without either children at the school nor any prospect of them having children at the school, the settled nature of the community and the house prices of those properties that are available, it's highly likely that the current housing stock will fail to produce the population needed to support the school. As a result, if this group is keen to support a community which has a school, affordable housing, likely including social housing, needs to be part of the development.

Of course, if the school and shops are not considered important to the majority of the community, these considerations are irrelevant.
Tilley Triangle park should be established instead of housing on this community site. Any housing should not have adverse effects of our stream and water supply.
No impact on the best site for Park and gardens. Need a housing needs assessment before any planning is undertaken. Need to retain the existing character of our village. Need to avoid housing that is not for locals. Protect our water supply and not harm the stream with more sewage. There are other ways to meet the housing needs of the Kapiti District. Protect versatile soils. Put energy \$\$ into resilient community that uses less.
Don't build new carparks as part of wainuiwhenua, or if done only have them small and mainly disability, drop off spaces etc., encourage public transport i.e. train, bus & active modes - walking, cycling, scooting etc.
Make affordable houses including apartments in the new area.
I think it's clear there are affordable housing shortages.
A ban on the use of toxic herbicides, pesticides and fungicides currently being sprayed on farmland (and waterways as run off, next to QE2 park.
Inevitably, a project of this size will not happen painlessly, there will always be some complications. However, I am sure these issues can be solved in a satisfactory manner and they should not deter from the pushing forward with this proposal. If this proposal is not taken up, what would be the fate of this land - it would presumably be sold off to land developers and it is doubtful if this would result in the above issues being solved - there would be more housing, a greater impact on the Wainui stream, more demand for water, etc etc. Therefore, it seems to me that the best way forward is to retain the land in public ownership.
The impact on increased housing, water usage, housing needs should be provided by the Council who sit on the group!! They can also inform on soil protection. The Tilley Triangle proposal should be scrapped! What was wrong with the beautiful horses grazing on land at end of Tilley Road. Long time locals rode them on beach, through park and then were forced to move them! The increased visitors is already happening and I welcome an impact report on that!
How many new houses would be built and what percentage increase in housing in Paikakariki does the represent?
Why put extra housing in the same area proposed for parkland, doesn't make sense, sure we need more housing but not social housing in this area
Houses Is what we need
Self sufficient housing technology is well developed and this should be prioritised to minimise environmental impact in the housing development areas
Housing development needs to focus on flexible unit sizes/smaller units/shared housing options to cater for elders downsizing from family-sized homes who want to stay in the village and retain their connection to their community.
Thank you for all your hard work.
Housing needs are increasing all the time. The proposal creates the opportunity to develop a sustainable Eco housing precinct based on shared land use.
Relatively urgent to clarify housing needs and match against proposals including impact on future housing needs of the area.
Definitely no subdivision for "life-style" blocks - these are a fundamentally flawed land use. Wainui Stream's ecosystem must be protected at all costs, so that it can continue to be Paekakariki's water source.
Why is there still a plan for Tilley Triangle neighbourhood park and community gardens? Campbell, The School, QE park, End of Tilley all already provide for these things.

These proposals are the end result of very many years of desire/work/consultation to re-forest [native .. now also for carbon credits] the higher lands and restore wetlands etc.

There is also need for more social housing .. for the elderly and also, out of fairness and respect, for the previous Ngati Haumia and Ngati Toa occupiers of this land.

Proposals to increase housing and visitor numbers should be subject to environmental and social impact assessment, to make sure all risks are identified and mitigated. But in principle I strongly support these ideas - affordable housing is a real need in the village, and the Wainuiwhenua land area has huge, exciting potential for recreation and the ability to attract more visitors from Wellington and beyond. Mountain biking should be part of this, as well as walking tracks. Of these proposals, the two that I think are relatively less crucial, given finite resources, are the neighbourhood park, and the heritage precinct. We have great parks here already, so I'm not sure it's essential. I do support a community garden area, though.

As a Tilley Rd resident who's family will be directly affected we have concerns with regards to the Tilley Rd triangle development. Would smaller more specific working groups be possible? We fully support the wetland restoration and a community orchard/garden. We would like a space for the horses to be incorporated into the plan as their grazing will be lost behind Tilley Rd. Housing is a worry, a high density subdivision behind our home would not be welcome.

I love the proposals!

While the extent of housing needs may not be clear, there can be no doubt that there is significant need - and may well be very large need under most climate change scenarios. Yes - development needs to be carefully planned to fit in with other needs, and to avoid problems with water-supply, soil conservation etc. but once these are acknowledged they are not particularly difficult to manage. Most additional water supply demand, for example, can be met in the way most farms supply their household water needs - with rainwater tanks and filters.

I see nothing here that gives any solid ground for opposition to the huge environmental and community benefits offered by the proposal as a whole.

The visitors are coming to walk the escarpment. Additional forms of recreation may distribute the flow a little better, but services are needed, such as toilets. Encourage the use of public transport by making parking for those walking the escarpment or using Wainuiwhenua expensive. Connect the new housing areas, new parks and reserves with good cycle paths.

I am satisfied that these are being adequately considered.

The need for affordable housing is very clear to me. There is room for both vege growing and housing, it doesn't need to be 'either/or'. The water supply issue needs to be investigated and I believe this is being done.

The need to expand our housing stock is vital particularly in the provision of a scheme that provides more affordable housing. We have a major community garden project on an acre of land at the north end. Market gardens are a much higher priority in terms of community resilience and the land is proven with Sang Sues.

Affordable and appropriate housing is desperately needed to retain the diversity in our village and to support our school, playcentre and kindy. The impacts can be mitigated and the net benefits to our environment improved when the whole project is taken into account.

Great economic benefits to developing recreation opportunities not only to the village but the whole district. Possibly the McKays crossing land could be used as the tourist hub

Encourage use of the park by connecting with all users including mountain bikers by having multi use tracks in the area and make use of the buildings that are currently there as a community hub/visitor centre. Connect all parts of the area such as qe park. The new walking track up has line ridge and the mountain bike walking tracks at whareroa

I think these have been well-considered and thought through.

it is important for the Omundsen jitynto understand that the many issues identified will be adress nice the land is secured.
People are struggling because of the crippling cost of housing. The only way to reduce this cost is to have more housing (nothing flash, just warm and dry). The main priority for this land should be for housing. We should put people first, rather than those who have continuing to keep those who do not have, out.
I do not see an issue with additional housing I think it is a good thing.
I'm confident that the general thrust of the proposal will meet, analyse and find solutions for the above issues as they arise. I have confidence in the current group proposing the project and believe they will (with Community knowledge and support) act in the best interests of Paekākāriki and the Kāpiti District.
these can be consulted on and developed as we go. SOme of the agencies/depts that need to be roped in will have the expertise/resources to help.
Impact on rate payers was not answered when asked at the meeting why not? There must be a impact
I think these uestions are well dealt with in the proposal and while some (like the issue of resources) will need careful attention as the proposal proceeds I think they can all be managed successfully and do not present significant obstacles or reasons not to proceed with the project.
"community housing" is supposed to be affordable. This is unlikely in paekakariki without harmful environmental impacts so long as we do not have reticulated sewerage.
How is this going to effect the rates if it is to go through?
Not everyone in the community is on Facebook and knows this is happening - my elderly neighbours had no idea. Please do a letterbox drop to get ALL the community involved as I'm sure everyone has different opinions on this.
Additional housing is not an option.
Housing demand is abundantly clear. A community approach to housing will also help protect the water and soil.
This is the best opportunity the community has to create a diversity of 'affordable' housing options. The areas involved are small and the impacts can be managed.
All these issues stated here are relevant. Have to address as they come up.
Community engagement must be included in all stages of developing the project in order to deal with the above and any additional issues arising.
I am content that the working group is investigating these issues, though some seem to me not deserving of a great deal of energy. For instance: We know that housing whether owned or rental is becoming out of reach. Sure, more information is always useful, but it would be a low priority in my view.
Concerns about water supply resilience. All new - especially the big expensive house, must have own water supply. Do the more wealthy in-coming residents put spas, pools etc on properties, or are there formal restrictions on these?
Concern over stream and ecosystem welfare as the villages demands for water increase.....and they tend to increase with wealth.
Is this a village to live peacefully in, and be a community I can mix with at the village? Or is it a tourist hub??
While I strongly support community housing, the needs and impacts as listed under issues and questions need to be clearly answered first. Paekakariki should not be overdeveloped if it is not ecologically sustainable. Also, any community housing should be built to the highest energy efficiency standards ("the Passive House standard", see passivehouse.nz) and built with low-

carbon materials to ensure energy resilience, eradication of fuel poverty and healthy comfortable homes that are suitable for the climate emergency.

Please add any other thoughts you may have on Wainuiwhenua here:

There is great opportunity and potential here. Would add that I don't have great faith in the Council as lead agency, based on previous outcomes around other critical land issues, eg, the airport land, the expressway, the old Paekakariki pub land, as well as the previous ignored community wishes around water and rubbish. Our coastal erosion issues are also currently in deferral. Additionally, it must be remembered that not so long ago all this land was taken from Ngati Toa/Ngati Haumia ki Paekakariki. While noting their involvement, perhaps the lead agency role more properly lies with them.

It is wonderful what you are doing. Truly impressive and great. Thank you.

In it's mission statement, it says:

Wainuiwhenua is a community-led group working with local iwi to achieve the best future uses of surplus Transmission Gully land for the Kāpiti District."

I am not sure what "Best" means here. Clearly it can't be all things to all people and current residents will have different drives and visions. If the idea is to see who engages and make a decision based on majority rule, then perhaps this would be more accurately expressed another way? If, however, there is a coherent vision that the group already supports (such as considering the needs of local residents or those with blood or iwi ties to them) I think it would be helpful to express that as it would make it clear to outsiders what the group wants to do so they know whether to become involved.

Great idea! Love it!

We already have a big park and beach that are far from being over utilised. And many people have sections big enough to have gardens that they could grow their own produce if they want to. Green spaces are great. But it's harder to enjoy them and life in general if you're living in a car. Look after the whenua, but look after he tangata too.

Wainuiwhenua seems to me to be an outstanding opportunity for the Kapiti Coast, providing a wonderful extension to Queen Elizabeth Park and in promoting conservation and climate change efforts. This opportunity must not be squandered. Every effort must be made to ensure that this proposal comes to fruition.

Good on everyone involved for the proposals. I wonder whether the broader community have had input. It seems steered towards the "better off" people in the community who can afford to dream. I worry Paekakariki will become a haven for the wealthy, as seen in Pohara, Golden Bay in the south. In the end even the manawhenua cant afford to live in Paekakariki. Ngati Haumia numbers are very small in the village now.

I believe the number one priority for this project should be supporting the aspirations of Ngāti Haumia ki Paekākāriki as mana whenua. Specific initiatives that may impact negatively on their aspirations should not be pursued. I believe supporting them to secure land for a marae should be prioritised above any other proposal. A marae should not be seen as "human development" at the expense of the environment, but rather as an integral part of indigenous ecosystems, given the kaitiaki role of tangata whenua. I agree with Ngāti Haumia that environmental sustainability must be a top priority and so I strongly support initiatives to rewild and reforest the escarpment, and to restore the Wainui awa corridor to protect intrinsic freshwater and indigenous biodiversity values. I also support the potential for community wind turbines. Overall, I am pleased with the thrust of these proposals in that they seem to make room for the variety of community interests and desires. A balanced approach will support the reassertion of mana whenua, the protection of the environment, community housing to combat Paekākāriki's shocking gentrification, and sustainable energy production for the community. Ngāti Haumia ki Paekākāriki should be the leading voices in this project, and if they express opposition to a particular proposal, it should not go ahead. The Paekākāriki community should always respect their role as the rightful owners of all of this land.

A long shot but we would like to have the opportunity to use somehow, or lease 1-2 acres to develop as a self sufficient homestead promoting off the grid organic living
The hill country on ex-Perkins Farm is ideally suited to mountain bike track development. This could become a priority area for mountain bike recreation on the Kapiti Coast that will bring new visitors and economic development to the region offering an opportunity to link between Whareroa Farm and the Mt Wainui area. There are many examples around the country that show that bike track development and ecological restoration work well together.
The plan is broad enough to encompass the many goals and aspirations of the community.
Consultation and discussion will flesh out the details. Already it is clear a lot of thought and research support this proposal.
The proposal creates an opportunity for a great public asset benefitting the community and the environment rather than the land being sold into private ownership.
Quantify the split between capital and operational funding for the different proposals and confirm responsibilities for ongoing maintenance. Especially, confirm with Iwi their interests in 'managing' the proposals and having a say in future actions related to them. Re volume of visitor facilities anticipated - clarify the 'preferred' levels of such by the community and note relatively poor use and maintenance of several current commercial premises in the village - how can that be avoided in the future? Are there other examples of similar proposals and 'success' in Aotearoa? Use local experience to deliberately review and learn lessons from the 15 year history of this work and similar attempts in the past, with a view to informing strategy and tactics next time.
I overheard a woman talking with her friend in the supermarket about the issue of creating extra housing. Incredibly, she expressed anger at the idea of extra housing - she said the value of her house would go down. Along with her being incorrect on the matter, I felt sad hearing this as I felt it was the kind of selfish attitude that helps create the problems we have with housing in NZ. As a renter unable to buy in Paekakariki despite having a good deposit it's positions such as hers that shuts many of us out of the market. I think the proposals strike a really good balance for the use of the land.
The proposals are thorough, well thought out .. impressive .. by local people who are committed to this place.
Thank you to all the working group for your fantastic work on this.
I think that it would be great to include mountain bike tracks on the hillsides
There has already been a small but vocal opposition to elements such as wind turbines and mountain bike tracks. I am concerned that this negativity could have a disproportionate effect on decisions. These type of proposals should be judged on their compatibility with Wainuiwhenua objectives and their actual impacts and benefits rather than biases. The land in question is hardly pristine wilderness.
you have to look after ngati haumia as part of the project
This is a geat scheme.
Courageous, creative, forward thinking
Plant as many trees as possible. Forest area should be a priority.
Exciting and visionary - awesome
It would be good to have discussion with the private land in the middle ie Sang Sue to see if they are interested in collaborating in aspects of the design
A nobrainer is the provision for mountain bike tracks in some of the hill area - and walking tracks - which would be major in development of this part of the coast. And market gardens are a nobrsainer use of fertile floodable land.
Awesome mahi qorking group. The council would be totally remiss not to support this set of proposals and do everything it could to get this over the line

It's a fabulous concept, well thought out and it should go forward for implementation. It represents one of the largest community and climate change mitigation opportunities in the district.
There needs to be a paradigm shift in thinking from central, regional and local government to these proposals: focused around appropriate responses to climate change. should Wainuiwhenua advocate for this
instead of struggling with outdated Public Works Act or
other 19th Century legislation?
This is an amazing visionary plan, congratulations to all involved.
I think a mixed housing development is the best option in The Tilley rd area. We need to offer housing that is varied in price mixed with govt or council housing.
This is a very singular opportunity to show how climate change can be mitigated by a Community - using science and research - providing enrichment both social and ecological for future generations. Wainuiwhenua could become a showcase for the nation.
Don't forget that NZ Rail or someone has a bit of land at the end of Poplar Rd earmarked for a Raumati South train station, that they don't currently want to provide despite constant lobbying by residents and Raumati South Ratepayers Assn. With bigger visitor numbers this is very short walking distance from the N end of QE Park, beach and future wetlands, with a loo block it could relieve visitor pressures on Paekakariki (which I expect to eventually be enormous!). Is Raumati S R Assn roped in already? I live in [redacted]
I like the idea of protecting the wetlands and fostery but we dont need affordable housing .like alot of small communities if you cant afford to live there then you have to move
An excellent project that shows the potential benefits that can be identified when thinking is not limited by existing agency mandates and practices.
Need an Increased focus on wetland restoration.
Excellent proposals
Good luck
I'm very glad that through this process you are keeping the consequences of climate change firmly in mind. Thank you for all the work and thought and fore-sight that you have put into this report. A great contribution to the community.
A tiny house park might be an idea provide there is adequate infrastructure in terms of waste etc disposal
Including for social enterprise opportunities that could bring local employment would be good.
Including new mountain bike and walking trails in the development would help to attract more visitors to the area providing an economic boost.
The range of community groups and individuals who are so far involved is very encouraging, as is the confident and generalised support for environmental values. The potential value to the entire region needs to be stressed more, perhaps.
As tourist hub things get thought of/planned, the impact on the village needs to go beyond financial benefit. Who is gaining financially? - a handful of shops. Who is losing? - people wanting car parks at village for shopping, social chats, coffees.....and especially elderly residents needing nearby car parks.
Parking needs to be put in plans...and not forsake village land.
Who will management of the land ultimately be under? and therefore what monitoring of environment and damage risk etc?

Thanks to the Working Group and other identified groups and individuals for all your amazing hard work on generating and furthering these proposals..

The proposals are great and take into account multiple benefits for biodiversity, economic development and wellbeing.

I often stay with friends at Paekakariki and did an botanical survey at the start the Nga Uruora project in the 1990s. I love the area and love the care and foresight in these proposals. Thank you to all who have worked on them.

I am the coordinator for a Kapiti restoration project that will link to this project

Please keep the great work up consulting and communicating with the community. It all looks amazing. Thank you for the hard work you've done so far. Housing is a crucial issue in our rohe and fingers crossed this ends up helping those in need.

Where do you mainly live?

