

# Wainuiwhenua Online Survey Results Summary

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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 any 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%

The draft proposals can be found below (please see the proposal document for the full text of each proposal):

1. **Reserve** and reforest the hill country and support recovery of native forest on the partially-forested escarpment and gully areas.
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.
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.
4. **Investigate** social and community housing possibilities for three land parcels that have development potential and are close enough to the existing settlement.
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

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).
7. **Provide** an area of the ridgeline west of the Transmission Gully route as a site for community wind turbines.
8. **Provide** for a neighbourhood park and community gardens in the Tilley Triangle.
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).

