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SECTION 1:

introduction
Kupu whakataki

1.1 Introduction and background Kupu whakataki me ōna papa kōrero

1.1.1 The site Te papa

Harbourview-Orangihina Park is a dynamic and sensitive coastal landscape, and a place of significant ecological, archaeological, cultural heritage and recreational value. The park is home to outstanding geological formations, rare and endangered fauna, and its coastal saltmarsh environment is of regional importance. The park encompasses 85 hectares of pastoral and intertidal coastal land located on the eastern fringes of Te Atatū Peninsula, in the Henderson-Massey Local Board (HMLB) area.

The land has remained largely undeveloped over time. This is partly a reflection of many unrealised schemes for the peninsula including airfields, a port, a conference centre and an events superdome. In contrast, the development of residential homes on the northern and western sides of the peninsula went ahead. This led to the contrasting duality of an undeveloped south-east that residents enjoy today as Harbourview-Orangihina Park.¹

The park is long and linear in shape, extending south from Harbour View Road to the North-Western motorway. It is bounded by Te Atatū Road to the west, SH16 to the south and residential development to the north. The park overlooks the Waitematā Harbour and offers an uninterrupted panoramic view across the harbour to the Auckland Isthmus, Rangitoto Island, the Harbour Bridge and the North Shore.

The park provides for a range of recreational activities, mostly passive in nature including walking, bird watching, picnicking, running and dog walking. The Te Atatū Pony Club lease land at the southern end of the park, this is the only formal recreational activity on site.

Built structures within the park include paths (and bridges), site furniture, carparks and a toilet.

1.1.2 Project scope *Te arohanga o te kaupapa*

The purpose of this project is to develop an aspirational long term masterplan for Harbourview-Orangihina Park that provides a clear guide for future development and the ongoing use of the park, and ensures that future design and decision making reflects, respects and enhances the unique values of the park. The plan will be used to inform the Henderson-Massey Local Board's decision making and funding allocation for future development.

Despite significant population growth and public interest in Harbourview-Orangihina, legal proceedings between 2005-2016 regarding ownership of land have kept park development to a minimum. Following the final Court decision in favour of Auckland Council to retain the land, the Henderson-Massey Local Board requested a masterplan be developed. The masterplan is to reflect the wider strategic outcomes and objectives sought by council and the local board, and is to be developed in consultation with mana whenua and key external stakeholders.

The intention of the master planning process is to develop an aspirational long term spatial plan that:

- establishes design principles to guide integrated development of the park,
- shows on a spatial plan the location of values to be protected, activities to be provided for, and connections to be made,
- · identifies viable development opportunities, priorities and sequencing,
- aligns with the vision and objectives the Harbourview-Orangihina Open Space Management Plan and the Henderson-Massey Open Space Network Plan, and
- includes land held under the Local Government Act 2002, Reserves Act 1977 and land zoned for the development of an urban Marae.²

The provision of a marae and its design are outside the scope of the masterplan. However, the interface of the marae with the park was considered as part of the process to create the masterplan.

1.1.3 Related projects Kaupapa hāngai

The following projects are related to the masterplan development:

- Auckland Transport's Te Atatū bus interchange project.
- Revegetation, habitat restoration and environmental education programmes within the park are currently undertaken by a number of groups including Forest & Bird Motu Manawa Restoration Group, Friends of Harbourview, and Sustainable Coastlines amongst others.
- · Te Atatū Marae development

This development would be built by the Te Atatū Marae Coalition on 2.5 hectares zoned for this purpose on Harbourview-Orangihina Park. The marae will be accessible to the community. The Coalition are supportive of a kaitiaki role in educating visitors on the cultural, heritage, and environmental values of the park.

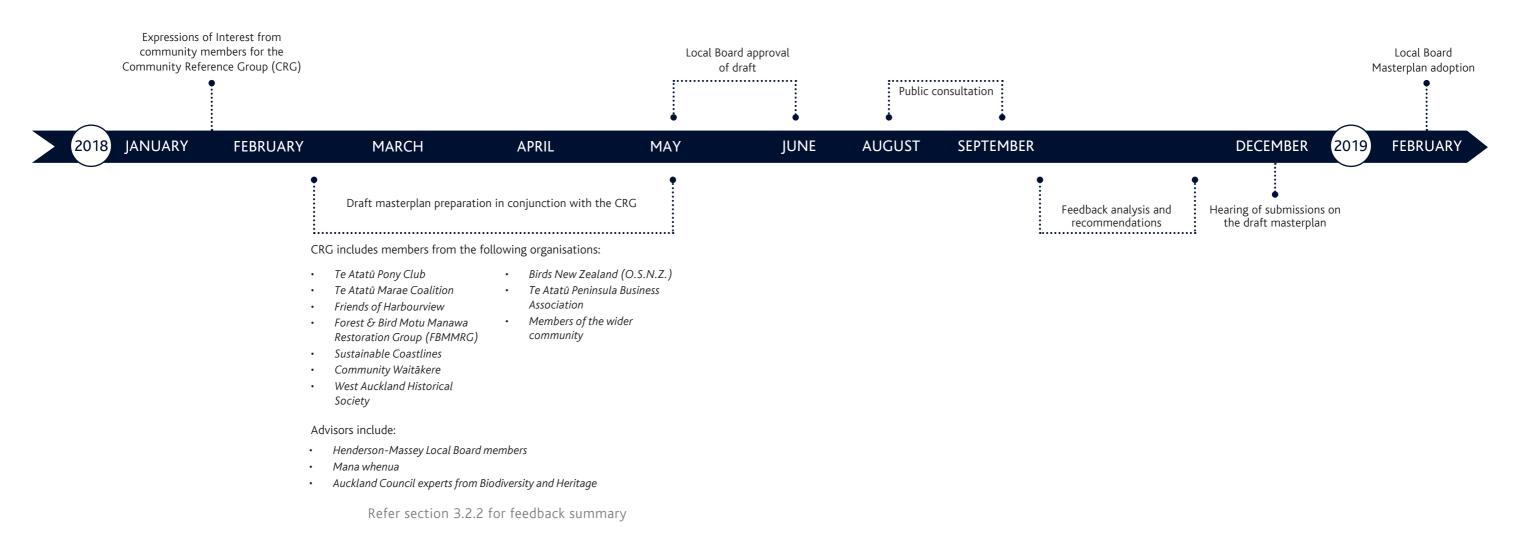


¹ Turner, J.B. with historical essay by Cole G., 2015. Te Atatū Me: photographs of an urban new Zealand village

² Masterplan outcomes from the 2nd May 2017 report to the Henderson-Massey Local Board business meeting

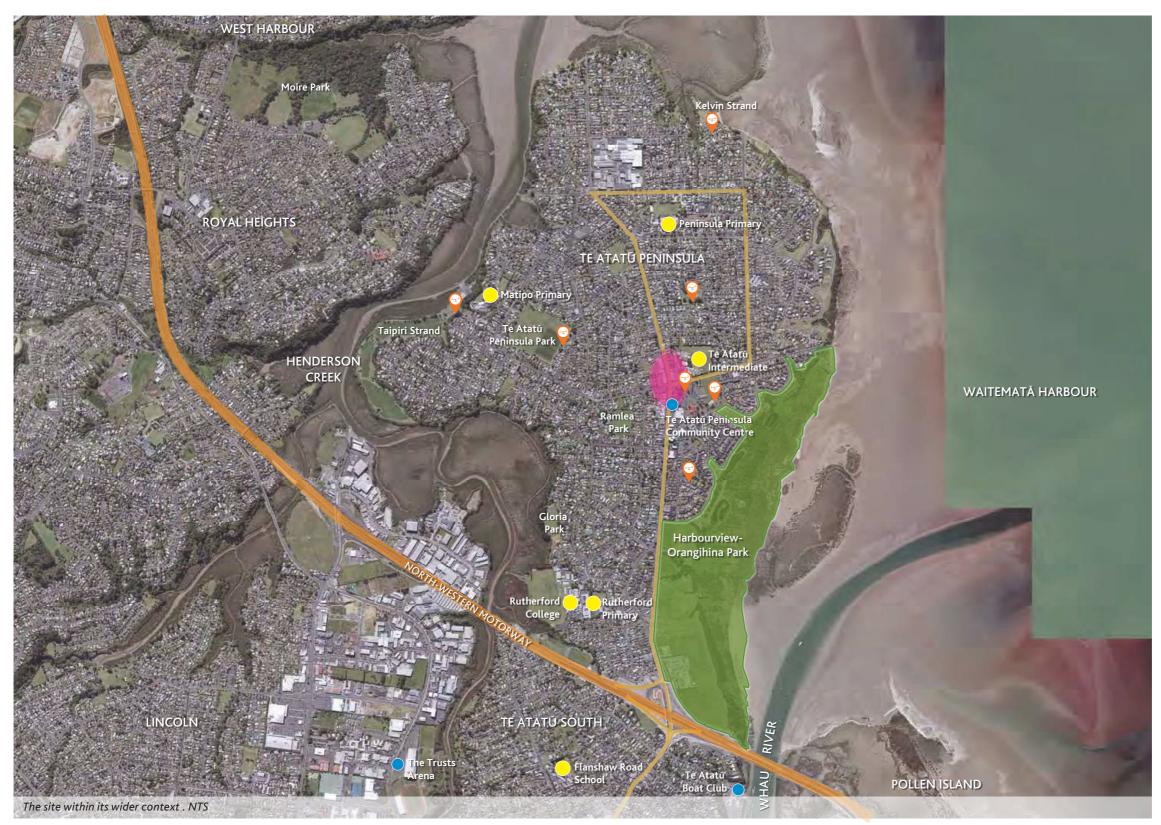
1.1.4 Project timeline Wātaka mō te kaupapa

Auckland Council has committed to a process of community and stakeholder engagement for the development of the Harbourview-Orangihina Park Masterplan. Input has been sought from many voices within the community. Engagement has been carried out with key stakeholders, mana whenua and the public to ensure that development at the park fulfils the community's aspirations. The following diagram shows the process followed:



1.2 Location map Te wāhi





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Project area

School

Playground/skatepark

Town centre

Motorway

Arterial Road

Community facility

1.3 Strategic context Te horopaki rautaki

1.3.1 Auckland Unitary Plan Zoning Te Rohenga Mahere Kotahitanga o Tāmaki Makaurau

The Auckland Unitary Plan controls land use and development within the Auckland region. The Unitary Plan includes zoning which outline the appropriate uses for land; as well as additional controls based on the special values relating to specific areas. These special values are shown as 'overlays' on the Unitary Plan maps (refer 1.3.1.2).

The maps are shown for information only as the Unitary Plan sits outside of the scope of the Harbourview-Orangihina masterplan.

1.3.1.1 Auckland Unitary Plan Zoning

The majority of Harbourview-Orangihina Park is zoned Informal Recreation. Coastal edges and low lying areas are zoned Conservation.

A Special Purpose - Māori Purpose Zone, 2.5 hectares in size, is located at the southern end of the park. This is the location intended for the marae.

Conservation Zone

Conservation zoning recognises the landscape, cultural and historic heritage values of the site. It includes areas of natural wetlands and coastline that play an important role in protecting and increasing the populations of threatened and endangered species.

Informal Recreation Zone

Informal Recreation land is used for a variety of outdoor informal recreation activities such as walking, running, picnics and enjoying the environment. These are characterised by few buildings and structures to maintain amenity values and open space character.

Māori Purpose Zone

The purpose of this zone is to provide for the social and cultural needs of Mana Whenua and mataawaka and to promote the establishment of marae and papakāinga. The zone acknowledges the importance of marae and papakainga as focal points for the wider community development and provides for a range of social and cultural activities. Sites with this zoning are those which have existing or proposed marae development.





1.3.1.2 Auckland Unitary Plan overlays and controls

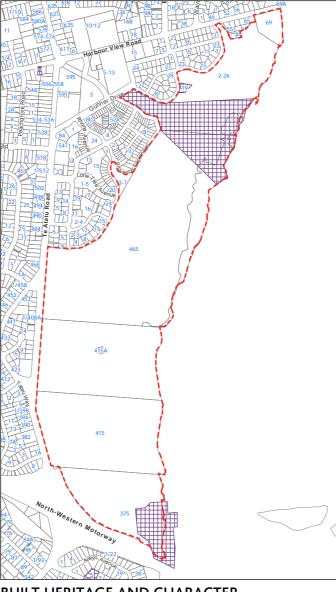


NATURAL RESOURCES

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Outstanding Natural Landscapes Overlay

Harbourview-Orangihina's pleistocene¹ terraces are identified as an Outstanding Natural Feature

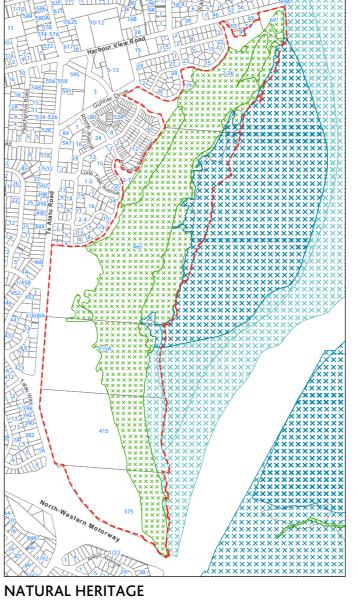


BUILT HERITAGE AND CHARACTER

Historic Heritage Overlay Extent of Place

The extents identified by these overlays relate to the Te Atatū antiaircraft gun emplacements (north) and the remains of the Auckland Brick and Tile Company Brickworks site (south).

Refer to section 2.4.2 for a complete list of all of the cultural heritage sites located within the park.

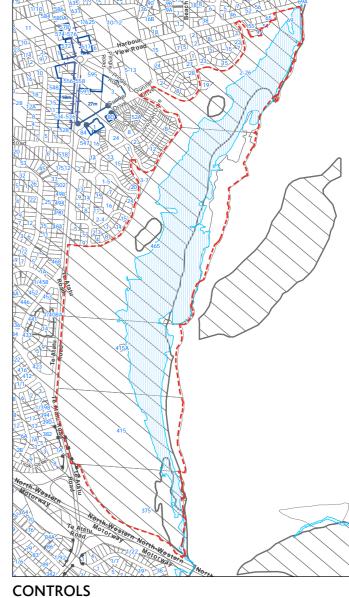


Significant Ecological Areas (SEAs) Overlay:





Marine 2 [rcp]







Macroinvertibrate Community Index - Urban Vehicle Access Registration Control: Motorway Interchange Control

Coastal Inundation Control - 1m sea level rise

^{1.} Pleistocene: relates to the first epoch of the Quaternary period between the Pliocene and Holocene epochs. The Pleistocene epoch lasted from 1,640,000 to about 10,000 years ago. It was marked by great fluctuations in temperature that caused the ice ages, with glacial periods followed by warmer interglacial periods. Reference: https:// en.oxforddictionaries.com/definition/pleistocene

1.3.2 Other strategic documents *Ētahi atu puka rautaki*

AUCKLAND PLAN

The Auckland Plan includes a target to maintain and extend an integrated network of quality open spaces across the region that meet community needs and provide a diverse range of recreational opportunities by 2040. The development of this masterplan contributes towards the following priority set out in the Auckland Plan:

Prioritise and optimise our recreation and sports facilities, public open space use the following and the capability of recreation and sport

The masterplan will also contribute to the following Auckland Plan priorities in relation to Auckland's Māori and the environment:

- Enable tangata whenua to participate in the co-management of natural resources,
- Explore partnerships with mana whenua to protect, identify and manage wāhi tapu
- Enable Māori aspirations for thriving and self-sustaining Marae,
- Value our natural heritage, and
- Treasure our coastline, harbours, islands and marine areas.

HENDERSON-MASSEY LOCAL BOARD PLAN 2017

The relevant outcome areas of the 2017-2020 Henderson-Massey Local Board Plan are:

- Outcome 3: Communities know each other and work together on common interests
- Outcome 4: Community facilities are vibrant and welcoming places at the heart of our communities
- Outcome 6: Natural spaces are valued and restored

The plan also includes a section on 'Carrying out our plan - Working with Māori':

'We will focus on building strong and meaningful relationships with local Māori and key Māori organisations to ensure that Māori needs and aspirations are understood.' (page 39)

HENDERSON-MASSEY OPEN SPACE NETWORK PLAN 2015-2025

This strategic plan identifies and prioritises actions to improve local parks and open space in response to local preferences. The network plan identifies the following as priority actions for Harbourview-Orangihina Park:

- to continue to implement the ecological restoration plan
- to review, develop and implement a concept plan that will:
- enhance natural and cultural values
- provide opportunities to connect with nature and learn about natural and cultural aspects of the reserve
- provide for informal active recreation, play opportunities and passive recreation
- provide opportunities for low impact community events
- create connections with Te Atatū Peninsula Town Centre, the surrounding residential areas, Te Atatū Peninsula Coastal Walkway, the Northwest Cycleway and the Whau
- Design and implement a destination playground, including special attractions

HARBOURVIEW-ORANGIHINA OPEN SPACE MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Open Space Management Plan (OSMP), adopted in February 2003, was developed as a guide to oversee protection, use and development of the park. It sets out the objectives and policies for the management of the park. The following is the OSMP's vision statement for the park:

'To create a park which retains the natural open space character of all the park land at Harbourview for the perpetual enjoyment of the people of Waitākere City and the Auckland region.

A landscape concept plan was prepared as part of the OSMP. This 2018 masterplan sets out to update the 2003 concept plan.

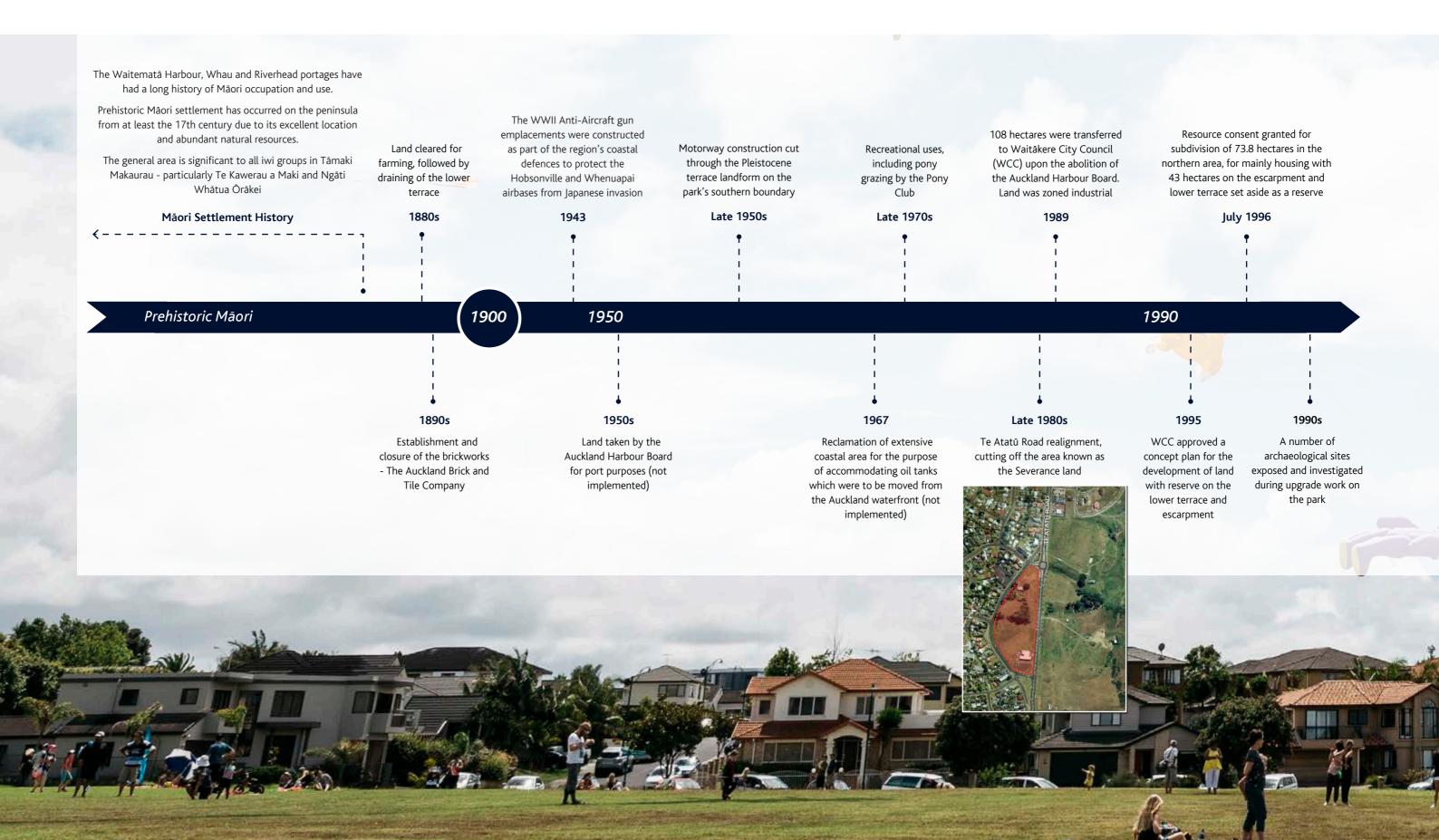


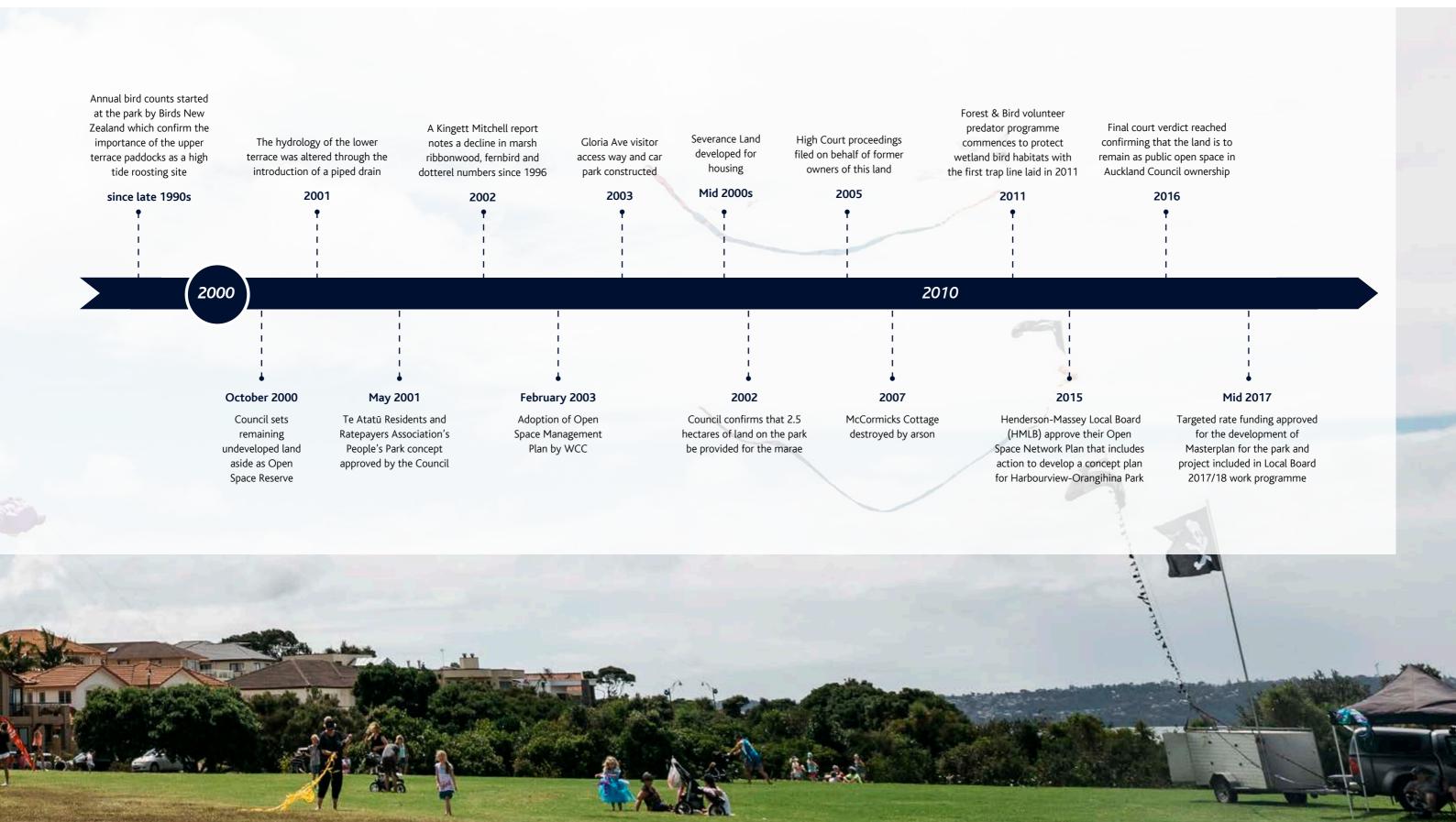


SECTION 2:

understanding the park Te mōhio ki te papa rēhia

2.1 History of the park Ngā kōrero tuku iho mō te papa rēhia





2.2 Environmental context Te hāngai ki te taiao



2.2.1 Vegetation Ngā tarutaru

Harbourview-Orangihina encompasses 85ha of lowland and intertidal coastal frontage. The reserve has a history of pastoral and horticultural development following subdivision in 1894. Approximately half of the site at the southern end of the park remains in pasture and is currently leased for grazing and pony club activities.

A number of weed species have also established and spread throughout the site in the absence of stock

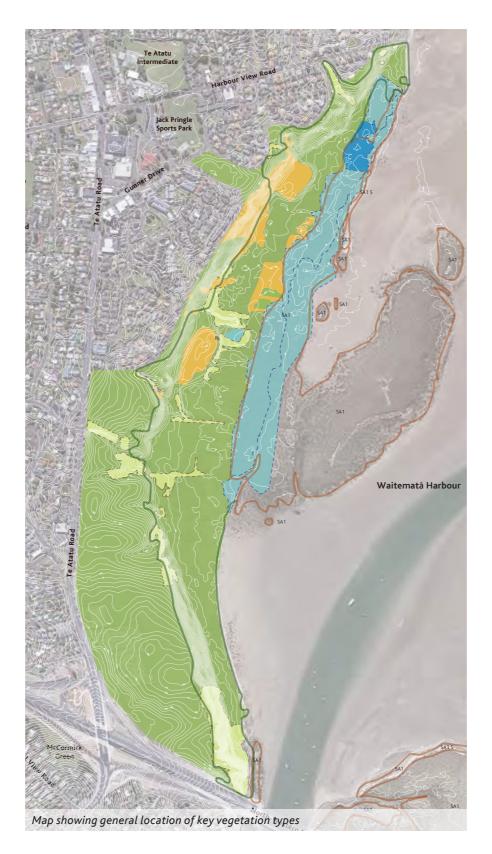
Current vegetation within the park can be categorised into five broad categories, each with a number of sub types:

- grassland
- saltmarsh
- wetland
- · indigenous forest and scrub remnants
- · exotic forest and scrub

Harbourview-Orangihina's coastal area is part of a larger area of high ecological values extending south-east from the mouth of the Whau River. It includes Motu Manawa-Pollen Island Marine Reserve, a nationally important reserve that contains mudflats, tidal channels, mangrove swamp, saltmarsh, shellbanks and the biodiversity hotspots of Pollen Island/Traherne Island. The coastline contains extensive high-tidal sandflats, mangroves, a prominent shell bank with healthy sedge, rush and glasswort saltmarsh on the shoreline. The intertidal area is a major wading bird feeding ground.

The Harbourview-Orangihina saltmash is the most significant ecological feature in the park and is recognised as the largest of its kind within the north-western portion of the Tamaki Ecological District.

Restoration planting has been carried out on hill slopes and areas of damp pasture throughout much of the northern half of the reserve to provide a buffer to the salt marsh and extend the amount of suitable habitat for fernbird. Much of the planting has been carried out by volunteer groups.



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VEGETATION:

Ecosystems Current Extent

PL: Planted vegetation (native restoration plantings < 50% exotic biomass, or exotic and/ or native amenity plantings

Coastal saline ecosystems:

SA1: Mangrove forest and scrub
SA1 5: Herbfield [Coastal turf]

Data from Auckland Council GIS

VEGETATION ASSOCIATIONS

From Kingett Mitchell Ltd Ecological Assessment of Harbour View Reserve, April 2002

GRASSLAND

SALTMARSH

FRESH WETLAND

INDIGENOUS SCRUB AND FOREST REMNANTS

EXOTIC SCRUB AND FOREST





Indigenous plants

Saltmarsh



Mangrove mānawa Avicennia marina subsp. australasica



Sea rush

Juncus kraussii

Sea primrose mākoako Samolus repens



Glasswort ureure Sarcocornia quinqueflora



Saltmarsh ribbonwood, mākaka Plagianthus divaricatus



Swampweed remuremu Selliera radicans

Indigenous scrub and forest remnants



Cabbage tree tī kōuka Cordyline australis



White tea tree kānuka Kunzea ericoides



Whiteywood māhoe Melicytus ramiflorus



New Zealand Christmas tree põhutukawa Metrosideros excelsa

Exotic plants

Exotic scrub and forest



Tall fescue Arundo donax



Pest plants

Smilax Asparagus asparagoides



Pampas Cortaderia selloana, C. jubata



Chinese privet Ligustrum sinense



Kikuyu grass Cenchrus clandestinus



Japanese honeysuckle Lonicera japonica



Blackberry Rubus fruticosus



Grey willow Salix cinerea



Jointed wire rush Apodasmia similis



Carex rautahi Carex lessoniana



Cattail raupō Typha orientalis



Tea tree mānuka Leptospermum scoparium



Flax harakeke Phormium tenax



Radiata pine Pinus radiata



Gorse Ulex europaeus



Watsonia Watsonia bulbillifera



Arum lily Zantedeschia aethiopica



2.2.2 Hydrology and typography Mātai arowai me te mātai horanga whenua

The park is a 2km long filled in embayment. The topography comprises two terraces, the upper pleistocene terrace and the lower pleistocene terrace, separated by a fore slope or scarp.

The upper pleistocene terrace which comprises the upper portion of the park as well as most of the peninsula, lies between approximately 15-22m above sea level. These higher parts of the park have been entirely cleared of native vegetation and are predominantly in pasture with some exotic trees.

The lower pleistocene terrace comprises ground that is covered in salt marsh, swamp or pasture below the upper terrace. The scarp comprises the area below the upper terrace, and has a short to moderately steep descent seawards to ground that lies around one or two metres above sea level. The area of fresh and salt water wetlands and mangroves is one of the few examples of combined fresh and saltwater wetlands in the region.

The intertidal zone east of the park towards the Whau channel and Waitematā Harbour contains a broad island of mangroves around 1km in length. A small band of mangroves is also located at the southern end of the park, in the shelter of the motorway bridge.

Three small streams and a number of gullies enter the harbour and have created broad swampy zones in the lower terrace.

Sections of the coastline have been subject to coastal erosion.

2.2.3 Estuarine fauna *Ngā kararehe o te muriwai*

The mangrove, mud flats, marsh and semi-terrestrial wetland and salt marsh areas provide habitat for a range of estuarine fauna, typical of the upper intertidal salt marsh habitats of the Auckland region. This provides important foraging habitat for wetland birds and shorebirds.

The wetland habitat extends inland up the tidal reaches of the wetland drains, and provides suitable conditions for a large numbers of common intertidal organisms including mud snail and mud crabs, common smelt and mosquito fish. Edible shellfish such as mud snails, cockles, pipi and whelks provide food for birds and fish on the sand flat areas.

2.2.4 Fish Ngā ika

Fish known to be present in the Harbourview-Orangihina wetland are shortfin eel, common bully and gambusia (an unwanted organism under the Biosecurity Act). Banded kōkopu and inanga have also been found at the site, these appear to thrive in the freshwater streams including the farm drains created in past years. These drains function as a proxy for former stream habitats that used to be present on the peninsula. There is an opportunity to restore freshwater habitat in the open drain network on the western side of the reserve on the upper terrace.

Along with gambusia, the horseshoe shaped stormwater pond contains large orange fish (likely to be either goldfish or koi carp), neither of these species are desirable from a water quality standpoint.



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Contours (0.5m)

Overland flow paths



Stormwater treatment ponds



Aerial of southern part of the site showing the transition from upper to lower terrace



Indigenous fauna

Estuarine and terrestrial fauna



Mud crab pāpaka Austrohelice crassa



New Zealand Mud snail ngata huru Potamopyrgus antipodarum



Whelk huamutu Buccinum undatum



Cockle tuangi Austrovenus stutchburyi



Clam pipi Paphies australis



Copper Skink Oligosoma aeneum



Fish



Banded kōkopu kōkopu Galaxias fasciatus



Common bully Gobiomorphus cotidianus



tuna Typha orientalis

Threats to indigenous ecosystems



Hedgehog Erinaceus europaeus



Stoat Mustela erminea



Common brushtail possum Trichosurus vulpecula



Feral cat Felis cattus



Rattus spp.



Mosquitofish Gambusia affinis



2.2.5 Birds Ngā manu

The wide variety of vegetation types and habitats within the park support a range of bird species.

Common native and introduced species are dominant and include pukeko, white faced heron, eastern bar-tailed godwit, caspian tern, pied oystercatcher, welcome swallow and Australasian harrier.

The Te Atatū Pony Club's pasture on the upper terrace provides a valuable shorebird roosting area. These paddocks are home to many native and international migratory shorebirds including rare species like banded and NZ dotterels (the Northern NZ Dotterel is more at risk than some species of kiwi), lesser knots, South Island pied and variable oystercatchers, pied stilts and spur-wing plovers. The birds coexist well with the horses. The open grassy paddocks provide a reasonably safe high tide roosting and foraging area because the birds can see predators easily, and the fenced boundary reduces human and canine disturbance. There is a plentiful supply of invertebrates, and the wet, boggy areas provide good, soft foraging habitat.

The lower terrace with its freshwater wetlands, saltmash, mangroves, beach and foreshore environments provides habitat for fernbird and banded rail. Shorebirds, including spoonbills, herons, oystercatchers, stilts, godwits and dotterels feed and roost on the nearby mudflats.

The fernbird is a protected endemic species and is the most significant wetland species in the park. Nationally it is threatened by habitat degradation, disturbance and predation.

Local threats to birds at the park include disturbance by people and dogs, and predation by introduced mammalian predators such as feral cats, hedgehogs, rats and stoats.

ENVIRONMENTAL OPPORTUNITIES

- 1. Enhance the ecological values of the reserve through restoration and revegetation of indigenous ecosystems
- 2. Partner with community/volunteer groups working within the park to improve
- 3. Continue to graze the southern paddocks to maintain their open pastoral character and provide safe nesting habitat for shorebirds, preferably by the
- 4. Educate the public on the park's significant environmental values including both flora and fauna

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSTRAINTS

- 1. Need to balance public access and use with preservation of ecological values
- 2. Restricted planting opportunities on heritage areas to avoid root damage (including midden areas and brickworks)
- 3. Ongoing plant and animal pest control required





Banded rail moho-pererū Gallirallus philippensis At risk. Declining



Fernbird mātātā Bowdleria punctata vealeae At risk. Declining



Spotless crake pūweto Porzana tabuensis plumbea At risk. Declining



South Island pied oystercatcher torea Haematopus finschi At risk. Declining Internal migrant, breeds mainly on South Island braided rivers



Eastern bar-tailed godwit, kuaka Limosa lapponica baueri At risk. Declining Arctic breeder, migrates via East Asian-Australasian Flyway across the central Pacific



Wrybill ngutuparore Anarhynchus frontalis Threatened. Nationally vulnerable Internal migrant, breeds on South Island braided rivers, migrates to northern harbours



Northern NZ dotterel tūturiwhatu Charadrius obscurus aquilonius At risk. Recovering Resident



tūturiwhatu Charadrius bicinctus Threatened. Nationally vulnerable Breeds on NZ braided rivers, migrates to harbours and estuaries and from NZ via East Asianthroughout NZ, Tasmania and south east Australia

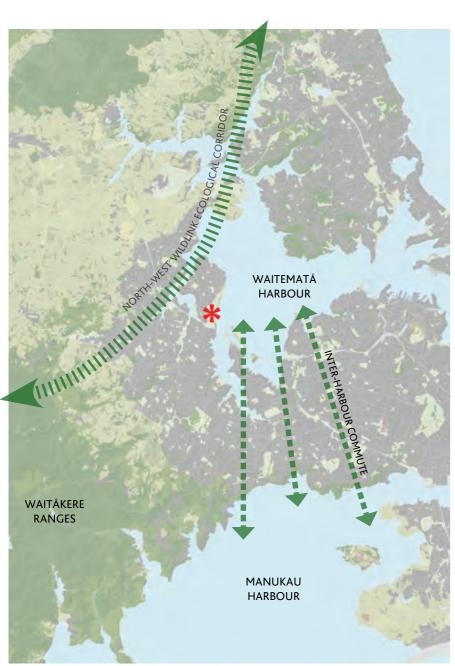


Lesser knot huahou Calidris canutus Threatened. Nationally vulnerable Arctic breeder, migrates to Australasian Flyway



Local ecological corridors

Harbourview-Orangihina is located on the important shorebird inter-harbour foraging route between the Manukau and Waitematā Harbours, with birds taking advantage of the extra feeding opportunities on the intertidal zone resulting from the three hour difference between the Tasman and Pacific tides.



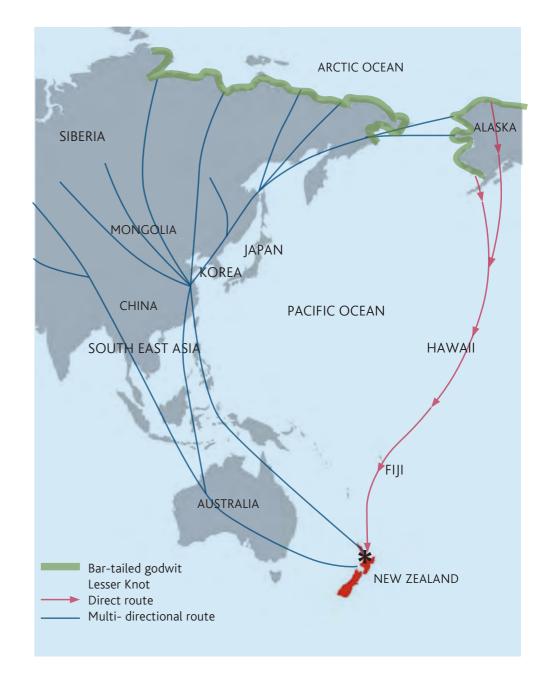
'North Auckland Seabird Flyway'

Harbourview-Orangihina is within the North Auckland Seabird Flyway, which links the Tasman Sea with the Hauraki Gulf. This flyway is used by petrels which nest on the Hauraki Gulf islands but feed in the Tasman Sea. Cook's petrels are commonly heard after dark over the summer breeding season.



East Asian-Australasian flyway

The lesser knot and the eastern bar-tailed godwit breed in Siberia and Alaska during the northern summer. On the northern journey they migrate via the East Asian-Australasian Flyway, stopping to feed en route in the Yellow Sea. On the return journey to NZ, the godwits fly directly across the Pacific in the longest-known migration of any shorebird.



2.3 Historical maps and aerials *Ngā mahere ā-whenua tawhito me ōna whakaahua ā-rangi*



1854: A hydrographic chart of the upper Waitematā Harbour



1894: Sections for sale on Te Atatū Peninsula



1940-1945: A topographic map of the area around the Waitematā Harbour



1945: Aerial view of Harbourview-Orangihina



1956: Looking south towards Te Atatū South



1963: Aerial view of Harbourview-Orangihina



1981: Looking north of Harbourview-Orangihina with Northern-Western Motorway in the foreground



2003: Aerial view showing Waitematā Harbour

2.4 Cultural heritage Kōrero ā-iwi tuku iho

2.4.1 Māori heritage Tikanga Māori tuku iho

Karanga mai Moekakara waka Karanga mai ko Te Kawerau A Maki E ki ana te koreroko Te Wao nui a Tiriwa Mai Te Korekore ki Nga Tai a Rakataura Tera Ko Rangihina Ko Whanga Paraoa Ko Mahurangi

Greetings from the Moekakara canoe
Greetings from the people of Te Kawerau A Maki
Greetings from the land known as the "Great Forest of Tiriwa"
From Te Korekore (Pulpit Rock, Muriwai) to Nga Tai a Rakataura (the tidal currents of Rakataura - the Manukau Harbour)
There lies Rangihina (Harbourview), Whangaparaoa and
Mahurangi

Te Atatū Peninsula has a long history of occupation and use by Māori thanks to its excellent location and abundant natural resources. Ngāti Whātua ki Tamaki established themselves on the Auckland Isthmus in the mid 17th century and Te Kawerau A Maki settled in the area with whanaunga (relatives) after relocating from Kawhia.

The peninsula is well located on the Waitematā Harbour and is notable for its close proximity to waka transport routes. The Whau River is significant as it is the northernmost of three historic portage connections between the Waitematā and Manukau Harbours. The peninsula is also close to the Riverhead portage which is the main route between the Waitematā and the Kaipara Harbours. The wide views from the Harbourview-Orangihina park area would have afforded good visibility of other iwi approaching.

The harbour and adjacent land was used extensively, particuarly during the summer months, for fishing and gathering of natural resources. The natural resources included bounty from both the land (fruit, medicine, birds and their eggs, weaving materials, dyes and timber) and the sea (shellfish, fish, seaweeds, eggs and occasionally seal). Iwi have occupied the area both permanently and seasonally, with settlement focused on headlands jutting into the harbour and at the entrance to major estuaries or creeks. The middens found in Harbourview-Orangihina Park show us the likely areas of some of those occupations.

The following is a list of some of the Maori place names of the Upper Waitematā foreshore and its environs that have a significant connection with mana whenua. They not only describe the topography of the land, its natural resources and their use, they also commemorate specific ancestors, events and traditions:

ORUKUWAI

Orukuwai or Te Rohe O Rukuwai means 'the region of Rukuwai'. Rukuwai is an ancestor of Te Kawerau a Maki. It refers to a point located at the northern end of the Te Atatū Peninsula

ORANGIHINA

Harbourview-Orangihina Park is partly named after Rangihina. She is also known as the wife of the great warrior Te Au O Te Whenua and is an ancestress of the Te Kawerau a Maki and Ngāti Whātua people.



TE WHAU

Te Whau, which takes its name from the whau tree, is the name for the tidal creek flowing into the Waitematā Harbour. This was an important transport route between the Manukau and Waitematā Harbours.

Whau trees were once said to have grown in abundance on the banks and flat land next to the river. The wood of this tree has a buoyant quality and was used for floats on fishing nets and frameworks for waka.

TE ATATŪ

Te Atatū means "Standing towards the dawn" .

2.4.2 Cultural heritage sites Ngā wāhi ā-iwi tuku iho

The Cultural Heritage Inventory (CHI) identifies the following archaeological sites and recorded historic structures within the park boundary:

- several shell middens,
- an ensilage¹ pit,
- · a brick villa,
- WWII anti-aircraft gun emplacements,
- McCormicks Cottage site,
- historic drains, and
- remains of the Auckland Brick and Tile Company brickworks.

The following descriptions are of some of the more notable sites. Their locations are shown on the map overleaf.

COASTAL SHELL MIDDENS

Middens around Harbourview-Orangihina show evidence of both prehistoric Māori settlement as well as evidence of early European activities.

Site R11/460 is located on the banks of the harbour at the entrance to the Whau River. These shell midden remains and terraces are spread out along 100m of steep embankment. The majority of these middens also contain historic artefacts including earthenware, glass and the rusted remains of iron objects, possibly relating to the historic brickworks activities.

R11/461 is located on the scarp to the north of the old brick villa and comprises eleven discrete areas of subsurface shell midden and two probable terraces. Shell from the midden site contains cockle, pipi, scallop, mud snail and volute.

R11/462 is a scatter of shell midden located on the slope in the recreation reserve near the large pine tree and public toilets.



^{1.} Ensilage, another term for silage; Grass or other green fodder compacted and stored in airtight conditions, typically in a silo, without first being dried, and used as animal feed in the winter. Reference: https://en.oxforddictionaries.com/definition/silage



McCORMICKS COTTAGE SITE (R11/2456)

Likely one of the earliest European house sites in the area Henry McCormick built his small wooden square-fronted cottage here in the 1890s. It was orientated to the east, overlooking the harbour and Auckland City. The house served briefly as a post office in the 1920's, and in connection with a yoghurt factory (1950s-70s), as well as the residence of the pony club grazier. The property was destroyed by fire in September 2007. A timber viewing deck shows the original floor plan of the cottage.

The original building was probably a two room cottage with a hipped pyramidal roof without eaves. An addition on the seaward side in the early 1900s doubled the size of the cottage to four rooms and utilised timber salvaged from a ship - mostly from the deck and cabin top planking. The studs for the external walls and lean-to on the landward side of the building also re-used ship planking. The wood salvaged for this building was likely from the Northern Steamship Company vessel, the 'Saffa'.



HISTORIC DRAINAGE (R11/1375)





LEGEND

--- Reserve boundary

Archaeological/Historic Site (extents from Bioresearches reports)

 Archaeological/Historic Site (locations from AC GIS)

Unitary Plan Historic Heritage Overlay Extent of Place

AUCKLAND BRICK AND TILE COMPANY SITE (R11/1724)

Located at the upper Waitematā Harbour at the entrance to the Whau River are the remains of the historic brickworks. The Auckland Brick and Tile Company was formed in September 1883 taking advantage of the large quantities of accessible clay as well as the location near the harbour allowing transport by sea.

Although innovative, the company was over-mortgaged and only operated until the early 1900s when the last of the buildings on site were demolished. The foundations and the floor of the kiln are still present, together with what was probably a lean-to at the western end. The clay working and brick production processes associated with the kiln are represented by various features on site such as waste bricks and the remains of pipes, kiln floors and quarrying activities.



Remnants of iron and ceramic pipes along the foreshore, the iron pipes have rusted and the ceramic pipes have broken



BRICK VILLA (R11/1724)

A Victorian brick villa (dated approximately 1890-1910), located at 19 Long Bush Road with significant architectural values, being a rare example of a brick villa in the district. It was most likely constructed of bricks from one of the local brickworks



WORLD WAR II ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUN EMPLACEMENTS (CHI 3282)

Historic Structure- Military



- The Anti Aircraft Battery was constructed in 1943 as part of the region's coastal defences to protect the Hobsonville and Whenuapai airbases from Japanese and
- The octagonal battery consists of four sunken concrete emplacements approx. 6m in diameter, with 6 ammunition recesses fitted with 6 divided wooden racks holding a total of 66 rounds per recess
- A sunken command post measuring approximately 13m x 7m is also associated with the four emplacements
- By the time the gun emplacements were completed, the Japanese were in retreat and the guns were never installed.

CULTURAL HERITAGE OPPORTUNITIES

- 1. Weave mana whenua narratives throughout the park
- 2. Stabilise and enhance the brickworks site
- 3. Reference and incorporate historical materials (ie brick, shell, timber) into park infrastructure
- 4. Investigate provision of access into the gun emplacements
- 5. Educate the public on park values
- 6. Retain McCormicks Cottage site as viewing platform

CULTURAL HERITAGE CONSTRAINTS

- 1. Potential to uncover other archaeological sites in the future
- 2. Clearance of vegetation from historic sites is not recommended until stabilisation works can be undertaken

2.5 Built form and infrastructure Ngā āhua waihanga me ngā tikanga whakahaere



2.5.1 Existing structures and services Ngā whakahaere kua toka me ōna ratonga

Harbourview-Orangihina is the focus of a range of recreational activities, including walking, bird watching, picnicking, photography, cycling, dog walking, informal games and running. There are few structures within the reserve. A public toilet and boat ramp facilities are located at the northern end of the reserve, and a bird look out and boardwalk is also in this area. Carparking and interpretative¹ signage is located at the Te Atatū Road entrance. Site furniture generally includes signage, bridges, seats and picnic tables , as well as a Watercare site and gravel access road.

The only formal recreation activity on the park is the horse riding area at the southern end of the park, and a cluster of buildings/sheds and fencing around the periphery of their lease area are associated with the pony club. A NZTA temporary workspace is currently located within the pony club lease area. This is scheduled for removal following completion of works.

The park is home to a number of events including kite day, held annually, and the Harbourview Sculpture Trail, a biennial exhibition of contemporary art.























LEGEND

Toilets

Boat ramp

Carparking P

Te Atatū Pony Club current lease area (white dotted line)

Lookouts/structures/information Historical structures/sites















2.5.2 Access and circulation Te whai wāhi atu me te horanga whānui

The main vehicle access to the park is off Te Atatū Road. This access terminates in an area of carparking with interpretative signage. There is a second access with carparking and a boat ramp at the northern end of Harbour View Road. The pony club has its own access to the south. There are also a number of pedestrian access points, as shown on the adjacent map.

Pedestrian paths provide north-south access along most of the length of the park, with paths just stopping short of the southern end of the reserve. These paths are typically located on the upper terrace near the scarp. Some informal paths and short sections of boardwalk provide access around the stormwater ponds.

Dog access rules (from 1 July 2017) state that dogs are allowed off leash in the area to the west of the carpark. Dogs are allowed on-leash on all other areas of the park but are prohibited from the beach and foreshore areas to protect birdlife.

BUILT FORM AND INFRASTRUCTURE OPPORTUNITIES

- 1. Develop a suite of signage for wayfinding, education and interpretation
- 2. Additional park amenities to facilitate better use of the park
- 3. Increase the play and recreational value of the park to visitors of all ages
- 4. Improve pedestrian and cycling opportunities within the site
- 5. Improve pedestrian connections to the wider community
- 6. Improve connection from park to the North Western Cycleway
- 7. Include bilingual signage, placemaking symbology and/or artistic expressions based on natural and heritage themes of the park

BUILT FORM AND INFRASTRUCTURE CONSTRAINTS

- 1. Existing topography constrains location of future pathways and creates safety concerns
- 2. Te Atatū Road is a busy vehicle dominated corridor and acts as a barrier for pedestrian
- 3. Connection across SH16 to Te Whau walkway requires coordination between multiple
- 4. Coastal setback restricts development near coastal cliffs (recommended circa 20m setback from top of escarpment)
- 5. No tall structures or vegetation to be located in identified viewshafts

LEGEND

Existing paths Existing informal paths (grassed) Bus routes and stops

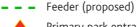
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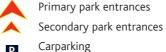
Dog off leash areas Dog on leash areas

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AUCKLAND CYCLE NETWORK (ACN)

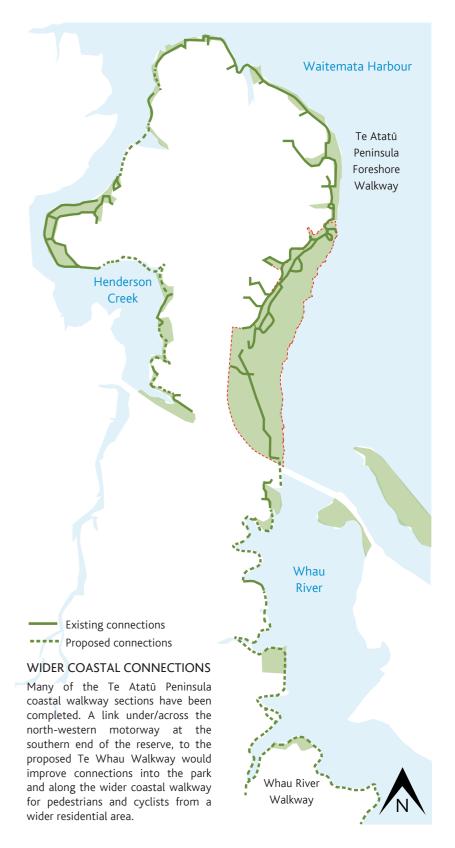
Metro (existing/proposed) Connector (existing/proposed)







Boat ramp





SECTION 3:

engagement Te whaipānga

3.1 Working with mana whenua Te mahi tahi me ngā mana whenua

3.1.1 Introduction *Kupu whakataki*

Mana whenua worked with the council in the shaping of this masterplan. Te Kawerau a Maki provided cultural input in key stakeholder workshops, and together with Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei, provided input into the cultural values of the park and wider area. Those values run wider than specific stories or histories associated with parts of the park to encompass the environmental values and significance of the wider area to mana whenua.

These connections to the land have informed the design principles of the masterplan, and mana whenua input will continue to be carried through into the plan's implementation.

3.1.2 Te Aranga Design Principles Ngā Mātāpono Hoahoa a Te Aranga

Key feedback on the specific Te Aranga Design Principles is listed in the adjacent table.

The intention is for the cultural values and narratives identified to underpin the design principles for the development of the park, and to be woven throughout the design of the masterplan.



1 MANA Rangatiratanga, Authority

2 WHAKAPAPA Names and Naming

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3 TOHU

The Wider Cultural Landscape

Outcome:

The status of iwi and hapū as mana whenua is recognised and respected as a council partner

Outcome:

Māori names are celebrated

Outcome:

Mana whenua significant sites and cultural landmarks are acknowledged

KEY FEEDBACK:

 Meetings held with Te Kawerau a Maki and Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei

- · Whakapapa of Orangihina
- Advocate for te reo Māori and bilingual/dual language signage
- Acknowledge the significance of the kuaka (godwit) bird
- Connection to Whau River portage
- Acknowledge the story of Rangihina after whom the park is named
- Connect to the Te Whau pathway
- Investigate use of symbols to identify important sites i.e. archaeology





MAURI TU









Outcome:

The natural environment is protected, restored and enhanced

- · Protect and enhance all significant habitats and native ecosystems
- Use native planting sourced from the Tamaki Ecological District
- · Consider the effects of climate change, and in particular rising sea levels' impact to the whenua.

Outcome:

Environmental health is protected, maintained and/ or enhanced

- Ensure pest management (including feral cats/rats and stoats) to protect native flora and fauna
- Eradicate noxious plants and animals
- Clean up / remediate site.

Outcome:

Iwi/hapū narratives are captured and expressed creatively and appropriately through engagement with mana whenua

- · Acknowledge the importance of the whole site, cultural values to be woven through the masterplan and not confined to individual sites
- Opportunities include: sculpture, use of natural materials, artwork, interpretative panels/information, whakataukī, incorporation of symbols in signage.

Outcome:

Iwi/hapū have a living and enduring presence and are secure and valued within their rohe

- Ensure iwi visibility and presence throughout the whole space, in a variety of ways so Māori can connect with the
- Provide opportunities to connect with nature
- Provide educational opportunities to learn about the cultural and natural aspects of the reserve, catering to users of different ages
- Establish plants enabling cultural practices such as rongoa (traditional medicine) and harakeke (flax) weaving
- Support for the future marae noting its significance as a community asset and its small footprint relative to the 80 hectare park.

3.2 Community reference group Te rōpū whirinaki ā-hapori

3.2.1 Pre-design consultation Whiringa kōrero i mua o ngā mahi hoahoa

A series of pre-design workshops were held with the community reference group (CRG). This group was formed to help develop ideas for the draft masterplan prior to wider community consultation. The CRG consisted of 19 members, including representatives from community groups involved with the park:

- Te Atatū Pony Club
- Te Atatū Marae Coalition
- Friends of Harbourview
- Forest & Bird Motu Manawa Restoration Group (FBMMRG)
- Sustainable Coastlines
- Community Waitākere
- West Auckland Historical Society
- Birds New Zealand (O.S.N.Z.)
- Te Atatū Peninsula Business Association

Also included were balloted members, selected to reflect the general make-up of the wider community. Three local board members, specialist council staff and mana whenua also sat on the group as advisors. The workshop sessions were collaborative, with the aim of identifying the values of the site, identifying aspirations and opportunities, understanding issues and constraints, and potential design solutions.

3.2.2 Workshop feedback Ngā takinga kōrero mai i ngā papamahi

The key findings and themes from the CRG workshops are summarised in the adjacent table, along with possible design applications.

Three key themes emerged from the CRG workshops; Environment, Heritage and People, and the feedback has been grouped under these key topics.



KEY FEEDBACK POSSIBLE DESIGN APPLICATION TOPIC Environment Identify areas for restoration and revegetation Acknowledge Harbourview as part of the wider ecology including Motu Manawa-Pollen Island Marine Reserve Identify areas of high value habitat to be Investigate re-forestation at the southern end of the reserve - excluding the heritage areas protected i.e. bird roosting environments and rare ecosystems Restore and revegetate the small streams and natural waterways within the reserve Provide access to wetland areas via a series of Restore and revegetate the wetland area currently in exotic grass, investigate plugging drains to restore natural water levels boardwalks as appropriate Acknowledge role of volunteer groups working on the park Maintain viewshafts Encourage education and scientific research in the park Introduce series of boardwalks to provide access to wetland and saltmarsh environments Improve the health/clean up the existing drainage ponds Maintain viewshafts towards city by careful plant selection Create management plans for the parks different ecological zones (upper terraces, lower terraces and scarp) Acknowledge relationship between the grazed upper paddocks providing a safe shorebird roosting site especially for rare and threatened birds. Acknowledge the synergy between the marae, shorebirds and horses Allow bird life to thrive through protection of sensitive or high value habitats and by limiting development on areas where wetland and shorebirds nest and roost Incorporation of bird hides/look out towers/viewing platforms (precedents: Ambury Park & Centennial Park- Sydney) Retain horse paddocks - horses create a de-facto bird sanctuary. The pony club is seeking a long term lease Marae supportive of kaitiaki role in educating visitors of park values Restore existing shellbanks for bird nesting Rehabilitate the streams as important native fish habitat Continue plant and animal pest control Include of the cottage as part of the masterplan Heritage Brick Cottage Consensus that this should be brought back into the park and re-purposed Show two options for the treatment of the Potential uses include: brickworks in the masterplan, one showing full a museum commemorating environmental values and the rich history of the park and local area, or restoration and the other retaining the area community building that can be hired for events/weddings etc

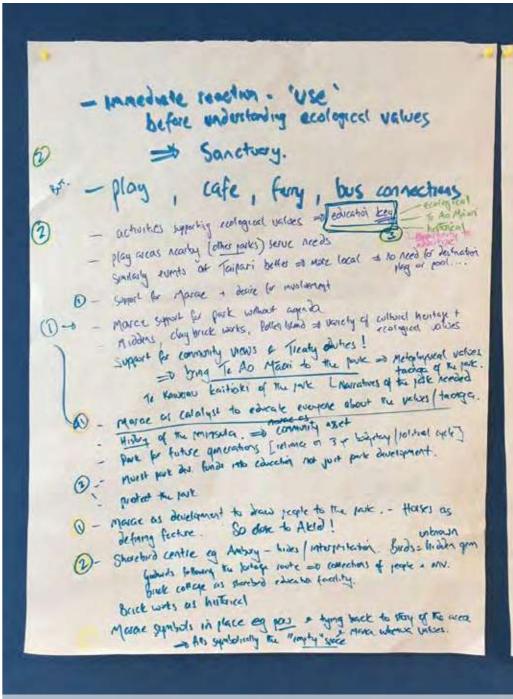
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TOPIC	KEY FEEDBACK	POSSIBLE DESIGN APPLICATION	
Heritage	Brick Works Best case scenario for these to be unearthed, stabilised and restored Generally happy for these features to be protected for the moment Planting restrictions on top of brickworks area McCormicks Cottage Continue to use as a viewing platform Investigate additional provision of shade, seating etc Acknowledge construction of the house from timber from an old ship Gun Emplacement Improve signage, more detailed history of the site Make the area more exciting for kids, make it less dull, investigate providing access to them Create link through to the Te Atatū RSA from the park All items Improve and/or provide access to heritage areas Interpretative signage or App explaining heritage values required Provide educational information on the middens and other areas of Māori heritage within the park Signage to be subtle, avoid a multitude of signs through the reserve Horses as heritage reference given long established use in the area	 Identify locations for signage Identify and protect areas of high heritage value Provide access to areas of heritage value as appropriate 	KEY VALUES AND MOVES: The following key shared values and moves were identified by the CRG and will be used to underpin the development of the masterplan: KEY VALUES: The unique ecology (flora and fauna) and cultural history of the park The park as a significant shorebird habitat The open, unmodified and
People	Play Play to be informal, interactive, unstructured and inviting to children, general preference for a play trail or play-along-the-way rather than a 'formal' playground Weave educational themes and narrative (birds, history, ecology etc.) into play items – an example used was the National Wetland Trust discovery trail south of Hamilton Maintain the informal open/green space at Gloria Ave entrance for family use and events Suggestion that Jack Pringle, Kervil Park or the Town Centre playground could be upgraded to provide enhanced playground Access and circulation General consensus for more looped paths (i.e. around the paddocks) to create better connections and for recreational use Improve connections to RSA and Town Centre through gun emplacements, and across Te Atatū Road Clear path hierarchy with main paths and smaller secondary paths, wider paths to allow for cycling Universal design and accessibility (noting steepness of access to Brickworks) where appropriate and feasible Link across/under motorway to Te Atatū South and the proposed Te Whau Walkway Provide paths across horse paddocks so people can interact with horses and learn about the birds in this area Improve safety at the informal open/green space at Gloria Ave, there is currently no barrier between children and busy road Use so restrict vehicle access onto the current events space from Te Atatū Road Provide some pedestrian access to wetlands to paths/boardwalks, advocate provision for dogs where more appropriate on park Consideration of crime prevention through environmental design (CPTED) principles in design of new paths Parking Parking Parking at southern end (near NZTA yard), combined use by marae and public. Some members preferred no parking in this area, if parking was to be introduced here it should be located along the entry road leading to the marae, in conjunction with planting Concern about car lights disrupting residents living across from the park from any new carparking or accessways on site Parking to be configured along the main ro	 Add in play features Provision of looped paths, including into wetland area Improve connections to the wider community Introduce strong path hierarchy Address safety issues at Te Atatū Rd interface Identify locations for additional amenities (ie toilet), shade trees and fitness circuit 	REY MOVES: Protect and enhance ecosystems and habitats of high value - a strong conservation focus is to guide all improvements on site Educate and engage park users on the parks unique ecological values and cultural history Provide unstructured, natural and informal play opportunities for park users of all ages and abilities Support for long term lease for the pony club Support for a kaitiaki role for the marae within the park

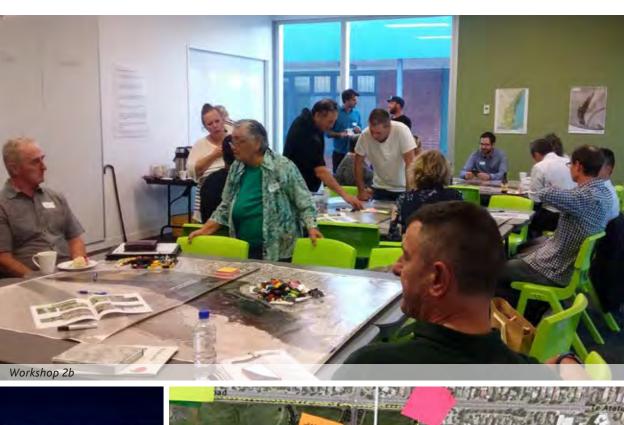


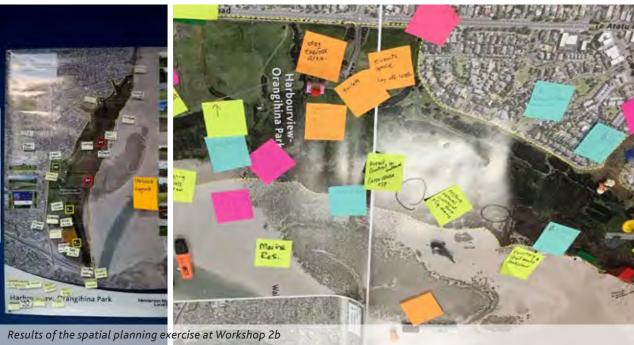






Feedback around identification of common park themes at Workshop 2a











SECTION 4:

design Mahi hoahoa

4.1 Design principles Mātāpono hoahoa

The following design principles underpin and guide all development on the park. This will ensure the park provides for appropriate access, recreational use and education, whilst celebrating, enhancing and protecting the parks ecological, archaeological and cultural heritage values for future generations.

These principles combine and capture the key feedback themes from Te Kawerau a Maki, Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei and the Community Reference Group.

The principles are also in alignment with the Open Space Management Plan and its vision statement:

'To create a park which retains the natural open space character of all the park land at Harbourview for the perpetual enjoyment of the people of Waitakere City and the Auckland region.' **KEY DESIGN PRINCIPLES:**

Protect

Celebrate

Educate



Environment

KEY PROPOSALS:

- 1. Protect and enhance the natural environment including use of eco-sourced native planting, riparian and wetland planting, consideration of native fauna, and providing protected areas for bird nesting and roosting
- 2. Protect the panoramic views across the Waitematā Harbour to Auckland city and Rangitoto Island
- 3. Progressively remove and/or control plant and animal pests
- 4. Provide opportunities to connect with nature, te ao Māori and Māori matauranga relating to the natural values and area in association with mana whenua
- 5. Preserve the open, pastoral qualities of the park
- 6. Increase public understanding of the site's unique ecosystems, flora and fauna



Heritage

KEY PROPOSALS:

- 1. Provide opportunities for education and engagement of park users around the significant cultural heritage values of the park
- 2. Work with mana whenua to interpret and enhance Māori cultural heritage sites
- 3. Maintain, protect and enhance historical cultural heritage sites, including consideration of the effects of climate change on significant sites

Harbourview-Orangihina restoration saltmarsh weed and pest management Traherne & Pollen Islands biodiversity wetlands natural environment wildlife corridors indigenous flora and fauna shorebirds waders pastoral character Tamaki Ecological District history protection recreational open space access and connectivity volunteer groups Schools ecology educational opportunities way finding and signage flight paths shellbank

Whau River Portage Te Kawerau a Maki Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei Coastal middens viewshafts Rangihina Brick Villa Harbourview-Orangihina whanau McCormicks Cottage heritage manuka lined drains interpretation and signage accessibility Auckland Brick and Tile historic brickworks paddocks WWII anti-aircraft gun emplacements Culture natural environment horticulture and farming

Engage

Play



People

KEY PROPOSALS:

- 1. Improve connectivity to the park and to key features within it
- 2. Improve the park as a recreation and event destination without impacting on its natural character
- 3. Provide for nature-themed play including bringing artistic, sculptural or symbolic elements into the park in association with mana whenua
- 4. Provide opportunities for mana whenua to express whakapapa such as the story of Rangihina and the wider cultural landscape
- 5. Improve wayfinding throughout the park including bilingual signage
- 6. Provide safe walking and cycling tracks, including areas for dog walkers, that do not compromise park values
- 7. Set back park infrastructure from the coastal edge where possible
- 8. Manage parking, roading and park facilities so as to not compromise the park's natural character, environmental and heritage values, or the safety of park users
- 9. Develop hides for bird watching with appropriate interpretation
- 10. Provide a cohesive and unified park furniture suite based on natural and local materials where possible

environment pony club walking and cycling connections mana whenua whanau passive recreation Te Atatū Marae picnic community informal active and passive recreation play low impact community events connections to Te Whau walkway, Te Atatū Peninsula Town Centre & coastal walkway safety family education local schools and businesses accessibility education kite day















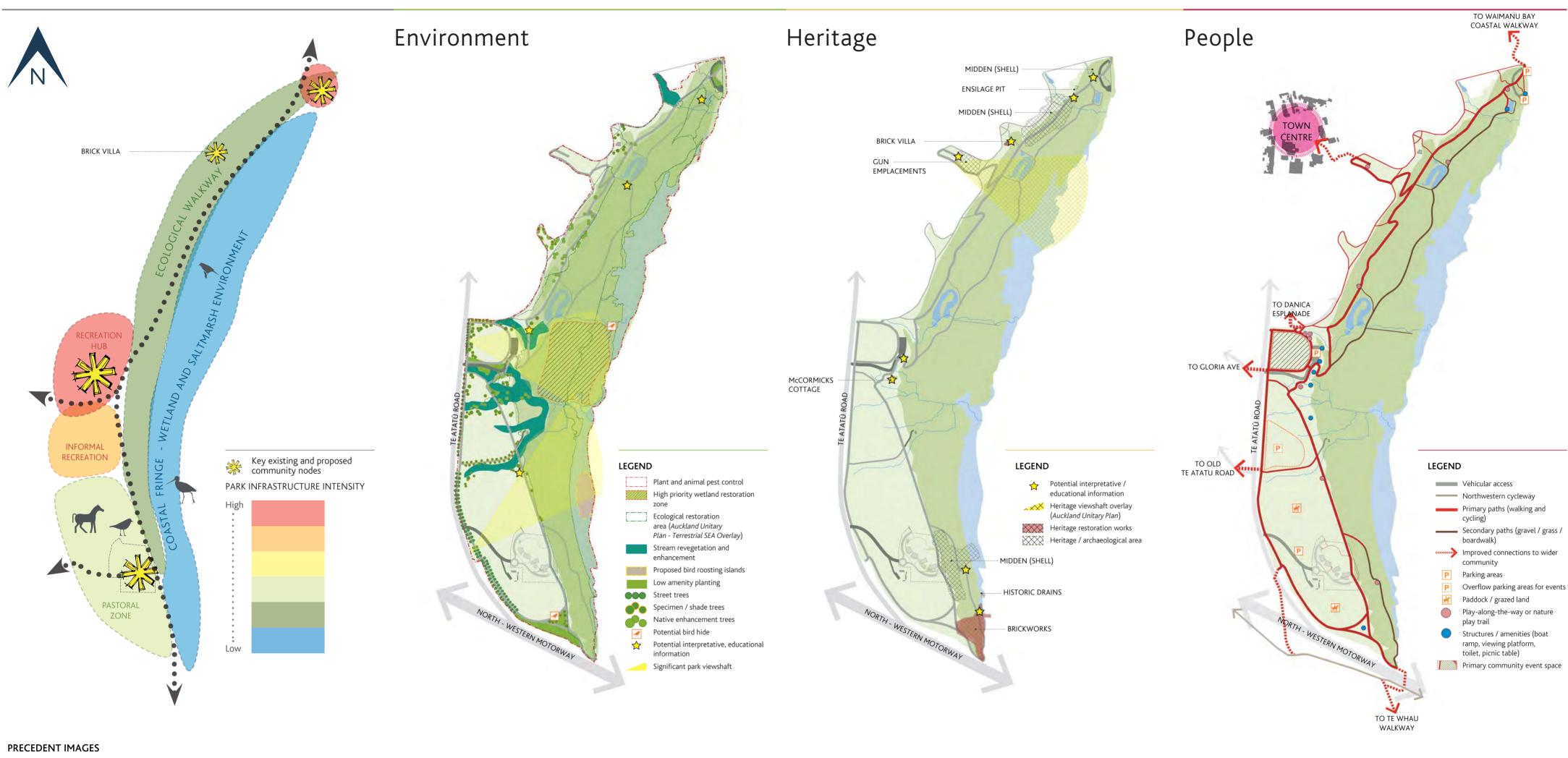














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