



**Waitai/Coastal-Burwood Community Board
ATTACHMENTS UNDER SEPARATE COVER**

Date: Monday 15 February 2021
Time: 4.30pm
Venue: Boardroom, Corner Beresford and Union Streets,
New Brighton

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Briefing on the Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor Programme

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Global Settlement Agreement (GSA)

RRZ properties purchased by the Crown transfer to the Council:

- Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor – 5452 properties.
- Southshore & South New Brighton - 193.
- Brooklands – 474.
- Port Hills – 503.
- Total properties – 6622, approx. 600ha.

Funding overview

- Council has \$200m allocated for development over the next 10 years.
- \$144m budgeted for in the current Long Term Plan.
- \$40m received from Christchurch Regeneration Acceleration Facility to develop Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor elements.
- \$13.7m received from Christchurch Earthquake Appeal Trust for city-to-sea connections.
- Private and philanthropic investment will be required to complete OARC development.

Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor – CRAF funding

\$40 million granted from the Crown for regeneration of the OARC.

- Grant will help fund Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor development including ecological restoration, wetlands, walking and cycle trails, community spaces and seven riverside landings.
- Estimated costs:
 - \$7.7m for pathways and connections
 - \$6.6m for basic public facilities and landings
 - \$25.7m for ecological restoration.
- Priority areas of development (stopbank placement, ecological and wetland areas, etc).

Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor – CEAT funding

\$13,765,500 received from Canterbury Earthquake Appeal Trust grant.

- Grant is for:
 - development of a riverside landing near Dallington
 - construction of three pedestrian/cycle bridges (Medway St, Snell Pl, and Aranui).
- Community engagement of bridges and landing completed in June 2020 and designs finalised.
- Matapopore engaged to provide cultural design input for these projects, focused on the Dallington Landing - as it presented the greatest opportunity to incorporate cultural aspects.
- Bridges construction currently out for tender; resource consent process under way.
- Bridge construction works to commence early/mid 2021.

Medway St Bridge

- Located slightly South of old bridge location.
- Location allows established vegetation to remain.
- Single span, no pier in river.



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Snell PI Bridge

- Shifted South of initial concept to avoid major underground infrastructure and minimise ecological impact.
- Single span, no pier in river.



Avondale Bridge

- Connection from South Avon through to Travis Wetland and proposed Eastern Reach wetlands.
- Single span, no pier in river.
- Boardwalk from South abutment to existing stopbank.



Dallington Landing

- Theme of “Picnic in the Forest” advanced after receiving public feedback.
- Improved cycle infrastructure and river access and removed Rupert Place carpark option.
- \$2.3 million CEAT funding set aside to develop the Landing.



City to Sea Pathway

- \$7.7m allocated through the CRAF grant.
- Initial engagement with community groups and organisations has occurred to obtain feedback on route and design principles.
- Staff undertaking preliminary design work, which will be shared with stakeholders.
- Summary of feedback and next steps to be released to Stakeholders shortly.

Major Cycleway Route

- Delivered by CCC Transport Team.
- Circa \$30m allocated to MCR over three sections. Majority of funding in FYs 25-28.
- Key design principles include being 4m wide min sealed AC, fully separated when on road and utilising signalised crossing where needed.
- Will merge with City to Sea Pathway (in places) but seeks to provide a more direct commuting route overall with connections to residential and commercial areas.

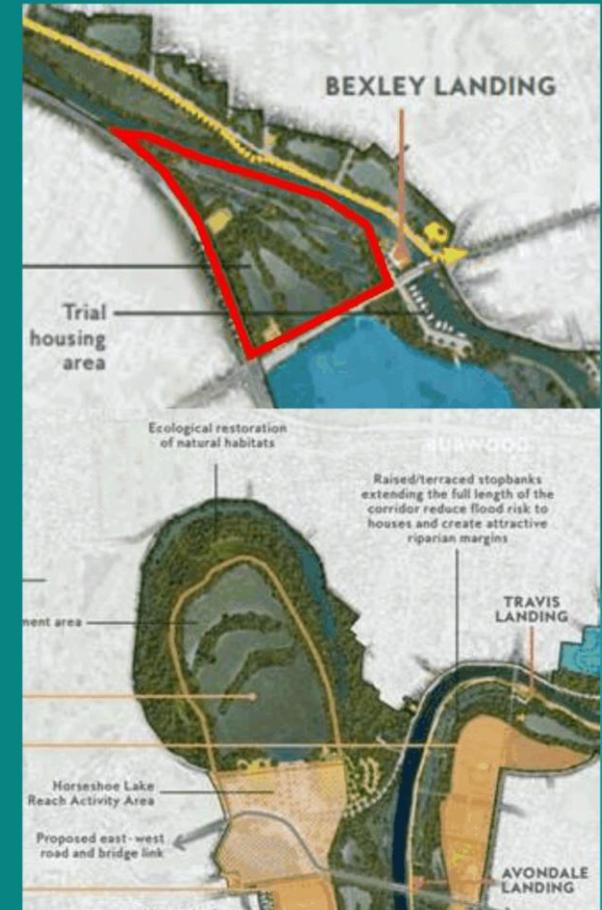
Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor Drainage

Waitaki St

- OARC and CAF plan shows a stormwater treatment facility, stopbank and tidal wetland.
- Currently in design stages. Currently in final design stages (see next slide). Engagement has been undertaken with current property owner, the Bexley garage and NZTA
- TWIE Committee approved fast-tracking project in September. Detailed design work to be completed by end of January 2021. Expect redundant service removal to start late January 2021 and project construction late May 2021

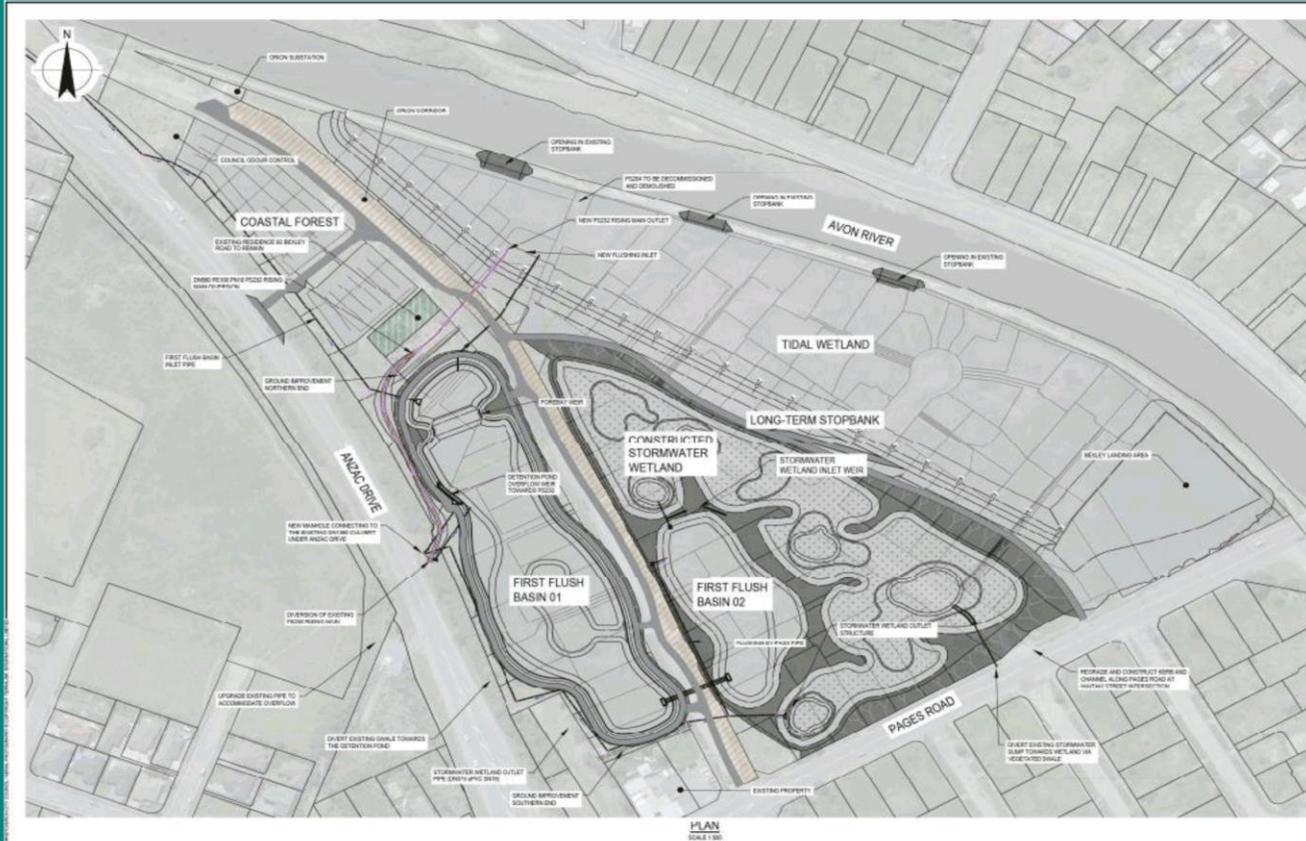
Waikākāriki (Horseshoe Lake)

- Stormwater treatment facility will treat a large catchment in North West Christchurch.
- Currently initiating the design phases of the project.
- Implementation to be staged over years as funding allows.



Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor Drainage

Waitaki St



Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor Land Reconfiguration

- Crown are reconfiguring the land based on agreed Concept Plans.
- Reconfiguration – stop roads, amalgamate into “super lots” and cleanse titles, remove and create instruments and rights as necessary.
- Reconfiguration reliant on powers under the GCRA (Greater Christchurch Regeneration Act) and reduced survey standards.
- Process is challenging given the scale and includes a number of complexities, including treatment of easements for utility providers.

OARC Land Reconfiguration (cont.)

Work under way:

- Minor reconfiguration work (road stopping) has been completed for Southshore and Brooklands, with all of the Residential Red Zone property there now in Council ownership.
- Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor land will be transferred to the Council in tranches as reconfiguration is completed.
- Council has received and given feedback on all 29 scheme plans from LINZ. These are in the process of being finalised and put out for survey. LINZ has a survey panel agreement.
- Transitional/transformational uses. Staff working with LINZ to ensure smooth responsibility transition from Crown to Council.

Third-party proposal policy

- Proposals from third parties to lease Council land are usually dealt with by the *Leasing Council Property Policy* and the *Unsolicited Proposals Guidelines for Submission and Assessment*.
- Council adopted a new policy adopted on 12 November.
 - Head of Parks has delegated authority to grant leases for less than 10 years
 - Leases 10 years or more, or significant projects (commercial ventures etc) require public consultation and full Council decision.
- Online portal is being set up as single point of contact for those wanting to submit permanent proposals for red-zone land.

Te Tira Kāhikuhiku

Red Zones Transformative Consultative Group (Te Tira Kāhikuhiku) meets monthly.

Process for considering transitional land uses:

1. Land Information New Zealand receives an EOI requesting a lease or license to occupy
2. Preliminary investigations assess feasibility, including liaison with relevant Council unit experts
3. LINZ and Council representatives meet group (if necessary) to discuss concerns
4. Group puts in application for consideration
5. TTK provides advice and recommendations to Land Information New Zealand and a final determination is made.

TTK can also authorise grants up to \$20,000 for transitional land use projects. Has \$282K to distribute.

Co-governance of Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor

- Now that RRZ land is beginning to transfer to the Council from Land Information New Zealand, timing is appropriate to establish a permanent co-governance entity.
- At November 12 meeting, Council directed staff to investigate establishment of a community co-governance entity for the Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor.
- *Note: Not all of the Residential Red Zone land, just Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor*