

#### Te Pātaka o Rākaihautū **Banks Peninsula Community Board MINUTES ATTACHMENTS**

Monday 25 July 2022

10am

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Venue:

25 Canterbury Street, Lyttelton			
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Lyttelton Community Boardroom,





# Continued lack of progress on Lyttelton MTB tracks

July 25, 2022

Joshua Merriam

Lyttelton MTB club



## Main Points

01 – My focus – get 1<sup>st</sup> new element from URDP

02 - Diagonal Track – report from Graded Earth

03 –Extension - approval process

04 - Club Maintenance – (formal process derailed)



## Resolved, by BPCB, Dec 2019

2. Request that the Lyttelton Reserves

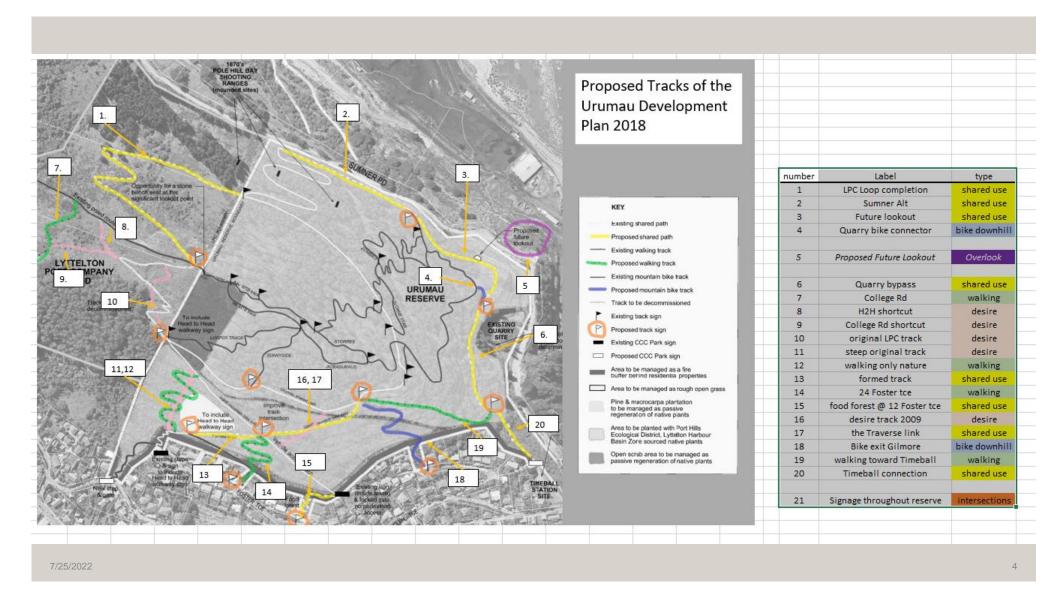
Management Committee update the Community

Board by the end of February 2020 on how it

proposes to implement the approved Urumau

Reserve Development Plan and provide a draft timeline for this work.







## Keeping Focus– First new legal track: #3

- The Club identified at the first joint Tracks meeting: June 2020
- This remains our first priority
- Walked and flagged together with RMC in 2020 with initial support
- 1. Zig-Zags have been upgraded by LRMC
- 2. Diagonal to be upgraded

#### We are here

• 3. Extension awaiting approval

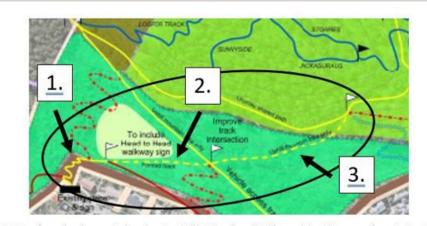


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Tyrone Fields/Reuben Davidson

Carried



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## Diagonal Track Report

#### GRADED EARTH LIMITED

The track is above a grade 3 with an average of 6.5 degrees the rest of the way up with many large pinches above 8 degrees for over 10 meters this means the track is not within an intermediate scope.

Simple math tells us that an additional ~80m of track length will need to be added to the current 115m length in order to average 5 degrees.



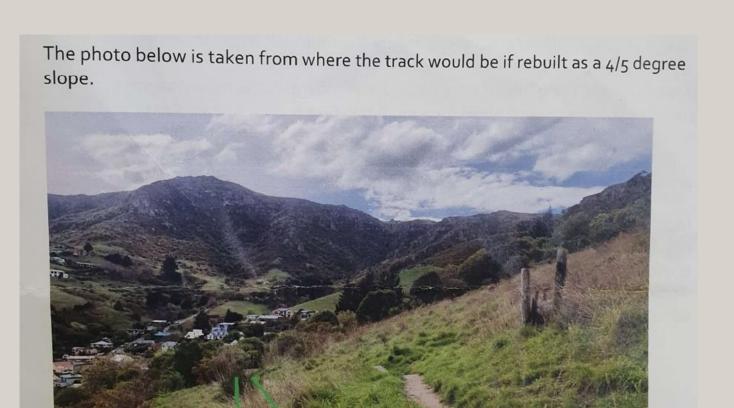
## Diagonal Track Report



definitely not adequate for a multi-use track as it currently is. I recommend an average base of 1.5m wide with a maximum of 2m and minimum of 1.2m. As a multi-use track this will allow walkers and mountain bikes to share the track without having to leave the track surface to give way.







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I recommend the current track is lowered to an average of 5 degrees so the top ends up being lower upon the exit removing any pinch climbs and adding swales to catch water. This will require the current track to be remediated and new track to be formed.

#### Conclusion

I recommend with a higher walking track user base the upgrades and potential new tracks have a high focus on walker safety and comfort. This means a lower gradient will be essential for slowing riders down, with no straight lines for riders to pick up excessive speed.

These suggestions are based both on walking path regulations and mountain bike gradient regulations. This is to ensure the multi-use aspect is achieved.



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## 3 Extension approval

#3 is the target from our petition

It is the logical continuation of the Diagonal Track

It will provide an easier and more scenic access corridor

It should be considered holistically

--- in conjunction with upgrading the diagonal track

This has always been the most high-value/low-effort segment to get a win Neither LRMC nor Rangers are currently moving this forward

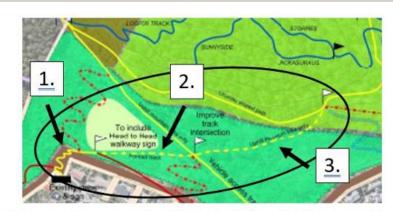


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### Petition

#### *Text of the petition:*

We, the undersigned, wish to see access into Urumau Reserve improved according to the 2018 Urumau Development Plan (UDP).

The UDP shows shared use tracks from Foster Terrace, (1.) up the existing 'Zig-Zags', across to the 4wd vehicle access via (2.) 'formed track', and logically continuing to connect with the Urumau traverse track above (3.)

We first ask that the existing 'formed track' (section 2.) be formally approved and made fit for purpose.

Improvement would then be completed with construction of (section 3.) the shared use track continuing above. This allows visitors a more enjoyable route into the reserve at a sustainable grade and among the regenerating natives. All users would benefit from the completion of this new entrance route.

We ask that the board approve this staged plan and facilitate its completion in a timely manner.

**LMBC** 



# BPCB response

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#### That the Te Pātaka o Rākaihautū/Banks Peninsula Community Board:

- 1. Receives the correspondence as tabled and notes additional signatures are online.
- 2. Notes that it has already requested that staff report on the formation of the track mentioned in the correspondence.
- 3. Refers the correspondence to staff who are preparing the report for the Board
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#### Community Board Resolved BKCB/2021/00031

#### Part B

That the Te Pātaka o Rākaihautū/Banks Peninsula Community Board:

- 1. Receive the petition as presented.
- 2. Note that the Board has already requested staff action in regard to the tracks in Urumau Reserve.

Andrew Turner/Tyrone Fields

Carried

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#### BPCB Letter, 4 June 2020





It appears to the Board that there are ongoing issues with the Committee's relationship with the Lyttelton Mountain Bike Club and the wider mountain biker community. The Club has in the past worked under the supervision of the Committee and the Council's Park Rangers to develop and maintain the mountain bike tracks on Urumau. Across the city, mountain bikers and Council Parks staff work successfully and collaboratively to develop and maintain these tracks in partnership. The Board wishes this model to be applied to the tracks on Urumau with staff, mountaineer bikers (including the Lyttelton Club) and the Committee's track team working in close collaboration. If there is any doubt, then Parks staff are the professionals and can set standards for all maintenance and development on reserves.

We ask that the Committee set up a protocol to ensure that this relationship is pursued positively and with urgency and that the RMC, along with a representative of the Lyttelton Mountain Bike Club, report back to the Board on 6 July on how this will work into the future.

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## Ongoing Maintenance

(the formal agreement process has been derailed)

The Club intends to continue maintaining the mountain bike tracks, both on LPC land and within Urumau. We would like to see this relationship formalised for Urumau as we have with LPC.









Good morning Josh and Brian.

I'm picking up on the proposal from the Lyttelton Reserves Management Committee to enable the Lyttelton Mountain Bike Club to formally undertake maintenance work on mountain bike tracks within Urumau Reserve. This is as per the letter attached from Brian on the 14<sup>th</sup> July with concerns around unauthorised work and a possible solution and also as a result of enquires from the Community Board on how this is progressing.

I'm aware the Community Board are following the development of this idea with interest and staff are also concerned about the continued work/development on tracks without staff awareness, so I thought I'd try and help the process moving along.

I'd be happy to either receive the information directly or sit with the MTB Club and go through their work ideas, including the list that Brian provided and then give some feedback and advice on any changes. This could then be tabled at the next RMC meeting to allow a discussion between the RMC and Ranger staff before staff make a decision.

Nick Singleton and myself could meet early next week with the MTB club to progress this?

Once a work programme can be agreed to then I foresee that we can draw up a Council Volunteer Agreement with the Club to carry out the works in an agreed manner and with appropriate controls in place that would satisfy the needs of both council staff and alleviate the concerns of the RMC.

#### **Paul Devlin**

Head Ranger - Banks Peninsula/Port Hills Regional Parks
Parks Unit - Regional Parks



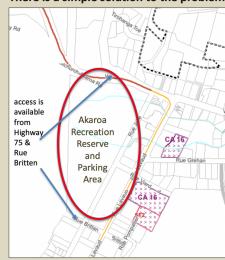
#### Deputation by Appointment to the Banks Peninsula Community Board - July 25, 2022

We submit that Akaroa needs a suitable traffic management plan prior to the start of the cruise season (October-March) that includes a designated parking, pick up and drop off point located at the Akaroa Recreation Ground Parking Area to avoid dangerous traffic congestion along Rue Lavaud and Beach Road.



A suitable site already exists. All that is required is action on the part of Christchurch City Council supported by the Banks Peninsula Community Board.

#### There is a simple solution to the problem





the Recreation Ground is zoned Open Space Community Parks - it has a large parking area freedom camping space, boat compound & ramp, sports complex, public toilets & recycling

all that is required is a traffic management plan with a designated drop off & pick up point for large vans and buses plus a designated parking area

a private shuttle service is available for individuals who do not wish to walk





Parking spaces in the designated two night freedom camping area opposite the boat compound (above photo) could be used between 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. by buses and vans carrying cruise passengers. Alternative spaces are also available elsewhere.



Buses waiting to pick up passengers at the Akaroa wharf



Buses parked on Rue Jolie outside of the Akaroa Area School





Buses parked by Stanley Park

#### **Key Points**

- Buses and vans waiting to pick up cruise passengers in Akaroa should be accommodated in the recreation ground parking area while waiting to pick up and drop off passengers on day trips to avoid congestion, parking problems and dangerous driving in the township.
- Now that the Port of Lyttelton is receiving cruise ships, day trips to Akaroa will become a
  popular tourist activity adding to traffic congestion and parking difficulties for large vehicles.
- Buses and vans should not be allowed to park outside of the Akaroa Area School, adjacent the Akaroa wharf or along Stanley Park while waiting to pick up and drop off passengers.
- Passengers not wishing to walk can easily pay a minor fee to ride on the daily shuttle service.
- The recreation ground parking area is easily accessible from Highway 75 and public toilets and cafes are available in the vicinity.

In relation to the freedom camping bylaw for Akaroa

Akaroa

**Prohibited Area** 

Akaroa Prohibited Area – All Council-owned and/or managed land in Akaroa township is prohibited to freedom camping (other than in the marked parking spaces in the Akaroa Freedom Camping Area, where certified self-contained vehicles can camp for up to two nights in any 30-day period). The Akaroa prohibited area includes:

- the whole of the Akaroa waterfront (from Children's Bay to Red House Bay (including the whole of Beach Road));
- Takapūneke Reserve (from and including Beach Road to Ōnuku Road);
- the residential part of Lighthouse Road (as shown on the map);
- Grehan Valley Road and Aylmer's Valley Road (including the parking area for Misty Peaks Reserve);
- Rue Balguerie and the first parts of Purple Peak Road and Stony Bay Road (as shown on the map);
- Old Coach Road up to and including the turnaround area by Long Bay Road / State Highway 75; and
- part of Morgan's Road (as shown on the map).

Please note: The designation states "certified self-contained vehicles can camp for up to two nights" which exclude day parking. Alternatively another area of the recreation ground parking area could be designated as bus parking between 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. to accommodate buses and vans carrying cruise passengers. A private shuttle service is available for those not wishing to walk.



Monitoring would be required during peak times along with signage and printed material. However, the overall cost of a seasonal trial would be relatively minor.

We strongly urge the Council to be proactive by creating an Akaroa trail traffic management plan for the 2022-23 cruise season. Events affecting the flow of traffic must be managed carefully through a rigorous process that requires a traffic management plan. Without an adequate plan suitable to the specific situation, there will be a greater likelihood that someone could be injured.

#### In Conclusion

- The Traffic Management Plan for Akaroa should be subject to approval by the Banks Peninsula Community Board.
- 2. The plan should be an interim measure for the summer season, to be incorporated into a comprehensive town management and/or destination management plan in due course.

Thank you for considering our urgent deputation.

Mike Norris, Chairman, Akaroa Civic Trust Harry Stronach, President, Akaroa Residents and Ratepayers Association Victoria Andrews, Deputy Chair, Akaroa Civic Trust

Cc: Jane Davis, Infrastructure, Planning and Regulatory Services General Manager, Christchurch City Council