

# Kinloch Reserve Submissions – June 2016

## Response to Consultation Questions

| Consultation Questions                 | Support   | Oppose  |
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| Removal of bollard and chain           | <p><b>18 Submissions</b></p> <p>(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 14, 16, 21, 24, 26, 32, 50, <b>62</b>)</p>  | <p><b>42 Submissions</b></p> <p>(13, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, <b>61</b>)</p>   |
| Extension of Road and turn around area | <p><b>18 Submissions</b></p> <p>(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 14, 16, 21, 24, 26, 32, 50, <b>62</b>)</p>  | <p><b>34 Submissions</b></p> <p>(8, 13, 15, 18, 19, 20, 23, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 51, 52, 53, 56, 57, 58, 60, <b>61</b>)</p>  |
| Reasons                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Improve flow of traffic and trail bikes</li> <li>- Will enhance the area and provide greater access for the public to the reserve</li> <li>- Beyond the chain will be needed to take displaced carparking and recreation areas as a result of tree protection barriers</li> <li>- Existing road is no exit, proposal provides a designated turning area which is safe</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Grass area is important for families and young children to enjoy lake edge.</li> <li>- Good balance at the moment</li> <li>- Traffic congestion</li> <li>- Tarseal turnaround area will have a negative aesthetic affect on lake front</li> <li>- Will limit picnic areas on reserve</li> <li>- Allowing cars in this area is potentially dangerous for pedestrians and cyclists</li> <li>- Car free zone allows the public to enjoy space safely</li> <li>- Car free makes it a safe place for children and mountain bikers coming off the track</li> <li>- Ground has recovered over the years from not having cars driving and parking on the foreshore</li> <li>- Reserve too narrow for proposal</li> <li>- Opening area to cars and laying a road will destroy the natural environment</li> <li>- Vehicles will cause erosion, vegetation acts as a buffer to reduce lake foreshore erosion</li> <li>- Dust bowl in summer due to car movements</li> <li>- Cars and nature not compatible, pollution, noise, dripping oil, compressed soil, destroyed grass, dust</li> <li>- Already adequate facilities for boats to get to water around the lake</li> <li>- Already enough vehicle access</li> </ul> |

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|  |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lake front needs protecting – is a high erosion zone</li> <li>- Reduction of lake front available to be used for all for recreation</li> <li>- Preservation of the reserve frontage must be paramount</li> <li>- To re-open the full reserve to vehicles ignores the extensive work undertaken in the 2009 review and its obligations under various statutes such as the Resource Management Act 1991 and Reserves Act</li> </ul> |
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Other comments/requests in support:

- speed humps installed (14, 16)
- that the sealed road be constructed of a permeable material to allow water to pass through so as to avoid scouring if a flood was to occur (24)
- that beach replenishment is budgeted for and carried out (24)

Other comments/requests in opposition:

- install steel bollard so vehicles cannot access the area, except maintenance vehicles (40)
- look to exclude vehicles altogether from reserve (38, 46)
- Poplars have soil conservation benefits, protection extended to these trees by significantly reducing the use of vehicles in the reserve (53)
- Develop alternative parking option for recreational users (53)
- Establish a succession planting programme to support the long terms protection and enhancement of the Kinloch Foreshore (53)
- Full access was not proposed in Council's initial review documentation or consultation and arose from an earlier submission process (57)
- Ignores Councils own obligations in relation to the reserve and reserve management plan (57)

# Other Matters Raised in Submissions

| Matter Raised                             | Support   | Oppose  |
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| <b>Barriers around trees</b>              | <b>5 Submissions (7, 24, 26, 31, 36, 53)</b>  | <b>2 Submissions (1, 14)</b>  |
| Reasons                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Trees will be protected</li> <li>- Will prevent parking and driving under notable trees as required by Taupo District Plan</li> <li>- Prefer 3.0m protection zone instead of 4.0m</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Will restrict access between vehicles and launching of small craft</li> <li>- Reduce picnic area</li> <li>- Where will alternative parking be provided</li> <li>- Expenditure to protect Poplars would be better spent on new plantings</li> </ul> |
| <b>New Planting and Landscaping</b>       | <b>3 Submissions (4, 24, 53, 62)</b>  | <b>1 Submission (1)</b>   |
| Reasons                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Will beautify and enhance area</li> <li>- Establish a succession planning programme to support long term protection and enhancement of Kinloch foreshore</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Not necessary, leave open space</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Removal of Poplars</b>                 | <b>5 Submissions (6, 8, 9, 10, 36)</b>  | <b>1 Submission (53)</b>  |
| Reasons                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Trees possibility falling and shedding branches pose possibility of injury/accident</li> <li>- Provide more enjoyment if removed</li> <li>- Lifespan of trees is around 50 years, have reached maturity</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Poplars have shown to have soil conservation benefits due to large root systems. Trees should be protected such that the health and longevity of these trees is not compromised</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Restrict vehicle access in Reserve</b> | <b>5 Submissions (8, 19, 32, 38, 46)</b>  |   |
| Reasons                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To truly retain the character of the reserve restrict vehicles either periodically or permanently</li> <li>- Look after what we have got, resew grass and preserving the trees</li> <li>- If proposal does not go ahead would support closing reserve entirely to vehicles</li> <li>- Would be nice not to have cars at all, just people enjoying the reserve</li> <li>- Why not look into ways of moving the bollards and chains out to the start of the road, obvious positive impacts excluding vehicles</li> </ul> |   |

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Additional Comments: Waikato Regional Council (WRC) provided correspondence on 22/09/2016 that Council were endorsing the staff submission received during the consultation period. In addition to the points in the submission, WRC note that alternative options should include restricting all vehicular access to the reserve