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## 3.1 Island View Carpark Project Design

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**TO** Whangamatā Community Board  
**FROM** Andrew Boden, Projects Delivery Manager  
**DATE** 4/08/2022

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### 1 Purpose of report

The purpose of the report is for the Whangamatā Community Board to consider feedback received and to approve the final design for the Island View Carpark project

### 2 Summary

The Island View Carpark project was included in the 2021-2031 Long Term Plan which was publicly consulted on.

A draft design was prepared for the Whangamatā Community Board to provide their feedback on. The plan was presented for Informal feedback from the Board with the plan scheduled to go out to the surrounding residents in November 2021 for consultation, however that was delayed until the new year. A number of residents requested a meeting which was attended by staff on 26 February 2022 to discuss the design. The Board decided to delay the project until the 2022/23 financial year due to the concerns around freedom camping and a desire to wait until the bylaw review was completed. A further meeting was held with residents in May 2022 and the design amended.

The Board at the 19 July 2022 meeting confirmed the plan (**Attachment A**) to be sent out for targeted engagement and for residents to provide feedback by 12 August 2022. A summary of the feedback is presented below:

Material for targeted engagement was sent to 58 property owners adjacent to the reserve. 25 responses were received. 24 were against the proposal and 1 was in favour of the proposal.

The main issues identified in the feedback are:

- Freedom campers not being monitored and parking all day in the parks
- Commercial concession business adding to the congestion concerns
- Large carpark sizing which is not efficient use of ratepayer money and clearly are for campers
- Exit from the proposed carpark into the existing carpark

13 of the responses clearly identified that levelling the proposed area, re-grassing and opening the area up for overflow parking similar to Williamson Park during peak periods, would be acceptable.

**Attachment B** is the feedback received, with personal details being withheld or redacted for the purposes of this report, to maintain individuals privacy.

#### Options:

##### 1. Make no changes and proceed with the current design

This option would reflect the design as sent out for consultation with no changes.

**Pros:** No additional expenditure required for design changes.

**Cons:** Choosing this option would not reflect the views of the feedback received.

## **2. Make amendments to the proposed plan**

After considering the feedback, amend the plan to reduce the size of the carparks and remove the south entrance into the existing carpark.

**Pros:** This option would reflect the views in the feedback received. Removal of the south exit would prevent an unsafe exit into an already congested existing carpark.

**Cons:** Choosing this option would have additional project costs to design change of the carpark.

## **3. Create overflow parking area**

After considering the feedback, amend the plan to level the area and remove the proposed carparks and allow for overflow parking during the peak summer period.

**Pros:** This option would reflect the views in the feedback received and would still provide extra carparking during peak times.

**Cons:** No additional carparking would be available during the rest of the year.

## **4. Do not proceed with the construction of a carpark at Island View Reserve**

After considering the feedback, the Board decide not to proceed with the project at Island View Reserve.

**Pros:** A number of residents wishes are complied with.

**Cons:** No enhancement or additional parking will be provided in the area.

Targeted feedback was conducted in accordance with Council's Significance and Engagement Policy. Feedback included residents surrounding the Island View Reserve as well as those contacts supplied by the Southern Whangamatā Residents and Ratepayers Association.

## **3 Suggested resolution(s)**

That the Whangamatā Community Board:

1. Receives the 'Island View Carpark Project' report dated 4 August 2022.
2. Approves the current Island View Carpark Design and proceed to construction.

## **References-Tabled/Agenda attachments**

1. Attachment A - Draft Carpark Design - Island View Reserve
2. Attachment B - Proposed Island View Carpark Feedback