

Council is deciding on the siting of a new neighbourhood reserve within the new residential area being developed off Clifton Road in Te Awanga (Te Awanga Downs), and wants residents' feedback.

The Te Awanga Downs development already includes open space areas required as part of the subdivision consent, including a stormwater retention pond, buffer zones, and links between areas (see the orange areas on the map overleaf).

In addition, there is a proposal for an additional neighbourhood reserve and playground for the area, given the size of the development, for the residents and the wider community. Council has allocated \$720,000 to purchase and develop this new neighbourhood reserve within Te Awanga Downs.

Council has identified a potential section to purchase for this new reserve (Area 1 on the map overleaf) that is of a size suitable for a playground, is centrally located, has links to the other open spaces, and is away from busy traffic areas. Members of the community have, however, requested that Council consider purchasing an alternative section (Area 2 on the map overleaf). This request arises from a desire to have a landscaped reserve at the entrance to Te Awanga, rather than a residential dwelling. Its proximity to the high-traffic Clifton Road and topography means that it is not suitable to locate a playground on. However the developer has offered a discounted purchase price for this section which provides an opportunity to consider alternative playground options for the area.

If Council purchases Area 2, then the leftover funds could be used either to build a playground on land adjacent to the stormwater retention pond (Area 3 on map overleaf) or to upgrade the existing Te Awanga Domain Playground (Area 4 on map overleaf), bringing forward the Domain's planned upgrade from 2023/24 to 2021/22.



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Options for community feedback

Three options have been developed for community input, outlined below with indicative costs.

OPTION	PURCHASE RESERVE AREA	RESERVE PURCHASE COST	PLAYGROUND LOCATION	PLAYGROUND CONSTRUCTION COST	TOTAL
OPTION A	1	\$600,000	1	\$120,000	\$720,000
OPTION B	2	\$435,000	3, 4	\$285,000	\$720,000
OPTION C	2	\$435,000	4	\$285,000	\$720,000

Option A:

- Purchase section in Area 1 as a neighbourhood reserve with playground
- Upgrade of existing Te Awanga Domain playground remains scheduled for 2023/2024.

Option B:

- Purchase section in Area 2 as a landscaped neighbourhood reserve
- Build a playground on reserve land adjacent to the stormwater retention pond (Area 3), and
- Small extension to existing Te Awanga Domain playground in 2021/2022.

Option C:

- Purchase section in Area 2 as a landscaped neighbourhood reserve
- Build no new playground in Te Awanga Downs subdivision
- Bring forward upgrade and extension of existing Te Awanga Domain playground to 2021/2022.

Tell us what you think

Please fill out the survey online at www.myvoicemychoice.co.nz, fill it out and drop it in the box at the meeting on 10 June, or post it back to Council. Survey closes 2 July 2021.

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Please choose your preferred Option Option A Option B Option C
Please complete this survey if you are a Te Awanga resident or ratepayer.
Name:
Address:

