

Subject **Re: Re[4]: Public Seating in Mapua**  
From MDCA <[info@ourmapua.org](mailto:info@ourmapua.org)>  
To Luke Donaldson <[luke@donaldsoncivil.co.nz](mailto:luke@donaldsoncivil.co.nz)>  
Date 2020-07-22 22:30



- Sample of seats.pdf (2.9 MB)
- Sample concrete pad.JPG (71 KB)

Good evening Luke,

I have measured the seats we have ready to be installed this afternoon to work out the size the concrete pads need to be. I have also attached a photo of three of the seats. The fourth seat is the same size as the one in the front.

So allowing an additional 150mm around the circumference of the seat to allow for easy mowing, three different sized concrete pads will be required.

These concrete pads do not require the deeper '27.5MPa concrete min 350 around pipe' as illustrated in the diagram you attached within your last email. The concrete pad however will need to be reinforced with steel and the same thickness as per the diagram you supplied.

Each seat will be fastened in place using a chain & padlock at each end. To achieve this, two metal hollow squares will need to be placed within the concrete at the appropriate spot. See attached rough image of concrete cross section.

The sizes of the four concrete pads are as follows -

1450 x 860 for two seats

1910 x 900 for one seat

1840 x 910 for one seat

The locations of which seat goes where has not yet been determined, but this decision can happen quite quickly.

I hope this information is enough for you to continue with the quote.

Kind Regards

Marion Satherley

On 2020-07-22 15:47, Luke Donaldson wrote:

Hi Marion,

Yes will work on a price and get it to you tomorrow. There is a standard detail for park benches that NCC/TDC use, obviously not all applicable to these benches but I can work on the same detail for the concrete base, dimension of 2.2m x 1.0m x 100mm thick. Can you please let me know if these dimensions will work with the benches, my guess is it will probably be close enough for pricing purposes.

Thanks

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Sent: 22/07/2020 12:15:44 p.m.

Subject: Re: Re[2]: Public Seating in Mapua

Hi Luke,

MDCA are going to apply for a community grant to see if we can raise the funds to pay for Donaldson's to undertake the concrete pads for the public seating project.

the grant applications close at the end of the month, is there any possibility I can receive your quote by Friday?

Regards

Marion

On 2020-07-17 15:47, Luke Donaldson wrote:

Hi Marion

Will have a look at the locations and access and get a price together during next week.

Yes I am happy to come in and complete for free, someone else would need to organize the traffic and pedestrian management plans and concrete work.

I'll be in touch next week.

Regards

[Luke Donaldson | Donaldson Civil](#)

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Sent: 16/07/2020 9:02:33 a.m.

Subject: Re: Public Seating in Mapua

Good morning Luke,

Thank you for responding so promptly.

I would appreciate it if you could provide MDCA with a quote to do as you suggest in item 1. However, MDCA have limited funds in the kitty for this project and it is for this reason why MDCA has chosen to up-cycle some park bench style seats.

Your offer to do the digger work free of charge is very generous and appreciated. Would you still be willing to continue with this if MDCA was not able to afford the quote as per item 1.?

I now have the go ahead from TDC for the fourth seat to be located within the reserve on the corner of Langford Drive and Aranui Road.

Kind Regards

Marion.

On 2020-07-15 16:52, Luke Donaldson wrote:

Hi Marion

I have been thinking about this and had a chat with a couple of others here about the best way forward. For us it would be better to keep this separate to the Mapua Water and Waste water contract, its a big beast that job with a lot of moving parts and it requires the full attention of our staff involved to keep it running smoothly.

I could see a couple of ways we could complete the work

1. Donaldson Civil could price the work as a full package to complete the pads  
- we would use a subcontractor for the concrete placing and finishing as that

- type of concreting is not our expertise.
2. I would personally be happy to come in with an excavator over a couple of Saturday mornings and assist with excavation of the pads, prepare each one so its ready for others to complete the concrete. This would require others involvement with traffic and pedestrian management etc. But I am happy to donate my time and the machinery free of charge.

I hope that is of some help, please be in touch if you would like to discuss further

Regards

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Sent: 15/07/2020 1:27:53 p.m.

Subject: Public Seating in Mapua

Good afternoon Luke,

Thank you for your time to attend MDCA's meeting on Monday night and for speaking with me this morning.

I am now following up on our phone conversation with more details about the Public Seating project MDCA currently have underway.

We have four refurbished seats with cast iron ends and wooden slats to be located in four different location between Ruby Bay and Mapua.

The next step in this project is to get the concrete pads these seats are to sit on prepared and concreted. The only stipulation TDC has made is for the top of the concrete pads to be level with the ground for ease of mowing. Also within the concrete there will need to be a metal 'U' bend to enable each seat to be padlocked in place.

Two of these four seats are to be located close to property fence lines within road reserve along Stafford Drive and Aranui Road between Ruby Bay and Mapua. The first is located at 40 Stafford Drive, the second outside 144 Aranui Road. The third seat will be located on the grass between the fence that divides the Mapua Playground and the car parking area at Mapua Hall. Permission from TDC & Mapua Hall Society has been gained for the first three locations.

The four site (yet to be confirmed with TDC) will hopefully be within the small reserve on the corner of Langford Drive & Aranui Road. Please see attached location maps & site photo's.

The four seats are not identical in length and will require a slightly different sized concrete pad. Please see photo of three of the completed seats.

I appreciate you giving consideration to whether Donaldsons Civil would be in a position to assist MDCA with the installation of the four concrete pads to see this public seating project completed.

If Donaldsons are willing to contribute towards this project, I will organise which seats and concrete pads sizes (including the location of the 'U' bolt) will be installed at each location.

Kind Regards

Marion Satherley

MDCA Chair

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