

## Outcome of Council's proposals to classify reserves

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## Kia ora

Earlier this year you sent us a submission on Council's proposals to classify existing reserves located within the Moutere-Waimea Ward. This email is to notify you of Council's decision on this matter.

Submissions on the proposals closed on 15 March and a hearing was held on 13 April. The Hearing Panel deliberated on all submissions received and on 20 May the Council considered a <u>report outlining the Hearing Panel's recommendations for final reserve classifications</u>. Council accepted the Panel's recommendations and made decisions on reserve classification under delegated authority from the Minister of Conservation.

The attached document lists the final classification for each reserve. Of note, the classification of four reserves differs from that originally proposed:

- Both Aranui Park and Dominion Flats are classified as Scenic Reserve (under Section 19(1)(b) of the Reserves Act 1977). These reserves were originally proposed to be classified as Recreation Reserve.
- Both the scenic reserve area at Faulkner Bush and the scenic reserve area at Robson Reserve are classified as Scenic Reserve (under Section 19(1)(a) of the Reserves Act 1977). These reserves were originally proposed to be classified as Scenic Reserve (under Section 19(1)(b) of the Act).

Council's decisions will take effect once a notice classifying the reserves is published in the NZ Gazette, which will occur sometime within the next month or so.

Council staff are currently preparing a draft Moutere-Waimea Ward Reserve Management Plan, which will set out the proposed objectives and policies for these reserves and other parks in the Ward. The draft Plan will be publicly notified and open for submissions for a two-month period later this year (from late August). The project timeline and other information is available online at: https://www.tasman.govt.nz/my-council/projects/moutere-waimea-reserves-project/

Thank you for participating in the public consultation process for reserve classification. If you are interested in the future management of these reserve areas, please keep an eye on the project page linked above for updates. Public notice of the opportunity to submit on the draft Plan will be included in a future edition of Newsline – I will also email you at that time, to let you know that submissions are open.

Ngā mihi mahana

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