

PARKS AND OPEN SPACES STRATEGY

Submissions Received

Submission ID	<u>POS21-41</u>
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Higher priority to safe cycle ways that link up across town and avoid the dangerous road traffic places.

Submission ID	POS21-65
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 1 Comments.	<p>Cooperation is the key to involving the community, getting their verbal and physical support and utilising local knowledge.</p> <p>Any development in coastal areas should take into account projected climate change responses such as sea level rises.</p>
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - Comments - Comments.	<p>QE park and Henley Lake are great assets and need to be maintained and improved.</p> <p>We have a mixture and NZ native and mainly English trees in these parks, should consideration be made for planting Asian and Pacific trees, where they will survive in our climate.</p> <p>Any new plantings need to be maintained until they establish. The recent Oak plantings at Henley Lake look decidedly sick in the current dry spell.</p> <p>Provision of water for QE Park Lake and Henley Lake needs to be assured, and a decision made as to whether the proposed wetlands at Henley Lake can receive sufficient water to be developed as a wetland. If not a new plan for the area needs to be developed.</p>
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	<p>Agree, as in comments on major parks.</p> <p>Small neighbourhood parks should maybe have activity equipment for younger children as well as tables/seating for older residents.</p>
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - Comments - Comments.	Agree, as in comments about trees from differing regions.
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - Comments - Comments.	<p>The Waipoua River corridor is well linked at present with the cycle/walking paths, with more planned I understand.</p> <p>With the planned replacement of part of the Colombo Road/Waipoua road bridge can the design enable the path under the current bridge to be improved for a better/safer experience.</p> <p>The small neighbourhood parks in town are less easy to link because of their nature, maybe over time cycleways on roads may be used?</p> <p>Appropriate access methods/surfaces need to be provided, for walkers, cyclists, pushchairs and mobility scooters.</p>
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or	Agree

oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - Comments - Comments.	Work with the community to produce a plan that most agree with, then implement it over time.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Tree plantings in parks
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	Water strategy in major parks
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	Increasing cycle path networks

Submission ID	POS21-57
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	<p>Hi</p> <p>I haven't read the Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy although I did read the large advertisement about it in the Wairarapa Times Age.</p> <p>I'd like to comment on the Kuripuni stream that runs through the Kuripuni village green, where the Chinese pavilion is, and would appreciate if this comment could be linked to the appropriate document, strategy, plan, etc.</p> <p>We own the small strip of Kuripuni stream that runs through the carpark behind 437 Queen St, Kuripuni and from there this stream runs into Kuripuni village green. Over the years, we've let the carex secta grasses grow on the stream bank whenever they've naturally seeded themselves there and we've let the tree canopy on the north side of the stream grow over the stream, to provide shade and a more natural environment to this small part of the stream. The previous owners kept the trees pruned back as a hedge on the north side, so the stream used to get a lot more sun than it does now. As the tree canopy has grown, the problem of weed mats growing in the stream (particularly in summer) has lessened tremendously, due to the lack of sunlight. I know the Council has to regularly clear the weeds clogging the stream as it runs through Kuripuni village green and I wonder whether the Council would consider recreating a more natural environment for it there by planting trees along its banks, with the ultimate aim of creating a shade canopy over the water. Of course, native trees would be the ideal and I've found, from my observations and own experience (our home has the Makoura stream running through it) that the following trees, in particular, make ideal streamside, canopy-creating trees - really, any tree that grows reasonably quickly and has a good-sized leaf. Below are my recommendations, in order of value (1st being the most valuable for stream canopy, shading and rehabilitation environment):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Māhoe (fast growth, beautiful, berries for birdlife). 2. Tarata (fairly fast growth, pretty). 3. Kōhūhū or similar. 4. Pseudopanax (not lancewood). 5. Griselinia littoralis. 6. Karaka. 7. Coprosma (some of them). 8. Makomako. 9. Houhere (can be problematic though). 10. Olearia (some of them). 11. Kamahi. 12. Titoki. 13. Ngaio. <p>Sometimes people think flax, mānuka, kānuka, tōtara, kōwhai, akeake, cabbage tree, etc are good as streamside plants but they have problems such as very slow growth, failure to form a canopy, inappropriate leaves, etc.</p>

	<p>Possibly there are other Council-owned parks and reserves that Masterton's streams run through that could be planted out in the same way, helping to return the stream to its original, more natural environment.</p>
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Submission ID	POS21-51
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 1 Comments.	<p>I agree with the principle of 'active partnerships' - of course. But realistically, the value of input from various groups/individuals varies greatly depending on the extent of their real grasp of the issues. Section 1.5 of this consultation document canvasses these complex issues superbly. Fascinating.</p> <p>What I'm getting at is that in many cases, the Council's own parks and open spaces team will be best placed to make good decisions - while being open to others' views where these would provide a genuine improvement.</p>
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - Comments - Comments.	I'd value a very strong, explicit acknowledgement of the role that parks and reserves (and trees also - even street trees) have to play in regard to <u>climate</u> action.
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	I like the awareness of different demographic groups and socio-economic levels etc (see section 5.1 of consultation document).
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - Comments - Comments.	Very interesting information about 'Reserve Management Planning' as a 'best practice' tool (pg 17).
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	<p>I strongly agree with the need to increase Masterton's parks/reserves generally, given the anticipated residential expansion of this town. And we need parks open to all. It's true that sports bodies and schools also have 'open spaces', but these are not open to the general public in the same way that parks are - a crucial distinction.</p> <p>This increase of parks/reserves might be done in various ways - (a) requiring more of developers (b) <u>Council retaining</u> all land currently owned by it (unless compelling reasons in respect of a particular piece), even if it's not immediately suitable for conversion to park land, and exploring the feasibility of making it suitable for such a conversion (c) <u>Council purchasing</u> land for new parks/reserves.</p>
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	The idea of partnering with sports bodies to build new shared facilities etc makes good sense.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	It's vital that the Council's parks and open spaces team be resourced to be involved early in the design and provision of new parks/reserves (pg26). Developing a 'Subdivision Guide' for the design of new parks/open spaces is also an excellent idea.

Submission ID	<u>POS21-72</u>
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	<p>I strongly support the Council's five goals, and commend all involved with working through the processes to reach this point.</p> <p>As a resident of Ngaumutawa, I am particularly interested in Panama Park which is designated as 'underdeveloped land' and not part of this process.</p>

Submission ID	POS21-3
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	<p>I feel you could go one step further and not just provide the parks and sporting fields for people to use, it would be great to see an adult version of a play ground, with fitness equipment that people could use. This can be just bars which people can use their own body weight with, as I feel that things may go missing if they are not concreted in! However I would really like to stand corrected!</p> <p>Outdoor fitness activities run by a council or community group would be fantastic too!</p>
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - Comments - Comments.	<p>I can't comment on this as the link to the Draft Park and Open Spaces Strategy is missing from this question. Please email it to me so I can comment.</p> <p>Thank you</p>
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	<p>I feel you could go one step further and not just provide the parks and sporting fields for people to use, it would be great to see an adult version of a play ground, with fitness equipment that people could use. This can be just bars which people can use their own body weight with, as I feel that things may go missing if they are not concreted in! However I would really like to stand corrected!</p> <p>Outdoor fitness activities run by a council or community group would be fantastic too!</p>

Submission ID	POS21-67
Goal 1 Comments.	See p4.
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - Comments - Comments.	See p4.
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	See p4.
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - Comments - Comments.	See p4.
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - Comments - Comments.	See below.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - Comments - Comments.	<p>A strategic plan should develop from first principles. These are absent in the plan as proposed.</p> <p>To base a plan on "open" spaces is a preconception. Public space includes "open" space, "closed" space and "transition" space whereas open space alone is prairie planning, in effect planning devoid of spatial quality.</p> <p>I suggest an alternative three point approach:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Preserve and enhance public space. 2) Define public space as including streets and buildings. 3) Implementation first requires spatial analysis of existing public space, including open, closed and transition spaces, and how they relate to each other. An example of "closed" public space is QEII Park, now "open" public space. If Council cannot tell the difference then (3) above applies. <p>Council should seek to employ a town planner or urban designer versed in spatial form and who is able to use spatial language as a design tool, that is, to work with Council to develop a clear conceptual plan which reconciles residents with their town environment.</p>

Submission ID	<u>POS21-22</u>
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	I hope your survey is going to ask what facilities communities would like to see in their neighborhoods
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Please consider residential growth . For example we live in a new subdivision on the west side. As you know there are huge numbers of houses being built on the west side yet we do not appear to have any new council recreational facilities planned.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	Off lead animal exercising areas that are accessible. See priority 1. West side light

Submission ID	POS21-28
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Better accessibility via improved facilities e.g. accessible toilets, even pathways, signage.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	More covered picnic areas with accessible seating.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	Maps of the park at the main entrances so that visitors can see the extent of the park and facilities.

Submission ID	POS21-54
Goal 1:	Disagree
Goal 1 Comments.	I do not entirely agree. I would not like to see a minority dictating access to any parks or recreation land
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - Comments - Comments.	Obviously very desirable to provide health enhancing open spaces and parks for everyone to use and enjoy
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	<p>Accessability is vitally important.</p> <p>Henley Lake is a good example in having two car parks and enabling less mobile and elderly residents easy access to the facility.</p>
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - Comments - Comments.	<p>Little details like attaching nameplates describing tree species are appreciated by many people</p> <p>The Victoria Gardens in Palmerston North is a good example of this and could be followed, at little expense, in the Masterton Park</p>
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly disagree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Neutral
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - Comments - Comments.	<p>I have read the draft plan and unless I am blinder than I perceive there is no mention of recreational fishing in any rivers</p> <p>Lots of mention of maori interests but the freshwater fishermen/fisherwomen don't get a mention.</p> <p>Seeing as the council has walkways alongside parts of the waipoua and rumahanga rivers surely there could be some provision of access information. It appears to be left up to Fish and Game NZ who are based in Palmerston North for this area so do not have the local knowledge that the council here can provide.</p>
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Ensure free access to ALL public land at all times
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	Consider the interests of group such as freshwater fishing enthusiasts
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	<p>Upgrade the gardens in the main park with better information about the tree species and a rebuild of the fern house therein.</p> <p>Perhaps the Victoria Park at Palmerston North could be used as a model</p> <p>The magnificent displays there attract visitors from far and wide</p>

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Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree

Submission ID	POS21-47
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	1. Predicted population numbers.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	2. Aging population
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	3. Accessible transport options along recreation corridors and linkages

Submission ID	POS21-38
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 1 Comments.	I only support active partnerships if they are quick, effective and result in developments (eg. parks) occurring in shorter timeframes than one year. Partnerships need to be appropriately resourced to function effectively.
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - Comments - Comments.	<p>Masterton is in a unique location with access to the Tararuas. We should be part of a bird corridor for our native species to and from the Tararua Regional Park.</p> <p>Our town should be aiming for open spaces trees to give its residents and native fauna a good quality of life. Currently if you live on the west side of town park areas and accessible reserves with trees are minimal. This is poor planning considering the large number of housing developments underway and planned.</p>
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	More parks and trees on the periphery of town are needed, especially towards the Tararuas that are within safe walking / cycling distances for residents.
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Neutral
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - Comments - Comments.	This is secondary to getting the spaces first!
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - Comments - Comments.	This strategy seems very high level and conceptual. We would like to see more definite plans for parks and reserves where population increases are occurring or projected, e.g. Upper Plain
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Plans for parks and reserves within walking cycling for most areas in the town, e.g. Upper Plain.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	Short-term timeframes for these developments e.g. less than three years.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	More native trees in parks and reserves, but also as median strips in wide roads (e.g. Upper Plain) to slow traffic.

Submission ID	POS21-34
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Walkways, cycle trails, bridle paths, adventure playgrounds to encourage people to actively use the parks

Submission ID	POS21-42
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	<p>Increase the number of Masterton people who use active transportation as there is no greater advertisement for a healthy community than seeing its population walking or cycling for both recreation and as a means of transport.</p> <p>Masterton is ideally suited to cycling - flat land, relatively short distances, and low income populations. Yet it is poorly set up to support cycling as a mode of transportation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a dedicated cycle ways that link schools and communities to the town centre. - secure means for train users storing expensive bikes at railway stations. - cross town links for existing cycle ways
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	<p>A whole of Masterton approach to establishing active networks as walk and cycle ways are predominantly on the northern side of the town.</p> <p>South Masterton residents have to drive to these facilities. Little use is made of the Waingawa Riverway, perimeters of the Drag Strip and Airfield, and links back to the town centre.</p>

Submission ID	POS21-66
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	<p>What follows are more specific thoughts in addition to feedback already submitted about the strategy.</p> <p>With specific reference to Solway recreational and ecological link:</p> <p>The Solway Nature reserve (Solway Bush) is an important representative biological area on the Wairarapa Plains (particularly because of its location in Masterton). Additional small other and adjacent sites add to its landscape interest and value as an area of biodiversity. These bush areas are believed to be included in DOC's extensive report on the Wairarapa Ecological District as an RAP (Recommended Site for Protection) <i>Wairarapa Plains Ecological District Survey report for the Protected Natural Areas Programme January 2000</i></p> <p>Appendix 7: Other areas of biological importance in the Wairarapa Plains Ecological District</p> <p>The following sites were inspected as part of the PNAP survey but were not classified as Recommended Areas for Protection because they are not the largest or best examples of inadequately protected indigenous vegetation in the district. However, they may be considered significant and worthy of protection for other reasons. For example, they may become the best example if an RAP is destroyed. In addition, these sites may support populations of rare or threatened species of plant or animal. It may be impossible to secure legal or physical protection for RAPs and therefore the second best site (a site ranked as "High") may become the priority area for conservation. The Department of Conservation holds information about the biological importance of the following sites (see for example Sawyer et al. 1997 and Perfect & Beadel 1998). The relative importance of these sites has been determined such that they fall into three priority groups for protection: High; Moderate-High; and Moderate. These sites were ranked mainly using field assessments carried out in 1996 so their current status must be regarded as tentative. Four sites (numbers 0229, 0619, 0806a and 0903) were inspected during the 1998 field survey because it was thought they may have been worthy of RAP status.</p> <p>This is the site the passage from the report refers to:</p> <p>SOLWAY REMNANTS A Site No: WP0709A Grid Ref: T26 312245 Source: Sawyer et al. 1997 Area: 3 ha Bioclimatic Zone: Semi-coastal – lowland Altitude: 120 m Other Landform: Land System: Alluvial plain Principal Landform: Plain Site Description: Forest on plain. Vegetation Type: Forest. Dominant species: <i>Dacrycarpus dacrydioides</i>.</p> <p>Generally known as and referred to in the Draft (pg44)</p>

*Pragnall St /Solway Bush

*Pragnall St/Solway Bush extension

*William Donald Reserve

*Section William Donald Drive

[*Solway Showgrounds]

Giving these Bush areas protected status and realising their historical and ecological value align with the priorities of the MDC in the draft Strategy.

Solway Bush

We, the submitters are locals, have lived adjacent to the Solway Bush for 12 years and have valued it as an ecological and recreational site throughout this time. Ministry of Justice Probation teams until the last two or three years regularly maintained the boardwalks, cut back long grass, sprayed invasive weeds and lay limestone pathways. There was no public access to the Bush Reserve, but informal access was gained through Cophorne Hotel complex and from Philip St. This meant that the Reserve was a very popular area for walkers and for dog exercising.

More recently, a limestone path was made and a stile was erected at the William Donald Drive end of the Bush. This now seemed to be the approved access to the Reserve although we never really knew as there was no signage. We are not sure if the local neighbourhood was consulted or asked for involvement in these developments but the stile access was completely unsuitable for aging walkers particularly for example from the nearby Holdsworth Villas. So the fence along the stile was cut and people were able to access the reserve easily once again. Possibly like other locals, we felt that the Bush was property of the MDC and therefore, theirs to make decisions about and carry out subsequent maintenance programmes. Collaboration and cooperation seemed to be non-existent.

However, in the past two-three years the maintenance of the Bush seems to have been halted and almost no maintenance has occurred except in response to urgent requests from locals. The stile has now been removed.

During Level 4 Lockdown in 2020 we saw an increased use of the Solway Bush Reserve, by people who, living and now, exercising locally, had never known of its existence. Some of these people were from the new housing development areas around Solway Crescent. People saw it as a wonderful asset to the town and South Solway area. However, the boardwalk has become increasingly dangerous, with broken boards and netting (the wood no longer seems to meet current standards) and overgrown with vegetation in some areas.

The natural outer pathways have become overgrown with long grass and weeds. Trees and branches have fallen in storms both within the bush and over the pathways. Some locals, including ourselves, have cleared pathways and trimmed back and sprayed encroaching weeds.

In discussion with users of this Bush, we are dismayed that the very minimum of maintenance work is being carried out and that there is very little positive engagement with MDC staff. Budget constraints are obviously a factor.

We have a high interest in forming a local community group to work with the MDC and other stakeholders to maintain this important ecological and historical area, to assist in clearing windfall debris, pest tree and weed species, to restore and replant the bush edges as a bird habitat and other tasks necessary to enhance the value of the Bush. However, a financial commitment is also required to carry out more comprehensive projects.

So, we value the opportunity that the Draft Strategy is providing to set up a plan to recognise, develop, protect and maintain the value of these indigenous vegetation areas and the possibility of establishing a linkage with other areas mentioned in the Draft.

Draft Strategy Alignment with Submission

1. DISTRICT GROWTH TRENDS
2. Key urban demographic trends impacting on way parks and open spaces are provided and managed in the future: (pg 5-6 Draft)
 - Steady population growth to 2040.
 - Estimated 4,892 additional residents by 2051.
 - Aging population growth with over 65 years age group projected to grow by 75% between 2019 and 2051.
 - Strong growth in number of households.
 - Maori population projected to grow significantly over the next 20 years and increasing number of people who identify as Maori.
 - Increase in Asian and Pacific peoples by 2038.

Submission Alignment: While Solway South is expected to have only a moderate population growth (363) between 2019 and 2051, an increase in recreational and exercise areas are necessary immediately particularly with the current proliferation of subdivisions which are attracting an older age group in this suburb (The Barracks, Solway Country Estate and Solway Crescent).

2. MDC recognises from other council strategies that the parks and open spaces network needs to provide for its diverse populations and address

changing need through consideration of, for example:

- accessibility needs of those with disabilities
- providing a range of opportunities to meet older people's recreation needs
- providing safe and accessible transport options along recreation corridors and linkages , and
- providing opportunities for rangatahi to engage with nature, be physically active and learn about the environment. (Draft pg 6)

Submission Alignment: As the Draft goes on to state, "with our aging population,.....there will be an increasing demand for informal recreation, access to quality neighbourhood park spaces and a safe and accessible walking and cycling network". Wheelchair suitable boardwalks and paths will be priorities for the Solway Bush and William Donald Drive reserves.

1. PURPOSE OF PARKS AND OPEN SPACES STRATEGY (Draft pg 6)
2. *To engage with our community and iwi partners to understand and evaluate our parks and open space network.*
3. *To align our network with Council's strategic outcomes*
4. *To set clear directions and develop a sound planning framework for the next ten years*
5. *To develop an affordable and effective prioritised action plan every three years to align with the Long-Term Plan*

Submission Alignment: local community and local iwi engagement is prioritised and clear directions and planning established and monitored.

1. STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

Draft statement: *"The community outcomes are also the vision statements in the MDC's Wellbeing Strategy..."*

Community Outcomes:

- An Engaged and Empowered Community - Masterton/Whakaoriori is a positive, strong, inclusive and self-determining community with equitable opportunities for everyone.
- Pride in our Identity and Heritage - Masterton/Whakaoriori values the place and role of tangata whenua and is proud of our cultural identity and heritage.
- A Sustainable and Healthy Environment- Masterton/Whakaoriori has rivers we can swim in and drink from, clean air to breathe, green and blue spaces that we can enjoy and share with future generations.

- A Thriving and Resilient Economy - Masterton/Whakaoriori has a strong, sustainable economy that supports our people and places.
- Efficient and Effective Infrastructure - Masterton/Whakaoriori has high quality and cost-effective infrastructure that meets the current and future needs of our community.

Submission Alignment: The community in the area around Solway Bush and William Donald Reserve are have demonstrated by their willingness to maintain the reserves as they are financially and physically able that they are “positive, strong, inclusive and self-determining’ and willing to secure and develop these areas with purpose and commitment.

We are very proud that we have at our backdoor, a taonga that is part of the few Masterton urban remnants of the original and, along with the Solway Showgrounds, is of ‘high ecological value because so little of this type of forest remains in New Zealand and which covered the lower North Island’ . (ref.NZ Herald, 13 Dec, 2005 “Solway Bush Gains Legal Protection”)

The Solway Bush Reserve and the adjoining William Donald Reserve and Solway Showgrounds contribute considerably to the cleanness of the air we breathe and the green spaces that we can enjoy and share with future generations.

We recommend the following:

1. That the proper status as a highly valued ecological reserve be recognised (just as the A&P reserve is protected in perpetuity. <https://www.nzherald.co.nz/nz/solway-bush-gains-legal-protection/RRF73DIZSBT3J2G4M4B44CGQAE/>)
2. That full consultation with DOC on its value and management is undertaken and that an ecologist’s report is written, listing all the species and forest structures and soil types etc., in order to accurately record the Bush population.
3. That a comprehensive management plan be written for controlling the pest trees and other weeds (non-native) in conjunction with local volunteers. We suggest the Bush be divided into sectors with work carried out on different sectors each year.
4. That a structures, paths, boundary fences map be made.
5. That the current dangerous and substandard wooden boardwalk to be renewed and maintained regularly. As the new subdivisions are populated (particularly The Barracks and Solway Country Estate and the Solway Crescent area) there will be an increasing demand on this local recreational area). The Boardwalk and path areas are essential to clearly define safe walking areas for the protection of the Bush.

6. That a stream and wetland plan be prepared, identifying lower lying parts of the Bush and streams (wet and dry season) with the objective of restoring open stream beds with native vegetation.
7. An entrance to the Bush from Pragnall St to be installed, with car parks and signage and the current entrance from the end of William Donald Drive be enhanced with signage, thus providing an awareness of the existence of this important urban recreational site.
8. That the name be changed from Solway Bush to Solway Reserve.
9. That at key points, individual signs, identifying key specimen trees (ie kahikatea, tawa etc) for public education be installed, as well as large information boards explaining the historical, ecological and geographical structure, features and significance of the Bush.
10. That a community management group including MDC representatives and staff be set up (with regular community newsletters and newspaper reports to be produced thus encouraging community awareness, involvement and education)
11. That all historical records be made easily accessible to individuals and public interest groups.
12. That a replanting plan be established with the provision of seedlings to cover edge areas. These to be raised in designated nursery areas for ecologically appropriate species.

In preparation for this submission, we spent two hours walking through the Solway Bush with the following tree specialist:

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We have also sought input and interest from ██████████
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([REDACTED], [REDACTED]) and local residents in order to gain greater knowledge and understanding of matters such as ownership, history, current maintenance, ecology, hydrology, recreational needs.

SECTION TWO

In the draft Strategy (pg31), the MDC recognises the potential for a linking of sites in this area

In addition, encouraging native plant regeneration and identifying carbon sequestration opportunities, however small, as part of the council's parks and open spaces management can also help address climate change issues. Ecological and recreation corridors have an important role in enhancing the districts biodiversity as do the small remaining pockets of indigenous vegetation such as Garlands Bush and Kirk Reserve (urban area). Connecting with tree planting along road corridors and streams will also further enhance urban biodiversity. Working closely with mana whenua will also be important in improving the networks indigenous biodiversity.

Extract from Draft pg 21-2 Comment on Parks and Open Spaces Provision

There is potential opportunity to extend recreation and ecological linkages in (PragnellSt/Solway Bush/William Donald Drive) through a partnership with the A&P Society, links to Millenium reserve (Mstn Trust Lands Trust), extending to Council land on corner of Pownall St and Michael St.

Low provision of parks space and recreation and ecological linkages in Solway South indicates a need to investigate opportunities for additional neighbourhood park space and connectivity linkages in this location.

Submission ID	POS21-46
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 1 Comments.	<p>It is essential to recognise partnership with manu whenua so that the true history of the land can be told. The Kaikoura Restoration is an excellent example of a natural incorporation of manu whenua history and present expression of tikanga. As you drive down that Coast the stopping points are exceptionally well planned and laid out with tasteful and artistically designed cultural information speaking to the public.</p> <p>The strategy outlines many issues that need to be thoroughly and correctly incorporated into the natural landscape of our open spaces and parks.</p> <p>Thorough investigation and reports need to be provided by regional and Government authorities related to sports areas, general open spaces, recreational trails nad playgrounds. These all need to be included in a planned Network. It will require much consultation with the Community Schools and private providers need to be included and there must be an openness by them to become part of this Network. We must plan andwork together for the benefit of the entire community especially as the popuation increases and needs change.</p>
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - Comments - Comments.	<p>The small remnants of original bush, urban projects such at the Millenium Reserve, undeveloped MDC land must all be protected and enhanced by careful maintenance, water resource protection and ongoing monitoring for increased biodiversity, educational pursuits and recreation. The priority must be indigenous biodiversity. Residentsin all areas of the town must be included in plannign and upkeep of these precious resources. There is much potential particularly in the South Solway area for an ecological and recreational corridor.</p> <p>The corridor naturally exists as follows:</p> <p>From:</p> <p>Solway Primary School</p> <p>donated access through an Edwin Feist Place commercial property</p> <p>to William Donald Drive Reserve where a pathway and signage will provide historical and ecological information to the public.</p> <p>Walkway along planted east side of WD Drive MDC link</p> <p>to signed entrance to Solway Bush with upgraded, accessible boardwalks and pathways</p> <p>exiting at Solway Bush/Pragnall St extension</p>

	<p>along Pragnall St to Solway Showgrounds Bshuh which will have accessible pathways and educational/recreational opportunities proved by collaborating groups</p> <p>Pathway through to York St</p> <p>Walk to Millenium Reserve</p> <p>The connection with surrounding local schools can be encouraged. This corridor and opportunity needs serious immediate committment as the need to these areas to be opened up and maintained safely.</p>
<p>Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?</p>	<p>Strongly agree</p>
<p>Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.</p>	<p>I can't stress more highly the need for a quality parks and open spaces networkthat offers choice, is accessible and meets community needs.</p> <p>The buffer plan shows clearly the lack of spaces in the Masterton East area.</p> <p>There is only one dog exercise area currently mentioned in the Values Plan. There needs to be a priority placed on developing undeveloped areas for such exercise areas. Think of Sparks Park in Carterton. That park is not exclusively a dog exercise area but it has been carefully and willingly delevoped to where it is a much used area that seems to be very well cared for with good fencing and is becoming a much loved place for exciting and friendly recreational activity that includes dogs. This is an essential and definitely provides a healthy play area for people and dogs. There is no such place in Masterton except for the Waipoua River area but that is not always possible to use because of flooding and inaccessibility. Christchurch has plenty of ladnd for such recreational spaces but they have also made it a priority to provide these well-planned areas that meet community needs.</p> <p>Schools have excellent play areas and openspaces and there is a need for them to be safely opened up for more public use. We are never really sure if we should be going into some of the chools and yet they are perfect for out of school use.</p> <p>There needs to be be investigation by experts with the community, into other towns' use of these areas, how they are developed and maintained. Beyond that even, to what happens in other countries.</p> <p>Some of the very small play areas in Masterton are never visited because of aging play equipment, boring activities and are often on quite bare areas of land. Trees, shade, picnic areas, seating, activities for different age groups, safely fenced areas are all needed. Carterton Park is an excellent example where the Council has carefully though of placement, variety, space and needs. Featherston has done well, too.</p>
<p>Goal 4: A Strong Identity - Comments - Comments.</p>	<p>So important for our heritage to be celebrated. Queen Elizabeth Park has a little evidence of heritage and information but there</p>

	<p>needs to be a network approach gathering up the history of our town and making it exciting to engage with. Again the Kaikoura Redevelopment is an example of the value placed on recording and celebrating history that is engaging, practical and artistic.</p> <p>Our small indigenous bush remnants are perfect examples where a huge push needs to be made to celebrate our unique character. These bush areas need legal protection and have immense civic value placed on them as they are specimens of a heritage that is slowly disappearing. With climate change they are essential, as bird habitat they are crucial, as recreational areas they are indispensable for healthy citizens and they are vital for the retention of special character knowledge particularly as providers of traditional Maori medicines and pursuits.</p> <p>We and our future generations need these spaces to be genuinely valued and have plenty of financial resources invested in them for this town to wholeheartedly reach beyond mere commercial values to lasting spiritual and healthy foundations.</p>
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - Comments - Comments.	<p>The very existence of some spaces need to be made publicly known. Not even some of the MDC staff know of the existence of the Solway Bush! They need to lead the way in valuing our open spaces and parks. Some of the activities by the MDC are reactionary and often harmful to the environment. eg "bare minimum" repairs and basic financial input.</p> <p>In-depth analysis by collaborating experts willing to be open to other specialist fields. eg ecology, hydrology, physical wellbeing, structural planning etc, etc and reporting and adequate financing need to be absolute priorities to GET THINGS RIGHT.</p>
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - Comments - Comments.	Please, can it be done sooner than later with very open collaboration with the community and willingness to engage.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Thorough investigation and expert consultation and reports on all areas as referred to above in Goal 5. We need more input from neighbourhoods and locals.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	Someone impartial, suitable and well qualified to lead the Action Plan process. Someone who engages well with the public, can communicate effectively with all sectors and age groups and reports back frequently with transparency and adaptability.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	<p>There needs to be a full consideration of financial expenditure of all areas of an Action Plan that will see the Plan through to the end and with on-going development and input.</p> <p>Full consideration in seeking government and specific funding as well as utilising the skills, energy and commitment provided by local people.</p>

Submission ID	POS21-9
Goal 1:	Don't know
Goal 1 Comments.	I find it interesting that mana whenua is mentioned on its own in the first sentence then the rest in the second sentence. I trust that all needs are addressed equally.
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - Comments - Comments.	<p>One of the reasons we moved from the city to Wairarapa 12 years ago was for big open spaces that enabled our four sons to grow up with plenty of opportunity to be active with sport and activities without having to be bundled into a car and taken somewhere; or for there to be safety issues because spaces are tucked out of sight and its simply not safe to leave kids to play on their own. Masterton has delivered on this really well for our children. I feel though that Covid lockdown showed we're a bit more limited with options for off-street walking as adults (unless driving to Lake Henley and then enjoying that fabulous environment).</p> <p>Also I wouldn't want to see 'sustainable environments' meaning that all exotic trees get replaced by natives. We need both because the variety is stunning. We've seen Tui absolutely thriving in our blue gum so I no longer share a narrow focus on natives at the expense of diversity.</p>
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	Personally our local parks and reserves have become a sanctuary as I've got older and returned to working from home; and therefore needed to get out and walk and breathe and enjoy our space. I've traditionally thought about such spaces for our kids as a priority but now believe these spaces are just as critical for us from a mental wellness angle too.
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	1. Ensure Lake Henley is preserved as a critical space combining moving water and a variety of open and planted spaces; with a mix of planting. This area was a sanity saver when I left corporate life and needed space to run and walk safely and often; and it was fabulous during lockdown.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	2. Please consider turning the Waipoua river walkway into something special that serves as a big loop connecting not just into Queen Elizabeth Park and Cameron Road but also being developed and well maintained on the North-West side. We used this regularly during lockdown but it felt too unsafe at times for me to walk it on my own. Near the North-West end there are fences and hidden areas behind industrial sites that would be spooky for young kids

	<p>and single females to use at certain times of the day. The river itself is gorgeous and it feels like a wasted opportunity for walkers, runners and pushbikers.</p>
<p>Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:</p>	<p>Could some of the MIS and Wairarapa College land that appears to have little used be opened up for the public to use for picnics or casual recreation? There's a shortage of public open space on the West side of town (other than the relatively small Douglas Park) and it'd be nice to have a spot where you can walk and then sit and enjoy looking over water (especially with family members) or play a game of rounders or bats-down with family members.</p>

Submission ID	POS21-58
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	<p>Thank you for the opportunity to write a submission on the Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy</p> <p>My submission focuses on the Ben lorns Reserve, Category Suburb, Neighbourhood Ngaumutawa</p> <p>Specifically, in the Draft Plan, there is a strong focus and recognition of Climate Change, Loss of Biodiversity , Tangata Whenua manaakitanga and matauranga.</p> <p>Early this century a Rimu was planted by Ngati Kahungunu Ki Wairarapa representatives in the Ben lorns Reserve to commemorate their Rangatira, Te Retimana Te Korou of Kaikokirikiri, the co- founder of Masterton.</p> <p>The Commission for Climate Change,in it's report, regards areas of indigenous forest as essential in the sequestration of Carbon.</p> <p>In this age of extreme weather events, we have to take every opportunity to reduce Carbon emissions to 1.5 degrees C by 2050 and contribute to the global effort.</p> <p>The Ben lorns Reserve is a flourishing area, representative of earlier times, of native forest. It is part of connecting bird corridors in our area and thus important to our native bird species.</p> <p>The Ben lorns Reserve is a remnant of original native forest. It has regeneration of species e.g. Titoki, throughout, from the original Titoki, still standing ; there is a rare narrow leafed Maire, now flourishing in the shelter now provided.</p> <p>_____, a local Botanist, should be contacted to register a survey of the native tree species in the reserve.</p> <p>email address - _____@hotmail.com</p> <p>My submission,I believe, will cut costs to minimal for the Masterton District Council.</p> <p>In my submission,I wish to promote the idea of the Reserve being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> / a native tree focus with all the dead trees, junk and other debris being removed / the establishment of walking tracks through the Reserve which are roped off to encourage people to stay on the tracks / all present regeneration- seedlings and saplings, should be left alone , along with all native trees on site / possibly, other local native trees could be introduced

/ species descriptions could be added so there is an educational component

/ the grass is not to be cut in the roped off areas as this promotes biodiversity and reduces maintenance costs

I wish to speak to my submission.

Submission ID	POS21-64
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 1 Comments.	Your working with mana whenua so poorly that you still haven't completed essential maintenance work on the Peace monument. Perhaps the 3rd attempt may complete the job? Rusting steel work is indicative of an inferred insult to the subject. This is yet another example of grossly inadequate parks admin. Whose public relationships urgently need improvement by the appointment of a well-mannered pleasant, personally secure, professional well qualified person. Ignorance, arrogance and dominance are NOT acceptable methods of interacting with the citizens in tears are unhappy people! and staff simply move on.
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - Comments - Comments.	This section is pointless - how could anyone desire an unsustainable and unhealthy open space? It appears designed to make someone feel good by agreement. Your use of the term resilient is both inappropriate and somewhat vexatious and i fear just a little fashionable. The enhancement of biodiversity in the district is interesting - it is in many instances a monocultural biota that doesn't diversify anything much. A serious diversification of exotic plant species is indeed something Council could take in hand - the sooner the better for obvious reasons.
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	I have already commented at some length re: accessibility and Council in its somewhat traditional approach has done little about these issues presumably approx 20% of the population is of little significance. A disgraceful situation. MDC could if it wished develop the most accessible/ under friendly town in NZ. With an aging population plus increasing levels of degeneration diseases of environmental origins such a move at this stage could be an excellent investment. These opportunities desired for play, learning etc. would seem to be inconsistent with some of the existing facilities maintained at considerable cost and some of the towns most popular and iconic removed at considerable cost.
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - Comments - Comments.	We are not to rest in the existing laurels - which are excellent but moving forward with both planning and ACTION is somewhat overdue. E.g. Further planting of 'heritage trees' (of further species for future generations) Also the infamous leaking lake the stinking Henley Lake, the rusty Peace Monument and Cr Petersons proposed parks etc. Are these sort of personal issues the character that our parks deserve. The smaller open spaces are by large characterises But there lies the great opportunity to do something RADICAL about it. Character is knocking on the door! There are a number of aspects of this town's identity that could best be traded in for models. A lot of this is assorted with long term ribbon development.
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - Comments - Comments.	The legal protection is essential and satisfactory with the exception that from time to time irrevocable changes, by some staff who are

	<p>very clearly not adequately training in those processes. This simply makes a clear mockery of 'best practice' obligations you could be liable for legal action under the act. The recreation Services contracted does not have this problem. (see below) but the Parks admin decision makers certainly do. The 'network' issue has a number of obvious problems, but there are a number of innovative solutions too. The matter of 'good access' is addressed by rather more than the 'network' structure and you are already well aware of this.</p>
<p>Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?</p>	<p>Strongly agree</p>
<p>Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - Comments - Comments.</p>	<p>With the proviso of ACTION rather than talk.</p> <p>A very noticeable positive development in recent times has been the huge improvements in maintenance standards especially in QE Park. The contractor appears to have his team upskilled, talking less and doing more. (and very well) The cultural contactors-inadequate! On the other hand, this whole document clearly illustrates a lack of rational in planning . Without the former the planning process crumbles in a heap of confusion. Exactly what continues now.</p>
<p>Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:</p>	<p>(This section is noticeably comfortably restrictive for the MDC!)</p> <p>TOTAL compliance with the accessibility issues and safety issues of the disabled persons community welfare act.</p>
<p>Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:</p>	<p>Long-Term resource planning re: space expansions - eg. Cr Petersons proposal for upper Solway area park etc..</p>
<p>Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:</p>	<p>Additional facilities of an innovative and tourist attracting nature within both existing and future spaces.</p> <p>REMEMBER 'Conformity leads to metrocity'</p> <p>Kristauri</p>

Submission ID	<u>POS21-18</u>
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly agree

Submission ID	POS21-21
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	<p>Having a range of quality sports fields is integral to enabling all those in the community to participate at some level.</p> <p>Important to provide some green space where people with disability can also active nature. Wheel chair access is not always easy but some of the parks like Henley lake etc. Certainly meet this and the chain of walkways linking around Opaki/Landsdown and through to QE2 Park</p>
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Neutral
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Don't know
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - Comments - Comments.	Link not active

Submission ID	<u>POS21-11</u>
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Feeling safe. I have recently stopped walking in the outskirts of Henly Lake because I have heard that it is not safe to walk alone there as man was seen 'mooning' there!

Submission ID	POS21-70
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	<p>This draft strategy is nothing but waffle. It doesn't actually say anything constructive.</p> <p>Focus more on what is important to the ratepayers.</p>
Submission ID	POS21-71

Submission ID	POS21-52
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 1 Comments.	It is important that not only <i>mana whenua</i> are consulted and considered a partner, but also the descendants of the pioneers and settlers who worked hard to provide the town we have today, remembering that our history is a fabric knit with the hard work of the native people and the pioneers.
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - Comments - Comments.	<p>Masterton District Council (and the Wairarapa councils as a collective group) need far far better water management before they can consider they are <i>providing healthy and resilient parks and open spaces that support and enhance our District's biodiversity and natural heritage.</i></p> <p>Water management needs to be a main priority, otherwise all is wasted money.</p> <p>We are blessed with abundant rainfall in the district and this is a fact that has been so since humans have lived in the Wairarapa valley. Why then do we let it all run back out to sea, and then wring our hands and complain when the river levels drop in mid summer. This is an easy fix team! Lets get some action happening! Work together for the good of our community please!</p>
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	It is dissappointing to see the lack of menton of the families and youth in the MDC Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy . I would like to suggest the most important point to promote healthy people is a healthy family unit. Parks and open spaces have a huge impact on this - you only have to have a look at the main users of the parks and open spaces we have currently to see who the main users are. Families are the backbone of our society and having a great network of parks and trials which promote family time needs to be supported and actively encouraged. Without a strong sense of family our region and society will be soon lost.
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Neutral
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - Comments - Comments.	<p>From observation, the main users of public spaces are families. While it may be important in planning for the town council (in their mind) to acknowledge the heritage trees, special places etc, I think it would be better for them to acknowledge the people they serve and more importantly the families who use these spaces.</p> <p>I would like to suggest the most important partner for the region's parks and open spaces is the region's Families - Families are the backbone of our society and having a great network of parks and trials which promote family time needs to be supported and actively encouraged. Without a strong sense of family our region and society will be soon lost.</p>
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree

<p>Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - Comments - Comments.</p>	<p>Fully support the network of trails which connect all the parks and open spaces, and this great work needs to be continued and supported with a good maintenance programme.</p>
<p>Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?</p>	<p>Strongly agree</p>
<p>Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - Comments - Comments.</p>	<p>Strongly support the planning what is going into this, and look forward to seeing some action. Dissatisfied in the lack of inclusion of any mention of Families in the draft strategy and look forward to more to involve families and especially youth in the final strategy.</p>
<p>Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:</p>	<p>Water management.</p> <p>We are blessed with abundant rainfall in the district and this is a fact that has been so since humans have lived in the Wairarapa valley. Why then do we let it all run back out to sea, and then wring our hands and complain when the river levels drop in mid summer.</p> <p>SUCCESSIVE COUNCILS HAVE KICKED THE CAN DOWN THE ROAD. LETS TAKE ACTION NOW AND FIX THE WATER ISSUE FOR MY CHILDREN AND YOUR GRANDCHILDREN.</p>
<p>Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:</p>	<p>Involve youth, young parents and children in the town planning to build a park and open space network which is user friendly and attractive to young families. But remember, nothing of this is possible without proper water management.</p>
<p>Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:</p>	<p>Economic sustainability. Make sure council spaces (like Hood Aerodrome) are used to their full capacity to support positive economic activity to ensure the region is set up for future generations. But none of this is possible without proper water management.</p>

Submission ID	POS21-29
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 1 Comments.	The land cannot be owned, but its stewardship was taken (illegally and unethically) by the Crown a long time ago...the least we can do now - and in respect of the Treaty signed by Crown in 1840 - is treat Mana Whenua as a Key Player in decision making for the lands which house and provide for many whānau Māori here in Wairarapa.
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - Comments - Comments.	All spaces need to be treated with respect - any plan of creating 'recreation' or other (similar) must consider environmental impacts and must be sustainable for future generations
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - Comments - Comments.	This depends on what the council would define as 'heritage tree' i.e. our native flora and fauna or 'introduced species from the colonial era? I think this is an opportunity to discuss these matters and look at options of bringing back more of our native bush and birdlife to the CBD
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Neutral
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - Comments - Comments.	it would be great to have access to the work plan and to be invited to provide feedback (from the public) every ten-years when this work plan will be reviewed.

Submission ID	POS21-12
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	<p>Goal 1 .. There should be a very strong partnership between the Masterton A& P Ass . Re : The Solway Showgrounds and the MDC</p> <p>I see the partnership with the MDC helping with the maintenance of the Historic Buildings on the sight and in so doing keeping our heretage going forth for future generations.</p>
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	<p>Goal 2 . The Solway Showgronds contains some of the original native forest which can be used for education purposes. The MDC should help with on going maintenance of this out standing piece of bush.</p>
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	<p>GOALS 3& 4. Solway Showgrounds are currently used by equine sports, Dressage, Showjumping and the accasional school cross country races.Vintage car and mtorcycle events The Balloon festival and some one off events. Currently being used as a Motor home parking area.</p> <p>Their is certainly scope to make this facility into a Major Event Centre with 20 Hectares available for all sorts of activities. Even a Major Stadium could be built their for cultural events, concerts, indoor sports of all kinds , The list goes on.</p> <p>The biggest plus that I see is the available secure Parking Space for future events compered to any where else in Masterton</p> <p>A prime example of this is the A& P Ass Facilities in Palmerston North and Fielding now being part of the whole district event scene which is a huge asset to there District bringing in thousands of dollars to their Councils budgets and a major destination for visitors</p> <p>I hope my comments can help the council make informed long term plans for the betterment of our town.</p>

Submission ID	POS21-16
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Don't know
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - Comments - Comments.	There is no link to this document

Submission ID	POS21-60
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 1 Comments.	MDCs first and ultimate responsibility is to the community at large. Provision of facilities must take into account and provide for the aspirations of the community while recognising the custodial role it plays in the management of assets.
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Neutral
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - Comments - Comments.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the promotion of biodiversity priority must be directed toward endemic species located in natural surroundings. Wetland species do not occur in dry land. - The introduction of indigenous species to promote indigenous Juana on specimen plants or for aesthetic purposes is supported. Exotic species are overly dominant.
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	<p>There is a distinct representation and difference between the major facilities and the open spaces in suburban areas. In the latter cases, local communities should be encouraged to become involved in management to promote the inclusion of facilities appropriate for that community's use.</p> <p>The provision of user friendly sport recreation and event facilities along with supporting infrastructure is essential for community welfare and development.</p>
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Neutral
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - Comments - Comments.	Reputations are more telling and are earned by actions.
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - Comments - Comments.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Compliance with statutory obligation is a non-issue. - While networks should be connected there is always room for smaller suburban 'parks' to be operated on a stand alone basis to provide for local identity and needs. - There are substantial difference between; open spaces, sports fields, larger 'want' space, passive family space and children's play areas. - Planned in association with the community, its desires and needs.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Neutral
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - Comments - Comments.	- In my view the Draft is more a statement of policy on objectives upon which strategy then management then action plans are constructed. It lacks fundamental statements of intention as to how the slated concepts may be progressed.

Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	A classification use and management objectives statement for every individual area.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	In smaller suburban parks provide for community participation in management.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	Ensure that community interests and longer tax succession planning are provided for.

Submission ID	POS21-8
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - Comments - Comments.	<p>These need to be active spaces that can be used sustainably by a variety of users. It is important that the health of the water is maintained and protected to provide water based activities and a clean, attractive environment for the community to engage with.</p> <p>I would like to see more active wildlife management at Henley Lake, as the duck excrement on park/picnic tables is revolting and also around the paths. This can be achieved without the need for culls, but perhaps active birdscaring strategies to help keep populations in check.</p>
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - Comments - Comments.	It would be great to see the Queen Elizabeth park space opened up a bit more, especially around the central cafe building (Coco Cafe). This would help encourage patronage of these businesses, making them more sustainable. It also helps to create a safer environment with regard to personal safety. It does not require removing any trees of specific heritage status, but may mean trimming/removing others.
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Clean sustainable environments that offer a wide variety of activities for community engagement and well being.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	Continue to upgrade facilities and open up spaces to allow greater accessibility for ALL.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	Continue to develop a series of limestone tracks to link these areas - creating a fantastic walking/cycling urban and outskirts trail.

Submission ID	<u>POS21-32</u>
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	provide offroad walks suitable for equestrian activities. Many walks/tracks are designed for pedestrians, and cyclists, but are not suitable for horses/ponies to be ridden or driven. Tracks need to be wide enough for horses/ponies to be ridden and driven (in gigs/carriages). These tracks must not have drains or sudden dips on either side of the track as there must be room for sideways movement in case horse is disturbed. Safety is an important issue.

Submission ID	POS21-50
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 1 Comments.	But Council needs to have as a goal written terms of engagement - either contractual or memorandum of understanding not just aspirational standards.
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	In house management of reserves and not contracting out services in a piecemeal way.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	Obtain written contracts or memorandum of understandings incorporating key goal of the Strategy Action Plan with other partners so that there is a consistent uniform approach to management and upkeep of reserves - those partners include and refer to Henley Lake Trust; A & P and MTLT
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	Develop best practice plan for management of reserves so that their is uniformity of approach. Best done in house and not contracting out services.

Submission ID	POS21-53
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	<p>Please prioritise spaces for teenagers and young adults for walking and hanging out.</p> <p>I think Covid-19 has highlighted the need for people to have access to areas of natural beautiful and wonder - trees and birds and water and the sounds of nature - and that having these spaces is important for our mental health. More of these should be planned for so meet the growing needs of the community.</p>
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - Comments - Comments.	We need to ensure there are plenty of green spaces in new developments with beautification planting etc on our newly developed streets. At the moment the Council is not ensuring sufficient green spaces in new developments and this is disappointing.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	<p>We need to ensure there are plenty of green spaces in new developments with beautification planting etc on our newly developed streets. At the moment the Council is not ensuring sufficient green spaces in new developments and this is disappointing.</p> <p>Dogs should be on a leash at all times please. It is horrifying for those who have some fear of dogs to find there are not spaces to walk safely (including on the street) due to uncontrolled dogs, owners not putting dogs on leash.</p>
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	The rivers running through Masterton are glorious - it's a beautiful feature of our town. I would like to see more walkways that showcase the beautiful river. Great work has been done but there are some access problems on the north west side of SH1 where the river path does not travel very far. It would be fantastic to have that pathway extended. There is no more beautiful features than a clean flowing river with birds and trees. We are very lucky.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	<p>It would also be fantastic to try and link Masterton from one end to the other through walkways / dedicated pathways, cycleways. As new developments are created it would be good to have this type of connection in mind.</p> <p>Can you also please ensure that trees and green spaces are preserved where new developments are planned. There isn't an equivalent replacement of trees and bush happening where these are removed for development and replaced with lesser alternatives.</p>

Submission ID	POS21-62
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - Comments - Comments.	Rivers, streams and lakes must be safe for children and animals to play and young people to swim. No pollution.
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	Trees should be well looked after and new native trees planted where possible. Sports Facilities might have trees planted for shade. Safe waterways a must.
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Neutral
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - Comments - Comments.	Undeveloped reserves (pg.11) Grass should not be mowed!! Leave it to grow naturally to give us 100s of beneficial herbs, grasses, feed for cattle. There should be no moving of grass on the edges of roads either.
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - Comments - Comments.	Allow bicycle pathways to connect to 'safe routes to school' and people riding to work on bicycles. parks are safer if people use them. Many parks here are empty.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Parkway connections: To school, towns, sports.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	Unpolluted rivers, lakes, streams. This is so important for families with children.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	Do planned walks for families during holidays.

Submission ID	POS21-30
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly disagree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - Comments - Comments.	There is no link to the strategy to read it? it just says..... [insert link to strategy for online version of feedback form] - <i>Where is this hosted? Can be a supporting document</i>
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Dog walking
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	Spaces for outdoor and community events
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	Space for model aircraft, kites and drone flying.

Submission ID	POS21-56
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 1 Comments.	<i>The Waipoua Catchment Community Group is very supportive of this goal. We would welcome the opportunity to work with collaboratively with MDC in developing an action plan for the Waipoua River Management Area.</i>
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - Comments - Comments.	<i>It is encouraging to see that healthy and sustainable environments are a key goal of this strategy. This goal aligns very well with the values of the Waipoua Catchment Community Group.</i>
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	<i>Parks and open spaces that meet community needs is very important to the Waipoua Catchment Community Group. Having access to rivers and the ability to connect with rivers within Masterton is strongly aligned with the goals of the WCCG. Healthy communities should also include communities that have an adequate level of protection from flooding which we are working on with GWRC and MDC.</i>
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - Comments - Comments.	<i>The value of 'Heritage' celebration helps develop 'well being' ,through a sense of 'Our place'. Our iconic native trees - Kahikatea, Totoro, Mairie, Matai, Manuka/Kanuka, Cabbage tree and Kowhai were dominant in the past and should be reinstated into our parks.</i>
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - Comments - Comments.	<i>A protected, planned, and connected network (particularly along the Waipoua River Management Area) is strongly supported by the Waipoua Catchment Community Group.</i>
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - Comments - Comments.	<i>The development of the Parks and Open Spaces strategy is supported by the Waipoua Catchment Community Group. We are particularly interested in working with MDC in developing the action plan for the Waipoua River Management Area and ensuring that the Waipoua River Plan aligns with the Parks and Open Spaces Action Plan.</i>
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	<i>Working with the Waipoua Catchment Community Group to develop the action plan for the Waipoua River Management Area and ensure alignment with the Waipoua River Plan as many ideas have been floated in our 'community', already that can be explored together.</i>
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	<i>Select possible actions, develop the concepts enough to be able to test the community preferences.</i>

Submission ID	POS21-59
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	More sites are needed in the Shade. Plus the park water needs cleaning. So much rubbish plus duck weed. Mud is built up as I have watched the boats are just about hitting the bottom into the mud. As the park is really looking great just needs a touch up.

Submission ID	<u>POS21-13</u>
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Neutral
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Creating more parks for children. There is an awesome space on solway cres that would be awesome if it had a playground. Please please consider putting one in

Submission ID	<u>POS21-5</u>
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly agree

Submission ID	<u>POS21-10</u>
Goal 1:	Neutral
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Don't know
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Don't know
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	A splash pad
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	Putting in a kids playground in the new Solway subdivision area. There are currently no kids areas here.

Submission ID	POS21-68
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	<p>Thank you for the offer to comment on the draft strategy. I have read it twice and quite frankly it is so short on content and so full of management speak I have nothing to comment on.</p> <p>Yes, we need safe, pleasant open spaces, we need gardens, trees and playgrounds. We need them spread through the town. Our local playground (Lansdowne) has a few pieces of play equipment and some trees, but no gardens and really nowhere for grandparents to sit while they supervise. Seating is important.</p> <p>Unfortunately our playground is largely inhabited by teenagers which my grandchildren find intimidating.</p>

Submission ID	POS21-69
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	<p>Kia ora ,</p> <p>Are we suppose to feedback on this doc or this it. Any way my 2 cents worth is this</p> <p>Is the plan future focused ie: are there enough parks and open spaces to cater for an increase in population expected in the near future for Masterton?page25 1.5.3, page 26 1.5.3.2 and page 27 1.5.3.3</p> <p>Water allocation/Management and Maori – We as Maori want to be able to co-manage and co-monitor fresh water and its allocation with the Council rather than have just a kaitiaki lens over management. Page 28</p> <p>Page 35 Upholding the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi seems to be missing in this part, isn't that a bottom line for Local Govt according to the Minister for Treaty Settlements and Local Govt and Maori Dev</p> <p>Overall, how accessible are the parks, reserves and spaces to those disabled persons?</p> <p>What has the council put in place to ensure this is happening and whats the audit process the Council uses to measure this outcome.</p> <p>What is the State of Council owned facilities like rural halls and toilets, camp sites etc? again accessibility and knowledge of their whereabouts to tourists?</p> <p>Whats the Councils Freedom Camping Policy, who monitors it and what are the consequences</p> <p>Finally safety, who monitors this, where are the reports kept and who ensures maintenance is or safety issues are addressed.</p> <p>I think that's it from me</p> <p>Naku noa na</p>

Submission ID	POS21-4
Goal 1:	Neutral
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Neutral
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Neutral
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Neutral
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Neutral
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Neutral
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Low Cost
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	realistic expectation of use
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	Leash and muzzle for dogs on these grounds

Submission ID	<u>POS21-33</u>
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Agree

Submission ID	<u>POS21-48</u>
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Agree

Submission ID	POS21-45
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly disagree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - Comments - Comments.	I believe that MDC shows NO signs of supporting "Healthy Parks" or open spaces in Masterton NOW and cannot imagine any progress being made on this in the future.
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Disagree
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	For the most part there is very little evidence to me of MDC supporting Healthy People, in this district
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly disagree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - Comments - Comments.	No evidence that anything healthy or bio-diverse, or ecological, or healthy environment is supported NOW.
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly disagree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - Comments - Comments.	No evidence of any positive action NOW.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly disagree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - Comments - Comments.	A Dreamland proposal based on some fantasy that MDC cares or has the will power to implement anything positive for the environment.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Stop spraying with Roundup, hebicides and pesticides and stop your contractors from mowing the earth to dust, especially in summertime.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	Get some effective re-cycling going and provide the rubbish pick-up and re-cycling service to ALL ratepayers especially those RURAL dwellers who pay their rates for very little service.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	Get work gangs cleaning up roadside and waterway litter on a minimum weekly basis, especially in the rural areas all the way out to Castlepoint.

Submission ID	POS21-43
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 1 Comments.	<p>Sporting and event organisers also need to be included to establish any specific requirements in space layout and access.</p> <p>Another group that must be consulted is the mobility impaired.</p>
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - Comments - Comments.	<p>Globally, the push for sustainable transportation systems has for several years been most associated with climate change and air quality mitigation strategies. This is based on an understanding that motor vehicles are a notable contributor of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and other pollutants.</p> <p>Reducing the use of private cars, adding charging stations for electric cars adjacent to recreational open spaces, so that carbon emissions will be reduced, and encouraged pedestrians and cyclists by increasing their area of access across the urban boundary.</p> <p>It is important to develop a resilient green infrastructure network that can help manage stormwater, improve air and water quality, reduce flood risk and mitigate climate change.</p> <p>A successful strategy needs to identify areas to target revegetation and ecological restoration initiatives with a focus on enhancing waterways and streams, wetlands and other native reserves.</p> <p>Having a connected system of green areas. This system is more useful than scattered parks, and it means to have a network of different scales and uses parks through which residents and wildlife can move easier without encountering barriers such as busy urban roads.</p>
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	<p>Access to outdoor parks and green areas is a human need that reduces stress and improves physical, psychological, and mental health. Maintaining safe use of green areas is a challenge.</p> <p>Recent events call for a more holistic approach to planning that combines gray, green and blue infrastructure, supports better health, better water management and climate adaptation.</p> <p>Some fairly minor improvements can be added to enhance public health, such as the inclusion of new elements into the landscape, for example: temporary handwashing stations which can become a public culture.</p> <p>Designers may need to create more spaces and practices for individual use in planning green areas such as expanding exercise opportunity like running tracks, placement of seating for recovery and the infirm and leaving safe social distancing.</p>
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree

<p>Goal 4: A Strong Identity - Comments - Comments.</p>	<p>A traveller's first perception of a town's character is gained upon approach and arrival.</p> <p>Boulevard Gateways need to be created at the five main entry points to the town at its urban boundary: Along SH2 near the Waingawa Bridge, North on SH2 in the direction of Opaki, near Hood Aerodrome at the intersection of South and Manaia Roads, on the urban boundary along Te Whiti Road and similarly near the Ruamahunga Bridge on Te Ore Ore Road.</p> <p>These "gateways" should celebrate Whakaoriori and the stories important to this part of the Wairarapa.</p> <p>The urban boundary offers an opportunity to create a "ring network" around the town, allowing for a multi purpose bridal path, cycleway, running track, etc that would provide for staging special events (marathon, cycling, etc) and to connect with other elements of the open space network. It would help unite the town and offer the opportunity to highlight many of the events and character that make the town what it is.</p> <p>A significant local identity is the three rivers passing through or near the town. Access should be replicated along these as exists for stretches of the Waipoua River from Columbo Road to Railway Crescent.</p> <p>One of the towns greatest open space assets is Henley Lake and its surrounds. It remains imperative that water management across this wetland is maintained throughout the year.</p>
<p>Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?</p>	<p>Strongly agree</p>
<p>Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - Comments - Comments.</p>	<p>Creating greenways and green corridors is a very recent phenomenon and the Council is to be applauded in its provision.</p> <p>These greenways help connect our parks, streets and reserves with a network of walkways, cycleways and trails. Such greenways will make moving around our neighbourhoods easy, whether visiting the local shops, going to school or getting out for some exercise.</p> <p>Corridors are both beneficial to humans and wildlife for corridors create green space within an urban setting that connects two larger places giving people an opportunity to walk through their urban area without interruption or confronted by barriers to ease of access.</p> <p>For this reason, habitat corridors are an essential addition to any open space system.</p>
<p>Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?</p>	<p>Strongly agree</p>
<p>Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - Comments - Comments.</p>	<p>Our network of parks and open spaces will need to continually grow and improve. These create opportunities for people to move around the urban fabric and enhances the town's native biodiversity.</p>

	It is essential that road engineers view roads as on of the town's most important public spaces as these create connectors across and along corridors and better cohesion.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	gateways corridors inter connection
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	gateways corridors inter connection
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	gateways corridors inter connection

Submission ID	POS21-7
Goal 1:	Neutral
Goal 1 Comments.	I don't know what mama wheuna is and what is other open space providers??
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	I would like to see some steps put down on the park side of the swingbridge. I take my dog for walks down there and have slipped many times.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	A doggy park for the town.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	I have seen children run out onto the road three times from the tables on the other side of the pond whilst their mothers were busy with either food or babies. I really think that was a silly idea to put the tables on that side of the pond. Would actually like to see some tables on the open field under the trees. Not everyone travels with a table and chairs in the boot.

Submission ID	POS21-40
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	When you say open space can we assume there will be some planting and nature values other than grass as part of those open spaces that are within 10 mins walk of their home?
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Parks and open spaces network that supports and nurtures biodiversity that people can engage with - have access to - be inspired to connect with.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	Support, through enough paid staff , for community groups, schools and volunteers to achieve their visions. Help with access to funding of projects.
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	Opportunities for communities and schools to help out in projects to connect them to places and nature.

Submission ID	<u>POS21-1</u>
Goal 1:	Neutral
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Neutral
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Neutral
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Neutral

Submission ID	POS21-39
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Agree

Submission ID	POS21-24
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 1 Comments.	Masterton has a lot on offer already in the way of parks and open spaces. They just need to be upgraded and made more appealing.
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	<p>More covered picnic areas where families can enjoy the outdoors in all weathers</p> <p>Like the Kiatoke Picnics and barbecues Greater Wellington Regional Council (gw.govt.nz)</p>
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	Install more gas BBQ's like the Henley Lake units
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	More walking tracks for families with buggies

Submission ID	POS21-17
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Neutral
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - Comments - Comments.	I think people get too hung up on heritage trees and heritage. Its better to look forward then to keep harping back. If a tree is in the wrong place for what is better for the community then it is nothing but a weed. Trees grow very fast here in NZ.
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - Comments - Comments.	As stated above- it is easy to hamper progress if you get too hung up on heritage
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Is this more important then the implementation of services eg roading, an effluent disposal scheme Isn't having an effluent scheme that doesn't discharge into our rivers, better roading and repairing the leaky water system more important?Doesn't 50% of Mastertons water not make it to a tap? This is more important to a rapidly expanding town then beautifying parks that are already in good condition
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	Focus focus focus. Get the priorities of infrastructure sorted first before moving to the next project. We are all sick of swimming in your sewage. Farmers have sorted it so now its time for you councils to follow their example

Submission ID	POS21-61
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 1 Comments.	Money go further if in combination with other partners.
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - Comments - Comments.	<p>Healthy parks should involve active tree planting for future shade for our longer hotter summers to come. Not just pruning back and cutting down to make more open spaces.</p> <p>Toilettes at the Archer street cemetery would keep things healthier. Instead of getting in a car to drive to Dixon Street too far for elderly to walk from the cemetery to the nearest loos!</p> <p>During a service on whenever walking around enjoying the shade! (of those beautiful old trees)</p>
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - Comments - Comments.	<p>Dogs (only mentioned 2x in your draft for parks booklet) they play a large roll in the happiness and wellbeing of a lot of families. Giving and receiving love fun and the enjoyment of walking them. Due to toxic algae (Dec-April land and worse) and bird breeding season (Aug-Nov) 9 months of the year we cant use Henley Lake off the lead (Bird dog breeds will chase small fluttering things, that dont read the signs around the lake to see where they are safe from dogs to breed) So no go for off lead! Council did a survey asking dog owners for suggestions for a safe fenced off lead area!!what happened? On lead walks are not enough exercise for active dogs except the very small toy breads. All our local lovely walking areas include water. As we have lost a large breed (standard poodle) through Toxic Algae (Kapti Coast) we will not risk their lives around water.</p>
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - Comments - Comments.	<p>'Districts Heritage' surely the older 1800's head stones in the Archer Street cemetery are a solid reminder of our important heritage why then have they been left to rack and ruin? If your district plan involves looking after them cleaning headstones down so they can be read at least would be a start. I think a person could be put to regular employment (even part time) to methodically go through a rotation of cleaning headstones and picking up rubbish (which is never ending) plastic flowers (should be banned) etc. the pruning, branches blown down etc. (I've rung up council 3x times now regarding rubbish piling up at the cemetery).</p>
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - Comments - Comments.	<p>Agree that connection is good for walking. cycling tracks etc.. for a circular non boring activity. how about including in this one the thought of Bridgeway for this lovely rural town. When we came over the hill here to live with our horses I was making my own way around the tracks by horse back. (With permission to ride at the right time of year around Henley lake) Lovely could be promoted. Riding clubs notified etc.</p>
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or	Agree

oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Consult with sports clubs, dog clubs, horse clubs as to their requirements
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	<p>A big P.S - Toxic Algae Signs, I feel do not promote the deadly mews of the Algae. Signs should read with a heading of DEADLY TOXIX ALGAE. and never to many signs.</p> <p>P.P.S A fenced area for an off lead dog run would be easy and cheap enough to do on the left side of the driveway into Henley Lake parking area off Colombo Road by the school fence. Three side only need to be erected.</p>

Submission ID	POS21-15
Goal 1:	Agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	Cameras at the boatshed and sunken garden at QE Park...the continuous ripping out of plants in these areas is disturbing...sometimes daily
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 2 - Priority 2:	A pole gate at the main entrance to QE Park to prevent illegal car use at night
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 3 - Priority 3:	Dog bins next to pathway at henley park... dangerous and muddy in wet weather or when populated with geese....safety needs to be prioritized more in all public areas

Submission ID	POS21-63
Goal 1:	Strongly agree
Goal 2: Healthy Parks - To what extent do you support Goal 2: Healthy Parks?	Strongly agree
Goal 3: Healthy People - To what extent do you support Goal 3: Healthy People?	Strongly agree
Goal 4: A Strong Identity - To what extent do you support Goal 4: A strong identity?	Strongly agree
Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network - To what extent do you support Goal 5: A Protected, Planned and Connected Network?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy: overall support - To what extent do you support or oppose Masterton District Council's draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy?	Strongly agree
Draft Parks and Open Spaces Strategy Action Plan - Comment 1 - Priority 1:	I personally feel that as long as Parks staff member is not a member of the staff of MDC I cannot see council moving forward with the best interests of the ratepayers of Masterton.