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40614	<p>Introduction The Akaroa Civic Trust is a volunteer society that has been working to preserve the historic character and natural amenity of the town and surrounding area since 1969. Membership is composed of local residents as well as ratepayers living in Christchurch and around New Zealand. Some members live overseas and visit Banks Peninsula whenever possible. The Civic Trust has been actively advocating for the protection of Takapūneke since 1997-98 and has worked alongside and in support of Ōnuku Runanga since 2000.</p> <p>Submission The Akaroa Civic Trust is pleased to support the Takapūneke Reserve Landscape Master Plan as presented. It was important that the Christchurch City Council acquired the Red House property in December 2020 to unify the land as one parcel. Doing so restored the integrity and mana of the overall site.</p> <p>The Landscape Master Plan is a demonstration of cultural sensitivity and history as told from a Māori perspective and voice which is correct for the particular setting and context. Respecting and acknowledging the past is important as well as looking forward to the future in a manner that is welcoming to everyone visiting the reserve. Understanding and education are key components as well as quiet reflection and contemplation.</p> <p>Pathways and seated areas will allow members of the public to appreciate viewpoints across the harbour to important natural and cultural features contained in the landscape. Respect has been shown to the area of Te Atutahi O Takapūneke which may be observed from a distance.</p> <p>However, the Akaroa Civic Trust encourages the Christchurch City Council to show a similar level of respect, sensitivity and concern for the Britomart Memorial which is located adjacent the Takapūneke reserve.</p> <p>Access to the Memorial has always been difficult especially from Beach Road. The Memorial is in need of conservation, appropriate interpretation and landscaping based on its proximity to Takapūneke and its significance in terms of European history. If this work proceeded in tandem and alongside the development of the Takapūneke Reserve, it would be an opportunity to acknowledge the intertwined bicultural history of the area. The Civic Trust has lobbied the Council for years to complete a comprehensive landscape and interpretation plan to no avail.</p> <p>It is regrettable that the Civic Trust must bring the matter to the attention of Christchurch City Council in the context of the Takapūneke Reserve Landscape Master Plan and we wish to extend an apology to Ōnuku Runanga for raising the matter at this time.</p>	Secretary, Akaroa Civic Trust
40630	<p>Introducing Disabled Persons Assembly NZ (Note – This submission was sent in response and refers to the Management Plan) The Disabled Persons Assembly NZ (DPA) is a pan-impairment disabled person’s organisation that works to realise an equitable society, where all disabled people (of all impairment types and including women, Māori, Pasifika, young people) are able to direct their own lives. DPA works to improve social indicators for disabled people and for disabled people to be recognised as valued members of society. DPA and its members work with the wider disability community, other DPOs, government agencies, service providers, international disability organisations, and the public by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • telling our stories and identifying systemic barriers • developing and advocating for solutions • celebrating innovation and good practice <p>The submission DPA welcomes the proposed Takapūneke Reserve Draft Landscape Master Plan. As DPA is an organisation which is committed to Te Tiriti O Waitangi, we acknowledge Mana Whenua and Ngai Tahu whanui for the lead role they are playing in this development. However, in the spirit of Te Tiriti, we wish to respectfully raise with both the Council and Mana Whenua some issues around proposed accessibility requirements with reference to Sections 5.9, 5.10, 5.11, 5.12 and 5.16 of the plan. DPA believes that as part of co-design processes that are already underway that disabled mana whenua and tau iwi should be involved and that this could be conducted through existing governance mechanisms such as, for example, the Christchurch City Council’s Access Regulatory Advisory Group and Ngai Tahu whanui.</p> <p>The United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with disabilities (UNCRPD) Articles most relevant to our submission are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Article 4.3 Involving disabled people and our organisations in decisions that affect us 	Disabled Persons Assembly Christchurch Kaititui

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40420	Thank you for providing the landscape master plan for feedback. I fully support the plan and look forward to the creation and public use of the reserve. I feel that the restrictions on recreational uses (section 5.8) will limit the public enjoyment of the reserve and would like to see the specific exclusions of eating/drinking and dog walking removed. These are basic (and sometimes necessary) enjoyments of spending time outdoors and would not diminish the natural and historic makeup of the reserve. For the area to be open to all, this should be considered (e.g. young families, those with impairments).	Elisa Knight
40427	We fully appreciate the importance of the Takapūneke Reserve and welcome the draft plan. We believe there is to be a car drop off point in Stanley Place to enter the reserve. Stanley Place is already regularly used by non residents cars wishing to turn round to return to Akaroa. They also park there to go to the monument. This inhibits parking for ratepayers. Our concern is that with a car drop off point in or near Stanley Place, people will be tempted to park their cars on this street. We submit that Stanley Place should be designated as a Resident's Only Parking Street with appropriate signage. It was our understanding that the old rubbish dump was to be the car park and we submit that it would be a good idea to have signage at the top of Stanley Place directing people to the car parking at the old rubbish dump.	Richard Goord
40433	All sounds great. Concerned about traffic and car parking on Beach Road to Red House Bay.	Sarah Ford

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40434	It's a great concept. Well done to all those who have developed it. One little concern. There is a public path which is much used - going down Stanley Place, along the private road past no's 12, 14 & 16 Stanley Place, in front of no 16 and down to the Britomart Memorial, then down the steps to the beach. This is a much used path, by the Stanley Place residents and Akaroa walkers, on a daily basis. I hope this path will be preserved in the new arrangement.	Simon & Rachel Tipping
40436	Very wonderful plan. However I am very concerned that the lower car park area is seen as a main entrance as well as the top one. The council plan for Takapuneke had a carpark at the bottom with no more than 6 cars and no buses. How will it be signalled to visitors that they must park at the top? And the info for the reserve should be at the top as it is the main park.	Mary Smillie
40437	Concerns over where we will be able to walk our dogs with busier roads with no footpaths on Beach Road & Onuku Road. Also Stanley Place not being wide enough for people to park, no parking on the road. (Driveway is off Stanley Place)	Daniela & Nick Yankov - Reid
40439	Wonderful plans. I am concerned however that the lower carpark entry seems to be the main information point. With a limit on parking, then cars will park on the narrow road & people with limited mobility will not be able to move up the hill & appreciate the site properly. If the main information & education was at the top main carpark then this main thoroughfare will lead on to the Marae & people of all abilities can access the site. Avoiding excessive returning traffic along the narrow Beach road, is a strong consideration	Anna Dalzell
40441	Is Onuku Rd wide enough to accommodate buses? overhanging veg & other issues. if so is there a limit on the size of bus? Why not use Red House as the interpretation centre??	Marie Haley
40456	If this is a partnership with Ngai Tahu and are they providing 50% funding for the purchase of the \$2.55m property along with ongoing funding for this project. If not I object as a CHC city rate payer and as a NZ tax payer. My rates are increasing annually and this is not a priority core activity use of ratepayer funds.	James Barclay
40480	Thank you for the invitation to the information hui at Onuku Marae last Saturday. I had been hoping to be there, but a succession of visitors to the reserve and a wonky left hip scotched that. I have a copy of the consultation plan and will peruse it in more detail - and if appropriate I'll send any comments before 21July. As a local botanist I had earlier input in to ideas and botanical details about Takapuneke, and if it would be helpful I remain open to any further botanical questions or advice. No need to respond to this letter. I am interested and enthusiastic about what might happen at this crucial site,	Hugh Wilson
40547	This looks a wonderfully crafted plan. Congratulations to all who put it together. I hope that the traffic to the Reserve can be managed. Onuku Road , which we drive on nearly every day , has one blind/narrow spot and some sharp corners.	Jack Gibbs