Issue raised by submitter(s)	Staff response
Issues raised that may lead to change	
Suggestions of additional safety and play features	We will pass ideas onto the design team for consideration in the next round of detailed design and the consenting process, should the Community Board approve and adopt the preliminary design for this landscape plan.
	Some specific suggestions were for example outdoor activity equipment for adults. We agree that outdoor activity for adults is important. Due to vandalism concerns we are not yet promoting moveable fitness equipment in the red zone but this may come later as passive surveillance improves. We will pass the idea on to the design team to see if they can incorporate static fitness as part of the design.
Other issues raised	
Route of the City to Sea Pathway is not direct enough	Direct travel is not the key driver of the city to sea route, which is a recreational path. We are seeking to balance ecology and recreation, and the lower terrace lends itself to a wetland area for a number of reasons. Where we are creating river-edge wetlands, we are typically diverting pathways to the rear, in order to maximise habitat potential.
The redevelopment is on the wrong side of the river/suggestions of alternative sites for the parts of the proposed development	This location works well for a wetland due to its levels and the terrace that cuts through the park. Porritt Park (a suggested alternative site) is planned for Trial Housing in the Regeneration Plan, although we are certainly seeking to improve the water quality of the former channel there shortly. There are wetlands planned on the western bank - these are quite a common feature of the Regeneration Plan.
Location of off road parking and it's accessibility/bike parking	Off road parking, including accessible mobility parking, is intended to be provided east and west of the park - there will be provision for turning around as well as signage. The design will include links to the nearby paths, and planting/rocks/other measures to avoid cars parking on the grass. Bike stands will be included in the park design.
Retention or moving of the cricket and sports grounds	The lower terrace is low, and will get wetter over time with sea level and groundwater rise. We accept that relocating the recreation facilities is not ideal and will incorporate as much activity as possible into the upper terrace, while also working with the football club to relocate their lights to a different park. The Regeneration Plan makes provision for a new community park approximately 300m north across the Snell Place Bridge, and we will look to incorporate other recreation facilities there.