

6.12 Lawry Street Reserve

Description

Location:	Lawry Street
Legal description:	Lot 2 DP 6620 Lot 26 DP 6751
Size:	1.25 ha
Reserve status:	Reserve



Physical description

The recreation part of this reserve is flat area fronting Lawry Street and bound by a line of trees to the west. The remainder of this reserve slopes up towards Bayly road and is currently divided into two fenced paddocks.

Tangata whenua interests

This reserve is within the tribal rohe of Te Atiawa Iwi. The area is of historic and cultural significance to Ngati Te Whiti.

Land status and history

Lot 2 DP 6620 – This parcel of land was vested as reserve in the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of New Plymouth upon subdivision in 1949.

Lot 26 DP 6751 – In 1951, pursuant to the Public Works Act 1928 this parcel of land was declared recreation ground by the crown and vested in the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of New Plymouth. The underlying title remains with the crown.

In 1980 by way of gazette notice both parcels were classified as a reserve for recreation purposes subject to the Reserves Act 1977.

A right of way was created over the land in 1983 in favour of the Presbyterian Church.

Existing improvements

A playground exists on the recreational part of this reserve consisting of a swing set, seesaws and a climbing frame. A picnic table is also located near the playground.

Uses and activities

The recreational part of this reserve containing the playground is suitable for child's play and picnicking.

There are currently two unregistered leases associated with other parts of the reserve. One is a grazing lease and the other is a lease to the New Plymouth Olympic Wrestling Club for the footprint of the building which they own.

Classification

Recreation

Management objectives and specific policies

- The existing open space at the front of this reserve will continue to be maintained and developed as an open space area suitable for child's play and casual recreation.
- A number of possible options have been identified for the sloping hill portion which is currently grazed. These include extending the mown area to increase the open space available for casual recreation, and/or native revegetation of the slop to enhance ecological and amenity values.
- In the short to medium term the management of this reserve will continue to involve grazing of the undeveloped portion of the reserve until such time as funding is available to implement any development of this area.
- To improve safe of playground users, the play ground will be relocated away from the road frontage at the time of the next full play ground renewal.

Visual Resource Key

Landscape/Spatial Features

- Land Parcel
- Mown Open Space
- Entry Points

Vegetation

- Existing Trees/Vegetation
- Trees/Vegetation to be removed
- Proposed Trees/Vegetation

Structures

- Pedestrian Entry Sign
- Proposed Picnic Table
- Existing Play Equipment
- Sealed Carpark
- Existing Building
- Existing Timber Barrier
- Proposed Fence
- Proposed Bollards



Possible Long Term Native Vegetation

Landscape Context Key

Landscape Features

- Stream

Spatial Features

- Reserve Land
- Surrounding Open Space/Reserves/Sports Fields

