

West Ward Reserves

- Individual Reserve Policies



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WEST WARD RESERVES

Balmoral Recreation Reserve

Location

15 Balmoral Station Road, Culverden

Classification

Recreation

Total Area (hectares)

17.2150

Legal Description

Rural Section 40568, Block XIII

Introduction

The Balmoral Recreation Reserve is located north of the Hurunui River Bridge on State Highway 7 to Culverden. Public access to the reserve is available from a gateway on Balmoral Station Road. The reserve was formerly owned by the New Zealand Forest Service and set aside as a picnic and camping area. The land was then allocated to the Department of Conservation in 1993 and vested in the Hurunui District Council in 1994.

The northern section of the reserve, containing approximately 10 hectares and set amongst mature Corsican pines (*Pinus nigra*), is used for camping. The remote camping ground features a toilet block, water taps, concrete fireplaces and picnic tables and concrete cricket pitch.

The southern portion of the reserve (approximately 7 hectares) is the location of the old cricket ground. This area was planted in pine trees approximately 20 years ago, damaging the old concrete cricket pitch. Since this time the pine trees have been removed by a volunteer group who have replaced the damaged cricket pitch.

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Specific policies

- That a replacement shelter belt be established within the existing shelter belt prior to the required removal of aged trees
- That an implement building and pump shed be constructed on the reserve
- That the Balmoral Recreation Reserve be promoted as a remote camping site
- That the camping area be clearly defined
- That the Balmoral Recreation Reserve water supply be tested for potability on a regular basis
- That additional picnic tables be erected within the reserve
- That the Balmoral remote camping area be mowed on a regular basis
- That additional edible chestnut trees be planted alongside the existing tree
- That the specimen trees be maintained, and further plantings established, with the removal of pine trees if necessary
- That the ablution block be closed to the public during the winter months due to the frequent freezing of the water pipes
- That a register continue to be kept of the number and origin of overnight visitors to the reserve
- That the Balmoral Recreation Area Charitable Trust enter into a lease agreement with Council
- That accessways to and through the reserve be enhanced as is feasible
- That a pathway be considered for development through the trees at the southern end of the reserve through to the river, with due consideration given to the river
- That it be used as a meeting point for Civil Defence emergencies.

Future development potential

The Balmoral Recreation Reserve is an important remote camping ground within Culverden which serves the needs of visitors from both within and outside of the district. The reserve shall continue to be developed with the planting of additional amenity trees and native species.

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CULVERDEN AND RUTHERFORD RAILWAY RESERVE

Culverden Railway Reserve

Location

21 Culverden Road, Culverden

Classification

Recreation

Total Area (hectares)

13.7776

Legal Description

Section 76 Culverden Settlement Blocks VI-X

Introduction

The Culverden Recreation Reserve, formerly known as the Domain, is situated on Culverden and Mountainview Road (SH7), Culverden.

The reserve can be divided into two distinct parts. The southern section contains the cricket club which includes the cricket grounds, shed and cricket pavilion. There is an informal camping area which is managed by KiwiCamp and has four power boxes with access to the kitchen, toilet and shower facilities. There is a walking track around the perimeter of the reserve which joins with the walkway around the Rutherford Railway Reserve.

The eastern portion of the reserve fronting Culverden Road is currently used by the Pony Club. At the entrance stand distinctive memorial gates which are a tribute to the fallen in World War I and World War II.

Specific policies

- That reserve be promoted as a limited facility camping area
- That the existing amenity trees on the reserve be maintained as appropriate
- That the buildings be maintained
- That all clubs which occupy the reserve be subject to a lease agreement
- That community events are encouraged with an approved events permit.

Future development potential

The Culverden Recreation Reserve is a pleasant open space that complements the recent developments on the adjacent Rutherford Recreation Reserve. Any proposed developments must be in keeping with the rural aspect of the reserves.



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CULVERDEN AND RUTHERFORD RAILWAY RESERVE

Rutherford Railway Reserve

Location

27 Mountainview Road, Culverden

Classification

Recreation

Total Area (hectares)

13.7776

Legal Description

Lot 1 DP 79926

Introduction

The parcel of land forming the northern portion of the Culverden reserve is known as Rutherford Railway Reserve and is named in honour of the Rutherford family and their long association with the area. The Rutherford Railway Reserve was purchased by the Council in 1988 and was amalgamated to form part of the Culverden Recreation Reserve.

From 1886 to the late 1970s this land formed part of the railway corridor and contained the Culverden railway yards, the railway station, goods handling yard, workshop, refuelling facilities and maintenance areas.

The Rutherford Railway Reserve is dissected by a small stream and is predominantly grassed, flat and open, with clusters of established vegetation being scattered throughout. The reserve also contains two toilet blocks, an EV charging station, caravan dump station, children's playground, covered picnic tables and seating and the Rutherford War Memorial. There is a walkway linking it with the rest of the reserve to the south and sealed car park adjoins the reserve to the south.

Specific policies

- That freedom camping be permitted in accordance with the Freedom Camping Bylaw.
- That the existing amenity trees on the reserve be maintained as appropriate
- That all clubs which occupy the reserve be subject to a lease agreement
- That community events are encouraged with an approved events permit.

Future development potential

Any proposed developments must be in keeping with the rural aspect of both the Culverden and Rutherford Railway reserves.



Rutherford Railway Reserve

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Flintoft Reserve

Location

93 George Street, Rotherham

Classification

Historic

Total Area (hectares)

0.2596

Legal Description

Lot 1 DP 77109

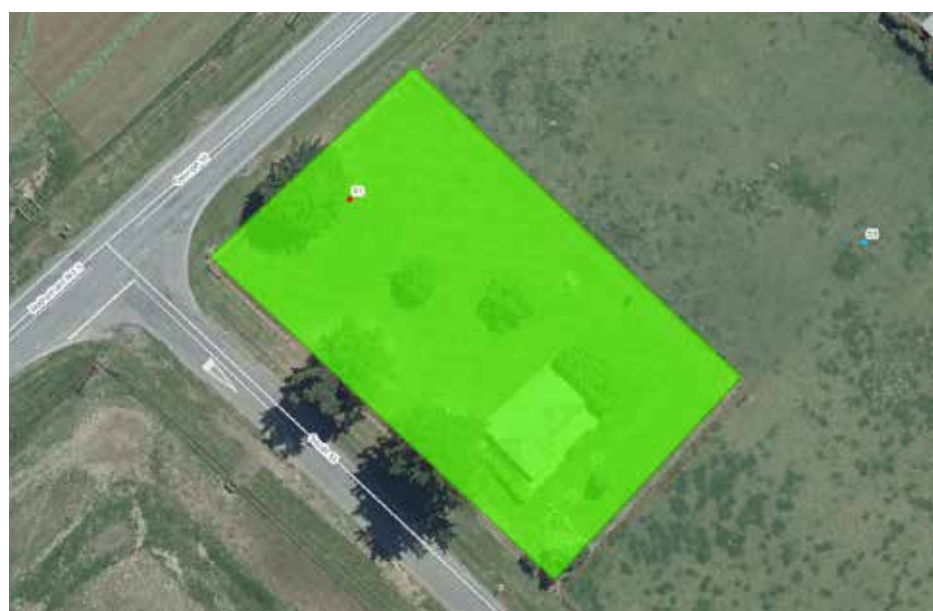
Introduction

Flintoft Reserve, also known as Watters Cottage, is situated in Rotherham Township on the southeast corner of the junction of George Street (SH 70) and South Street. The reserve contains one of the few remaining original cob cottages in the locality. It is a physical reminder of the contribution that workmen and their families made to the development of Amuri County.

The cottage was built by an Irish farm labourer, John Watters, between the late 1870s and the early 1880s. He and his wife Jane raised their family of three sons and four daughters in the cottage. The oldest child, John never married and lived in the cottage until his death in 1959.

The cottage and its immediate surrounds were gifted by the Flintoft family to the Council and has been classified as a Category II building, being “a place of historical or cultural significance” under the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014.

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Specific policies

- That the grounds be maintained on a regular basis
- That a tree removal and replanting plan be developed
- That the existing pedestrian path around the cob cottage be sprayed regularly to keep it free from weeds
- That the existing amenity garden be improved as funds allow
- That the cob cottage continue to be maintained and restored as is appropriate
- That the cob cottage be opened to the public on occasion
- That the cob cottage be reviewed by the Amuri Historic Society on a regular basis.

Future development potential

Flintoft Reserve currently features an interpretation panel on South Street with a pedestrian access through a small picket gate. There are existing gardens beside the cottage which could be enhanced with further plantings.

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Fulton Park

Location

10 Iverachs Road, Waiau

Classification

Recreation

Total Area (hectares)

179174

Legal Description

Lot 1 DP 4984, Block XIII & Lot 1 DP 10112

Introduction

Fulton Park is situated west of Waiau on the corner of SH 70 and Iverachs Road. Part of the reserve is grazed, and part is planted in forestry.

Specific policies

- That Fulton Park be subject to a lease agreement
- That Fulton Park be suitable for continued forestry planting if desired.

Future development potential

Fulton Park is flat land that is suitable for development as a recreation reserve should the land be required in the future.





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Mockett Place Reserve

Location

8 Mockett Place, Culverden

Classification

Recreation

Total Area (hectares)

0.1904

Legal Description

Lot 8 DP 37582.

Introduction

The Mockett Place Reserve has a well-developed playground serving the needs of both young and older children.

The playground features play equipment such as swings and a merry-go-round whilst around the edge of the reserve there is a concrete biking/skateboard track. The perimeter track is separated from the formal play area by a small fence. The reserve also contains some amenity gardens, bench chairs, sheltered seating, picnic tables and a rubbish bin.

Specific policies

- That the reserve be planted in amenity trees for shade purposes
- That the reserve playground be maintained as appropriate
- That additional play equipment be installed within the reserve.

Future development potential

Mockett Place is a well-designed and utilised residential reserve. The planting of shade trees in the front portion of the reserve would enhance the use of the reserve in the summer months.



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Mount Lyford Reserve

Location	98 Mount Lyford Avenue, Mount Lyford
Classification	Recreation
Total Area (hectares)	1.8835
Legal Description	Lot 98 DP 53395
Introduction	<p>Mount Lyford Recreation Reserve was vested in the Hurunui District Council on subdivision in 1988. The reserve is situated in close proximity to the entrance to the Mount Lyford Ski Field and features a public toilet, viewing platform, children's slide and basket swing.</p> <p>The balance of the reserve consists of native grasses and some bush land. Landscaping, a walkway and a covered picnic area have been added to enhance this reserve.</p>
Specific policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the public toilets be consistently maintained • That the public toilets be monitored for any vandalism and steps taken to prevent such activity • That a replacement information board be erected providing information about the Mount Lyford area and public walking tracks • That community events are encouraged with an approved events permit.
Future development potential	<p>Mount Lyford Recreation Reserve could be enhanced with further development of a shelter which, over time as funds allow, could be enclosed and turned into a community centre.</p>



WEST WARD RESERVES

Rotherham Village Green Reserve

Location

41 George Street, Rotherham

Classification

Recreation

Total Area (hectares)

0.1128

Legal Description

Lot 1 Rotherham T/SHIP

Introduction

This reserve was acquired as part of a land exchange for the building of the Medical Centre in 2010. The land was grazed for many years, until recently developed by the community, following the installation of toilet facilities, amenity plantings, a picnic table and shelter.

Specific policies

- That the reserve continued to be maintained as a passive green space
- That the picnic tables, shelter, toilet facilities and plantings continue to be maintained as appropriate.

Future development potential

The reserve should continue to be developed as advised by the community and consideration should be given to the installation of sensory play equipment.



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Rotherham Reserve

Location

17 Heaton Street, Rotherham

Classification

Recreation

Total Area (hectares)

4.0822

Legal Description

Lot 1 DP 7364

Introduction

Rotherham Reserve, formerly known as Rotherham Domain, is situated beside the Rotherham Hall on Heaton Street, Rotherham. The reserve is the site of the A&P showgrounds and features stands of Oak trees and a show ring, with portions of the reserve grazed for maintenance purposes. The railing around the ring is gradually replaced each year. A Totalspan building/shed, funded by the A&P Association, has replaced the old secretary's office.

Specific policies

- That Rotherham Reserve continues to be the venue of the Amuri A&P show
- That grazing leases be entered into in accordance with the leasing policy
- That a lease agreement be established for the Amuri A&P Association
- That all clubs which occupy the reserve be subject to a lease agreement
- That the maintenance/upgrading of the A&P show ring be negotiated as part of the lease agreement process
- That the established shelter hedging be maintained on a regular basis
- That community events are encouraged with an approved events permit
- That the toilets be upgraded with changing facilities.

Future development potential

Rotherham Reserve is a well-developed reserve with irrigation and amenity trees. Any proposed development must be in keeping with the rural character of the reserve and guided by the community, subject to funding.



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Waiau Esplanade Reserve

Location	Waiau
Classification	Local Purpose - Esplanade
Total Area (hectares)	0.0301
Legal Description	Reserve 4975, Waiau Township
Introduction	<p>The Waiau Esplanade Reserve is situated alongside the Waiau River adjacent to the Waiau Tavern. The reserve consists mainly of scrub land with some Macrocarpa and Willow trees.</p> <p>The land adjacent to the reserve which forms part of the Waiau River has been developed into an attractive picnic area for locals and includes amenity planting, picnic tables, rubbish bins and vehicle access to the river.</p>
Specific policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the adjoining landowners be encouraged to manage the reserve in conjunction with their land holdings.
Future development potential	The Waiau Esplanade Reserve could be enhanced with the removal of existing scrub and the planting of trees.

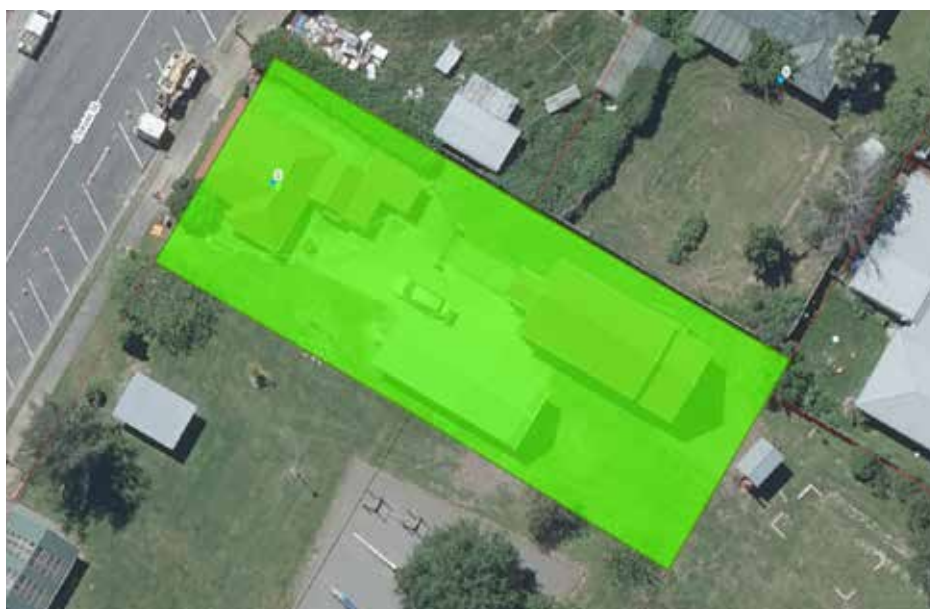


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Waiau Historical Reserve

Location	6 Cheviot Street, Waiau
Classification	Local Purpose - Community Use
Total Area (hectares)	0.1012
Legal Description	Section 79, Block VII, Waiau Township
Introduction	<p>Waiau Historical Reserve is situated adjacent to the Waiau Village Green on Cheviot Street, Waiau. The reserve features an original cob cottage built during the late 1860s, and a timber Presbyterian Church built in 1888, both of which are listed as Category II buildings by Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga. The reserve was gifted by the Amuri Historical Society to the Council to be used as a reserve for the community in 2007.</p> <p>The cottage is now a museum featuring domestic memorabilia and other items of historic interest. The Amuri Historical Society maintain the collection and provide members of the public access to the facilities every Sunday afternoon. Beyond the cottage is the Waiau Presbyterian Church built on Leslie Street in 1888 and relocated to its present site in 1998 along with a pair of wrought iron gates which were part of the former church site.</p>
Specific policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That maintenance schedules be drafted for the cob cottage, gig shed, museum and church, and that the reserve be maintained accordingly • That the cob cottage be opened to the public on occasion • That community events are encouraged with an approved events permit.
Future development potential	<p>Waiau Historical Reserve shall continue to be developed and maintained to ensure that the cob cottage, gig shed, historic church and museum and buildings are preserved for future generations.</p>

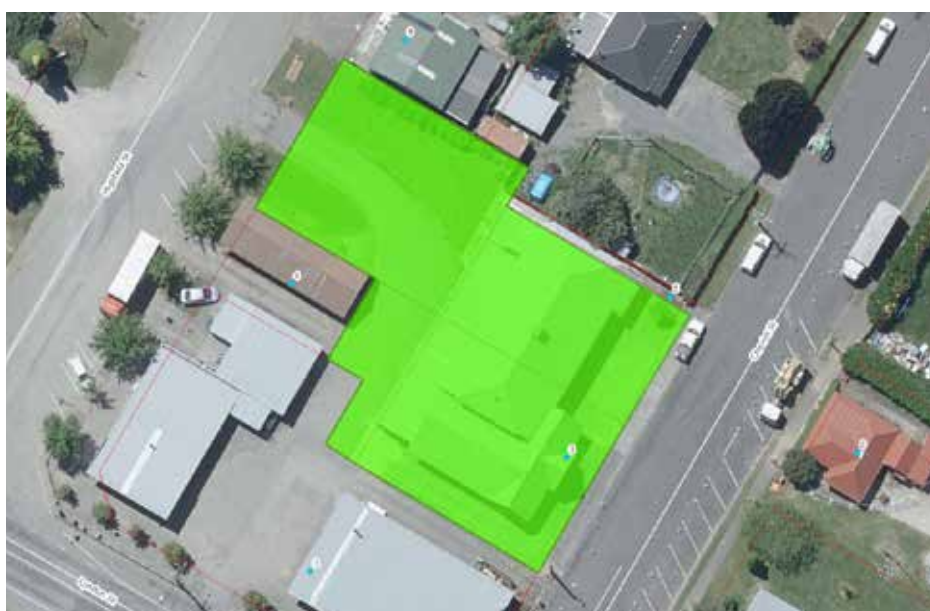




Waiau Memorial Hall and Library

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Location	3 Cheviot Street, Waiau
Classification	Historic
Total Area (hectares)	0.1528
Legal Description	Lot 1 DP 369159, Lot 1 DP 22335, Part Sections 89-90, Block IV
Introduction	<p>The Waiau Hall and Library is situated in Waiau between Highfield and Cheviot Streets, opposite the Waiau Historical Reserve and the Waiau Village Green. The building is classified as a Category II listed building under the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014 exhibiting two architecturally distinct parts. The original building of an Arts and Crafts style was constructed in 1911-1912 with government subsidies made available for the construction of public facilities to commemorate the coronation of King George V. It included a library, adjoining hall and supper room.</p> <p>Additions and alterations were made to the building in 1937-1938 to better accommodate the needs of the growing community. A neo-Georgian style hall was added at right angles to the existing north elevation of the old hall. The new hall contained a stage, dressing rooms, a 'Bio Room' (or projection booth) for the showing of films, and a shooting range. At this time the old hall was altered to serve as an enlarged supper room, whilst the library ceded a portion of its space to accommodate toilet facilities. Earthquake strengthening and building renovation work was undertaken in 2020.</p> <p><i>Continued ></i></p>





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Introduction cont.

The Waiiau Memorial Hall and Library continues to serve the community as it has since 1912. The library remains well utilised. The hall fulfils a variety of uses for the community including functions, ANZAC services, after-school programmes and school productions, indoor sports and adult education. The shooting range is currently used.

Specific policies

- That the Waiiau Hall and Library continue to be maintained to a high standard and upgraded as funds allow
- That the kitchen be maintained as funds allow
- That the hall be promoted as a venue for special events
- That community events are encouraged with an approved events permit.

Future development potential

The Waiiau Hall and Library is a social centre for the Waiiau community.

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Waiau Reserve

Location

4 Lower Flat Road, Waiau

Classification

Recreation

Total Area (hectares)

15.7550

Legal Description

Part Rural Section 41886, Block XIII

Introduction

Waiau Reserve is situated on Lower Flat Road, Waiau. The reserve is home to the Waiau Tennis, Netball, Football, and Cricket Clubs, with the lower field being used by the Waiau Pony Club. The rugby grounds are also used by community groups for hosting community events. The reserve also contains the Waiau War Memorial and several history information boards.

The Waiau Reserve provides a multitude of sporting facilities including:

- Tennis courts
- Clubrooms
- Sports fields
- Kitchen facilities
- Football poles
- Outdoor lighting
- Cricket pitch
- Shed
- Practice net
- Walking tracks
- History information boards
- War memorial cenotaph.
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Specific policies

- That the reserve be maintained to a high standard
- That these clubs be subject to lease agreements
- That outdoor fitness and gym equipment be installed
- That additional signage be erected on Parnassus Street identifying the various clubs on the reserve.

Future development potential

Waiiau Reserve is a well utilised facility which serves a number of community clubs. Any proposed developments must be in keeping with the rural nature of the reserve and not inhibit the functions of the various clubs.



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Waiau Village Green

Location	15 Lyndon Street, Waiau
Classification	Local Purpose - Community Use
Total Area (hectares)	0.4884
Legal Description	Lots 1 & 2 DP
Introduction	The Waiau Village Green is situated in the centre of Waiau. The Village Green, developed and constructed as a community project, features a public toilet block with feature gardens, a children's playground, a covered barbeque area with picnic tables, an interpretation panel, history information boards, and is home to the restored jailhouse and Gig shed.
Specific policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the Waiau Village Green continue to be developed with landscaping as appropriate • That community events are encouraged with an approved events permit.
Future development potential	The Waiau Village Green shall continue to be developed into an attractive passive outdoor recreation space. The area is ideal for visitors to Waiau to stop and have a picnic and visit the local shopping centre.

