Parks

Wānaka/Upper Clutha work programme – current and future



WUCCB Workshop September 2024







- Long Term Plan was confirmed on 19 September 2024
- Focus of first 2 years is mostly *renewals*
- Accommodating three waters has meant a lot of community strategic priorities have been deferred
- LTP submissions Snowfarm toilets and dog parks
- Direction on two other projects Wānaka Skatepark Lighting and Watersports Carpark

Parks Years 1-3 Projects



Years 1-2

- Renewals
- Minor improvements (\$320k for 2024/25, approx. \$130k per year onwards)
- Taking opportunities for small improvements where budget allows e.g. implementation of development plans
- Completion of Mount Iron RMP
- Ongoing management of Mount Iron e.g. community governance, vesting of DOC land
- Additional wildfire planning/prevention

Year 3

- Mount Iron capital improvements
- Wildfire programme implementation
- Lake Hāwea playground
- New toilets



Snow farm toilets



- > Large number of submissions requesting toilets at Snowfarm
- > Budget for new toilets Wānaka \$357k in year 3 (2026/27)
- > Decision on new toilet locations is based on gap analysis (e.g. proximity to playgrounds)









- > Small number of submissions from people in Wānaka and Queenstown requesting dog parks
- > Parks team reviewing suitable locations considering things like current reserve use and provision of suitable infrastructure
- > Establishing a dog park restricts the use of that area
- > No budget allocated for development of dog parks

Wānaka Skate Park Lighting



- > Requested by the Wanaka Skateboard Club
- > Will provide 1000 hours of additional skate park usage per year between dusk and 10PM
- > Option for solar power lighting investigated but large additional cost to install
- > Estimate to complete (based on concept design) approx. \$300k



Monthly median hours of additional daily skate park usage would be:

- 0.9hrs January February 1.1hrs March 2.0hrs April 3.5hrs May 4.6hrs 4.8hrs June July 4.6hrs August 4.1hrs September 3.0hrs October 1 8hrs November 1.2hrs
- December 0.7hrs

Watersports carpark



- >Completion of the bridge and track project has separated pedestrians and bikes from the carpark.
- > What are the ongoing concerns? E.g. safety, congestion, protection of the reserve, inefficient parking?

Options to progress:

- > Wait to understand what issues remain this Summer
- > Make some basic improvements to fence the reserve and signpost people to the Stage 1 WLDP carpark.
- > Continue to investigate more expensive upgrades e.g. line marking, bus parking, full upgrade etc.

Current Parks Projects



Completed projects Jun-Sept 2024



- Watersports bridge and track June 2024
- Track upgrades at Albert Town River Trail and Millenium Trail June 2024
- Lighting upgrade at A&P Showgrounds August 2024
- Removal of old bridge at the Watersports carpark September 2024



Update on existing projects



- Draft Mount Iron RMP out for public consultation
 - Drop-in sessions 16 October 4-6PM and another date TBC
- Stage 5 Wānaka Lakefront Development Completion 8 November 2024 (1 week delayed)
- Vegetation removal on the Wānaka Lakefront Completion October 2024
- Wildfire reserve closure protocol being implemented Summer 2024/25





Questions/He Patai?

