

MCB20-06-16
Tabled Document

2020

Thorp Bush Playground Upgrade



Tasman Youth Council

Motueka

2020

Motueka Community Board
Brent Maru – Chair
7Hickmott Place,
PO Box 123,
Motueka, 7143
mcb@tasman.govt.nz

Dear Motueka Community Board.

We would like to take this as an opportunity to thank the Motueka Community Board in helping us complete the Take Back Thorp Bush project in 2019. To complement this work we have now looked at what other aspects of this bush area we can develop to make it the best area in Motueka.

Since our last playground review, we have been unable to review any further playgrounds due to lockdown. Although what we have been able to do I put together some recommendations to a proposed playground upgrade at Thorp Bush.

Our proposal is this; we would like to give the playground some love. Firstly, we would like to repaint the tower playground and replace some of the broken aspects. Secondly, we recommend a replacement of the wooden framing on the second smaller playground. Lastly, we would like to take out the snake like piece of equipment and replace with a hamster wheel and a concrete caterpillar.

At this stage, we just have an idea of how we would like to see the playground once completed. We would like to ask if we could utilise council staff to help us put this into a viable plan.

In regards to funds, we understand some of this may be able to come under the review we are doing for the community board but realise at this time this may be limited. Our thinking is to apply to funders to help complete this project.

We look forward to your help and guidance to see our dream come to reality.

Kind Regards

Tasman Youth Council.





Back of Playground

- Replace climbing chain with _____?
- Replace green plastic window with game (eg. Knots & Crosses—see photos)



Right Side of Playground

- Repaint fencing and hang straight
- Replace boards on steps & repaint.



Left Side of Playground

- Create steps to the shop window.
- Replace red dome window with game.
-

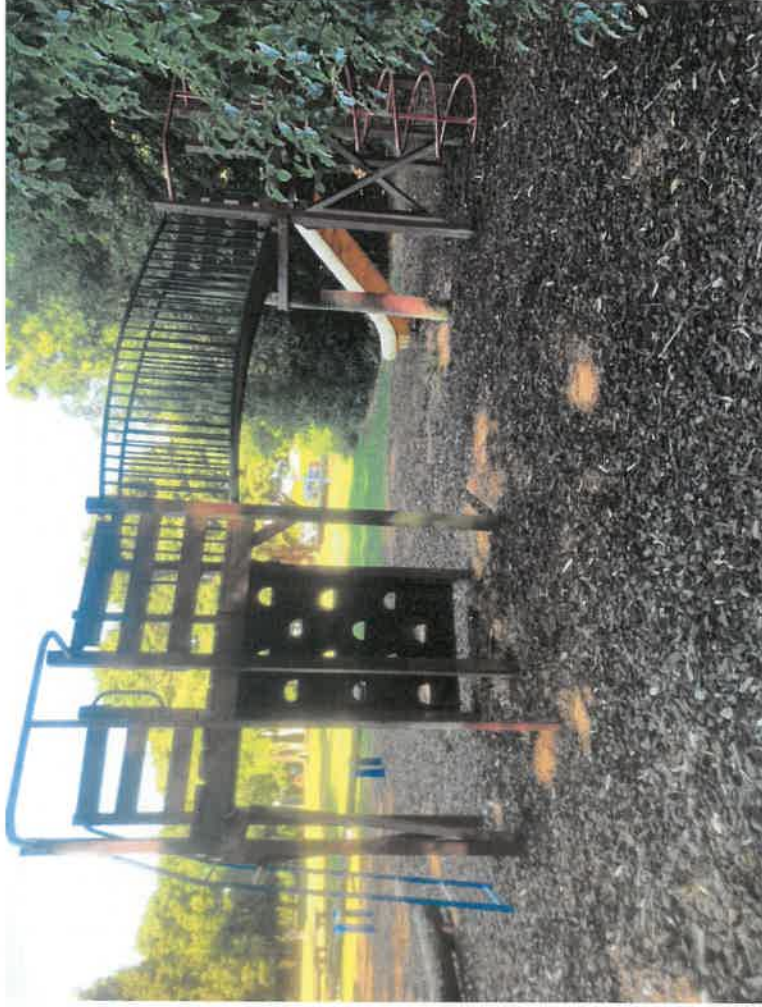


Left Side of Playground

- Replace climbing bars with _____?

Playground Maintenance

- Repaint all of wooden playground (proposed colour Bright Yellow or Green)
- Fix gaps in wooden railing at top.
- Repaint wooden balance beams.



Second Playground

- Replace wooden framing & reuse equipment.
- Remove the snake thing and replace with new equipment.

Extras

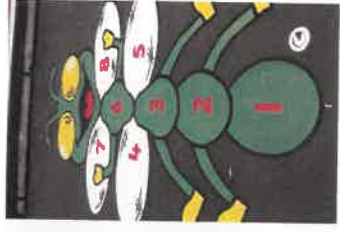
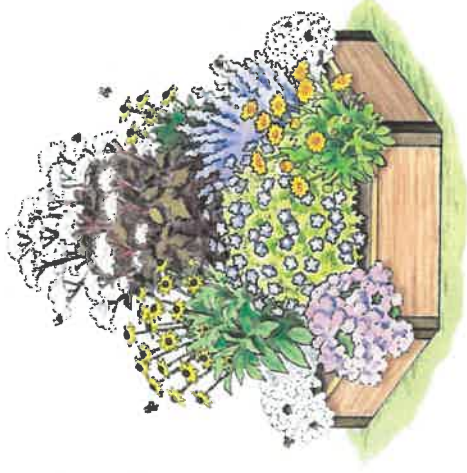
- Driveway art to brighten driveway (games / bee art)
- Hexagon bee gardens along grass and driveway (playground side)
- Use a Bee theme to promote bee live.
-





Additions to the playground we would like to recommend to fill gap of snake.

1. Hamster wheel.
2. Concrete caterpillar



Extras

- Driveway art to brighten driveway (games / bee art)
- Hexagon bee gardens along grass and driveway (playground side)
- Use a Bee theme to promote bee live.

**PROPOSED PROJECTS FOR RFC FUNDING TO
KEEP MOTUEKA BEAUTIFUL 2020/21**

For the last few years Keep Motueka Beautiful has been allocated \$10,000 p.a. from RFC funds. KMB is requesting \$10,000 for 2020/21. Projects 1-4 below add up to \$10,000 but if any of these do not proceed, some of the lower priority projects could. KMB regards all the projects on this list as high priority. The list has not yet been discussed with the Parks & Reserves Department.

Priority	Project	Est Cost 2020/21
1.	Sanctuary Ponds	
1.1	Dredge the main pond to restore depth of water <i>The pond is gradually filling with mud. This project was approved for 2019/20 but was delayed due to workload of contractors and the lockdown. We plan to book it in well in advance for summer, when the pond almost dries out.</i>	\$3,500
1.2	Extend the footpath from the loop to the NW entrance from the playing fields. <i>Sanctuary Ponds is getting a lot more visitors now and most of them enter or leave the park by this entrance, walk through and enter/leave from/by Old Wharf Road. At present the NW entrance is just grass and it gets pretty wet in winter.</i>	\$2,000
1.3	More bulbs and plants to replenish the borders. <i>Much of the work was done last month, but we still need to replenish summer & autumn bulbs and tidy the NE border.</i>	\$500
2.	Te Maatu/Thorp Bush Plants and materials to continue restoration of this ecologically significant forest remnant. <i>This is a multi-year project. Priorities for areas to plant are: a) in-fill grassy clearings in the bush to reduce edge effects, which allow weeds and light in (as per North's recommendations to TDC on Significant Natural Habitats). b) Plant up the vehicle turning circle once TDC has removed the asphalt, as per the RMP. (More likely for a future year.)</i>	\$2,000
3.	Tree planting for carbon sequestration Plant up with eco-sourced natives the separate parcel of land in Thorp Bush, over the bridge in the NE corner. This is seen as a contribution to the national "billion trees" goal, to mitigate climate change. <i>This is one of the few pieces of TDC land in the area that could be used for tree planting. It is a lower priority from a conservation perspective as only a few of the original trees remain. Allowance should be made for a future footpath through it.</i>	\$1,000
4.	Trewavas St. foreshore Work with TDC and residents on a Coastcare project. <i>This has been in TDC's P&R plans for a couple of years, but it has proved difficult to get it off the ground. It will involve consultation with residents regarding solutions to protect the foreshore. These could include planting some sections with native species to protect the dunes, as well as tidying, restoring or replacing existing protection works. It is uncertain how far we will progress in 2020/21 and hence the budget required.</i>	\$1,000

5.	<p>Restore estuary salt-marsh Remove pine and other exotic species from the saltmarsh at the west end of the Wharf Road causeway, on the north side, and start to replant with coastal scrub/forest. <i>This is recommended in the RMP as the saltmarsh is an SNH (significant native habitat).</i></p>	\$3,000
6.	<p>Museum frontage Planter boxes or other landscaping outside the Museum. <i>Proposals still to be developed in consultation with the Museum, P&R and OTM.</i></p>	\$2,000
7.	<p>Fearon Bush Plant small shrubs under the dripline of the remnant kahikatea and titoki to prevent further compaction of the root zone (as per the RMP).</p>	\$1,000
8.	<p>Plant specimen trees in local parks Eginton Reserve, Pukekohatu Reserve & Nga piko Place are possibilities.</p>	\$900