STAFF REPORT

TO:	Golden Bay Community Board
FROM:	Reserves and Assets Project Officer
DATE:	1 December 2010
SUBJECT:	Takaka Memorial Reserve Playground

The overall condition of the Takaka Memorial Reserve playground was raised in the public forum at the August 2010 Golden Bay Community Board meeting.

At the same time the Tasman District Council had engaged a private company to carry out a complete inspection of all playgrounds within the district. The company was Park Central, Park and Playground Solutions Ltd in Auckland.

The specific playground audit report is attached.

The report outlines a number of concerns that need to be addressed and has an overall condition rating of 4 (poor) failure likely in short term substantial work required in short term, asset barely serviceable.

The renewal priority is rated 2 which is major renewal within one to two years.

With this and the approximate age of the playground (26 years) in mind I would like to move forward with a complete playground renewal and redevelopment of the playground area.

The proposal would be to conduct a public survey to obtain input on the design along with working with local schools. I have spoken with Takaka Primary and they would be happy to be included within this development.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board give approval for a complete renewal and redevelopment of the playground at Takaka Memorial Reserve.

Glenn Thorn Reserves and Assets Project Officer g:\parks & reserves\glennlet\reports\rgb10-11-14 takaka memorial reserve playground.doc