

Williamson Park



Reserve Classification	Recreation	Area	3.7791 ha
Location	418 Ocean Road, Whangamata	ID Number	4526143
Current State	Category A: Community Open Space	Legal Description	Pt Sec 10 Blk XVI Tairua SD or DPS 23645
Future Use	Category A: Community Open Space	Title	NZ Gazette 2010/4205 CT 543558

Asset Registry

Asset Registry	Leases And Licences	
Toilet Block	Whangamata Surf Club	Expires 29 June 2030
Stage/Pavillion	Cafe	Expires 31 August 2025
Tsunami Siren		

Background

- This area was named after Phillip Williamson who bequeathed the land to the Thames-Coromandel District Council in 1929.
- This reserve is a very popular visitor destination, as the summer festivals are held in this area, with a pavilion being developed on the reserve to accommodate this and other events.
- The surf club have a club room building and accommodation building with storage underneath in the northern area of the reserve adjacent to the main beach access.

Reserve Issues

- The large pines that are a landscape feature of this reserve are coming to the end of their life.
- A stormwater overflow pond is located behind the beach dunes, providing for the soakage of stormwater from the surrounding area.
- Banksia trees along the road edge have been planted underneath the power lines and require removal and planting with alternative species.

Reserve Management Policy

1. Allow for Council approved events.
2. All public events are to abide by the Council's Acoustic Management Plan (refer Appendix 1) Propose six consecutive days over Christmas/New Year holiday. All applications outside the specific period will be subject to approval by Council.
3. Liaise with Surf club over beach access and maintenance of the reserve land surrounding their building.
4. Monitor the stormwater pond issues.
5. Maintain beachfront reserves where possible in a natural state.
6. Prohibit encroachment from adjoining properties onto the recreation and esplanade reserves.
7. Protect and enhance the reserve area through planting of coastal species and controlling access through the dune area.
8. Develop a plan for succession planting of pine trees.
9. Reserve objectives and policies as outlined in Document 1 apply.

### Proposed Development

Proposed Development	Priority
Upgrade picnic facilities	On-going
Succession Planting Plan	Short term
Reserve Lights - review and replace as necessary	Short term