## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PLAN**

#### Hokitika Town Belt East Development (site of the former Hokitika Racecourse) APRIL 2023



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#### Background

Overview prepared as requested by Westland District Council who passed a resolution to engage with the Westland Community on the future use of the former Hokitika Racecourse.

Joseph and Associates have drafted the following communication and engagement plan for Council's consideration for implementation.





#### Team

#### Rachel Leitch, SME Community Engagement

A senior internal and external communications practitioner with over 20 years' experience, spanning a wide range of organisational types within multiple industry sectors including: local government, global corporate, infrastructure, supply chain, education providers, conferencing and events, and inbound tourism in both domestic and international markets.

#### Paul Zaanen, Project Lead

Extensive engagement experience for NGO's, Private Sector and Public Sector. Westport based and has been Project Lead for the IAF negotiations for WDC.

#### Jason Mill, Design Lead and Co-ordination

Experienced Designer with a demonstrated history of working in the architecture & construction industry. Strong professional skilled in 3D Modelling, Visualization, Sustainability, CAD/BIM, and Multimedia. Design lead for the IAF negotiations for WDC.



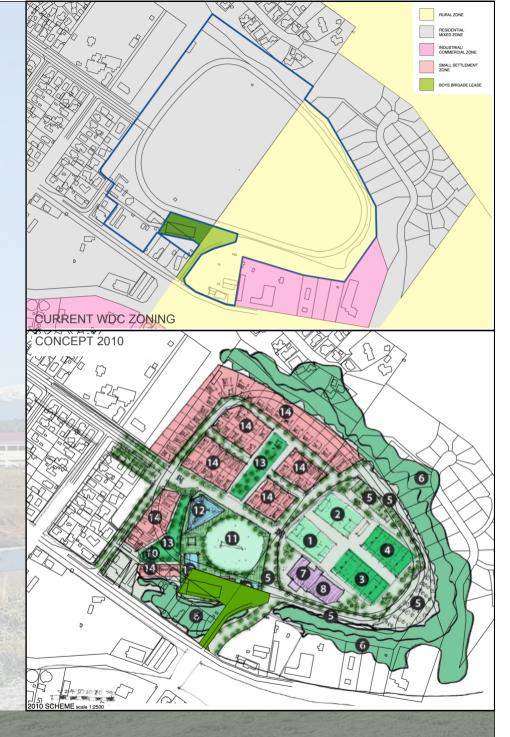


#### Overview

- LTP
- Zoning
- IAF process

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Within Previous Recommendations ...

#### **Consultation and engagement**

- Core to success of the development
- Stakeholder meetings
- Synergy with recreational reserve and residentially zoned land development
- Findings contribute to criteria for potential EOI / RFP + development agreement





#### **Identified Stakeholders**

- Current users of land area (former racecourse)
- Local lwi
- Neighbours of East Town Belt
- Event Owners / Managers
- Long Term Plan submitters
- Sport and Recreational groups
- Westland District Council rate payers





## Method of engagement

- Stakeholder Facilitated Workshops
- Have your say (online engagement via WDC website)

- Drop-in session
- Print format Questionnaire





#### Consultation & Engagement to date ...

- Long Term Plan
- WDC discussions with current land users
- RSL Sports groups engagement and report
- Te Tai o Poutini Plan (TTPP)





# a). WDC ownership and possible development intention

- Land sale from racecourse to WDC
- Long Term Plan
- Infrastructure Acceleration Fund
- EOI /RFP for potential development partner

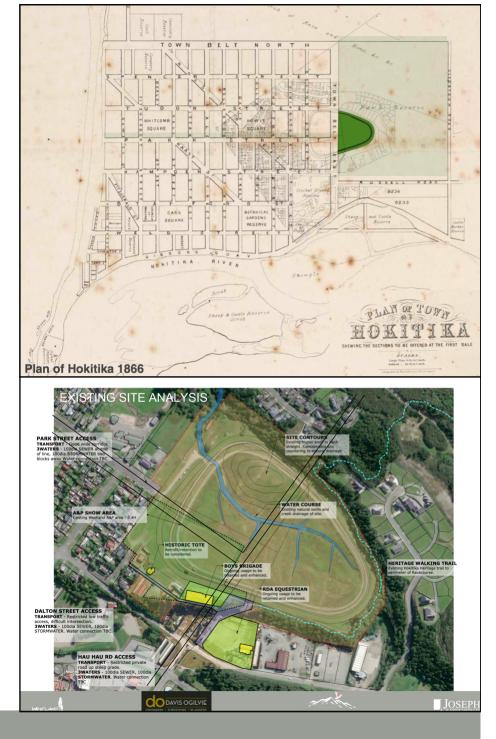






#### b). Land use (historic and current)

- Original/historic zoning
- Existing structures
- Current users







### c). Land use (proposed)

- Housing
- Recreational
- Community / commercial spaces
- Linkages



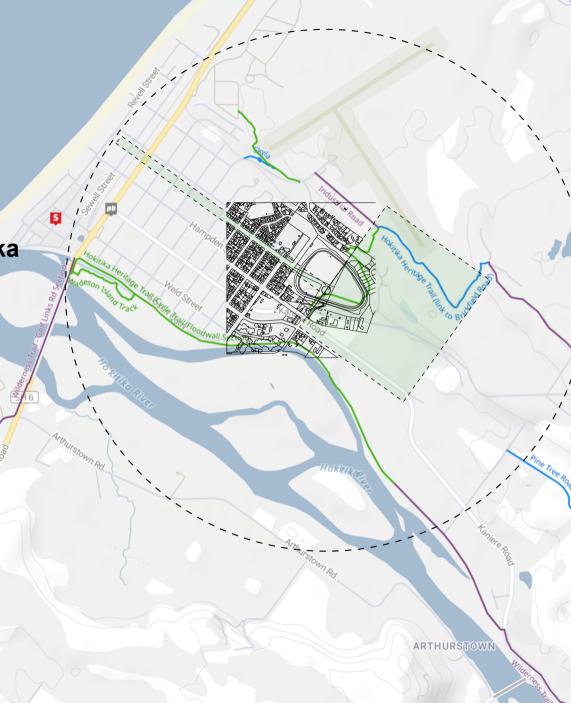




## d). Future Vision for Hokitika

Current statistical forecast

- Aging population
- Declining population







- a). Balance of Residential vs Recreational
- b). Extension of Park Road to Town Belt East
- c). Utilisation and Integration of Existing Assets (buildings)
- d). Types of Residential Dwellings



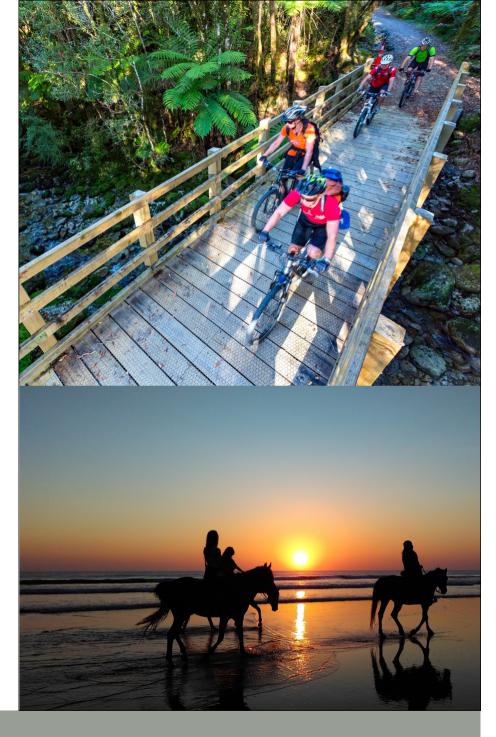




#### **Future Vision for Hokitika**

Changing the forecast

- Who do you want to live here
- The proposed development is an opportunity (to retain and attract people)







## The Call to Engage

- Direct invite via existing channels
- WDC Website
- WDC social media channels
- Full Page Newspaper advertisement







## Post Engagement

Written report

- findings (collated data)
- recommendations
- presentation to WDC

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#### TIMELINE

| DATE/<br>TIMING         | ACTIVITY   |
|-------------------------|--|
| 27/4/23                 | Council meeting  |
| Early May               | Early Awareness email to key stakeholders                                    |
| Early May               | Social Media   |
| Early May               | Media Release + full page print advert                                       |
| Mid May                 | Workshop - Stakeholder group 1 - users/LTP submitters                        |
| Mid May                 | Workshop - Stakeholder group 1 - Neighbours and affected residents           |
| Mid May -<br>Early June | Have your say online (WDC Website) and Print questionnaire at WDC locations. |
| Early June              | Drop in  |
| Late June               | Report to Council  |





#### **Council Feedback**

- Is the Content Correct?
- Have we got the timeline and activity correct?
- Are there any key questions or concerns?



