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UNTAMED NATURAL WILDERNESS





OUT & ABOUT

Get out and about on Hokitika's variety of walking and cycling trails.

EASY ACCESS TO UNTAMED NATURAL WILDERNESS

With a range of short walks, it's easy to access untamed natural wilderness around Hokitika. See abundant bird life, lush rainforest and experience the rich history of the area. Plenty of trails are suitable for the whole family.

For hunters or trampers, many tracks give access to a network of DOC backcountry huts. Soak in natural hot springs, see the rare Whio (Blue Duck) and take in great views.

For cyclists, options range from the easy Grade 2, 132km West Coast Wilderness Trail to a number of single tracks of varying grades on Blue Spur.

For up to date trail information, visit the [Site](#) or DOC office. For dog permits, apply at DOC office. Always obey posted dog signage. Visit [www.westcoastforests.co.nz](#) for more cycle trail info. For Blue Spur mountain bike track maps, visit [Hokitika Cycles and Sports](#) and the [Site](#).

- Wheelchair accessible
- Buggies/Strollers accessible
- Easy walk
- Moderate walk
- Hard hike/climb
- No dogs allowed
- Dogs by permit only
- Dogs on lead
- West Coast Wilderness Trail
- Open to bikes

KUMARA AREA

1 Londonderry Rock 15 MIN RETURN
1km east of Kumara off SH73.
Walk passes through stone-fields of old goldmining tailings and kanuka forest to huge glacier deposited boulder, too big for the early miners to move or break.

GOLDSBOROUGH (SHAMROCK CREEK ECOLOGICAL AREA)

2 Goldsbrough (Shamrock) Track 4 HOURS ONE WAY
Starts at Goldsbrough camping area. Ends on Callaghans Rd. Walk back along road or return transport required.
Both ends of track feature signs of historic goldmining, including fine tunnels on Shamrock Creek. The higher portions of the track are one of the best remaining local examples of hill-country rimu and miro forest.

3 German Gully Pack Track and Goffs Track 1.5 HOUR LOOP
Starts at Goldsbrough camping area, crosses creek and climbs via German Gully Track to Scandinavian Hill Rd. Turn north here and return by Goffs Track and part of the Goldsbrough track.
Historic goldmining features in native forest regrowth.

4 Tunnel Terrace Loop Walk 20 MINS ONE WAY
Signposted on Stafford Goldsbrough roadside.
Track enters and exits through old goldmining tailrace tunnels, and passes through regenerating rimu, kamahi and tree fern forest.

HOKITIKA TOWN WALKS

18 Hokitika Beach Walk
Readily accessible from Beach St, via Weld Lane, Sunset Point Rd and several other access roads.
Wonderful wild beach, black sand and pebbles (including pouanamu jade), driftwood, mountain views, sunsets, sunrise, and starry nights. Walks, picnicking, fossicking for pebbles and driftwood, sandcastles, surfing, and surfing.

19 Sunset Point 5 MIN WALK FROM TOWN CENTRE
By foot, along beach, beach track, or quayside section of Heritage Walk.
By road via Sunset Point Rd.
Sunsets, sunrise and starry nights. Hokitika rivermouth and beach. Views of NZ's highest mountains: Aoraki/Mount Cook and Horo Kawau/Tasman. Tambo 'shipwreck'. Walks, picnicking, beach fossicking, fishing, and whitebaiting.

16 The Glow-worm Dell 7 MIN
From roadside at northern town entrance, 50 metre track leads to Glow-worm Dell.
Free viewing of glow-worm colonies. (Glow-worms can only be seen at night). Lovely fern grotto by day. Flashlight recommended.

17 Hokitika Heritage Walk 30 MIN - 2 HOURS
Request brochure from I-Site.
From I-Site and Carnegie Building, or any point along walk.
Goldrush and river-port town history, heritage sites, buildings and statues. Brochure and information panels bring history to life. (Or try the 11km Heritage Trail around the town perimeter). Most locations are also visited on the Points of Interest Loop.

20 Points of Interest Loop 1-2 HOUR LOOP
Starts at I-Site, or any point along loop.
Best way to see town centre. Loop combines public art displays, Take-a-Seat art seats and historic heritage sites (including Hokitika Heritage Walk locations).

18 Pressers Bush Walk 10 MIN RETURN
Car park on Town Belt East.
Best example of the kahikatea forest that once covered most of Hokitika township area.

LAKE KANIERE SCENIC RESERVE

1 Kahikatea Forest Walk 10 MINS RETURN
Sunny bright picnic area.
Best short walk through fine virgin kahikatea forest.

9 Lake Kanierie Walkway 4 HOURS ONE WAY
Car park just south of southern end of the lake.
Follows western shore of lake. Ends at Sunny Bight at northern end of lake. Lush forest, great lake and mountain views. Bays and beaches.

10 Canoe Cove Rimu Forest Walk 15 MINS ONE WAY
Car park opposite Milltown Rd.
Best short walk through fine rimu forest. Ends at sheltered swimming and picnic beach.

6 Dorothy Falls 1 MIN
Car park beside bridge at Dorothy Falls Rd on eastern side of lake.
Short path to pool at base of local falls.

12 Kanierie Water Race Walkway 3-4 HOURS ONE WAY WITH 1 HOUR OPTION
Car park at The Landing at the northern end of Lake Kanierie. Ends at Kennedy Ck near Kanierie Forks Power Station. A shorter easy section from the Landing to Wards Rd (1 hour one way) is most popular.
Follows historic, but still used, Kanierie Forks power station water-race, through virgin and regrowth forest. Freshwater mussels, crayfish and the odd trout may be spotted.

5 Mt Tubua Track 7 HOURS RETURN
Signposted on Dorothy Falls Rd just south of Hans Bay.
Great local access to open mountain tops. Panoramic views of Southern Alps, Lake Kanierie, coastal plains and Hokitika. Sleep climb and must be fit. Boots required.

8 Mt Brown Track 4 HOURS UP TO MT BROWN HUT
Signposted on Dorothy Falls Rd South of Dorothy Falls on South bank of Geologist Creek.
Sleep climb leads to Mt Brown Hut offering panoramic views of Southern Alps, Lake Kanierie, coastal plains and Hokitika. Must be fit. Boots required. More demanding than Mt Tubua Track. Hut run by volunteers, donations can be made at I-Site.



BLUE GORGE

Sometimes you see photos of a tourist spot and think yeah right, it can't look as good as that in real life. Hokitika Gorge is one of those places. The vivid turquoise water surrounded by lush native bush looks too good to be true. Trust us, it is well worth a visit.

The Gorge is 32km from Hokitika. It is a short walk from the carpark through a mainly rimu and podocarp forest to an accessible viewing platform where the water has to be seen to be believed. You can walk a little further across a swing bridge to another viewing platform and the river's edge.

If you fancy a drive then we would recommend a loop to the Gorge, then back through dairy country around Lake Kanierie, Dorothy Falls and home to Hokitika. To make it even more unique, visit the site of a mass murder - it may be a little morbid, but the memorial to the seven victims of Stanley Graham killed back in 1941 is very poignant.

HOKITIKA GORGE SCENIC RESERVE

18 Hokitika Gorge Swingbridge 30 MIN RETURN TO RIVER'S EDGE
25km east of Hokitika at end of Kowhitirangi and Whitcombe Rds. (Passes Kowhitirangi Incident memorial on route). Wheelchair accessible lookout 5 min from carpark.
Magnificent granite gorge with milky blue-green pools, backed by cliffs and fine rimu forest. Two viewing platforms and access to river's edge.

RIMU HILL AND BLUE SPUR

18 Rimu Lookout 1 HOUR LOOP WALK
Car park at the top of Rimu Hill, 4 km over Kanierie Bridge.
Panoramic views of the Hokitika valley, and access to displays on the gold mining heritage of the area.

7 Blue Spur Bushwalk 1.5 HOUR LOOP WALK
Car park on Blue Spur Rd.
Old Chinese goldmining workings; axes, stone walls and shafts in regrowth native forest. Care required due to hidden drops. Stick to the track and supervise children, wear strong footwear.

LAKE MAHINAPUA SCENIC RESERVE

26 Bellbird Walk 10 MIN LOOP
At southern end of camping area.
Pretty sand dune forest and old black sand gold dredge pond.

22 Jam Michel Track 20 MINS ONE WAY
From lake access road. Ends close to camping area.
Tree ferns, kamahi and totara forest on old sand dunes.

23 Mananui Bush and Beach Walk 20 MIN RETURN
Car park 1km south of Hokitika just off SH4.
Intriguing walk through remnant of sand dune totara forest. Wonderful lonely driftwood-strewn beach. Best views of the Southern Alps.

24 Mananui Tramline (Mahinapua Walkway) 2 HOURS ONE WAY - 4-40 MIN RETURN TO LAKESIDE
Remnant south of Hokitika on SH4. Or start 3km from Rimu on Rimu Ross Rd.
Follows old logging tramway route through a cross section of West Coast bush history. Best longer walk through natural terrace rimu forest. Also regenerating native forest and pine, acalypt and Monterey cypress plantings. Wetlands and Mahinapua Creek. Detour to lakeside picnic point along fine rimu forest ridge worthwhile.

ROSS HISTORIC GOLDFIELDS

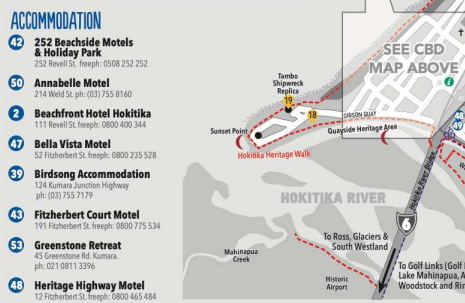
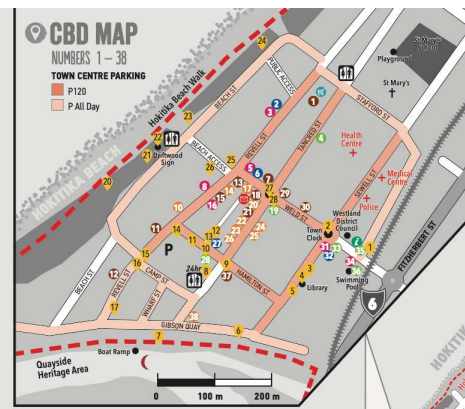
25 Ross Water Race Walkway 1 HOUR LOOP
Walk starts from Ross Visitor Centre.
Follows Mt Greenland Rd up Jones Ck and loops back along water race and through old Ross Cemetery. Goldmining area relics.

GET INSPIRED Need inspiration for great ways to spend your days in Hokitika? Tested and approved by locals (and visitors too!).

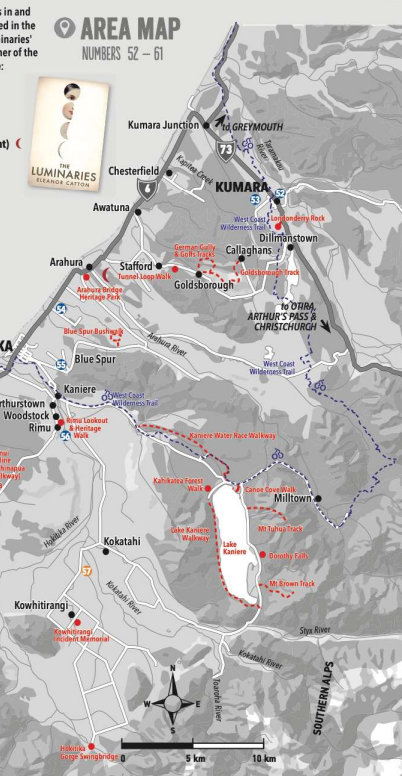
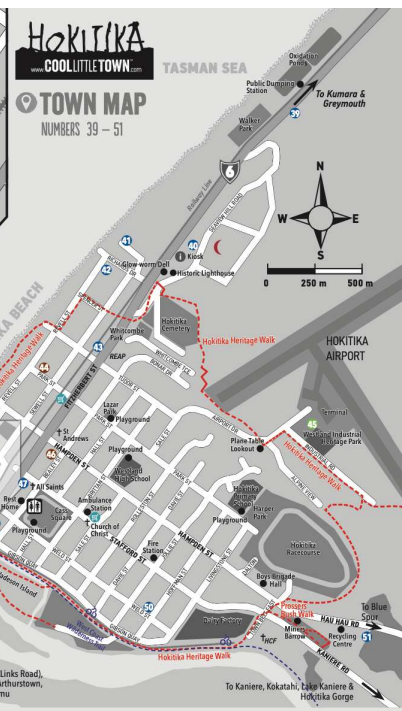
- A DAY ON THE GOLD TRAIL**
 - Visit the massive Londonderry Rock near Kumara
 - Plan for gold at the public fossicking area at Goldsbrough
 - Do the Tunnel Terrace Loop Walk
 - Stop at the Ararua Bridge Heritage Park
 - Do the Blue Spur Bushwalk
 - Shop for gold jewellery in Hokitika
- HOKITIKA GORGE & LAKE KANIERE SCENIC DAY**
 - Take a scenic drive to the Hokitika Gorge
 - Loop back to Hokitika via the eastern end of Lake Kanierie
 - Stop at the pullouts for postcard lake views
 - See Dorothy Falls, right off the road
 - Picnic, swim at Hans Bay
 - Do the Kahikatea Forest Walk at Sunny Bight
- LAKE MAHINAPUA FUN DAY**
 - Take a scenic boat cruise on Mahinapua Creek
 - Do a return walk to the Mananui Tramline boardwalk (SH4 end)
 - Do the Mananui Bush Walk for the best Southern Alps views
 - Picnic, swim and walk at the Lake Mahinapua DOC area
 - Do the treetop walk and overlook the Lake
 - Loop back to Hokitika with a stop at the Rimu Lookout
- A RELAXING DAY IN HOKITIKA**
 - Wander town and browse the shops
 - Try some West Coast Whitebait
 - Search for pouanamu on the beach
 - Do the self-guided Points of Interest Loop
 - Picnic at the beach
 - Watch the sunset at Sunset Point
 - Visit the Glow-worm Dell at dark



- EXPERIENCES**
- 28 **Carnegie Building**
17 Hamilton St. ph: (03) 755 8497
 - 35 **Hokitika i-SITE Visitor Centre**
36 Weld St. ph: (03) 755 6166
 - 36 **Hokitika Pool**
53 Weld St. ph: (03) 755 8119
 - 19 **Hokitika's Regent Theatre**
Cnr Weld & Tanced St. ph: (03) 755 8101
 - 33 **Mountain Jade - Weld St**
41 Weld St. ph: (03) 755 8007
 - 4 **The National Kiwi Centre**
44 Tanced St. ph: (03) 755 8119
 - 58 **West Coast Scenic Waterways**
Historic Railway Bridge at Mahinapua Creek, 4km south of Hokitika. ph: (027) 430 1777
 - 59 **West Coast Treetop Walk & Café**
1128 Woodstock Rimu Rd
freeph: 0508 TREETOPS
 - 40 **Wilderness Rafting New Zealand**
Meets at Freeze Houses
freeph: 0508 669 675
 - 45 **Wilderness Wings**
Hokitika Airport. freeph: 0800 755 8118
- ARTISTS & CRAFTS**
- 26 **Gift NZ**
23 Tanced St. ph: (03) 755 7448
 - 57 **Gorge Gallery at MZ Design**
1301 Kaitiaki Road
ph: (03) 755 7800
 - 14 **Heritage Jade**
86 Revell St. ph: (03) 755 6514
 - 23 **Hokitika Craft Gallery**
25 Tanced St. ph: (03) 755 8802
 - 17 **Hokitika Glass Studio**
9 Weld St. ph: (03) 755 7775
 - 25 **Mountain Jade - Tanced St**
30 Tanced St. ph: (03) 755 8009
 - 10 **Tectonic Jade**
67 Revell St. ph: (03) 755 6644
 - 20 **The Gold Room**
37 Tanced St. ph: (03) 755 8362
 - 38 **Traditional Jade**
2 Tanced St. ph: (03) 755 5233
 - 24 **Westland Greenstone Ltd**
54 Tanced St. ph: (03) 755 8113
 - 22 **Wilderness Gallery**
29 Tanced St. ph: (03) 755 7575
- DINING**
- 31 **Clock Tower Café**
Cnr Weld & Sewell St.
ph: (03) 755 7737
 - 8 **Fat Pipi Pizza**
89 Revell St. ph: (03) 755 6373
 - 3 **Ocean View Restaurant & Bar**
111 Revell St. ph: (03) 755 8344
 - 24 **Porky's Takeaways**
51 Weld St. ph: (0800) 758 8279
 - 16 **Stella Café - Delicatessen & Cheesery**
84 Revell St. ph: (03) 755 5432
 - 5 **Stumpers Bar & Café**
Cnr Weld & Revell St. ph: (03) 755 6154
 - 9 **The Hokitika Sandwich Company**
83 Revell St. ph: (03) 429 2019
- RETAIL & SERVICES**
- 15 **Crimson & Clover Home and Gift**
86 Revell St. ph: (03) 755 5007
 - 21 **Hokitika Cycles & Sportsworld**
33 Tanced St. ph: (03) 755 8662
 - 11 **Hokitika Museum Services/ Research Centre**
47 Revell St. ph: (03) 755 6898
 - 44 **Hokitika Optometrist**
16 Weld St. ph: (03) 755 7310
 - 1 **New World Supermarket**
150 Revell St. ph: (03) 755 8119
 - 18 **Photo Corner & NZ Postshop**
Cnr Weld & Tanced St. ph: (03) 755 7268
 - 46 **Roughan Chiropractic**
79 Hampden St. ph: (03) 755 7846
 - 13 **Take Note Bookshop**
1 Weld St. ph: (03) 755 8167
 - 30 **The Possum People**
20 Weld St. ph: (03) 756 8090
 - 37 **Wilderness Trail Shuttle**
23 Hamilton St. ph: 021 263 3299
 - 12 **West Coast Vinyl & Fashion**
21 Revell St. ph: 027 907 9069
 - 7 **Westland Pharmacy**
Cnr Tanced & Weld St. ph: (03) 755 8150
 - 29 **Woolshed Gallery/ Chili Wind Clothing**
14 Weld St. ph: (03) 755 5097



- ACCOMMODATION**
- 42 **252 Beachside Motels & Holiday Park**
252 Revell St. freeph: 0508 252 252
 - 50 **Annabelle Motel**
214 Weld St. ph: (03) 755 8160
 - 2 **Beachfront Hotel Hokitika**
111 Revell St. freeph: 0800 400 344
 - 47 **Bella Vista Motel**
52 Fitzherbert St. freeph: 0800 235 528
 - 39 **Birdsong Accommodation**
124 Kaitiaki Junction Highway
ph: (03) 755 7179
 - 43 **Fitzherbert Court Motel**
191 Fitzherbert St. freeph: 0800 775 534
 - 53 **Greenstone Retreat**
45 Greenstone Rd. Kumara.
ph: 021 0811 3396
 - 48 **Heritage Highway Motel**
12 Fitzherbert St. freeph: 0800 463 484
 - 54 **Hokitika Holiday Park**
Corner of Innes and Providence Dr.
ph: (03) 755 7754
 - 32 **Mountain Jade Backpackers**
41 Weld St. freeph: 0508 685 185
 - 61 **Paramata Lodge**
Bold Head Road, Ross. ph: (03) 755 4250
 - 49 **Pioneer Hotel**
80 Gibson Quay. ph: (03) 755 8641
 - 56 **Rimu Lodge**
33 Seddon Terrace Rd, Rimu.
ph: (03) 755 5255
 - 40 **Seaview Lodge & Kotuku Hostel**
Seaview Hill Rd. ph: (03) 755 5230
 - 41 **Shining Star Beachfront Accommodation**
16 Fitzherbert St. freeph: 0800 744 646
 - 55 **Stations Inn Boutique Accommodation, Restaurant & Bar**
Cnr Weld & Revell St. ph: (03) 755 5499
 - 6 **Stumpers Accommodation**
Cnr Weld & Revell St. ph: (03) 755 6154
 - 27 **Teichelmann's B&B Inn**
20 Hampden St. ph: (03) 755 8322
 - 21 **Theatre Royal Hotel**
81 Seddon St. ph: (03) 736 9277
 - 51 **Westland Glen Lodge / B&B**
96 Hau Hau Rd. ph: (03) 755 6292
- POINTS OF INTEREST LOOP**
- 1 **Whitebaiter's Walk**
 - 2 **Memorial Clock Tower**
 - 3 **RSA gun displays**
 - 4 **Pause Take a Seat artwork**
 - 5 **Serpentine Fruit sculpture**
 - 6 **Government House/ Courthouse**
 - 7 **Seddon Memorial**
 - 8 **Seddon Memorial**
 - 9 **Lions Tribute Custom House**
 - 10 **Weightstation Cannon**
 - 11 **Countess Life Boat**
 - 12 **Hydraulic Sluicing Nozzle Statue of Summer**
 - 13 **Former Renton's Building**



A number of real places in and around Hokitika featured in the fictional book 'The Luminaries' by Eleanor Catton, winner of the 2013 Man Booker Prize:



- 10 **Carnegie Building**
Historic Place Category 2/Heritage Walk #15
- 11 **Former Fire Station**
- 12 **Teichelmann's House**
- 13 **Former Hokitika Savings Bank**
Historic Place Category 2/Heritage Walk #12
- 14 **Former National Bank**
Historic Place Category 2/Heritage Walk #12
- 15 **Former Bank of New Zealand**
Historic Place Category 2/Heritage Walk #12
- 16 **Former Bank of New South Wales**
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- 17 **1864 Monument**
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- 19 **Tambo Shipwreck Replica**
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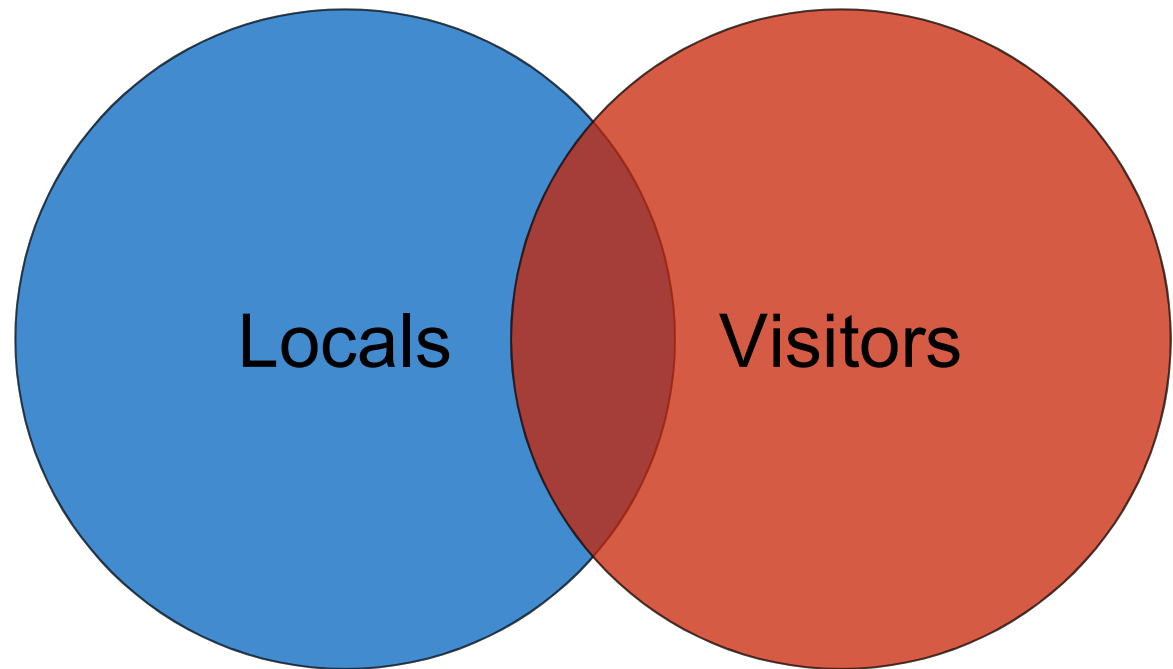
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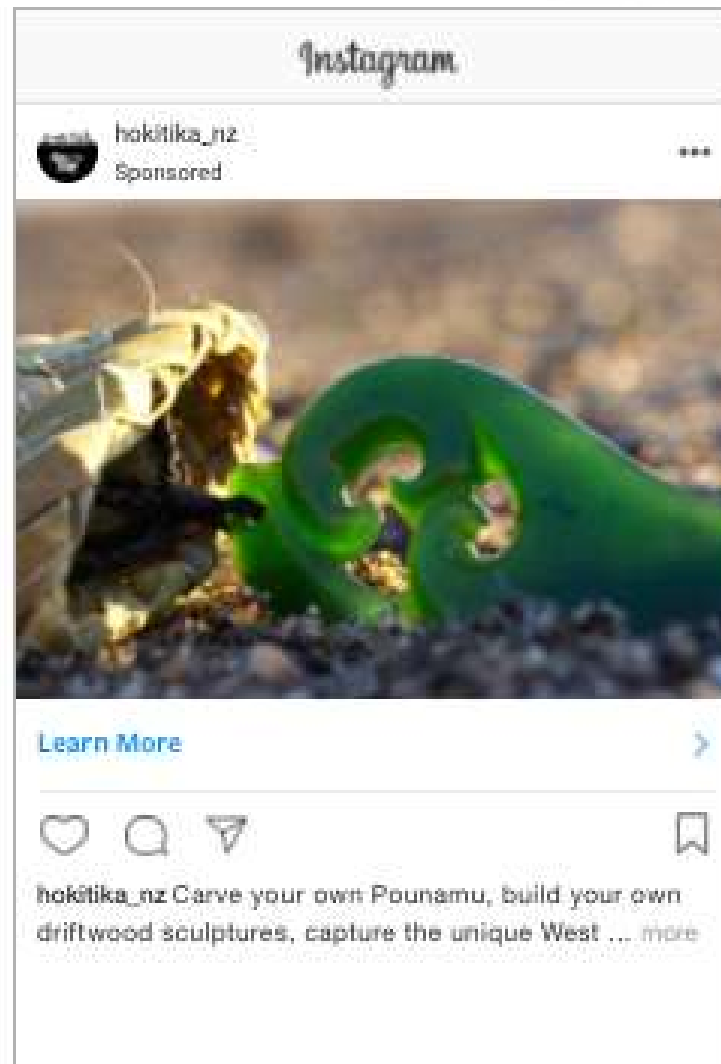
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Street Appeal
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Thoughts intersecting with
Council and Town/District
Planning

Events

Cycling

Beachfront
Development





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