

INDIVIDUAL RESERVE POLICIES

AMBERLEY WARD

AMBERLEY BEACH RESERVES

Description	Management	Amberley Ward Committee
Location	Amberley Beach	
Classification	Recreation Reserve	
Funding Category	Part District/Part Amenity	
Area (hectares)	20.2449	
Legal Description	Holton RURAL SEC 42016, Coastal Reserve RURAL SEC 42017, Amberley Beach RURAL SEC 42018, South Crescent RURAL SEC 42019, Grierson RURAL SECS 42280-42281, Mimimoto RURAL SECS 42282-42283, Golf Links RES 41907,42285 & 42287	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	These reserve areas are surrounded in places by residential development, the coastline, and to the north end, the Amberley Golf Course and Department of Conservation land.	
Facilities	Holton Road Reserve - Children's roundabout & rubbish bin Amberley Beach Reserve - Community meeting room, camp ground, tennis court, backboards, children's play area, BBQ's, toilet block, picnic tables Mimimoto Lagoon - Seating South Crescent Camping Reserve - Toilet block, picnic tables & BBQ's Coastal Reserve/Lookout - Car park, rubbish bins, picnic tables Beach Lagoon Walkway Loop	
Acquisition	Classified NZ Gazette 03/7/08, p.2877	
Estimated Development Cost	\$55,000.00	Buildings Report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

The reserve area at Amberley Beach consists of seven areas known as: Mimimoto Lagoon, South Crescent Camping Reserve, Amberley Beach Reserve, Holton Road Reserve, Amberley Beach Coastal Reserve/Lookout, Grierson Plantation and Golf Links Road Plantation. Due to common issues and their close proximity, their management is best looked at as a whole, and any development approached with an overview as to how these reserves can be used to address wider issues in the Amberley Beach settlement.

Golf Links Road Plantation, at the northern end of Golf Links Road, is a narrow strip of coastal land adjacent to the golf course planted in mature pine trees. This area serves as an important source of shelter for the course. Grierson Plantation contains a lagoon surrounded by modified wetland vegetation with the balance planted in pine trees. A Beach Lagoon Walkway Loop extends through this area and into adjacent DOC land. The Amberley Beach Coastal Reserve/Lookout provides a buffer strip between the coastline and the Amberley Beach Settlement, with vegetation providing some protection from weather and erosion. Amberley Beach Reserve, with its central location, serves as a 'village green' area for the local community, as well as housing a camping ground and various community facilities. Holton Road Reserve is a flat grassed area, which is as yet fairly undeveloped, and could be better utilised with development as a play area for children. South Crescent Camping Reserve serves as a second remote camp ground for the area. Mimimoto Lagoon, at the southern end of the township, is an undeveloped reserve which has in the past been used as a rubbish dump.

Both erosion and drainage are significant management issues for this area. As well as providing recreational space for the community, it is important that the reserve parts bordering the coastline are also developed in ways which help to mitigate erosion, such as with timely and appropriate planting. It will also be important to address appropriate development in both lagoon areas for their potential as recreation areas for residents and visitors, and also for their utilisation to address wider erosion and drainage issues.

The camping areas will focus on their appeal as remote camping sites, with it being recognised that increasing visitor numbers are likely to require additional maintenance and appropriate development. The undeveloped Holton Road Reserve area has also been recognised as suitable for further development, particularly with regards to a children's play area and passive recreation. This is important as it will address the safety issue of having the playground area in Amberley Beach Reserve situated near campervan movements. These three inland areas could also be enhanced with amenity plantings.

Mimimoto Lagoon, Golf Links Road Plantation & Amberley Beach Coastal Reserve are district funded with the balance area amenity funded.

Specific Policies:

- that further walkway development and where appropriate, access be established, to further link together the reserve areas and to encourage more use of all reserve spaces
- that the current Lions walkway be maintained as part of the management of this reserve area
- that the focus of camping grounds be on remote camping, with maintenance and development undertaken to keep up with visitor demand
- that signage be established and upgraded where necessary
- that serious consideration be given to the utilisation of lagoon areas to address erosion and drainage issues, whilst ensuring that their natural character and environmental value is sustained
- that the Mimimoto Lagoon be cleared, levelled and developed to improve its use as a recreational area and potentially as a picnic spot
- that major erosion and shelter planting be undertaken where necessary and in a timely manner
- that planting be considered where appropriate for revegetation in lagoon areas and for amenity appeal in the central areas
- that a picnic area be developed behind the car park at the Amberley Beach Coastal Reserve provided that there is local input into the project
- that picnic tables and BBQs be installed as funds allow and as appropriate to each area and user demand
- that for safety reasons, the focus be placed on the establishment of a children's play area at the Holton Road Reserve area, rather than the upgrading of equipment in the Amberley Beach Reserve
- that further consideration be given as to whether the tennis courts at Amberley Beach Reserve are resurfaced when required or new courts established at the Holton Road Reserve
- that the existing toilets be maintained and upgraded as required and as funds allow

Future Development Potential:

The local and wider community has greatly benefited from the Amberley Beach Lions Walkway project. Maintaining the high standard of this walkway will be important, and sets an example for the potential to establish further walkways to eventually link both lagoons. A loop walkway through all reserves would be a valuable community facility and ensure high usage of all reserves. The camping areas will need to be sensitively managed to ensure a balance between necessary developments due to visitor demand and maintaining its appeal as a remote camping destination. Both lagoon areas and reserves bordering the coastline will need to be developed in a way which recognises and enhances their environmental values, meets recreational demand, and addresses wider drainage and erosion issues. All other development will be to enhance the usage and appeal of this reserve area as a whole and with consideration given to user demand.



AMBERLEY RESERVE (DOMAIN)

Description	Management	Amberley Reserve Committee
Location	Amberley	
Classification	Recreation Reserve	
Funding Category	Amenity	
Area (hectares)	14.7785	
Legal Description	RES 4317 4343 RURAL SEC 41168 AMBERLEY TOWNSHIP	
District Plan Notations	T1 T3 T5 T10 T92-98	
Adjacent Land	The reserve is surrounded by pastoral land on the west side. The Amberley Primary School adjoins the southern boundary.	
Facilities	Four sports buildings and pavilions, new and old toilet blocks, two storage sheds, a pump shed for the Amberley water supply, a pump house for the swimming pool and sewage well, bowls club, cricket and rugby fields, tennis and netball courts, squash courts, swimming pool complex, adventure playground, skate board park, picnic facilities, and a native vegetation area.	
Acquisition	Reserve 4343 gazetted as domain in 1902 p.1513, Reserve 4317 gazetted as domain in 1933 p. 22, Rural Sec 41168 gazetted as domain in 1958 p. 659 All gazetted as recreation reserve in 1997, p. 3668	
Estimated Development Cost	\$100,000.00	Buildings Report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

The Amberley Reserve (Domain) is located on Douglas Road, Amberley. The Reserve is the premier location for the A&P show held annually and has been utilised as such since 1902.

The Amberley Reserve provides a multitude of sporting facilities including bowls, cricket, rugby fields, tennis and netball courts, squash courts and a swimming pool.

A combined rugby and community owned pavilion has the capacity to host indoor bowls, concerts, and other public and social occasions.

The Reserve is landscaped, with a large adventure playground with picnic facilities. The Reserve features a planted area known as Heritage Park, situated behind the Bowling Club, which was planted in amenity trees by school children from Amberley, Leithfield, Broomfield, and Waipara Schools. The planting initiative was undertaken by the Amberley District Residents Association. A native plantation area is also being established on the bank above the rugby fields.

The Reserve also features a family-friendly loop walkway constructed as an Amberley Lions Presidents Project, and a new picnic area.

Specific Policies:

- that the existing adventure playground continue to be maintained and upgraded as required
- that an irrigation system be established for use on the rugby fields
- that the existing old toilet block be retained for use only on A&P show days
- that multiple use of facilities by clubs or organisations be encouraged
- that the Pavilion be developed as required and funds become available
- that the native plantation area on the bank above the rugby fields continue to be developed and

maintained

- that the existing walking tracks within the Reserve be maintained
- that the public swimming pool continue to be upgraded
- that the reserve continue to be developed as required

Future Development Potential:

The Amberley Reserve is a well utilised village green space for the Amberley community. The reserve is well developed and maintained and will continue to benefit from initiatives such as the native vegetation project.



BALCAIRN OAK TREE RESERVE

Description	Management	Amberley Ward Committee
Location	Balcairn	
Classification	Recreation Reserve	
Funding Category	District/Amenity	
Area (hectares)	2.487	
Legal Description	SEC 1 SO 17789 BLK XVI GREY SD	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	Farm land	
Facilities	None	
Acquisition	Vested in the Kowai County Council, Canterbury Provincial Gazette, 7/08/1862, p. 110 and NZ Gazette, 21/06/1894, p. 942. Classified recreation reserve 9/3/2006 p.527	
Estimated Development Cost	\$750.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

The Balcairn Oak Tree Reserve is situated on Upper Sefton Road, Balcairn. The reserve was planted in oak trees in the 1880's and provides an interesting landmark in the Balcairn landscape.

Although the oak trees were planted in the 1880's, their growth has been slow in the dry and exposed conditions and, they have not attained the height expected of trees of this age. As such, emphasis must be placed on protection and management of the trees.

The reserve is fenced off from the surrounding farmland and is grazed. Currently, there is no public access to the reserve.

Specific Policies:

- that the Balcairn Oak Tree Reserve trees be placed on the register of protected trees
- that an arboricultural report be prepared on the Reserve's oak trees
- that maintenance be completed on the oak trees in accordance with the arboricultural report

Future Development Potential:

The Balcairn Oak Tree Reserve features a unique stand of mature oak trees within Balcairn. If there was enough public demand, it could be partially opened up to the public for passive recreation purposes such as picnics and walks, when not being leased. Until such time, the reserve will remain fenced and grazed by sheep for maintenance purposes.



BALCAIRN RECREATION RESERVE

Description	Management	Amberley Ward Committee
Location	Balcairn	
Classification	Recreation Reserve	
Funding Category	Amenity	
Area (hectares)	1.6114	
Legal Description	RURAL SEC 37929 BALCAIRN TOWNSHIP BLK XVI GREY SD & RES 4669 BALCAIRN TOWNSHIP BLK XVI GREY SD	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	Farm land	
Facilities	A single tennis court, water tank on stand and old pony club storage sheds.	
Acquisition	Vested in HDC, NZ Gazette 29/08/74, p. 1798. Classified as Recreation Reserve NZ Gazette 19/5/05, p. 1915	
Estimated Development Cost	\$0.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

The Balcairn Recreation Reserve is a triangular piece of land comprised of two contiguous lots being the Domain Reserve (1.3673 ha) and the corner section (0.2441 ha). The reserve is bordered by the two converging roads of Robertson and Stokes Road that meet at the Balcairn-Amberley Road intersection. The northern end of the reserve is bounded by farmland. The Reserve lacks signage, and is partially obscured by the large shelterbelt trees that surround it. The access gate is also closed to contain grazing stock.

In the past the domain reserve has been the home of both the Balcairn Pony Club, and the Balcairn Tennis Club, however these clubs are currently in recess. The tennis court continues to be used for casual tennis games, and as an overflow venue by the Sefton and Amberley Tennis Clubs.

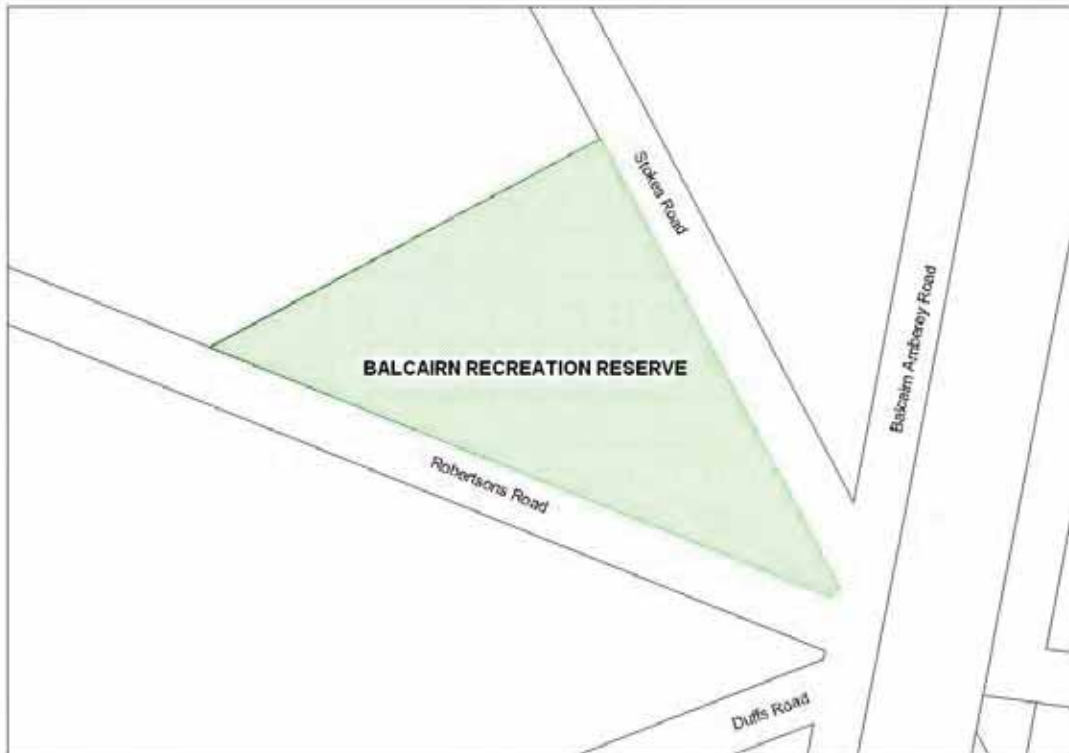
The corner lot of land, which is now part of Balcairn Recreation Reserve, was formally the site of the Balcairn School House. The School House was remarkable in that it was a double story building, the top story of which was eventually moved and used for a time as the tennis pavilion. The school closed in 1929 and was officially included as part of the Balcairn Recreation Reserve in 1969.

Specific Policies:

- that this land be considered as suitable for revokation and disposal due to low community utilisation

Future Development Potential:

A general decline of the Domain Reserve and its facilities in recent years reflects the lack of regular use and community participation in the upkeep of the Domain. This land may be considered suitable for revokation and disposal as it is no longer well-utilised by the community.



CEDAR PLACE RESERVE

Description	Management	Hurunui District Council
Location	Amberley	
Classification	Recreation Reserve	
Funding Category	Amenity	
Area (hectares)	0.0625	
Legal Description	LOT 10 DP 60809 BLK XII GREY SD	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	Cedar Place and Dock Creek.	
Facilities	None.	
Acquisition	VDP in 1992. Classified by Cncl 16/05/07.	
Estimated Development Cost	\$0.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

The Cedar Place Reserve is a recreation reserve situated on Cedar Place, Amberley. The reserve was vested in Council in 1992.

Cedar Place Reserve has been developed as an amenity native planting area and is well maintained by the local residents. The plantings are aesthetically pleasing and will continue to be an asset to the community over time.

Specific Policies:

- that the reserve be maintained as an amenity native planting area
- that "cabbage trees" are not suitable for the reserve and will not be planted at any time

Future Development Potential:

The reserve is suitable for further native plantings as required, and may be suitable for the development of a walkway.



CHAMBERLAIN PARK

Description	Management	Amberley Ward Committee
Location	Amberley	
Classification	Recreation Reserve	
Funding Category	Part District/Part Amenity	
Area (hectares)	0.7783	
Legal Description	RURAL SECS 41493 41494 BLK XII, GREY SD BLK VIII TEVIOTDALE SD	
District Plan Notations	D19 T2	
Adjacent Land	State Highway One & Church Street	
Facilities	Park Benches and Rubbish Bins, Toilets, Scout Den, Amberley Playcentre, Historic Sod Cottage, Children's Play Equipment, Bird Aviary and Footbridge.	
Acquisition	Chamberlain Park was gazetted in 1959. Classified 1992	
Estimated Development Cost	\$5,000.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

Chamberlain Park is located in the centre of Amberley, on the western side of State Highway One. Originally part of the old Amberley school grounds, the Reserve was gifted to the people of Amberley by Mr. Chamberlain.

The reserve is divided into two rural sections of 2930 square metres and 4853 metres respectively. The smaller of the two rural sections is classified as a District Reserve and has frontage to State Highway One. This portion of the reserve contains a replica historic sod cottage. The remainder of the section is landscaped open space with seating for passive recreation.

The second rural section, situated to the west, is classified as Amenity Reserve and is linked via a walking bridge over Dock Creek. It has road frontage to Church Street and contains a Scout Den with adjoining toilet facilities for public use, the Amberley Playcentre, a bird aviary, and a children's playground. The bird aviary features a number of exotic birds and is managed by an Aviary Trust.

Chamberlain Park's overall tranquil character encourages casual recreational pursuits such as picnicking, walking, ball games and the use of play equipment. The replica sod cottage provides an historical element.

Specific Policies:

- that rural section 4853 be re-classified as "local purpose- community use"
- that the Amberley Playcentre and Amberley Scouts enter into a formal lease agreement with Council
- that the Eucalyptus tree listed on the "Schedule of Notable Trees" be maintained by an arborist as required
- that the Historical Society continue to manage the sod cottage
- that the reserve continue to be developed as a natural area of both native and exotic vegetation
- that Chamberlain Park continue to maintained to a high standard for the use and enjoyment of the general public

Future Development Potential:

Any further building development must be carefully planned to maximize the use and aesthetic qualities of

the reserve. Maintenance to a high standard is required due to its centrality as a reserve in the Amberley township and its appeal for people passing through on the State Highway.



COULBECK RESERVE

Description	Management	Amberley Ward Committee
Location	Leithfield	
Classification	Recreation Reserve	
Funding Category	Amenity	
Area (hectares)	0.2474	
Legal Description	LOT 1 DP 59926 LOT 1 DP 28277 BLK IX TEVIOTDALE SD	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	Farm land	
Facilities	Play ground equipment, water tank, picnic tables, seating, rubbish bins, and footbridge	
Acquisition	Purchased by the Hurunui District Council in 1992	
Estimated Development Cost	\$25,000.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

Coulbeck Reserve is situated on Leithfield Road, approximately 200m from the Old Main Nth Road corner. The reserve was named after Mr. and Mrs. Coulbeck in recognition of their commitment to the development of the reserve and to the Leithfield community.

The reserve has good views of the riverbed plains and rural paddocks with Mt. Grey overlooking and is an ideal site for a passive recreation area. Since its original development, the reserve boasts a water tank, signage, seating, picnic tables, rubbish bins, amenity trees, barked native gardens, a footbridge with safety fencing, and well maintained child's play equipment. Toilets will also be erected shortly due to demand.

Specific Policies:

- that Coulbeck Reserve continue to be maintained and developed as an open space for passive recreation and children's play
- that the reserve continue to be maintained to its current high standard

Future Development Potential:

Further development of Coulbeck Reserve may include the creation of a walkway over the existing footbridge and along the South Branch Kowai River bed to the north. Consideration will also need to be given to the extension of playground equipment to cater for increased growth within the area.



FARQUHAR ESPLANADE RESERVE

Description	Management	Hurunui District Council
Location	Leithfield	
Classification	Local Purpose Reserve	Esplanade
Funding Category	District	
Area (hectares)	1.901	
Legal Description	LOT 10 DP 65960 BLK X VIII IX TEVIOTDALE SD	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	Farm land.	
Facilities	None	
Acquisition	Taken on subdivision of the Farquhar property. Classified by Cncl 24/11/05.	
Estimated Development Cost	\$0.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

The Farquhar Esplanade Reserve was formed on the subdivision of the Farquhar property in 1994. The reserve is situated on Ashworths Road and is bounded by the North Branch Kowai River.

The reserve is not fenced and is utilised and maintained by the adjoining land owner.

Specific Policies:

- that the esplanade reserve continue to be maintained by the adjoining land owner
- that long grass and scrub be removed to prevent fire hazard danger

Future Development Potential:

The land could be enhanced by the removal of scrub and the planting of suitable native species where appropriate.





FLEMINGS ESPLANADE RESERVE

Description	Management	Hurunui District Council
Location	Broomfield	
Classification	Local Purpose Reserve	Esplanade
Funding Category	District	
Area (hectares)	0.465	
Legal Description	LOT 6 DP 62932 BLK XV GREY SD	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	Kowai River and farm land	
Facilities	None	
Acquisition	Vested in the Hurunui District Council in 1993.	
Estimated Development Cost	\$0.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

The Flemings Esplanade Reserve was formed on subdivision in 1993. The reserve is situated off Flemings Road, Balcairn and is bounded by the Kowai River to the north.

The reserve is fenced from the road and features a stand of silver poplars and willow trees.

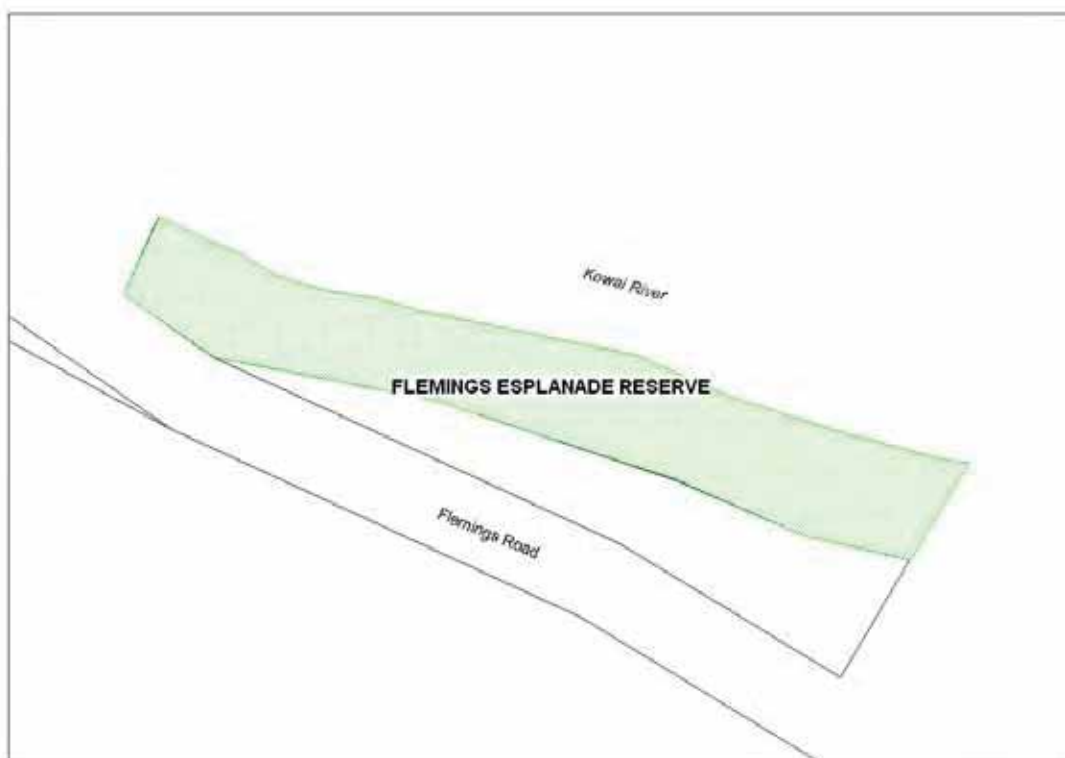
Specific Policies:

- that the margins of the reserve be preserved by the restriction of grazing stock
- that adjoining owners be encouraged to manage the reserve in conjunction with their land holdings

Future Development Potential:

The Flemmings Esplanade Reserve is currently well planted and fenced.





GUN CLUB RESERVE

Description	Management	Hurunui District Council
Location	Broomfield	
Classification	Recreation Reserve	
Funding Category	District	
Area (hectares)	4.0797	
Legal Description	RES 2545 LOT 12 DP 77039 BLK VIII GREY SD	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	Farm land	
Facilities	Gun Club Buildings	
Acquisition	Taken for gravel extraction purposes in 1894. NZ Gazette 1/12/77, p. 3147 Res 2545 Classified Recreation Reserve, NZ Gazette 19/5/05, p. 1915 Lot 12 DP 77039 Classified by Cncl 24/11/05.	
Estimated Development Cost	\$0.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

The Gun Club Reserve is situated at the intersection of Stanton and Racecourse Road, Broomfield. The reserve was vested in the Kowai County Council in 1894 as a gravel pit and was quarried accordingly.

In 1977, the reserve status was changed to recreation reserve as the land was utilised by the Amberley Gun Club. The reserve is leased to the Amberley Gun Club for a 33 year period, expiring in 2029.

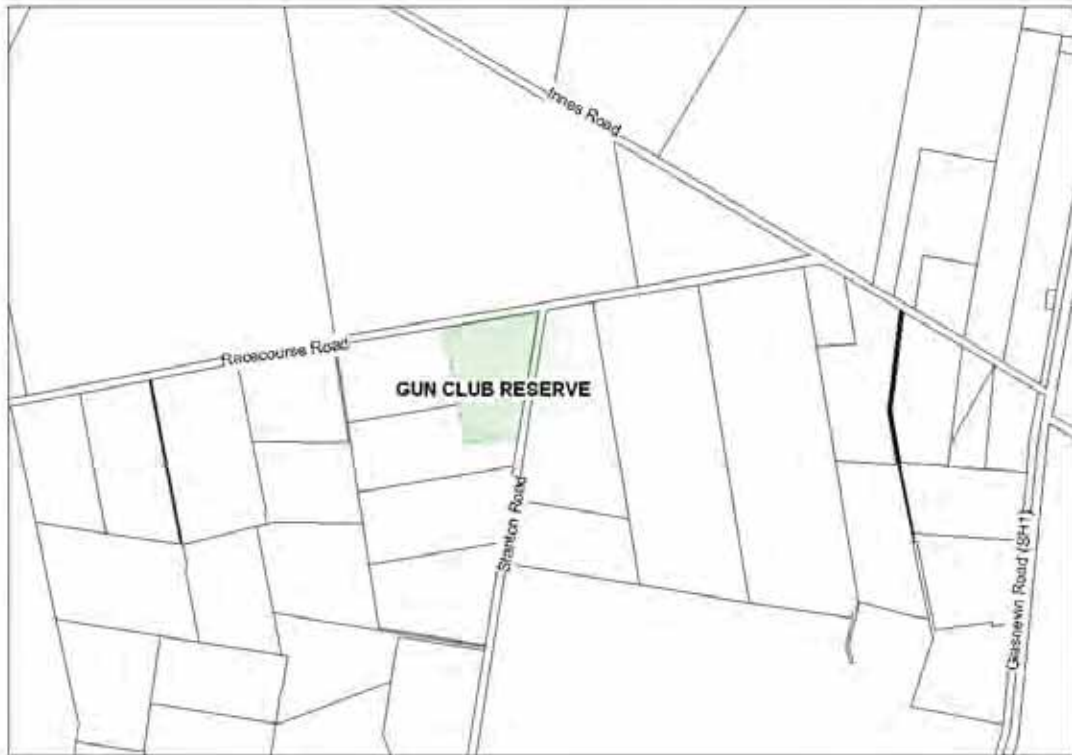
The reserve features Gun Club structures and a large gravel pit which is utilised by Council from time to time for the disposal of clean hard fill. To the south of the reserve, is a 1.46 ha lot which has been purchased by the Club as an extension to their grounds.

Specific Policies:

- that the existing gravel pit be made available for the utilisation by Council from time to time for the disposal of clean hard fill
- the Gun Club grounds be kept free from gorse, broom, noxious weeds, rabbits and other vermin by the lessee
- that the existing lease agreement be amended to comply with the lease policy

Future Development Potential:

The Gun Club Reserve may be further developed for Gun Club purposes as required.



HOLLETH HILL ESPLANADE RESERVE

Description	Management	Hurunui District Council
Location	Broomfield	
Classification	Local Purpose Reserve	Esplanade
Funding Category	District	
Area (hectares)	0.0813	
Legal Description	LOT 6 DP 61684 BLK VII GREY SD	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	The North Branch Kowai River to the south.	
Facilities	None	
Acquisition	Vested in Council on subdivision in 1993. Classified by Cncl 16/05/07.	
Estimated Development Cost	\$0.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

Holleth Hill Esplanade Reserve was vested in the Hurunui District Council in 1993 on the subdivision of the Anderson family property.

The reserve features a raised cliff like face which can be viewed from Hollith Hill Road. However, the reserve itself is somewhat eroded and is not accessible by road.

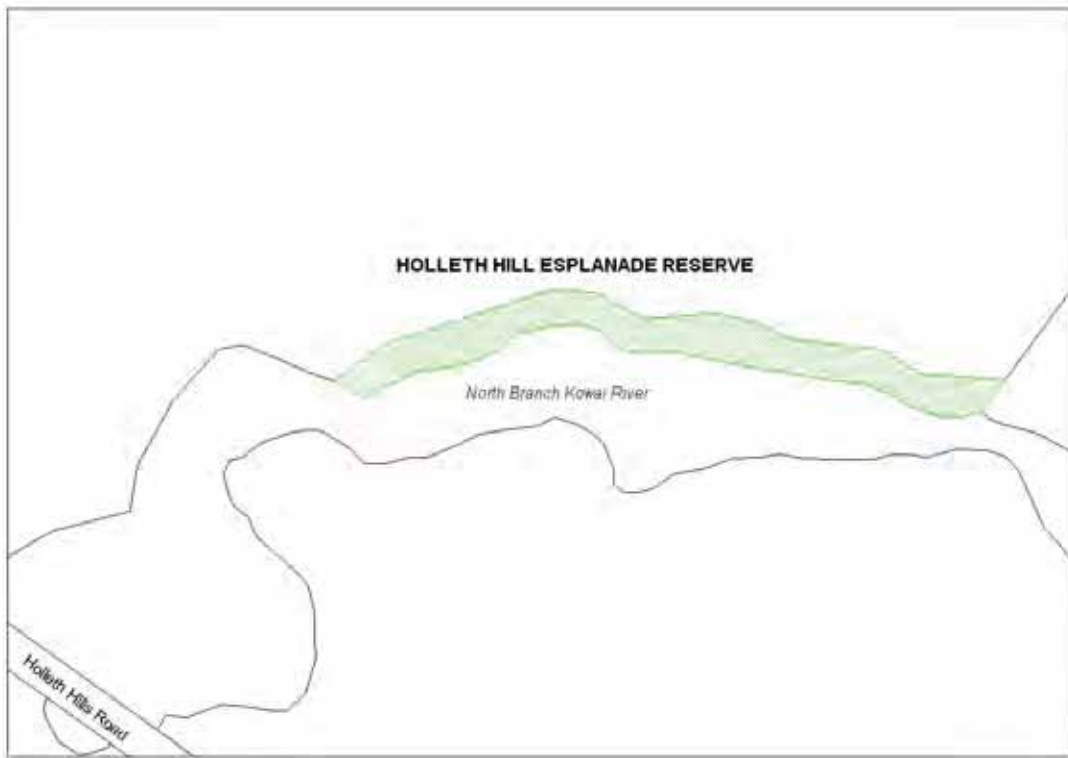
Specific Policies:

- that the adjoining owners be encouraged to manage the reserve in conjunction with their land holdings

Future Development Potential:

This reserve is best managed in conjunction with neighbouring landowners





HURUNUI MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Description	Management	Hurunui District Council
Location	Amberley	
Classification	Local Purpose Reserve	Community Building
Funding Category	District	
Area (hectares)	0.1965	
Legal Description	LOT 1 DP 369006	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	Play centre, rifle range and local businesses	
Facilities	Library	
Acquisition	Vested on Deposit of Plan, Classified by Cncl 25/01/07	
Estimated Development Cost *		Buildings Report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

The Hurunui Memorial Library was vested in Council as a District reserve when a larger portion of Council freehold land was subdivided. Previously this area housed the RSA building. There is now an RSA room within the new library.

The reserve area contains the library, car park and also a war memorial monument. The library was officially opened on 06 August 2005.

Specific Policies:

- that the Hurunui Memorial Library be promoted as a community meeting place
- that the Hurunui Memorial Library be available for use as a community, social, cultural and educational facility
- that the Hurunui Memorial Library be maintained to a standard which is suitable for its position as a District library
- that the Hurunui Memorial Library continue to promote cultural heritage by collecting and preserving resources for current and future library users

Future Development Potential:

The Hurunui Memorial Library is a great asset to the District and care should be taken to ensure that it remains a high quality centre for the community. Any developments should also be sensitive to the District's requirements.

* The development cost for the library will be established



KARETU ESPLANADE RESERVE

Description	Management	Hurunui District Council
Location	Amberley	
Classification	Local Purpose Reserve	Esplanade
Funding Category	District	
Area (hectares)	1.0700	
Legal Description	LOT 3 DP 42494	
District Plan Notations	113	
Adjacent Land	Forestry land	
Facilities	None	
Acquisition	Vested on deposit of plan, classified by Cncl 25/01/07	
Estimated Development Cost	\$0.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

Karetu Esplanade Reserve is located on Marshall Road, Whiterock. The reserve is situated amongst forestry land and is not accessible to the public.

Specific Policies:

- that adjoining owners be encouraged to manage the reserve in conjunction with their land holdings

Future Development Potential:

Karetu Esplanade Reserve is not considered suitable for active development at this time.





KOWAI COUNCIL CHAMBER

Description	Management	Hurunui District Council
Location	Balcairn	
Classification	Historic Reseve	
Funding Category	District	
Area (hectares)	0.1136	
Legal Description	LOT 3 DP 76896 BLK XVI GREY SD	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	Gravel pit and dog pound	
Facilities	The Kowai Council Chamber building	
Acquisition	Vested & Classified NZ Gazette 7/6/07 p. 1642.	
Estimated Development Cost	\$0.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

The Kowai Council Chamber building is occupied by the Kowai Archives Historic Places Trust. The building was formerly the Kowai County Council Building and is a Category II Historic Site under the Historic Places Act 1993.

The building was opened in 1923 and stands as a visual reminder of the former local authority administration in the area, and as a peace memorial to local soldiers in World War I. It houses a roll of honor to local servicemen who served in either of the World Wars.

The Kowai Archives Historic Places Trust lease the building in exchange for maintaining the building and the grounds. The Trust opens the building to the public on the second Sunday of each month for a few hours in the afternoon.

Specific Policies:

- that the Kowai Council Chamber building be occupied by the Kowai Archives Historic Places Trust under a formal agreement
- that the Kowai Council Chamber building be classified as a historic building
- that the Kowai Council Chamber building and grounds continue to be maintained in a tidy condition

Future Development Potential:

The Kowai Archives Historic Places Trust perform a significant public good by maintaining the historic records of the Balcairn area and making those records available to the public. Further planting of the sites grounds would enhance the area.



KOWAI RIVER ROAD PLANTATION RESERVE

Description	Management	Hurunui District Council
Location	Leithfield	
Classification	Local Purpose Reserve	Plantation
Funding Category	Amenity	
Area (hectares)	11.0069	
Legal Description	PT RES 867 BLK IX TEVIOTDALE SD	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	Farm land and Kowai River.	
Facilities	Ashley Scheme water pump shed.	
Acquisition	Originally Reserve 867 and taken for river protection purposes. Classified NZ Gazette 03/7/08, p.2877	
Estimated Development Cost	\$500.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

The Kowai River Road Plantation Reserve is a plantation reserve situated on State Highway One next to the Kowai River.

The reserve was originally vested as River Protection land. However, in 1933 the reserve was re-classified as Plantation Reserve. Since that time, the reserve has been used for forestry purposes.

Currently, a community project is in progress on reserve land to the north of Kowai River Road. In 1990, the Farm Forestry Association in conjunction with Amberley and Leithfield Schools planted 3.2 ha in a stand of pine trees. In a joint project, the schools are undertaking silviculture on the trees and will be the beneficiaries when the trees reach maturity.

The balance of the reserve land was also planted in pine trees in 1996. The trees form part of the forestry assets administered by the Hurunui District Council.

The reserve is bisected by the informal access way of Kowai River Road. This access way is utilized by a number of private land owners. In order to formalise this access way an easement is required.

Specific Policies:

- that the plantation reserve be maintained appropriately
- that the informal access way of Kowai River Road be formalised by way of an easement under section 48 of the Reserves Act 1977

Future Development Potential:

Due to the reserve's high visibility from State Highway One, care must be taken to ensure that any development is aesthetically pleasing. Development proposals are to be considered in conjunction with forestry purposes.



LANG PLANTATION RESERVE

Description	Management	Hurunui District Council
Location	Broomfield	
Classification	Local Purpose Reserve	Plantation
Funding Category	District	
Area (hectares)	3.9567	
Legal Description	RES 41818 BLK 1 TEVIOTDALE SD	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	Farm land.	
Facilities	None	
Acquisition	Taken for gravel extraction purposes in 1877.	
Estimated Development Cost	\$0.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

The Lang Plantation Reserve is situated on Glasnevin Road, approximately eight kilometres north of the Amberley Township.

In 1877, the reserve was classified as a gravel reserve and was quarried accordingly. This resulted in a gravel pit being formed about half a hectare in size. In 1983, Council resolved to change the classification of the reserve from gravel to plantation reserve, as gravel extraction had long since ceased.

Since 1972, the reserve has been leased for grazing purposes on a five yearly basis.

Specific Policies:

- that the land be kept free from gorse, broom, noxious weeds, rabbits and other vermin by the lessee
- that grazing of the reserve continue until it is required for plantation or recreation purposes, or it is considered suitable for disposal

Future Development Potential:

The land shall continue to be leased to generate funding for district reserve development until such time as it can be disposed of.



LEITHFIELD BEACH RESERVES

Description	Management	Amberley Ward Committee
Location	Leithfield Beach	
Classification	Recreation Reserve (with exceptions)	
Funding Category	Part District/Part Amenity	
Area (hectares)	36.3739	
Legal Description	Smarts Reserve LOT 27 DP 49366, Smarts Access LOT 21 DP 61889, Balance Reserves & Campground PART RES 3595, Coastal Protection LOT 1 DP 61575, Kowai Lagoon PART RES 3595,4124,4224 & 4647	
District Plan Notations	3, T99	
Adjacent Land	These reserve areas are surrounded in places by residential development, the coastline, and Kowai River to the north of the lagoon.	
Facilities	Balance Reserves - Tennis courts, two playgrounds, open space picnic areas, community centre Camping Ground - Caravan points, motor home effluent disposal point, kitchen, laundry, ablution blocks, children's paddling pool, and the community watch fire shed Kowai Lagoon - Two seats	
Acquisition	Smarts Reserve - VDP in 1986. Classified by Cncl 16/05/07. Smarts Drive Access - VDP in 1993. Classified by Cncl 16/05/07. Leithfield Beach Balance Reserves & Camping Ground - Vested in HDC in 1995. Leithfield Protection Zone - VDP 1992. Classified by Cncl 16/05/07. Kowai Lagoon - Vested & Classified, NZ Gazette 1994, p. 64.	
Estimated Development Cost	\$32,000.00	Buildings Report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

The Leithfield Beach Reserves consists of areas known as: Smarts Reserve, Smarts Drive Access, Leithfield Beach Balance Reserves, Leithfield Beach Camping Ground, Leithfield Coastal Protection Zone and Kowai Lagoon. All are classified as recreation reserves, with the exception of the Coastal Protection Zone which is Local Purpose Esplanade and Smarts Drive Access which is Local Purpose Accessway. Due to their close proximity, their current joint maintenance, and their similar future potential, their management is best looked at as a whole, rather than as separate unrelated parts. All the reserve areas are amenity funded with the exception of the Coastal Protection Zone which is district funded.

Smarts Reserve on Smarts Drive is a small passive open space reserve with amenity planting. Smarts Drive Access provides pedestrian access between Smarts Drive and James Avenue. The Balance Reserves contain open space green areas for passive recreation and children's play, as well as mature amenity trees in Penfold and Elizabeth Squares. Community tennis courts and a children's play area are located opposite the Camping Ground with additional play equipment located at the northern most end of Lucas Drive. The Community Centre is regularly used and is managed by the Residents' Association. The Camping Ground is situated on Lucas Drive, with the North Park area leased on a 15 year basis. This is separated from the Oval to the south by a narrow access width known as the Alley.

The Coastal Protection Zone provides a buffer strip between the beach settlement and the coastline, and extends the full length of the residential area. Vegetation on this strip provides some protection from weather and erosion and screening from the residential area, however is limited in its recreational use due

to debris left by informal dumping. The Kowai Lagoon is a semi-natural wetland formed several decades ago, with progressive colonization by vegetation such as willow and raupo leading to a decline in open water. The lagoon is surrounded by a grassed area, and the Kowai Walk exists on Crown Land to the east along the coastal strip finishing at the Kowai River Bridge. This reserve was also partially used as a rubbish disposal area.

Specific Policies:

- that access ways be kept clear and enhanced or developed as necessary to create a linking reserve network
- that where appropriate, planting be undertaken for amenity value, or in order to replace existing trees as they age
- that existing mature trees be maintained in accordance with arboicultural reports
- that vegetation within the lagoon and surrounding grass area be managed as appropriate, including removals and plantings as required, in order to ensure the natural habitat, ecological value and water quality are maintained and enhanced
- that all facilities and structures within the reserves be maintained to high standard and additional facilities added as required
- that the oval area excluded from the camping ground lease be opened up and developed
- that reserve areas cease to be utilised as informal dumping areas and signs prohibiting this be erected where necessary
- that boundary fences be maintained to prevent the entry of unauthorised motor vehicles

Future Development Potential:

The Leithfield Beach Reserves have generally been developed to a high standard, and thus the main issue for these reserves is maintenance which focuses on keeping this standard, and development in areas where that level has not been reached or user demand has increased. Any development in open space areas will need to be in keeping with this characteristic.

The Coastal Protection Zone in particular, could be more suitable for recreational purposes if it was cleared of debris. It is important to note that this area will be part of the Pegasus Bay Coastal Non-Statutory Plan, and its management will also be guided by this document. The Kowai Lagoon Reserve also has greater potential for development and enhancement as an area for passive recreation and other compatible recreational activities such as ball sports (e.g. cricket).





LEITHFIELD RESERVE

Description	Management	Hurunui District Council
Location	Leithfield	
Classification	Recreation Reserve	
Funding Category	Amenity	
Area (hectares)	12.5455	
Legal Description	PT RES 3725 BLK IX TEVIOTDALE SD	
District Plan Notations	T100	
Adjacent Land	Kowai Bridge and Leithfield Village to the south-west.	
Facilities	None.	
Acquisition	Taken for river protection purposes in 1906, NZ Gazette 26/04/1906, p. 1109 & NZ Gazette 14/06/1906, p. 1516. Classified recreation reserve NZ Gazette 9/3/2006, p.527	
Estimated Development Cost	\$10,000.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

Leithfield Reserve is situated at the intersection of Mill Road and State Highway One and was originally classified as Local Purpose Bridge Protection in 1906.

The reserve is significant due to its proximity to the Leithfield Village and its development potential. Currently, several leases have been let primarily for grazing purposes. The leased portions of land surround the bed of the Kowai River.

In 1996, the community considered the possible development of the reserve as a Domain, however this project was not furthered.

Specific Policies:

- that the reserve continue to be leased for grazing purposes

Future Development Potential:

While there has been some desire for development as a recreation reserve for the local community, it is important to consider that any development undertaken may not be appropriate given the proximity to the river bed.



MILLIST ESPLANADE RESERVE

Description	Management	Hurunui District Council
Location	Broomfield	
Classification	Local Purpose Reserve	Esplanade
Funding Category	District	
Area (hectares)	1.7100	
Legal Description	LOT 2 DP 61994 BLK 1 TEVIOTDALE SD	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	Boys Brigade Camping Ground.	
Facilities	None	
Acquisition	Taken on subdivision of the Millist property. Classified by Cncl 16/05/07.	
Estimated Development Cost	\$0.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

The Millist Esplanade Reserve was formed on the subdivision of the Millist family. The reserve is situated on Georges Road and is bounded by the Waipara river.

The Millist Esplanade Reserve is open and accessible via the Boys Brigade access. The reserve consists of a shingle river bed and willow tree plantings.

Specific Policies:

- that adjoining owners be encouraged to manage the reserve in conjunction with their land holdings

Future Development Potential:

The reserve could be enhanced with the establishment of some amenity trees for casual recreation.





OAKFIELDS RESERVE

Description	Management	Amberley Ward Committee
Location	Amberley	
Classification	Recreation Reserve	
Funding Category	Amenity	
Area (hectares)	0.1553	
Legal Description	LOT 27 DP 75914	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	Medical Centre to the south	
Facilities	Seating, lighting, access paths, and pergola	
Acquisition	Vested in the Hurunui District Council in 1997, Classified by Cncl 26/08/04.	
Estimated Development Cost	\$1,000.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

Oakfields Reserve was formed as part of the Oakfields residential development in 1997. The reserve is situated on the corner of Hilton Drive and Johnson Avenue and has been landscaped to provide a restful passive recreation space.

Oakfields Reserve features paths, seating areas, a rose garden and established vegetative areas.

Specific Policies:

- that the reserve be maintained to a high standard
- that the existing flower beds be maintained on a regular basis
- that the path edges be kept trimmed
- that a sign be erected to identify the area as a reserve

Future Development Potential:

Oakfields Reserve has been developed as a park garden, providing a natural extension to the medical centre grounds. The existing flower beds will require a high level of maintenance to ensure that the reserve fulfills its aesthetic objectives.



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OLIVE GROVE RESERVE

Description	Management	Hurunui District Council
Location	Broomfield	
Classification	Local Purpose Reserve	Public Utility
Funding Category	District	
Area (hectares)	1.4543	
Legal Description	RES 2543 BLK IV GREY SD	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	Farm land and Waipara River to the north.	
Facilities	None	
Acquisition	Vested NZ Gazette 1882, p. 1344 & 1929, p. 2148 Classified NZ Gazette 14/6/07 p. 1699	
Estimated Development Cost	\$0.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

The Olive Grove Reserve is situated on Georges Road, Broomfield.

In 1882, Olive Grove Reserve was taken as a gravel reserve and quarried accordingly. The reserve is leased for the purpose of cultivation or cropping of grapes/and or olives.

It should be noted that the Islington- Kikiwa B 220 kV AC double circuit line on towers traverses Olive Grove Reserve. Tower number 130 of this line is located in the south-western corner of the reserve.

Specific Policies:

- that the reserve be cultivated for olives and/or grapes in accordance with the lease
- that the existing lease be updated to be in keeping with Council's lease policy
- that any proposed development of the reserve duly considers Transpower's requirements for maintenance and upgrades

Future Development Potential:

The land is suitable for cultivation purposes.



PURCHAS PIT GRAVEL RESERVE

Description	Management	Hurunui District Council
Location	Broomfield	
Classification	Local Purpose Reserve	Public Utility
Funding Category	District	
Area (hectares)	6.6975	
Legal Description	RES 2544 BLK VIII GREY SD	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	Farm land	
Facilities	None	
Acquisition	Vested NZ Gazette 1882, p. 1344 & 1929, p. 2148 Classified NZ Gazette 14/6/07 p. 1699	
Estimated Development Cost	\$0.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

The Purchas Pit Gravel Reserve is an active gravel pit administered by the Hurunui District Council. The reserve was taken for gravel purposes in 1882.

In 1929, 1.8236 ha of the reserve was vested in the Kowai County Council as a gravel pit. The balance 4.8739 ha of the reserve remained vested in the Department of Conservation.

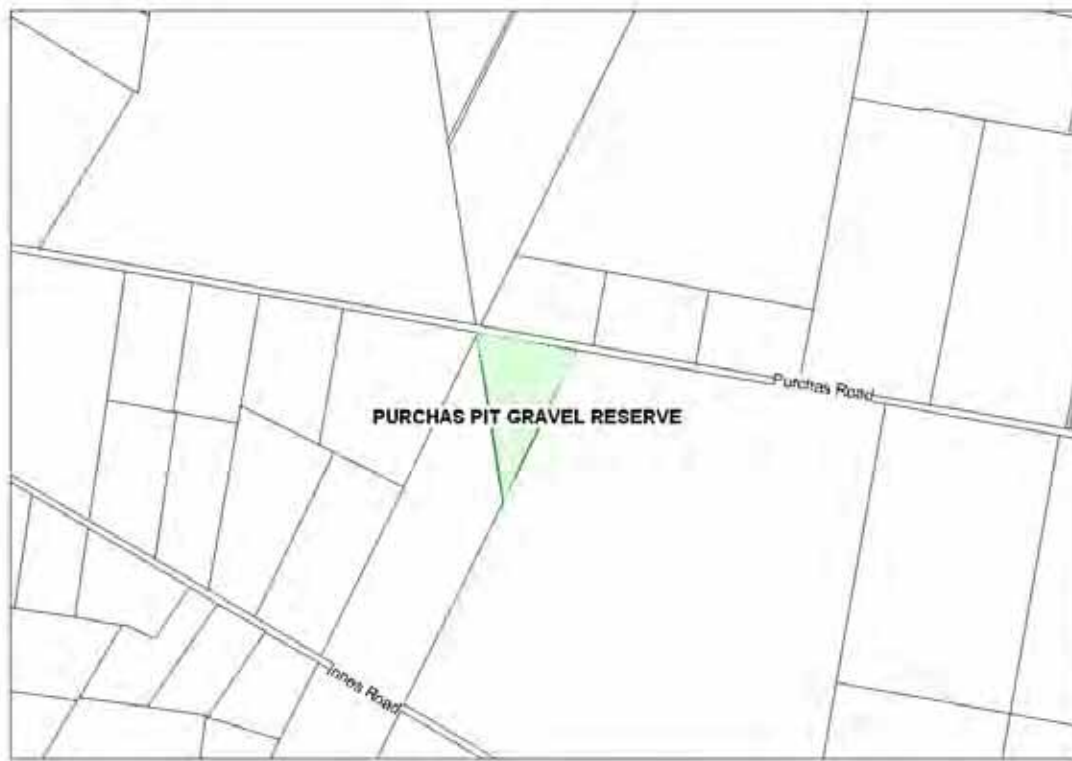
Currently there is an agreement with the adjoining property owner for them to occupy the triangle at the south end of the gravel reserve, which will not be extracted from, provided that Council in turn may extract an equivalent volume of metal from the land to the west of the pit.

Specific Policies:

- that excavation of gravel material from the Purchas Pit Gravel Reserve continue
- that the agreement between Council and the adjoining land owner be upheld

Future Development Potential:

The Purchas Pit Gravel Reserve has potential for further gravel material recovery. In the long term, the reserve may also be suitable for consideration as a recycling depot location.



PURCHAS RESERVE

Description	Management	Hurunui District Council
Location	Broomfield	
Classification	Local Purpose Reserve	Plantation
Funding Category	District	
Area (hectares)	4.0469	
Legal Description	RES 1369 BLK V TEVIOTDALE SD	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	Farm land.	
Facilities	None	
Acquisition	Taken for gravel extraction purposes in 1894.	
Estimated Development Cost	\$0.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

The Purchas Reserve is located on Purchas Road. In 1894, the reserve was vested as a gravel reserve and was quarried accordingly. In 1984, Council resolved to change the classification of the reserve to plantation.

Purchas Reserve is good grazing land and is currently leased for grazing. The grazing lease will be open for public tender in 2005.

Specific Policies:

- that the land be kept free from gorse, broom, noxious weeds, rabbits and other vermin by the licensee
- that grazing of the reserve continue until it is required for plantation or recreation purposes, or it is considered suitable for disposal

Future Development Potential:

The land shall continue to be leased to generate funding for district reserve development until such time as it can be disposed of.



RAM Paddock RESERVE

Description	Management	Hurunui District Council
Location	Broomfield	
Classification	Local Purpose Reserve	Public Utility
Funding Category	District	
Area (hectares)	4.0469	
Legal Description	RES 2347 BLK III GREY SD	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	Farm land.	
Facilities	None.	
Acquisition	Vested NZ Gazette 1930, p. 98 & 1930, p. 747 Classified NZ Gazette 14/6/07 p. 1699	
Estimated Development Cost	\$0.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

Ram Paddock Reserve is situated on the corner of Ram Paddock and Mound Road, Broomfield.

In 1930, the reserve was classified as a gravel reserve and was quarried accordingly. This has resulted in a large pit in the centre of the reserve.

The reserve is currently leased for grazing purposes. However, negotiations are underway with the lease holder for a new lease for cultivation of grapes.

Specific Policies:

- that the new lease for cultivation of grapes be finalised
- that consideration be given to the revocation and disposal of this reserve

Future Development Potential:

The land is suitable for cultivation or grazing purposes to generate funding for district reserve development, until such time as it can be disposed of.



SEADOWN CRESCENT RESERVE

Description	Management	Amberley Ward Committee
Location	Amberley	
Classification	Recreation Reserve	
Funding Category	Amenity	
Area (hectares)	0.4077	
Legal Description	LOT 47 DP 39223	
District Plan Notations		
Adjacent Land	Amberley township	
Facilities	Amenity plantings and playground equipment as detailed	
Acquisition	VDP in 1977. Classified by Cncl 16/05/07.	
Estimated Development Cost	\$15,000.00	Buildings Report <input type="checkbox"/>

General Description:

Seadown Crescent Reserve is situated on Seadown Crescent, Amberley. The reserve is also accessible from Amberley Beach Road.

The Reserve contains some amenity plantings and an older playground consisting of a fort, ramp, stepping stone logs, slide and swing set. The play equipment is suitable for older children and requires maintenance work in order to cater for younger children's play.

Specific Policies:

- that the existing amenity plantings be maintained
- that the playground be maintained and upgraded only until such time as further development on the eastern side of town requires consideration as to where a new playground is best located

Future Development Potential:

Seadown Crescent Reserve is an open green space area that could easily be developed into a picnic area to be enjoyed by residents within the locality. The establishment of shade trees and reserve seating is an appropriate development option for the reserve.

