

Motutere Informal Engagement Submissions Summary Dec23/Jan24

*** This document includes submissions from our online consultation portal, Facebook Comments, Engagement Sessions, Objective files, and meetings with various stakeholders.**

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Boat Ramp	
Submitter number. Social media is noted as FB.	Summary
6	Add another boat ramp.
9	Second boat ramp to reduce congestion and a separate pier for children away from the boat ramps for jumping and fishing. There are many children jumping in and behind the boats which an accident might occur.
14	Difficult use of public ramp as it is narrow with campers close by. It all looks like campground land, and this discourages the casual use of the boat ramp if not staying in the campground.
19	The inadequate boat trailer parking that currently exists for the public boat ramp should be closed to the public as the Council has never provided any allowance for trailer parking. There is major congestion of boat ramp at peak times. The ramp should be closed and included in the lease as a private facility and maintained by the lessee.
28	Investment into the boat ramp / parking.
51	A better boat ramp.
56	Upgraded boat ramp to a two bay, like the upgraded one down the road.
77	Special boat access or some type of permitting system. Penalise irresponsible and unsafe boat owners.
73	The nearby Motuoapa village with its marina and boat ramp is far more suitable for motorised watercraft.
98	It's a little different now with no pontoon, and all the kids use the jetty to jump into the water. Sometimes causing issues with the boaties. If the pontoon was back in the lake further up, there would not be the congestion on the jetty - ramp etc. Making things safer.
100	Widen boat ramp so 2 vehicles can use at same time. If possible, provide boat trailer parking on lake side, this would stop extra movement of vehicles crossing the road from hill side to boat ramp.
104	Another structure away from the boat ramp that children can jump off to avoid the danger of children getting injured when boats are being launched and retrieved.
106	The only improvement that we feel is needed is larger boat launching facilities, as the current ramp is highly congested and stressful when the lake cuts up rough.

108	Storage for people's boats.
Feedback from Engagement Session	One family in particular stay close to the jetty. They notice more people coming from Tūrangi just to jump off the wharf. He thought it would be cool if the Council offered a bus from town for those wanting to come and enjoy the lake as theres no close access to the lake for town residents.
Feedback from Engagement Session	Parking was a big issue for people in peak season with trailers, many said that the campground boat ramp should be for private use for campers only. Others objectedified this and said its easy to just travel to Motuoapa if wanting to launch.
Meeting with Taupo Harbourmaster (HM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Most non-campers use the Motuoapa boat ramps but when they do use Motutere they park on both sides of the road. In peak times locals don't go there because of the lack of parking. - The Motutere ramp does get used in off season with people parking on the berm. - Thinks original plan was supposed to be some kind of deal between camp and TDC to provide parking. - Harbourmaster monitors compliance by boat only. - Swimming is not permitted within 50m of boat ramps and jetty's and the HM monitors this. - Not this year but other years they had complaints about kids jumping off the jetty. The complaints don't typically relate to the campers but to the 'not so friendly looking non-campers' who jump off the jetty. - The HM has previously installed no swimming signage, but it always gets destroyed so they've stopped currently no signage from HM. - HM now does not tell swimmers it's a no swim zone when they go past as they've previously been physically threatened and had to call in the Police. - Two permanent moorings off Motutere. - All ramp signs around the lake state that Motutaiko landing is prohibited. Also stated in all HM boating pamphlets. - The Taupō-Nui-a-Tia Management Plan states that south of boat ramp there should be no landing on beach but because this is not in the Lake Taupō Navigation Safety bylaws and Maritime Transport Act 1994 Act the HM don't monitor this. - Maintenance – hard after Motuoapa spend hard to maintain anything else – work on cost recovery basis.
Parking	
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14	No parking for cars and boat trailers for people to launch on the ramp
19	There is no allowance on the reserve for boat trailer parking. People leave vehicles unattended parked on patrons' sites.
28	Investment into the boat ramp / parking.
48	More public parking with visible access to the lake should be available to the public who aren't staying at the campground.

79	Would be great to see a parking area for the public and some of the lake edge made available for the public.
Reserve access	
Submitter number. Social media is noted as FB.	Summary
1	Locked gates when new lease holders took management of the camping ground. Felt like trespassing and not wanted there.
30	I have already seen the houses in Motutere Bay taken over and cut walking access to the point and intimidating behaviour for even stepping close to the beach or foreshore.
36	We have witnessed a few issues regarding the land and lake front with the locals that involved intimidating occurrences that ruins it for many people.
48	You used to be able to gain access to two sides of the lake from the lanes running off Waitapu Road, but these lanes have been blocked off by residents.
55	I understand Waitapu Rd is outside the Reserve area, but it is a public road and access down it to the lake has been lost and should be reinstated as part of the overall negotiated management plan.
58	Allow it to be open to the public.
67	I would like you to consider removing the public right of way around Motutere Point as it is Maori land.
73	Foreshore camping reduces public access to the lake by day visitors. Tourist accommodation should be confined to the eastern side of State Highway 1 with controlled pedestrian access across the state highway. Greater access to lakeside picnic and swimming and non-motorised water activities needs to be given a high priority in the new Management Plan.
88	Continue to affirm freedom of access to the Lakeshore for all.
89	Do not remove public use.
92	Retention of public access to the Motutere Reserve including members of Ngāti Te Rangita.
111	Restriction of the Motutere Bay foreshore to no trailer parking during peak seasons for safety and retention of public access to the Motutere Reserve including members of Ngāti Te Rangita.
113	Move all facilities to the main campsite in which they have over 9 hectares to work with and to shorten the foreshore strip to reduce that amount of public access.

FB	When it got 'fenced off' from other users, I've just been angry about it ever since cos it's the best pebble beach closest to town. It shouldn't be fenced off for exclusive campground use.
FB	Prior to the new lease holders, I could drive there and kayak, swim and enjoy that beautiful stretch of foreshore...now the gate is shut, no access allowed, and it feels like I'm trespassing.
FB	in fact, old management used to shut it, new management have opened it
FB	I am from Ngāti Te Rangiita and it is a slap in the face that locals and hapū do not have access to the foreshore and campers have exclusive rights. All structures on the foreshore should be moved to the main campsite and this opened for all to enjoy.
Meeting with NZ Forestry Managers	The Forestry Managers do not believe there have been any issues with people crossing the boundary into the forestry, there has been no reports of vandalism or poaching, however they believe people entering the forestry illegally would still be happening especially in peak seasons. NZFM say they have signs in place to say that it is private forestry.
Campground	
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2	Continue with the current arrangements for the Motutere Reserve.
3	Absolute iconic campground, I'd love for that to continue. The current way the camp is managed is incredible, always clean, tidy, maintained, both the grounds and the beach/boat ramp.
4	To be left as it is. We have had generations of family camp here
5	If the camp was to change in any shape or form, it might affect the use of the site for future generations.
6	Leave the campground as it is.
10	It would be beneficial to keep the campground (both sides of the roadway) at the status quo. Changing could potentially lead to a decrease in usage of the reserve and the lake.
11	We desperately want Motutere to remain the same relaxed, fun, safe place it was intended to be.
12	Keep the reserve as it is.
13	I would love to see the campground remaining as it is. I feel it would be a terrible shame to close the camp.
15	Leave it alone.
16	Keep it as it is.

17	Campground should stay as it is. Produce an area that needs re-identification and leave existing iconic areas alone.
18	Keep the campground
21	Concerns regarding the future of the campground and our families' options to continue camping at the site.
23	Oppose the closing of the camp.
24	Recognise the immeasurable value that Motutere Bay Holiday Park. Preserve its natural beauty, maintain its facilities with care, and continue to invest in in running it as a campground.
26	Don't close the campground.
27	We wish to have camping ground continue.
28	Keep things as they are.
29	The current owners of the Motutere Bay Top 10 Holiday Park have been very accommodating. It would be an absolute catastrophe to lose such a holiday park.
31	Keep it as it is.
32	We want to continue using the reserve for camping and recreation into the future. Current campground owners and management staff are doing a great job of maintaining the infrastructure and all campers respect the iwi sites around area.
33	We hope that camping will continue at Motutere.
34	We wish to continue camping at Motutere for generations to come.
38	I would like to ask that this park continues to operate as a park. I hope that people can continue enjoying Motutere Bay in this way with accommodation and facilities offered, and that the changing of the guard be a smooth transition.
40	Existing use of the Motutere Holiday park to continue past 2038.
41	I think the Park should remain as it is and be available to public for all to enjoy.
43	We look forward to being able to enjoy Motutere Holiday Camp with our family for many years to come.
46	I would like the campground kept going. There are generations of people who use this site year in and year out.
51	The camp site at minimum should maintain its status with camping and access to both sides of the road. I would like to see the camp site expand up the hill as opposed to widening.

56	I would like to the camping ground remain on the hill side of park.
57	I would like to see to it remain as a camp for future generations to enjoy.
58	Leave it alone. Allow camping on at least half of it.
59	This campground is a truly beautiful part of New Zealand, unique, and should be continued to be enjoyed by all.
63	The southern side of campground should be expanded to ensure that overall occupancy of the campground is maintained from the current two areas or even allowed to expand to a large site subject to managing wastewater effectively.
64	I believe it should continue as it currently is.
66	Leave it as it is, no need for intervention.
68	The Motutere reserve and campgrounds should remain available for ALL New Zealanders to enjoy.
71	I would love and hope to see the camp as it is. I hope it never changes.
74	I support the Motutere Reserve remaining a Holiday Park on its current site.
75	We believe that the motor camp should stay as is and lake access as well. Changes will end up like 5 Mile Bay & loss of another public facility.
76	I understand the history around this place and understand it needs to be developed. I think it would be cool to allocate the right side of the jetty and down to become a park or an iwi site. This would allow so many kiwis and tourists to keep enjoying the campground and allow the history to be preserved.
77	To continue lake front camping and access for whanau as a holiday and recreational spot.
79	I think it is important for the campground to still be there. I don't see the need for major changes.
80	My wish is to see the Camping Ground remain as it is.
82	I think the current use is totally inappropriate. I would support the ending of this as a commercial camp site due to the cultural significance and the instigation of joint reserve management as a public day site.
88	I would be very sad indeed if such a revered and appreciated asset were ever to be closed.
89	Leave as is.
91	Please make your decisions on family and the future of allowing families to camp on the lake side inclusive of our permanent site. Please allow us to continue to enjoy and love our Motutere.
93	We would love to see it remain as is.

95	I believe the campground should remain on the current site for the future. Leave the permanent sites on the south side of the highway, leave the Tūrangi side of the boat ramp for tents/campervans and then use the Taupō side of the boat ramp as a public reserve for all to come in and enjoy.
96	I strongly believe that Motutere bay should remain a camping ground. I truly would be devastated if Motutere bay was closed down as a campground.
97	This campground should stay.
98	I think the camp needs to remain how it is.
99	We hope this can all remain for everyone to experience as we have done & continue to do in future years.
100	Please keep campground as it is.
101	I would like to see the Motutere Camp remain as it is so that many more New Zealanders and visitors can enjoy the experience of camping by the lakeside.
103	The Motutere Reserve should be left exactly as it is.
104	I do hope that the camp which occupies some of the Reserve is retained and maintained so that our family can continue to enjoy the only lakeside camp around Lake Taupo.
107	I would like it to continue in its present form for the many generations of New Zealanders.
109	Please do not remove the camp but work with local iwi and parties to maintain and enhance the beautiful area of the Taupo area that we have.
FB	This is an absolute gorgeous place to go for a holiday. We love going camping here when we can. Just a few minutes' drive from Taupō, but it makes holiday so much fun.
FB	This is an amazing camping location right on the lake edge. I hope this opportunity continues for future generations
FB	Iconic kiwi campground, status quo, leave it alone
FB	Leave it as it is for everyone to enjoy.
FB	Just leave as is. Where it is. How it is

Camping on the lake shore	
Submitter number. Social media is noted as FB.	Summary
6	I enjoy Motutere because you can stay meters away from the lakes edge
7	Take the holiday park to the other side of the highway until lease runs out then return land to hapu.
19	I support the previous plan in allowing foreshore camping and the removal of all long-term caravans by natural attrition. (Current policy). Yes, control the buildings, the foreshore access and remove permanent caravans but camping on the lakefront should continue to be permitted. The parks viability is dependent upon the revenue from the foreshore. People stay at Motutere to enjoy the lake and taking this away will reduce income by more than 50%.
20	We love being by the water and the various activities in the area. Being right next to the lake is the thing that brings us to the site. We want to continue to come to this campground.
31	We would not come if you took away the lakeside sites.
57	One thing I have always thought is that part of the lake side areas should be kept clear of campers or permanent site holders to allow easier access to public like Mission Bay. From the boat ramp North should be cleared of camping.
62	I wish to see the campground stay as it is, with all New Zealanders being able to enjoy the site on the water's edge. This is a magnificent part of our lake shore and should be accessible to all future generations.
63	The campground should be restricted to only the south side of State Highway 1 and the north side should return to a public open space with some toilets and basic facilities to support recreation activities.
73	Other values such as public access to the lake, historic heritage, natural values, indigenous biodiversity, and visual amenity are undermined by the current use of the foreshore for camping. That area should be re-gazetted as a scenic reserve.
84	I oppose the foreshore camping area at Motutere and my preference be that all permanent camping sites be removed from the foreshore and that the whole area be return to public recreation area. The current foreshore camping is an overcrowded and denies any real public access to the agreed right of way. If Ngati Te Rangiita agree to continued camping on the inland side of the highway then I believe all permanent camping sites should be relocated there, along with the toilet blocks and other camp amenities.
92	Recommendations:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designating the lakeside camping area for tents only, and better enforcing restrictions on campervans, caravans, and fixed structures. • Restriction of the lakeside area to no trailer parking during peak seasons.
101	Being able to camp on the lakeside and have easy access to the lake is one of the main reasons we have continued to spend our holidays at Motutere Bay and Lake Taupō. We have also met numerous international tourists who have been attracted to the camp due to its easy access for swimming and great facilities.
FB	Looking like camping on the lakeside might be going
Campground lease	
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5	<p>The proposed changes to the management of the land are of grave concern as there is no guarantee that the lease will be extended beyond its current time frame.</p> <p>Concerned about the continuation of camping experience for future generation if in a not too longer time the campground is closed.</p>
19	<p>If the Iwi become the lessor of the lease, will the terms of lease remain as is?</p> <p>Will the Iwi honour Councils commitment to provide a lease extension and an expanded area to develop?</p> <p>I have no objection with the decision to transfer the management of the park to the local iwi if park will remain and extension of lease to 33 years and land area be supported as per the Council's decision at the date of assignment and in accordance with the 2004 plan.</p>
20	Council needs to consider a lease style agreement for the existing business (Campground)
25	Want the iwi to consider keeping the campground and renew the lease.
29	I hope Council support an extension for the lease so the campground can continue into the future.
30	No matter how long the lease stands on this property it will be taken over by them and turned into another 5-mile bay location – a waste of a well-kept long-standing campground.
37	<p>I understand that the lease expires in March 2038 and the park will therefore remain at least, until then, but will then be required to remove all infrastructure and New Zealand will then loss another kiwi icon.</p> <p>I was led to understand that the Council's CEO had agreed to an extension of the lease on the basis the local Iwi supported the</p>

	<p>extension, but we have been let down by the council and so the lease will expire in 2038.</p> <p>Extend the lease.</p>
39	A lease renewal past 2038.
43	Continuation of the lease for the Holiday Park and any extension they wish to proceed with.
44	Concerned about lease expiring and not getting renewed in 2038. It will turn into wasteland if closed.
51	The current lease holder should have his lease extended. A simpler management of the reserve should be in place.
80	Current leaseholders to be offered a 99-year lease.
83	<p>The current lease to the Top 10 Holiday Park expires in 2038, as confirmed by Council.</p> <p>Council has not confirmed nor denied that there is a problem with the current lease. That information needs to be clarified (in the draft) before any changes can be considered by the wider public that have an interest as ratepayers and users of the Reserve.</p>
92	<p>I oppose any future expansion of the land area and lengthening of the lease, considering the presence of waahi tapu sites and the obligations to both iwi and residents in the area.</p> <p>The Council should allocate 50% of revenue generated from the Motutere Campground to the descendants of the original owners, given the historical context of the land's use and lease agreements.</p>
100	Please extend lease agreement to 30 to 45 yrs.
102	The terms of the lease to the Top 10 Holiday Park should continue as is.
103	<p>The terms of the existing lease not altered in any way.</p> <p>Council has not confirmed nor denied that there is a problem with the current lease that information needs to be clarified before any changes can be considered.</p>
111	<p>I oppose any future expansion of the land area and lengthening of the lease, considering the presence of waahi tapu sites and the obligations to both iwi and residents in the area.</p> <p>Invest 50% of revenue generated from the Motutere Campground to the descendants of the original owners, given the historical context of the land's use and lease agreements.</p> <p>The Council's lack of transparency and consultation with the original owners and hapū during the sale of the lease in 2015, where the land was marked as sensitive, has caused a relationship of distrust.</p>
112	I do not believe that any lessee can agree to only lease part of the area – the lease is for the Camp as it stands.

FB	Issue to the Holiday Park a 100-year lease.
FB	Keep the holiday park on lease to the hapū and to the other side of the highway and turn lakeside into a hapū reserve.
FB	Has the current holiday park lease ended?
FB	Runs out in 14 years but currently won't issue a right of renewal until this palaver has been sorted out
FB	Status quo, renew another 99-year lease
Ownership	
Submitter number. Social media is noted as FB.	Summary
8	Leave our lands alone.
30	Concern over the future of Motutere and the ownership being transferred to the Iwi.
32	The camp was given by the local Māori to the crown for everyone including visitors to enjoy camping and recreation with families in mind.
36	Concern regarding the Iwi taking over ownership of the Motutere Reserve. I don't see why anything needs to change regarding the ownership of this location's land when it is already maintained, operated, and kept properly.
54	I do not support the proposed ownership change and potential change use of the Motutere Camp site. I fear a change of ownership will lead to restricted access to the lake and a degradation of a special part of NZ.
66	Motutere is a public reserve area owned by all ratepayers Taupo District Council.
69	I would suggest giving the land back to Iwi as it would be utilised differently. I believe that place is very tapu.
70	Give the land back to the original owners.
72	The reserve should be left as it is with no change of ownership.
83	If the local Tuwharetoa hapu have some reason as to why they would like additional powers and rights over the reserve, then that has not been made clear by Council. The situation at the Five Mile Bay land would apply for any changes at Motutere. The concept that Tuwharetoa or any of their members of the public have any special rights regarding TDC owned property needs to be respected by Council.

84	My ultimate preference would be that the whole reserve area be returned to Ngati Te Rangiita ownership and control.
85	Return full ownership and management rights back to Ngāti Te Rangiita.
86	Taupo District Council should also return these lands and full ownership. Similar example with Turangitukua where we own the reserve and together, we manage on behalf of the community
87	<p>Taupo District Council should also return these lands and full ownership. Similar example with Turangitukua where we own the reserve and together, we manage on behalf of the community.</p> <p>Return the whenua back to Ngati Te Rangiita and together you could co-manage the recreation reserve. The Mauao Historic Reserve Vesting Bill and Panepane Purakau at Matakana where land returned to local hapu from Western BOP council are examples that council can do.</p> <p>As part of the hearings of the Ngāti Tūwharetoa Claims Settlement 2018, several MP gave support to Te Rangiita over this whenua and for council to return this reserve.</p>
96	I also do not mind who owns the campground so long as it stays well maintained and free of litter as it is now.
102	The area is a public reserve area owned by the TDC and through them the ratepayers of Taupo.
103	The concept that Tuwharetoa or any of their members of the public have any special rights regarding TDC owned property needs to be explained by Council if indeed any other concepts based on their ancestry is odious in a modern democratic society and must not be allowed to occur. Council have sort for information from the public and that information now needs to be made public and accessible.
111	Return Motutere Reserve to the descendants of the 753 original owners because they're mana whenua.
112	<p>The Stakeholders are the Campers, and the Government owns it on behalf of the public of New Zealand. Both the camp areas have their own Certificate of Titles and can be classed as Special Reserves - Reserves that were both given for a particular purpose which is what they are being used for today.</p> <p>The Lakeside area and the non- Lakeside area are essential to the daily management and the economic management of the area as a viable Motor Camp and must not be changed. The Taupo District Council have been given the area in one block to administer by the Crown - not ownership.</p>
FB	It was never Māori land, and the crown owns it
FB	Sounds like its set to become Māori land
FB	How did the crown become to own it? Please tell.
FB	One question. Who owns the land.

FB	It's our whanau whenua, and was supposed to be given back to the landowner's but TDC has given another lease
FB	I beg to differ the land is still Māori land
FB	how does original Māori land becomes council
FB	how did it become Council Crown?
Reserve administration (vesting etc)	
Submitter number. Social media is noted as FB.	Submitter number
7	A hapu designed reserve. Return land to hapu once lease runs out.
6	5-Mile Bay is an example of what will happen to the Motutere Reserve if management changes.
10	It would be beneficial for all stakeholders involved to keep the management of Motutere Reserve. If a change in who manages the reserve is applied, what are their long-term plans for the reserve?
19	If the Management Plan recommends the management of the reserve be transferred to the local Iwi, and out of Councils responsibility, then there are issues to consider. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who will be the contact person or persons? • How will the administrative process work? • What will be council's role in all this? • What will change? • Will the Iwi agree to future expansion of the park? I would strongly oppose any decision to pass over management to the local Iwi or anyone else without this decision being included in the plan so everyone is clear that the park will remain in its current form.
22	If hapu take over admin rights of the campground it will discontinue as a camp site and neglect maintenance. Deep concern of the possible management change of the Motutere Bay to a future that is yet to be decided.
32	Upset that the future of the campground is being threatened by changes by TDC and hapu.
35	We strongly object to any form of relinquishing of the council's control over the reserve. The reserve was designated for public recreation and has been used as a recreation area for many years. We consider it is not in the

	<p>best interests of the Taupo District as a whole, or the public of New Zealand, that the council relinquish, or through relinquishment, the usage of this reserve in any way or part thereof.</p> <p>We would appreciate any return correspondence or meeting minutes etc dealing with the above.</p>
36	If the Iwi take over, the camp will be closed off for use, run down and not kept like the 5 Mile Bay.
37	I have no issue with the local Iwi becoming the lessor of the park, but only on the basis that the Holiday Park remains as it currently exists.
38	It is my understanding that the Motutere Reserve which encompasses the Motutere Bay TOP 10 Holiday Park is currently recommended to transfer management of the reserve to local Iwi.
40	<p>The Park was gifted by Iwi to the New Zealand public and should remain being managed by the District Council.</p> <p>To me, it looks like the Iwi wish to discourage the New Zealand public and tourists from the park. I have grave concerns that this may happen if Iwi take over the management of Motutere Holiday Park.</p>
41	I strongly feel the Management of the Park should remain with the council. The uncertainty of not knowing how the Park would run if taken over by the Iwi is most concerning.
42	We do not want to see change of management. No reason to change something that work so well and changing anything is taking a huge risk.
45	The management to stay as it is now, at least until 2038, hopefully beyond.
48	Happy for joint management between TDC and hapu but public campground to remain.
52	I would like to see the Motutere management remain as is and the Campground preserved as a national heritage Campground.
55	Essential that status quo continues as a minimum.
58	The management of the holiday park have done an outstanding job for years. If they have not been subsidised (paid by TDC) for at least some of their work, then they should be.
61	As there are few nicely developed areas around the lake with public access and amenities, I would strongly urge/support the status quo. Seems to work well for all concerned.
67	I would prefer mana whenua manages this Reserve.
92	<p>The most favourable resolution to any changes made should be the vesting of Motutere Reserve to the descendants of the 753 original owners.</p> <p>This outcome aligns with our desire for a more respectful and inclusive approach to the management of this culturally significant</p>

	land.
103	Taupo Distract Council owns the land and is the reserve administrator.
FB	Leave it with the motor park, managers/ lease holders of the park
FB	No doubt it'll end up like what else is going on around the foreshore. It'll be a sad day hopefully there's compromise by all parties
RMP General Comments	
Submitter number. Social media is noted as FB.	Summary
9	Would it make sense to separate the Commercial Holiday Park from the rest of the reserve and have different plans for each??
10	What is the benefit of changing the Management Plan? Who benefits and loses from the change in the Management Plan?
29	In the RMP please make sure the holiday park is a top priority and emphasize the need to maintain and keep this precious taonga.
49	I believe the current RMP is working and doesn't need to be changed.
72	Any proposed change should be well canvassed with the ratepayers.
73	Going forward there should be joint management of the reserve by Ngāti Te Rangi-ita and Taupō District Council.
83	I say there is no need to amend the existing Motutere Reserve Management Plan. Council have not provided the public a clear reason for changes to the Management Plan. There would be no reason to make changes unless there has been a request from the local Tūwharetoa hapu. If the cultural requirements of the local hapu were complied with for the past 20 years, without any concerns with the current operative Motutere Reserve Management Plan, then why now in 2023 is there a perceived problem? How can Council accept one party requesting special consideration for special treatment that has only now surfaced in 2023? The situation at the Five Mile Bay land would apply for any changes at Motutere.
88	The current plan (RMP) Is appropriate to be reviewed to better align its intent with the climate of today.
92	Recommendations for the Review. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that the Motutere Recreation Reserve Management Plan Committee has Ngāti Te Rangiita members who directly

	<p>whakapapa to the original 753 owners (as registered with the Native Land Court).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To align with the provisions outlined in section 6.2.1.3 Issue 3 and 6.2.1.16 Issue 16 of the current Motutere RMP 2004. • More effort to educate reserve users or acknowledge the cultural importance of the land. Specifically, the promotion of the campground lacks information about the cultural history and value of the land to Ngāti Te Rangiita. • To restrict access to waahi tapu sites. • I have observed a lack of brochures, with only a single sign at Te Pōporo (which is not within the bounds of the reserve) informing visitors about the site. Collaborating with an artist from Ngāti Te Rangiita to install a pou or erecting signage explaining the significance of waahi tapu sites could significantly enhance awareness.
102	The Motutere RMP should be left exactly as it is. If there is a valid reason to make a change then the ratepayers need to be consulted in advance. At this stage I wish to register my opposition to any change.
103	<p>Council have not provided the public with any clear reason or need for changes to the Plan. Nor has Council advised what changes they are suggesting.</p> <p>I say there is no need to amend the existing Plan. The campground is very popular and well used. The last review seems to have been completed in 2004 and it is not at all obvious why a review has now been called for except that. The public need to be better and fairly consulted with. More time is required for that purpose before the Plan is amended, if at all.</p>
104	<p>I support the intention to review the Motutere Reserve Management Plan but hope that the exercise is acted upon. The current Management Plan is interesting but not much action has been undertaken.</p> <p>Key questions – who is responsible for paying for, carrying out the actions and what is the time frame in which these recommendations must be actioned? A plan without these details is a waste of everyone’s time.</p>
111	<p>As outlined in the current Motutere RMP (2004), the Council alongside Ngāti Te Rangiita should take the following actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify sites of importance within the reserve • Collaborating with Ngāti Te Rangiita artists to install pou or erect signage explaining the significance of waahi tapu sites to significantly enhance awareness. • Implement measures to protect these sites, including limiting or restricting access. • Provide comprehensive information about the reserve, covering its history, sites of significance, ecology, and permissible activities.
113	I would like to receive a copy of the draft management plan for further feedback before adopted.
FB	Why bother? You didn’t want to talk to us prior to letting this Australian corp onto our whenua
FB	it is being used for what it should be used for now. Why are all those meetings timed in work hours? This has been addressed many times. Going to keep addressing until the outcomes change?

FB	Just leave things as they are
FB	I would like to see the Reserve management plan for 5-mile bay sorted out. There are 2 reserves there set aside for the public who are being blocked from using it.
FB	Alright if the meetings took place outside of work hours so all could have a say and hear your views.
FB	Notice that all the hui take place in working hours to prevent people to come and have their say
FB	Can I ask who are the members of the review committee? And how many are from party 1 and party 2.
FB	Whanau, we need to show up at these meetings. It shouldn't even be up to debate. I implore local hapu on this committee to honour our tupuna instead. There are literally many other beautiful parts of Taupō they can put a campsite that is not tapu. Especially on the water there. It's an awful shame the significance of that place is not even explained in the korero here. I feel like this is incredibly ill timing too, especially the day this was posted reflects very badly
FB	Have no faith in this process and Council. Still haven't sorted access to the reserve at 4-mile bay and this was signed in the agreement with local iwi. Is the same thing going to happen with the current review
FB	it is acknowledged that some due processes are being followed. However, as per my post it is apparent to me that this Review is not motivated with the best interests of the district in mind.
Feedback at Engagement Session	People were clearly "misinformed", and they believed that they were coming for a meeting rather than a drop in. Because of this they were wanting to know what was going to happen with the motor camp. Many of them were 3 rd generation families and they were feeling nervous about the future of their "special place".
Feedback at Engagement Session	Most people said if there were more comms put out from Council around what's happening, they wouldn't feel so nervous. They didn't like the fact that it all seemed so secretive.
RMP Implementation	
Submitter number. Social media is noted as FB.	Summary
19	I agree to sensible recommendations coming out of the Plan of Management that will ensure the sustainability of the Motutere Reserve and the Holiday Park into the future.
56	When asked what percentage of plan was completed the answer was hardly any.
88	The current plan (RMP):

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contained some 77 Action Items which, do not appear to have been carried out. This is one feature of the 2024 Management Plan that I would very much like to see strengthened. <p>It was only 'aspirational' in design where not many actions have been undertaken probably due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a lack of built-in accountability no ownership (who was going to do this task?) no resourcing allocated (what was this budgeted for?) no timeline for completion (when should that task to have been done?). <p>I believe these are important aspects that should be incorporated into the design of the 2024 Plan.</p>
112	The las RMP was prepared, discussed, and completed extensive research at that time. But very little has changed since that time - particularly nothing that should see any changes as to the management of the camp or change of area. I do not accept that the RMP has the ability to change the area of the camp (ie not to include the Lakefront in any future structure).
Feedback from Engagement Session	Asked what objectives from the 2004 RMP had been completed, Council officer was honest to him and explained we have not done as much as we had hoped but this review will change that going forward.
Meeting with Parks & Reserves TDC Team	Taupo District Councils Parks & Reserves Team explained that through the 2004 RMP, a lot of the environmental work such as planting management plans had not been completed, this was mainly due to the plan not being allocated to budget, therefore for the review of the 2004 plan, it is recommended by them to ensure we have a good implementation plan that sticks to budget so that methods are achieved.
Cultural	
Submitter number. Social media is noted as FB.	Summary
2	Have not witnessed anyone disrespecting this special location. Many of us are aware of the history of this area and its cultural significance.
3	I understand the cultural significance of this area, but I couldn't think of a better way to have the land used.
10	We should be looking to preserve what is currently in place. Define and acknowledge cultural significance to the Hapu of Ngatia Tuwharetoa from bygone activities undertaken by the tribe. It could now be argued that the reserve in its current capacity, as a campground (and associated activities), are of cultural significance to the wider community of New Zealand and Kiwis in general.
19	Education of culture has been implemented but signage could be better. I would like to see education of visitors in these areas a major function of the Holiday Park, this can be done by developing visual and audio facilities for visitors.

47	<p>Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need a comprehensive heritage assessment for any future use. • Cultural features such as interconnected kumara pits, wharepuni sites, incredible tiny homes made in the compressed pumice cliffs are said to be at Motutere, some unrecorded but are still discernible in the whenua. • In the 14th century ngatoroirangi erected a sacred tuahu (altar) called Mahuehue which may or may not be on the reserve. • In the 960s Perry Fletcher was responsible for getting SH1 to deviate around a Motutere hill containing multiple pre-European features from the past. Many of these are up a steep bank, within a few metres of SH1 bordering both sides of the campground. • Oppose incremental ongoing expansion of the Motutere campground. Due to expansion and clearing of bush the risk of destroying unprotected, fragile cultural features increases. • No acknowledgement of the area's Māori history by the campground owners. • On Motutere's foreshore, a drop in the lake's artificially high levels would reveal rows of ancient waka landing sites, with many rocks moved to allow waka to park up. Although underwater - this tauranga waka feature is also indicative of traditional maori usage and whenua modification. • Unregulated, unmonitored activity by the rock-climbing community and holiday makers are threatening urupas that contain ancient koiwi. • Need protection for heritage taonga. There were 5 houses built into the face of the cliff, there is one left. <p>Little has been done to actively protect taonga tuku iho.</p> <p>We need to find out what is left of the cultural footprints at Motutere and enact plans to educate the public about them and their value, so that the heritage that remains at Motutere is treasured, not ignored, and turned into caravan sites for tauiwi to make money from.</p>
55	I accept the area is of great significance to Ngati Te Rangiita and this should not be forgotten but should be acknowledged and celebrated.
56	Would like to see more information provided around the camping ground to what this site means to the local iwi and build some longer existing relationships between both parties.
57	We would welcome more involvement and engagement ensuring we are all looking after this site with a long-term view and acknowledging its past.
65	I think the land should be used in the way that owners, hapu - Ngati Te Rangiita and iwi - Ngati Tuwharetoa decide. The business owners, holiday makers and tourists currently benefit from its use as a holiday park, but what about Tangata Whenua and locals?
67	First and foremost, Ngati Te Rangiita whanau should always be included in the future use, management, and development of the Motutere Recreation Reserve.

83	The record of the local hapu preserving the 'local cultural aspects' is not good. I suggest that any amendments based on their 'ancestry cultural needs' must not be allowed to occur without full disclosure and consideration by the public.
84	I wish to express my acknowledgement and support of Ngati Te Rangīta and the whanau of Motutere in particular, and whatever decisions they come to.
85	I like the cultural and traditional aspects of a proud hapu - Ngāti Te Rangīta and Iwi - Ngāti Tūwharetoa.
86	We support the aspirations of Ngati Te Rangīta.
87	The reserve management plan should reflect the language and tikanga of Ngati Te Rangīta who has histories and still maintain their values over these sacred lands. An example of this could be kaitiakitanga to protect and nurture the whenua. Taupo District council need Māori authors to give the plan more authenticity to reflect the identity of Ngati Te Rangīta. Te tiriti o Waitangi should also be reflected.
89	If there is cultural significance to the local iwi, tell the story of what happened there so everyone can understand it's importance.
88	The relationship with the local iwi gets strengthened. Have the Cultural History of the area made much more accessible to campers. Perhaps assign this task to representatives of the local iwi.
92	Patrons of the Motutere Campground must respect the privacy and sacredness of the papakainga and waahi tapu, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not entering and trying to camp on our private land. • Not walking over waahi tapu at the end of the peninsula (where we once lay our dead) • Not travelling over to and attempting to land on Motutaiko and engaging in unsafe water activities. Recommendations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that the Motutere Recreation Reserve Management Plan Committee has Ngāti Te Rangīta members who directly whakapapa to the original 753 owners (as registered with the Native Land Court). • Ensure robust engagement and consultation with the descendants of the original owners, acknowledging their Treaty Partnership status. • Correct te reo Māori spellings in the plan by adding macrons to words such as Taupō and Tūrangi. • Renaming of Mission Bay to the original name as deemed by Ngāti Te Rangīta. I look forward to witnessing positive changes that honour the cultural significance of Motutere Reserve.
95	The inclusion of things like signs around the campground about the significance of the parts of the land would be a cool way to teach both young and old about the history around the site.

96	The cultural significance of the area could be displayed on signage of the area for people to read and learn.
109	More connection to the local iwi advertised around the reserve - information boards about the local area and its importance to the local iwi as well as the island of Motutaiko. Give us information so we know it's historical context.
111	<p>There is a significant lack of acknowledgement and respect from the Council, the leaseholder, and reserve users towards mana whenua.</p> <p>Recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthen cultural engagement and representation with the descendants of the original owners, acknowledging their Treaty Partnership status. • Renaming Mission Bay to the original name as deemed by Ngāti Te Rangiita • Use correct te reo Māori spellings in the plan by adding macrons to words such as Taupō and Tūrangi. <p>Looking forward to witness positive changes that honour the cultural significance of Motutere Reserve.</p>
113	<p>This site needs to be classified as site of significance with reduced access.</p> <p>Sites of significance ·</p> <p>The Tuahu (Sacred Altar stone) Mahurehure which was made sacrosanct by Ngatoro-i-rangi. · A second tuahu named Waitapu which was dedicated by Rakeipoho, son of Tuwharetoa and Hinemotu upon his arrival from the Kawerau area several generations after Ngatoro-i-rangi. · Two pa sites at Motutere, one named Motutere and the other named Poutu · The site where Te Ranguamatotoru's whare, Haututerangi stood. · The cave where Tamamutu was placed into after he died and was put into his mouth the famous tiki pounamu Te Ngako. This gave rise to the words on the flag at Waitetoko Marae, Te Tiki-o-Tamamutu. · The sacred rock Pueaea now submerged in the waters of Motutere Bay. Visitors arriving by canoes would pause at the rock to wait for the karanga from the home people before stepping ashore. Te Poporo. An old pa site situated above Te Poporo Point. Was one of several canoe landing places servicing the areas from Otaiatoa Bay through to Hatepe. · The interlinking tracks between several pa sites stretching from Motutere to Paakaa. Known pa sites were Poutu, Motutere, Te Poporo, Nga Mokai, Operua, Te Totara and Orona.</p>
114	More connection with Ngāti Te Rangiita and information and education for the campers. What are their stories?
FB	If it's of historical significance to iwi, why you asking us? Main feedback is that it's not up to the public.
FB	Just let hapū do it. If everyone understood its significance no one would eat or even bathe there. Wahi Tapu.
Feedback from Engagement Session	There were several people who would love to meet with the Hapū. They were never aware of the Hapū and the whole background of the motorcamp. They want to know more from the Hapū "actual"
Meeting with NZ	NZFM have a Waihi Tapu Management Plan which they follow to ensure they are aware of sacred sites.

Forestry Managers	
History	
Submitter number. Social media is noted as FB.	Summary
19	Families have been camping at Motutere for 70 years. The importance of maintaining this generational link cannot be underestimated.
104	Signage that tells the story of the Motutere Reserve and its history be available. I would find this extremely interesting and educational.
FB	Never heard a thing about Māori land when my uncle ran the camp on the Lakeside, across the road from where the camp is now. It was a rubbish dump. There were some caves in the hill on the roadside of Bully Point. This was in the 60s
Meeting with previous leasee and current leasee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Camping begun pre 1950s in Mission Bay and slowly moved to Motutere Point in the early 50s. - In 1953 the first toilet was installed as the queen was coming to visit (she never used it). - In 1956 motorhomes began camping at Motutere - Council built toilet blocks in the 60s and that there was a camp kitchen on the lake front side of the campground. - Camping was only on the foreshore in the beginning for many years, around 1976 camping on the other side of the road begun. - The homes on the point were originally holiday homes until the hapu moved in. - Effluent was being disposed directly into the lake and not being treated properly which caused a major invasive weed issue in the water. - There used to be a track to a parking area where the tip originally was. - The camping area and swimming bay is not a very rocky area whereas originally it was, campers removed the rocks. - For 70-80 years there has been camping at Motutere which is historically significant. - There used to be a shop at Motutere by the boat ramp that would sell petrol. - There used to be a lot of pigs around Motutere, each Christmas a pig was killed and cooked for all campers to share. - Significant protection of Motutaiko Island, mutton birds that use to land there. - A float plane once landed at Motutere with a bride for a wedding at Motutere Bay - The function room on the campground came from a High School
Meeting with Destination Great Lake Taupo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Keen for stories of the area to be told, this could look like Pou with QR codes that lead to website of information. - Storyboards of information and history
Meeting with NZ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2 years ago, a wilding pine fell was being felled and it went the wrong way and landed on a campervan, no one was injured,

Forestry Managers	and no charges were pressed.
Economic	
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6	How much money do holiday makers bring to local businesses that then provide jobs for locals?
10	Benefits of bringing campers specifically to the area, aiding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the regional economy (Taupo, Turangi, etc.) • government revenue collection activities (GST, fuel tax, income tax, etc). • Ngati Tuwharetoa (camp fees, ramp fee & fishing licenses - associated specifically from campers).
20	We do various activities each year in Turangi and Taupo. In the past three years we have done: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kiorie horse treks • Parasailing • Prawn farm • Jetboating • White water rafting (3 years in a row) We also eat at the local restaurants and shop.
23	We have invested in considerable assets at the park and made improvements to our site at our cost. The families spend a considerable amount of money in Turangi and Taupo along with the many travellers staying at the camp. Groceries and petrol are a major item and then there are the activities that we all do in the region along with shopping.
32	Supports the shopping and retail outlets that are available in the area, be it food, petrol repair or hospitality. Retain the availability for future generations of everyone to come and that cost be kept at a minimal as at the management now are doing.
36	This camp brings so many families to the lake and money to the nearby shops/cafes.
38	Money is spent on local businesses by people and their families who come to local areas. This supports the people living in the Motutere Bay area.
39	Motutere attracts many people which benefits the local economy as visitors tend to spend money and enjoy themselves.

45	We pop into local shops for meals, coffee, fishing supplies and groceries at least 95% of the time we stay at the park.
46	Closing the campground will not only affect the people who use it but will lower revenue for business in the area from Taupo to Turangi and enlarge the employment rate for the area, as some locals are employed at the campground during peak seasons and year-round with the live in staff.
53	The prices need to stay to be family friendly.
59	After staying at Motutere Bay Holiday Park this summer to a sold-out week for both the campground and lakefront sites, we alone spent over \$1,500 at local businesses. The tourism spends both domestic and international to the wider Taupo region is significant and would have a detrimental effect on local businesses if you were to make any changes to the availability of sites.
68	The income from the lease/Campground should easily enable upgrades and maintenance as required to keep the amenities up to date and available for paying campers and their visitors only to use.
88	Those using the camp must surely make a not-insignificant contribution to the economy of the greater Taupo region. Keep the cost at an affordable level for all, especially for those on a limited budget.
100	Keep lease costs the same as if these go up then it will become too expensive to camp. Lease holder and camp users should not be covering the cost for public access and use. i.e., toilet and showers which can be used by public at present improve safer pedestrian access across road from hill side campground to lake side.
112	No mention of what the Council received back in Rates and Lease payments. Has the Taupo District Council done an Economic Assessment on the contribution to the Taupo Area that the Motutere Bay Motor Camp makes each year?
FB	I hope it's not getting too expensive
Environment	
Submitter number. Social media is noted as FB.	Summary
58	Plant more trees for shade and to minimise erosion.
67	It would be good if you could come up with an action plan to manage the rubbish left at and around Bully point as this has been a problem for decades.
77	To make it even more family friendly, create better walking paths and bike lanes, playground, better recycling, and composting facilities.

78	As a descendant of Te Rangiita, I oppose the expansion for this proposal. More expansion will lead to more and more. There will be no more ngahere left. What reassurance is there from TDC that the whenua will be looked after properly. As it will be prone to human pollution and deforestation of native fauna and flora.
81	There are some very important issues to consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • get rid of the wharepaku on the Lake edge - stop leaks into lake. • make it a recreational beach only - no outboards. • allow Local rates to enjoy our water. • keep lake edge free of campers, minimize erosion, pollution from soil to lake. • keep tents away from lake edge to prevent microplastic shedding onto the lake.
88	Pest and Predator eradication needs to be a continuing Action Item.
92	Testing the impact of having ablution blocks near the lakeside, considering potential pollution risks.
104	I wish for the high standard of cleanliness currently within the reserve and camp be maintained in addition to some pest control to eliminate pests e.g., rabbits, rats and mice. Walkways within the reserve would add another attraction for walkers who camp in the reserve as walking along the road can be scary.
111	Assess and test the impact of having ablution blocks and lakeside camping on the Motutere Bay foreshore, considering potential pollution risks. Better enforcing of restrictions on campervans, caravans, and fixed structures.
113	Protect the native flora and fauna in their natural habitats and to monitor for preservation. Grow plants that would reduce erosion and would support water and air quality. There is high occupancy in the summer period with accumulated rubbish and plastic contaminant risks to land and water.
114	Lots of rubbish off the shore of the lake. We pick them up and tell people to take their rubbish when we see it. I do wonder if we weren't here then who would pick this rubbish up?
FB	My suggestion is always restoration or preservation on these points. The plateau used to be covered in Kanuka. I'm not sure how far around. If there's work to be done, that's my feeling. Then it preserves it for everyone. Nga mihi
Objective Number: A2060917 27/7/15	Surveys carried out using the LakeSPI (Lake Submerged Plant Indicators). Method showed that the condition of Lake Taupō, based on its aquatic plants, is declining (Edwards 2010). The invasive pest species Elodea canadensis, Lagarosiphon major, and Ceratophyllum demersum are all present, which has impacted native charophyte meadows. However, no invasive species were noted during the 2015 survey at Motutere. No periphyton was observed in the shallows of Motutere during the survey; likely due to recent high wind and wave action. Localised increases in periphyton can signal an increase in nutrients.
Objective Number:	Motutere Reserve(Māori Trust Land) -Large Gum Trees-Potential Health & Safety Issue. We see that a number of permanent caravan

A2026508 1/7/15	sites are in direct danger. Some of these trees are felled by high winds. The danger increases as these trees grow year by year which will endanger even more caravan owners. Asks for urgent consideration to prevent any incident. Council visited and deemed the trees not dangerous, so they were not removed.
Objective Number: A1056283 21/1/13	Concerned about the erosion at Motutere Bay Holiday Park. Have been on this site about 35 years. Built a deck to save the bank but the storm washed it away and took half of the bank with it. Lost another 2 meters. Requests for a retaining wall like the other side of the ramp.
Objective Number: A942980 18/5/2012	Requests that action be taken on the waterfront of the foreshore of Lake Taupo at the Southern end of the lake front of the Motutere Bay Holiday Camp.
Objective Number: A776024 16/2/2011	Requests council to continue creating retaining walls, especially for the southern side of the camp. We along with some of the other campers have spent considerable money, time and effort over these years in an effort to help prevent this soil erosion. Recently Council has completed an excellent retaining wall for a few meters just north of the boat ramp, and I would urge you to consider continuing this on the southern side of the ramp, certainly as far as the camp extends.
Objective Number: A771620 4/2/2011	The erosion has caused the demise of some the trees growing on the edges of the bank. I note that some protection work has been carried out in the ramp area which is quite aesthetic to the area. The same protection work is urgently required to the southern end of the shoreline. Requires implementation of preservation work on the southern end of the shoreline by retaining walls or other suitable rock work to prevent the erosion.
Objective Number: A738724 1/12/2010	Due to the current high level of Lake Taupo now, there has been evidence of erosion in front of the houses on the point. I understand Environment Waikato has been to investigate but we have yet to formally receive any feedback.
Objective Number: A461647 8/3/23 Lake Taupo Erosion Study: Erosion Risk Areas and Causes. Beca	At Motutere, erosion has been reported after short-term events, however the area is reported to recover quickly. The erosion has been focused predominantly on the south end of the beach near the point. There has been little specific analysis or investigation into the causes of erosion at Motutere and therefore there is little data to assess. At this stage there is insufficient information to indicate that there is long term chronic erosion, and it is more likely that the natural erosion cycles are affecting the reserve and properties created along the shoreline. The creation of the reserve and the effects of vegetation removal and replacement with mown grass, the interruption of the sediment movement by the ramp and other minor structures may be disrupting the natural dynamics of the sediment processes.

Feedback from Engagement Session	A few people brought up that they want the reserve to be a chemical free area meaning no spraying of chemicals on weeds etc.
Feedback from Engagement Session	People not happy with the number of rabbits.
Feedback from Engagement Session	When asked about dogs on the reserve no one had any complaints, they said owners always pick up after them etc.
Feedback from Engagement Session	Complaints about rubbish being left behind
Meeting with Parks & Reserves TDC	The Council Parks & Reserves team explained that there use to be many Kowhai trees in Motutere and over the years they have been cut down, they feel as if it would be a good idea to take seeds from the Kowhai that are still present at Motutere, and grow their seeds to juvenile plants then plant them back at Motutere, this way the same species of Kowhai is on the reserve which is known to survive well there.
Meeting with DoC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DoC explained that the Waipahi walk that begins on the Motutere Reserve is not a high priority for them as they are under resourced, this means they are unsure what the track conditions are like currently, they still mow the grass strip at the front of the walk however this is not done regularly due to resources also. - DoC agreed that the planting of Kowhai seeds would be a good idea and perhaps this is something Project Tongariro would be interested in.
Meeting with previous leasee and current leasee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recently there has been an area on the campground dedicated specifically for campers who are bringing dogs, there have been no reported incidents and owners pick up after the dogs very well. - Seemed to think the last pindone drop was done in 2000 or before. - Previous leasee had no fire policy when he managed the park, but current leasee does have a fire policy which means no fires are allowed. - Large trees were felled due to the danger risk of them.
Meeting with NZ Forestry Managers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wilding pines were cleared close to the campground and the area was planted in native bush to ensure that no forestry work took place close to Waihi Tapu sites. The actual forestry pines are planted 80m back from the boundary edge to stop any falling onto the reserve and to ensure when harvesting occurs there is a safe distance between workers and the reserve.
Meeting with NZ Forestry Managers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There was a TB outbreak in possums in the forestry and surrounding area a few years ago so a 1080 drop was commenced.
Meeting with Ecologist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Spoke with an ecological consultant and when asked about Motutere, he shared his concerns and frustration at the amount of Kowhai that have been lost through the years at Motutere, he agrees that collecting seeds and growing them to plant will be a good idea but explained how this is a timely process and would be 3-4 years before the seedlings would be able to be planted at Motutere as they have a risk of dying early. - He also encouraged the idea of planting similar natives to those that are found on Motutaiko Island to help represent cultural

	significance through the plantings. He said there is a Pohutakawa on the island that was gifted to a hapu member as a wedding gift many years ago, he said KawaKawa is also dominant on the Island, so seeing these on the reserve would help signify the cultural importance of Motutaiko.
Facilities	
Submitter number. Social media is noted as FB.	Summary
6	If anything, add more infrastructure to the camp and make it bigger and better for even more NZers to enjoy.
50	Fresher water and more toilets around the site
51	The owner is doing a fantastic job of upgrading and maintaining facilities.
55	Water and wastewater facilities should be maintained to the highest standard to protect the land and lake.
60	More sunshade, picnic tables, BBQ, playgrounds, and have lifeguards on standby case a child drowns.
85	I would like the removal of wharepaku. I don't like that the pristine beauty and natural aspects of the Reserve is tarnished by the placement of a wharepaku (toilet) adjacent and very close to the Traditional Lake of Ngāti Te Rangīta, Ngāti Tūwharetoa.
88	Motutere is quite special in that it offers facilities for Caravans as well. Hopes for the Future: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The camp continues to cater for a wide range of visitors (caravaners, motor homers, tents and cabin users). • Continue to develop the range of amenities and services available at the Camp. • Drinking water services are upgraded to the new mandated requirement. • Greywater discharges from permanent caravans need to be improved. Implement 'Three Waters' (or its successor) to better care for this treasured environment. • Provide better Parking for those using the launching ramp, but not resident at the Camp.
92	Recommendations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular clean-up of Mission Bay passive recreation area, installation of rubbish bins, and more frequent lawn maintenance. • Improvement to the cracked road and broken grounds at the Mission Bay passive recreation area.
100	There is enough public picnic areas etc available all around the lake.
111	Recommendations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improvement to the cracked road and broken grounds at the Mission Bay passive recreation area.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular clean-up of Mission Bay passive recreation area, installation of rubbish bins, and more frequent lawn maintenance.
105	The camp people do games and stuff for us at Christmas time.
112	We need more camping facilities not less.
113	The toilet and washing facilities are close to the water with risks of sewage leakage.
114	A possible bus to the Motutere bay for children from Turangi.
Recreational activities	
Submitter number. Social media is noted as FB.	Summary
9	During our stay children can swim, kick balls, play on playground.
32	Being able to swim and enjoy boating activities from the camp lake shore.
73	Recreation has evolved considerably since the 2004 Management Plan was drafted. All the lake's beaches are coming under increased pressure from the increased number of motorised watercraft (boats, jet skis). Motorised watercrafts are noisy, smelly, and can create a nuisance if they exceed the speed limit.
Feedback from Engagement Sessions.	A few complaints about gang members wearing patches coming to the campground to swim at the lake.
SH1	
Submitter number. Social media is noted as FB.	Summary
6	Damage to the lake due to vehicle accidents around bully point. Make the highway go around the back of the camp.
9	I believe that NZTA need to consider the road options around the lake / Bully Point due to pollution of trucks and recent accidents.
19	Traffic is an issue, a bypass around the east of the Lake is needed. A pedestrian safety area in the middle of the road may assist
41	My Cousin was killed in 1995 at Motutere by a drunk driver crashing into his tent at night.
51	A safer road crossing is needed.
63	The campground is close to the State Highway that has ongoing safety issues.

88	Liaise with LTSA to explore ways to better manage the traffic hazard caused by SH1.
92	Creation of a safer walking area for campground patrons to cross State Highway One.
109	I worry about the road as we have seen a fatal crash happen two years ago and my husband was one of the first helpers there. Can the speed limit be reduced any further? It's also scary when we had to take our young children across the road.
110	There was a fatal road crash on the main road a few years ago. So, if the road speed could be reduced more, that would make it heaps safer. It would also help the campers who crosses the main road to get to the lake for a swim. If there could be a pedestrian crossing, that would make it safer for us.
111	Creation of a safer walking area at Mission Bay and for campground patrons to cross State Highway One.
FB	A camp site that straddles the busiest part of State highway 1
FB	Pity the State Highway hasn't been relocated away from the lake.
FB	This section of SH1 needs to be changed to a scenic route with a diversion for other traffic through that area of the forest behind just like they did for earthquake gully. If the area is culturally sensitive, I feel there are ways a compromise could be reached with all stakeholders that also honours that history.
Objective Number: A784701 24/2/11	The public access road within the camp that Council is responsible for has not been maintained at all by Council and is still metal on the lakeside reserve while the public access road in the reserve around the corner (also Motutere Recreation Reserve but called Mission Bay) is tar sealed.
Feedback from Engagement Session	Many people that stay at the campground have issues with the safety of the State Highway 1, many thought an underpass, or a bridge would be an option, when asked what they thought about a median with safety barriers in the middle of the road they agreed it would help.
Feedback from Engagement Session	When asked, no one complained about the road noise, even those that camp right by the road, they said they enjoy being right by the water and that they get use to the trucks. Many people enquiring about the paper road that goes through the forestry, wanting to see the main road go through here instead of Bulli Point
Meeting with previous leasee and current leasee	The road use to be 100km, so lowering it to 60km has eased some anxiety around accidents but they were unhappy that this took 4-5years before the speed limit change was put in place
Meeting with previous leasee and current	A median safety island in the middle of the road would be a good idea. Current leasee has asked for a noise proof fence to be installed to lessen road noise for campers.

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Meeting with NZTA	When explained to NZTA the safety risk of crossing SH1 they agreed to do a safety assessment but could not promise action as it may not be a high priority compared to other parts of the country.