

## I hereby give notice that the Council Hearing of Submissions on the

**Forrester Heights Consultation** 

and Deliberations

will be held on:

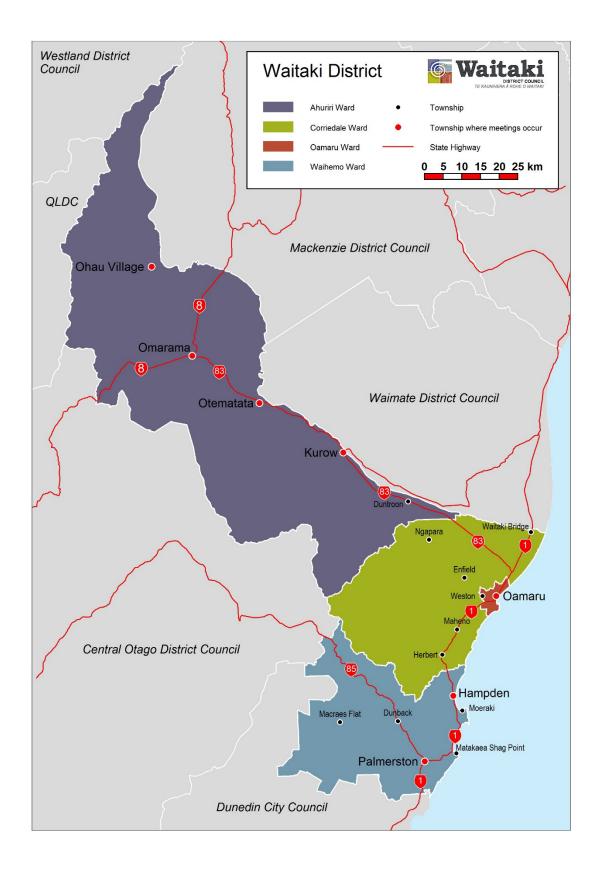
Date and	Monday, 30 May 2022  (Day 1)			
Time	(11.00am – 3.00pm)			
Date and	Tuesday 31 May 2022   (Day 2)			
Time	(9.00am – 4.00pm)			
Location:	Council Chamber, Third Floor Office of the Waitaki District Council 20 Thames Street, Oamaru			

# Agenda

### Council Hearing of Submissions on the Forrester Heights Consultation and Deliberations

30 and 31 May 2022

Alex Parmley Chief Executive





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#### 1 APOLOGIES

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

#### 3 MEMORANDUM REPORTS

#### 3.1 FORRESTER HEIGHTS - CONSIDERATION OF CONSULTATION FEEDBACK

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#### RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council receives the information for consideration.

#### PURPOSE

To present for consideration the verbal and non-verbal submissions received in response to consultation feedback on the future of Forrester Heights, Ōamaru.

Directions received from the community through the consultation process will enable Council at a future meeting to arrive at a decision on the best use of this land for the community.

#### BACKGROUND

In early 2022, Council instructed officers to carry out public consultation to discern the community's views on the future of Forrester Heights (2.5390 hectares of land at Cape Wanbrow, Ōamaru).

The submission period was open from 1 April to 16 May 2022.

The following three options were presented to the community through the consultation material:

- 1. Try to make Forrester Heights a reserve;
- 2. Sell some or all of the Forrester Heights land and use the funds to benefit the community; or
- 3. Leave Forrester Heights as it is for now do nothing.

A full background to the three options was provided as part of the consultation.

#### SUBMISSION RESPONSE AND REVIEW OF SUBMISSIONS

905 submissions (excluding incomplete and duplicate submissions) were received on the future of Forrester Heights. These were a combination of Council online and hard copy questionnaires, and more general comments received through email, letter, and other external forms.

A number of online submissions were incomplete, and copies of the incomplete submissions are available in Attachment 10.

A variety of Facebook comments were also received, and a sample of these is found in Attachment 11.

Copies of all submissions received have been included as eight (8) separate attachments to this memorandum (verbal submissions and non-verbal submissions). These are being circulated as separate PDF documents to the final agenda papers.

Of the 845 submitters (93% of all submitters) who commented directly on the three options presented to the community:

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- 68% either strongly agreed or agreed supporting try to make Forrester Heights a reserve.
- 30% either strongly agreed or agreed selling some or all of the Forrester Heights land.

#### Neutral

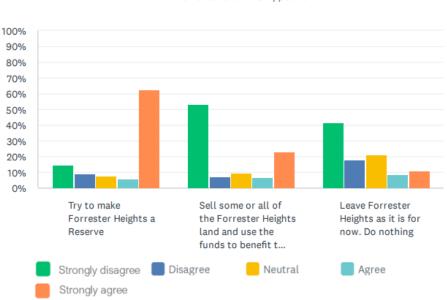
• 21% were neutral in leaving Forrester Heights as it is now

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- 60% either strongly disagreed or disagreed with selling some or all of Forrester Heights.
- 59% either strongly disagreed or disagreed with leaving Forrester Heights as it is (do nothing).

A full breakdown of responses to the three options follows.

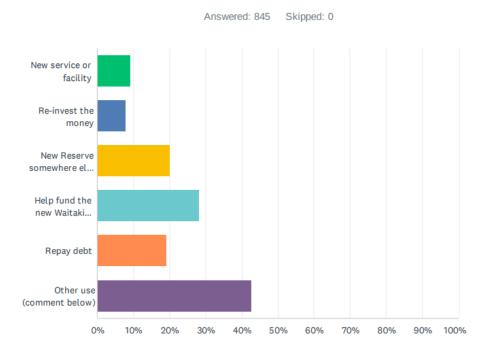
Q3 What do you want us to do with Forrester Heights? Please indicate by your level of support or opposition to the options being considered by ticking one of the boxes in each row. Your answer will help Council decide alongside consideration of the pros and cons, and benefits to current and future generations.



Answered: 845 Skipped: 0

	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DISAGREE	NEUTRAL	AGREE	STRONGLY AGREE	TOTAL
Try to make Forrester Heights a Reserve	14.56% 123	9.11% 77	7.93% 67	5.68% 48	62.72% 530	845
Sell some or all of the Forrester Heights land and use the funds to benefit the community	53.02% 448	7.22% 61	9.70% 82	7.10% 60	22.96% 194	845
Leave Forrester Heights as it is for now. Do nothing	41.42% 350	17.87% 151	21.18% 179	8.52% 72	11.01% 93	845

Q4 If the land was sold, how what would you like to see the money used?Note: Answers to this question will give Council an indication of how the community would like the money to be used, if the land was sold. If Council decides to sell some or all of Forrester Heights following this process, Council will consult further with the community on specific options for how the money could be spent.



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
New service or facility	9.11%	77
Re-invest the money	7.93%	67
New Reserve somewhere else in Oamaru	20.00%	169
Help fund the new Waitaki Events Centre	28.05%	237
Repay debt	19.17%	162
Other use (comment below)	42.72%	361
Total Respondents: 845		

An additional 60 consultation responses (7% of total submissions) were provided to Council in the form of email, letter, and other forms. These responses have not been included in the graphs above as there were a variety of written responses, the majority of which did not correspond to the specific options presented through the consultation. A high-level summary of these other responses includes:

Make reserve	Keep as reserve	Replant in native trees	Don't sell	Sell	Leave as is	Non- descript
29%	13%	32%	4%	1%	9%	12%
(17 submitters)	(8 submitters)	(19	(2	(1	(4	(8
		submitters)	submitters)	submitter)	submitters)	submitters)

#### VERBAL SUBMISSIONS

63 submitters have confirmed that they wish to be heard in support of their submission.

The Hearing Schedule is included as Attachment 1.

All individual submitters have a maximum of five minutes to present their verbal submission to Council. Those submitters representing an organisation have a maximum of ten minutes to present their verbal submission to Council. Included in these time allocations are any questions from elected members in response to submission points.

#### PROCESS FROM HERE

The following steps to be completed are:

- 30 and 31 May 2022: Hearing and consideration of submissions, followed by deliberations
- 7 or 14 June 2022 (date to be confirmed): Additional Council Meeting to decide on the future of the Forrester Heights land

#### Information about Attachments to this Agenda Report:

#### Attachment 1: Hearing Schedule

The initial Hearing Schedule is included on pages 6 - 11 of this agenda report. A separate updated version will be issued once all the attachments have been published and page numbers for each will be added in the "Page Number" column.

#### **Other Attachments**

All of these are being circulated as separate PDF documents to the agenda papers. Details are provided below for ease of reference.

Attachment 2: Verbal submissions 001-0073 = Attachment 2

Attachments 3 – 9: Non-verbal (NV) submissions, individually named as follows:

- NV numbers 74-207 = Attachment 3
- NV numbers 208-343 = Attachment 4
- NV numbers 344-487 = Attachment 5
- NV numbers 488-628 = Attachment 6
- NV numbers 629-721 = Attachment 7
- NV numbers 722-853 = Attachment 8
- NV numbers 854-908 = Attachment 9
- Attachment 10: Incomplete online submissions (this Attachment will be published on Thursday 26 May)
- Attachment 11: Sample of Facebook comments

#### Forrester Heights Consultation - hearing and consideration of submissions

#### Monday 30 May 2022 – 11.00am to 3.00pm

Unique Submission Number	Page Number *	First Name	Last Name	Organisation	Start	Finish	Speaking time (mins)			
				a separate updated Hearin sometime on Thursday 2						
	Introduction and set-up 11.00 11.05									
1		Anya	Smit	OIS	11.05	11.10	5			
2		James	Soal	OIS	11.10	11.15	5			
3		Mana	Fisilau	OIS	11.15	11.20	5			
4		Gemma	Aker	OIS	11.20	11.25	5			
					11.25	11.30	Pause			
5		Harriet	Carter-Trotman	OIS	11.30	11.35	5			
6		Will	Dukes	OIS	11.35	11.40	5			
7		Eunice	Gbolagun	OIS	11.40	11.45	5			
8		Kate	Farmer	OIS	11.45	11.50	5			
					11.50	12.00	Pause			
9		Graeme	Clark		12.00	12.05	5			
10		Simon	Lawrence		12.05	12.10	5			
11		Nathalie Elizabeth	Brown		12.10	12.15	5			
12		Vicki	Jayne	Individual submission (5 mins), and Friends of Oamaru Harbour submission (10 mins)	12.15	12.30	15			

					12.30	1.00	LUNCH BREAK
Unique Submission Number	Page Number	First Name	Last Name	Organisation	Start	Finish	Speaking time (mins)
13		Gary	Mulvena		1.00	1.05	5
14		Ron	Daw		1.05	1.10	5
15		Paul	Mutch		1.10	1.15	5
					1.15	1.25	Pause
16		Dr Linton	Winder		1.25	1.30	5
17					1.30	1.35	5
18		June	Hearne		1.35	1.40	5
					1.40	1.45	
19		Peter	Plunket		1.45	1.50	5
					1.50	2.00	Pause
20		Trevor	Jones		2.00	2.05	5
21		Gary	Shirley		2.05	2.10	5
22		Jae	Omnet		2.10	2.15	5
23		Rodger	McCaw		2.15	2.20	5
24		Judith	Borrie-Stevenson		2.20	2.25	5
					2.25	2.35	Pause
25		Taro	Joy (ZOOM)		2.35	2.40	5
26		Wayne	Howard		2.40	2.45	5
27		Lisa Anne	Howard-Sullivan		2.45	2.50	5
28		David (Zim)	Sherwin (ZOOM)		2.50	2.55	5
29		Ting	Ren		2.55	3.00	5

#### Forrester Heights Consultation - hearing and consideration of submissions continued...

#### Tuesday 31 May 2022 – 9.00am to 4.00pm

Unique Submission Number	Page Number	First Name	Last Name	Organisation	Start	Finish	Speaking time (mins)
		Introductio	on and set-up		9.00	9.05	
			-				
30		Sophia	De la Barra		9.05	9.10	5
31		George	Kelcher	Individual submission, Road Metals, Kiwi Concrete, Reservoir Views Co Ltd submissions	9.10	9.20	10
32		Malcom John	McKenzie		9.20	9.25	5
33		Eve	Arena	OIS	9.25	9.30	5
					9.30	9.40	Pause
34		Georgia	Rush	OIS	9.35	9.40	5
35		Mollie	Prouting-Gardiner	OIS	9.40	9.45	5
36		Donavan	Miller	OIS	9.45	9.50	5
37		Neve	Gordon	OIS	9.50	9.55	5
38		James	Gower	OIS	9.55	10.00	5
					10.00	10.10	Pause
39		Baxter	Harnett	OIS	10.10	10.15	5

40	Indeg	Jones-Hogai	n OIS	10.10	10.15	5
				10.15	10.30	MORNING TEA BREAK
41	Saffro	n McRoberts	OIS	10.30	10.35	5
42	Ryley	Stevenson	OIS	10.35	10.40	5
43	Blake	van der Spel	K OIS	10.40	10.45	5
44				10.45	10.50	5
45	Jeanr	ie White		10.50	10.55	5
				10.55	11.05	Pause
46	lan	Kofoed		11.05	11.10	5
47	Stuar	Bowler		11.10	11.15	5
48	Keega	an Wilson		11.20	11.25	5
49	Samu	el Dooley		11.25	11.30	5
50	Leslie	Eden		11.30	11.35	5
				11.35	11.45	Pause
51	Bruce	Albiston		11.45	11.50	5
52	Paul	Rutledge		11.50	11.55	5
				11.55	12.00	5
				12.00	12.30	LUNCH BREAK
53	Greg	Nikoloff		12.30	12.35	5
54	Heler	Stead	Oamaru Heritage Tours Ltd, North Otago Early Settlers Assn Inc, Own & Oamaru Heritage Tours	12.35	12.50	15
55	Donn	a Demente		12.50	12.55	5

			12.55	1.05	Pause
56	Jan	Wheeler	1.05	1.10	5
57	Annah	Evington	1.10	1.15	5
58	Ray	Henderson	1.15	1.20	5
59	Elizabeth	McCone	1.20	1.25	5
60	Michael	Sweeney	1.25	1.30	5
			1.30	1.40	Pause
61	Hugh	Barnes	1.40	1.45	5
62	Jane	Blake	1.45	1.50	5
63	Karin	Scherrer	1.50	1.55	5
			1.55	2.00	Pause
			2.00	2.45	Non-verbal submissions
			2.45	3.00	AFTERNOON TEA BREAK
			3.00	4.00	Non-verbal submissions and deliberations
				4.00	Deliberations end?
			4.00	5.00	Tea break if extra session required
			5.00	???	Extra session if required

#### 4 MEETING CLOSE