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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes will ease congestion on the other tracks

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Will make it more viable for commuter traffic

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

There is no need to remove this track. It is walked often by people that want to use a less well formed track. Some people want a more rugged experience. Providing easy, well formed tracks is great but plenty of people want something more challenging. I am also saddened to see the track from highbury fling to clinical closed which has the same challenging features. Please reopen it as well.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Most track networks across the city for commuting and recreation

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be a superb addition to the reserve. It would remove the risk of incidents between riders and walkers that currently exists on Transient.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view as we don't use this.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good move, this is a bit of a slog for more inexperienced riders/walkers and children.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view as we don't use this.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view as we don't use this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All over Wellington region (bike, walking and running). From Wainui through Makara, through Belmont, Colonial Knob etc etc....

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Great to see such positive consultation and engagement with the community. I think its important to

recognize not just the work that has been done to improve the trails (by volunteers) but also the pest control and planting work done by many of these same people. I'd also stress that while my family and I ride, we are not part of some 'mountain biking lobby' as has been suggested in some (very limited, very ill-informed, sensationalist) media coverage. We use the trails for many reasons, walking, riding and running. If we had a dog, I'm sure we'd use it for walking said hound as well. These proposals will improve access and enjoyment, support conservation efforts and minimise some very real risks - for everyone. It's a great call and one I commend the Council to take it forward. I know my 6 year old and 8 year old will be amongst the volunteers with their spades wanting to help make this a reality,

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is a trail that is used by a large number of people and removing downhill bike traffic would prevent a lot of conflict. It's a positive outcome for all users, particularly runners with headphones who can't hear bikes coming down the hill.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Everything that I can get my feet/wheel to

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This seems like a safety improvement. having been walking on these tracks when there is cyclists separating walkers from downhill bikers can only be a good thing.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'd like to see keeping that connecting track.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It seems like it passes too closely to peoples back yards and I don't think it;d be well used.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling<sup>8</sup>

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Seems like a big loop to not get very far.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

if it'll be hard to maintain and if it's under used then it seems to add nothing to the recreation abilities of the reserve.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Most of the walkways around wellington through the green belt and up on the hills like the skyline walkway etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

It is important since no other downhill only trail links the top to bottom. Having shared or multidirectional trails is an accident waiting to happen and this will keep all park users happy

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of them

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Because will reduce crashes when mountain bikers come flying around the corner

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak, Mt vic, wrights hill, Belmont, Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Currently biking downhill on the tracks means quite a slow ride as is a shared track till the bottom shutdown hill. A separate track would seem to make sense for riders and wallets in terms of safety and enjoyment.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Mt vic, makara,wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

User conflict is a real issue. Separation between disciplines needs to happen

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Although the current options are fine

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

I ride all bike tracks around the region.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Bike only options need to happen to a, stop conflict between disciplines b, continue to make Wellington a detonation for overseas bikers

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Seriously It's a no brainer! Transient is a gem of a track but the amount of foot / bike traffic it currently gets (a victim of its own success) necessitate a separate descending mtb track. This is already a proven track strategy demonstrated by the car parts / windmill combo.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Skyline, Salvation, Karori cemetery, Fenceline, Silversky

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm unsure what is proposed here - my response depends on the nature of the proposal, as per my comments below. There currently exists a short trail that drops off Sawmill and connects onto Transient - it is primarily used by bikes going downhill (it's very difficult to ride uphill), and provides a good way back onto Transient for those bikers coming down Sawmill from Fenceline who don't want to go all the way down Sawmill to the main Ashton Fitchett Drive entrance to Transient. On the 'Proposed Tracks and Removals', either this short section of track is not marked, or it's the one that the Council proposes to remove as Proposal 1a. My feedback depends on whether this track is not marked, or is the one proposed for removal under Proposal 1a. If this short section of track is not currently marked on the map it would be helpful to add it. It could also be adapted to serve the purpose that BTB are currently suggesting the track that the council wants to use as Proposal 1a be used for. If this short section of track is the one that the council suggests removing - the rationale ('less removal of vegetation and reduced earth works') doesn't make sense, seeing as the track already exists. I support maintaining or creating an entrance to the new mountain bike priority descending trail from Sawmill, as this gives riders who have just climbed Transient a quick entrance to the downhill trail without having to climb all the way up Sawmill to the entrance off Fenceline near Rollercoaster. The Fenceline entrance, near Rollercoaster, is likely to be a better option for riders who are descending from further up the hill (e.g. having come down Car Parts from the turbine).

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great idea. My only comment would be to make it clearer whether Clinical is uphill-only for mountain bikes, or whether it is two directional for both bikes and walkers. There's some disagreement in the biking community about whether it's just a priority uphill trail, or whether riding downhill is prohibited.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have no views on this proposal.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm neutral on this proposal - although it's odd that no rationale has been provided! I would assume the steps were originally built for some purpose and at some expense, so removing them without good justification seems strange.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Mountain Bike Park Wainuiomata Trail Project Miramar mountain bike trails (Conviction, Jailbreak, Solitary, etc). Mt Vic mountain bike and walking trails Belmont Regional Park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separating downhill mtb traffic from other users is urgently needed

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments  
I use this track

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments  
Steps are good training tools for running. I use them.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Mt Vic. Makara. Skyline. Wtb. Tinakori.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I regularly ride up transient and have had a few. Close calls with bikes coming down. This would solve that problem. It would also make a fantastic downhill ride combined with serindipity.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would reduce walkers on transient and make it less congested.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak, wrights hill, mt kaukau

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To relieve the pressure on Transient. This track is a victim of its own success. Too many people use it - walkers; runners; bikers. It is becoming dangerous and the fun factor has been removed from it because all users have to get out of each others way.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It creates two crossings across existing tracks and a steep pinch climb up to Ashton Fitchett Drive. The proposed track alignment in the map as outlined for option 1 is the better option.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will be good for the many walkers who use the tracks in Polhill.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will be a better user experience for all users and means you won't have to go through George Denton Park and cross Highbury Road (as you do with the current situation).

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Never use that track, but understand that it can be useful as an access way for planting and trapping initiatives in the Reserve.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

They are steep and a little dangerous, but they are used by runners and walkers. They also can be used as an access way for planting and trapping initiatives in the Reserve.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All over. Mt Vic; Te Kopahou; Makara MTB Park; Belmont; Wainuiomata; Skyline; Mirimar etc.

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I am a member of the Brooklyn Trail Builders but am making this submission as an individual ratepaying Brooklyn resident who frequents Polhill primarily as a mountain biker.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I commute regularly down Transient and ride it in weekends for enjoyment. There is simply too much pedestrian traffic up and down to make it a suitable dual use track. I've personally had one bike-on-bike collision and many near misses with pedestrians. Downhill MTB traffic needs to be taken off it and given another option. Further, walkers/runners should be discouraged from using the new track up and down. Otherwise the Collision risk just moves to the new track.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

That last pinch climb on existing Clinical is unnecessary and leads into a kids park as well as the ride and then 4wd track to link back up with Highbury Fling. This track extension makes complete sense and allows a ride to remain in Bush and on single track for the entire loop.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's been there long enough to be useful. It provides a great technical challenge to ride, and leaving it there doesnt appear to cause any grief.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Wright's hill, Makara Peak, Miramar, Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use the transient track and on to serendipity to commute to work regularly on my mtb. While i have not experienced any conflict and always keep speed in check to avoid collisions, the risk of an accident is high and increasing with higher use. I support the building of a new track to reduce this risk and if approved will volunteer my time to help build as i did with the serendipity track.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All over Wellington, Mt vic, makara, wainui, mirimar etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The alternate option involves more track crossings for the downhill track, which increases potential conflict with other track users.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This area is very popular for walkers and I think it would be well used.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

An easier climb will encourage more people to use Clinical.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Barking Emu, Carparts, Windmill, Makara Peak, Skyline, Wrights Hill, Mt Victoria, Miramar, Mt Kaukau

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Great to see the Council is supporting this volunteer-led initiative that encourages Wellington people to be fit and active outdoors; promotes pest control and restoration of the natural environment, and promotes Wellington as an awesome destination for tourists who like to combine active lifestyles with everything a boutique City has to offer. Wellington is unique for having such good mountain biking so close to the CBD/urban area - let's continue to develop and use that to our

competitive advantage.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Car Parts, Barking Emu, Red Rocks, Tip Track, Radome, Windmill, Fenceline, Birdwood, Scout Hall, John's Track, Salvation, Deliverance, Burrows Track, Makara Peak, Skyline, Central Park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes poll hill a safer hill for all users as it greatly reduces traffic and stops us from getting run over going up transient, also increases the tourism opportunities for the area as the hill already has one of the best views in wellington it allows for more enjoyment going up and down the hill

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Because the hill will much safer and better for all

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As more trails like this mean, less enthusiastic riders, such as kids or tourists hiring a bike or a older person walking the hill will find it easier and more enjoyable

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why go through the effort

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Again why go through the effort

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline walkway, northern walkway, and every other hill in wellington, every hill has a unique feel and climate to it is awesome to have some much variety

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

My only concern is that this track might be too difficult for beginner/intermediate riders. It would be a shame to exclude a huge portion of the mountain biking community by taking the easier descending routes away from them. For this reason, if there are any technical features then alternate easier lines should be included to accomodate. I also think that the descent should not be too steep for the same reason.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I would be interested in whether this is meaning a realistic demand.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Wonderful idea. This section can be very confusing for those new to the trails. Great way to connect it all together.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not familiar with this track, sorry.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Zealandia fenceline, trails to red rocks

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The Council should really be throwing more money at this considering the benefits that this brings

to the community. This would be instead of pumping millions of dollars into swimming pools that seem to be predominantly used by upper socio-economic school kids.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The top section of Transient has proven to be a very popular riding, walking and running trail. I use the this trail and the wider trail network for all three uses, but primarily mountain biking. However, there is an obvious conflict and with mountain bikes descending this trail and all other users. I either ride the trail at night or slowly which does reduce the enjoyment of the trail. It is not unusual to meet a walker who is startled by the appearance of a bike because of the perception of speed. To me it seems self-evident that the creation of a separate bike priority trail is required to mitigate this risk to all trail users enjoyment and safety.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I can't really tell from the topo which makes more sense in terms of rider enjoyment but more importantly, safety at intersections for all trail users. I'm happy to leave to both BTB and WCC to work through this.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

While it doesn't have a screaming need, at a general level I think making it as easy as possible for people to access the network will encourage more people using it, which is a good thing.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is an obvious need. Currently, riders have to get through the children's playground which is slightly off-putting with young kids chasing balls etc. As well, for less strong riders (such as my children) the two steep climbs and having to cross the turning area discourage use.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I use and like this track for both running and walking. It is a good way to connect Waimapihi reserve up to Transient for a run. As well, there is quite a nice specimen (to me anyway) beech tree half way down. My children and I have used this track to join up a loop into the reserve from our house which was great fun. I appreciate it is possible to do a longer loop via planet ride but that is distinctly less fun. Also, it is not clear to me why removing this trail is being proposed. Is it to lessen the maintenance burden?

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

It is easy enough to use the trail existing trail from the top of the steps through to Transient. However, if people are using the steps actively then it isn't a big deal.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

First mountain bike trails for my children. Glow w 50 spotting on Transient and Highbury Fling

45

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Otari Mt Vic Tinakori Hill Miramar Botanical Gardens Zealandia Wrights Hill South Coast trail network - red rocks and tip track

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The trail provides a mtb priority trail that enables riders to have a dedicated downhill journey. As highlighted by the survey this trail will remove the collisions, near misses and congestion caused by the shared use of the existing transient track. This will benefit all user of Polhill (walkers, bikers and runners) allowing them to enjoy this special environment without the risk of injury. The BTB trail design also ensures the minimal impact on the environment and control of water erosion

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Provides a better flow and use of existing trails. Access from Ashton Fitchett Drive has a better flow (although shared) on this is relatively flat section, Also would reduce the potential access of sawmill which is not a good design and disrupts walkers who use this track.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Provides an easy access point for walkers and runners to the Polhill trails - would promote less access from Ashton Fitchett Drive.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Promotes a better flow for the trail connections, the current connection means riding through the park and gates which both disturbs the park participants and enjoyment of riders, walkers and runners

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is an unused trail as it is very steep and overgrown - not practical for walking and running

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Not seeing any issue with the steps as an access point for walkers and runners. Has there been any recorded collisions / near missues at this intersection?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Bike Park, Wanuiomata, Miramar.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I used to ride Polhill more as this is my local area, but congestion turned me off these trails, could never understand why you would build a shared access trail for bikers, walkers and runners on a single track trail! Survey proves the point! Fully supportive of dedicated tracks for walkers and runners and MTBs - I was the treasurer of the Queenstown Mountain Club for 5 years and was fully supported by the Lakes District Council for dedicated use trails. Lets build these trails please.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will reduce downhill mountain bike traffic on transient and make it safer for all users. Great idea.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Much more user friendly for bikers, with no need to leave the reserve.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Sanctuary Fenceline, Skyline, Mt Vic, Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I regularly use Polhill trails for mountain biking. I access the loop via Durham Street typically ride a loop picked to avoid trail conflict (I ride down Serendipity and up Clinical). I currently need to ride down upper Transient to complete the loop. I take care to ride slowly and always be ready to stop - even so, meeting walkers at a corner can be a surprise (mostly for them). Some corners are narrow and steep, and it's not always possible to see far along the track to check it's clear. I'd love to be able to ride down a separate track with less worry about frightening someone walking.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I agree with the intention to reduce downhill cycling on Sawmill by encouraging descending riders to use the new track from Fenceline instead. However, I worry that any riders who continue to use Sawmill will now need to use the single remaining access point at Ashton Fitchett (with the steps removed, all walkers from Ashton Fitchett will use this access point too).

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I support adding extra access points to encourage use by local residents. The connector trail would provide a more direct walking-only route joining Aro and Karepa streets - good for walking to and from work.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This connector trail would reduce conflict at the playground / road end. It would also provide a more manageable track - I know riders who always have to get off and push their bikes up the last steep and narrow section of the track into the playground.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Removing this track takes away the option of a loop walk on walking-only tracks. I think leaving it in, marked as a tramping / difficult track, would be better. Alternatively, you could build a new walking link between the two walking tracks to complete a new smaller loop.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't see any specific benefit to removing these. If expensive maintenance is expected, that could be a reason to do it I suppose. As mentioned for proposal 1a, I worry that any riders who continue to use Sawmill will now need to use the single remaining access point at Ashton Fitchett (with the steps removed, all walkers from Ashton Fitchett will use this access point too).

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, the South Coast tracks beyond Polhill, and others around Wellington. Polhill is 90%+ of my mountain biking though, as my local trail area.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

BTB have done great work and understand the track usage well. I'm happy to support their well-thought-out proposals.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The Brooklyn Trail Builders have done an amazing job and have almost been too successful. The Polhill trails attract so many people now that some delineation between users is needed in order that the values of the different groups can be supported. I support the proposal.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flings

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara My Victoria Wainuiomata trail park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A downhill-specific bike trail is required to alleviate pressure and user conflict on the current Polhill network.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This trail will improve the enjoyment of Clinical, which will also serve to reduce the traffic levels on Transient.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wright's Hill, Miramar, Mount Victoria, and across the wider Wellington Region.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

reducing the pressure on Transient by removing downhill mountain bikes would be a sensible solution.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

walking only tracks aren't as effective as biking only. Walkers will continue to walk on both tracks but the numbers of riders is increasing.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Miramar, Makara, South coast

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separation is good.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

My Vic, Te Ahu Mairangi, Makara, south of windmill, any and all Wgtn trails!BTB

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

BTB and all the other trail builders and MTBers from back last century have transformed Wgtn for the betterment of all of us, the should be helped and commended for their work. How about a lift for Makara Peak? Great ROI, and tourism potential.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separating the uphill and foot traffic from the downhill traffic will drastically reduce user conflict in this high traffic area

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am confident that either way will be fine

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

more tracks = more people walking

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Connecting those 2 tracks directly will make for a much nicer ride!

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I never even knew this track was there

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

runners and walkers may have stronger opinions there

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

pretty much all the MTB tracks in the wellington region

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

These tracks are my regular lunch time ride. Having tracks like this so close to the CBD of a capital city is virtually unheard of world wide! Even 'mountain bike meccas' like Rotorua and Queenstown have to go a significant distance from the town center to reach the good riding. It is great to see Wellington embracing this amazing opportunity and making the most of it.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It can be really dangerous riding down transient at Polhill when you come across others using the track. A downhill only track would make the polhill decent a lot safer.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Doesn't affect me as I do not use this entry point.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be great for mountain biking because it is really steep to access Highbury Fling and this would keep everyone within the reserve.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Kaukau, Porirua Rangituhi trails and Wainuiomata Te Whiting Riser.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a regular rider of Transient I believe this is overdue.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes please! Very logical.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I defer to Brooklyn Trailbuilders on this. I trust them implicitly.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Ditto. I have faith in BTB to advocate for the best improvements to flow.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Neighbour. Conservationist.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Various, including Te Kopahou & Mak Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

No thanks,

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It would be great for bikers and walkers to be able to enjoy the tracks more safely.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Kau Kau (skyline walkway), Mt Victoria trails

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

reducing the number of collisions / incidents between downhill bikers and walkers / runners etc should always be a priority in my opinion.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

this seems counter intuitive to the whole point of separating downhill bikers, although I assumed this is more to do with the cost of building the additional trail?

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

same reasons as proposal 1

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

this doesn't seem to fix any problems? Bikers often have to get off on steep climbs and crossing the road there isn't dangerous due to good visibility and lack of traffic; this doesn't seem to have any positive impact for other trail users

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't know this section of trail, seems like a waste of money to get rid of it unless the work reduces conflict between bikers and other trail users, or it is difficult / expensive to maintain

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

see proposal 6

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainui, Miramar, Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Although I consider myself intermediate skill level ~~86~~ a bike and would like to see more technical ~~72~~

difficult single track, I think top priority should be the reduction of conflict between bikers and other trail users. I personally feel that better signage on the entrances to existing trails should be a priority over getting rid of existing trails as proposed; and that top priority for additional trails should be for separating traffic as much as possible, regardless of it's for mountain bike or walker priority

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The increase in traffic on Transient will only lead to continued issues, especially with downhill cyclists meeting up hill cyclists, as well as 2 way walkers. The problem is compounded by the density of the bush (blocking sight lines on corners), and the tight twisty nature of much of the existing track.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't like the idea of having to exit past gate if coming down the current 4wd track to then re-enter the reserve. So if track was removed, would need to consider the configuration of tracks at the edge of reserve by Ashton Fitchett Drive But can see removal of that track will reduce one additional cross-point if the new downhill track goes ahead

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would only support if a downhill track had been built, as a ne walking track would just increase foot traffic on the current 2-way Transient trail

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

YES - The current configuration is frustration, with the short sharp PINCH coming at the end of a long slow grind. For intermediate riders, this can be a 'last straw' and I have often seen people have to stop and push bikes up the last hill. Also on windy days, you end up exiting the relative shelter of the trees, and ride in the open for a section, before reentering the trails again. For new comers to the area, it is currently hard to 'figure out where to go' when you reach the top of Clinical. A continual track provided by the new section would be a vast improvement. Access to the area for workers and equipment would be easy due to its proximity to the roads at the edge of the reserve, thus minimising impact to bush etc.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Steep and overgrown often. Also confusing to people on Transient for the first time. Would remove a conflict point if new downhill track goes ahead.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Fully support the regeneration of bush in this area. Will stop rocks etc washing down onto Transient too.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar Track Project Mt Victoria Makara Peak Wainui Track Project

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Re one of the alternative options suggested of 'Time Sharing' - I do not support such an idea, as due to family commitments, the days I can ride are limited, and change often. Being forced to ride on set days would not work. Also very confusing and frustrating for visitors to the city who turn up only to find a trail is not available for use that day. Re improving education of users. One suggestion that could be put in place immediately, could be signs at the top and bottom of transient saying 'Headphones free trail'. I have on a number of occasions come across trail users (on foot and on bikes) who were listening to music, so could not hear me on my bike. I sign that says 'stop listening to rock/pop/classical, and listen to nature instead' would be kinda cool! Cheap and easy to implement NOW :) And I would also like to suggest that a thorough review of Transient is done to see where lower branches and re-growth could be trimmed on the inside of corners/bends in the trail to improve the sight lines WITHOUT removing or affecting trees that contribute to the canopy. This could be a low cost, quick safety improvement that could be done ASAP, before waiting for the end of consultation, and something that could be done annually via the BTB team under guidance from the council team.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

But not the removal of the really short section between Sawmill and Transient. I love the technical challenge of this short track, I can ride up cleanly only about 50% of the time. It also avoids the worst of the dog shit that is always a hazard at the lower end of Sawmill track.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I like to include this trail on my runs for variety so I don't have to do multiple laps the same, but it's not special to me.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I almost never use these steps as they are not on my usual routes. However I also don't feel they conflict with Transient track at their lower end so I see them as harmless.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Hawkins hill and Te Kopuhou above. And entire fence line including the steep zig-zags from Zealandia entrance up to Karori

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will be much safer to separate downhill MTB traffic from other users of the reserve as I have experienced many close calls from both perspectives. Having a dedicated downhill trail will also allow MTB riders to have a more enjoyable descent without having to slow significantly on all tight corners to avoid collisions.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara, Mirimar, Wainui, Belmont, Red Rocks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a biker and walker this will reduce pressure and create a better experience for myself as a walker and mountain biker. Win-win

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline Makara Red rocks Mt Vic Miramar The list goes on!

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Dedicated downhill track will keep bikers off other tracks in the area for descending

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would still result

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Wainui, Makara, Mount Victoria, Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The existing volunteer built trail has become a victim of its own success opening up the underutilised Polhill Reserve to a valuable asset for the public of Wellington. As a regular user both on foot and bike of these trails, I highly support an alternative downhill only trail. I do however wish for this trail to be set to a level enabling the majority of mountain bikers to use it. Currently the lower downhill trail is an advanced trail, and so less competent riders still must use the 'uphill' trail. If this downhill trail is going to be geared towards advanced riders, then the existing Transient track should remain open for beginner mountain bikers to descend on.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

There is a need for an alternative track due to increased popularity of the Transient trail. This proposal will not address this need. Building trails will always be in conflict with vegetation removal, but the amenity and access to this special place these trails provide must also be considered. The planting and trapping work performed by the BTB group will more than compensate for any minor damage of the regenerating forest.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As there are other connecting tracks nearby, I don't see huge value in this proposed trail. This however is contingent on whether proposal 1 goes ahead. If there is no new downhill trail, then further work will be needed to separate bikers from walkers such as this track.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This trail will allow for a seamless transition between very popular trails. It will also avoid a steep section which is too hard for most children to cycle. It also avoids conflict with vehicles and park users. Building trails will always be in conflict with vegetation removal, but the amenity and access to this special place these trails provide must also be considered. The planting and trapping work performed by the BTB group will more than compensate for any minor damage of the regenerating forest.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I disagree that this track requires steps as it is no steeper than many other 'wilderness' style trails around Wellington. These trails provide great opportunities for Wellingtonians to explore a wonderful forested area on the doorstep of the city, taking them away only turns our back to it.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

These stairs are often overgrown and clearly underutilised.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mount Victoria, Te Kopahu Reserve, Wrights Hill, Makara Peak, Skyline, Miramar...

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Polhill is an amazing location for mountain biking, hiking, trail running just steps from the capital. We need more trails like Transient, managed by environmentally conscious groups like BTB, to bring our couch potato population outside to enjoy what our great city has to offer.

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea. Please consider making this a grade 3—4 trail (like serendipity). Beginners can go transient and should obey a posted speed limit.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainui, Belmont, Mt Vic and Miramar trail networks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
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Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Wainuiomata Mt Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Mt Vic Wainui Trail Project Miramar Trails Red Rocks/Hawkins Hill Skyline Karori Belmont

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This addition to Polhill would bring obvious benefit to all users of the reserve. Walkers, runners and uphill riders on Transient would no longer have to deal with the constant but appreciable tension that arises from anticipating a downhill rider at every blind corner. The risk of conflict and injury would be significantly reduced. Riders would similarly be able to enjoy the downhill journey more fully knowing the risk of conflict or collision is significantly reduced.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This proposal makes less efficient use of the existing trails and creates an additional crossing of the downhill trail with Highbury Fling. The undeleted section of the existing Sawmill to Highbury Fling connector is at best redundant, at worst it will draw walkers onto the downhill trail, and/or be used as an alternate downhill by riders. The existing exit from Transient towards Ashton Fitchett Drive as it stands is a far better ride than the steep end of transient past that turnoff. Forcing Brooklyn bound uphill riders to take the longer steeper path & then have to cross a downhill trail to exit the park is an avoidable backward step.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As a walker I prefer a more direct and time efficient route than I do as a rider. This connector would give walkers travelling to/from Brooklyn a shorter and more direct route & further improve pedestrian/rider separation in the reserve.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This would create a closed loop entirely within the reserve that would be appreciated by all users. It would help mitigate issues with visitors and first time users exiting at Denton Park and being unable to locate the entrance to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This trail isn't much more than a possum bait line currently, presumably it has some value for access for trapping, planting, etc.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

They contribute in a small way to separating pedestrian and rider traffic on upper transient and provide a useful point of entry for some walkers. If maintenance cost is an issue perhaps there is a volunteer group who can pick this task up?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much all of them ;) Makara Peak MTB Park, Mt Vic, Miramar, Wainui MTB Park, Skyline, Wrights Hill, Hawkins Hill, Colonial Knob, Battle Hill, Akatarawa Forest, etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As per the BTB objection

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak, Wright's hill, Mt Vic, mirimar, colonial knob, wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To cater to all users better and improve the selection of trails in Polhill.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It would create twice the number of crossings, sharper corners and steeper climbs.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It would be good to have a trail solely for the use of walkers.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

It increases the options for taking alternative routes through the polhill trails.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

If they are useful or have no negative impact.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar, Mt Vic, Makara Peak, Wainui bike trails, the tracks from the turbine down to red rocks and various others around Wellington.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I ride the Clinical-Highbury-Fling-Transient route on average once or twice a week. The level of two-way traffic on Transient is mounting and a descending trail would relieve the pressure and the likelihood of conflict.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

On occasion, I have assisted BTB with track construction. I have faith in their judgement when it comes to the issues of buildability and ridability. I also agree with them that it is better to have fewer track crossings.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I agree that it is good to provide walkers with walking only options.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will improve the experience for both walkers and riders, making the entire circuit within the bush.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't regard this being of any real consequence.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Car Parts, Windmill and Barking Emu and from Wrights Hill down Salvation. (I also visit Makara Peak, but as I live in the inner city, this tends to be a less frequent destination.)

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I really can't express much I appreciate having access to the tracks on Polhill, both as a way of escaping the city and of getting some aerobic exercise. Almost without exception, my interactions with riders and walkers have been positive. As a Zealandia member, I am also thrilled to see kaka, stitchbirds and saddleback foraging in the reserve and to see trapping and replanting being carried out.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Access can be made by trail. Let's save money where it can be used better.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This makes the most sense so that walkers and bikers can be safe.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
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 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
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- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mount Victoria, Makara, Wainuiamata

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Basically I support the Brooklyn trail builders who do so much good work.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm an elite level mountain bike rider and ride up and down these tracks at least 1x week, often twice. This is outstanding riding so close to a city centre and wellington should be incredibly proud of such a natural resource. A d/h only trail makes a whole lot of safety sense and one-way mob tracks have been the norm in trail building for several years now. It will add both a safety and fun factor to a classy piece of trail.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

makara, tinakori, skyline, Johnson and wrights hill, miramar, Belmont

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do in general support the construction of a new descending trail. I do however query why this needs to be a MTB only or MTB priority descending trail. It should also be open for use by descending runners, as they are also fast moving trail users. If the new trail is not open to descending runners, then surely an opportunity to reduce trail conflict has been missed. The main drive behind the new trail is to reduce conflict. This also means the trail is shared, which fits within one of the council's frameworks.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This seems overly fussy to me.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

I strongly support this new connector. It means there is a walking only trail that takes a fairly direct line through the reserve from upper Brooklyn to Aro Street. The new entrance is directly opposite the public walkway/stairs between Mitchell Street and Karepa Street. These stairs are fairly well used and it makes sense to be able to access the reserve near an existing walkway.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

I think the exit across the park could be improved. Over winter the grass does get killed off by bike tyres and this issue will remain even if the proposed connector is added, because Clinical is accessed also via the road (Highbury). I am also aware that the proposed trail passes through a potentially sensitive conservation area. I do not think the benefit of the connector outweighs other issues. The steep rise to the park is not steep enough to warrant stairs (if it were, then I would support the proposed connector). Riders can dismount and walk if they cannot ride up it.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

I question the motive behind removing this trail. Does the WCC have hard numbers of users? Perhaps the Councillors can revisit the parks and gardens budget. We should not be closing trails because the WCC are spending the money elsewhere. People using the trail network has increased over the last 10 years - has patronage at indoor stadiums also increased? A drop in the bucket compared to stadiums...

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

I question the motive behind removing this trail. When on foot I have used the stairs multiple times and see others using the steps frequently. The stairs do need maintenance. The fill behind the steps has slumped, creating a potentially dangerous lip on the front of each step. Again, I feel the WCC should address its spending in other areas. Parks can only do so much after all.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Hawkins Hill - Carparts, Windmill, Carparts EXTN, Barking Emu, Tip Track, Red Rocks, coast trail, Wharangi, fence line, Te Kopahou reserve trails. Trails at the kaka park. Makara now and then.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a runner I have had a number of near misses with cyclists. I would be safer if there was uphill only for Transient.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

A great run, that would be even better

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have never used the track

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use the steps a lot, a good way to get to the sawmill track or the road to the windmill

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Tinakori Hill, Mt Victoria, Otari Bush, Wrights Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient track is not rideable anymore as there is way too much traffic on it. Downhill traffic needs to be taken somewhere else, which the proposed track would provide.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

Birdwatcher

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic trails, Tinakori Hill, Makara, Wrigthes Hill, Southern walkway/City to sea, Wainui MTB Park, Rata ridge, Belmont regional park tracks, kolonial knob trails, akatawara forest trails... there might be more

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
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Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

They're really unnecessary given the other tracks available.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria, Trelissick Park, Otari-Wilton's Bush and occasionally the Skyline Track.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I want to congratulate the Council for discussing these proposals with the community and allowing submissions on them. I also want to praise the work of the Brooklyn Trail Builders for maintaining the tracks, the Polhill Restoration Project for trapping pests, clearing weeds and planting natives, and the Council for supporting them. While I follow both groups on Facebook, I'm not a member of either group. I run the Transient, Highbury Fling and Clinical regularly but the level of traffic on the first two is getting heavy especially during summer. While I have always found runners, walkers and mountain bikers to be courteous to each other, the potential for accidents is growing and creating a mountainbiker only track would reduce this potential. I've only had one collision with a mountain biker but he wasn't going fast so no damage was done. For example, two friends and I ran up the

Transient and Highbury Fling in March a few weeks before the end of day light saving on a Thursday between 6 and 7pm. We could barely run for about 100 metres on the upper Transient without having to pull off the track to allow descending mountain bikers to pass. There were so many on the track, probably far too many given the numbers of walkers also on the track that we passed going up. By comparison there were no issues on the lower Transient as mountain bikers have the separate Serendipity Track to go down. I think the BTB proposal is sound but I also think that unless a very strong case can be made to the contrary, then they should be the last tracks built in the Polhill. I don't want to see the Polhill become like parts of the Mt Victoria network (especially the western side of Mt Alfred) where there are far too many tracks and they dominate the terrain. What makes the Pohill special is that the tracks are relatively narrow, you're surrounded closely by bush and you can rarely see another track. It's a special place - you're only 15 minutes from the city but it seems like a wilderness. Thanks for the opportunity to make this submission.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is the highest priority. There are now too many trail users on Polhill reserve Transient trail and it is becoming hazardous for mountain bikers, walkers, runners, etc. to share this 1 up and downhill trail. Please allow a separate descending trail.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Bike Park, Wainuiomata Bike park, Mt Victoria trails, Miramar trails.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Very steep. Unsafe. Deteriorates quickly in the rain.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Very steep. Unsafe. Deteriorates quickly in the rain.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Car parts, barking emu, transient, roller coaster, sawmill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
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 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Miramar, Mt Vic, Murchison

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will give improved safety and enjoyment to the bikers and walkers using polhill

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, skyline, mt vic, turbine to south coast....

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara bike park. Colonial knob & wainuiomata bike park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

It would be great to have the downhill transient bike only trail, much safer for everyone. Thanks.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Reduce trail conflict and add to the great trails available at Polhill.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainuiomata, Belmont, Miramar, Mt Victoria.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Wholeheartedly support council getting behind any trail building (be it walking or running)

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes it safer for walkers when the bikes are coming down- currently only one way back to Te Aro park

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- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Typically the tracks heading to Brooklyn/south coast- great riding all around there- We have a large group of middle aged men who love the reserve

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient track is congested. creating unnecessary hazards for all users. A descending only track would alleviate much of this congestion

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

separate walking only tracks is the only way to fix the ongoing and unnecessary conflict between bikes and walkers.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

too steep to walk when the ground is greasy

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

provides walking only access to upper transient. leaves both bike access tracks with fewer walkers, resulting in less conflict.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Kenapuru, belmont, arapuke

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Pol hill track network is very good both in coverage and quality. the issues is with the huge volume of users, which can understandably lead to conflicts of interest on shared use tracks. these proposed changes will defiantly help with this, but 151 user education could go a long way as well.

Personally a lot of the issues and conflict experienced are attitude based - if all users understood track etiquette and that every one has a right to use the tracks, weather biking, walking, or exercising dogs. something to educate users could be good to help in this area.

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Cut down on fear of and actual possibility of collision when riding down Transient. Make a perfect riding loop Up clinical Down new track and Serendipity without the fear of injury to myself or even worse injury to someone else.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It is a natural progression of the old back doors walking track

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

It would stop having to ride through the kids playground and onto the road. and up to Highbury Fling These are currently all a really makeshift solution that is dangerous for riders at the pinch point below the park and can be startling for young parents whose kids are using the playground and a group of bikers rides by close to their small children. Plus the grass /grass sloop is a real mess in winter forcing riders to use the neighbors driveway to get off/onto the park which must be annoying for them. Even though I can see why they closed the old Rooty track it was actually a much better access route that skipped the road and park.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Only ridden it once about 15 years ago and didn't like it or see the point of it but walkers probably like it and residents probably get use from it. I like the idea of leaving it there and allowing residents to maintain it themselves.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I have used this several times and always in an emergency ie when someone has crashed or had a problem and cannot complete the journey. This is both walking and riding. This offers a fast way off the track when need. I don't know how often it is used recreationally but it has proved to be indispensable as a safety feature of the park.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Carparts, windmill. Mt Vic. Tinakori. Makara peak.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Please please please let us build a dedicated mountain bike downhill track in Po Hill. IT would make Pohill a world class attraction as there can't be many Mountain Bike parks like this in the heart of a capital city. At the moment it is a really good facility but the possibility of collision is a real threat and means the park will never be a great facility.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Absolutely. Transient is far too busy

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Do not use so cant comment

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't walk in this area

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Gives more options

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Not sure which this is. But if it's the one off sawmill I don't support its removal

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara, mt Vic, Mirimar, wainui, spicer forest, Belmont

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments  
Please approve the downhill polhill track ASAP

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

to separate bikes going downhill from runners/walkers/bikes going uphill. prevent polhill from becoming a victim of its own success. it's a hugely popular area and it's great to see so many people using it but a necessary by-product of that popularity is the higher chance of collision. a dedicated downhill track will go a long way to making it safer for everyone

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

no strong opinion

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

no strong opinion

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

the steep pinchpoint and traverse across the road are not ideal

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

no strong opinion

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

no strong opinion

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

carparts, red rocks, makara, miramar

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

i cycle polhill most days at lunchtime with friends **159** often comment on how lucky we are to live in **145**

a city where we can ride in such nice settings so close to the city. surely there aren't many places in the world where that can be done? polhill reserve is a gem and well worth devoting resources to ensure it can be safely enjoyed by as many people as possible.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Bike Park Wainuiomata Bike Park Red Rocks Colonial Knob Mnt Vic Prison Break

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The current dual use track is very dangerous. As a walker, runner and MTB, where possible downhill only MTB tracks should be the norm. The speed at which MTB go downhill should not be mixed with walkers. Even when you don't pedal on transient you fly and all the blind corner make it heaps of fun but also very dangerous.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Hard to build

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be great to stay in the reservation and away from the road/kids park

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, skyline, city to sea, Mt Vic, pretty much all the main tracks and trails around the hills for MTB and running

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
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- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar tracks. Makara peak tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Predominantly a cycling user, and have not needed to access Brooklyn on foot

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Almost all mountain-bike tracks in Wellington, I particularly like linking Makara Peak, the South Coast and city trails using Polhill as a link.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

There is no valid full height downhill track which causes unnecessary conflict. By providing a downhill track you can remove this conflict. You can also build the track in such a way which increases the experience on the track for mountain bikers which will attract more people to the area.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Most of the wellington mountain bike tracks.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Segregating the uphill and downhill users of transient, the current major two route for foot and bike users will increase the enjoyment of this track for all groups. Uphill users won't have to worry about downhill users appearing suddenly around the tight and sometimes blind corners of transient.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The proposed alternative has more trail crossings than the original. For a downhill only track, crossing another track means that either riders will slow down hard on the brakes - eroding the trail or not slow down to a safe speed to avoid this, and create a hazard for users of the intersecting track.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a small project that results in a cohesive walking-only route through the Polhill gully. Transient is multi-use so currently the top section must be shared by walkers and cyclists.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This makes a cohesive route from Clinical and the rest of the Polhill tracks through Highbury Fling. The current hodge-podge traverse from the top of Clinical, through a children's playground, across a public road then onto the Zealandia fenceline interferes with users of those facilities.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I have not used this track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a good short cut to cut off the top, meandering section of Transient up to Ashton Fitchett drive for foot users who are looking for a quicker route between transient and Ashton Fitchett.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Makara Peak Mountain Bike Park, Mt Victoria trails, Mirimar Trails, Northern/Eastern walkway and skyline, Belmont Regional Park, Wainuiomata Mountain Bike Park, Main Ridge track and Rata Ridge above Eastbourne, Karapoti Gorge and surrounding tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would separate the riders from other users of the Polhill and would make it safer for all concern. This is not the case with the current situation.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

this would make it more pleasant for the last climb on the bike from Clinical to GD Park.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wainui, Mt Kaukau, Colonial Knob, Belmont

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It makes complete sense for all users - it's a needed safety measure for everyone!

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't really understand this - it creates more trail crossings where there would only be one otherwise.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This doesn't really interest me.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Sure, why not (if it's removal means we get the new downhill trail, then yes).

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This doesn't really interest me.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of them - I ride and walk everywhere in Wellington, and I frequently use Polhill to get to them (Carparts, Barking Emu, Red Rocks, Fenceline, Mr X, Deliverance, Salvation, Makara Peak, All of Mt Vic, all of Miramar, K-Hole, Skyline, etc, etc)

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I would suggest that the new trail could be a little more difficult (grade 3 with grade 4 features) than

Transient currently is, as it wouldn't have to cater for foot traffic. Allowing for grade 4 features will enable better use of areas with shallow gradient, and there can always be ride-arounds for those who don't wish to attempt a feature. Also, I really appreciate the sentiment with labelling the new trail 'bike priority', but I would suggest that we all know that people will walk on it, and they will grumble and cry foul when they meet bikes. In the interests of public safety (for all users - not just walkers) it would be prudent to label it as a downhill only, bike only trail, with signage to help guide this - take away the innocuous label, and make it plain. Walkers will have a much better time on Transient when this new trail is built, so their needs are being met automatically. The sooner this can happen, the better for all trail users, so I would suggest the hiring of someone like southstar trails or TGL to get the ball rolling, and have a successful trail from the outset. Cheers!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

I support The Brooklyn Trail Builder and their proposals. They have done such amazing work already to enhance the neighbourhood and bring back native birds. I found the survey hard to use on my phone but I'd like it noted that I support their proposals

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All over Wellington eg Northetn and southern walkways, city to sea. Etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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- Yes
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- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Great stuff. Will be pleased to see these go in.

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient track is currently far too congested with both bikers and walkers and accidents are bound to happen. This will help a lot. Huge priority

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments  
Not needed

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara, Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
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Why/other comments

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- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, WTP, Battle Hill, Belmont, Arapuke, Miramar etc etc!

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Polhill is great for biking but I have had some unpleasant experiences when meeting walkers/runners and dogs.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This proposal has been mooted by the Brooklyn Trail Builders (BTB) for some time. Early this year a survey was undertaken by the WCC and the results of that were overwhelming in favour of constructing a new downhill only mountain bike track to get downhill riders off Transient which would become a walker/runner either way and uphill cycling only. The building of this new downhill only track is a very sensible plan, especially given the popularity of the tracks in this area. Getting downhill riders off Transient would enhance the recreation experience for walkers/runners and uphill cyclist and minimise the risk of accidents from crashes between downhill cyclists and other users. As I understand it, there were ~70,000 unique visitors to the trail 'transient' alone in the last year which is an extremely high level of use for such a new track and shows the popularity of the area for recreational users. I fully support the proposal put forward by BTB and think it will enhance the area and the use of the area.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

In terms of the Proposal 1a, I do not support the removal of the short mountain bike track from the track Sawmill to the top of transient. Also I do not think the alternative track routing proposal from the WCC near the intersection of highbury fling and transient is a good one as it means the new downhill track ends up crossing two other tracks instead of only crossing Highbury Fling once as per the BTB proposal. Separating traffic on these tracks and keeping users separated is a better

management strategy

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think building a new walking only track below Ashton Fitchett is a good plan. It gives walkers and runners a track without any cyclists on it.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a good proposal as it means less people will cycle through George Denton Park, something that the local Highbury residents are likely to support.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

What harm does it do to leave that track there. It is a rugged track that people wanting a more wilderness experience might appreciate

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good plan if the track is replaced with an alternative walking track.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Skyline, Mt Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

This is a great proposal from the Brooklyn Trail Builders. They have built a great wee track network with a mix of volunteer labour, corporate sponsorship and WCC support. It is a great example of a community project that is making an area better for both nature in terms of replanting, pest trapping and enhancement of the natural environment, plus it is providing a unique recreation asset right in the middle of the city. Several years ago this area was a neglected one which most people in Wellington didn't know existed. Now tracks like Transient are attracting ~70,000 unique visits per year from a variety of users. I think the BTB should be commended by the WCC for the amount of work they have put into the area and how it has enhanced the area. In terms of damage to the environment and lost of flora from track building activities, I submit that the area is one of regenerating bush and only 2-3 generations ago the area had been clear felled and then farmed. I do not see the lost of some flora as a reason to hold back the construction of the new tracks as proposed by BTB. There is also a larger question of ecological values of this regenerating bush area versus recreation and I think in the Polhill area that recreational and ecological goals can co-exist and the provision of tracks in the area does allow people to experience the beauty of nature and enjoy some exercise at the same time.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainui, Belmont

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will remove downhill mtb traffic from existing trail which will improve the experience for both walkers and mtbers

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not familiar with this detail

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not familiar with this detail

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara mtb park Skyline Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Existing tracks in polhill are great - a credit to the trail builders and council

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm keen to support mountain biking with the Pol Hill park

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Establishes the trail as a biking area

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Skyline Mt Vic Wainiu

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Experience of (polite) Biker/Walker conflicts. Would like to relax more and bike faster downhill.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I prefer the look of having MTB access to downhill track from Ashton Fitchett Drive. Increased vegetation & earthworks can be mitigated with more planting.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Better walking access to Aro St without having a reasonably long detour up Ashton Fitchett Dr.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I haven't really noticed any big issue with the current access via the park (but only one visit to this area only)

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have not used it. Some people like to have rougher tracks available for variety.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It is good for walkers to have a 'direct route' option, particularly when going downhill to Aro St.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Biking - Wellington: Makara, Mt Vic, Mirimar. Lower Hutt: Wainui, Belmont. Porirua: Colonial Knob  
 Walking - Wellington: Polhill, Mt Vic, Tawa. Lower Hutt: Rimutakas, Eastbourne.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

There are more kids getting into biking. My daughter is in WORD. Let's encourage them with and

draw others in with increased visibility.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I believe the safety concerns raised are real and this provides a good solution that will benefit all users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak Otari Wilton bush Tinakori hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
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Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Tinakori and Victoria and greater Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I would also like to see the introduction of single direction moutnain bike tacks in Polhill such as MTB up shared with foot traffic, and mtb downhill only.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic, Wrights Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The current shared use dual direction track is a serious accident waiting to happen. This priority descending track will dramatically improve safety and as a result increase usage of Polhill by all users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This track will enable users to be spread across a wider number of tracks and avoid congestion.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling **205** **191**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Low use and high maintenance

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Low use and high maintenance

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

A wide variety of tracks in Greater Wellington, riding and running.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All Wellington trails

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is unsafe and unenjoyable in its current 2 way dual use configuration

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Why? If maintenance is the problem, like the bike club take over.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Why would you?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Most of the town belt.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Polhill is a great asset, but in its current form is an accident waiting to happen. It has been hugely successful, building a whole extra side to the economy of Aro Valley. One way bike trails are a standard around the world, and need to be followed here.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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 Unsure

Why/other comments

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 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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- No
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Why/other comments

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- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

But protection of the bird species in the area must be taken in to account when determining the location of the track.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Why?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Windmill, Fenceline, Red Rocks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Polhill is once of the jewels of Wellington - thanks for taking care of it WCC and BTB. I think the bikers are a really well organised bunch when it comes to getting tracks built around Wellington. Which is great, but shouldn't come at the cost of walkers (of all ages) being able to use the tracks. I'd like to see less people driving to go for a bike ride - perhaps we can get tracks happening in other parts of the city, so Wellingtonians can bike to their bike rides (if you get what I mean?!). I do not think more parking should be provided - in fact, wouldn't it make more sense to take out car parks down Aro Street to allow for a bike lane - for MTBers and commuters?

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Polhill is only increasing in popularity. Conflict will only rise unless a one way system is created. Polhill is a bit chaotic before or after work and all day during the weekends. It is a bit like peak hour traffic on our roads, but this traffic shares a blind unlaned road rather than a one way system (making head on collision inevitable).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The conflict issues can be much better managed. Ideally there would be no cross overs except a start and end of a well designed trail. However there are existing trails to consider and so crossing trails as little as possible has to be preferred, which Brooklyn Trail Builders proposal does (only crossing once). If A trail does need to cross however, the trail must cross with the best sight-lines possible, and slowest possible speed implemented by design rather than signage or danger and be before the intersection, not at it. The best way to implement a safe crossing is by reducing gradient leading up to the intersection and mellow features in the form of rollers/grade reversals or an incline and some turns (if they can be added without reducing sight-lines).

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I see it as a good idea to add direct routes for walkers and runners, although they can also use upper Transiet (if climbing) and the new descent (if descending) to reach the walking/running only trail. There may be some other links not thought of that would be higher priority. My thoughts would be on a shared connection linking Clinical to the bottom of Transient/Serendipity to complete an all off-road loop to add safety of keeping reserve users off the road and away from the bus turn around. An all off-road loop would also add to the user experience and utilises a currently under utilised reserve (Waimapihi). The current trail for foot traffic only is poorly maintained and consists of low value bush where it sidles above Holloway Road, something that would be enthusiastically restored to a higher value planting with a new shared trail link approved through there!

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This Connection is a no brainer, The trees just bellow George Denton park are only gaining girth, and I can think of quite the pinch/squeeze point in narrowness and steepness of the original exit/entry where the park is. Obviously the trees are there to stay so to avoid them loosing all their bark and eventually not being able to fit a bike through this connection would make this issue non existent. This connection also helps connect the Polhill loop. Everyone prefers a loop!

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

If it was to cost to maintain due to safety, then be it. But currently it isn't doing any harm, provides options and options creates a better user experience. It is a very seldom used trail anyway, and therefore has low impact on the area.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Again, if there was a cost then that is fair, but this again provides further options for improved user experience and more trails reduce stress on one very well used trail.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker

- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

I really enjoy creating loops when out in the reserves, I also like the great variety that the central region has to offer (I live in the outer suburbs which lacks a trail network sadly! So when I go to work in town I make the most of being in town by going for a Run or ride after work. Sadly I seem to be starting to avoid Polhill due to the lack of being able to create loops and the feeling of being in everyone elses way.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Since the completion of the current trails in the Polhill reserve, the area has been transforming into something special thanks to all the community groups involved! It is really easy to think that creating another trail is impacting the area negatively, but remembering how far the park has come because of the current trails it is a big reminder that the positives out weight the negatives by far! These include the obvious such as the access into a new area of the park to expand the trapping network to further help towards eliminating the pests, access to new areas to regenerate the park into an awesome native forest for future generations to come. If you think about what birds like to eat then even the phase of building a new trail is great for the native birds, the birds get curious and find that they have less work to do to be able to pick out a tasty worm or insect. The canopy if you look at the current trails repairs very quickly, although if the trees are now at a reasonable height, there is little to no damage to canopy anyway.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use the Polhill trails for both running and biking and believe the current number trails are reaching capacity. Or are reaching a level of use that is impacting user experience for all trail users (runners, walkers, and cyclists)

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Increases the number of walking track crossing

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Provides a route through the reserve that is entirely walking only

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

closes the loop at this corner of the reserve so don't need to exit and enter again

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great trail running track that is more difficult than the surrounding walking trails. I have no issue with maintenance being reduced to allow this to become a more advanced running/tramping track for people to test themselves on

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why go to the effort of removing these steps. It would be better to spend money on improving signage in the area to show there are other easier entrances nearby

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Trails in Wrights Hill, Makara Mountain Bike Park, Te Ahumairangi, Central Park, Te Kopahou, Mount Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would complete an amazing Mtb circuit to red rocks or the wind turbine alone

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Alternative lines are always refreshing

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Providing walkers an exit point there would encourage more for traffic

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The steps are already there... Why change it?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Just about all of them to vary the MTBing experience/adventure and enjoy as much nature as Wellington has to offer. I often use pole Hill trails to ride to red rocks.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Building trails like this really goes a long way in encouraging people to go out and enjoy nature.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

after initially being built by and for mtbers, upper transient has become so popular with walkers that it is no longer appropriate for descending mtb use.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

too many track crossings and looks like it will be steep so prone to erosion, build/maintenance issues and possibly too much for some riders

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

i can't see myself using it as i run loops but if there is demand then by all means

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

i can't see myself using it but if there is demand then by all means

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

if its more work to maintain than its worth then sure, as long as there is improved signage to indicate to take the other fork to get to transient/ashton fitchett

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

seem to be of limited use/benefit and likely a lot of maintenance

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

hawkins hill-redrocks, makara peak, wrights hill, skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

a singletrack connection between polhill and wrights hill avoiding the steep section of the fence line

would be fantastic

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient as a central, two-way track often becomes quite congested. I intentionally try to bike on weekdays to avoid people. I worry about coming around the corner and hitting an uphill rider if I am biking downhill. Serendipity is quite challenging, so it would be good to have another alternative downhill track. It would make me feel a lot safer knowing that it was only downhill. As Clinical is a fantastic uphill track, it would be fine to only have it downhill.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Dropping out to the park, the road, and then the fence line is a pretty odd way of connecting onto Highbury Fling. I often have to wait for cars/buses on the road. It would be a nice and clean way for riders to connect on.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Victoria, Wrights Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Brooklyn Trail Builders do some fantastic work!!

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It is great that Polhill is so popular now, but the number of walkers and riders together currently is dangerous.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be dangerous as involves multiple track crossings. I'm also worried about the steepness, and those hairpin turns.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great to keep walkers and riders separate. This will make things a lot safer for everyone on a busy trail.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

That last grind past the playground is really steep. A more usable track through to Highbury fling will make it a more family friendly route.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Never used it, no opinion

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Have never used them as a cyclist

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The steps make for a great finish for runners heading up Transient.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Hawkins Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I support expanding the trail network and separation, where possible, of bikers and walkers.

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

the pressure on the Polhill tracks is increasing, and having a dedicated downhill track will reduce incidents and accidents on those main access tracks. the existing tracks have several blind corners, with speeds varying among users. with a suitable gradient, a down hill only track for that segment will give walkers and riders going up the freedom to know they are safer, and the riders going down the new track the freedom from worry about their speed to quite the same level.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

the beauty of the tracks as they are currently is that they are accessible to a wide range of users, especially the beginner to intermediate level rider. the steepness of an element in the proposed 1a design concerns me as it will create a pinch point, and hairpin bends which can be a negative for the current wide range of riders. I also gather it crosses existing tracks at least twice, which can be problematic for navigation, and ride-ability as it causes risk of accidents

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I think the walkers deserve some walking protected access and give them overall better access to the park

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

the top of the existing clinical ride currently has a short sharp end which is tough for some beginner or intermediate riders. riding up Clinical and the across Transient is a common route, and the addition of this short stretch will divert some of the riding traffic away from the George Denton park, the road and the nearby segment of the roller coaster/fenceline.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

no concerns either way

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

these are popular steps for runners/walkers and enable them to shortcut away from some of the mountainbike areas. if maintenance of these steps were a concern, could a series of small switchbacks be constructed to reduce long term maintenance of the stairs?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

I've run and ridden over the majority of the wider Wellington region tracks over the 40 plus years I've lived in Wellington. I currently ride regularly on Polhill and Makara as well as the Wrights Hill area and skyline area. I use those tracks and more for walking with family and the local scout group with which I am involved.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I am disappointed to see so much resistance to some of the ideas promoted by the Brooklyn Trail Builders (BTB). they spend a lot of time building and maintaining tracks that riders, walker and runners use. Mountain biking is a rapidly growing sport, so without a progressive attitude towards trail building, the congestion on the existing tracks is only going to increase. I would be more willing to consider the opposition views if I also saw them out helping maintain the tracks, but it appears to me that only the Council and the trail-builders undertake that work. the proposals suggested by BTB have been well considered as a way to improve everyone's experience on the tracks and would appear only to have a less than minimal impact on the natural environment. And if the impact were a concern, I believe that can be addressed with good trail design, maintenance and further planting in the area.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient being a multi-use and multi-directional track increases the risk of accidents or conflicting uses or impacting on other users. Creating a separated priority descending trail will reduce pressure on Transient and make both Transient and the new track much safer to use, for all users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Having direct access from Sawmill onto the new track will be critical for both users coming from car parts and from Brooklyn. The alternative option would require downhill riders to continue to use parts of Transient. Not the outcome we are looking for!

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea!

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea!

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Potentially convert this into a single use track, either for walking or for downhill riding.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

no opinion (don't use them)

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most MTB trails around Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Red rocks, Mt Vic, kaukau, makara.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Victoria, mirimar, southern walkway

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good way to separate users

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not loving the way it crosses the other tracks

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flats

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes good track connections

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Ask another community group to maintain it if council want to save costs

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Think walkers like these

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara/skyline/Te ahumairangi/mt vic/otari bush/my kaukau

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

More tracks are a great idea especially at Polhill. Also two way track can get crowded with walkers and bikes.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Hawkins Hill, Belmont, Wainuiomata,, Rimutaka.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The more tracks the better.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Important to separate uphill & downhill mtb. Easy access area close to town. Will get more positive mtb media exposure for WCC.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not a walker.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unnecessary, especially as this is a tieke area. Keep the challenge of the steep at the top. People can always walk. Birds more important at the top of the track/adjacent to Zealandia, Has been amazing to see Tieke by the track while riding past. Love hearing their calls too.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Simplify

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Appreciate the fantastic impact of Zealandia birds on the Polhill area. Brooklyn Trail Builders are the best track builders in Wellington - very durable, well planned, well drained excellent trails - thank you for supporting this community group.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria Miramar Tip Track Red Rocks etc Wrights Hill Cemetery-Skyline Tinakori Hill Makara Peak Old Coach Rd Mt Kau Kau

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Wellington is the best city for mountain biking in New Zealand. Let's make it even better by further enhancing Polhill!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a regular user of te Polhil network, one way traffic make s sense,for exactly the same reasons there are on-way roads in Wellington city - efficient flow.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It doesn't look like a good track, with more crossings of existing tracks, and too steep gradient in places.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Walking only tracks are as beneficial as downhill only - they avoid multi-modal conflict.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This completes and complements the exiting circuit through Polhil

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If it already exists, why remove it?

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is frequently used by runners and people seeking strenuous exercise.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Red rocks/Tip track , Skyline, Wainuiomata MTB, Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

This seems to be a perfect solution - you have volunteer groups seeking to build amenities for the benefit of the greater public, a resource that is increasing in value from the investment (just look at the sasquatch solstice event happeing in June) and huge ecological benefits from the community - bird life, and predator free Brooklyn growing on the back of the Sanctuary and Polhill Reserve. 248 234

Please make this happen so we can enjoy Polhill reserve.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Polhill Reserve is a fantastic mountain biking opportunity, close to the CBD and University. It is increasingly used, and at weekends, descending mountain bikers often meet walkers - these are good natured interactions in my own experience, but if there are many meetings, frustrating to both. An alternative descending trail will improve the experience for both walkers and mountain bikers. The impact on vegetation will overall be minimal, as in general the canopy can be expected to grow over the (narrow) new mountain biking track, and I think any impact is more than mitigated by the benefits of enhancing bush accessibility for Wellingtonians.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The final ascent from Clinical to George Denton Park is a little unfriendly for users, and the proposed diversion will keep the park (for children) and mountain bikers separate.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Miramar, Wainuiomata

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will take the pressure off the dual direction, multi-purpose Transient trail making it safer for all to use.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I prefer steeper trails so it works for me! But if the alternative doesn't get implemented, then the original option would suit the majority.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It makes sense to have a dedicated access for walkers so there is no risk of a near miss or actual collision with bikers (even though they will be coming up Transient only with the new proposal). 238

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good idea as long as it is well signposted so everyone is aware of the type of use the trail would get.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Doesn't affect biking so whatever is best for the walkers/runners.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Doesn't affect biking so whatever is best for the walkers/runners.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic, Miramar, Barking Emu/Red Rocks, Belmont, Wainui Bike Park.

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I fully support a dedicated downhill bike only trail as it will ease congestion and hugely reduce the volume of near misses and accidents between uphill/downhill travelling users.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Point Belmont Wainui MTB Tunnel Gulley Cannons Point

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To stop crashes between walkers, runners and bikers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Wainui, Mt Vic, makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would help meet the needs of the mountain biking crowds as well as make Transient a safer track for slower users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

? Unnecessary

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

More walking tracks would be brilliant, especially in helping connect this neighbourhood with the main track network.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Sounds excellent.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
? Would this just be to reduce the need for maintenance? I have used this track quite a bit when trail running....

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
This are located perfectly to connect upper Brooklyn with the tracks...they are a great workout and are well-used by trail runners.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
All of them! My favourites for running and walking are Makara Mountain bike park, Centennial Reserve in Miramar, Red Rocks, Belmont Regional Park, Central Park, Mt Vic, Eastern/Southern/City to Sea Walkways, Skyline Track, and all the tracks out in Eastbourne.....

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Any other comments or questions?

### Comments

I used to be a very keen mountain biker, and many of my friends are current biking users of these tracks. Even though i no longer mountain bike, i feel that all track users tend to get along VERY well in real life, out on the tracks--we all love Wellington's track networks, and generally just want more for everyone! My running days are currently on hold due to the arrival of my first baby, and walking is now number one for me in terms of my outdoor activities. I can appreciate additional safety for all track users. Polhill is getting very busy as its popularity increases, and more tracks would help address this. The area is also incredibly important to me as a ring of safety for native birds like tieke and kaka nesting just outside Zealandia. More tracks also mean better access to areas for trapping efforts, improved plantings of native trees, and increased opportunities for public awareness and appreciation of these taunga. Thank you so much for taking the time to read this submission.

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### Attached Documents

File
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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline walkway Makara Peak Te Ahumairangi Mount Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Attached Documents

File
Polhill Reserve Track Proposals

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Attached Documents

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a frequent user of the trails the creation of a new one way down hill track will be a significant safety step. I have had many 'near misses' with opposing traffic and this would be a significant step forwards.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Battle Hill, Whareroa Farm as well at bike parks at Taupo and Rotorua

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I would also observe that existing track signage is not as large/clear as it could be - I have personally found some of the signs confusing and relied on the Trail Forks phone app to make sure I was where I thought I was. The mountain bike parks at Taupo, Rotorua and Makara all have much better signage and, I think, set the standard for what we should be trying to achieve at Polhill.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The track will be well used and will take the downhill load off other tracks. This will be good for us walkers. The Polhill Protectors submission should give Council confidence that the track will be built in a way that minimises ecological impacts. This will be a welcome addition to what is already a fantastic asset for the city. So you should give it your full support.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This looks a great idea. It will add a variety of options for walkers and make Polhill even more appealing.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will keep bikers away from the George Denton park and will add to Polhill being a seamless biking and walking network.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would cut off some future walking options. It is basically unusable now. But what if in the future something decent was done with it. A walking connection that was easier down to the Waimapihi reserve would be a good future option.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This has always been a bit of a random orphan. If a Karepa st access is built then this can go.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Lots. Any track in south wellington and karori

Any other comments or questions?

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### Comments

Polhill is a treasure. Its been a community driven recreation and environmental wonder. As a resident of Brookkyn for 30 years it has added immeasurably to the pleasures of living in the suburb. The two groups behind the success of Polhill work really well together. Given the support of both the bikers and the Pohill protectors the Council should be right behind this measured and well thought through proposal.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Everything and anything I can bike on

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm confident that BTB can design and build the trail in a way that minimises any adverse affects on the environment and involves the removal of the minimum number of trees. It's very hard to actually see Transient from Highbury Fling and other points around the valley as the canopy almost completely covers it. This must reduce risk of slips & erosion and other concerns noted by WCC Officers

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The BTB proposal will result in a better user experience for riders and walkers using all tracks, up and downhill, and require less complex trail building (such as switchbacks etc which are harder to build and maintain)

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This would provide walkers with a great alternative option to Transient, hopefully increase use of Planet Ride which is massively underused.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The existing exit from Clinical is out of grade and too steep for a lot of the riders using the track. This proposal would enable riders and walkers to avoid two steep pitches, and make it easier to navigate and link tracks together (a problem given the lack of decent signage)

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't know if this track is used much by walkers or not so can't comment.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure what the benefit of doing this is, other than reducing WCCs maintenance obligations

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak. Skyline. Fenceline. Te Ahumairangi. Wiltons Bush, Carparts & Barking Emu, Wrigley

Hill. Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Broadly I'm quite disappointed that it's taken this long to make progress on this. How many times does it need to be consulted on? It's a matter of dumb luck that no one has been seriously injured on Transient. It's also disingenuous to point to stats around injuries given most people don't know how to, or wouldn't bother reporting them to WCC. While I can appreciate WCC concerns to a point, the overwhelming impression I get from the supporting documentation is a lack of respect for BTB, the huge number of volunteers and the wider community that have contributed to track building, trapping and planting trees in Polhill. WCC Officers seem more interested in putting up road blocks and preventing the continued development of a great resource for the Western Suburbs. It's an attitude that's inconsistent with the WCCs supposed desire to promote the city as a mountain biking destination and a reason for people to live here.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient badly needs to be decongested, for the safety and enjoyment of both bikers and walkers/runners.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

makara, skyline, fenceline, etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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File
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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will make it safer I have had too many near misses.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am not convinced of the benefit vs the 'cost' in terms of loss of habitation.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am not convinced of the benefit vs the 'cost' in terms of loss of habitation. There are two entrances near by, on Karepa and Ashton Fitchett

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flats

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I am happy with the existing entrance and do not want to see trees removed to avoid one small pinch climb.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

If it has value for access to traps then I don't think it should be removed, if not then see no reason not to removed it.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The locals might use it as a short cut if walking to / from walk?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Clinical, Highbury Fling, Serendipity, Roller Coaster, Windmill, etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I think WCC does a really great job of supporting community groups.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's a win for all users of the reserve! It will also add more users to the reserve. The more people that care about the reserve, the higher the chance of it remaining important and protected for generations to come

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flats

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Pretty unmaintainable!

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara, Southern/Central/Eastern walkways, Miramar etc...

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

A big thank you to Brooklyn Trail Builders, and for WCC for making this city an amazing place to live in. The more relationships like this that can be maintained and grown, the better for all inhabitants.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separating the uphill and downhill would be very useful on Transient due to the speed of the downhill riders. One aspect to consider: younger riders who'd want to descend slowly can carefully - how would they cope if the downhill was faster than current Transient, and would it be better that slow children descend on the uphill route?

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Think a walking track without steps going to Karepa st is far better than the steps going to Ashton Fitchett. I suspect 1a degrades the downhill options a bit as it removes the main downhill connector from Sawmill. I think there should be better uphill and downhill connections to Sawmill. A better uphill route would bypass the barrier at the bottom of Sawmill and keep riders away from man-made features.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

Very good. The steps are ugly and their uniformity counts against the wild experience. The walking connector would enable a full walk up from Aro St without contention with bikes. This would be a huge improvement for walking commuting and with children. Ideally it would have no steps. This would also make dusk walking much safer. At present commuting from the city via the walking track requires competition with fast riders in poor light conditions. The new connector would mean much safer walking.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Very good to connect the Clinical/Denton area directly with Highbury Fling and the fenceline. Would need to be carefully designed

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is an excellent, tramping-type track that enables a wilder experience for adults and an introduction to less-made tracks in other parts of the region. This is a proper single-track walking track, unlike the main Polhill spur track which is a 4WD.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

They're ugly, uncomfortable and detract from the wilderness experience. Great to have them gone, as long as there's the new walking track to Karepa St.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

Yes

No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Hawkins Hill, Mt Vic, Miramar, Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I'd like to see a few more tracks in the future, ideally in the Polhill area but development could move to Te Kopahou area once this set of proposals are implemented. This Polhill/Te Kopahou area is very central and be helpful to support good riding options for people living in surrounding suburbs without having to drive to another site. Highbury Fling works ok as two way because there's little height change. All Transient and others should have separated up/down, or at a minimum, downhill speed reducing features on dual use track - current Transient has some fast downhill leading to blind corners. This area should focus on narrow, twisty single track handmade routes to avoid the impact on the wildlife, and provide a good level of challenge and interest for all users. The stack of tracks near the top of Polhill near Sawmill is unnecessary and one of the Ashton Fitchett - Transient routes could be removed. Better single track connection up and down between Polhill and Te Kopahou should be considered. Currently it's a bit of a muddle. More attempt to mitigate the introduction of weeds and unwanted plant species by strategic planting to shade the track, and add more natives to move the area towards its traditional vegetation.

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#### Attached Documents

File
Polhill Reserve Track Proposals

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is currently too busy for the only descending track to connect Serendipity to Brooklyn. The track has been built as fast flowing grade three which means there is high conflict with uphill and downhill traffic. While there is clinical most people go up transit.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be good if clinical connected directly to highbury fling. While most of clinical is a great grade 3 the start and finish are much harder which probably is why it gets low use compared to transient. Making the top easily and better signage may help more people to use it as is a great uphill option.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Few people seem to use it. Unless it were to be redeveloped in a steep/technical grade 4 or 5 bike track seems little value in keeping it.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

They seem to have little use and main track doesn't take much longer, no use for bikes and a place walker can suddenly emerge without warning causing possible conflict if walkers not looking for bikes.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak, mt Vic, Miramar bike tracks, wanui bike park, Belmont, Wright's hill, k hole/98dh.

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Any other comments or questions?

### Comments

Would be good if lower george Denton track could be redeveloped into something more fun for bikes descending. It is currently just a steep brake burner, there is potential for track to made more fun without changing its path such as burmed corners and some rollers etc. Since clinical was built seems few walkers use it and as clinical is uphill only would be great to have fun decent off it like there is with lower transit and serendipity.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

While cyclists and walkers get along really well on Polhill trails and everyone is well aware of other users, this will ease congestion and make for a more enjoyable experience for everybody. Due to the trails being so central, they are extremely popular!

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

In the Wellington region I frequent trails in Mirimar, Mt Vic, Makara peak, Colonial Knob, Belmont, and Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Benefit all users by removing/mitigating conflict points.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Weaker option than 1 above, both in terms of ultimate outcome and level of scoping/inherent buildability risk.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wright's Hill, Bird Sanctuary, Hawkins Hill and connections.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I currently do not use Polhill for mountain biking because of conflict on Transient. This new trail would solve that.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Option 1 is better than 1a because it does not result in the closure of existing tracks.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Walking from Karepa Street up to Ashton Fitchett Drive is impractical if you want to get down to Aro Valley

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flats

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will provide a link between two key trails in the park and reduce conflict with park users

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Oppose removal of track, used by many walkers from Holloway Road as quick access to upper end of the park. Not all tracks should be 1.5m wide and 5% gradient. Diversity in the supply of tracks is good and provides for a wider range of users with difference abilities and fitnesses.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Oppose removal of track, used by many walkers from Ashton Fitchett Drive as quick access to Transient. Not all tracks should be 1.5m wide and 5% gradient. Diversity in the supply of tracks is good and provides for a wider range of users with difference abilities and fitnesses. If someone doesn't feel confident using the stairs then don't use them, but don't remove them, some people would rather use them than the flat transient track, which takes too long to get anywhere.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline, Mt Vic, Miramar, Te Kopahau, Wainuiomata, Belmont, Porirua

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Any other comments or questions?

### Comments

There has been a recent trend by WCC of only building grade 2 and 3 shared use tracks and closing steep, technical trails. The proposed changes to Polhill tracks are overall good, the provision of a downhill alternative to Transient will gain a lot of attention for the park, which is major asset being so close to town. However, I strongly urge that this should not be at the cost of closure of existing tracks which your volunteers have worked very, very hard to provide and are valued greatly. There has also been a disturbing trend by WCC of closing technical tracks (both walk and bike) around the city (think Livewires at Makara Peak, Super D at Mt Vic, various old tracks at Te Ahumairangi) and a growing appetite for beginner level tracks. The recent changes to Wellington mountain biking are analogous to taking a football pitch and providing a bowling green, both flat grassed surfaces, but not what we are looking for. Sure, the Councils position in this governance is to provide beginner and intermediate tracks, but this must not be at the closure of advanced tracks (which it recently has been).

### Attached Documents

File
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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would remove congestion and potential hazard from Transient while improving riding options in this area

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flats

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria Maraka Peak Wrights Hill Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Ashlea Hale

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**From:** Caroline Horrox  
**Sent:** Monday, 12 June 2017 11:43 a.m.  
**To:** BUS: polhill  
**Subject:** Polhill Reserve track proposals

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Hi there

I would like to make the following comments on the Polhill Reserve track proposals.

### **General comments**

As a Brooklyn resident, I am a frequent user of the Polhill tracks - both as a walker and a mountain biker. They are a fabulous resource and obviously very popular. On highly popular tracks such as these, I generally support separation of biking and walking (particularly where there is the ability to ride fast on a bike) where this is practicable.

### **BTB proposal 1 - New 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail.**

I support the construction of a new 2.5km MTB-only descending track to alleviate the pressure on the very busy Transient. The BTB alignment looks to be sensible.

#### **Proposal 1a**

I do not support this proposal as it would create unnecessary additional crossings of existing tracks, along with hairpin corners, and a steeper climb to Ashton Fitchett Drive.

### **BTB proposal 2 - new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient.**

I support the construction of a new foot traffic-only connector track from 104 Karepa Street to the Planet Ride walking trail as this helps separate out foot and bike traffic.

### **BTB proposal 3 - A new 350-metre shared-use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling**

I support the construction of a new shared use connector trail from the upper Clinical trail to the Highbury Fling trail as this will improve the general flow of this track and remove the out of context steep climb into George Denton Playground (the rest of this track is quite mellow).

Regards  
Caroline Horrox

**From:** Chris White  
**Sent:** Sunday, 11 June 2017 7:24 p.m.  
**To:** BUS: polhill  
**Subject:** Polhill consultation

Hello

I have just filled in the consultation form on an iPad but am not able to submit the results - when I press the submit button it tells me that I've saved my answers (just like when I press the save button). I have therefore taken screenshots of my submission which are attached for your information. Please consider this a formal submission.

Many thanks, Chris

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Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

Proposal 1: A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Of huge benefit to both walkers/runners and bikers by removing conflict on Transient. Will be hand built to IMBA standards with sensitivity to natural environment. Creates new access for planting and pest control. No cost to WCC.

Proposal 1a: Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Poor mountain bike track design. Will reduce the attractiveness of the track as an alternative to Transient, thereby risking continued conflict on Transient. Will be built to IMBA standards with sensitivity to natural environment.

Proposal 2: A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure



Why/other comments

Improves the experience for walkers/runners. Creates new access for planting and pest control.

Proposal 3: A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No

Proposal 3: A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Improved experience for mountain bikers. Removes pressure on playground at George Denton. Will be hand built to IMBA standards with sensitivity to natural environment. Creates new access for planting and pest control.

Proposal 4: Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure



Why/other comments

Requires too much maintenance.

Proposal 5: Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No

Proposal 5: Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Empty text box for comments.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker



Other:

Empty text box for other categories.

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Windmill, Car Parts, Car Parts Extension, Barking Emu, Tip Track, Red Rocks, Highbury Fling, Fenceline, Rollercoaster, Salvation, Deliverance.

Any other comments or questions?

Brooklyn Trail Builders have invested enormous volunteer time, and significant, donated funds, into improving the amenity of Polhill for bikers, runners, walkers and dog walkers. Their latest proposal continue this sterling effort on behalf of the whole community. They deserve our thanks as well as support for their well thought through proposals.

WCC needs to do more to support the growth of mountain biking in the region. With greater investment, a good trail network could become a great one, with huge economic benefits for the city, both as a place to live and work, and to visit.



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## Polhill Protectors' group submission

The proposal by the Brooklyn Trail Builders to build additional trails in Polhill is out for consultation. We have been asked by many folks for our position:

– Polhill Protectors is a diverse group of 50+ trappers and nearly 600 in the wider group. We are residents, rambblers, riders, runners, grannies, students, office workers, tamariki and more. Our stated commitment is to be “neighbourly with our natives” and to work towards “people, pets and native wildlife getting on progressively”. We do this through trapping, planting and advocacy work. Polhill is a 70ha slice of the Town Belt managed by the WCC and used by 1,000s of patrons; it is public land. It contains nationally significant biodiversity: with the only confirmed breeding sites of tieke ‘in the wild’ outside of a fenced sanctuary in over a century. As well, Polhill has hosted breeding kaka, toutouwai and popokatea, alongside tui, kereru and karearea. This has been enabled by council and volunteer pest control and kaitiaki work. This represents a positive opportunity to figure out how to get along: these animals are only found in NZ and are central to our identity. As a group our priority is to look after the manu taonga and other wildlife living, playing and working alongside us in this special urban reserve. It’s a sincere privilege.

– Polhill Protectors has a strong relationship with the Brooklyn Trail Builders, and we share a progressive passion for Polhill. Many Polhill Protectors are also mountain bike riders and trail runners. The tracks have opened up the recreational usage of the reserve. With few exceptions this is a respectful, safe and friendly environment for all. Through the combined efforts of the community groups engaged in the space, Polhill has become a genuine asset for Wellington, and it is a key part of the identity of the community. Most everyone understands that its a multi-use area and it all seems to just work.

– We have always maintained good relationships with the Brooklyn Trail Builders, but our goals are distinct. The primary thing we have done is to put in place a network of over 160 rat and mustelid traps throughout the Polhill area. We have an army of volunteers that regularly check the traps. They are possibly some of the most checked volunteer traps in New Zealand and they have enabled a diverse variety of park patrons to engage in conservation, an opportunity that has been embraced widely. The traps follow the tracks. Without the network of tracks constructed by the Brooklyn Trail Builders, it would have been much more difficult to position and to check the traps, and to achieve awareness. Were it not for the tracks, this network of traps would not be there. This melding of recreation with conservation has arguably been internationally pioneering in an urban environment. It has been cited in The New York Times and used by the Australian Threatened Species Commissioner as an inspiration; Polhill was used to launch Predator Free 2050 and the project was a finalist in the 2017 Green Ribbon Awards and the 2016 WWF Conservation Innovation Awards. Like the dawn chorus in the valley, it is booming.

– If we are to achieve ambitious conservation goals in New Zealand we will need the engagement of the whole community. And that will only happen if people connect with nature. (It’s a small minority that has the fitness and desire to get into the back country.) Clearly that connection is happening in Polhill, and the track network has enabled 1,000s of potentially transformative encounters to occur.

– We have partnered with BTB’s Garth Baker to support his extensive tree-planting programme (see photo): restoring examples of the original forest cover back on to Polhill’s slopes (following earlier work by prior community groups). The tracks have enabled Garth’s programme to grow and be accessible to 100s of volunteers.

– All up, we argue that the impact of the BTB-built tracks has been overwhelmingly beneficial.

– Our position as Polhill Protectors is that we are supportive of the proposal for the separate downhill track (1).

– We have consulted with ecologists on the downhill trail’s possible impact on tieke breeding, now and in the future, and we are happy with their assessment that it should not have a significant impact.

– We are also very keen to work with Brooklyn Trail Builders and WCC to mitigate any ecological concerns, and to work together with relevant parties to do so via a collaborative process. Having said

that, there must come a point where enough is enough. As Polhill Protector Geoff Whittle said in his personal submission: “That [downhill trail] would probably be enough. We wouldn’t want Polhill to lose its untamed side.”

– Concern has been raised about about the proposed track (3) that connects the Highbury Fling to Clinical, as its 300m route may pass through particularly valuable tieke and toutouwai habitat. We are currently seeking satisfaction that the mooted trail benefits outweigh the impact on the biodiversity values here. Some of the northwestern slopes of Polhill are among the most mature regenerating forest sites in the reserve (with notable stands of kotukutuku and pate) and it is a core spillover zone for tieke and other manu, and as such is especially sensitive; BTB have assured us it does not impact on these gullies. Ecologist and wattlebird expert Dave Bryden is not available until early July: at which time we’ll go for a walk through the proposed site and garner his assessment.

– WCC has suggested removing the steep downhill track to Waimapihi to Transient (4). This track hosts a handful of traps from one of our lines: we would wish to maintain access for trap-checking. This is a minor consideration!

– In sum: Polhill Protectors support the biker-priority downhill trail (1); we are agnostic regarding the other trails, with the minor exceptions of the Waimapihi-Transient track (5), for the reason above; and the Clinical-Fling connector (3) where we’re seeking assurance it will not adversely effect the biodiversity values of that area.

– Overall: we look forward to continuing to work closely with BTB to to help make Polhill the very special place it has become for its community.

– Kia ora, cheers: see you on the trails or at The Taproom for a friendly Polhill pow wow!

**Ashlea Hale**

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**From:** dianasg  
**Sent:** Sunday, 11 June 2017 8:55 a.m.  
**To:** Michael Oates  
**Subject:** Polehill Gully trails

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Hi Michael

A friend has passed on info about the proposed changes to the trails above Aro Valley.

I am an organiser of Walking Wellington, which has over 700 members (and increasing daily) and I live in Aro Valley. Some of the easier walks I lead include sections through those trails. I usually take up to 15 people at a time.

Unfortunately I doubt I am able to make either of the consultation meetings. Looking at the map I am not entirely sure of the impact on walkers of the proposed changes. The main tracks I use are also used by cyclists.

My observation is that most cyclists are very courteous but a few are a reckless and there is definitely quite a danger to walkers at times. So if any of the changes divert more cyclists elsewhere that would be great. I'm not sure that this is the case.

I also appreciate that it is probably cyclists who put a lot of effort into building these tracks and I'm grateful for that.

Diana Suggate

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

**Ashlea Hale**

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**From:** Nick Simcock  
**Sent:** Thursday, 8 June 2017 8:19 a.m.  
**To:** BUS: polhill  
**Subject:** Polhill Tracks 178

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Dear WCC,

This email is to confirm that as residents of Brooklyn we are fully supportive of both the BTB and WCC proposals. We thank both the BTB and WCC for their vision in continuing to develop this fantastic multi-use amenity.

Yours Sincerely

Simcock Family

Aro Valley  
Wellington

# Polhill Reserve track proposals

Absolutely Positively  
Wellington City Council  
Me Heke Ki Pōneke

We want to hear your views on the Polhill Reserve track proposals. You can answer these questions online at [wellington.govt.nz/polhill-consultation](http://wellington.govt.nz/polhill-consultation), email your thoughts to [polhill@wcc.govt.nz](mailto:polhill@wcc.govt.nz) or post this form to us (no stamp needed). **Tell us what you think by 5pm, Monday 3 July 2017.** When the proposal is considered by the City Strategy Committee you can apply to speak during public participation.

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## Section 2 – questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

### 1. Do you support the following proposals:

<p><b>Proposal 1:</b> A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input type="checkbox"/> No    <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure</p> <p>Why/other comments: <b>This is a well used area for walkers, commuters and bikers. By creating a 1 way system will help elevate any tension between users</b></p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>
<p><b>Proposal 1a:</b> Alternate option for the top of the new track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input type="checkbox"/> No    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsure</p> <p>Why/other comments: <b>If 1A can still include a 1 way downhill biker only</b></p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>
<p><b>Proposal 2:</b> A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input type="checkbox"/> No    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsure</p> <p>Why/other comments: <b>maybe as a 2nd option for walkers?</b></p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>
<p><b>Proposal 3:</b> A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input type="checkbox"/> No    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsure</p> <p>Why/other comments: <b>nice for some but not a top priority</b></p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?  
 Yes     No     Unsure  
 Why/other comments    **If left it connects to a downhill track which will lead to possible confrontation with walkers**

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?  
 Yes     No     Unsure  
 Why/other comments    **No, probably a good entry for many walkers?**

**2. Which of the following apply to you?** (Tick all which apply.)  
 Biker     Walker     Commuter     Runner     Dog walker    Other:

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**3. Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?**  
 Yes     No    If yes, which ones?    **Mainly Polhill and makara bike park sometimes elsewhere**

**4. Any other comments or questions?**

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I believe this is a great idea and is really in all honesty going to get rid of any of the little conflicts that happen from time to time. To me this is really just a completion of what was started years ago.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't see why it cant stay, it is not much to maintain.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be good as either a short loop for walkers who don't want to go all the way to the top as well as a connection for residents.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Totally agree with this, not having the steep last bit and also keeping traffic away from the park.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't see why this cant stay, it is a really good track for trampers to train as it is extra steep.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a really good sprint section for runners to do a last blast of explosive exercise or even as a mid run explosion.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

all mountain bike tracks and some walking tracks with my Greyhound.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Great stuff, particularly the downhill only mtb track, this area has always needed this, mainly

because of the uphill and downhill traffic conflict on transient and also to properly connect car parts to serendipity. A straight run top to bottom. This also keeps it a shared space and makes it much safer for everyone.

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#### Attached Documents

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think the mountain bike builders community have created so many benefits for our community through such things as fitness, replanting native trees, trapping pests and health benefits that such activities should be encouraged. They also add a social dynamic through engaged communities that are likely to impact on overall mental and physical health.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I support Brooklyn Trail Builders proposal due to their wealth of experience over years of carefully thought out track layouts and implementation of trails in Polhill. They have intimate knowledge of the mountain bike community needs and users.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Multi user facilities are important but in some situations segregation is important.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Avoiding George Denton park may avoid conflicts with families using the playground.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not know this track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have not used, but have seen these steps, so will removing the steps make the facility more accessible to a wider range of users? If it is replaced by an easier access for walkers with less mobility that could be a good thing.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Southern Walkway, Tawatawa, Tip and related side tracks to south coast and wind turbine etc.

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Keep investing in facilities due to the wide ranging health benefits. Maybe some more child and family friendly facilities.

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separation of downhill and uphill trail users will reduce the likelihood of accidents and improve the trail experience for all users. The trails in Polhill are probably the most accessible from the city for mountain bikers (Mt Vic is probably closer, but the trails are generally more technical) so improvements to uphill and downhill use will probably support increased utilisation of the trail network. A strong network in this area will facilitate the desire to see an expansion of trail development into Te Kopahau Reserve (which will need to be served from this network). The trails already built in this area appear to be relatively robust to weather and other damage, and the narrowness minimises the impacts on vegetation and tree cover. Having this new trail built in the same manner should be expected to provide similar results. Upon completion of the new trail the upper section of Transient should be clearly identified as being for uphill riding only.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This design appears to create a greater 'stacking' of the trails, which is identified as a potential issue in the environmental assessment. It also appears to increase the number of junctions located in a very short distance, with associated impacts for trail clearing and a need for clear signage to prevent confusion. Perhaps the decision on route could be made in consultation with the independent trail design reviewer?

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not use the walking trails in this area, so do not have a view on the impacts or benefits.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This track should help to separate the use of the mountain bike trails from the road and George Denton Park, as well as providing a more continuous riding experience for all users (the last section of the existing uphill into the park can be challenging for less experienced riders). Experience with the existing trails suggests the trail can be well designed with minimised environmental impacts (see comments for proposal 1).

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not use this track, so do not have any comments.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not use these steps, so do not have any comments.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Skyline and associated trails Mt Vic (though less frequently) Tinakori Hill (walking and running only) Otari Wiltons Bush (walking and running only).

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Needed to relieve congestion and reduce user conflict.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Crossings, hairpins and too steep

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Improves connectivity and bypasses road crossing and steep section

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

a useful link for walkers

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Bot Gardens, town belt, Makara Peak, Zealandia

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great idea and will make Polhill reserve much more enjoyable and safer for all. Although the majority of mountain bikers are respectful and do not descend quickly down Transient, the sheer volume of commuters and park users, including people with headphones in, makes it impractical for bikers and walker to continue sharing the entire trail. A new mountain bike priority descending trail will ease that pressure and result in significantly less potential conflict. I support keeping lower Transient open for both downhill/uphill biking/walking to give beginner and intermediate riders a safer option - this part of the trail is short, generally wider and has more open sight lines than upper Transient so I don't see continued two-way traffic being a problem there. If this goes ahead, clear signage at the entrance and exit of the new mountain bike priority trail will be extremely important.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mount Victoria, Miramar - Centennial Reserve, Wrights Hill, Te Kopahou Reserve

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Very supportive of new trail. Main trail is too crowded, with mixed use. Not many places do mountain bike down share trails with up traffic. Does not make sense. Transient losing it's 'fun' factor and is becoming a challenging ride/run in simply avoiding other trail users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Support separating trail users early on.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unsure of necessity, but not opposed.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I enjoy the 'pinch' climbs and feel that all the challenge is being taken out of the trails, so a bit of a challenge here and there is good. Unsure of necessity but will support trail building.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I still use this as a fast way to get out of the trails if running late for work or starts raining etc.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Red Rocks, Tip track, carparts ext, barking emu, Wrights Hill, Mt Victoria, Mt Kaukau Berhampore, etc.....

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

PLEASE build a downhill mtn bike transient trail **324** there will be a serious accident between trail **310**

users as it is so busy. Consider less 'grading' of trails. I ride and trail run for the challenge of tree roots, puddles, ups and downs. Trails are almost wheelchair friendly, which defeats the purpose 'trail' running and 'mountain' biking. Please keep some trails in poor condition!!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

Very short, impact on birds unclear, possibly negative

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As above

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is a great track - I sometimes use it 3 times a day and really noticed how much more traffic from walkers, runners, cyclists it is getting. So it's time to separate the bikers for the safety of everyone. It's fantastic how popular it now is, but we really need to increase the capacity on Polhill for everyone's continued enjoyment.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm taking it on advice from the people who build tracks that this is not really a good option.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not opposed, but don't see it as a priority

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not opposed, but don't see it as a priority

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't see the point in removing tracks. Some people (myself included) actually enjoy the challenge of a steep track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The steps are great - I use them often.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Car-parts and extension Roller-coaster to Karori Wrights Hill Mt Vic Salvation Makara Peak Mt Kaukau And I use these tracks as a walker, a cyclist and a dog-walker

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I'm really trying to play my part for the city. I NEVER drive to work - I either walk, cycle or take the bus. I really think we need a downhill only track in Polhill to encourage more and more people to see cycling and walking as a real commuting and exercising option.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, windmill, jail brake. Everywhere

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Moving downhill traffic off the upper section of Tranny makes absolute sense to me. It makes it much more walker friendly

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think between WCC and the trail builders you will be able to resolve. As long as it doesn't compromise the sight lines for riders and walkers, but maintains the flow for riders then this will be fine.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I wouldn't use this track but if it encourages people who wouldn't otherwise use the trail network

then it seems like a good idea.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This will make it a nicer trail for all users. We occasionally use George Denton park as a family and it would be a little (only a little tbf) more relaxing without riders coming and going.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I have used this track a few times when running and walking to keen to retain.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use this but if lots of people do then I don't have a problem with it.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Much safer for everyone. Good for MTB tourism too. Potential to contribute to Wellington being a premier MTB destination.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara MTB park Wainui Belmont

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It is too dangerous descending down the current 2 way transient trail

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak, te ahumaragi, mt Victoria, wrights hill, wainuiomata, Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

It is essential to complete the downhill specific trail. I personally have had a number of near misses descending and climbing. It is a popular, high use trail but in my view there is risk of a serious injury in its current form

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Wellington is my home. I learnt to ride mountain bikes in the Wellington region over 25 years ago. Over the years, the Polhill area has changed significantly. The area has many trails to offer - from Long Gully, Wrights Hill, Karori Reservoir, Tip Track, Red Rocks and the Roller Coaster. Most of these trails require using Polhill to access them. With the increased number of users, it is obvious that separation of riders and walkers is what is essential. A dedicated descending trail is what the area needs. Not another alternative short cut that disperses too many users with very different objectives. The biggest risk for both walkers and riders using the existing Transient trail is that every single users enjoyment is compromised because of the possibility of an impact with a walker at any time. This is the worst situation for all trail users. Every user is just an accident just waiting to happen. Because of this, I choose not to ride in this area. Without a dedicated descending trail here, many other riders in Wgtn feel the same. This needs to be fixed to make the entire area appealing to riders and walkers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This proposal will not solve the problem of separating riders from walkers. It will merely disperse users to different ares, that will only satisfy in the short term. The area needs a dedicated descending trail to allow riders to not interfere with walkers and uphill traffic. This is a terrible idea

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This trail should remain open to riders only. It is a good trail that needs little maintenance for experienced technical riders. There is currently no other trail of this type in the entire area. It should be opened to replace the George Denton park to Holloway Road trail, that is now closed to bikers. Without this trail there is no other off road exit from the bottom of the Roller Coast to the CBD.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Roller Coaster, Red Rocks, Car Parts, Long Gully, Transcient, Tip Track, Wrights Hill, Makara Peak, Deliverance, Tinakori Hill.

Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Over the past 5 years, Wellington City Council claims to satisfy mountain bikers of all abilities, with clever marketing of existing trails. My honest opinion is that WCC lacks the ability to clearly visualise and assess what is really desired from the mountain biking community. WCC's continual ambition to provide family focused and beginner trails in most of its areas is really boring. There currently exists no technical riding for advancement of the sport in the Wellington. Long Gully is now closed to riders. The recent closure of Tinakori hill is another example of the WCC lack of understanding of this requirement. Tinakori has amazing potential for ambitious riding. The WCC needs to look at Rotorua, Nelson, Christchurch and Queenstown, to see what Mountain Bikers really want. Wellington doesn't need more baby trails, we need more technically ambitious trails. Open Tinakori Hill finally....

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The current dual direction shared path concept does not work for the number of walkers and riders using the current tracks. At present this is causing real issue and stress (not to mention risk of serious injury through collision) for both walkers and riders as they attempt to negotiate the many blind corners the make up the tracks. The tracks made by BTB are of an exceptionally high quality and low environmental impact - and I have confidence that any new tracks will share their minimalist build philosophy (unlike the new trails at each end of the Makara Peak Swing Bridge).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm uncertain as to the benefits of this alternative. Either option seems ok to me, but key is that downhill cyclists are removed from the shared use path.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

The Planet Ride walking track is a great asset, however the current access to Brooklyn is particularly convoluted. This direct entrance makes sense and reinforces the need to separate walking and cycling traffic for the benefit of both.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

The current connection between these two tracks is inadequate and needs to be improved. The last uphill section of Clinical is very narrow so creating another option (with a shallower gradient) will assist the common congestion that occurs just below the George Denton playground.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

It is a very difficult track to descent/ascend - and connects haphazardly to Aro Valley. It adds nothing to the network.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

I support this only if it comes in conjunction with the new walking connector at 104 Karepa as the Ashton Fitchett steps are a much more direct connection to the Planet Ride track than the other at grade options.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Victoria, Skyline, Miramar, Wainuiomata, Belmont

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

This is an excellent proposal, and I am disappointed by the negative response indicated in the WCC officers report. The need to improve safety on the tracks essential, and I encourage the decision makers to undertake a site visit at peak times so they can observe the frequent near miss conflicts between uphill and down hill traffic (not necessarily confined to just walkers and cyclists). These tracks provide outstanding connections between a number of suburbs and the CBD, and the improvements proposed make absolute sense.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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# Polhill Reserve track proposals

We want to hear your views on the Polhill Reserve track proposals. You can answer these questions online at [wellington.govt.nz/polhill-consultation](http://wellington.govt.nz/polhill-consultation), email your thoughts to [polhill@wcc.govt.nz](mailto:polhill@wcc.govt.nz) or post this form to us (no stamp needed). Tell us what you think by 5pm, Monday 3 July 2017. When the proposal is considered by the City Strategy Committee you can apply to speak during public participation.

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Your name*: <b>DUNCAN KENDERDINE</b>
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## Section 2 – questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

### 1. Do you support the following proposals:

<b>Proposal 1:</b> A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure Why/other comments <b>THE INCREASING NUMBERS &amp; RANGE OF WALKERS/ RUNNERS &amp; CYCLISTS IS RAPIDLY DECREASING THE SAFETY OF USERS.</b>
<b>Proposal 1a:</b> Alternate option for the top of the new track below Ashton Fitchett Drive? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsure Why/other comments _____
<b>Proposal 2:</b> A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsure Why/other comments _____
<b>Proposal 3:</b> A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure Why/other comments <b>THE CONNECTIVITY OF BIKE PATHS RUNNING ALONGSIDE/ THROUGH A PLAYGROUND CREATES UNNECESSARY RISK.</b>

Proposal 4: Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal 5: Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

2. Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply.)

Biker  Walker  Commuter  Runner  Dog walker Other:

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3. Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

Yes  No If yes, which ones?

BARKING EMU / CARPARKS / OUTKARA BIKE PARK /  
KARORI PARK / KAUKAU /  
MIRAMIR & MT VC.

4. Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All MTB Tracks in the wellington area

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

For the safety of both bikers and walkers, to many near misses and removes enjoyment for all users

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara Peak, Skyline.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The trail on the map looks close to the existing Transient, given the steep slopes I'd be worried about more vegetation removal in the area. Other trails (e.g. Clinical, Highbury Fling) are showing signs of erosion and slippage even with their dense surrounding vegetation. I also don't see a clear reason for the upper section parallel to Sawmill - that's already a 4WD track plenty wide enough for safe shared use, and it connects to the same places. Maintenance is an issue - upper Transient is already a bit dicey for running, especially at night. Lots of loose chunks of rock and uneven footing. If the maintenance effort is then split between two trails I can see this getting worse. The walking-only trail up Polhill Ridgeline is better maintained. Interestingly, Transient is one of the few trails where I haven't had any meetings with MTBs. I can only assume this is down to timing given the apparent popularity. If I was coming across several downhill bikers each time I ran there I might feel differently.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure this matters much either way to me, it's very much tied to the proposed downhill trail.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

I would be unlikely to use this - I tend to enter the reserve and stay within it as much as possible (e.g. on the Transient/Fling/Clinical loop) but I can see it makes a useful connection to the top of the Polhill Ridgeline track for Brooklyn and Aro residents.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The justification for this is a bit hard to follow - it cuts off a (very) short section of moderate climb (which is no big deal for walkers/runners, I don't know about the MTBs) and makes the start of the Fling a bit more complex. I don't see that bikes really have to 'cross a public road' to get from Denton Park to the top of the Fling - there's a couple of metres of the turning circle at the end of the road, but then everyone is on the 4WD fenceline track. I do notice that the grass on the right of the playground (as seen when arriving from Clinical) gets eroded and muddy from bike and foot traffic, and it would keep people off the drive of the last house on the road, but these seem like minor advantages. Overall it doesn't seem worth the vegetation/habitat loss to me - the area around the start of the Fling is signposted for ground-nesting chicks each spring, isn't that where the proposed trail is to go? Is the issue the gate between the turning circle and the fenceline 4WD track? Would a wider pedestrian/cycle opening there, or bollards rather than a bar alleviate the problem by making passage smoother for MTBs?

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't have any experience of this track, I've only used the Polhill Ridgeline section. I can see that it might be a duplicate and the maintenance effort would be better spent elsewhere.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This seems reasonable - the steps are steep and the maintenance effort might be better spent elsewhere.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner

## ☐ Dog Walker

Other:

Background: I run around three times a week on the roads and trails around Wellington, day and night. I also walk the trails at weekends with my family. I avoid bike priority trails and just use shared tracks and 4WD tracks. I generally don't see many MTBs when I'm out running, but if I do meet one on a single track trail it can be a hair-raising experience. I've usually been the one to have to stop and move aside for the bike (clinging to a tree or the edge of the track) despite the priorities notionally being the other way around. FWIW I have several MTBer friends!

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most of Te Ahu Mairangi with emphasis on the Ridgeline and Northern Walkway. Fenceline, Sawmill, Carparts uphill, Carparts Extension, Barking Emu. Skyline track, most of Otari Wilton's bush, Johnston Reserve, Trelissick Park, tracks around Birdwood Steps and up to Wrights Hill. etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I'm unsure about the value of several more km of bike priority trail. I appreciate that the MTB community has been very important in opening up new trails and I'm grateful for that, although as a runner I'd rather have a few high-quality routes than many routes of a lesser quality. I can also see that segregating downhill bikers from everyone else is a good idea, provided that junctions are well-designed to discourage high speeds. At the same time I often see MTBs on banned sections of Te Ahu Mairangi and signs of unapproved MTB track construction there and in other areas like the Johnston Reserve, and am aware that I'm the one moving aside for them, and not the other way around, because they're bigger and have more momentum. I think the MTB community as a whole could demonstrate a bit more responsibility before being given more trails. I don't know if this is the usual case of a few bad apples spoiling things, or a more general issue, but it needs thought. Lastly, I don't know how much resource the council is looking to put behind the proposal but there are other places it could be spent - in particular the fenceline tracks on all sides of the sanctuary are getting very rough and could do with re-surfacing or other changes to limit the rate at which the surface wears and washes downhill. Best wishes and thanks for giving us a chance to provide input!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's needed to maximise recreational opportunities and reduce congestion

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
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Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria commuting Red rocks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This area desperately needs to split mtn bikers and runners and a designated downhill track is the only way to achieve this. The area has become incredibly popular in recent years (I would ride or run in there at least 2 times a week), and the fact is it that the transient track is becoming unsafe as bikes descend and others run/walk/bike up. A designated downhill track would be another asset for this area and greatly help to alleviate pressure on the existing tracks.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Be amazing to have a single track connection to avoid going through the George Denton Park and around by the sanctuary fence line.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Why remove them? They are well used and I cannot imagine that they are costly to maintain.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Car parts, car parts extension, barking emu, Mt Vic, Wainui Bike Park, Jail break, solitude etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is very busy and there is high likelihood of collision. I have had many near misses going up and down both transient and clinical. A dedicated downhill track will divert most fast downhill riders.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Steep climbs are rubbish

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good addition to track network

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes sense to make top of clinical less steep/easier to walk or ride

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

just stop maintaining it. Don't need to waste resources closing it

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mainly: townbelt, akatarawas, tararuas, Rimutakas...

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This proposal sounds AMAZING! I love doing a loop on my bike through Polhill, and despite having only ever encountered nice people on the track while riding down Transient, with both parties being polite and respectful of each other, it would be even more enjoyable and more relaxing to be able to ride downhill without being on edge coming around corners in case someone is there. I think it would be more pleasant for all users! As when I have been running up Transient in the past, I'm always having to be keeping an ear out for any cycling sounds further up the track so I can get out of their way. But in saying that, it wouldn't be the end of the world if it stayed the way it is; I think 99% of users there are respectful and mindful of each other :)

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This sounds like an ideal alternative for 1, if it will result in less vegetation being removed. Even though steep climbs are hard, they are a great challenge for a bike! Makes the downhill more worth it with a bit more effort to get there :)

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This sounds like an unnecessary loss of vegetation for a new route that is only 350m, and is only 400m away from the existing entrance.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't think the steep climb that exists is prohibitive to riding that route, and it is a good final challenge before getting to the Highbury Fling. So there doesn't really seem to be a need to remove that steep final climb. Also, the road that needs to be crossed is nothing major - it's quiet and a dead-end (from what I remember), and very little traffic.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm not sure what this track is, but I'm curious as to why it needs to be removed? Is it to put in more vegetation? Otherwise, it seems like extra effort to remove it for no reason, when it might still be useful for one or two people, and maybe more in the future.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainuiomata and Te Whiti Riser.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

It could be useful to provide a map that pinpoints the locations of the proposals, particularly the WCC proposals (i.e. which tracks are being removed). And also a little clearer of an indication as to the reason for the WCC proposals (the purpose seems unclear to me). Also, in general, I would want to be assured that the risks to the tieke are being manage/mitigated.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is the most critical part of the proposals. If you do nothing else, do this. Our family are regular mountain bike users of Transient and we have serious safety concerns deriving from the current mixing of down-hill bikes with uphill bikes and all walkers. The trouble is that Transient is one of Wellington's best connecting (and riding) trails, so we use it all the time for commuting as well as fun in the weekends.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

BTB's proposal looks preferable, with fewer crossings and better track alignment.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes a lot of sense to provide as many alternatives to allow walkers to avoid bikes where possible.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This would properly link Clinical to the other tracks and remove the very steep finish to the park, and up the start of the roller coaster. .

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't mind either way.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't mind either way

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Every mountain bike track you can think of, linking to the Tip Track, Red Rocks, Wrights Hill, and everything beyond ...

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The Council needs to continue working with BTB and other trail builders who have turned Wellington into a world-class mountain biking city. It's a great place to live and a huge attraction for MTB tourists. Keep up the fantastic work, keep progressing, and keep making use of the huge efforts of the trail building community.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is important to avoid conflict between descending bikers and ascending bikers and walkers. This will allow Polhill to offer an attractive mountain bike circuit, with opportunities to link to higher tracks.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be OK if of consistent grade and difficulty with Highbury Fling and remainder of new track.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Top of Clinical is currently very awkward and start of Highbury Fling is also steep. This addressed both issues.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Belmont Regional Park, Wainui, Rotorua, Nelson, Mt Buller, Christchurch, Queenstown.....

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wrights Hill, Miramar, Wainui, Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I strongly support this. Transient gets very busy on weekends and it is frustrating for both walkers and bikers having to watch out for each other. The conflict is worst when biking downhill as you are going faster. Separating the downhill bikers and having a shared uphill / walking path would be much better, especially as a lot of mountain bikers use clinical to get up the hill. This seems like a no brainer to me. I don't understand why the walkers would oppose it - surely it is better for them?

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It seems sensible to have a walking only track all the way. However it depends on how much this is used by walkers and bikers to determine if the removal of vegetation etc is worthwhile.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I strongly support this. I find this section of track frustrating to ride as it is too steep and you have to go through the barriers from the road end. It is a bit confusing about where to go from the playground if you are not familiar with the track as well. It would be great to have a nice gradient single track to ride.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm not familiar with this track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm not familiar with this track.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Victoria, Island Bay kids track and new track up from the scout hall.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Please can we have a trail map sign at the bottom of Polhill. I find that many riders don't know about the Clinical track and just ride up Transient. It would be very useful to have a map showing the biking and walking tracks.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I mountain bike and run on the majority of tracks in Wellington city.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I think proposal 1 for a new descending track would be great to alleviate the pressure on transient and hopefully reduce the risk of collision with bikes and other users.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To remove potential conflict on the upper part of Transient.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Never used it.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

From a rider perspective, it would be great to stay in the bushline and not have to pop out to the playground to get up to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Brooklyn, Makara, Karori, Skyline, Mt Vic, Mt Albert, Miramar, Tinakori

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a frequent runner on Transient, I have never had any trouble, but have noticed at peak times, that the trail is getting quite busy. Having a new descending trail would help alleviate this and allow for future growth in trail use without any issues of overcrowding

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal 1 seems a better thought out and planned route than 1a

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Helps connect urban trails together, which can only be a good thing. Allows easy access to the Polhill reserve from a different access point.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Will allow better connection of trails between Highbury Fling and Clinical without exiting the reserve along the fenceline (steep and rutted track), through the playground and onto the top (steep and difficult) section of Clinical. This will benefit walkers and runners just as much as those on bikes.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I cannot support the removal of any tracks. Just because tracks are steep and difficult does not mean they should be removed. Just as mountain bikers enjoy a range of trails from easy through to technical, exactly the same applies to walkers and runners. If the council does not wish to maintain this track, then fine. Just change any signage to indicate it is a rough/difficult trail and only for advanced use

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have little opinion on this, as it is only a short track segment. There are however other alternatives nearby.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much any of the trails in the Wellington and Lower/Upper Hutt region. Including (but not exhaustive), Otari-Wiltons Bush, Kaukau-Skyline, 382 Karara MTB park, Wrights Hill, Sanctuary

Fenceline, Radome-Red Rocks, Tip Track, Tawatawa, Mt Victoria-Houghton Bay, Belmont regional park, East Harbour regional park, Eastern Hills.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would really help improve relations between the different users, I think the downhill riders are the scariest part of the mixed-use trails. It removes a major objection for walkers and some actual risk.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Commonsense connectivity options for walkers are always welcome.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling **384** **370**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Again, connectivity between features is welcome.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I've never used the trail and would not miss it, but I can't speak for users.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why? Not worth maintaining? Does it help ease pressure on more popular walking routes?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline, Wahine, S-bend, Scout Hut, Deliverance

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Love the development of Polhill, so many Wellingtonians get such varied use out of it now, I think it's an excellent resource and worthy of continued investment.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will reduce congestion and risk of collision on the shared tracks

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This can be used by walkers for commuting or pleasure without risking collisions

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling **386** **372**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

These are good for stair repeats

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Wrights hill Skyline Makara peak South coast Mt Vic Most tracks around Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The brooklyn trial builders have done an amazing job over the years. And having the tracks has made conservation efforts in the reserve easier in many respects (especially predator control). I support their proposals

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Many in Wellington. Nearby include fence line tracks to turbine, red rocks and Wrights Hill. Also Mt Victoria, Te Ahumairangi, Mt Albert, Makara Peak, etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

There are already two options to access Ashton Fitchett Drive - stairs and the track which goes around to the top. Not sure what alternate option would add to it as both tracks are accessible to various types of users - mtb riders, walkers and runners

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea to allow walkers quick access. Mind you, our group runs in Polhill very often we never experience any type of congestion or issues between different groups of users

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling **390** **376**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

That's a great idea as it will add to the existing options - fantastic option.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The track is still used - walkers and runners might still be keen to make use of it. it's a nice challenge!

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

depending on what the consequences would be.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

pretty much anything that's trail around greater Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

There has been plenty of discussion about the 'conflict' between different user groups of Polhill. Building additional tracks to expand on the available options is definitely one way to alleviate the effect of the increasing numbers of users. Another thing would be to run a social campaign that

addresses the sharing etiquette - I've personally never had a bad experience, and the overwhelming majority of runners and mtbikers I know has only had a positive experience even if they experienced a 'fright' - people are generally courteous and respect each other on the trail. BUT. for those few who might have had a different experience and with the real possibility that Polhill will become even more popular (among other trails around Wellington), devising a clever and playful social campaign around trail etiquette would definitely help.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline, ahu mairangi, red rocks, Hawkins hill , bird sanctuary, makara bike park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I'm a trail runner, without the mountain bike community I'd have sub standard trails to run on. They know how best to create trails that are able to be used safely by everyone. I encounter bikers every weekend on the trails and it's never a problem. The council is creating an issue that doesn't exist so should just get out of the way and let progress happen.

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 No  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All of them

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Despite the huge support for the new track, the WCC has found it necessary to go through a long and expensive process. It's no surprise that some choose to bypass the official channels and build tracks without consent. Wellington risks continuing to fall behind other cycling destinations if it continues to put process ahead of action.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
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Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

I regularly run on shared use and walkers only tracks all over the Wellington and Porirua areas and find that Polhill Reserve are some of the best.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The mountain bike community put in a lot of work to build and maintain tracks that are shared with other users. It would be great to see them being rewarded for their hard work with an additional track which will also help to lessen the traffic on the shared use tracks. Anyone that opposes this clearly doesn't appreciate the hard work they put in.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Congestion on Transient is currently an issue and is likely to continue. Walker and biker use of other trails in the reserve (eg CLinical, the descent to Holloway road next to CLinical, and the old 'Planet Ride' trail) is comparatively low. Although Transient is actually a very well made intermediate descending trail, it has poor sight lines and blind corners which can lead to unpleasant surprises, whether riding or walking! IT pains me to say it, but mountainbikers cannot be trusted to ride sensibly DOWN transient and I feel a nasty crash is inevitable. Walkers can also not be trusted not to have headphones on or dogs off leads, but there isn't much we can do about that. I would therefore support a descending trail with MTB priority. It has to be said that one can still not be sure there won't be walkers on descending trails (personal experience on Seredipity and Super Plus on Wainuiomata hill) and vandalism etc may occur (eg as has occurred on Portal) but overall the perception of conflict - which in my experience is actually very rare - on Transient will be mitigated. It will be important that any descending trail is of a similar standard to Transient. Some more difficult alternate lines would be good to encourage progression, but it needs to allow beginner/intermediate riders to complete a return trip up to Hawkins Hill.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If it makes the job easier go for it. Don't mind a steeper section.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Wouldn't worry me either way. I think there may be an existing old track line there anyway? If so, won't increase damage to environment. Happy if it helps walking experience.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't care if it's a bit steep. CLinical should be kept as a harder option to Transient esp if Transient is made uphill only. DOn't want to see resources wasted or increase perception of vegetation damage just to cut out a tiny bit of park and road.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I love that trail, but haven't used it since signage went up. However only way in will be via transient and might encourage people to ride down to get to it. If it COULD be kept as a natural advanced trail then great, but if the feeling is it is too much to maintain and is not sustainable then it should go.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Not fussed by this. Steps are a good option for walkers and runners. Don't see the point in spending time pulling htem out again.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
All of them!

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments  
Appreciate the opportunity to provide an opinion.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Ive had several collisions with other bikers on this (none bad) and the other one called clinical. Theres just too many people on it, so I dont bother riding polhill anymore as its just too much potential for crashing. Sucks for those that commute using polhil.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Trees grow back

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Dont walk in this area

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If you can make the initial clinical climb, its probably not a biggie

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

handy shortcut

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of them

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have been riding the trails in the Polhill reserve for weekly for the past 18 months. In this time it has been very apparent that use of Transient in particular has grown for all users, walkers, runners and cyclists. Given this is a two way trail the increasing traffic creates safety challenges specifically where downhill riders meet any oncoming traffic. Removing the downhill MTB traffic through a prioritised trail makes perfect sense to improve the safety and enjoyment of all park users

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Anything that can be done to increase the uphill use of Clinical by MTB users is a great idea

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Crawford, Mt Vic and Makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The trails are getting more use than ever and if the downhill traffic can be moved off onto another track it can only be a good thing.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wainui Trail Park, BAMBA (Belmont), Mt Vic, Te Whiti Riser, Porirua tracks (Tumeke etc), Miramar trails, Southern and Northern Walkways, Red Rocks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Having formerly lived in Brooklyn I used to use this track on my daily commute to work, so have had a lot of time riding it. It's a great track, but due to popularity with bikes, runners and walkers both ways I feel it is getting dangerous. There are lots of blind corners and with it being a narrow track doesn't give many options for places to go, if people need to make way. I've ridden the track many times and had a toddler walk/bike around the corner, as they don't have the greatest reactions it leaves all the manoeuvring to the adult, which can be tricky, especially if riding down the hill with any kind of momentum.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes sense to keep the experience contained, especially for people new to Wellington/ the track, so they know where to go.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara Peak, Wanui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To remove perceived conflict with walkers and continue to improve the overall facility

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
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- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic, wainui, Miramar, writes hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I find it difficult to understand walkers and lonas opposition to this given who built transient and what was there before hand. Mtb riders and the organizations behind them have put in huge effort to avoid existing tracks prior to transient (i.e. The trail known as backdoor) and are now once again in a position where they are attempting to come up with another solution and are accused of a 'take over' to the detriment of walkers. Maybe the walkers should start building some trails for once.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Pretty much all of them.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a runner I would prefer a shared trail

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes

- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will alleviate some of the trail congestion that we face on Transient. We have a dedicated downhill track in the last section, and a decitated up. Makes sense to shift the faster traffic away from the dual direction shared trails.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

DEFINITELY a walking only trail.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, all the green belt, Mt Vic MTB specific trails, Wrihst Hill.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be great for avoiding collisions between walkers and bikers

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Adds extra trial crossing which is more dangerous for little gain

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainui, Mt Vic, Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Safer life on transient for everyone

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Same as above

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Same as above

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All Makara ones, Skyline, Mt Vic, Waionui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Mount Victoria Miramar Wainui Belmont

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I fully support the proposed track as the area is a victim of its own success with a high contention between descending riders and uphill riders/walkers/runners on the two-way Transient track which makes that track less than ideal. The proposed new track would let riders who have climbed up Polhill on the existing tracks enjoy the rewards of climbing without the constant worry of suddenly meeting slower moving uphill traffic. I do think Transient should remain open in both directions for riders, I'd imagine most experienced riders would opt for the new track but families and new riders would still be able to pick Transient for an easier way down Polhill.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

as long as the track retains the feel of Transient I don't mind

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why walking only, it leads to a dual-use track?

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

this is a long overdue connector track, when can I help with digging it?

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

as a mountain biker, I do not use the steps

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Trail builder/maintenance volunteer on Polhill (and other parks)

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I and my 10yr old daughter use most tracks in Wellington region up to grade 4/Advanced level Makara, WTP, MTP, Redrocks, Belmont, Whareroa Farm, Mt Victoria and many more areas

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The Polhill tracks are some of the best trails in the country, the fact they are so close to the city centre is just incredible and when I take friends from out of town or country on the tracks they have been blown away.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic, Mirimar, Skyline, Wrights Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I believe in the interests of safety having a priority downhill trail that is clearly marked. I also am strongly supportive of mountain biking as a recreational activity and way to promote healthy living in the region. Wellington is becoming known globally as a mountain biking haven and building more trails for a variety of skill levels will help us to continue to grow tourist numbers and revenue growth in our city. I think having dedicated areas designed and suitable for each different activity - cycling, running or walking makes sense and helps prevent conflicts between various park users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I guess so, as long as it's clear that walking is the **420** activity here.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't believe in shared use trails. It's asking for conflict and injuries.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If data supports the claim that no one appears to be using it, yeah sure.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria Miramar - Jail Brake, Repeat Offender, etc.

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The development of this proposed track would benefit all users of this special area. I regularly ride on the current track and am respectful of all users however given the nature of downhill riding you of course are going to gather speed and this can often create a hazard when coming around corners in to walkers suddenly. I always slow down and let walkers passed and have never experienced any bad feelings which is great to see. However, by approving the proposed track walkers, runners, dog walkers and mountain bikers would all reap the benefits of a safer and more enjoyable experience. It's an absolute no brainer!

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Carparts, Transient, Serendipity

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I commute into the city using Transient 5 days a week (both ways) and whilst everybody is polite and friendly, I often have near misses with walkers, runners AND uphill bikers. I once tried to go down the Highbury Fling track and couldn't stay on the bike, so Transient is the only option at the moment. The track gets VERY congested in Summer and because it is filled with tight corners, you can never see what's coming the other way. In my experience 95% of runners are listening to music so won't hear you coming either.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Could be an option, I don't have any objection at all to shared use tracks, other than that it's pretty dangerous for everyone.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As long as a new downhill only track was suitable for intermediate level riders (ie. not too difficult!) then no MTBs should go downhill on Transient anyway. I currently go downhill on the walking track all the way to Aro Street because I have a habit of crashing on the downhill only section of the trail, which is too difficult for me.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

I commute on my MTB 5 days a week both ways on the Polhill tracks. I also walk and run regularly on the tracks.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

George Denton, Mc Vic, Makara, Wainui. Pretty much everywhere in Wellington, but I use Polhill every day.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

As most of the comments I've seen mention, it seems like the mountain bike community have been the ones building these tracks. I'm all for shared use, but if walkers want to get rid of us then they should take the time to build their own trails.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The current tracks are fantastic but they do not offer a safe option for mountain bikers coming down the hill. even at slow speeds it is possible to collide with another cyclist/runner due to a large number of blind corners and thick bush obscuring sight lines. A new track that is intended for descending will relieve congestion at peak times and create a safer environment for all users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

unsure where the trail would be located, very few details provided for a decision to be made.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

There is a well established walking only entrance not far from the proposed sight so it doesn't seem to be necessary. However, if this entrance didn't involve steps and was thus more accessible for those people that would be challenged by steep steps then it would be a beneficial alternate route.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Completely unnecessary, the 'steep' section is not particularly steep and is incredibly short. The time, money, and loss of bush required to skirt around such a small area would be considerable. The public road crossing is almost always traffic free and if anything, an entrance to the trail from the park ground to the left of the gate would be a better option.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

My understanding is that this is a walking/running only trail anyway. I use this trail on a fortnightly basis for running as it is a great option for steep hill running of which there isn't much in central wellington. Surely it would require more effort to 'remove' the trail and police this shut down then it would be to just let it be. If it is a trail that is rarely used then the trail will eventually disappear as the bush grows.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If the steps are simply going to be replaced by another set of steps 400m away on Karepa street then seems like a waste of time and resources.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

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- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mount Victoria, Wainui Trail Park, Skyline, Wrights Hill.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

to remove conflict with walkers on transient and increase public safety

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainui, Belmont, Salvation, Delieverance, Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The development of this proposed track would be a huge benefit all users of this special area. I often ride on the track and I am respectful of all users however given the nature of downhill riding you often frighten other track users due to the blind corners and topography of the track. I rode Polhill last Sunday 11 June , it was a spectacular day and the track was full of riders, walkers and runners. I slowed down from my normal pace to be safer to others, but it was still dangerous and I noted that the kids are the ones who panic when they suddenly see you coming as they don't know what to do. Separate tracks would solve this issue. By approving the proposed track walkers, runners, dog walkers and mountain bikers would all reap the benefits of a safer and more enjoyable experience.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's a great track plan that is well thought out.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's a great track plan that is well thought out.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's a great track plan that is well thought out.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I bike Mt Victoria, Makara Peak and Miramar, often on the same day and on the same ride as they all link up easily.

Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Mountain biking is one of the fastest growing sports in the world, one that can be enjoyed by people of all ages and different skill levels. Having dual tracks is sensible and safe and caters to a sport with an ever growing base. Wellington has an opportunity to attract a lot of Mountain Bike tourists here like Rotorua and Taupo have, we could learn a lot of lessons from how they have adopted bikers and developed tracks and trails to support them.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

More trails!! Also, as a down hill trail it frees up the others for uphill slogging!

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Woohoo! more trails!

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Woohoo! more access!

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling **444** **430**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Woohoo! more options!

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use it occasionally, but it probably isn't needed!

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It'll only save a couple of minutes, as stated there is an alternative route close by

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

You name it, i've been there! love trail running in Wellington!

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will make the whole area safer for ALL Polhill Reserve users including, walkers, runners, conservationists and bikers. It will ease congestion and increase safety. It is a no brainer.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

What does 'alternative option' mean? This could be communicated clearer.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Only if there are alternative priority routes for mountain bikers.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Te Ahumairangi, Mt Vic, Mt Crawford, Wainui Mountain Bike Park, Makara Peak Bike Park. I am a walker, dog walker, runner and biker and help with train maintenance and conservation.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

This process and other trail development council processes have been very disappointing. The council are becoming harder to deal with on these times of developments, not easier. Why has it taken this long to get yet another consultation on Polhill. It is shameful. Also why has there been no public consultation on Te Ahumairangi?

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

With the transient track becoming more popular as people discover this fantastic asset, it's important to realise that with this increase in popularity, so increases the tensions between the various users. As a runner I've had a few close calls, each party has been very courteous of each other, but this may not always continue to be the case.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling **448** **434**

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

South Coast, Southern Walkway, Skyline, Otari Wilton, Makara Mountain Bike Park, Karori Sanctuary

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Wellington is becoming a great city for mountain biking and new tracks will have a positive influence on tourism, health and wellbeing and residents engagement

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

Shared use trails seem to cause more tension than they are worth.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I often run Polhill. It is a beautiful track. I very much appreciate what is being done to it to make everyone's use a pleasant one. Really grateful for it. I use a lot of trails for running in Wellington. I think Polhill gotta be the one that I am most cautious and attentive as it is a shared track. The track has so many special aspects that could be enjoyed in all different ways and that is a beautiful thing, too. I found some MTB use on this trail unsafe at times despite taking all the caution I can take. If I understood this proposal correctly it could help, reduce the risk of and prevent accidents. I fully support this kind of safety measure for shared tracks as a runner. Many many thanks to all those working on the proposals and trying to improve our beautiful trails, in fact I would say one of the greatest trails on the planet and also thanks for the opportunity to submit on the proposals. Best,

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much all of Wellington tracks- but most often Skyline, Otari-Wilton, Te Ahumairangi- Old Coach - Belmont - Mount Victoria -Makara - Kaukau

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Thanks again for the opportunity to give opinion and feed into your process. Best, Onur

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am concerned about additional tracks creating further breaks in the existing regenerating canopy and potentially creating additional disturbance, erosion and potentially a vector for further spread of non-native invasive plant species. I also feel there are enough tracks in the reserve and developing a new track giving priority to Mountain Bikers is contrary to the reserve's status as Town Belt public land with a conservation purpose. Polhill is not a Mountain Bike park and it is unfair and impractical to restrict users (e.g. runners, dog-walkers) from using any one piece of track.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I can see the rationale for creating additional connectivity between Aro Valley and Brooklyn but have concerns around additional disturbance of vegetation.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I can see the benefit of increasing connectivity but am concerned about removal of vegetation and potential disturbance of tieke nesting/feeding habitat.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This track is very steep and little used.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not support the proposal to remove the steps from Ashton Fitchett Drive - these provide a useful pedestrian access to Transient. The steps need improving though as they have recently suffered severe erosion following an extreme rainfall event.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Conservationist/trapper - Polhill Protectors Founder

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
A variety

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I greatly value the tracks built by the Brooklyn Trail Builders and the increased use of the reserve this has led to throughout the community. I do think the Reserve needs to remain accessible to all users without priority given to any one group.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A very good idea. Riding or walking is not fun OR safe at the moment due to the risk of collision.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Seems like a good idea. Would make Transient more accessible.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of the town belt but Mt Victoria mainly as that is where I live

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It would reduce the potential for trail conflicts on transient.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara Peak, Centenial Reserve, Wainui bike park, Colonial Knob, Belmont Park, Karapoti Forest, Tunnel Gully

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Primarily for safety. Current tracks built by mtb community have become very popular shared tracks with other walking only tracks far less utilised. The result has been many accidents and near accidents.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be good but not really necessary.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This could perhaps be turned into part of a dedicated downhill track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of them.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Thanks.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wanui, Miramar.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Definitely needed to many near misses... Too many close calls to want to keep riding transient so this would be essential.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Have never used

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Any Makara Skyline Redrocks Mtvic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It makes sense to have a trail where walkers/runners and mountainbikers won't clash. It's always baffled me that shared descending trails even exist, they seem like the most dangerous idea ever, hence why I avoid these trails.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

don't have a huge stance on this one but more options are always better in my opinion.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Again, it makes sense to have trails for those on foot, and trails for those on bikes. Walking trails are usually pretty boring to ride down anyway, I don't get why people do it if there is a bike spec

option available.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Like I said before, more options are always better. Means people don't get sick of using the same trail all the time and might help the trail network get more use.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Steps are fun!

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much every mountain bike trail, especially Mt Vic and Portal out in newtown (The new jump line looks amazing by the way, it's about time Welly got a decent sized jump line).

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Downhill riding is much more enjoyable without the fear of running uphill riders or walkers over! It would reduce congestion on the other tracks.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments  
Saves biking on the road.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara, Wainuiomata, Belmont, Mt Vic, Mapuia, Colonial Knob etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Love the work that the track builders do. A great city to ride and live in.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The number one issue at the moment is congestion. Bikers and runners/walkers alike, would benefit from a downhill only section to alleviate the two-way track congestion at the Polhill entrance.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A steeper climb doesn't bother me, and reduce earthworks and vegetation disruption sounds good. However, there is not much detail on this option to feel like I can make an informed decision.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not essential, but this would be a 'nice-to-have'.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would prevent near collisions, and collisions on the public road (cyclists and motorists) and downhill bikers with ascending bikers and runners.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why not just let nature reclaim it ? What benefit is there to spending time/effort on removing it ?

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why ? No rationale given.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Trails in and around Makara MTB park (mtb & running). Wainui MTB park (mtb only). Trails throughout Mt. Vic (mtb & running). Southern Walkway, City-to-sea walkway, hawkins hill, northern and southern Miramar peninsula trails, trails throughout Tinakori Hill, Mt. Albert area trails, and Newtown-Melrose-Zoo area trails.

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, skyline, Mt Victoria regularly, almost all other off road trails periodically.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Belmont Wainuomata

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

More travels ate needed as transient is to high use to be a safe descending track.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Existing karepa track is fine

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak, wright's hill, mt vic, fence line, wtp, Belmont etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea to separate downhill MTB traffic to a new trail, much safer and also more fun, it's another reason to come to Wellington

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unsure what this option is

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flats

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Ensures continuity of descent

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If this is to allow MTB access then yes

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Husband!

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most other Wellington MTB tracks / parks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Mountain Bike Park, Mt Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

We've got such a great space - if we work hard at sharing it and think safety first then we all win

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I run many hours a week on Wellington's extraordinary trails. Some of my favorites are the trio of Polhills Highbury - transient - clinical. Please consider the extra trail to alleviate the impact on current trails and give mountain bikers more options.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

I run daily, including run commuting, and often around Wellington trails / tracks.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All the town belt, Skyline, Otari, Makara, Zealandia fenceline, Red Rocks, Tinakori, Mt Vic, other.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

This is critical to the Wellington we love and are proud of.

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Windmill, Carparts & extn, Barking Emu, Red Rocks, Makara Peak, Miramar, Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It improves safety in Polhill by separating bikers and walkers and additionally adds to a great recreational facility.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Victoria, Miramar.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think it's great to reduce congestion on the trails, and to give bikers a fast downhill track to themselves. I'm a runner, a walker with my young childer, and very occassional biker.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I actually like running this.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I can live with it.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Lots of tracks all around the South of Wellington, Mt Vic, Polhill, Tinakori, and others further North

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I am really keen to promote shared trails.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Volume of traffic and safety

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most tracks around the city

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

more tracks means more people who will appreciate and conserve the bush

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

so that bikers and walkers can more fully enjoy their respective disciplines without the fear of collision with oncoming traffic

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

it gives walkers/runners a greater own use track option, keeping crossover down

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
better track flow

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
it gives runners and walkers more options

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
no real requirement

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
almost all

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

the proposed additions will only make for a happier and safer environment for all track users, not to mention the increased advantages to the area via tree planting, trapping etc.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I wholeheartedly endorse the Brooklyn Trail Builders' (BTB) proposal and justification for three new trails at Polhill, including this new 2.5km mountain bike (MTB) priority descending trail. In particular, I strongly consider that by effectively removing downhill MTB from Transient, the new MTB priority trail proposed would reduce congestion and safety risk, and enhance recreational benefits for users on Transient and the new track. I further endorse the environmental impact mitigation measures put forward with BTB's proposal as well as the excellent track record of BTB and other stakeholders' in balancing environmental and conservation considerations when building trails. Indeed, far from minimising such considerations, trails that are built in a low-impact, considerate manner draw more users into the outdoors, and increase their awareness, appreciation for, and active participation in, caring for the natural environment. The recreational benefits, economic returns, and amenity gains from engaging the Aro Valley and Brooklyn communities in trail development and use are also considerable. These comments apply equally to the other trails BTB recommend developing in their proposal.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connector

with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a techn

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Crawford, Wainuiomata and Mt Victoria, amongst others.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A downhill bicycle trail needs to be one way. It is extremely unsafe having walkers/runners/bicycles going up and down the same narrow trail!

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt. Victoria, Makara Peak, Wtp, Miramar trail project,

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

In high use areas bikes and pedestrians need to be kept separate.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Providing for more trails in Polhill is great for many reasons, encouraging more trail use, health of walkers, riders, attracting more tourists, etc. This track is no brainer, the less trail conflict the better.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

BTB understand better what will work here.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Again a no brainer this is great track for walkers and runners, reduces opportunity for conflict.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

BTB reasons for this are completely sound.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a nice trail to walk up and down.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Only if proposal 2 goes in.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of trails in Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Reduce conflict on Transient

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Happily tack track designers recommendation

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Make a good loop for riders to enjoy, reduce traffic through highbury park

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Enjoy walking it on occasion

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Never use, don't have a position

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much all of them at some point. Makara peak, karori park skyline, wrights hill, mt vic the most regular

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As both a runner and a mountain biker, I think it is a great idea to separate downhill bikes from walkers/runners. Biking down narrow, twisting trails, it is easy to encounter someone coming up with very little warning, even if travelling relatively slowly. When running up transient, descending bikers are definitely a concern.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be nice to have a lower gradient track to connect the two.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I have used this track a number of times, and rather like it. But not strongly attached to it if it comes at the expense of maintenance or construction of more popular trails.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Barking emu out to red rocks, tip track, Mirimar, Mt Victoria, Houghton Bay, Makara, and skyline/Mt Kaukau mostly.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A bike-priority descending trail will improve the experience for all trail users - walkers and cyclists will have an assurance that there will not be cyclists riding (fast or slow) around the many blind corners on the trail. The development of trails in Polhill has drawn many new trail users into the reserve, and further into the south coast and red rocks. The creation of a descending-specific trail will provide a second route back into the city

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Windmill, Sawmill, Barking Emu, Red Rocks, Mount Victoria Trails, Miramar trail park, skyline, makara peak, wrights hill etc. All of wellington, basically.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Reduce traffic on Transcient which is very popular with walkers, runners and bikers

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Heaps of walking tracks around Wellington, too many to list, but regular walks on Tinakori, Johnsons and Mt Vic. I also mountain bike mostly at Makra MTB park, Wainui MTB park and Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Most walkers, runners and mtb riders are polite and get on fine, all enjoying the outdoors on trails made by mountain bikers. We would not be able to enjoy the bush and green belt if the tracks were not there, I can't see what all the fuss is about

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

With a hill that steep it is a lot safer to have dedicated tracks. Mountain biking brings a lot of value to Wellington. Other cities see the big benefits that can come from mountain bike tourism and are chasing them... Wellington for some reason doesn't see it the same way. I appreciate that walkers want their space too... We're lucky in NZ, and Wellington specifically, that there's room for everyone to enjoy the outdoors, in the way they choose. Mountain biking is great for people's health (mental and physical). It gets people out of the house, meeting new people, and appreciating nature. Why would you fight that??

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
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Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

makara, wainui, red rocks and further afield

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

can't we all just get along?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

So my 10 year old daughter has somewhere safe to ride without collision dangers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Pol hill is an amazing place to ride with the long narrow descent. I hope it's not destroyed by being made wider or the bumps/roots removed. It's a shame so many tracks are being dumbed down to the point where children are upset that the tracks aren't challenging anymore.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is a great trail but it's much more popular now than when it was first build. Separating downhill bike traffic from uphill bikes and walkers makes sense from an enjoyment and safely perspective.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara Peak, Wainuiomata, Miramar, everywhere really.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea to separate pedestrians from cyclists from a safety and enjoyment perspective

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, skyline, red rocks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm a regular user of the Polhill Reserve as a walker and runner, I never mountain bike but I deeply appreciate the work that has been done by the mountain biking community in the Wellington area to create these amazing trails that all of us get to use and enjoy. As a regular weekly user of the Transient trails I also appreciate the considerate way that bikers share the trails with others, but I also know that the pressure on this trail is growing and that bikers need another downhill track. A lot of work has gone into this proposal, and I support it as the best option.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I prefer the first option for the new downhill trail. This option would create two crossings of existing tracks (rather than one), have difficult hairpin corners to navigate, and be a steeper pinch climb.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

This provides a walking only route through Polhill that links to suburban tracks.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would provide improved way finding and utility (an alternative to bypass George Denton Playground, avoid steep pinch climbs and the road crossing)

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This connection is used by walkers

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of them! I run and walk trails all around the Wellington region every week. I run Skyline, Eastern Walkway, Southern Walkway, Makara Mountain Bike park, Paekakariki Escarpment, Eastbourne trails, Belmont Reserve, Colonial Knob and many others

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I'm a runner and walker, not a mountain biker but I want to give my support for the proposals for new mountain bike downhill track. Bikers are super considerate of runners and walkers, but they deserve more of their own dedicated downhill tracks - and they do amazing work building and maintaining these tracks. The mountain biking community do a lot of great service for the entire Wellington community and we need to support them as well.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
 Build This track asap

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
 Btb proposal is fine

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Many

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Council must Work with btb and other groups in a positive manner to develop welly

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Polhill is an incredible place to mountain bike, particularly for beginner/intermediate riders. Revolve Cycling is committed to getting more women into the sport of mountain biking, and we use Polhill for our weekly rides on a regular basis. At the moment, passing someone coming the opposite way can be the scariest part of the ride for beginners, because the Polhill tracks are quite narrow. This is a great feature, and not something we think should change, but having an alternative downhill MTB priority trail would lessen the conflict currently occurring on Transient. Every year, Revolve hosts a woman-only mountain bike event in Polhill. At most Wellington mountain bike events, ten or less women will participate. At Super V (Revolve's event) we have between 40 and 50 women participating, many for the first time. As a token of appreciation for using the trails, we donate \$5 per rider to the Brooklyn Trail Builders, as well as hosting and attending some trail digging days. If this trail proceeds, Revolve is keen to contribute to the cost. We have \$3,000 that we fund raised earlier this year earmarked for a trail in Wellington, and a downhill trail in Polhill is our top pick. Everyone deserves to enjoy the fantastic trails in Polhill and we believe that by making Transient an uphill -only MTB trail, it will improve the user experience of mountain bikers, walkers and runners. It should also be noted that mountain bikers put hundreds of volunteer hours into building these tracks. The number of users who don't seem to have any awareness or appreciation of that fact is disappointing.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The gradient at the end of the track is completely different to the rest of the track, which is unfortunate given the effort that's been put into making the rest of the track achievable for beginner/intermediate riders.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Red Rocks, Makara, Mount Victoria, Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

1) It would be great to have a small section of the signage at the bottom of Polhill devoted to explaining who the Brooklyn Trail Builders and the Polhill Protectors are. 2) It would also be good to have a sign that mentions where Clinical is - it's a great trail and so many Polhill users are unaware that it exists. When we host the Super V we don't use Clinical so we direct walkers and runners to Clinical and 90% have never heard of it. 3) Acknowledge the means to the end: While the concern about affecting the birdlife that is thriving in Polhill is valid, it's worth remembering that part of the reason this birdlife is flourishing is because mountain bikers built the tracks that allowed the Polhill Protectors to access the area to trap pests. 4) Despite comments made earlier in the year about mountain bikers only being middle-aged men getting paid \$100K+ per year, Revolve can assure you that is not true. We have 120 paid members (all women as we are women's cycling) who range between 22 and 69. Our weekly email also goes out to 1,500 women in Wellington who are interested in cycling. This is not a guy's sport.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Value of trail itself and reduced traffic on transient. Safety and fun, seems like a no-brainer.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view on value.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Nice to have, but can understand the council's concerns. Pretty easy to switch tracks now and its not crowded enough that the steep uphill is an issue if people have to walk.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mount Vic (mtb, running) Southern Walkway (running) Makara peak (mtb) Miramar (mtb)

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I love riding by bike up and down Transient. It's so close to the city, a great gradient both up and down, and a whole lot of fun. But coming down, it's impossible to see people around bends, so even while trying to keep your speed in check, there are regular near misses. A downhill only mountain bike track just makes sense. Everyone wins!

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The original track has been designed by mountain bike track builders for mountain bike riders. This track will be ridden for generations - do it the best way right from the start, rather than always having an awkward, tight, steep part of the track.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm unlikely to use this, but if you can make it easy for people to access the trail network, that might get more people active.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The Upper Clinical Trail provides a great quick way into the park if you don't have much time, and this new connector means you can mountain bike the whole way, rather than come out to the road for a bit.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use it, so don't have a strong opinion.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use it, so don't have a strong opinion.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Lots. Makara Peak, Belmont Regional Park, Colonial Knob, Mt Vic, Wainuiomata. But Polhill is one of my favourites.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Thanks for all the great work done to transform the Polhill area, and I look forward to seeing this final piece of the puzzle completed.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To reduce friction between pedestrians and cyclists and to add to the enjoyment of both

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't mind uphill riding on my mtb but a lot of riders do so a future like this could reduce the effectiveness of the new track and even cause it to be redone later which is worst case.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be nice for the mtbs but also improve the amenity of the playground.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Very old track hardly used. Probably has very little impact on birdlife and ecology either way.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Ugly.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Very keen that more work is done with planting and pest control.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Virtually all mountain biking tracks.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I am hugely in support of all improvements to the town belt. It adds to the quality of life to all Wellingtonians who use it and there are a lot of us. It is one of the defining features of our city along with the harbour. The volunteer groups that work with the council should be applauded. thank you

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If you want to reduce conflict then the only viable options is to separate the walkers and mountain bikers. We do this all the time for other modes of transport such as not allowing bikers on the footpath separate them from the walkers to reduce conflict very simple solution. If the walkers are worried about being hit by mountain bikers is it not in their best interest also to separate the two? I feel the only thing some walkers want is for no new tracks and to ban all mountain bikes from the reserves which is unjust and stupid.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If you're going to build it do it once do it right, there is no point in worrying about a small section of trees when a. they can be replanted and b. its all regeneration forest anyway. the whole region use to be all untouched native bush but now thats gone and its Wellington city.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

if it keeps walkers and bikers separate then yes good idea.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

makara peak, Portal, mount vic, ian galloway park, mirimar,

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

If you want sustained economic growth you need to look to the likes of Rotorua, Queenstown. **536** **522**

Mountain biking is bringing in more money in Rotorua then forestry is around 10 million annually. Queenstown is pumping millions a year into their economies directly as a result from mountain bikers coming to the city to ride their bikes and spend their money. No ones flying around the world to come stay in wellington for the summer to go walk in the reserves but thousands of people are doing this every year in Queenstown. There is no reason why Wellington cannot be a mountain biking destination, we have such good location in terms of close proximity to the city and how close the trails are. We also have something that these places dont that is a big city only minutes away from the trails. The council needs to realise this investment potential and capitalise on it, there is no point in listening to a few disgruntled walkers. We have just lost the sevens so why not invest some of that money into mountain biking and get year round economic benefits, with non of the bad press about drunks? There is plenty of room for everyone it just needs to be managed appropriately, the council also needs to speed up the process on which this is happening because the more we wait and muck around the more and more Queenstown and the likes are building more and more tracks everyday and not being held back by red tape.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Mountain bikers are effectively turning Polhill Reserve into a mountain bike park within a bush reserve. It is increasingly untenable for other track users, and after any sort of mountain bike event becomes completely unusable - an impassable muddy sludge. Mountain biking results in three track feature - ruts, roots and rocks, all of which present hazards for other users. These are hazards created by every mountain bike that goes through, and exacerbated by rain. Adding another 2.5km mountain bike-only trail simply results in the increasing monopolisation of Polhill's by mountain bike users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not needed - leave the other one (option 5) in place.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No particular need to add this? Is it being driven by Option 1, and moving walkers?

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The rationale for the 'shared use' trail is entirely predicated on mountain bike user needs ('keep bikes in the reserve on an even gradient'. From a walking/trail running perspective there is no particular benefit. The reserve shouldn't be being carved up to keep bikes on an even gradient.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

If you must - it doesn't seem to be doing any harm.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Again, unless there's a particular problem with maintenance (?) it's a handy in and route out.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Otari, Bot Gardens, Northern Walkway, Te Ahumairangi etc (ebikes on northern walkway? You have to be kidding!!!).

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Mountain bikes damage walking trails. A good mountain bike trail becomes increasingly unusable for foot traffic. Bikes and walkers on a downhill trail are an unsafe combination. Makara is a great dedicated mountain bike park, and a great community resources. Having some access trails for mountain bikes in some areas, fine. Brooklyn Track Builders is unashamedly devoted to the mountain biking community - at some point, enough is enough for Polhill. There is not, and should not be, an unlimited license for mountain bikers to carve their way through the bush creating more and more trails to the detriment of the bush, and other users. That they have a loud voice is not in doubt (66% of survey respondents). That this voice is representative of reserve users is (50/50 cycle/foot).

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Insofar as the proposal is consistent with the submission made by the Polhill Restoration Trust. I support the Trust's submission.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

See submission by the Polhill Restoration Trust.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

See submission by the Polhill Restoration Trust.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

See submission by the Polhill Restoration Trust.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't see any compelling reason to remove the track instead it could be deprioritised in terms of track maintenance. Having run down it recently it clearly does not get maintained.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a runner I regularly use these steps and there would be a cost to removing them.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

I am a volunteer with the Polhill Restoration Project so I help out with the trapping. Through the Wellington Running Meet Up Group I help out with planting.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I regularly run all the urban and regional trails around Wellington. As I live in Hāitaitai I run the southern and eastern walkways frequently and the trails that connect to Polhill such as round the Sanctuary and the Tip Track/Red Rocks trails. I run the northern trails as well Skyline, Salvation, Makara Peak trails etc slightly less frequently. I run the Polhill trails at least weekly often twice weekly.

Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I would like to see the WCC make more of an effort to educate dog owners of the need to keep their pets on a leash if walking the Polhill trails and I do not think having a dog exercise area at the entrance to Polhill and in George Denton Park sends a good signal in terms of protecting the endangered birds and lizards that live in the Polhill Reserve. Dogs should be exercised elsewhere. It would be very disappointing if the WCC gave undue weight to the opinions of submitters who do not use the Polhill Reserve or contribute to its upkeep. As someone who visits the reserve at least weekly and who checks traps and helps with planting and tries to engage with dog owners who do not keep their dogs on a leash I feel a strong sense of ownership of this special place and have an expectation that my views will be taken into account.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is an absolutely fantastic proposal. Polhill is such a great asset for runners, bikers and walkers but it's popularity has led to quite a lot of traffic, particularly on Transient. A purpose built downhill for bikers would be a great solution and ensure all users can continue to enjoy the Reserve for the longterm. Great initiative.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is another very good idea. The final climb to George Denton is pretty steep, even for intermediate riders, and it's also not ideal having bikers riding through George Denton park.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria, up toward wind turbine, red rocks, south coast, mapuia, wrights hill, Makaurau peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Safety mainly. It is really dangerous coming down transient if walkers, runners or other riders are coming ascending.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Belmont, Mt Vic, Miramar, Wainui, Northern Walkway

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. We note that the Wellington City Council's survey referred to had 866 responses, with 93% supporting a new track. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. We believe the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. We note the mitigation effects contained in BTB's proposals and agree with these. We think the environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, and note that the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve. BTB have highlighted in their proposal that they are happy to build the trail, and Wellington Trail Trust will support them in doing this (through raising funds etc.).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't support this, as we believe option 1 is significantly better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

I support this. This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

I support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling. I am surprised that this was never done as part of the original work building Clinical.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. Should be kept and given to BTB to maintain if this is an issue for WCC.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

We believe the WCC officers are best placed to judge the merits of this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Rimutuka Incline Belmont Regional Park Colonial Knob Te Whiti Riser Wainui MTB  
Park Mirimar MTB Tracks Mount Vitoria walking and riding tacks

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

We have seen comments from some groups that they perceive the new trails have some sort of negative impact on the environment. We believe poorly formed positions around the environmental effects of trails simply fall apart if they are applied to widely tracked areas like Zealandia or Wilton Bush (which supports our view is that any argument being presented on this basis is flawed and a distraction). As New Zealand's environmental efforts ramp up and we see native flora and fauna populate areas that were previously devoid of such taonga, we must allow greater access to these areas, not diminish it. The educational potential and ecological narrative that can be crafted around such exposure is immense

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The current shared track is dangerous with mountain bikers going too fast on the down hill section.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Buckley Road Reserve

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Safety is a real issue with the current track designs this needs to happen

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

not a good idea

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

makes sense

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flong **555** **541**

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments  
makes sense

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments  
its fine

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments  
Its fine

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
makara, mt vic, red rocks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

For safety of walkers and riders using the transient track it will be better if riding is limited to Uphill riding only

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Option 1 it far better option

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes provides additional options for walkers

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - provides great access to all trails for users

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Keep it for Walkers its a great trail

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

not aware of reasons

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Yes access all tracks I'm able to

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

having access to to local trails in the CBD is a massive plus for getting our kids out on their bikes. Adding this trail will give our kids a safer more fun experience in getting out into the local forrest and

letting them appreciate what a fantastic flora & fauna we have on our back door steps and they stay fit & healthy

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I fully support the recommendations by Brooklyn trail builders for this track.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I fully support the recommendations of Brooklyn Trail Builders on this track.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I fully support the recommendations of Brooklyn Trail Builders on this track.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Neither agree/disagree with this in line with Brooklyn Trail builders view.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Neither agree/disagree with this in line with Brooklyn Trail builders view.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

I LOVE running and walking in this area. I am really value all the wonderful new tracks being built and feel they are well-shared across runners, walkers, dog walkers, commuters and mtn bikers.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Yes heaps. I love off road running and walking. And intend to get a bit more into mountain biking as time goes on, but I am only a beginner at the moment.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will significantly improve the track experience for all users by removing conflicts between downhill bikers and uphill traffic, and the proposed track building techniques appear to have negligible flora and fauna impacts.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Involves additional crossing points on the existing trail, reducing the benefits of the new track.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will improve the loop options in the area

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will improve the loop options in the area

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unclear on the extent of usage of this track

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unclear on the extent of usage of this track

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Southern Walkway, trails from Kingston to South coast, Makara peak, skyline walkway

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would create two crossings of existing tracks (rather than one), have difficult hairpin corners to navigate, and be a steeper pinch climb to Ashton Fitchett Drive (on what was part of the Transient track designed as uphill).

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

We neither agree nor disagree with removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient (but note it can be a useful access route for tree planting and predator trapping).

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

We neither agree nor disagree with removing the Ashton Fitchett Street 60m steps onto Transient (but appreciate these steps are well-used by runners/walkers etc).

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainuiomata, Skyline,

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Multiple across Wellington and Hutt Valley

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Supported. The present trail is so heavily utilised by all that it has become unsafe to cycle it. The current situation is not good and has relied on a generally positive attitude by users. A new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. The Wellington City Council's survey has a high response rate and with 93% supporting a new track. The environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, indeed the usage the first trail has created has underpinned volunteer enthusiasm to support pest control (etc.). A good experience in the area will support this continuing

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not preferred, as option 1 is significantly better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

support this. This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers, dog walkers, runners

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Supported This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. Should be kept and maintained by volunteer labour

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Yes, extensively. Polhill provides amazing access **569** into the Brooklyn tracks and a partial way **555**

riding to Makara peak off-road from the city

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Polhill is one of the best inner city assets for Bikers, runners and the like in the country. Its popularity means it needs a little more development. The trails in this area and the likes of Makara have facilitated amazing environmental gains, at very low cost to WCC (particularly compared to the cost of supporting and maintaining other area's). There maybe group's that prefer to limit access, not to build tracks - this is a limited view. Well build tracks grow community support and allow access to control pests (animal and weed) and lead to positive environmental outcomes

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a regular user of the MTB tracks in the area. Ive recently found Transient trail a lot more over crowded and as a result it loses the fun factor!!! being always on edge for persons coming the other way Building a single direction track down makes sense.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

But I would construct and insure the downhill MTB track is in place first

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think this is the trails that runs from the 4 x 4 access road down into Transient? If so then keep it.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Depends on the future use of Transient? If its an uphill only and for walkers etc then this access would be useful.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak MTB park, Wainuiomata trails, Belmont Regional Park MTB trails, Colonial Knob and the Skyline trails between Mt Kaukau and Karori Park.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I frequently descend via the current track and am v concerned by the current dangers and restricted vision. A secure dedicated route for cyclists is a much safer option.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

It's great that these trails are so busy, but this makes transient quite congested at peak times. Removing down hill riders will ease this. In addition, when cycling down hill, it's always a worry that you might come across an uphill rider/runner round a blind bend. Most people are courteous and travel at an appropriate speed for a 2 way track, but separating them would make it a non-issue. And by the looks of the proposed track, provide and excellent down hill option if on 2 wheels. The addition of this track, if the impact on the environment is minimised, while have benefits for all those who use Polhill freeing up transient or those on foot or riding up, and providing a free flowing down hill for those riding down. This has worked very well with free ride and car parts (although admittedly there is less foot traffic here compared to transient).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

With the original option, people can access the down hill track from saw mill if they are approaching from Ashton fitchett. With option 1a, they will have to go down highbury to get on it. If bikers are doing loops - transient highbury down hill, option 1a will see 2 way traffic on that section of highbury whereas they would be separated with option 1. Although option 1a does remove the need to get over the gate, again if you were doing that loop. I'm not sure about this one, keen for least impact on the environment, but with a track system that has good flow and ease of access. From looking at the proposal the impact on track use seems minimal but the potential impacts on the

reserve/vegetation are less with 1a and I would therefore support that.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Looks good, allows a loop to be done down the walking track an up transient.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Cycling into George Denton and onto fenceline is not a big deal (although does always get my HR up!). The road we enter onto briefly is very quiet. Although this would be nice, I think it is a lower priority than the other sections.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have never walked this track, but it sounds as if it is steep and rarely used. This would allow vegetation re-growth and remove the need for maintenance allowing other tracks to be focussed on. Looking at the map it does look like this removes a loop option for walkers within the reserve, although the walking track-transient loop remains.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Allow this to regrow, focus on the other main tracks. It is right next to an access point onto transient. Although this may be a track used by walkers and runners as it does not have bike traffic. Again, I think this is a track potentially worth sacrificing for the greater gain of the reserve and focus on the other main use tracks.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker

- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, miramar, skyline, redrocks, wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

It would be useful to have the drop in sessions spread over more than one week. If you are on holiday there is no chance to get in. Glad there is a consultation on this. I think it's really important to provide a facility that promotes use by all groups/modalities and allows that use to happen with minimal conflict.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a really, really good idea. It will alleviate the pressure on Transient and help separate out the riders from the mountain bikers. This is a really great idea and will be of advantage to everyone.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will create 2 crossings of existing tracks and, if I understand the proposed route correctly, will have steep and difficult to ride. It doesn't sound like a good long term solution at all.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good idea. It will be a good link track for walkers, giving them more alternatives.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a really, really good idea. The last bit of Clinical is really steep, and the lacking of connection is really obvious when you are using the tracks. I am surprised this hasn't been done already.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't mind too much either way. I have used this track a few times, but it is really steep and not that usable.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm not sure why you would remove these steps. I have used them a lot in the past and they are useful short-cut straight down onto the track. The alternatives will all take significantly longer. What is the advantage of removing this?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, the Skyline tracks around Johnsons Hill and Mt Kaukau and across to Makara Peak, Otari/Wilton Bush tracks, Wrights Hill tracks, Mt Vic tracks, Red Rocks tracks, Wainuimata, Miramar tracks.

Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I think the Council should be far sighted and future focussed. Wellington already has fantastic, world class tracks that are loved by residents and visitors equally. Why would we not want to make them even better for everyone! Grab the opportunity and just do it! It is such a small investment of money, the pleasure people get out of it is enormous, and the more users there are the more people there are who will love these areas and push to protect the environment for all. And so it is a win - win - win. Do it!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is logical, strongly supported, and will relieve pressure from the heavily used and very popular Transient trail. It will result in safety improvements through reduced risk of collisions and user conflicts. Any environmental effects are manageable and in fact, the expansion off the trail network will provide additional opportunities and impetus for ecological enhancement and remediation. The Polhill environment would not have improved to the extent it has without the care and attention of trail builders and users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Option 1 is superior.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's a sensible initiative, and will provide better access to the area for walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

It will provide an improvement to the trail and is entirely logical. It will also reduce the need to traverse the playground at George Denton for those intending to go onto Highbury Fling or up the Rollercoaster, and will be more efficient for all trail users.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

No reason to get rid of it, serves a useful purpose.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Most of Wellington's trails, but particularly Makara Peak, Mt Vic, Te Ahumairangi Hill, Te Kopahou, Hawkins Hill, Skyline Trail

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am a strong believer in encouraging people to experience all that Wellington has to offer, including outdoor experiences. Our reserves are jewels in the Wellington crown all user groups should have the right to safely access and enjoy these amenities. I have observed significant increase in use of the Polhill trail network by multiple user groups following it's expansion and accessibility improvements (it's also my opinion that traffic from existing eg walking only trails has reduced in favour of the more accessible trails - the so called Planet Ride for example). I've seen & experienced conflict between (and also within !) different user groups - particularly downhill cycle traffic vs ALL uphill traffic - which will only increase with usage. Of more concern is reducing the likelihood of the almost inevitable injuries from conflict. While I accept that all users should be aware of their speed, track positioning and be responsible, I think that reducing the risks by separating the conflicting usage is the most logical solution. Fringe benefits will include track design and construction optimised for least environmental impact and maintenance and (hopefully) a deterrent to illegal track building or pirate use of single use tracks.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Introduces additional points of conflict & associated injury risk.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Fenceline, Car Parts & Extension, Windmill, Barking Emu, Red Rocks, Makara Peak MTB Park,

Skyline (J'ville to Makara - both ways, plus side tracks), Salvation (Wrights Hill), Deliverance, , Korokoro Gorge, Belmont Park (various). East Harbour tracks (eg Pencarrow, Parengahau Lakes, Wild Coast), Tunnel Gully, Pakuratahi Forest.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Doing nothing will not be a successful option - no benefits will result. Change is required, and while change resistance and conflict is 'normal' all groups involved need to recognise this and work professionally and respectfully towards mutually acceptable positions. I also find it somewhat ironic that a user group that has invested much time and effort in developing and maintaining the trail network is - in a way - being penalised for their success and prevented from reducing user risk and conflict (by further, low impact trail development).

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Will redirect most descending mtbers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good walking options created by it.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would make a more seamless route for mtb and walkers.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak, mt Vic.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I strongly support mtb tracks on fringe of Cbd.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will help avoid accidents. It is good to have great mountain biking facilities close to the city.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara peak, Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As it would create two crossings of existing tracks (rather than one), have difficult hairpin corners to navigate, and be a steeper pinch climb to Ashton Fitchett Drive (on what was part of the Transient track designed as uphill). We gather this route has not been inspected for buildability.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mirimar Peninsular, Mt Vic, Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To take pressure off transient, increase safety for all parties and minimise user conflict on this very busy track.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

more walking options

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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580

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

no need to walk / bike through the playground

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

town belt as a walker, Makara, Mt Victoria, Miramar, Wainiuomata and Belmont Mtb tracks as a biler

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It makes huge sense and makes it safer for all in polhill but countinues to promote a fantastic facility to promote health and well being in Wellington

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The Polhill tracks are very important for me as a regular MTB rider because they are the closest long tracks to the city (much closer than Makara). As a regular rider on Transient I am always worried about limited visibility and the possibility of tangling with track users coming the other way. My concerns are so strong that I now pretty much only ride down Transient at night when I can see oncoming trail users by their headlights. The experience of both walkers and riders will be considerably enhanced if downhill riders are on a separate track. It will also improve safety for all users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal 1 gives the option of entering the new downhill track from Rollercoaster or Sawmill.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

Good to provide separate tracks for walkers and riders, where practicable.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The last part of Clinical is pretty steep and difficult for intermediates and having to go onto the cul-de-sac and then through the gates onto rollercoaster before accessing Highbury Fling is a nuisance. More importantly, I don't think it is good to have riders crossing the grass of the George Denton Playground. Better to keep riders off the playground.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have never used this track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have never used these steps. Happy for walkers to make the call on this one.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a submission. Construction of a new downhill track parallel to Transient is very important to allow riders and walkers to safely enjoy Polhill Reserve.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara Peak, Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would make things much safer for walkers ascending and descending. It would also allow for mountain bikers to have a more enjoyable descent, without having to worry about oncoming bikes or walkers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm happy to leave this to those that know the area best.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm happy to leave this to those that know the area best.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm happy to leave this to those that know the area best.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm happy to leave this to those that know the area best.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm happy to leave this to those that know the area best.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Skyline, Wright's Hill, Wainuiomata, Colonial Knob, Miramar, Silversky, Kaukau, Makara Wind Farm.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Red rocks Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I strongly support this. A new descending trail is, I think, absolutely essential to ease the current congestion on Transient, which I use regularly as a walker and a rider, both by myself and with my small children. It is inevitable, if a descending trail is not put in, that further accidents will occur: this is the Council's opportunity to avoid that. I think that view is reflected in the responses you've had to your survey. As to the possible environmental effects of the new trail, I think it's worth making a couple of points. First, erosion is very unlikely to be a problem, given the number of bikers who will use the trail and the current efforts made by that group to maintain the trails in the greater Wellington region. Secondly, the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve, so it preserves the integrity of that fence. Thirdly, it will not affect the levels of use: it will simply ensure that the existing levels of use are safe. Fourth, I'm not aware of any study demonstrating an effect by walking or biking on wildlife. In fact, I think access to our wild areas and the taonga they contain is essential (and consistent with the rationale for the reserve itself). I understand that the Brooklyn Trail Builders are happy to manage the construction of the trail - that seems to me to be the right solution.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The track should be designed to be attractive to down-hill intermediate riders, or they may still use Transient. I believe that the option designed by the user group is much more likely to be effective.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Improves walking access.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Improves walking experience, removes shared use for serious bikers doign a loop and takes children on a loop away from the road (and the playground where they always want to stop!), improves biking access to Highbury Fling and Clinical.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't see why this should be done.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No opinion.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Johnson's Hill, Makara, Mt Vic, Makara beach, Butterfly Creek, Wairarapa Incline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

With the greatest respect for Council, this seems to me to be an easy decision. I understand some concern about environmental effects has been expressed. I have not seen any evidence to suggest that 2 new tracks will have any effect on wildlife (especially given the points I have made above about maintenance and likely level of use).

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A new one-way descending trail will take a lot of pressure off the popular two-way Transient trail. The Wellington City Council's survey referred to had 866 responses, with 93% supporting a new track. A separate bike descending will reduce the risk of collisions occurring and will enhance the experience of all users in this area.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal A is a significantly better option

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would provide better access for walkers

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. Should be kept and given to BTB to maintain if this is an issue for WCC.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

WCC officers are best placed to judge the merits of this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I use a large number of Wellington's trails, it would be difficult to specify them all.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The educational value and awareness of New Zealand's environment is significantly enhanced by

allowing greater access to it. As an example of this, you need look no further than the widely tracked areas of Zealandia and Otari-Wilton's bush. It is through a greater understanding of our environment that we then seek to preserve and enhance it. The proposals I endorse support this position.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Too many close calls with walkers/Runners and other MTBs resulting in Conflict. Even when no close calls/accidents there is mis-trust and bad feelings coming to the fore

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments  
One way works

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments  
Not enough steep Technical tracks being built

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments  
The option is already there, why limit them?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Most of them

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This removes some traffic from Transient, which is already so busy it detracts from the experience. Volume is increasing as more out-of-suburb users are being attracted to Polhill gully. Downhill mountain-biking is incompatible with walking, running and up-hill mountain biking on safety grounds due the potential disparity in speed.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal 1 seems better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure I can see this as being necessary, given the proximity of other access points.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - top 20m to George Denton park is steep. This would encourage more uphill MTB riders away from the very busy Transient track.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Fine as is. No need for steps or expensive enhancement. This track complements Transient for walkers and runners, in that Transient is very easy but busy, this is slightly more challenging (but certainly not hazardous) and less contention.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I seldom use the steps and other suitable alternative routes are available. I can see the point that maintenance effort would be best used elsewhere.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Victoria, Southern Walkway, Mt Kaukau. But given I live in Brooklyn I use Polhill gully as an accessible local asset far more frequently.

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Woodhill MTB park, 440 MTB park, All Rotorua MTB trails

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

it would be good to take the kids down this area and tracks, knowing they are not going to come across another rider hurtling the other way at them, they are only 5 and 6 years old but love riding their bikes off road, so for now the tracks p there are to dangerous being to way for young children

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

yes then we can shuttle the kids

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

it will make both user groups feel safer

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

it will cause more unnecessary conflict between user groups

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

its fun, but remember to ride within your limits

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

why remove something that's already there. Gives easier access if someone is injured

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

miramar mt Vic makara wainui belmont porirua

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

see first answer, i would mainly like it safe enough for me to take my kids out to and know that they

are not going to have a run in with another cyclist.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Polhill is a fantastic resource for walkers, runners and mountain bikers but is currently becoming a victim of its own success. Due to the increased number of users across all groups the trails are becoming increasingly congested leading to an increased risk of accidents and a generally decreased level of enjoyment for all users. Building a descending priority track will remove most of the traffic off the dual use tracks so is essential for the ongoing development of this amazing resource.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I believe the option proposed by the BTB is a far superior solution.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I use many of the fantastic tracks around Wellington for both walking and running including Makara, Wainui, Belmont, Wrights Hill, Skyline and Redrocks. Polhill is an important part of the Wellington trail network so I believe it is essential that it is developed as proposed by BTB.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Will remove mtb's off the dual use trails making walking in the reserve safer and more enjoyable.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The BTB option is a far better solution for all user groups.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Wiltons bush, Wrights Hill, Mt Kaukau/Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I 100% support and endorse the proposals made by Brooklyn Trail Builders (BTB).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara mountain bike park, mount vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I 100% support and endorse the proposals made by Brooklyn Trail Builders (BTB).

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Neutral

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Neutral

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar and Makara bike tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I bike Pohill once a week during workday lunchtime. it can be busy and I'm aware that walkers do feel scared if a bike is moving fast downhill. Although I try to let people know that there's a biker, many have headphones on and get surprised by a bike. A bit more separation would help both bikers and walkers. The creation of the bike tracks, existing and the proposed, is helping make Wellington a premier MTB city. In minutes I can be out of a central Wellington office and into the bush. This is something special for Wellington. By getting people, bikers and walkers, into the bush they will come to respect what they have especially as the regeneration of the native bush continues. Thanks for taking the time to consult with the users. Regards Stephen

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail? Yes No Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive? Yes No Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient? Yes No Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail? Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Relieve congestion, improve user/viitor safety

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Poorly used but does provide access for trapping

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Those steps may improve safety for walkers being able to bypass the upper part of the shared track, but I'm ambivalent about this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I am a regular biker of all the tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Polhill is a precious portal for entry to the Southern areas, including, potentially, the Terawhiti Peninsula. Refer here: <https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=terawhiti%20grand%20traverse%20track%20supporters>

Investment now in a series of high-quality trails that link the central city, via Polhill, ~~639~~ south coast opens up amazing possibilities ~~625~~

for the future of this city as an 'active' tourist destination.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. We note that the Wellington City Council's survey referred to had 866 responses, with 93% supporting a new track. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. We believe the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. We note the mitigation effects contained in BTB's proposals and agree with these. We think the environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, and note that the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No - Proposal 1 is far superior

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. Should be kept and given to BTB to maintain if this is an issue for WCC.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Various

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Lets just get on with it. These tracks can be made great with these changes so close to the city centre. Totally unique.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I ride this track at least once a month - and it's great, but you always need to be careful for other cyclists or pedestrians. On some sections you do not see the other users until you are almost on top of them. Virtually every one is very considerate, but it would be more pleasant for all users if downhill cyclists had a track to themselves. Also, I'm sure pedestrians would prefer a track that didn't have potential surprises around each corner!

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainuiomata, Miriamar, South Coast.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not support option 1a

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I support and endorse the Brooklyn Trail Builders submission in full. They are passionate and they know what they are doing and yhey know what is the best solution for the different types of users of the Polhill Reserve.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As the majority of conflicts between walkers/runners and mountain bikers is while MTB riders are descending the trail a separated mountain bike trail would alleviate the majority of these conflicts. With the new trail any walkers/runners could be made aware that they were using a mountain bike priority trail and therefore should expect bikers at any time to be travelling quickly. With a purpose built downhill specific trail, only a few mountain bikers would still use Transient to descend back into Aro Valley leaving walkers/runners free to enjoy this track in both directions as mountain bikers would only be travelling slowly up Transient.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Is this to save maintenance costs? otherwise leave these here as alternative options.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Is this to save maintenance costs? otherwise leave these here as alternative options.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All the trails leading over to Red Rocks, Sanctuary Fenceline, Car Parts, Barking Emu.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I would like to add that enthusiastic mountain bikers with assistance from Wellington Council have done an outstanding job of creating this facility and the reserve almost seems to have become a victim of its own success! As I know how many good keen MTB folk have been involved in many hours of hard trail building to help create this success, I would also be interested to know how many

others in the community (walkers, runners,) have also got out there and lent a hand, do you have any statistics or figures? Keep up the great work which is helping to cement Wellington as a prime location for urban riding right in the 'heart' of the city. Steve Meeres Club Captain Hutt Valley Mountain bike Club

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Carparts Redrocks Wrights Hill. Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Ease the load on Transient and for the safety of all users of Transient.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Bike Park, Mt Vic, Maupuia tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A new downhill MTB only bike track will ease congestion and tension between bikers and walkers. There is plenty of space in the reserve and room for everyone to enjoy walking or biking. The Brooklyn Trail builders are willing to put in the effort to build the track for the enjoyment of everyone. MTB will become a very lucrative industry for tourism in Wellington.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flong

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will be great to avoid conflict with other trail users while MTB downhill. As a trail runner I'm aware of MTB and happy to hop out of their way but given the popularity of pollhill it's not not really feasible to have walkers/runners and MTBers all on the same trail

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great to separate MTB and walkers/runners

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All over! tip track/south coast, makara peak, various walk ways, mirimar trails, Mt Vic etc as well as throughout the Hutt. We are very lucky in Wellington!

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Polhill is amazing and I think we citizens owe much to the Brooklyn Trail Builders and others who have created a wonderful resource and do peat trapping and planting. I wish I was able to volunteer to help myself! WCC has been great to support these efforts and it makes me embarrassed for the HCC who are decades behind. I hope WCC continues to see the value in providing for MTB which

has potential for tourism dollars as well as contributing to the health and well being of locals.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great idea and will benefit both mountain bikers and walkers/runners.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The BTB proposal creates fewer crossings between bikers and walkers.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This creates new opportunities for walkers to access Polhill,

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flong **662** **648**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This track will offer a sensible diversion from the playground for both walkers and mountain bikers.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use this track (not being open for mountain bikers). Whether closing this makes sense depends on the number of walkers that currently use it. Removing the track would eliminate the option to walk between Holloway Rd and the top of the reserve (and reverse).

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Windmill and Carparts, The Zealandia fenceline, Wrights Hill tracks (especially Salvation), Skyline tracks from Karori to Kaukau and the Cemetery track and the MTB permissible tracks on Te Ahumairangi.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

In general I think that mountain bikers and walkers exist very well on the tracks around

Wellington. However separating the fast downhill riders from both uphill riders and walkers make a lot of sense in the Polhill reserve.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Had plenty of close collisions when riding or running on the existing single two-way trail.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Why, steps are a great way to access the trails.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All of them in Wellington Region

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is very much needed to keep trail users safe from accidents. I myself as a rider travelling up transient have had a collision in the past and feel worried about conflict as most corners are blind. Having a descending trail will work as serendipity has and since that has been in place the bottom of transient has been a fantastic experience.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Needed because Clinical directs everyone on to George Denton park. Having this new route allows an easier climb and choices.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No point removing. It gives walkers more options.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No point removing. It gives more options for walkers.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I use Makara MTB park. Mount Victoria. Wrights Hill. Skyline trail. Wainui. These trails I use for riding. I also use tinakori hill for dog walking along with fenceline and polhill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

This is one of the most needed trails and further **668** improvements in wellington. I take wellington **654**

college school mountain biking and would love to use these trails as close to city but can't due to high risk and congestion.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Reduce congestion on Transient.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This proposal appears to require crossing other tracks, introducing risk of collisions.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Gives walkers and runners a way through all of Polhill Reserve.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Probably important to have this in order to prevent users needing to cross the road, and avoid the shoulder-clipping tree that angles onto the track just as you exit George Denton Playground on the way to Clinical.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The steps make for a quick alternate route and different workout when running around the area.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline, Makara mountain bike park, Wrights Hill area, Zealandia fenceline/Rollercoaster, Brooklyn turbine area, Barking Emu, Red Rocks area, Tip Track, Tawatawa Reserve, Mt Albert, all over Mt Victoria.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The safest way to share polhill is for the users to be separated. I ride there often. I have been flattened by high speed descending runners on clinical whilst riding up and have almost run down dogs off the leash on the roller coaster. The Clinical and Transient tracks are too tight with too little visibility for mixed use in both directions. You would not do it in a bike park so why here. I think a new descending trail is a 'must do' project for Polhill.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

no opinion

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Provides the walkers with more options away from shared use tracks

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
no opinion

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
no opinion

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
no opinion

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Carparks, barking emu, tip track, red rocks, Miramar, Wainui, Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

### Comments

Serendipity is the jewel in the crown of Pohill, followed by Highbury fling. To ride in there as the sun comes up over the city is the best part of my day particularly Highbury fling. Its a magic place. I have stopped riding up or down Transient mostly as it is too busy and i go up and down clinical and Highbury fling. The bush on Pohill is far superior than Mt Vic. Seperating the traffic on Pohill on the down hill tracks will make it safer. I will feel happier about taking my son there.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Miramar Skyline Wainuiomata

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Really appreciate the opportunity to have some input and love what the council is doing for bikers and walkers!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Will get rid of all the user conflict

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainuiomata, Belmont, Mt Vic, Mirimar, Colonial Knob

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar, Mt Victoria, Makara Peak, Wainuiomata, Belmont, Porirua.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

I believe the impact on vegetation and habitat would be significant

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use this track more than once per week and would be very upset if it were removed.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use this and don't see any benefit of removing the track.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

In general I support the submission from the Polhill Protectors, with my own comments additional

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria , KauKau, Makara, Kaiteriteri Nelson, Wanaka Lakes District, National Park ,  
Paraparaumu Trails

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. I note that the Wellington City Council's survey referred to had 866 responses, with 93% supporting a new track. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. I believe the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. I note the mitigation effects contained in BTB's proposals and agree with these. I think the environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, and note that the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve. BTB have highlighted in their proposal that they are happy to build the trail, and Wellington Trail Trust will support them in doing this (through raising funds etc.).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No - I don't support this, as I believe option 1 is significantly better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Holloway Rd to Polhill. It should be kept and given to BTB to maintain if this is an issue for WCC.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unsure - I believe the WCC officers are best placed to judge the merits of this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I have seen comments from some groups that they perceive the new trails have some sort of negative impact on the environment. I believe poorly formed positions around the environmental effects of trails simply fall apart if they are applied to widely tracked areas like Zealandia or Wilton Bush (which supports our view is that any argument being presented on this basis is flawed and a distraction). As New Zealand's environmental efforts ramp up and I see native flora and fauna populate areas that were previously devoid of such taonga, we must allow greater access to these areas, not diminish it. The educational potential and ecological narrative that can be crafted around such exposure is immense.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As set out in BTB proposal.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As set out in BTB proposal.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As set out in BTB proposal.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As set out in BTB proposal.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All the MTB tracks in the Wellington area!

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Remove user conflict on Transient

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

BTB have greater experience designing mountain bike trails than WCC so I support Proposal 1.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mount Victoria, Mystic Portal, Belmont, Maidstone, Karori Park 98 DH and K-Hole, Miramar MTB tracks, Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
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Why/other comments

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- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separating riders on descending routes would enhance safety and enjoyment for all users. Runners/walkers would not face being overtaken by bikers, bikers would not be inconvenienced by having to slow for pedestrians. (Shared uphill trails are less of a problem because bikers do not go as fast).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Provide walking-only access; separate walkers from faster runners and bikers. This would be to everyone's benefit.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

But I note BTB's argument that this track can be useful for predator trapping

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara MTB, Skyline Walkway, Wrights Hill, Zealandia Perimeter Trail, Windmill to Red Rocks.....others occasionally.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Mountain biking is one of the great things about this city, and the biking community is doing a lot to enhance the trails here. I generally support any comments made by BTB and other biking groups (speaking as a non-biker).

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- Yes  
 No  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Skyline, Northen Walkway, Southern Walkway....

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Mountain biking and the trail network has transformed Polehill, it has now become a destination in the Wellington trail network. Transient is a lovely track to ride downhill, however, with the increased popularity with uphill runners, walkers and cyclist, it's become dicey at various points in the trail where visibility is sometimes obstructed. Building a 'downhill only track' in a similar manner to Serendipity will make the reserve more pleasant and offer a safer alternative for mountain biker and walkers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Trail crossings can be really dangerous, especially with the increased number of walkers and runners wearing headphones etc... and not able to hear approaching cyclists.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure why you'd spend money removing a trail? Just let nature take its course...

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure how much they are used by other trail users.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Tip track Wrights Hill Mount Victoria (Daily commute) Maupuia Park Red Rocks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Less chance on collision between mountain bikers and walkers. Build on Wellington's tail network!

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Belmont, makara, wainuiomate, mt Vic, mirimar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Reduce rider, walker conflict

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Will be an easier gradient than what is there now

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar. Mt Vic. Makara. Belmont. Wainuiomata. Etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separation of downhill biking from other users is critical for safety and enjoyment of all. Transient is a really frustrating downhill ride as you never know what is around each corner (literally) meaning that it has to be ridden reasonably slowly which detracts from its enjoyment. A dedicated downhill would enhance the Polhill riding experience immeasurably.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unnecessary and would detract from the riding experience.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would enhance the walking options in Polhill and would remove some of the foot traffic from upper transient.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be a great addition as it would make for a more connected, joined up riding experience and would remove the small steep section into GD Park.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not use it.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not use them.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Carparts and Barking Emu, Fenceline, Makara Peak and most other mountain biking in Wgtn

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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The most important improvement to Polhill is a new downhill track.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The site lines on Transient are not suitable for downhill bikers approaching uphill walkers/runners/bikers/dogs (all dogs I come across in Polhill are off the leash).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's hard to tell what would make a better downhill bike track. The variation 1a looks like it takes up more space which could encroach on more birdlife territory. 1a option looks like a faster track but the alternative looks more technical which would get my support. The both appear to reuse some existing tracks so no benefit either way in that respect.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

More access for walkers is always good. It doesn't look like it would have much impact on wildlife.

being close to existing houses for most of its length

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A nice to have piece of track although not critical. I agree though that it is a steep exit out of clinical to the park then up to Highbury Fling. I like this sort of climb but many don't.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't know anything about this track or how many people use it. When I walk I like to walk loop tracks and removing this track would make it a no exit track. 1 option could be to remove this track but make a connection to Clinical from the top of the other Holloway Rd track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria, Wrights Hill, Makara Peak, Skyline walkway, Hawkins Hill.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Walkers always apologize when I come across them on my bike - we have equal rights on these tracks, no need to apologize. Polhill has some great riding and BTB and WCC do a fantastic job looking after these tracks. Wildlife will always take a hit with the building of new tracks, but if more people use these tracks they will become aware of our wildlife and hopefully take more interest in protecting them.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It is unfair on walkers and runners to be afraid of fast mountain bike descenders. As a mountain biker even riding cautiously down the trail so no collision will occur still scares walkers I know to the extent that they avoid the trail

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will be a poor quality route with multiple crossings

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
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 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Red rocks, Makara, mt Victoria, mt crawford

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The downhill only track will be a massive enhancement for the Polhill track system. I am confident that BTB can create the track and maintain it without adversely affecting our beautiful Polhill environment and its ecosystems

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To avoid the two-way issues on current Transient. The current situation is a recipe for injuries. Both walkers and bikers will have a better experience in the park with a mtb descending trail.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

it would create two crossings of existing tracks (rather than one), have difficult hairpin corners to navigate, and be a steeper pinch climb to Ashton Fitchett Drive

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Better experience for all - it just makes sense.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
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 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Yes - all over Wellington and the Hutt Valley.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is an excellent initiative, which I fully support. (1) We should continue to encourage and facilitate mountain biking, not merely for its many health benefits but also, more generally, as an investment in our continued attractiveness as a tourist destination and as a city with a great 'vibe'. New Zealand is well regarded as a tourist destination for mountain biking, but if Wellington does not continue to invest in relevant infrastructure it will not be a place where mtb tourists bother to stop for a few days in between North Island (Rotorua and Taupo) and South Island (Christchurch and Queenstown) mtb destinations. (2) Paired trails work well already, as do unidirectional trails (of which there are many in Makaro Peak and Wainuiomata), and will deliver all the benefits set out in in the BTB proposal. I am a keen mountain biker, and frequently encounter runners, walkers and riders on Transient and Highbury Fling. I have never encountered any irresponsible riders or aggression from either riders or walkers, much less any close calls or collisions. However, it is very clear that each person I encounter would enjoy their run, walk or ride more were it not for the need to stop and/or move aside. And it is also undeniable that the downhill ride would be enormously more enjoyable for me were I able to ride to my ability, rather than much more slowly lest there be pedestrians or uphill riders around the next bend.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not consider I have enough information upon which to make an informed decision, as much will

depend on how much vegetation is saved and how much (if any) of the downhill riding experience would be compromised by the proposed alternative compared to the BTB proposal. However, if the riding experience is unaffected, I support the alternative which preserves more vegetation.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will improve the riding experience. And see, more generally, my comments in Proposal #1.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If it is not used and requires significant expenditure to renovate it, I would prefer it to revert to bush and for funds to be spent on other things.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I never use them, but would not object to them remaining if material numbers of people wish them to stay.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria, Makaro Peak, Wainuiomata. Levin trails. Rotorua (forest and gondola) Taupo (Craters if the Moon). And others further afield when on holiday.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

There is the obvious destruction of native vegetation every time a new track is made. I recall when mountain bike tracks were first put into Polhill Gully that the side of the hill looked like the cliffs of Gallipoli they were so bare. The new track will attract even more mountain bikers. The track will more importantly disturb the wildlife. I am particularly disturbed by the practice of night-time mountain biking. This must be extremely disturbing for species that like to sleep at dusk and wake at dawn. Riding downhill is a thrilling practice and will involve much yelling in excitement as well as the flashing of lights as these bikers descend through the trees. The Formal Assessment of the Brooklyn Trail Builders' Proposal overlooks the matter of night time biking. Recently a caravan has been parked on Aro Street to provide refreshments for riders in the evenings so this activity is likely to increase. I can't imagine that a curfew can be imposed. The fact that mountain bikers like to ride at night is an indicator that their interest is the biking experience and not the bush. Even during the day it is unlikely they can take their eyes off the track to enjoy the bush. Walkers enjoy the walk but they also enjoy the bush.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connector

with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be good to have route that goes from Waimapihi Reserve up to Ashton Fitchett Drive so people could use that route to Brooklyn or the Windmill.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
Eastbourne bush tracks

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

separation of walkers and hill cyclists from descending cyclists

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Happy with the proposal

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

better option for a circuit ride / walk

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak, Te Ahu Mairangi, Skyline, Mt Victoria, Wrights Hill, Rangituhi / Colonial Knob, Wainui Bike Park, Belmont, Whareroa Farm,

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separating downhill bike traffic will dramatically improve user experience in Polhill Reserve. This was certainly the case for Serendipity, which drew much of the downhill traffic off of lower Transient.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will take bike traffic out of George Denton park, making the park experience better for users. It will also keep riders from having to re-emerge onto the road.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wright's Hill, Mt Vic, Miramar, Wainuiomata.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mak Peak Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Removal of potential or actual conflict between users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

'if you build it they will come' If the facility is right and in the right place it will get more users. More users = more active Wellingtonians = better for all of us.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

These areas are already shared use and this keeps the feel of walking/riding in the park more consistent.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This doesn't appear to be a well used track. I assume the removal has been suggested because the track is little used and also it will eliminate the cost of maintenance. I haven't used this track for years (since Transient was opened) so I don't have a feel for the impact of removing it. I don't mind either way.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Similar to proposal 4 above - if these are well used and are the right option for access at this point then leave them in place. If they are not well used then remove them.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Tracks in the following areas: Mt Kaukau and Skyline, Khandallah Park, Colonial Knob/Spicer Forest/Rangituhi (Porirua), Makara Peak, Miramar, Wainuiomata, Johnson's Hill, Mt Victoria, Seton Nossiter Park, Wrights Hill, occasionally Belmont Regional Park, Tip Track/Red Rocks and the tracks that link to and from those from Carparts.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Further development that helps limit conflict is good. Clear signage will be required to stop walkers and runners from using the dedicated downhill tracks. Some signage is hidden or not obvious enough, such as the uphill/downhill only signs when descending Clinical. I have had more close calls when riding up Clinical with riders coming down than any other track. They claim that they didn't see the signs. When heading downhill on a bike they don't stand out well enough, because you are moving and not at a trailhead. Better designs are required for the new tracks signage to make them a deserved success.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline, Karori MTB Park, Miramar, Town Belt, Red Rocks, Mt Vic, etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

A second track to separate downhill track for MTB's just makes sense to make the trail safer and more accessible for all users.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will improve safety and enjoyment for all track users. Currently there is far too much traffic on Transient which diminishes the experience of all track users in Polhill Reserve. Adding a downhill only trail for mountain bikers would not only benefit Polhill but Wellington's wider trail network.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This would make an excellent addition to the Clinical/Highbury Fling/Transient loop, and take a lot of pressure off the park which becomes extremely muddy in winter from mountain bikers.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Hawkins Hill/Te Kopahou Reserve, Makara Peak, Miramar (Cenntenial Reserve), Skyline Track

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

because the current trail is congested and dangerous

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

miramar. makara, mt vic, wainui, belmont, etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Great to see community consultation happening

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Due to congestion on the current track and danger from downhill mountain bikers. Have had many near collisions when biking/running uphill. Is really popular it is worth creating a downhill option to reduce the amount of traffic

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure what this one is

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure what these are

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainui, Skyline, Otari (walking and running)

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If built by hand, and building impacts are mitigated well, I feel the benefits of this track will outweigh the environmental impacts. An area this close to (and unprotected from) a large population of domestic cats and dogs is not a prime conservation area for predator-naive species that spend much time on the ground. Peri-urban forests are prime outdoor recreation areas. Providing for recreation within walking and cycling distance of people's homes enables recreation for time-poor people, and encourages people to recreate without hopping in a car (and burning fossil fuels) to go places. The health benefits of areas like Polhill are massive. If It turns out that the new track is significantly harder than Transient, I would like to see all of Transient remain two-way. With the introduction of Serendipity, my safety concerns on lower Transient have been greatly eased, as the remaining downhill MTB traffic on lower Transient is much reduced in volume and is significantly slower.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

#### Why/other comments

I support the concept of a walking access point at 104 Karepa St. This would make the Polhill tracks significantly more accessible for people walking up from central Brooklyn. However, I take the point about 350m of track having negative impacts and feel it needed be that much. You could Halve the length of this access track to 175m and have it connect in to Transient 50m along from the nearest switchback. Some steps would be desirable to deter bikers. With a descent of just under 20 vertical metres over 130m (i.e. 170m less the first 40m which would be slightly uphill) the gradient would be around 15%. That would be much less than the average 35% gradient off the current walking-only access off Karepa St.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

#### Why/other comments

Again, I support this concept, but take the point about the negative impacts of building that much track. I feel the main problem in this part of the track network is the last 100m of Clinical, which has a gradient well over 20% (far too steep for this grade track). This problem could be overcome with a re-route of that last 100m of Clinical. The second problem mentioned in the proposal is crossing the road. This road has low traffic volumes travelling at slow speeds. This problem could be resolved by re-opening the direct access from George Denton Park to the bottom of the Roller Coaster track. With a bit of a tweak to the intersection, I think this could be a reasonably safe option, and would be more aesthetically pleasing than crossing the end of the road.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

#### Why/other comments

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

#### Why/other comments

Yes, especially if better access were to be provided near the bottom of Ashton Fitchett Drive/Karepa St.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter

- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Skyline, Mt Vic, Karori Park, Otari-Wiltons Bush, Te Kopahou Reserve.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Thank you for taking the time to consider the concerns of so many users. I appreciate the great work council do to maintain the trails, and would welcome more of that in the future. I would like to see more resources put into pest control so that species such as Hihi can thrive in Wellington outside of Zealandia, but feel that would be best focused on habitat that is far enough away from urban areas that you can eliminate cats and dogs (as well as mustelids and rodents). In peri-urban areas, I look forward to the return of species like Korimako that have been shown to nest successfully in forests in and around cities. Mixing recreation and conservation (as much as is practical) is an excellent way to garner greater community and rate-payer support for both.

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Hi Dave

I whipped off a submission for the Polhill consultation last night and think (in hindsight) that what I wrote about the possibility for a re-route at the top of Clinical might have been unclear. I had a look in that area last weekend and it seems there are two ways that the gradient over the last 80m to the park could be eased to a max of 15% (from the current 25%) without significant vegetation removal.

These two sketches give the general idea.

Cheers,  
Simon



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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Peace of mind to both riders and walkers that you want run into them going in the opposite direction

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I support any changes that will endure increased safety and increased use of the wonderful environment by all users. More enjoyment means more use means healthier Wellingtonians.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea would really facilitate good walking options esp for locals

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Great idea better flow

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I walk up there on way home from work sometimes but option 2 would be good replacement to this so fine with option 2 instead.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All over wgn

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Thanks for seeking to improve this already very cool reserve.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's only a matter of time before someone gets hurt with the current track configuration. A good downhill track to Polhill is the missing link in Wellington's inner city MTB trail network

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I would never use it so can't comment

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I would never use it

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling 748 734

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would take the majority of bikes out of the playground but is a nice to have; the transient downhill is the priority

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No one uses it

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All other MTB tracks; mainly Mt Vic, Miramar, Makara, Wainui, Porirua, Skyline, Wrights Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I currently use Transient (on a bike) to commute to and from the CBD, as also bike on many other trails around Wellington. Transient is the one track where the mixed use is very high and potential conflict with downhill riders most frequent. Separating downhill bike traffic will fix this. The track will also provide access for the volunteers that provide the labour for the Polhill trapping and planting work, improving the health of the bush for our valued birdlife.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This option will create two crossings of existing tracks (rather than one), have difficult hairpin corners to navigate, and be a steeper pinch climb to Ashton Fitchett Drive. The people that have built the tracks in the area have surveyed and prefer option 1.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No preference/opinion on this part of the proposal

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Whilst I understand the appeal of this track, I dont believe the connector trail is necessary. The existing route via George Denton Park and the bottom of the 4WD fenceline track already links these two tracks and is adequate for that purpose.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No preference/opinion on this part of the proposal

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No preference/opinion on this part of the proposal

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wainui MTB Park, Mt Victoria, Red rocks etc

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Given that Polhill Reserve is becoming more popular for walkers, runners and mtb-ers, I fully support to separate the walkers from the bikers in respect of safety.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This option provides a better flow.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good to have an option to circumvent Denton Park which is children's playground.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara MTB Park, Skyline (Mt Kaukau), Karori Park, Wrights hill, Fence-line and may others outside Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

This is great work and love to live and work in Wellington with a council that support so many outdoor activities. Keep up the great work!!!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak Miramar trails Mt vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Polhill is an incredibly popular place for mountain bikers and walkers. It would be much better to have dedicated descending tracks to separate the bikers from walkers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much all mountain bike tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be awesome and avoid trail conflict between bikers and other users. I don't support option 1a, this has cross over of trails (opportunity for conflict) and difficult hair pins for bikers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Opportunity for trail conflict and difficult hair pin turns, greater opportunity for erosion due to excessive breaking into corners.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be great to keep walkers and bikers separate.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would keep bikers, walkers and runners in the reserve. It avoids having to go around the playground and will be more incentive for people to use the trails as they link up nicely.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Carparks, red rocks, mt Victoria, makara, wainuimata, skyline, deliverance.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

i do not see a need for further consultation as there was the original open spaces draft, then a mini survey and now this. I don't see that this is efficient use of my council rates. One round of consultation should have been sufficient, if not then your consultation documents/surveys should be designed better. The impression I have is that there is overwhelming support for a new track in polehill but that the council is unwilling to accept this due to minority groups that are complaining

about biking in the reserve. The number of mountain bikers are growing and this should be encouraged.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Improved safety and user experience on transient as a mixed use track.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Improved access for walkers /runners and less multi-use congestion on lowe transient

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Definitely a better experience for Mountain Bikers and providing a less exposed option for walkers

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use this trail currently

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use this trail currently

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria, Makara peak, Mt Kaukau, Mirimar (jailbrake etc), Wainuamata MTB park etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

As a multi sport user of tracks, I'm very happy to see proposals that provide alternate routes for runners/walkers and MTB, especially MTB decent tracks. I have seen some near misses with descending MTBers and runners using headphones. As use of track increases we need to ensure everyone's safety and enjoyment. Thank you **762**

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use this track often, and although I believe most bikers use the track with caution I often experience walkers, particularly people with children, the elderly, or people with pets, that get very scared when I approach before stopping to let them pass. I think having a dedicated downhill bike track will be beneficial for everyone - more use of Polhill by the bikers who maintain the walking trails as well should be beneficial to all users of the track, as well as keeping it pest free and planting those valuable natives right next to Zealandia to help the fauna spread.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't know who put forward this track plan - do they have experience on bike tracks, building and maintaining tracks, and using shared tracks/crossings? Hard to say without seeing both track plans first hand/on site.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

Doesn't influence me, as I only cycle. I have not heard about any downsides however.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not use this track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not use this track.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria tracks, most of them, downhill track sometimes.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. I note that the Illington City Council's survey referred to had 866 responses, with 93% supporting a new track. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. I believe the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. I note the mitigation effects contained in BTB's proposals and agree with these. I think the environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, and note that the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve. BTB have highlighted in their proposal that they are happy to build the trail, and Illington Trail Trust will support them in doing this (through raising funds etc.).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No - I don't support this, as I believe option 1 is significantly better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling. I am surprised that this was never done as part of the original work building Clinical.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. Should be kept and given to BTB to maintain if this is an issue for WCC.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Unsure - I believe the WCC officers are best placed to judge the merits of this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Great ideas, this whole area is awesome, the more tracks close to the city centre the better. I have seen comments from some groups that they perceive the new trails have some sort of negative impact on the environment. I believe poorly formed positions around the environmental effects of trails simply fall apart if they are applied to widely tracked areas like Zealandia or Wilton Bush (which supports our view is that any argument being presented on this basis is flald and a distraction). As New Zealand's environmental efforts ramp up and I see native flora and fauna populate areas that Ire previously devoid of such taonga, we must allow greater access to these areas, not diminish it. The educational potential and ecological narrative that can be crafted around such exposure is immense.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separating bikers and walkers is preferred. The environmental impacts of this option are moderate to medium. I support the Council alternate route for this option.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have no view as to this option.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The environmental impacts of this option could be substantial - particularly to the Tieke/Saddleback that are nesting outside of Zealandia.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most frequently the tracks along Zealandia's fenceline. Infrequently other tracks in WCC's track network.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I support the issues raised and requirements proposed in the review of the proposals against the Open Space Access Plan.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Name it... as long as I'm allowed...

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This downhill track is a necessary addition to the Polhill reserve. The track will benefit all users and eliminate the current significant risks. The Transient, Highbury fling and Clinical tracks were a huge improvement to the area, opening up the reserve for walkers and bikers. They have also allowed for the removal of weeds and improvement of the gully that wouldn't have happened without the trails being built. Last weekend a group of us supported the Brooklyn Trail Builders removing gorse, holly and barberry from the zigzags above the pylon, then planting native species. Without the track the gorse, holly and barberry would have prospered. The Transient track is now so well used by bikers it's quite scary for walkers and occasionally dangerous. Once a fortnight I'd meet someone biking down transient at a fast pace and have had a couple of close calls. This problem won't be fixed with track alterations or education programmes. A separate track is the only way to make this work for all.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm not sure this option is any better. Introducing 2 track crossings seems dangerous

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This seems a great idea

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This track is quite important. I quite often meet people either lost or having given up trying to find their way to link up Clinical to Highbury fling. The steep pitches at the top of the Clinical track and bikes cutting across the edge of the play ground are not good. Hopefully a way can be found to minimise the impact on the saddleback.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm not sure that this is necessary. Runners and walkers sometimes chose these stepper track for fitness. If this will save significant costs and help with the ecology of the reserves then maybe it's worthwhile

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I use these steps occasionally. While steep, they provide a useful option for dog walking. Unless there is significant costs maintaining this track it should be kept.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

I commute on the Polhill trails by bike at least once a week and also use them on the weekends, for biking and dog walking (on a lead). You should also note that the tracks are well used at lunch time

by mountain bikers - the tracks are close enough to the city to fit in a quick circuit

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

I use all the mountain bike tracks from Brooklyn to Red rocks, and over Wrights Hill to Makara peak. Occasionally I'll use other tracks like Belmont, Skyline and the Wanui trails.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The Long gully Station has closed their road from the radar station road to the start of the Wrights hill climb (beside the sanctuary fence line), The only alternative is the steep and dangerous (when wet) sanctuary fence line. Are there any plans for the council to help out with an alternative track?

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As a trail runner I often run the Transient- Highbury Fling - Clinical loop. To have such an awesome 50-60 minute trail run just off the centre of town is flipping awesome. I cannot think of any other major metro on NZ that has this literally on their doorstep. I run this before work, after work and on the weekends. Day and Night. When I have friends and work colleges in town I purposely take them on this loop and they all agree. The only part of this run that can sometimes get dodgy is the upper Transient part as it can have descending Mtbers. I have never had an accident and find the Mtbers to be very respectful when our paths cross, in fact I am more worried for the Mtbers who get the biggest fright and the more likely to leave the track and have an accident. The problem is that you never totally switch off and run you always need to have your oncoming radar on. Proposal 1 solves this issue 100%. On Clinical its not such an issues as the Mtbers are slowly coming up hill so you have a lot of time to move to one side and pass.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Let's do this right first time and make a track that we can be proud of. One that just flows from top to bottom. Don't cut corners.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connector

with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I am actually thinking of moving to Brooklyn because of all these great trails. So why not.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As per my comments in point 1. Let's make this the most awesome inner city trail anywhere!

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

90% Trail Runner/10% mountain biker

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Windmill, car parts, barking emu. Zealander Loop

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

safety safety safety. 2 way traffic is just so dodgy. maybe not many actual accidents but a huge amount of close calls and high potentials for accident.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

more options that can spread the foot traffic out over the hill.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

the uphill entry into the park from clinical is a steep pinch and bike v pedestrian in a steep pinch is not fun

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Belmont Waiiau Centennial Reserve

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It benefits all users of the park including walkers and runners who won't have to be worried about cyclists. May also give access to areas not previously accessible. Would be amazing if you could find places for short alternative challenging lines

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Brooklyn Trail Builders no this area better than anybody, I would support what they say,

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Looks like it would create a natural quick link from Aro Street to Brooklyn as well as forming a loop with Transient

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Clinical is my preferred climb due to the business of Transient, the final climb is outside of it's grade and you see less fit riders pushing upto the park and then again up the steep fencline. I would however consider this secondary to the main downhill bike only trail

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This cuts a significant length off a walk/run which can be important, I have used it when anting to quickly get to the windmill / back home

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara, Wirghts Hill, Te Kopahau, Miramar trails, Belmont, Wainui mtb park and many others more occasionally

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

excellent proposal, transient is very busy and two way!

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

that could work

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

better community access

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling **782** **768**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
really good idea.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

mt vic makara wainuiomata skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

rode at polhill for the first time today. it was fantastic. but busy. compared to the other places we ride, it was usual to share the track with so many other users, especially people cycling uphill on transient....? more tracks needed.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much all Wgtn tracks at times

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be a huge asset in the Polhill mountain bike network. It would also reduce congestion on transient track

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

make sense to complete the clinical uphill track to meet up with Highbury fling - the existing exit onto George Denton park is a killer

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria, Maupuia, Makara, Wainuiomata

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Relieve congestion on the tracks

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
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Why/other comments

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All tracks in wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Wellington has fantastic tracks and trails and continuing to improve them benefits everybody.  
Thank you:-)

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Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Skyline, Mt vic, Wainui, colonial Knob, Belmont.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient has become too congested to ride safely.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Mt Crawford, Makara, Wainui.....

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good for walkers and bikers.  

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All walkers and biking tracks wellington wide

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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Unsure

Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
 Belmont region Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- No
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Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Fenceline, carparts & all tracks out to barking emu and the Tip track. Polhill is an integral part of that loop for me walking, running, biking and dog-walking.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am a regular uphill morning MTB commuter and evening descender of Polhill's Transient trail. Over the last year or two there has been a marked increase in trail usage by both MTBers, commuters, dog walkers and recreational runners/walkers. While for the most part all trail users are courteous and respectful there are still at times when near misses occur.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling **800** **786**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am okay with the current trail layout here although a more gentle climb from the top of clinical would be great.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have never used this trail so have no opinion.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Wainuimata, Miramar, Makara Peak, Red Rocks, Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Currently the main descending track (down to the Serendipity junction at least) is Transient. This amazing track is a victim of its own success in that it is hugely popular with everyone - walkers, runners, dogs and mountain bikers. I'm both a walker and a mountain biker so I understand the conflict between downhill mountain bikers and walkers. As a mountain biker I want to go downhill fast on a track like Transient, but as a walker it is confronting to meet a downhill MTB on a blind corner no matter how considerate they are. Mountain bikers do their best to get along with other track users but there is always going to be tension where the fundamental use of each group is in conflict with the other.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This involves steeper gradient, tight hairpins and two crossings of existing tracks, which is a less favourable situation than the route proposed by the BTB.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

I support greater accessibility for pedestrian track users, especially on separate tracks from mountain bikers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

Yes

No

Unsure

Why/other comments

It would be good to avoid the very steep pinch just before George Denton Park, and would make this an even more amazing trail by keeping it entirely within the bush reserve.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

Yes

No

Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use this track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

Yes

No

Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use these steps but I'm sure that many walkers and runners do.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

Biker

Walker

Commuter

Runner

Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

Yes

No

If yes, which ones?

I use ALL the tracks around Wellington and the **803**

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I read in a letter to the Dom Post that one opponent is worried that the Tieke (Saddleback) will be threatened by an increase in the number of tracks. The flourishing of Tieke outside of Zealandia is something to celebrate. Seeing/hearing Tieke in the bush is always a highlight of my ride or walk. The Polhill tracks have opened up this experience to so many more people. From my observation the Tieke are not bothered by track users once they have sounded their warning, and we have the privilege of watching them go about their business in the trees above us. I don't believe they are threatened by the kind of people who enjoy being in the bush and using these tracks. In fact, I think this is all the more reason to ensure that the bush experience is enhanced for all users.

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea to separate the downhill biking form other trail users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara, Wainui ect

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Just so long as it is safely constructed and is not narrow and safe for all levels of users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

We need more safe and clearly sign posted walking tracks.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

We want to make sure we can still get safe access from Ashton Fitchett Drive to these valuable resources for biking and especially for walking. Again please clearly signpost which track is for appropriate use. Also will it be possible at the start of track on Ashton Fitchett Drive to have a sign board or map - that maps out all of the walking/ bike tracks and also identifies (beginner to advanced gradients).

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Please clearly signpost and if possible please have a map sign-board up at Ashton Fitchett Drive about this as noted above that has a map of the tracks and also shows different level of difficulty (beginner to advanced). On a different note, there is a path that we use that takes up to the **308** **794**

windmill. It runs parallel to the road that one can drive from Ashton Fitchett up the windmill. 1) Can the pathway be paved over to make it a more pleasurable walkway up to the windmill? 2) Can road widening work be done for the road up to the windmill which is very narrow and can safety road barriers be installed on the side of the road along with lighting? This could be the best site in Wellington.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am disappointed that a separate down hill mountain bike track needs to be built because downhill mountain bike traffic cannot share the current track with other users and I think it sets a bad precedent for dual use tracks within the Green Belt. While I am fine with the current state, I also respect that others feel their experience is depreciated by sharing the track. I am unable to assess the ecological impact myself, however this is the most important factor to me. If the ecological impact is not significant, I support a contractor built track so council can hold the builder accountable for creating exactly what the community as a whole wants opposed to giving control over to a community group who should not bear this burden. I would also support council maintaining the track because it will be too big of a job for a community group and I think this track will be one of the most heavily used tracks in the city. There is currently a nearly continuous down hill mountain bike priority track using from the wind turbine using Carparts, Roller Coaster, and Squatters, but that does not appeal to the same crowd that descend via Transient. If the track is built, I will definitely use it often and enjoy it.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I would prefer the council suggested route of 1a using existing track to reduce the new track built.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

810

796

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is not necessary. There is a footpath separate from the road that runs down Karepa St. that is sufficient for walking. This does not add much and adds a new entrance and 350m of track that already has plenty of both. I do not see this resolving any issues of shared usage.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This only addresses issues at the top of Clinical and ignores the same issues at the bottom, such as a steep climb to the first seat and it is relatively hard to find when coming from the bottom of Transient. I also think that the final pinch climb can be lessened by rerouting the track under the mahoe and exiting at the top of the steps of the walking track. This would only see the loss of one mahoe, some scrub and the addition of about 20m of track.

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

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- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

I use nearly all of the track network in the Wellington. Makara Peak, Te Kopahou, Wrights Hill, Skyline, Tawatawa, Southern Walkway, Miramar, Trelissick, Otari Wiltons, Botanic Garden, Karori Park, Central Park, Ataturk

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To separate walkers and bikers for safety reasons.

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- Yes  
 No  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
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Why/other comments

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- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

- Mt.Vic - Mirimar - Makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Absolutely essential to separate riders and walkers. Currently very dangerous with the two together, and this negatively affects the experience of the area.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Very poor section of riding here, and would be great to continue track within the reserve

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, as it is a mountain biking priority area, and is much safer to descend.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separation of uphill and downhill cycle traffic is of huge benefit. Likewise separation of downhill cyclists and walkers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

1a appears to have more track crossing / intersections increasing collision risk and increasing the possibility of a cyclist inadvertently heading down the shared track thinking it is the downhill only track.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The ability for walkers to take separate paths to cyclists through the reserve is of benefit. Ensure stairs or similar are placed at the start of walking trails to discourage cyclists from short cutting. **803**

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

While this is a nice to have it does not provide the same level of benefit as the other proposals.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Is there potential for this to be upgraded to provide a walking only route from Holloway Road to Ashton Fitchett Drive (linking with proposed new walking only track)? This would result in increased dedicated walking access through the reserve, particularly east - west direction.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Support if the new walking only access to Karepa Street is created.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most of them... Makara, Wrights, Mirimar, Mt Vic, South Coast, Wainui, eastern / western hills, etc...

Any other comments or questions?

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 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

Cyclists don't 'share'.

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Yes

No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

Yes

No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

Biker

Walker

Commuter

Runner

Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

Yes

No

If yes, which ones?

Trelissick Park Northern Walkway and associated (connected) tracks. Botanical Gardens Central Park Mt Victoria The Bridle Path

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

WCC and the cycle lobby are conducting a veritable war on walking in Wellington. Cyclists use public road footpaths and no biking parks with impunity. The constant turning over of public resources to cyclists encourages ever more brazen and dangerous invasion of walking space. Areas made unpleasant and dangerous for walkers, or about to be, include the Wellington waterfront, the footpath between Oriental Bay and Kilbirnie, the Bridle Path, Hutt Road in Kaiwharawhara. Even the Botanical Gardens have now been defiled by cycling and what are in effect powered trail bikes are now being encouraged onto our tracks. No enforcement or even discouragement means Trelissick Park - supposedly set aside for 'quiet contemplative experiences' is being invaded by these dangerous pests. Enforce existing cycling bylaws and road

rules, don't continue turning over all parks and pedestrian spaces to cyclists.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. We believe the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. I ride Transient downwards and I am always worried there will be serious accident as a result of a collision.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal 1 is much better

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

a good alternative walking trail.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good idea

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

WCC officers and rangers will know what to do here

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

WCC officers and rangers will know what to do here

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most of the tracks in Wellington, except Mt Vic.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A new descending track would be fantastic as it is dangerous riding down the current trail with the possibility of running into walkers

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It would be great to stay within the reserve rather than having to cross out of the park

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I frequently use the network of trails within the Makara Peak Mountain Bike Park and the trails extending to the South Coast

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I really love the Transient track so hard call, but I miss not having a track to really go nuts on as you have to be so cautious of uphill traffic (MTB, runners, walkers and dogs). I think this is the correct call as a one way track would be great and with other tracks of differing abilities from that track would also be a great proposal.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Pretty steep track. Maybe a track alongside the steps but would need cornering to reduce the gradient as may as walk bike up the steps. Im a runner too.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

provided good linkage to other tacks for walkers **826**

**812**

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I like the track, but a track to avoid the steep pinch climbs at the end coming up the playground would be good.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Steps are well used by walkers and runners including myself. What would be the point in removing them? Pretty steep up there.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makera, Wainoiomata

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

827

813

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Tinakori Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This has become an urgent need. Polhill Reserve is a major recreation area for a very large number of users. While I find that all users are considerate, there is significant congestion throughout the year and especially from the top of Polhill to the top of Serendipity. I simply avoid going down Transient as even with the most care and attention, I find that I am more concerned about incoming users than simply enjoying the experience. Even with the most care, it's hard not to startle walkers and bikers going up. I also use Clinical to go up the hill and I have not gone up Transient even since Clinical has been opened. The need for a new track is a mark of the success of the recreational development. It is such an extraordinary outdoors experience so close to the city.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

MTB tracks all over the Wellington region and especially Makara. However, I often ride linking Makakara to Polhill through Wrights Hill. The absence of a safe downhill track from the top of Polhill is a major concern and limits options to complete a loop back to Karori. I hesitate to go down Transient even while applying utmost care.

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It would be better to have a downhill MTB Track as shown in Proposal 1, as it would be easier for cyclists coming from Ashton Fitchett. But i am not that familiar with the details.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Allow greater connectivity of the track network

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Allow greater connectivity of the track network

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

all tracks to wind turbine, and beyond, on MTB and walking

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I think that is good to have downhill MTB tracks as this separates downhill cyclists to other track users. When walking on the transient I have had near crashes with fast downhill cyclists. Likewise when i am biking downhill I am always concerned about walkers and runners on the same track.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The is a huge amount of track use by pedestrians bikers which often leads to accidents, conflict and injury. A descending track for mountain bike use will reduce such issues comprehensively allowing users to have a safer and more enjoyable experience.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not a good idea. This would mean two new crossings of existing tracks with inferior uphill cornering and an unpleasant pinch climb up onto Ashton Fitchett Drive.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would provide good pedestrian-only access from Karepa street to The Planet Ride Walking trail.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great idea and will allow people to avoid the steep pinch climb to George Denton Park and children's play area and access onto the Highbury Fling Track from the clinical Track.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This provides good access for pest control and environmental work such as tree planting.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

These steps are used by pedsestrians and are useful.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Trail builder and track maintenance/tree planter.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Everything. Miramar, Makara, Mt Vic, Tawatawa, Red rocks, Wrights Hill, Skyline, Mt Albert etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Wellington City Council does a great job and provides great assets. However, we need more Mountain bike down hill only/priority tracks as these are essential for health and safety reasons and to reduce conflict. we need to be smarter and make good decisions to avoid as much conflict as possible.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To relieve Transient, There are a lot of near misses.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, mt victoria, miramar, wainuni, belmont and colonial knob

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainui,mt vic, miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I have had countless close calls or collisions with other users on the Transient track. With the amount of bland corners and use it gets, it is simply not safe for a two way track.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not a lot to add about the trail - this seems like a no brainer. I would not like to see the current Transient track turned into an uphill only track, it functions acceptably as a 2 way track currently, and removing traffic onto the proposed new track would make it work even better. I would like to see Wellington Council embrace mountain bike ONLY tracks in the same way as they embrace walking only tracks, as there is a need for places that mountain bikers can ride to their limits rather than the limits of walkers using the tracks that mountain bikers build.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This seems unnecessary, and anything that increases steepness removes accessibility from marginal users and increases maintenance problems. As my understanding is that BTB will be maintaining these tracks, it seems rather rude to make the work of a group of volunteers more difficult.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

As above, I'm happy to see foot only tracks in the wellington plan, and would like to see the courtesy extended to MTB only as well!

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'd be happy to see maintenance on the track stop, but 'removing' to me means overplanting or the like, which seems unnecessary.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

My understanding is that these are well used

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Event organiser

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All over the city, region, country, and the world. **844**

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

The city does a great job of facilitating the use of it's track network, but I believe it sometimes loses sight of equality. As I've mentioned already, there should be equal weight given to MTB only and foot only tracks. Similarly, the survey you quote says 66,000 annual users, evenly split between foot and MTB. Do you have the numbers from before BTB started opening up the area by building tracks? It seems to me that the MTB community have provided access to an under used area for THE WHOLE COMMUNITY, and is now being penalised for its own success. Please, bear this in mind when making the decisions, as it is obvious that BTB will benefit the whole of wellington if allowed to do so.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The new one-way descending trail will reduce bike traffic on the two-way Transient trail, which will make for a more enjoyable experience for all trail users.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Option 1 is better.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Fantastic idea. Keeps bikes away from the George Denton play area and from the road turning circle.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Please keep for walkers and runners.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of them! Wellington tracks are a great resource.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Increasing frequency of user conflict - both number and severity of interactions. I ride and run frequently, and both experiences would improved significantly by removing down hill riding to a separate trail. I have no involvement with anyone connected to the trail maintenance group other than following their social media feeds - it seems as though the group is predominantly mountain bike focussed and the maintenance, work and time investment predominantly contributed by mountain bikers, with walkers and us runners significantly benefiting from the actions of mountain bike riders. I would like to see the council reflect this contribution and if that meant a 50/50 call went the way of the riding community that would sound fair.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I would use this trail as a runner/day walker. I am not sure why there is any opposition to this? Walkers/runners don't merge with bikes, the bike riders are offering (yes with some funding requirements etc) to build a separate walking loop, what possible reason would see this declined? The 'Environmental impacts' excuse sounds like nonsense, absolute worst case it will improve access to planting more natives, and improve our interaction with separate parts of the Polhill reserve.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Defer to the guys and girls who actually invest their time building and maintaining the Polhill reserve. Neither walkers or riders think that walkers and riders mix!

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I am not sure why there is any opposition to this? Walkers/runners don't merge with bikes, the bike riders are offering (yes with some funding requirements etc) to build a separate walking loop, what possible reason would see this declined? The 'Environmental impacts' excuse sounds like nonsense, absolute worst case it will improve access to planting more natives, and improve our interaction with separate parts of the Polhill reserve.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Defer to the guys and girls who actually invest their time building and maintaining the Polhill reserve. The impact of these trails is so small environmentally, seems like everyone makes to much of an issue on it.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yea plant it if that gives more ability to build other lengths of trail, not fussed. The impact of these trails is so small environmentally, seems like everyone makes to much of an issue on it - remember that 50m from these steps is tar sealed road and cleared sections. Any bush paths should be encouraged.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner

Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All Wellington town belt and Mountain bike areas - for walking and riding. For me, Polhill is the best option for riding within non-car travel distance from town and Mt Vic is the best option for walking. I generally take visitors to either of these place depended on activity. I would walk more at Polhill if there were walk specific trails, and I would ride more at Polhill if there were ride specific trails.  
 Cross contamination sucks!

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Please please remember (noting the WCC comments re alternate options eg Makara) Polhill is the offroad bike riding closest to CBD. This is 100% unique in any city in the world and is very special. Makara requires a car/congestion trip, and Mt Victoria is a very unique style of bike riding that to be honest is to damn hard for me and most normal people. Polhill is the best option! The WCC alternate options to ease congestion are nonsense. Why fluff with the logistics and average outcome of 'time-sharing' or education when for a very minimal environmental investment, users can be separated. Agree that circulation could be improved, but a decent solution still requires segregation. Thanks for considering :)

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I ride Transient regularly and I have had many near misses.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Increased chance of collision

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, red rocks, Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great to have trail separation for users. Even though we have tried dual use the reality is that it doesn't work in a compact city like wellington with the numbers of different users we have.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Steps are bad for all users !

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak, Mt vic for my daily commute to work by bike, Miramar trails as they in my backyard

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Be great to have this finally done and agree that no more trails are required in Pohill reserve

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separates walkers and uphill riders from downhill riders Main conflicts are due to difference in speed of two groups of users

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flong

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Tracks above Polhill Gully and Makara Peak, but Polhill Gully is most accessible for me

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use this trail on a weekly basis commuting to work from Miramar, normally 1 time per week at around 8:15 am. I often come across people, I have lights this time of year, the walkers generally don't. I love biking through this area, nice bush and bird song, the more accessible and safe this area is, the better. I realise more paths reduces the vegetation and wilderness aspects, but these urban bush areas should be about accessibility and community use. Wellington has great full on wilderness areas that are in a easy drive from the city.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Vegetation loss as per the review

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Ideally bikers and walkers should be separated wherever possible

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mount Victoria. Red Rocks. Miramar. Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Mountain bike only is better, shared tracks have risk

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic, Skyline, Tunnel Gully

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The steps are a useful connector for walkers

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic and Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I regularly use the trails at Polhill for both commuting and recreation. While they are excellent their popularity means that they are used heavily by all types of trail users. I think the proposed trail would reduce the congestion on these trails and greatly improve the experience for all users

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flong **865** **851**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Mt Vic Miramar Skyline Karori Park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, and ones out the hutt

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - we support this. The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. We note that the Wellington City Council's survey referred to had 866 responses, with 93% supporting a new track. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. We believe the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. We note the mitigation effects contained in BTB's proposals and agree with these. We think the environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, and note that the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve. BTB have highlighted in their proposal that they are happy to build the trail, and Wellington Trail Trust will support them in doing this (through raising funds etc.).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No - We don't support this, as we believe option 1 is significantly better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - We support this. This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - We support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling. We are surprised that this was never done as part of the original work building Clinical.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. Should be kept and given to BTB to maintain if this is an issue for WCC.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Unsure - We believe the WCC officers are best placed to judge the merits of this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Otari, Wrights Hill, Skyline ( Kaukau to Makara Hill Rd )

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

We have seen comments from some groups that they perceive the new trails have some sort of negative impact on the environment. We believe poorly formed positions around the environmental effects of trails simply fall apart if they are applied to widely tracked areas like Zealandia or Wilton Bush (which supports our view is that any argument being presented on this basis is flawed and a distraction). As New Zealand's environmental efforts ramp up and we see native flora and fauna populate areas that were previously devoid of such taonga, we must allow greater access to these areas, not diminish it. The educational potential and ecological narrative that can be crafted around such exposure is immense.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Belmont, Mt. Vic, Wainuiomata, Miramar.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think this is a good idea, but the grade of the trail is important. It needs to suit the types of riders who would no longer be able to take Transient. Transient is not just a downhill track for fast bad-asses, but also for conservative cross-country commuters (like me). there is high traffic at 7AM of people going to work on Transient, who aren't looking for thrills, but safe, interesting, and not-too-technical descent. We don't have any other single-track downhill (the one next to clinical is too steep), so make sure it will suit the conservatives too.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

no opinion.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

all the reasons you give are fair enough, but I don't see it as a very high priority. It's really easy to link the two, even with the steep pinch to the playground. I think the entrance to Clinical is a bigger problem. It's too hard for a grade 2-3 track.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

not a track I use.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara wright's hill red rocks.

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use this track frequently and prefer tracks without steps as they hurt your knees

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I hate steps and these are a good example of total over kill. Do not repeat this sort of thing in future.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Trelissick Park , Skyline, Johnson's Hill, Tinakori Hill, Mt Vic , Makara Peak ,Deliverance, Roller Coaster, Red Rocks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I would like the downhill track asap as current Transient is so annoying and risky I have given up using it.

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Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

the current situatuion is there are a lot fo walker son transient and is main downhill form western suburbs into town if you dont want to take the road . having a downhill to work without worrying about pedestrians would be excellent.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
all in karori and mt vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Karori Park, Wright's Hill, Karori Cemetary, Skyline track to Kaukau, Other tracks around Zelandia, Carparts/Windmill/Barking Emu/Red Rocks, Mt Vic, Tinakori Hill, etc etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will make walking and miuntainbiking much safer and more pleasant

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria, Miramar, Makara peak, wainuiomata

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Tieke and other native bird species have begun establishing themselves in Polhill, which has had mountain bike trails for several years and walking trails for many. However the moving of tieke is in part pressure from the population in Zealandia requiring space to expand. There has been an astounding increase over the last 20 years of certain native birds in Wellington due to Zealandia, but the predator free Zealandia is relatively small. For some species especially, there is essentially nowhere else to go with predators and/or urban areas on all sides, bar locations such as Wrights Hill and Polhill with some regenerated bush and predator suppression. I have observed and photographed tieke/saddleback, touwaiwai/NI Robins, hihi/stitchbird, kakariki/red-crowned parakeet, kaka, and popokatea/whitehead (and others) in both Wrights Hill and along the edge of Zealandia in Polhill. I have also observed korimako/bellbirds in these locations. Tieke, toutouwai and kakariki spend much of their time on or near the ground. Others such as kaka will also spend time on the ground, especially as chicks. I believe that construction of further tracks for mountain biking and removing of the bush is completely incompatible with any desire to see native species increase in Wellington. While the mountain biking tracks are popular and extremely convenient, I believe that introduction of mountain bike tracks in 2009 was a major error. I believe that greater vision for increasing the predator-suppressed (or free) halo around Zealandia is required, prioritizing conservation. This would involve planting native food sources for native wildlife, letting native vegetation mature, and so on. Outdoor activities areas over time should be appropriately rationalized away from centres of native wildlife. I agree with the main statements in the Council's assessment that: 'the ecological values of Polhill Reserve should take precedent over adding new tracks.' and 'the focus on new bike tracks should be concentrated in other areas, such as close-by Te Kopahou Reserve and Makara Peak Mountain Bike Park.' and disagree with all the compromise alternatives which would still result in more tracks.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

See above

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Greater contiguous bush without interruption or disturbance from people/bikes should be prioritised

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:  
Bird photographer

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Zealandia Fenceline track, Wrights Hill tracks, Wrights Hill to Pariwhero/Red Rocks tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Safer for cyclist and walkers alike, as Transient is a very busy track at present.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To provide a more direct route for pedestrians.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling **889** **875**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To do away with the necessity of coming out onto the park and walk/cycle up the 4 wheel drive track. It will make for a lovely uniinterrupted circuit of trails.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Eastern suburbs walking tracks Wainuiamata trail project Belmont reserve skyline track salvation

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have used the Polhill trail as both a mountain biker (primarily), and a walker/runner. I completely support building this new trail, as it will remove a lot of traffic from most of the current Transient trail. Importantly, it will remove (along much of its length), the potential for conflict between uphill and downhill traffic of all sorts (i.e. bike vs bike; or bike vs foot traffic). Building such a trail will ultimately enhance the experience for many users of this wonderful area. Please, please, please do this!

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

From what I have read, I do not believe that this is a good alternative to (1) above.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling. This is such a natural extension to the existing trails, it just seems logical!

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have no firm view on this.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have no firm view on this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic/town belt, Miramar

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will avoid colliding with the walkers along the Transient track. Much safer for all concern.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Wainui tracks Makara Tracks Miramar Tracks Belmont Tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I ride responsibly and in control when descending Transient, but even so uphill walkers or runners often get a fright and jump to the side of the track despite me having plenty of room to stop to make way for them. I think it would make for a more enjoyable experience for both walkers/runners and bikers to get down-hill riders off Transient (as fun as it is).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would create a second crossing of the walking only track. Preference would be 1.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I personally don't mind the short pinch climbs up to the park, however I'm sure re-routing bikers would work best for the regular park users and local residents.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I've never used this trail.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I've never used this trail.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Many around the greater Wgtn area (Mt Vic, Makara, Skyline, Wainui, Belmont Regional Park, Miramar etc.).

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

It seems to me that option 1 is especially beneficial to everyone. Mountain biking is going through massive growth in NZ and globally, and Wellington **898** and should do more to improve riding in **884**

around the city. Having great riding accessible from the CBD is a competitive advantage. Surely the minor impact on the reserve and the wild life is far outweighed by the significantly better trail experience proposed for Wellingtonians and visitors to our city.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think this would reduce the number of encounters between bikes and walkers. Although most of the time these encounters are friendly they do make both bikers and walkers extra vigilant and perhaps detracting from the enjoyment of the trail.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flong **886**

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't think this is necessary and potentially impacts some of the important breeding areas for flow over species from Zealandia. I bike that trail often and don't think it is that much of a problem to do the short climb to George Denton and then up the fenceline track. There is a tree on the left hand side as you climb into George Denton that is a bit of an obstacle and removing it might make the incline more acceptable to all riders.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

I also clear traps as part of the Polhill Protectors and regularly take small children riding along Highbury Fling.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Mountain Bike, Mount Victoria, Southern Walkway and more.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think this will be a great use of the area and server to direct traffic in the right directions and increase safety.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will allow a quick exit and remove some traffic from the top

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will give walkers a dedicated bike-free path to get around the reserve.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea, this will remove the very steep path at the end of Clinical near the playground, and offer a nice way to stay in the bush for connecting to Highbury Fling

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This track doesn't add any value to the area, bush will regenerate naturally once it is closed off.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Personally haven't used these steps, but there is another entrance in the same area so it makes sense that we remove the duplication.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Regularly walk and mountain bike in Mount Victoria. Often bike in Makara and Wainuiomata.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm hoping this is the trail that's already been marked out by Geoff Carter's company from Rotorua?  
 That guarantees to be a quality trail.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Can't we add this as a downhill mountainbike track given the vegetation is already cleared? Allow the serious downhillers to add jumps etc and it'll satisfy some of them reducing the congestion on the new 2.5km Proposal 1 track (which I'm sure will be very heavily used).

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Most mountain bike tracks in the Wellington Region. But I use Polhill more than any others.

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is a great uphill track but you are always wary about some bikers coming down too fast. This will make it a lot safer for bikers and walkers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes another great loop trail

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will reduce risk to transient runners/walkers from faster downhill bikers. This makes a lot of sense given the popularity of Polhill reserve. More people will use Polhill in the future, adapting to increasing usage by moving the faster downhill bikers to a dedicated track is entirely sensible.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This doesn't appear to add anything for trail users, actually seems to add an extra intersection between transient and the proposed downhill trail. An additional intersection is an extra point of conflict that isn't needed. The minimal advantages of 1a don't outweigh the advantages of 1.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Another walking track in/out of Polhill from a different location seems sensible.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The existing trail at the end of Clinical isn't great. A better link to Highbury fling would provide much better links between the trails.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use it on occasion (steep uphill makes for a challenging run). Polhill would be poorer to lose it. Variations in trails is nice. Some pedestrian only trails is a good thing.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I use many trails in Wellington but regularly use Car parts, Windmill, Barking Emu, Fenceline etc above Polhill. Skyline. Makara. Various Te Ahumairangi trails.

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Any other comments or questions?

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I am surprised at how long this process has taken.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No - I don't support this, as I believe option 1 is significantly better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Carparts, Parking Emu, Rollercoaster, Red Rocks, Tip

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Any other comments or questions?

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Polehill is a high use area. Creating a purpose built descending trail will make the area more user friendly for those who bike and those who walk/run (I do both in the area). It will enhance the experience for all users and as shown, the community are well involved in restoration so there will be minimal net impact.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

yes - more interconnections are a good idea

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be very useful but I would consider it lower priority then the other options specifically proposal 1.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - if the council has found it is not used much. Perhaps a 'goat track' could be kept for pest control access?

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If the Council can show these are not used frequently - then yes - removing them is a good idea to lower ongoing maintenance costs

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Bird watcher

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Southern Walkway, Carparts, Barking Emu, Makara Peak, Tinakori Hill etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Zealandia perimeter and Wrights Hill track networks for hiking and dog walking. All other MTB trails.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I support the descending mountain biking track as it will: - Remove descending cyclists from the busy Transient track (this is the largest group of riders on this track). This will give all track users a safer and more pleasant experience. It would also account for increased use of Polhill in the future.  
 - Offer a more diverse range of cycling experiences.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Maintain a suitable, gentle inclination of slope that is possible for all cyclists to ride is important.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would provide an easy access to Polhill, closer to the bulk of Brooklyn's residents. It will also open up a walking-only route through the heart of Polhill to Aro St. At a time of criticism that there's too much mountain biking track in Polhill, opening this track will give a real alternative for pedestrians.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I support diverting cyclists away from the George Denton play area, and providing a gentle climb straight onto other tracks. However, I am concerned this track cuts through a key area that tieke are colonizing, and its construction may disrupt the ecological values necessary for bird nesting.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I oppose the removal of this track. No rationale has been offered for this proposal. The reasons to keep the track are: - There is a need as it is used by pedestrians now. - It provides for a walking loop and links the lower and higher tracks in Polhill. - It is effectively a tramping route and provides a different experience. A 'tramping route' is a current WCC classification. - WCC currently spends little money on this track and does not need to spend any more in future if it remains open. It will cost more to close the track, with barriers and signs needed to close it off. This is poor use of resources, when way finding (maps and up-dated signs) are needed across Polhill. - Even if it is closed, it is likely to be continually used by pedestrians wanting to descend to the top of Holloway Rd.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I support retaining these steps as they are used by pedestrians now. If removed, and the connector to Karepa is not built, they will have a significantly longer route to link to the Transient track. If the Karepa track is built, it is likely to become a popular entrance as it will be nearer the bulk of the Brooklyn population.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Ahu Miarangi, Mt Vic, Kopahou, Wrights Hill, Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

There are already sufficient routes for trail bikers many of whom have little regard for the safety of track walkers. In my view, WCC should no longer support the building of trail biker only or shared tracks

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Having it separate will make it safer for both walkers and bikers

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This provides walkers with safer option

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak - biking Mt Kau kau - Walking and biking Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Polhill Reserve Track Proposals

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

will help to reduce conflict between users

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

the connection up to George denton park is a bit of a tight one and also bikes track through the park which is not so good for the park users or the grass there. There are also houses pretty close - not sure if its an issue, but a more well designed connections between clinical and Highbury fling would be great. If it was possible to fix up the situation at bottom of roller coast with people ripping out the end conflicting with people walking up fence line in this area that would be good too .

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

im not sure why track needs to be removed? if its about maintenance then I guess it makes sense that its not there.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

im not sure why track needs to removed? if its a maintenance thing I guess it makes sense that its not there.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

for mtb all the ones up to/down from golf ball, car parts, barking emu etc, red rocks, tip track, wrights hill, makara peak + occasionally skyline and walking all other city tracks (e.g. city to sea), ones further afield in regional parks etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

### Comments

I fully support the planning for improving the trail network. Its great work by trail builders and the benefits for users is fabulous. the spin off for business especially aro valley is evident by the number of bike and people using cafe, beer etc. Im not sure what can be done about it given the constraints of space, but having a better arrangement for bike parking in aro street shops area would be helpful. The area outside the Fisk and chip shop seems like its 'left over' rough garden and not well tended - perhaps owners would entertain a big rack? I have considered the potential to dedicate some of the public space of the street to a cycle lane but it seems this would be impractical given the constrained width. Removing on street parking would be the only way and this is unlikely to be tenable. Perhaps (although I dont like them everywhere) more awareness signs that bike riders are users too would help to address the still pushy driver behaviour from people squeezing past - I've had three extremely close near miss contact situations in the past 6 months just riding from Epuni st to polhill. There might be some opportunity to create a stronger 'threshold' across from Polhill to the other side of Aro Street (its a big open space to west side) that marks the point at which people are tending to arrive at Polhill/put bikes on and off cars, exit back out to Aro Street etc. Could maybe be build out of street/footpath, tree planting. This would at least help to signal to down hill traffic that they should slow down as drivers do rip around here fast at times. It might be too much to extend 30k zone up to this point from Aro shops? Anyway, all the best with the process - I am fully supportive of all the trail efforts.

### Attached Documents

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Polhill Reserve Track Proposals

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separating downhill traffic from Transient would remove conflict between trail users and make walking, running and biking in Polhill much more pleasant and less nerve wracking. You won't need to worry so much about what is waiting around the next corner.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Creates more trail intersections which can create user conflict.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would provide a walking only option from top to bottom.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would provide a nice loop without having to cross George Denton Park

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't know this trail.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Do use this trail.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic and Mt Crawford/Centennial Reserve are the ones I use most, but use most of the tracks in the town belt at some point.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Erosion and pest introduction, parking congestion

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Ecological impact

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Maintain existing tracks and remove bike priority on shared tracks

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling **929** **915**

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Ecological impact, and shared tracks are actually bike tracks with 'walkers beware' precaution. I am unable to use shared tracks for walking with my children as there is no way I can protect/warn them about bike impact without keeping them in arms reach, which defeats the purpose of a relaxing, freeing bush walk.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This links the walking tracks and is one of the few 'free from bikes' tracks in the area.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not use this section of track

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

I walk with my children so they can get to know and enjoy their local environment. I like for them to be able to do these walks on their own as they get more independent. We need walking only tracks for this to be possible. This activity is very different to sport biking and sharing the two is incompatible. I am also very proud of the regenerating bird life, and want to protect the environment with the flora and fauna associated with this area.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

The town belt should be protected firstly for the wildlife as the benefits from this are extensive. It is not a sport park. Many bikers drive to the area and park, as this is the case, they can drive to areas that do not have the ecological potential that Polhill has. I support the more extensive submission provided by Ingrid Downey.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If it's used keep it, if it's low up keep. Don't use this trail enough to either support or not.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Khandallah, skyline, wainuiomata,

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Good work, and if priority can be given to the new mountain down hill trail. It will be a much better and safer experience for all reserve users

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Hill, Tinakori Hill, Wilton Bush, Mt Vic, Karori Cemetry, Southern Walkway, Northern Walkway, Tracks on Miramar Peninsular, Ngaio Gorge, Mt Kaukau, Eastborne tracks, Belmont Regional Park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I support the mountainbike trail building initiatives, the tracks are great for running, walking, and riding.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I DO NOT support the development of new mountainbiking tracks in Polhill Reserve. The value of Polhill as a nature reserve and important habitat for very rare birds (Hihi, Saddleback, etc) that are beginning to breed in the reserve is put at risk by further track development. The long-term natural value of the reserve for future generations (of people as well as birds) far outweighs immediate justification for building new tracks, which only serve to benefit a narrow interest group. The incredible halo effect from Zealandia relies on a healthy and safe Polhill for the rare and endangered birds to flourish outside the Zealandia fenceline.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I DO NOT support the development of new mountainbiking tracks in Polhill Reserve. The value of Polhill as a nature reserve and important habitat for very rare birds (Hihi, Saddleback, etc) that are beginning to breed in the reserve is put at risk by further track development. The long-term natural value of the reserve for future generations (of people as well as birds) far outweighs immediate justification for building new tracks, which only serve to benefit a narrow interest group. The incredible halo effect from Zealandia relies on a healthy and safe Polhill for the rare and endangered birds to flourish outside the Zealandia fenceline.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Removing tracks will improve the vegetation overall and give nature more space to flourish

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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923

Most cycling tracks, Karori/Makara Peak, Wind turbine tracks, etc

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I have been mountainbiking in Wellington for 29 years, live in Highbury and am a regular user of the current tracks, for cycling as well as walking. In a short timeframe I have witnessed Polhill become more akin to a mountainbike theme park, at the expense of nature and other track users. Polhill Reserve needs to be left to regenerate and allow the halo effect from Zealandia to continue and flourish. It's early days in this respect. The intrinsic value of looking after our rare native wildlife is easily more important than tracks for mountainbikers to enjoy, brief fun times. The higher track density in this proposal will increase volume of bike traffic in the reserve, in much the same way that building more highways increases car traffic. The amount of night riding, which involves extremely bright lights and likely impacts the birds in the reserve, will also increase and penetrate new areas of the reserve. I have also observed over the years that track users have become more courteous and careful. Problems with dual-use and direction on Transient are not as common as in the past. I enjoy riding Transient downhill as it suits my un-hurried riding (I don't need ugly berms). There is no need for a 'fast' descending track to be constructed. Even though I am a track user for cycling I have been unhappy with some of the track development that has taken place in the past, where I have seen perfectly adequate walking/riding tracks straightened and widened with berms to support rapid downhill mountainbiking (for example, the short connector track between Sawmill and Highbury Fling). I have taken this up with the Wellington City Council in the past as I believe it has diminished the value of the reserve for nature, reduced safety (people ride faster with berms) and generally in many areas, such as the Serendipity track), there seems to be more track than forest. It's ugly and does not permit vegetation to regenerate adequately. My observation has also been that the track development by BTB has been to suit their own riding equipment and desires which suits full suspension bikes, rapid, flowing (non-technical) downhill descent. As their name suggests, Brooklyn Track Builders exist to create tracks. The mountainbike lobby is quite organised and it's logical that if a new bike track is proposed, most mountainbikers will support it,. This support is readily drawn through social media and cycling interest groups, whereas individuals or groups opposing bike track development cannot organise as effectively. As a biker my own personal experience is pressure from other bikers to support tracks. There are many mountainbike tracks in Wellington and other options for riders, such as Makara Peak mountainbike park and Mt Victoria. I'd prefer to see the resources in this proposal put towards improving vegetation, trapping and weed removal, to the benefit of the bird population.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

mt Victoria, makara peak, skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I support the creation of new tracks that are sustainable and low environmental impact and take into account the interests of all users. The proposed changes seem sensible and an improvement to the current situation, and the process being followed thorough, if not overly so. It doesn't seem that one particular group's interests are being prioritised over any other's and i hope that a sensible and balanced outcome can be achieved.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will significantly reduce congestion at peak times on Transient as it will become a predominantly up hill mountain bike track and dual direction walking track, mountain bikers will have an alternative route down. The proposed intermediate downhill track (with the option for more advanced parallel short sections) will make the new track an attractive alternative downhill) and it will link nicely with Carparts and Serendipity to make an attractive long downhill ride. The existing tracks have all improved the flora and fauna in the region through new plantings and trapping of pest animals. The Brooklyn Track Builders have a proven track record of developing environmentally sensitive tracks.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

In my experience this track is not used as often as the other two link tracks, it is not an easy uphill and it meets the Highbury Fling intersection quite steeply. Removing it will remove one more intersection with the new proposed downhill track, one which is potentially hazardous because of the current steepness of the lower part of the track.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This will give walkers another access point and an easy way to connect with an existing walkers only track, an excellent option for those walker who want to minimise any interaction with bikers. Impact on the vegetation would be minimal, as noted by BTB there are potential concerns regarding privacy of nearby houses. Consultation would be needed.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The current route puts cyclists and walkers into potential conflict (if the proposed link goes ahead and the track from the play area to the current junction becomes walkers only, then there will be less potential for conflict if they are planning to head down to Aro St (and take the older more direct but steeper route), If the new downhill biking track goes ahead, potentially the older part of the track (currently downhill biking only) could potentially be closed to cyclists. If the new connector track does go ahead, then potentially this would give another walkers only route from Denton Park to Aro St (shared track for only the very last 50 or so meters).

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As one who primarily uses the Polhill tracks for cycling, I have not been on this track for many years. It would not impact on me personally if it was removed, however, some walkers/runners might prefer it remains as a quick descent route.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As above, I am neutral on this point.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All and any mountain biking tracks in Wellington City (and beyond) including Carparts, Barking Emu, Red Rocks, Tip Track, Fenceline, Makara Peaks, Mount Victoria, Mt Albert, Skyline and beyond! I also use these (but less frequently) as a walker and runner particularly for orienteering & rogaining events.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I fully support all the changes suggested by BTB. They are well thought through and will enhance the experience of all track users in this part of Wellington. Because of their proximity to the central city, they are extremely accessible to a large number and wide range of users. We need to encourage Wellingtonians to get outdoors, exercise and enjoy our fantastic reserves. The new tracks will do just that.

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**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Great addition to the Polhill reserve and will improve the area for bikers and walkers.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makra Peek wainuiomata bike park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Build more as the sport is growing and it helps attract people to Wellington.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A medium-difficulty down hill track would have two major advantages. 1) Reduce potential conflict/accidents between faster-moving down-hill riders and up-hill riders, walkers, and runners. 2) Add two round-trip routes for MTB riders (Up Transient Down new track; Up Serendipity, Along Highbury Fling, Down new track).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The short section of track (for which removal is suggested) is not a high use track and there are several alternatives to get from Transient and Highbury Fling to Ashton Fitchett. Better to use the track-maintenance budget on more useful tracks.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Fine with that as it offers an alternate route for pedestrians that could reduce foot traffic on the upper parts of transient.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea. Cyclists won't have to ride through the park/play-area.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view. Remove or cease maintenance is fine by me.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peaks, Mt Victoria MTB tracks, MTB tracks in Miramar peninsula, MTB tracks to Red Rocks and Tip track, al the official walkways. Numerous other bush tracks in the town-belt.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is currently quite busy, especially at peak times. In my personal experience, there are no serious problems sharing the trail, although I have had several near misses over the years, and walkers and runners often look quite scared when bikes come down the hill towards them. A dedicated downhill bike trail would be safer and more enjoyable for everyone.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I trust BTB to determine the best location for the proposed trail, as they have years of experience both riding and trail building in the area

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a previous resident of Ashton Fitchett Drive, I think this sounds like a great option

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a rider I think this is an obvious requirement

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm not familiar with the track

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have no strong opinion

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All the Wellington mountain biking trails as well as many of the regions walking/running trails

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I think the BTB proposal has been well researched and presented, and I fully support it

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would remove conflict of downhill bikes with other users. (Bikes heading uphill and walkers, runners etc).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal 1 appears to be a better layout.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Would allow users to stay within the reserve and not impact on the playground and road.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Maupuia, Makara, Wainui, Belmont, Mt Vic,

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Popularity of Transient makes this a very good idea. Riding or running up Transient is always accompanied with a bit of anxiety about downhill riders and runners. While I've never had an accident - just the occasional adrenaline surge, it would be nice to not have that and this is a great solution.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't think removal of that small piece of track is going to achieve much. I have used it coming down from the wind turbine - mainly when running.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good separation of users. Presumably walking includes running!

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Will make top of track consistent with the rest of the track in terms of gradient. This is a great track!

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Personally, I've never used it.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I've never used them.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Fenceline, Windmill, Red Rocks, Barking Emu, Wrights Hill tracks, Salvation, Makara Peak, Tip Track, Skyline ...

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Any other comments or questions?

### Comments

I just LOVE all the tracks around Wellington. Tracks through our native forest give access for pest control, facilitate recreation with all its physical and mental health benefits and promotes low-impact, low carbon emission recreation that is compatible with the restoration of native bird populations. Congratulations WCC for this consultative process that can only benefit all Wellingtonians. Our Town Belt is one of our city's best assets. A real reason to live here!! What other city offers off-road commuting for cycling and running and walking? This is something special for Wellingtonians and visitors.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

While I like the idea of a new downhill track to make it more enjoyable for all and safer I'd like some clarification before giving my total support. My fav ride is up Todman, along Mitchel and Karepa and into Polhill from 1 Karepa St, down to Aro street via Transient and back up to Denton Park via Clinical and back along Highbury Fling. It doesn't look like I will be able to do the Karepa St to Aro Street as it looks like from 1 Karepa St to the start of the northern bit of the new track is uphill only. This would prevent me from using this section and I am not in favour of anything that removes my ability to do this ride If the uphill section is from the intersection of Transient and the join with access from 1 Karepa st (See attached map) then it is a great idea.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't understand the proposal so can't comment. Seems to be just a design change.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It makes sense to have this track go all the way from Aro Street to Karepa St. It follows a logical line. Am concerned about the intersection with the new downhill only for bikes. Hopefully the intersection won't be at a bit of track that is really fast and fun for downhill bikers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't mind either way. Seems to be creating a new track that will invite future conflict between walkers, runners and bikers. What is the point of this, other than avoiding cycling/walking past Denton park?

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why? Some walkers like steep tracks. Makes it easy to do a training walk in the one area. Is this proposed because it is too /expensive to maintain? Seems to me be better to remove the bit of walking track that goes nowhere just to the west of this. I'm all for keeping this bit of track for walkers.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Again, is this a maintenance issue? I have no preference either way but lets not dumb down to park to a certain level of ability. Some like steps and some don't! They are a good way to maintain balance, agility and flexibility. I say keep them.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Wrights Hill Makara Peak Mt Victora Wind Turbine Rimutaka Miramar Botanic Gardens (walking)  
 Central Park

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I love this piece of bush so close to town. It is a great resource for all. Anything that allows combined use and separation is great. Lets not dumb it down though by removing the bits that may be harder to maintain or that it's not thought people like. I use it as a starting point to get elsewhere for longer rides or a circuit or a quick stress buster along the Fling and back. The work that has been done here with pest control. track maintenance etc has been amazing.

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#### Attached Documents

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Polhill Reserve Track Proposals



## Polhill Consultation Submission

Submitted as an individual by:  
David Harkness,

I fully support proposals 1, 2 and 3; do not support 1a; and have no strong opinion on 4 or 5. I also have a number of further comments and suggestions relevant to Polhill at the end of this submission.

I would like the opportunity to speak at oral hearings in support of my submission.

Please see my comments against each of the questions below.

### Proposal 1

Yes, I support proposal 1.

Transient has become overcrowded and dangerous to use - particularly if going "the wrong way" during commuter times (e.g. up in the morning, or down in late afternoon/evening). A new trail to provide a pairing, similar to Carparts/Windmill or Serendipity/Lower Transient is the only sensible solution to alleviating this congestion.

Additional considerations:

- As a commuter accessing from Karepa St, I request that the short section of Transient from Karepa St to the 4WD track below should remain two-way; or else a downhill connector should be built from the bench at the Karepa junction down to the proposed new trail.
- The proposed trail should be mountain bike exclusive, rather than mountain bike priority given that two-way foot traffic will remain on Transient. This approach works well for Carparts/Windmill. Having foot traffic on a downhill bike trail, even if the bike has priority, defeats the purpose of trying to improve safety by separating usage types.
- Given the proposed trail is replacing downhill travel on Transient, it should be no harder than Transient/Car-parts. However, the proposed trail should have "B lines" in various places to allow for harder features (similar to the drop/tree root option on Serendipity).

### Proposal 1a

No, I do not support proposal 1a.

The alternate 1a proposal is less safe than the above proposal 1.

- It would require two trail crossings (Transient/Ashton Fitchett upper connector, and Transient proper) rather than only one (Highbury Fling).
- It also proposes changing a trail (lower connector from Transient to Ashton Fitchett) which is currently almost exclusively an uphill trail used by people coming from Transient to the Sawmill, into a down only, which at least in the short term would be likely to cause confusion and compromise safety.
- The proposal looks like it removes a number of switch-backs (ie. use of the existing Sawmill/Fling connector and again below the Fling/Transient trail), near the Transient crossing, which would likely result in higher crossing speeds and associated risk.

The reduced vegetation removal justification appears flawed.

- The apparent justification for the alternate proposal is that it results in less removal of vegetation. The difference in vegetation removal between the two options has not been quantified; it would appear to be minimal.
- It appears that Proposal 1 uses an existing connector trail from Sawmill to Highbury Fling, whereas proposal 1a requires additional vegetation removal to get from there to the Transient / Ashton Fitchett connector route, and again below Transient to get to the proposed trail
- if anything, that looks like more vegetation removal and earthworks for 1a than the initial proposal 1.

The other difference between 1 and 1a appears to be the removal of the upper part of the Sawmill/Fling connector - this would not be a reduction in vegetation removal/earthworks, so it's length would not be counted in quantifying the difference between the two options. The connector should be retained as is.

**Proposal 2**

Yes, I support proposal 2. Great idea.

It not only opens a pedestrian only through-route, particularly beneficial for those people who want to get to Mitchell St; but also opens up the possibility of wheelbarrow access half-way down upper Transient, which would make gravelling and trail maintenance easier and less costly. It does not make sense to have steps on this route, for that reason.

The statement that it is only 400m away from another entrance appears to suggest that it is not necessary; however, you need to measure the total distance back along the track too, not just one side; so if someone is just wanting to get A-B along the trails, you're actually saving them more like a kilometre; plus they get to walk/run in bush rather than up Ashton Fitchett drive.

**Proposal 3**

Yes, I support proposal 3.

The last part of the climb up to George Denton park from Clinical is a killer, my kids have to push their bikes up there - and the vast majority of people going there would be continuing up to Highbury Fling; so, a connector in the reserve at a more sensible gradient is a great proposal.

As an additional suggestion

It would appear from the aerial photo/map that the proposed trail goes near to a large conifer - given these are introduced species, there is presumably no value to them and an opportunity for removal. I have seen images elsewhere of large tree stumps being chain-saw carved into the shape of a Gruffalo about 3m in height (see examples below). What a great opportunity to do something like this in Polhill; and given it is close to a kids' playground, imagine the adventures of going from the playground into the bush to look for the Gruffalo!! What would it take to get this into the plans?



**Proposal 4**

I am unsure about proposal 4.

I think this proposal should be modified to close the trail below the proposed new descending trail to remove the link to Waimapihi Reserve. However, the bit of the trail between Transient and the new descending trail should be retained for bike use as an additional entrance point for those that want to do shorter loops up Transient and down the new trail without climbing the whole way to the top of Sawmill. It would also allow another entry point that would presumably help with trail building and maintenance.

**Proposal 5**

I am unsure about proposal 5, and offer no comment.

**Which of the following apply to you?**

Biker; Walker; Commuter; Other – use the trails with kids (aged 6 & 2 in this photo taken a year ago).



**Do you use the tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?**

Yes:

I primarily use Polhill for commuting during the week; but at weekends I'll use it for messing around with my kids; or as a connector to the Te Kopahau trails, or Wrights Hill.

I also ride on Mt Vic; Makara Peak Mountain Bike Park; Karori Forest Park; Skyline; and have been to Wainuiomata trail project.

**Any other comments or questions**

1. A proper trail map board at the bottom of Polhill showing the full network (inc. the walking only trails) should be installed so that people can find the trail that best suits their needs.
2. Better signage to direct downhill walkers/runners onto Lower Transient and away from Serendipity, and change status of Serendipity to downhill bike exclusive, would improve safety and should be accepted along with the other proposals.
3. The George Denton trail on the western side of the reserve has confusing signage. In some places, it appears to state downhill biking only; in others, appears to encourage walking. It would benefit from some clarity (and potentially re-alignment of some of the corners and repair of the water ruts to make easier to bike down).
4. A rubbish bin at the bottom of Polhill should be installed, given that there are picnic tables there.

5. A tap (rather than just a water fountain) for filling water bottles would be helpful at the bottom of Polhill.
6. Additional signs at the Karepa St entrance to Transient (at the commuter path) to say all dogs must be on leads; and consideration should be given to the removal of the dog off-leash area at the bottom; given the impact that off leash dogs can have on the fauna.
7. Changing the sign at the end of the Karepa commuter path so that it shows  
“←Aro St (via Transient Trail)  
Aro St (via Mortimer Terrace) →”  
This could avoid the situation that I encountered last year whilst commuting home, where an old man was trying to get to Aro street from Karepa Street, followed the sign which only pointed to the trails and felt lost in the dark with no torch.
8. Allow for shared use of Planet Ride/Backdoor between Transient and the new proposed downhill trail, to enable shorter loops, as per comment on proposal 4.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mount Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
 reduce conflict

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
make an easier climb

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
it is there if few people use it then it doesn't matter just leave as is.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
they are there leave them be.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
All over town

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A mountain bike priority descend trail will provide a safer, more enjoyable environment. Walkers will be able to walk up transient without fear of riders barrelling into them. While riders will be able to enjoy their descent without having to be overly cautious due to walkers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All of the tracks in Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is getting so busy, it would be great to relieve pressure.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Will get the bikes out of George Denton Park and making it easier to find your way.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara bike park (biking), Te Ahumairangi (dog walking and biking), Otari Wilton Bush (dog walking), Trellisick Park (dog walking)

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The tracks are such a wonderful asset to Wellington.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

BTB want to build a new 2.5km MTB-only descending track to alleviate the pressure on Transient - this is beneficial to all users. The survey referred to received 866 responses with 76% supporting separation of users and 93% supported another track. Our alignment is preferred as the best long term solution for this area. This route has been blazed and we are confident it is buildable and provides access to scrub land so it can be rehabilitated. We dont not consider there to be any slope stability concerns (there have been no issues along that section of Transient that the new track 'duplicates'. The opening of the tree canopy is not an issue as it is beneficial for introducing diversity.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

BTB does not support this, as it would create two crossings of existing tracks (rather than one), have two difficult hairpin corners to navigate, and be a steeper pinch climb to Ashton Fitchett Drive (on what was part of the Transient track designed as uphill). We gather this route has not been inspected for buildability by WCC. Our alignment (above) should have been inspected prior to this consultation in conjunction with BTB. We offered to do this and consider the 1A proposal as unnecessary and certainly not a good long term solution.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

BTB want to build a new 350m foot traffic-only connector track from 104 Karepa Street to the Planet Ride walking trail. This provides a walking only route through Polhill that links to suburban tracks. The distance to another entry is irrelevant as that entry is multi use. The link will also allow access to Transient for getting gravel into that middle section of upper Transient. Our original masterplan was to make Polhill as accessible as possible with multiple entries to encourage ease of entry by all user types (in this case its non cyclists). The vegetation removal is less than minor (very few trees, if any, are impacted) and most of the alignment is under tree canopy so very few weeds will grow. The majority of the track is on easy side slope so very easy to build - the exception is near Karepa St which may require retaining and screening for adjoining neighbour privacy. WCC has not inspected this route so its view is 'desk' based.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

BTB want to build a new 350m shared use connector trail from the upper Clinical trail to the Highbury Fling trail for improved way finding and utility (an alternative to bypass George Denton Playground, avoid two steep pinch climbs and the road crossing). There is also potential conflict with fast travelling cyclists exiting Rollercoaster. The vegetation removal is less than minor (very few trees, if any, are impacted) and most of the alignment is under tree canopy so very few weeds will grow. WCC has not inspected this route so its view is 'desk' based. BTB has also floated the idea with Polhill Protectors of installing an interpretive area along this track. Currently there is an 'open' area that doubles as a blackberry patch and can be cleared. An adjoining large pine tree (BTB offered to have it removed but WCC is happy for it to stay) can be used for Tieke nesting boxes that Polhill Protectors are considering installing in that general area.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

BTB neither agree nor disagree with removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient (but note it can be a useful access route for tree planting and predator trapping). It can stay in its current form (without steps) as it has worked adequately for the last 15 years. It provides a different style of use for those that want a steeper 'tramping' track. If WCC no longer want to maintain it then walking groups could be encouraged to adopt it.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No

Unsure

#### Why/other comments

BTB neither agree nor disagree with removing the Ashton Fitchett Street 60m steps onto Transient (but appreciate these steps are well-used by runners/walkers etc).

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All tracks within cycling distance of Wgtn CBD.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

We agree that consultation is appropriate. We consider that taking 4 years to consult on Proposal 1 is punitive on a volunteer group that has an MOU with WCC and, arguably, has the same high level objectives as WCC. We do not think that the officers report was balanced (ie it was biased against the track) and BTB repeatedly attempted to get them to adopt a neutral considered position (we had limited success with this). We do not think WCC got value for money (tens of thousands of dollars?) for running the various consultations. We are keen to assist with improving communications on future track developments elsewhere in Wellington City.

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#### Attached Documents

File
Polhill consultation for 3 new tracks
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Brooklyn Trail Builders proposed trails in Polhill (Oct 2016)

Map prepared by Brooklyn Trail Builders

- Proposed descending MTB priority trail
- Proposed Karepa St-Planet Ride walking only connector
- Proposed shared use connector

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## Polhill consultation on new tracks

Brooklyn Trail Builders (BTB) is a community volunteer group that has been building and maintaining trails, planting trees, and removing rubbish in Polhill for the last decade. BTB has won several awards, the most recent being the 2016 Wellington Community Award winner for Sport and Leisure.

The 15 kilometres of hand built trails in the Polhill and Hawkins Hill are some of the most popular trails in Wellington. The Polhill trails have been used by the Polhill Restoration group, who have set up a pest control network to protect the spill-over of rare birds from Zealandia next door. Due to its close proximity to the city centre, walkers, runners, commuters, mountainbikers and bird watchers now use these trails extensively.

BTB thinks it's great that the trails are so popular with a variety of users. We love seeing walkers and runners as well as mountain bikers using these trails, but this means that the traffic has increased to a point where trail user experience and enjoyment – the reason people go into the green hills of Wellington – is being seriously affected.

We believe the existing trail network cannot sustain the current (and ever-growing) numbers of users and action is required to mitigate the current issues it faces. This need was illustrated by the number of submissions highlighting concerns about the busyness of the area made to Wellington City Council (WCC) in the recent Open Spaces Access Plan.

BTB proposes three trails to improve user experience and safety in Polhill.

1. A mountainbike priority descending trail, 2.5 kilometres in length. Grade intermediate. (Purple solid line on map).
2. A foot traffic only connection from Karepa St to Planet Ride trail - Planet Ride is a walking only trail. (Blue solid line on map).
3. A two-way multi-user 350m connector trail from near the top of Clinical, connecting to Highbury Fling. (Red solid line on map).
- 4.

These proposals are described in more detail below. BTB has no additional trail proposals for this area for the next five-ten years.

### 1. Build a mountainbike priority descending trail, 2.5 kilometres in length.

**Graded intermediate, it descends from the Fence line 4WD track to the lower Transient trail.** Description: Descending from the Fence line 4WD track (near pylon) to Transient trail (near pylon above Durham St). The trail will be intermediate-grade, incorporating 'flow' so it is a fun experience to ensure it becomes the preferred descending route. It will also incorporate occasional very short 'alternative' or harder lines which will suit more advanced riders and again make them want to descend this trail rather than Transient.

#### Why is it needed?

This would remove descending mountainbikers from the upper two thirds of Transient trail, thereby reducing congestion and improving the experience for both directions for walkers and runners and uphill mountainbikers.

Issue/ Opportunity	Commentary	Mitigation
a. Volume of use	Total usage is about 100,000 pa on Transient with a 50/50 split between cyclist/non cyclist. Users trips are generally interrupted so enjoyment of trails/environment is compromised.	Provide additional trail to reduce volume of usage on Transient.
b. User conflict	The electronic counter show that most cyclists are descending, while non-cyclists are ascending. This gives the most potential for conflict, especially on some of the blind corners.	Provide a separate descending trail to reduce conflict and improve enjoyment for all users.
c. MTB descending expectation	There is already a mountainbike priority descending trail above Transient in Te Kopahou Reserve (Carparts trail). There's also another mountainbike priority descending trail for the lower 1km of Transient (Serendipity trail). The proposed new trail would provide continuity of riding experience between these. Currently mountainbikers move between priority and shared use trails which is confusing, and lessens the user's experience.	Provide a continuous priority mountain bike trail so rider (and non-rider) expectation is consistent.
d. Shared trail principle	BTB generally agree with the principle of shared trail use. However, the very high user numbers on Transient compromises the experience of all users and hence, is no longer a valid design model.	The model of having two parallel, 'paired trails', with one for ascending and another for descending, is a model that already works well in this area (the Windmill and Carparts trails in Te Kopahou, and Serendipity and lower Transient in Polhill). Paired trails start and finish at the same point, so no user group is excluded from the area but removes the fastest traffic from slower users.
e. Trail closure for events	Users are excluded when events are being held, e.g. running or mountain biking events close trails.	Building paired trails means Polhill can remain more accessible during events.
f. Future trails further south, e.g. Te Kopahou	BTB is keen to work with WCC to develop trails further south (subject to master planning and consultation). Polhill is the obvious 'gateway' to the South Coast and needs a complete trail network to meet future demand. The envisaged new trails could complete a 42 kilometre loop from Aro St, which would allow walkers, runners and mountainbikers into areas of Te Kopahou currently inaccessible to them. It would also allow access for tree planting, pest control and be a tourist drawcard.	Complete the trail network with paired trails that provides the foundation to meet future demand.

g. Flora impact	The trail will require the removal of some trees and the benching of a narrow trail. Bush is regenerating from farmland and currently has limited diversity with low ecological value, and the first part of the trail descends through large areas of weeds.	Longer term, the trails will improve the flora of Polhill and will provide access to previously inaccessible areas for planting native trees. BTB will maintain all trails and remove weeds. All waterways will be protected from debris or sediment.
h. Fauna impact	Additional trail will negatively impact on birds etc.	Trails have allowed for closer identification and monitoring of rare birds, which often nest in very steep bush. No studies have been carried out but saddleback have chosen to nest next to trails with chicks successfully fledged. With the trails providing access to place traps and plant trees, on balance, we think the environmental impact is acceptable.
i. Cost	Concern that an additional trail will be a drain on ratepayers.	The trail will be built by volunteers and BTB is prepared to build and maintain this trail at no cost to WCC. If WCC wish to contribute to costs, then this can be discussed.
j. Safety	What about where the descending trail crosses other tracks? Can trails be made safer?	Design features at trail intersections, including good sight lines, will reduce speed and ensure safety of users. At trail exit onto 4WD (near Durham St) a 30m section of trail will be built to separate uphill and downhill traffic where it crosses a blind dip.
k. Impact on residential areas	How will the new mountain bike trail impact on residents in this area	The exit of this trail onto the 4WD Transient ensures there is no change to overall rider flow and use in Polhill. Accordingly, residents in this area will be unaffected.

- Once the proposed priority downhill trail is completed, BTB envisages very little downhill mountainbike use on upper Transient.
- Mountainbikers accessing the trail network and descending from Karepa St will still need to ride down Transient until they reach Serendipity.
- The lower one kilometre of Transient will still be used by beginner and some intermediate mountainbikers as the corresponding parallel priority downhill trail, Serendipity, has four short sections of advanced riding.

Currently Transient has an electronic counter. If this trail is consented and built, BTB asks WCC to install a corresponding electronic counter towards the bottom of it. It, along with the counter on Transient, will give invaluable information on user type, direction and numbers and the changes that have occurred. This information may then be used to help other busy trail areas meet their increased usage in the future.

## 2. Foot traffic only connector trail

Description: A 350m connector from 104 Karepa St to Planet Ride walking trail.

**Why is it needed?** This will provide another entry to Polhill Reserve and a link with existing suburban Brooklyn walking routes. It would connect with the existing Planet Ride walking track to provide a seamless foot traffic only route through the middle of Polhill, connecting upper Brooklyn with Aro St. It will then be possible for walkers and runners to ascend and descend Polhill and only encounter mountainbikers at trail intersections.

This proposed trail passes very close to houses near the road. Consultation re privacy or other screening may be needed between WCC land and house owners. Costs incurred by WCC in building this track include retaining in two areas and gravelling. BTB will build the rest of the trail by hand.

BTB proposes that the name of the trail Planet Ride be changed. It is also known as Backdoor but BTB suggests that Planet Walk might work.

## 3. Shared use connector trail

Description: A 350m connector from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail (both shared use trails) that 'by-passes' George Denton playground.

**Why is it needed?** At present, trail users climbing the top of the Clinical trail to George Denton Park face a steep, increasingly rutted pinch climb just before the playground. If they then re-enter Polhill they have to cross a public road for another pinch climb, leading up to Highbury Fling. These climbs are inconsistently steep, compared with the gradients of Clinical and Highbury Fling trails. Users also need to avoid traffic on the end of Highbury Road and any fast travelling cyclists descending the Rollercoaster trail. Way finding through the playground is challenging. A new connector removes the above issues while still maintaining the current circular route around the Reserve.

No costs to WCC. Built through areas of regenerating bush.

### **Build philosophy** (for WCC and may not be needed in public consultation document)

The trails will be built following the principles of International Mountain Bicycling Association (IMBA), which has at its core an emphasis on minimising trail construction in a natural environment. IMBA's philosophy includes working with the natural environment, with the trail moving above and under large trees and other natural 'anchors.' It is for this reason that BTB hand build trails and use as much rock dug from the slope as possible to naturally 'armour' the trail.

The biggest risk to a trail is erosion by water and we will incorporate IMBA's ideas of a low overall grade of descent, outslope and regular grade reversals to quickly remove water from the trail surface.

**Track Assessment** (for WCC and may not be needed in public consultation document)

It was suggested in the meeting with WCC to discuss this project that we look at the Track Assessment as outlined in WCC's Open Spaces Access Plan. Hence it is included and our response is bolded.

5.4 Track assessment • Shared-use tracks are preferred within the open space network to optimise usage rates. However, where there are safety issues or major conflict between users, for example fast bikes and walkers and /or runners, tracks may be prioritised for certain activities.

**BTB believes the proposed priority mountainbike descending trail is needed to improve safety and mitigate conflict. We wish it to be one direction only, with a sign at the bottom forbidding all uphill traffic.**

- In considering the suitability of developing a new track or changing the use of existing tracks, the following criteria will be taken into account.

Environmental impact – tracks must be well planned and maintained, taking into consideration priorities and actions to protect and restore biodiversity in accordance with Our Natural Capital. For tracks in ecologically significant sites, there are important design considerations that need to be taken into account.

**Rare birdlife is spreading into Polhill from the nearby Zealandia Sanctuary. These birds are spreading into regenerating bush, into an area that already has trails built. We believe our trail building techniques (narrow and hand built) will mitigate any adverse effects and our planting of trees and removal of weeds will improve the habitat and biodiversity of this area in the long-term.**

- Protect prime bush remnants – **There are no prime bush remnants in Polhill.**
- Protect significant trees – **Polhill is dominated by mahoe, a tree that is essential for regeneration but not a tree of final bush maturity. Trees of 'note' will be avoided, these include rewarewa and other important regenerating trees. The most common tree to be removed is mahoe, karo and pittosporum.**
- Keep track development at an appropriate distance from the stream channel to avoid negative impacts, for example through sedimentation. **One stream will be crossed and barricades will be erected to stop debris from trail building entering stream. The trail alignment will also meet and leave the stream area as soon as able, keeping in mind trail gradient.**
- Keep the tree canopy intact and not create canopy gaps – this can be accomplished through good track design. **Trail will be hand built and a narrow intermediate trail. This means most large trees, close to the trail, will be kept. The trail has to "work" for descending mountain bikers, ie, it has to have flow and hence trees that impede this will be removed.**
- Ensure that soil disturbance is minimised. Regardless of whether a site is ecologically significant, any track development should minimise disruption to the natural environment. **Trail will be hand built and broadcasting of dirt away from the trail will occur. This ensures no piles of dirt on the outside of trail that can encourage weed growth. When passing over large trees, wooden retaining will be used in**

appropriate places to raise the trail height, hence leaving more large roots undisturbed and removing less soil. The resulting 'bump' not only protects the trees but is a feature liked by mountainbikers. Cut trees will also be removed from the trail side.

Draft Open Space Access plan 2016 13 - User group conflict – A track is unsuitable for shared use when conflict between users can't be mitigated. - Public safety – Speed of travel must be controlled for safe, shared use of tracks. For example, bike speeds may be slowed using track construction methods such as tight corners, or "switchbacks", and reverse gradient designs. **As discussed above, the proposed trail is as a result of these factors.**

**The second proposal, a connector from Kerapa St to Planet Ride trail is also a response to trail conflict and user experience. It allows for a foot traffic only route from the bottom to the top of Polhill.**

5.5 Walking, running and mountain biking/cycling Tracks are open to walkers, runners and mountain bikers/cyclists unless declared closed for a specific purpose in accordance with this policy. The Council intends that use of the majority of tracks is shared between bikers, walkers and runners. In particular, easy mountain bike tracks and connector tracks are well suited as shared-use tracks. Opportunities to increase the number of these tracks may be investigated as new initiatives through the draft annual plan process. **The third trail proposal, a connection between upper Clinical trail and Highbury Fling trail, fulfils this approach.**

### Users groups

- Friends of Town Belt
- Wellington Mountain Bike Club
- Makara Peak Supporters
- Dirt Merchants
- Wellington Marathon Clinic
- Wellington Harriers
- Brooklyn Residents Assoc
- Highbury Residents
- Aro Valley Residents
- Waimapihi Restoration Group
- Polhill Protectors Group
- Active to Brooklyn (A2B)
- Adjoining residents (only that are close to the 104 Karepa entry)
- Wellington Trails Trust
- Welly MTB Facebook forum
- Garage Project
- Wellington Runner's Meetup Group
- Revolve
- WORD -Wellington off road Department
- Brooklyn School
- Port Nicholson Ponoke Cycle Club

'Misinformation' about the trails we are proposing to build has occurred in social media. Some FAQ's that may be considered.

**Will this new mountainbike track be detrimental to walkers and other users in Polhill?**

The purpose of this trail is to remove descending mountain bikers from Transient, a very busy trail, thereby improving the experience for walkers, runners and commuters in both directions and for uphill mountainbikers.

**Is this a new type of downhill and fast trail for mountainbikers in Polhill?**

No. It is designed to complement the trails that already exist in Polhill, it will be of intermediate grade, narrow and twisty, and designed to control bike rider speed.

**Are mountainbikers trying to turn Polhill into a mountainbike park?**

No. Brooklyn Trial Builders are a trail building group, we want walkers and runners to use the trails as much as mountainbikers. The second proposal for a foot traffic only trail to access the area, is proof of this.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As both a mountain bike rider and dog walker I have thought long and hard before objecting to this new downhill priority track. Last Sunday I walked the length of Transient from Ashton Fitchett Drive to Aro Street with my wife and our 2 dogs. During our downhill walk between 10am and 11am we encountered 17 bike riders going up, 5 bikers going down 5 runners all going up and 2 walkers going up. All of the cyclists bar one 11 year old rider were very courteous and either stopped or slowed down to allow us to pass. Accepting that this in only a 1 hour survey in winter I still struggle to believe there are more riders going down than going up. During the week commuter cyclists will mainly ride down in the morning and up in the evening. The Brooklyn Trail Builders state that the total usage is about 100,000 per year with a 50:50 split between cyclist and non-cyclist. The Council survey only records 65,699 users per year. I have ridden Transient many times and rarely encounter many walkers especially on the section from Karepa St to Aro St. There are alternative more direct walking tracks and most walkers including myself use the walking tracks. I am also conscious that the Polhill Reserve is adjacent to Zealandia and believe we should be encouraging new bird life to establish in the Reserve. Cutting new tracks will not achieve this objective. The proposed 2.5 kilometre downhill bike track will destroy about 4,000 square metres of native bush which I find unacceptable. I therefore agree with the Council officers recommendation that the ecological values of Polhill Reserve should take precedence over adding new tracks. The submission from Brooklyn Trail Builders shows a desire for several new tracks but has not in my view demonstrated that the tracks are needed or necessary. The existing shared tracks work well for me both as a dog walker or mountain bike rider. I also agree that new tracks are more appropriately constructed in less ecologically sensitive areas such as Te Kopahou Reserve, Mount Victoria, Tinakori Hill and Makara Peak Mountain Bike Park.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not support the construction of any new tracks in this reserve.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As outlined in proposal 1 I do not support the construction of new tracks in this reserve. Also the proposed start point in Karepa Street has very limited parking compared to Ashton Fitchett Drive. There is a very steep drop in contours from Karepa Street into the reserve which also makes this route unsuitable for walkers. The new proposed walking track will be close to existing houses and may have consenting issues and also require significant retaining walls.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Again I do not support the construction of new tracks in this Reserve. As a mountain bike rider the comments by Brooklyn Trail Riders trying to justify this new route do not ring true with me. I regularly ride this route from the Highbury Fling in the down hill direction. There is no clash with down hill traffic on the roller coaster as the track is a wide 4WD track at the end. There is no traffic conflict at the end of Highbury Road as it is a quiet dead end street with very little traffic. Route finding across the small playground is straightforward but could be improved with a couple of signs rather than a new track. Again Brooklyn Trial Builders have expressed a desire for a new track with no evidence in my opinion of a genuine need.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is an existing walking track. Although I do not personally use it I fail to see why it should be removed. Surely if we are providing facilities for both walkers and cyclists we should keep existing tracks.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

#### Why/other comments

I regularly use these steps as a dog walker to gain access to Transient. There is always good parking available adjacent to this track. Although the steps are steep they are perfectly adequate as a handrail is provided. There used to be no steps here but about 10 years ago when walking with my sister-in-law she fell over descending the track on a steep grass bank while carrying her 18 month old son in a backpack. He broke his leg from this fall. I raised the matter with Council and shortly afterwards the steps were constructed. As these steps provide good access for walkers to the upper section of Transient I can see no good reason to delete it

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mount Victoria, Tinakori Hill, Wiltons Bush, Mount Kau Kau, Mount Albert

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

As a recreational mountain bike rider and dog walker I have never experienced congestion or conflict when riding or walking Transient. I do not see the need for any new tracks in this ecologically sensitive reserve. The existing shared walking and cycling tracks work well in my opinion. I have yet to encounter any loss of experience or enjoyment as suggested by Brooklyn Trail Builders.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

this would make transient much safer for everyone, as it is a very busy track used by a lot of people.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be very steep and have difficult hair pins

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

makara peak tinakori hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The present situation creates risk for walkers, runners and uphill cyclists using Transient. A bike descent priority trail will remove this risk, make Transient a lot safer and add to all users enjoyment.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think either option 1 or 1a would be fine.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes great sense to connect with an existing walking track to provide a through route between Brooklyn and Aro St.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Such a track would be a nice to have in the long term but I don't think it's necessary. Opposition to these track developments will focus on damage to vegetation and disturbance to wildlife so it's probably best to minimise construction in close proximity to Zealandia. The present tracks in this area are adequate.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not much point continuing to maintain such a track. People who like using it will continue to do so whether it's maintained or not.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unnecessary with the addition of a new walking track between Karepa St and Transient.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Nature enthusiast.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Tracks in most reserve areas in the Greater Wellington region.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I think this is a fantastic proposal and will really enhance both the cycling and walking experience in the Polhill Reserve. It's a huge benefit for Wellington having fantastic mountain biking trails easily accessible from the CBD. Although we already have designated MTB Parks at Makara Peak, Wainuiomata, Belmont Regional Park and Colonial Knob these are not easily accessed from the CBD without vehicle transport - many short stay visitors don't have such transport. I don't think the negative effects including vegetation loss and habitat disturbance are significant. These impacts will be localised and can be adequately managed.

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- Yes  
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 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As discussed at the Drop In Centre at Brooklyn Community Centre on 14 June we oppose the proposed Karepa Street connector trail for the following reasons: Our major concerns are for our safety and security plus the removal of existing trees from a reserve when there is already an entrance to the reserve trails a short distance away. The concept walkway extension compromises our privacy and security because it is too close to ~~991~~ nearly 1100 sq. metres property which is ~~977~~

40% (approx.) covered in bush. Your brochure picture is misleading as it looks like part of our section is in the reserve. The proposed path is actually extremely close to our boundary, which like the majority of impacted sections backing onto the reserve, is not fenced off. A real concern is the walkway will provide those with criminal intent secluded access to our property via our paths which, as stated above, are very close to the proposed walkway. It will also make our property vulnerable to strangers wondering around and uncontrolled dogs roaming around our open property. We bought the property based on the adjoining area being reserve and retained the bush area on our section to integrate into our garden with paths, seating and a hammock area. Development continues. Our section is actively used, including by many children who visit us. Currently we consider the area very safe but the proposed changes would greatly impact on how we could use our property due to these safety and privacy concerns. Furthermore, the closure of a the existing access way in Ashton Fitchett Drive, which necessitates the removal of trees in a reserve to create a replacement access way from Karepa Street, appears contrary to the national focus on maintaining a green environment.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:  
Property owner

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

An additional descending track with mountain bike priority will enhance the network and separate different trial user groups. The addition of this track is welcome but it is incorrect to say it will remove descending mtbs from upper two thirds of Transient as some bike users may still elect to use the existing shared use track however i would expect these number to be vastly reduced. Provides flexibility to track network.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

While this would create another track crossing, all crossings occur within close proximity of one another and would already be an area which mtb users should proceed with caution. If feasible, the track could be widened, passing lanes etc in this section to reduce conflict and impact of this proposal.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The climb to George Denton Park is steep and narrow for the short section and an alternative option would be welcome to bike users, nearby residences and users of the park as bike users would bypass this area.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Preference to retain existing steps access. Maintenance could be undertaken by supporters of the Polhill reserve.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Red rocks, Maraka, Mt Vic, Miramar, Wainui, Belmont Mtb trial networks.

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**Antoinette Bliss**

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**Subject:** FW: Submission not working

**Importance:** High

**From:** Jill Ford  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 28 June 2017 10:00 p.m.  
**To:** BUS: polhill  
**Subject:** Submission not working

Hi

Just spent ages reading documents and making submission but submission didnt go through.

I totally support development of new track and proposal 3 - So it is better, safer and less technical connection., plus removal of steps at Ashton Fitchett.

A- I use all tracks in Wgtn region. I am currently in UK but returning later this year. I have been involved with MTB since knobbly tyres came out! I used to run but injuries prevent me from this hence I cycle

MTB internationally and in NZ is growing fast, in many countries and in places like Taupo, Rotorua there are separate tracks for walkers, MTB etc. There is already a walkers only track on Polhill which would easily enable Transient and this new track to be MTB only. Separation makes for more pleasant experience for everyone. And needs to be considered for all popular tracks built for MTB in the region.

My details · , Newtown. Gender female.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much most MTB tracks in Wellington and Hutt Valley.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

It's a wonderful spot for riders and walker/runners. Having a dedicated downhill bike track off Transient will improve things out of sight.

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Attached Documents

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The tracks in Polhill are very well used and this could help reduce user conflict and risk of incidents between mountain biking, walkers and runners on what are now very narrow tracks. However it will cause yet more fragmentation of the habitat for tieke and other birds which are an absolute treat for people recreating in the reserve. I am not convinced that the proposal is a sustainable solution for this steep terrain.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The main concern is that there would be a steeper climb onto Ashton Fitchett Drive. However this track is a descending one so why is an ascent an issue? This option would mean less removal of vegetation on what is a very erodible slope.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I would like to see the current steps upgraded rather than create a whole new track that would mean even more removal of vegetation in the headwaters of another stream.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This creates more fragmentation of the habitat close to Zealandia. I often see a lot of birdlife in this area including saddlebacks and this could disturb them further.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would help support native bird habitat in the reserve and it is hardly ever used.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I sometimes use these steps to get to Transient and down to Planet Ride. They provide good access but they are not well designed (high risers and shallow depth). They should ideally be upgraded and properly maintained.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

East Harbour northern forest Belmont Regional Park Queen Elizabeth Park

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I agree with the officer assessment that there are too many tracks on Ashton Fitchett Dr side of Polhill. I would like to see the tracks rationalised as this fragmentation demonstrates unsustainable track design in this type of terrain. I would also like to see surface upgrades to the current Planet Ride walking track to make that more accessible to walkers. It has degraded a huge amount over time. This could help with further separation of walkers and bikers.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Take pressure off existing trail and better accomodate increasing demand

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Mount Victoria Makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

It is important Wellington meets the huge demand for improved cycling and mountain biking opportunities to make this a more liveable city

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Reduce user conflict between descending mountain bikers and uphill/pedestrian traffic

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposed changes to the track design would make the track less effective, creating awkward turns, track crossings and pinch climbs

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Creating a walking only route through the reserve would also reduce potential for conflict between cycle and pedestrian traffic

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would create continuous loop within the reserve on more consistent gradients and avoid the need for cyclists to cross the playground area

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not familiar with this track so have no opinion

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Again, not familiar with this section, so no opinion

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Use cycling and running trails all around the city, particularly Mt Vic, Makara Peak, South coast trails and Mirimar for cycling, Mt Vic, Southern Walkway, City to Sea walkway for running

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

MCG support the proposal for a new descending trail because we believe there is too much pressure on Transient. Transient has a lot of blind bends and steep pinches, which makes conflict inevitable as a dual direction trail and even more so that it is multi use. Creating a one way system is the best option, which will see significantly reduced conflict and a major increase in safety.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

MCG do not support this alteration to the Brooklyn Trail Builders design because it creates extra unnecessary trail intersections. Extra trail intersections are always worth avoiding so that navigation can be kept as simple as possible. If there were more intersections, it would see more chance for conflict and collisions. This is also the most trail user centric (both people walking and on bikes) approach.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would create a more direct link for people walking or running. It would let Transient and the new descent be a full loop and let residents on Ash Fitchett commute to town without having to travel to the top of the one way system to start descending down.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This piece of trail makes a lot of sense, making the Polhill loop easier to navigate will improve user experience, especially if people are from out of town.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

There is no real need to close the track as such, it seems to get very low use, and it doesn't seem to need much work to maintain it to its current state.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

There is no real need to remove these steps unless significant dollars were needed to keep the stairs safe, and if so don't close the steps until they are in the state of repair.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Probably easier to ask which ones we don't. People like variety, and everyone lives somewhere different.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

MCG identifies the new descent is a must for the reserve to keep up with the already significant and ever increasing user numbers and to improve their user experience. The initial impact that the new trail would have on the environment would be less than minor. Canopy opening is a very short term issue that rapidly improves as the trees grow into the light well. If you look at most of transient, it is under canopy and the bits that aren't are areas where gorse has been removed and the natives seem to be starting to close in on these areas. It is worth noting that most of the reserve is low value regenerating Mahoe with small remnants of higher value natives. The Brooklyn Trail Builders can complete this work while maintaining an overall positive net conservation value and significantly improving the user experience for people on foot, people on bikes and the birds that will thrive off the higher value plants that can be planted with trail access. Lastly we would like to believe that extra bird disturbances would be less than minor because once the descending only trail is built, Transient would become ascending only. This would reduce the disturbance in wildlife on Transient immensely with each trail effectively receiving half the traffic because of users doing a loop (rather than an 'out and back' which obviously disturbs the birds far more frequently).

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a walker, runner and bike rider I support this proposal. Since the Brooklyn Trail Builders created Transient it has become really popular with bikers, runners and walkers. I often find myself not using this trail because of the potential issues around meeting other users in this area. I have looked at the the mitigation effects contained in BTB's proposals and agree with these. I think the environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, and note that the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve. I also would like to commend the work that BTB have done in terms of planting and trapping in Polhill. They have significantly enhanced this environment, along with other community groups, since putting trails in. I think that the concept that trails might have a negative impact on the environment is unfounded. Clearly there are lots of trails in Zealandia and this is not seen as being negative.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Option 1 is significantly better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for me when I am walking. I often walk through the reserve and this is a good linkage to Brooklyn.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling. I am surprised that this was never done as part of the original work building Clinical. I often run this loop and it will be cool to be able to do it without having to exit out of the reserve.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. This should be kept.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I believe the WCC officers are best placed to judge the merits of this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wrights Hill, Te Ahumairangi (walking), Mt Victoria, Miramar Peninsula, Johnsons Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

This is a great initiative. Trails are the thing that connect our community to our environment. I know that personally becoming an active user of the trails in and around Wellington has seen my interest in enhancing and protecting these environments has grown. Therefore I think that continuing to provide trails to help people use and enjoy areas like Polhill can only be good for these environments. I would like to take this opportunity to thank WCC and BTB for the work they have done to date on these areas.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

My friends and I walk up through Polhill regularly. We often meet bikes and while the people riding them are friendly, it forever gives us a bit of a fright. It is hard enough walking the dog (on the lead), and talking to friends, without having the extra complication of having to always be looking for bikes. I noticed that when they opened up a new trail near the bottom of Transient that all the descending bikes simply disappeared. I guess that this is because it is more fun for them to go down the other trail. It would be great if this also happens as a result of building this new trail. I was interested to see that it looks like the trail called Transient was built by volunteers who are bikers (BTB?). I always thought WCC did this. These BTB people should get a recognition for the great work they have done.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think the first option looks better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This gives us another way to walk up to Brooklyn. We have friends from up there who often join us for walks.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

We also walk across Highbury Fling and then out on to the road and park, before going down Clinical. Having a linking trail is far better as then we won't have to leave the reserve.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I have walked on this track. I am not sure why WCC would want to remove a walking track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I am aware that there are some steps, but don't use them.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

We have met the trail people in this area when they have been trapping pests. This is incredible that these volunteers do all this work restoring this environment. Since they put the trails in here we have started using this area more, and it is awesome. Another trail will make it safer and more enjoyable to walk here.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Because I don't want to hurt walkers or myself and there and would love to see another tack on the hill

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I would rather transient be for riders only

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makra peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Would love to see polhill mad safer for both walkers and riders

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

it would remove the congestion on transient, and improve the reserve for all users

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

another walking route would be great, make for more interesting loop walks in the Area

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

would improve the flow of the trails considerably

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

it is too steep in its current form

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

doesn't bother me either way as i tend not to use them .

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

There is regularly dogs being exercised off lead in the Reserve. This can be off putting, and is surely not good for the birdlife in the area

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

makara, karitane and mount vic, plus walking tracks all over Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It is clear that these trails have answered a need within the community from Mtbers, Runners and Walkers alike. What is becoming clear is that due to their popularity, a two way track will lead to a degraded experience for all. When mountain bikers are climbing, they do so at a similar speed to runners and walkers, sometimes even getting overtaken by the runners. The speed differential is low, the risk of conflict is also low. But the reality is that bikes can travel faster downhill. Even when used in full control. It is safer for all to seperate the users. It is worth noting that the current trail is narrow and it is very hard for mountain bikers and walkers to pass each other, or make room for oncoming traffic, it is even harder for uphill mountain bikers to make space for down hill mountain bikers. Given the narrow trail and the exposure in places, it is only a matter of time before someone has a major fall off the side of the track. This would be mitigated by a seperate trail.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would create a degraded experience for Mountain Bikers.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

In high use areas, separation of users is entirely appropriate. I support dual use trails as much as possible where there is light and moderate use. But in this case this is a very high use area.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Excellent idea. Currently the only way is to come out to George Denton park at a playground, whilst this option should be retained, there is no need to put traffic that would prefer to stay on the trail network out into this area.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It is not required, and is of very poor design. Steep tracks like this are unsustainable in the long term as they get highly rutted.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Steps block trail users of all types, whether they be wheeled users such as bikes, prams and wheel chairs.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

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- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar Cenntenial Reserve, Mt Victoria, Makara Peak, Wright's Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea! Can't happen soon enough

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

But only on the condition that it be built by the walkers that want it.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's not hurting anyone. Leave it be

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much all the mtb ones

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Cheers WCC

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be a huge improvement to the park for all users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

User of all major biking areas in greater wellington region

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Safer for all trail users

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Consider that fewer intersections provide a safer option, with less likelihood of collisions between various users at intersections.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
This would be great

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Haven't used this track

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
In my experience, these are quite well used.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most other intermediate/advanced Mt Bike tracks within Wellington, regularly use walking tracks within the town belt, including Mt Albert area.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Strongly support this proposal as it will benefit all existing users of the trails. The tracks on Polhill Reserve have been hugely successful and a testimony to what the community, led by mountain bikers, can achieve. But the network is incomplete and desperately needs a descending trail for mountain bikers to use. Runners, walkers and riders on the existing trails will benefit from this important project.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea to decommission trails that are not being used. Happy to come and help plant this one out!

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good idea as they appear to be used very frequently and are an eyesore and a potential liability unless they are better maintained.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

I use the reserve on a regular basis both in foot and on my bike.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria and Miramar / Centennial Reseve

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As predominantly a runner within the reserve now, Transient has become an incredibly busy 2 way track. Removing some of the users from the track will help make using track a much more enjoyable experience for all users. As a mountain biker, whilst it's easy for runners and walkers to move aside for others, it's no so much for cyclists. I HATE riding in Polhill reserve due to the extreme level of caution required in being vigilant of other trail users. Allowing cyclists a trail where they have priority will increase the enjoyment for mountain bikers exponentially.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Brooklyn Trail Builders have done an amazing job with trail designs so far. I'd be reluctant to alter their designs as it may mean a less than desirable outcome in trail design, and therefore a reluctance from mountain bikers to use the council design. Although proposal 1A may mean less vegetation removal, if it means fewer people use the trail then it makes the initial removal of vegetation less worth it.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Encouraging more users into the reserve by making it more accessible is sensible. What purpose is a Town Belt if it is not for the enjoyment of the citizens it serves?

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good idea to remove bikes from the playground.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mostly as a runner and rider across all of the Southern and Western Town and Outer Green belt trails. Rider in Centennial Reserve in Miramar. **1033**

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Best option!

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:  
Person

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar, Makara, Skyline, WTP

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes I do. The track is a great idea

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To reduce risk of collision between trail users

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Most of other tracks in Wellington for running and mountain biking

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Removes clash between walkers and mountain bikers and mountain bikers meeting head on.  
 Bottom one way track has achieved this and added considerable amenity to mountain bikers and walkers alike.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Added amenity for walkers

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Agree on safety grounds and balances to a point reduction in bush for the other tracks.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara But I am a regular user of Polhill reserve.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

---

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will improve safety and the overall experience for users including ascending bikers, walkers & runners on Transient. Trails right from the CBD are the cornerstone of Wellington's differentiation as an MTB destination. Polhill's trails are critical to live up to this positioning. These trails are significant economic and lifestyle reputation profile drivers for Wellington but some managed expansion is necessary. Existing trails in Wellington region, which are more relevant than the reports used in WCC's AEE, show that the suggested negative impacts have been overstated. Provided there is a well-informed trail specification developed and WCC have good project oversight in close partnership with BTB, the impacts will be minor and effective mitigations can be put in place. 'The Doctor' trail in Colonial Knob Scenic Reserve has had to open canopy much more than what is proposed on Polhill (because of removal of exotics). With limited volunteer hand-weeding control the level of natural regeneration is spectacular and has been complimented by some volunteer native planting. Bird activity is also equally as positive here as in other untouched parts of the reserve. It is notable that one of the most vocal opponents to MTB trails bases their argument on bike bird-scare and yet at the same time states she takes her dog through the Polhill reserve trails. Dogs are significant bird-scarers so her argument lacks any credibility. I believe Brooklyn Trail Builders have removed a lot more pest plants than any trail-side invasion that has occurred, especially where the trail is in double-overhead scrub. The net vegetation result is positive. Walkers already have a vast number of priority access and exclusive access trails. MTB is a much faster-growing recreational pursuit by residents and visitors so this proposal represents appropriate council response to stakeholder demand. The project represents excellent leverage of council resource with a community group to attract volunteer, charitable and corporate support for asset construction, maintenance and ecological restoration. This degree of opportunity has not been presented by the walking and running sectors (notwithstanding that many of the MTB supporters of this project are also runners and walkers.) Counter-arguments by individuals

including a WCC councillor have erroneously stated that the MTB demand is only by 30-55 yr old males. This is incorrect as MTBing appeals increasingly to females (fastest growing in Sport NZ survey), youth and baby boomers. Interest in MTB is a much stronger catalyst for youth to get involved in ecological restoration than traditional channels such as Forest and Bird and waning Tramping Club membership.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Geological survey will ensure avoidance of stated slipping risk. This improves the experience and safety (by taking bikers out of the playground and off the Karori Sanctuary fenceline)

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Safety

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic, Mirimar, Wainui, Belmont, Rangituhi, Whareroa

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I support the concept of more separation of Bikers and walkers/runners on busy trails. I acknowledge that it is much less relaxing as a walker to have to worry about keeping out of the way of bikes. I think the Open Spaces review ended up with More Shared Trails due to the worthy objective to improve MTB access where appropriate. Unfortunately this has meant we are working against the criteria in the Open Spaces Plan in order to approve this eminently sensible proposal to separate users in a popular trail zone. The Open Spaces Plan needs appropriate flexibility on this issue.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

At present Ive seen little evidence of congestion or reckless riding, but adding a down hill will future proof the track as it will be better to have separated up and down rides, presumably with walkers/runners advised to stick to the up-bike track

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flong

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think serious consideration should also be given to making Clinical two way all the way down. Ive ridden it a number of times down hill and Ive very very rarely encountered anyone going up If it were well sign posted and with a couple of changes it would be perfectly safe as a two way. Because of poor signage I'm still unsure as to which bits are two way and which not At some point in the future if it seems at risk of congestion consideration could be given to reverting to separate up and down tracks. But that is not required now

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much anything you can find in Wellington on the TrailFork ap

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I believe that MBTers should have to register with Council as a way of paying for the use of these

tracks It is grossly unfair that ratepayers pick up 100% of the cost. The people riding these tracks are on expensive bikes, and can afford to pay an annual registration fee of say \$100 If someone plays tennis, cricket, hockey etc etc on Council grounds they have to pay something towards Council's cost It should be exactly the same for MTBers

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If there was a clear defined down hill only track there would be less riders on the dual use tracks which mean more space for walkers and runners. Not that there's much actual conflict, but it would be more pleasant for everyone. It's such a high use area.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Ok, but the descending track is the main one needed.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Sounds good.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All the MTB tracks in Wellington. Makara Mt Vic Miramar tracks Wrights hill Skyline Etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Because it's dangerous having a two way track

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, wainui, Belmont, mt vic, tinakori, mirimar, and more

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt vic, makara, town belt, owhiro, miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

this will significantly reduce trail conflict (real or perceived) on Transient. Currently some mountainbikers are avoiding Polhill during peak weekend hours as Transient is too busy.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I like option one better for separation and . If anything I think that section of track proposed for the alternative route should be closed as there are multiple routes there already.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am unsure how much use that track would get. Maybe it could be added at a later date once the other changes have been implemented.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

this provides a better loop option and may mean that clinical gets more use as it seems underutilised compared to Transient

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I've not used that track

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

while there is an alternative via the main track entrance the other route adds 200+metres of walking. The steps are also never used by bikes so may be good to keep for walkers.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

tree planter, pest trapper

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Miramar (centennial reserve), Wrights Hill, Makara Peak, Skyline, Redrocks as well as others in the Hutt City and Porirua areas.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wright's Hill Reserve, Mt Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Option 1 should be a priority to allow safe biking and walking through separation of user types.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is what Polhill trail network needs most currently - to keep both walkers and descending riders separate so that for both parties their use of the tracks is safer and more enjoyable.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The advantages of removing this small bit of track have not been articulated, it seems create a slightly tidier network of trails and slightly reduce the amount of trail, however this is at the cost of creating more intersections between tracks. If this small decrease in trail density and tiny increase in vegetation is necessary in order for this project to progress then I could support it.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have no doubt that most walkers would be happy to not encounter any bike riders for the entire

length of trail. This alone could reduce congestion on transient.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Walking and riding up steep fire-roads is unpleasant at best and a small section of new track would connect two really good climb tracks. Lets protect Wellington's reputation as having the best climb tracks around (just ask anyone from Rotorua or Nelson)! Also a real bonus to not leave the reserve for the duration of the walk/ride.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It seems a shame to close an existing track, but if it is under-utilised and helps reduce our impact on endangered birdlife then I'm all for it.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Fewer intersections on a trail is safer and makes for a more immersive experience for both riders and walkers/runners. Removing unnecessary track serves the objective of only having as a large a footprint in the reserve as necessary and helps reduce our impact on endangered birdlife.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Makara Peak, Mt Victoria, 'Mystic Portal' Track, Albert Park 'Zoo track', Wainuiamata Park, Mirimar Peninsula, Colonial Knob, Belmont Track

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

As a rider I can still see how suddenly encountering a fast moving rider while walking in the park could be unpleasant or scary. This reserve and many others around Wellington are a precious resource to shared by all Wellingtonians and should protected from domination by any one group. Any development that makes shared use safer and more pleasant, and creates options for only 'riders only' and 'walkers only' is definitely the way to go

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It is good to get walkers and mountain bikers separated. For the enjoyment of both groups

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Walking only trails are a good idea

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flong **1063** **1049**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara and Seaton nossiter

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Take pressure of the other tracks. Enhances Wellington as a destination.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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## Submission

### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use Polhill on average once a fortnight as a biker and my daughter is now starting to experience it as her skills develop. I work for a company that puts Health and Safety of its people and its customers at the forefront of all its business decisions/practices - rather than being legislation and staff doing the minimum to comply, it's something that we are absolutely passionate about. A simple way to consider risk is the swiss cheese model - everything has inherent risk (holes in layers of swiss cheese) but our role (as bikers, workers, track builders etc) is to minimise risk (reduce or remove the swiss cheese holes in the layers) where we can otherwise the remaining otherwise it's just a matter of time before the risks come together (holes will align), and when they do, disaster will strike. Polhill would have to be the most heavily used shared track I use and getting busier by the year. Whilst everyone is always accommodating, even accidental altercations occur. It's happened to me where a walker or me as a biker, take action to avoid the other, and one party ends up off the track. This has nothing to do with speed - it's simply that the tracks don't cater for bikes and other users to have two-way traffic. My daughter has fallen off her bike and hurt herself quite badly trying to stop to allow a walker past. She is young and inexperienced and will continue to have accidents. My point is that accidents will happen - line the swiss cheese up and it will be serious if we don't start separating the traffic and building a downhill bike priority track would be a brilliant mitigation to what would otherwise be an ever-increasing risk for such a popular area. My other motivations for responding to this are: 1. a lot of us bikers put a huge amount of effort into building tracks, planting native trees and we are committed to sharing with everyone that wants to enjoy what we do. My daughter even helps out and we do it as a token of saying thanks to council and others who let us use the tracks - we don't want all tracks to be bike priority (well that would be nice but we accept that it's not realistic), but having the odd track prioritised for us to keep the risk down and let our hair down means we will keep building shared tracks, keep helping pest eradication for the greater good of all users, and 2. keep us in Wellington a bit more rather than heading off to Rotorua or Nelson. I have reasonable disposable income and a fair bit goes to out-of-town journeys where I can get my buzz.

without fear of wondering if a walker/runner is around a corner. Give us the occasional bike prioritised track and not only will I stay in Wgtn more, you'll attract my friends from around NZ/ the world. Many thanks for considering this. Dean

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter

- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

I used to commute from Karoriu to work but its now too dangerous - swiss cheese (just a matter of time before something bad happens due to volume of users).

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Any black track in Wgtn/Kapiti/Hutt is a regular place for my bikes and I :)

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is my preferred option

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Pesk

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I fully support option 1

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Polhill connectors to Makara, Barking Emu to Red Rocks, Prince of Wales Park tracks, Mt Victoria, Massey Memorial and around, Miramar MTB tracks, Fort Dorset/Breaker Bay, Tinakori Hill, Mt Kaukau.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I note the reservations about disturbance to Tieke in and around Polhill. These are important but I believe overstated as regards recreational uses that do not directly harass the birds. I also consider that steps to protect Tieke or Hihi outside Zealandia may be counter productive. Over my lifetime I have observed an increase in abundance of some native birds, such as Tui, which are much more common around NZ and not only in Wellington. I think that the likely reason for this is that over time Tui evolved or developed strategies to cope with environmental change and introduced predators. If I am right about that, the presence of Zealandia next to modified bush

habitats presents an opportunity for overspill bird populations from the sanctuary to develop better survival strategies in unprotected bush through, in effect, trial and error. In my view attempts to restrict use in reserve areas as protected species move into those areas may actually be an unproductive effort in the long term. While I do strongly support Zealandia being taken out of the recreation reserve for conservation purposes I do not consider that further diminishment of the recreation reserve as birds spread through them is justified. I would also query the authority for restricting recreational use of reserves as a matter of course as Tieke or Hihi move into them (if, in fact, that is what is happening). Use of reserve land should be controlled by a formal decision making process rather than on an ad hoc basis dependant on where birds choose to live or nest.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It should be further down, where Karepa divides, to make more sense to walkers to decide on a short or longer round

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

rather a connection from Transient to Upper Clinical and continuing to Highbury Fling also touching the walking only track

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Because it gives the opportunity for a round walk

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I think there should be a connection between Transient and Highbury fling for walkers only

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To make Transient safer for all users

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It makes perfect sense, and removes the steep pinch onto George Denton park

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much all in the Greater Wellington region...

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

This is an excellent logical proposal that will benefit all users

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I support having dedicated/seperate up and down tracks to help improve safety of all users

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Most mtb and running tracks within 30mins of cbd

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Great initiative, support it wholeheartedly

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The present situation of riders descending and walkers ascending causes conflict and is dangerous.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All that are available for riding.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think this is preferable to Proposal 1 but I cannot see why it involves closing the short stretch of track between Sawmill and the new bike priority trail, turning the rest of that track (in blue) into a dead end. I think the whole track from Sawmill down to Transient should be retained for walkers/runners only.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Why?

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Too many to list.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Rollercoaster is currently a downhill-only track for bikers, who travel at speed. It is extremely dangerous for walkers or runners. It MUST be classified as bikers only.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I've had many crashes on transient, the worst saw my bike written off by insurance company, when i hit another bike head on. We were not even going quickly. I've had at least another 3 crashes with other cyclists over the past 5 years. The congestion is getting worse.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't think this will solve the issue.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Absolutely if it is possible to give walkers their own track, as many walkers find it frightening to encounter even slow bikers, as many are older, and not sure on their feet.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't think its really necessary. The steep bit as u finish Clinical is a good challenge, and the crossing of the road is a non issue given the quietness of the spot surely. Similarly the steep bit up the start of roller coaster to Highbury Fling start is another good challenge. I don't think the cost benefit stacks up, it is fine as is.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Sorry I'm not sure where this is.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Only ever used it a few times, yes its too steep, doesn't seem safe, or an option people would choose.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara bike park, Skyline, all tracks out to the tip track.

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Any other comments or questions?

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Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

---

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Karori MTB, Colonial Knob.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It completes a network that will provide benefit and ease of use for walkers/runners and mountainbikers in Polhill.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This line means users need to go up a steep grade and interferes with a good design. Also -the idea that this needs to be done to stop more trail being built is erroneous.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

this gives better access to the area and allows a walking only route up Polhill

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is regularly used by walkers/runners and provides much-needed access for tree planting and maintenance

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
all of Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The time and money spent on this consultation could have been spent in other, more essential areas. This process for a single track costs too much, no wonder our rates continue to rise. Is there a process to review when consultation off this large (two questionnaires plus drop in session) is

necessary.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A new descending trail (one way) will remove the risks of descending Transient where there are frequently chances for collision with both cyclists and walkers/runners. Even with careful speed management there are still several risks due to the nature of the track and how frequently it is used.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Is this to bypass having to go through the kids park and then up a bit of the Fenceline track? If so, I guess that is ok, but I don't see it as a priority.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't know which track this is.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I've never used these steps so I'm not sure if it is a good idea or not.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wainui, Hawkins Hill, Rangituhi, Belmont, Mount Victoria plus local tracks in Newlands.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Polhill is a really great place for Mountain Biking ~~1099~~ use frequently so having it upgraded is going ~~1085~~

to be a good investment for people in Wellington.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Achieves separation of downhill MTB traffic from walkers, runners and uphill bikes. I've had a low speed 'off' trying to avoid a walker on this section; all good humoured and no damage done but would be better if there was an alternative.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unsure of the details here and if it's an acceptable compromise then go for it.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Makes sense.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I gather it's hardly used and there are alternatives, the initial expense and ongoing maintenance doesn't seem justified. required

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

There is an alternative and it would reduce maintenance costs.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wrights Hill, Skyline, Mount Victoria, etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The more we can do to develop and improve access to Wellington's trails the better. It makes sense, where possible and appropriate, to separate bikers from walkers/runners; in particular

where speed is likely to be an issue (riders going downhill specifically). I've ridden lots of dual use trails round Wellington and have never had a conflict issue with walkers, runners, dog walkers etc. We're lucky to have such easy access to a fantastic environment whatever can be done to make the experience vine more pleasurable for everyone is a good thing in my book.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient track very heavily used - a downhill bike track would alleviate this, and make things easier and safer for riders and walkers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Trail Builders' design is better for riders

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flong

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Te Kopahau Reserve, Tawatawa Reserve, Mt Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Creating a one way system is the best option to reduce the pressure on Transient, which will see significantly reduced conflict and a major increase in safety.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

MCG do not support this alteration to the Brooklyn Trail Builders design because it creates extra unnecessary trail intersections thereby making navigation more difficult and related safety implications. If there were more intersections it would see more chance for conflict and collisions.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would create a more direct link for people walking or running. It would let Transient and the

new descent be a full loop and let residents on Ash Fitchett commute to town without having to walk to the top of the one way system to start descending down.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This piece of trail makes a lot of sense, making the Polhill loop easier to navigate will improve user experience, especially if people are from out of town.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If there is no real benefit in closing it, then it may still be good for people of foot.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not unless there is a a tangible benfit to remove this. Some runners/walkers like steps.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Rangituhi-Colonial Knob and most of the trails in the Wellington region

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

The new descent is a must for the reserve to keep up with the already significant and ever increasing user numbers and to improve their user experience. The initial impact that the new trail would have on the environment would be less than minor. As seen in many other local examples, Canopy opening is a very short term and short sighted outcome to focus on. Canopy is proven to quickly improve as the trees grow into the light well. Most of transient is under canopy and the bits that aren't are areas where gorse has been removed and the natives seem to be starting to close in on these areas. It is worth noting that most of the reserve is low value regenerating Mahoe with small remnants of higher value natives. The Brooklyn Trail Builders can complete this work while maintaining an overall positive net conservation value whilst significantly improving the user experience for people on foot, people on bikes and the birds that will thrive off the higher value plants that can be planted with trail access. Lastly bird disturbances relate to these trail developemnts would be less than minor due to the traffic being dispersed over over more trails. Further user conflicts due to these developments would significantly reduce and vastly increase the user exeprience in this reserve. This would be great outcoem for the reserve and for the users.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Reduce the chance of collision between others.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Red Rocks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It would make the main transient trail far safer for everyone to have a real alternative for MTBs. The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. We note that the Wellington City Council's survey referred to had 866 responses, with 93% supporting a new track. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. We believe the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. We note the mitigation effects contained in BTB's proposals and agree with these. We think the environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, and note that the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve. BTB have highlighted in their proposal that they are happy to build the trail, and Wellington Trail Trust will support them in doing this (through raising funds etc.).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Option 1 is significantly better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be great for the walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Natural to complete Clinical - rather surprised it wasn't part of the original build.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good track for walkers and runners.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic, Centennial Reserve, Wainui, Red Rocks, Upper Hutt

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I have seen comments from some groups that they perceive the new trails have some sort of negative impact on the environment. We believe poorly formed positions around the environmental effects of trails simply fall apart if they are applied to widely tracked areas like Zealandia or Wilton Bush (which supports our view is that any argument being presented on this basis is flawed and a distraction). As New Zealand's environmental efforts ramp up and we see native flora and fauna populate areas that were previously devoid of such taonga, we must allow greater access to these areas, not diminish it. The educational potential and ecological narrative that can be crafted around such exposure is immense.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

They do seem to be popular with walkers and runners

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To avoid user conflict. Currently, it is dangerous for both cyclists and walkers.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Mt. Vic Belmont Wainui Miramar Spicer Rotorua Wrights Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

PLEASE BUILD THE ONE WAY DOWN HILL TRAIL :)

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

So that I don't have to worry about hitting walkers on my way down transient

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal 1 is better

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt.Vic, Wainui O mata, Mirimar, Belmont, Salvation, Spicer, Rotorua

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wainui, Tunnel Gully, Spicer Park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Current trial gets v. busy

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
Makata peak Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am a consultant ecologist working in the field of urban forest and stream restoration. Polhill Reserve is home to many native birds: tieke, kakariki, kaka, whitehead, robin, tui, bellbird, falcon and morepork. It is also home to the giant bush dragonfly, glow worms and a multitude of other insects. Local people began weed control and restoration planting the area in the early 1980s and as a result of their work there is now a good diversity of plant species growing in the reserve. Many of these will one day replace the mahoe canopy and become forest giants that support a multitude of life. The trail will be much longer than is depicted on the map because it has to negotiate slopes. The level of forest clearance is based on the erroneous calculation of the track length. This means that effects on the local ecology will be worse than the council assessment describes. The level of forest fragmentation and edge effects, which are cumulative, will seriously threaten the ecological fabric of the reserve. The forest is already struggling with weed invasion which is costing WCC money and has a major negative effect on indigenous plant and animal life. Brooklyn Trail Builders grossly over-emphasise the level of forest restoration work that they and other mountainbikers contribute to the reserve. The real work is actually being done by WCC and their contractors, Conservation Volunteers, and local residents. This includes track maintenance, weed control and planting. I have been involved with restoration work in Polhill for about 30 years and personally know other Aro Valley residents who contribute their time to the reserve, and have done so for many years. In the past there have been walker only tracks that have been taken over by bikers and the council has failed to enforce compliance with the walker only status, In fact, whenever the council says no to the mountainbikers it is ignored, with no repercussions for people who flout the rules. The result is that a group of people who are mainly wealthy, white and male continue to have their own way. For example, at a public meeting last year the Brooklyn Trail Builders stated that if WCC didn't fund the tracks they wanted in Polhill they could easily get the money from corporate sponsorship. They were oblivious to the fact that they were talking about public land, the reserve status of which means it is there for all people, not just the favoured few. Many mountainbikers have mounted a strong campaign to back their proposal. This included an article in the local paper

which stated that 80% of submitters were in favour of it. As a result a number of Holloway Road residents told me that they felt that there was no point in their making a submission against the proposal. As the inner city population grows it becomes more important to have a high quality area of native forest within walking distance of the CBD. Wellington City Council is the guardian of Polhill Reserve for the people of Wellington. Council must protect the forest so that that it can provide for the future needs of these people, and maintain safe and equitable access for all. Currently, the Polhill tracks, which my children and I walked along almost daily 30 years ago, are not safe for my young grandchildren to walk on. These young people have no vote and are rarely represented in submissions. Please consider them when making your decision regarding the proposed mountainbike tracks.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This track is close to an existing one and not necessary.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I use this track fairly frequently. It is one place where you can see flocks of whitehead, and in the spring I see glorious golden swathes of bush lawyer flowers along it. I always go up the track, not down, but since mountainbikers decided to use it for a thrill seeking downhill ride it has deteriorated.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

#### Why/other comments

I have not walked these recently but they are very useful for walkers.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

#### Other:

I am also a botanist, birder, fish spotter, insect lover and forager for fungi

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I walk in a large number of reserves across the Wellington region, but the most important to me is the one outside my back door. I can go there for ten minutes or ten hours, as frequently as I wish, without the need of a vehicle, and at no cost. A fine example of a shared track is the Te Whiti Rise in Waiwhetu, The track is very wide, and the gradient gentle. There is only the one track and there is room for everyone. Congratulations Hutt City Council.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Because using transient as an uphill track creates conflict with other trail users this would remove fast flowing downhill traffic and improve enjoyment for all.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Would like to see these sections of trail match the gradients on clinical

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Red Rocks Barking Emu Zealandia Fenceline WTP Karori Park Skyline Belmont  
Many more....

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Would like to see proper signage and maps throughout polhill perhaps large map boards at polhill reserve and windmill.

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Attached Documents

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic, Colonial Knob

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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File
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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Far less conflict/risk of incident. I mostly stopped descending transient except for low-use times (eg at night) due to way too much traffic. It wasn't fun to descend anymore because I had to be constantly wary of what was round every corner.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Steeper climb doesn't worry me but would be off-putting to newer riders

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm all for separated trails where possible, if i am walking I would feel much more at east on a walking only trail.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Less riding on the road is all good by me.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Does not affect me

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Does not affect me

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Wider Hawkins Hill area (Barking Emu, Red Rocks etc), Sanctuary Fenceline, Wrights Hill, Makara Peak, Mt Victoria, Miramar Trails, Wainui Trail Park & Mt Lowry/Rata Ridge, Belmont Regional Park

Any other comments or questions?

### Comments

Definitely keen for more trails/choice for both riders and walkers, separated trails are the way to go, more fun and less stress to ride and I like helping to dig new trails.

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### Attached Documents

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A new track will improve the safety and experience for all users. It is a sensible idea, however it does not go far enough. With its proximity to the central city, Polhill has the potential to become even more of an attraction to visitors to the city as well as residents. Interestingly 2/3rds of Polhill track users are bikers - Polhill offers a unique biking experience with features such as views from the windmill, abundant bird life, with the aro st Cafes and the Dirt Merchants Bike shop a perfect way to end a good ride. The question that the proposal also needs to address is how to maximise the attraction and potential of Polhill tracks while protecting the environment. The proposal still leaves only one significant mountain bike down hill track from the Ashton Fitchett area to Aro Street. There needs to be more. I would recommend that the council encourage and approve planning for additional downhill routes and / or consider making clinical two way.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a runner, these steps provide a much shorter route from transient to Ashton Fitchett while also providing an excellent training facility (I see these used for step repeats).

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara MTB, red rocks track, barking emu, salvation, zealandia fenceline, wainui mtb tracks, Belmont park, colonial knob tracks, skyline, Mt Vic tracks.

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Any other comments or questions?

### Comments

Please can we have more signs that dogs need to be kept on a lead. I would estimate half to three quarters of the dogs I see are not on leads. This creates risks for nesting bird life, runners and bikers. Last week I saw a dog off its lead around the downhill roller coaster track - a potential recipe for disaster!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I regularly ride the Polhill trails and agree with the purpose of the new route to separate walkers from down hill riders - safer for both parties.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I regularly ascend Clinical. Although I have no trouble with the current trail gradient I agree that some riders will find it challenging and keeping cyclists away from the playground and road end makes a lot of sense to avoid conflict with other users.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't walk the trails so can't comment

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't walk the trails so can't comment

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara bike park and through to Kaukau and northern walkway to Johnsonville, Wahine, Salvation and Deliverance, Wainuiomata bike park, Tip Track to Hawkins Hill, Barking Emu/Carparks Extension

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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I believe all forms of exercise and experiencing the outdoor environment should be encouraged and supported by council and the general public alike from a health and well-being point of view. The fact that a keen group of volunteers are prepared to provide these facilities is to be applauded.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara and Wainui mtb bike trails, Waikanae Rvier waalking and running, Mt Vic running

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Essential if you want to promote Wellington as a Mecca for walking and cycling and keep everyone safe

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Half the job

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Pointless

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling **1142** **1128**

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Shared use is the problem why propagate more of it

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Lots of them

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

This is an easy bike project to get right (unlike IB...), do right by everyone and make Polhill even greater

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## Submission

### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Of all the recent proposals presented, this has been the most anticipated and talked about in the mountain biking community. Polhill has become an iconic part of the Wellington CBD trail network. It has engaged so many people into our local bush and urban outdoor culture. Both my wife and I use this area extensively for both mountain biking and trail running. Transient is a phenomenally good trail. What makes it even more outstanding is that its just as good up as it is down. Credit must be given for how much of a pleasure it is to both run and ride this trail. It has fantastic gradients, flow and aspect. The right amount of light, bush cover, open areas and narrow paths winding through trees. Also given it's central and obvious entry point, its a go to meeting point and start to an outing. While Clinical technically should have relieved much of the uphill traffic on transient it has proven to be less popular. With its steep and hidden entry, it doesn't present nor connect itself in the same manner as Transient. While I personally enjoy Clinical and think it is a fantastic addition to the park, there is no way that it can replace what Transient offers and hence Transient is here to stay as an uphill entry to the park. I therefore anticipate the number of trail users on Transient will continue to increase, further exaggerating the current uphill/downhill usage conflict. The current conflict often occurs due to Transients narrow nature with blind corners. My experience on Transient is that speed is seldom the root cause of conflict, rather that especially with the trend to wider handlebars (800mm), physically passing each other causes problems. One party will typically attempt to climb up or down the bank causing damage to the trail and flora. It is also not uncommon for them to slip over once on the side slope of the trail. This can lead to trees being damaged, minor injuries and in general a poor experience. While widening the trail would be one solution, I think this would detract from the enchanting woodsy feel of the trail that it has today. Hence in my view an additional downhill-priority trails offers a better solution. Downhill trails can tend to get away with slightly less ideal terrain than uphill trails. What may be considered a hindrance when building an uphill trail can be used as a feature on a downhill trail. This may allow a downhill trail to be built around significant environmental assets with minimal impact.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

I believe that BTB have considered the alternatives and found that Proposal 1 will offer the best all round solution. BTB have a proven track record of getting things right and they have my full support with Proposal 1. A typical loop of Polhill reserve descending via Carparts means that riders will already be on the fence line side of the park. Forcing a further descent to Aston Fitchett via sawmill will detract from the flow of the park and cause uphill/downhill conflict around the gated entrance to Sawmill.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

This will offer another quality entry point to Polhill for walkers and runners.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

This will dramatically improve the flow of Clinical and hopefully improve its popularity and usage.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

This trail offers a good entry point from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. I see no need to remove it.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

I personally have not used these steps but I imagine they would be used by residents of Ashton Fitchett Drive for their daily commute. If they aren't causing any harm, why remove an asset?

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar, Mt Victoria, Makara Peak, Wiltons Bush, Te Ahumairangi Hill, Wainuiomata MTB Park, Belmont.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Relieve pressure on transient

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Less vegetation take

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Better access will increase use

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Will avoid going through park

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most tracks in Wellington region

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Building more tracks is overall a good thing however will bring more people and more cars. Would be a good idea to think about bike racks and other facilities for users of this growing network

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Attached Documents

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient has become so popular that users' enjoyment is suffering due to congestion, especially on summer evenings. This trail should be built because it'll solve the problem and make people happier. Riders, walkers, and runners will all benefit. The reason I'm confident the proposed trail will solve the problem is that personal experience tells me that congestion and conflicts are only a problem on Transient; conflicts are rare on the nearby one-way trails (Serendipity, Windmill, Carparts, Clinical).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not have a strong opinion about this option. I quite enjoy the existing short connector from Sawmill to Transient and I am pleased to see that most of it remains in both 1 and 1a.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

There is a good walking connection through to Michie St and the war memorial from here and

will make it easier to access Polhill on foot from Brooklyn.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I guess so, but it seems like a minor improvement so it is a very low priority option for me. I am happy with the existing exit from Clinical, and have not personally experienced any trail conflicts around this area.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I can't remember ever having used this trail.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am not sure of the benefits of removing the steps, unless they are expensive to maintain. If the option 1 is rejected by council, and Transient were to remain busy and congested, then uphill walkers may appreciate retaining the steps as a quicker exit.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most regularly, Carparts, Windmill, Barking Emu, Red rocks, and zealandia fenceline to Wrights hill.  
 Less frequently: Mt Vic, Makara peak.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I'm a very regular local user of the Polhill/Hawkins Hill trails and I'd like to stress that Transient is the main problem, and I believe proposal 1 is the right solution. It has got to the point where I feel guilty riding downhill now, for ruining the serene forest vibe for all the walkers and runners. I feel I can keep out of the way on the uphill by taking Clinical, but when descending from Carparts to Aro Valley, there's no decent alternative to Transient and Serendipity. It's hard for those who don't use Transient regularly to understand that there could be a genuine problem on a ten-year old trail. But it's often not relaxing for walkers: you're taking a stroll and you have to be on alert for the next nutcase who comes around the corner too fast. A few of these encounters are ok, but a few more and it just wears you out and stops being fun. There will be submitters who instinctively reject any new trail because of its impact on the bush and birds, and that is fair enough, but I'd urge people to go for a slow wander up and down Transient on a summer evening before claiming there's no need for Proposal 1. I'd also like to put in a plug for more local trails. Most users in the survey arrived by bike or foot, and this is even more pronounced when you look at the frequency of use by local. I would bet there are similar proportions of people arriving by bike in other local riding areas such as Mt Vic or Miramar, (but probably more car users in the bigger mountainbike parks like Makara and Wainui). If the smaller mountain bike areas were not there, this would generate many more car trips, and associated congestion and greenhouse gas emissions. There are few things more ridiculous than people sitting in traffic on their way to get their exercise.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Very popular track area, anything that shares the traffic out more would be good.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Very popular track area, anything that shares the traffic out more would be good.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not so keen on single use trails

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Very popular track area, anything that shares the traffic out more would be good.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainui, Belmont, Porirua, Mt Vic pretty much all of Wellington trails at different times

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Attached Documents

File
Polhill Reserve Track Proposals

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The two way nature of the current track is both dangerous and frustrating. It gives rise to unavoidable collisions.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wainui, Belmont, colonial Knob

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

As both a biker and runner that has used these tracks in Polhill for many years I find myself avoiding the tracks nowadays because of the two way nature of the tracks (transient in particular) making it often dangerous in places. A separate descending bike track would be so welcome - and would benefit all users.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient has become a popular walking/running track which adds an increased level of danger to all track users, particularly when mountainbikers and pedestrians inevitably meet on some of the corners. If Transient were to be an uphill only track this would reduce the risk significantly. A new DH only track would need to be created to complete this awesome circuit.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
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Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Only that parking for this Polehill area also needs to be addressed.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a trail runner, down hill mountain bikers are the largest source of near miss collisions. Everyone is as careful as possible, but this is the best solution for all. Let's do it once and do it right

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling **1158** **1144**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Highburry fling Mt Kaukau My vic Tip track

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient has become so busy and at times can be dangerous for both MTBikers and walkers with MTBikers using it as a descending trail - it would be much more pleasant for Transcient to be a designated uphill MTBiking trail and shared with walkers

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes sense to have an alternative walking track at the top

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure it is needed but would be a good option if available

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unless it is well used by walkers!

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not required

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara MB Park, Mt Victoria, Wainui MTB Park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This track would allow riders to descend Polhill confidently without risk of encountering other users and creating issues. With the increased popularity of Transient there are periods when the risk of conflict is increasing. I am however against the closing of transient to downhill cycle traffic. I think that there are plenty of periods when there is little traffic and that this is great alternative for riders who may want a more leisurely way down. I do believe that leaving this open will still avoid conflict as those riders who want to ride fast will gravitate to the MTB priority track. This will provide riders with variety in their rides (often lunch rides). I coach a college group and having two downhill (1. and Transient) and two uphill routes (Clinical and Transient) would allow variety in group rides and allow riders to select the track which suits them the best.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This introduces more potential conflict points as it introduces more intersections where the downhill track crosses other tracks.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

further alternatives for any users (e.g. walkers in this case) will reduce any areas of conflict in this increasingly popular reserve and will benefit all users. It may also provide runners etc with different ways to create routes of interest.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Personally the benefit of this track is significantly less than Proposal 1. and keeping Transient 2 way. While I support proposal 3 I would gladly trade this track for those 2 tracks.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I am a little undecided upon this as know little of this but have no issues with this being approved and would support this if it assists in better options elsewhere.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I am decided on this. Looking at this I suspect that some commuters would object to the further distance they have to walk. I am surprised that this is a shared use track however.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

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- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

nearly all MTB tracks in the wellington region - either for personal use, commuting, training or for when I run the weekly college MTB rides.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm a keen mountain biker. Having a designated downhill track would make it a lot safer. Improve your experience and separate cycles at busy times.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I support the separation of walkers and bikers. I love saying hi, but I often give people a fright

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling **1165** **1151**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It'll open up this track to regular riders

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of them. I travel all around Wellington and beyond

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
mt vic, makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

There needs to be separation of downhill bikers from other users

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Improves the interconnection of the trails

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not clear about pros or cons of this alternate compared to main option

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proximity of recreation opportunities is a key driver of use, and given expected population growth in Wgtrn city, existing tracks will come under more pressure

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Be nice to avoid the playground and end of road

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Western Hutt Hills, Wainuiomata, Belmont, Miramar, Makara Peak,

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, tracks above Karori Park, Skyline, Wrights Hill, Mount Vic, Wainui, etc etc the list goes on

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

the network of trails/tracks around the Wellington region is fantastic and I hope there will be more, thanks to all that make it happen

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

Fantastic idea to join Clinical and Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Removes the crossing of the proposed MTB track

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Te Ahumairangi (running only!), Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Polhill Reserve Track Proposals

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This should be made to be rideable by all mountain bikers, hence not too knarly, to ensure it takes all downhill Mtn bike traffic off upper transient.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not if this makes the downhill only mountain bike bit too steep... and it crosses the walking track twice vs only once.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes! This would be a great addition to the walking and running loop of transient/highbury fling/clinical which I run quite a bit. The pavement bit up or down Ashton Fitchitt would be great to avoid, and it will link well to the direct walking route up from Sugarloaf etc.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes this would be nice to have but I'm OK about the current ride going via George Denton playground... As is my 9 year old who can climb that steep bit.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I've only walked this a few times and it is steep and rough, so I can see the reasoning to not maintain it. Is it feasible to connect the walking loop track at the top of Holloway Road to about the mid point of Clinical to create a route that connects Clinical to then climb up the opposite of the valley and then up to Ashton Fitchett?

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't mind if these stay or go.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of Te Kapohou reserve, Makara Peak, Ahumairangi, and Mt Vic.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Safety and enjoyment of all recreationa users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Safety of all users

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling **1183** **1169**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good to ease congestion and offer more riding and walking options

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great descent and one of the iconic Wellington sections that is a great technical ride. The question is a bit like asking whether the Monaco Grand Prix should be canceled because the road is narrow and windy.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All over Wellington but especially Mt Vic tracks which I commute on each day. They are awesome..... Thanks. Paul

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Totally separate topic but could someone in council please consider using the green belt on the west side of the valley from Island Bay into Mt ~~1184~~ a place for a dedicated bike and running <sup>1170</sup>

commuter track. It would be safe, off the road and easily done given nothing too fancy is needed in the way of a surface. That would be a huge asset for bikers, families (as off the road) and runners etc.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Provisionally support on the basis that 1) proper ecological assessment is completed 2) appropriate ecological mitigation completed 3) trail is downhill only in its entirety (not just the upper 2/3) 4) appropriate signage and education campaigns implemented for trail users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unsure, poorly described, not shown properly in the consultation map (no corresponding trail matching the legend).

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Rare walking only resource, provides useful entrance/exit point for many. Appropriate ecological mitigation should be implemented.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Sensitive ecological area/bird habitat. Possibly other routes (e.g., periphery of the flat park area) could be developed.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Oppose. Removes a rare walking only track from the reserve. Very steep but does not need to be redeveloped for easier access - it has sufficed for generations.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Oppose, remove a key exit point for walkers. Removal would not add much to ecological values that couldn't be accomplished while leaving track in place or providing offset mitigation elsewhere.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Too many to list, range typically extends from Polhill to redrocks to around Zealandia.

Any other comments or questions?

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### Comments

With the potential loss of the vacant properties at the entrance to Polhill, Council needs to provide alternative safe loading/offloading space for cyclists and other trail/track users and also alternate parking (it is unrealistic to assume that everyone will cycle to the entrance). Through intensification of the trail use, the proposal will also put further pressure on neighbourhood parking, which is already at a premium due to the current trail use and commuter parking. This should be sorted by Council. Of course Council should have secured these properties already from VUW under the PWA, a shortsighted decision which not only limits the reserve's amenity and recreational function but will no doubt create a huge visual impact at the entrance to the reserve when these vacant properties are redeveloped. Need to provide appropriate trail-use signage and also education campaigns for all trail users. Would be great if there was an equal/commensurate contribution to improving/providing walking/running/dog walking only paths. There are also some possible synergies between Polhill/1 Holloway/town belt and the soon to be former dog school that need to be explored.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The way I see it no-one is fully enjoying using Transient at the moment. Walkers feel under constant threat of being hit by bikers unable to stop. Considerate riders don't enjoy the trail nearly as much as they want to because they are descending at walking pace with no flow or momentum. Inconsiderate riders are creating altercations with walkers with heated exchanges. Bikers and walkers can share uphill tracks because bikers can stop instantly on the uphills - just like a walker or runner. There is no threat of collision or feeling of skidding out of control or near misses. Riders at Polhill will comply with a new uphill downhill route configuration leaving the uphill route more relaxed for walkers to enjoy without fearing being hit by riders unable to stop. I see it as a win-win. It works at Makara Peak. We often see walkers going on the uphill trails with no issues.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wainui, Colonial Knob, Skyline, etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Uphill and downhill trails are the key to a shared recreation area with minimal conflict. We have seen good cooperation and compliance when the preferred options for both parties keeps them separate naturally.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Remove downhill and uphill traffic from the same track

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

Remove uphill and downhill traffic from the same track, and also keeping off roads can only be a good thing

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use the steps so can't really comment

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use them so can't rally comment

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Victoria, Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Encouraging people t get out and enjoy outdoors needs to be embraced more. Wellington is being promoted as a mountain bike destination so more needs to be done to help this. Mountain bikers are happy to help build or maintain trails, plant trees etc (which not many other users do at all), this needs to be embraced and also rewarded.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Even when moderating speed on transient, I have had some close calls when people going up are moving fast making for higher closing speeds i.e. other riders or fast trail runners. Sharing on flat sections and uphill makes sense as speeds are always going to be slower than descents.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Less crossings the better as long as this section is still good riding.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes sense to connect this area for walkers/runners.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling **1180**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would improve the experience for walkers/runners/mountain bikers as you stay within the bush completely until the cleared area on the lower section of transient.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mount Vic, Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak MTB park, Wainui MTB park, Deliverance, Miramar Trails, Mt Victoria, Mount KauKau, Karori Park.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Numerous around Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

this would seem to be the best /safest option for reducing conflict between user groups.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
makara peak wrights hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To avoid the cluster of families, dogs, walkers, runners

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - we support this. The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. We believe the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. When Transient was built, it fulfilled a massive pent-up demand for off-road access into Brooklyn (and beyond) - by both mountain bikers, walkers, runners, and other open space users. The creation of a descent-priority track will ensure that user conflict (in terms of all uphill users and descending mountain bikers) is minimised, and will allow for further development of trails in Te Kopahau reserve without causing 'logjams' on the existing routes. We note the mitigation effects contained in BTB's proposals and agree with these. We think the environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, and note that the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

We don't support this option, and suggest that option 1 (above) is a preferable route.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - We support this. This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - We support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it properly connects Clinical to Highbury Fling. This connector would also minimise the amount of walking and mountain biking traffic currently passing through George Denton Park

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The existing track into Waimapihi reserve is one of the only tracks that connects the upper reaches of the park into Waimapihi. We don't believe that a clear benefit has been identified for the closure of the track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Be believe that council officers are best placed to make a recommendation on the utility of these steps.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

Trail building organisation

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All (mountain bike permissible) tracks in the Wellington region

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

The Wellington Mountain Bike Club, and it's subsidiary trail projects (including BTB, Miramar Trail Project, Mount Victoria Trails etc) has been an advocate for shared trail use, and trail development across the Wellington region for over 15 years. We are proud of the work that BTB has achieved in the past 7 years, and believe that the creation of a descending priority trail in Polhill Reserve will resolve many of the user contention issues that have occurred as a consequence of the increasing use of the trails in Aro Valley and beyond. We look forward to continuing working with the Wellington City Council to build and maintain trails for all types of trail users, and to make Wellington the most liveable capital city in the world.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I helped form and maintain this track 26 years ago in order to access areas of gorse scrub in which members of Aro valley and Holloway road community, mainly the Mitchelltown society, planted many native trees which have now overtopped the gorse. In the years following the initial formation of that track I have walked there on a regular basis with family, friends and visitors to Wellington who have all appreciated the regenerating forest, birdlife and views. It is now one of the few tracks left in the reserve that walkers do not have to share with bikers. That lends itself to a peaceful and enjoyable experience for walkers. There are greater numbers of native birds to be seen and heard. Also the native undergrowth alongside the track is very lush and diverse compared to shared use tracks.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Otari / Wiltons bush. Zealandia. Rimutaka forest park , Tararua forest park. Wellington Botanic gardens. Belmont regional park. Trelissick park, Tinakori Hill, Mt Kaukau, Red rocks reserve, Turakirae Head scientific reserve, Butterfly creek and all the Eastbourne tracks, East Harbour regional park, City to sea walkway, Southern walkway, Northern walkway

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Any other comments or questions?

### Comments

The Polhill reserve is small, the native regenerating forest is fragmented, and my observation is that the width and extent of mountain bike tracks have had a detrimental impact on the native trees and birdlife. Walking on a shared trail is not always a pleasant experience. As a walker you feel vulnerable to bikes rushing towards you particularly when walking with children. Bikers are mostly courteous however in my experience walkers have to step off the track to give way to bikes. Every year there are proposals for new bike trails in Polhill and I am concerned that the reserve is becoming a bike park by stealth. As a resident of Aro Valley of 26 years, involved in maintenance of Polhill reserve walking tracks, a regular walker, I appreciate the recreational opportunities available to all. However in recent years there has been a large increase in the number of bikers and that is impacting on all other users of the reserve. Another issue is that many bikers arrive from elsewhere in vehicles, bringing their bikes on bike racks. During the week, and particularly at weekends this results in increased vehicular traffic on our narrow streets and often difficulties for local residents to park near their own home.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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**1196**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Love this track been walking this track ever since it was opened. Enjoy the direct route....

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Family all walkers....it is what I do for entertainment health and well being

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I enjoy walking around these hills where I live. Been here for 26 years.

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### Submission

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- Unsure

Why/other comments

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This is a significant and material overstatement. I have walked along a large proportion of this proposed new trail following the blazing markers. I saw a variety of vegetation areas including areas of gorse/blackberry, large areas of spread out and sparse bush/trees where I would expect no vegetation or trees to be removed, as well as some more denser areas of vegetation. I would expect that where vegetation does need to be removed, this would quickly be replaced by fresh and new bush.

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I support the building of a new 350m walking track between Transient/Planet Ride and Karepa Street. This track will: - Provide easy access to the upper reserve from public transport with bus stops close to the start of the track - Opens up a short and pleasant loop walk (new track, upper Transient back to Aston Fitchett Drive) - Provides a complete top to bottom walking only track

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

## Why/other comments

I strongly support the building of a new 350m connector track between the top of the Clinical and Highbury Fling tracks. The new track will provide an excellent and natural connector that will enhance the track network with minimal environmental impact. It will: - Provide an excellent and natural connection between the Clinical and Highbury Fling tracks. - Alleviate the need for the sharp pitch climb up to George Denton Park. This pitch climb is difficult and off-putting particularly to newer and younger cyclists. - Enable walkers, cyclists and other users to remain in the reserve without needing to enter the road. - Encourage further environmental and conservation efforts such as the removal to the blackberry patches. The environmental impact of the proposed track is very minor. I have walked along the new track line (as blazed) and I observed: - The proposed track runs through very sparse and relatively low quality regenerating bush, much of which is extremely young. It is hard to see how the building of this track will have much (if any) impact on mature or important bush. - The sparse nature of the bush means that minimal (negligible) clearance of existing bush and vegetation will actually occur. - Track runs alongside blackberry patches. - I would expect that the new track would have negligible impact on the canopy cover, as the track build would avoid the larger or older bush that provides the canopy. - Bush is not concentrated/dense and is very easy to walk through even with no track. - The track will be an easy track to build with low soil disturbance. - In any event, track is very short meaning that impact is minor. - While track looks nearby to other tracks on the map, the tracks are still well isolated from each other.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

I suspect this track only sees modest use, although I don't see any benefit from closing it.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

These steps get a reasonable amount of use and I'm not aware of any issues being caused.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Sawmill, Fenceline, Carparts, Windmill, Carparts Extension, Barking Emu, Red Rocks, Makara Peak etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

It's great to see the existing Polhill trails getting the significant use that they get, including walkers, runners and bikers. I personally commute (bike) daily up either the Transient or Clinical/Highbury Fling tracks enjoying the well-built tracks, the regenerating bush, the birdsong and the exercise! Transient is a particularly busy track, and I only very rarely get from the bottom to the top without coming across someone else, even on dark, wet, wintery, cold Friday evenings in July! I also find that the different types of users are ordinarily courteous to each other. I would like to call out the Brooklyn Trail Builders and the Polhill Restoration Group who have done a fantastic job in developing the Polhill Reserve. The development of the Polhill tracks has also been highly positive for the environment and area. The Brooklyn Trail Builders and Polhill Restoration Group, alongside others, have done a fantastic job of supporting the environment in the gully. The BTB: - Have built a track network that is enjoyed by multiple types of users - Have built trails that are sensitive to the environment - Continue to actively maintain these tracks - Are responsible for cleaning up large amounts of rubbish left and dumped in the reserve - Have cleared gorse, blackberry and other weed patches from the reserve - Planted numerous quality natives - The tracks have opened up the gully to enable many people to experience this developing environment, who are in turn now assisting in its ongoing development - This track network has enabled others to establish the predator trapping network. It's fantastic to see the reserve regenerating from the previous farmland and native birds returning. The evidence is that these birds are settling into the reserve amongst the existing track network, as also occurs amongst the Zealandia tracks, which appears contrary to the Council officers' suggestions. My hope is that Polhill is just the start of the environmental reclamation and development, and that the Council and locals will seek to broaden the environmental reclamation south into Carey's Gully/east of the turbine, and out to the south coast. I would like to speak to my submission in person. David Butterfield 2 July 2017 (I'll also email a formatted version of this submission. I've tried uploading it but not sure if its attached)

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# Polhill Reserve track proposals- Submission

## Section 1 – your details

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**You are making his submission:** as an individual

I would like to speak to my submission in person.

## Section 2 — questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

1. Do you support the following proposals:

### **Proposal 1: new 2.5km mountain bike priority downhill**

**Do you support this proposal?** Yes.

#### **Why/other comments**

I strongly support the building off a new 2.5km mountain bike priority downhill track.

The new track will significantly improve the enjoyment and safety of all users (walkers, bikers and runners) while having only a limited environmental impact.

I support the shared track philosophy. It's great to have resources (tracks) that a wide range of users can use to enjoy the reserve and area. I understand that there is around a 50/50 split between walkers/runners and bikers using the Transient track.

However, the shared track philosophy of the existing Transient track is failing due to its high usage and busyness. High usage leads to incidents (e.g. collisions or near misses) and reduces the enjoyment of those using the track – both walkers and cyclists. Walkers are less relaxed due to the need to be alert for what might be coming and bikers need to stop on a regular basis for other users and bikers. About two thirds of the respondents in the City Council's recent survey reported to having experienced at least one incident while using the Polhill Reserve tracks. I have experienced both collisions and near misses and my wife won't even use the Transient track due to its busyness.

New tracks are needed to separate users due to this high level of activity and to mitigate these issues. In the recent City Council survey, a very high 93% of all respondents were supportive of adding a further track or tracks and over three quarters supported the separation of users.

The lower Transient Track which is paired with the bike priority downhill Serendipity Track works really well due to the separation of users. Likewise, the paired uphill biking/walking Clinical Track and bike priority downhill Squatters Track, and the uphill biking/walking Windmill Track and the bike priority downhill Carparts tracks also all work extremely well.

A new dedicated bike downhill track would largely alleviate these issues and reduce this significant user conflict that arises from Transient's busyness. This new track would make Transient a far more enjoyable track for all users, be they walkers, runners or mountain bikers.

#### *Environmental impact*

I disagree with the estimated vegetation clearance calculated by council officers (page 4, assessment of BTB proposal). The Council states that the descending track is approximately 2.2 kilometres long and at an average of 800 millimetres wide this will result in 1760 square metres of vegetation clearance. This is a significant and material overstatement.

I have walked along a large proportion of this proposed new trail following the blazing markers. I saw a variety of vegetation areas including areas of gorse/blackberry, large areas of spread out and sparse bush/trees where I would expect no vegetation or trees to be removed, as well as some more denser areas of vegetation.

I would expect that where vegetation does need to be removed, this would quickly be replaced by fresh and new bush.

#### **Proposal 1a: alternative option for proposal 1**

**Do you support this proposal?** No.

#### **Why/other comments**

I strongly disagree with the potential alternative option 1a for the top of the new track below Ashton Fitchett Drive.

This potential alternative 1a option has disadvantages:

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- The existing Transient to Highbury Fling connector (that the Council is suggesting making downhill only) is a well-used (particularly uphill) and easy graded track between Transient and Ashton Fitchett Drive
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The existing Polhill tracks have been built in a way that is sensitive to the surrounding environment and I would expect this part of the track to be built with the same sensitivity.

### **Proposal 2: new 350m walking track**

**Do you support this proposal?** Yes.

#### **Why/other comments**

I support the building of a new 350m walking track between Transient/Planet Ride and Karepa Street.

This track will:

- Provide easy access to the upper reserve from public transport with bus stops close to the start of the track
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### **Proposal 3: new 350m connector trail Clinical to Highbury Fling**

**Do you support this proposal?** Yes.

#### **Why/other comments**

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The new track will provide an excellent and natural connector that will enhance the track network with minimal environmental impact.

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- Provide an excellent and natural connection between the Clinical and Highbury Fling tracks.

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- While track looks nearby to other tracks on the map, the tracks are still well isolated from each other.

#### **Proposal 4: close steep track**

**Do you support this proposal?** Unsure.

#### **Why/other comments**

I suspect this track only sees modest use, although I don't see any benefit from closing it.

#### **Proposal 5: close steps**

**Do you support this proposal?** Unsure.

#### **Why/other comments**

These steps get a reasonable amount of use and I'm not aware of any issues being caused.

## 2. Which of the following apply to you?

Biker, walker, commuter

### 3. Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

Yes.

Sawmill, Fenceline, Carparts, Windmill, Carparts Extension, Barking Emu, Red Rocks, Makara Peak etc.

### 4. Any other comments or questions?

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I would like to speak to my submission in person.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is definitely a thing to do. As a both walker and biker, I consciously avoid transient due to 1) the dual direction nature of that track 2) the amount of users. As a 2 way it is neither good for bikers or walkers. As a biker/walker I don't want to hit by someone, more so I don't want to hit someone as I come downhill, and I'm not a fast rider at 50 years old. Thus a downhill track is an absolute necessity to: a) support the significant numbers of Wellingtonians and others who want to enjoy this amazing area. b) improve/enhance the experience of all users. Would add the notion of 'bike priority' is flawed. In the interest of the safety of all, it needs to be solely bike. This probably does not meet the aspirations of all constituents but safety should be paramount, and clear demarcation of access should be the case. Solely for bikers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why, the 1A proposal crosses tracks in 3 locations as compared to 1 crossing in proposal 1. 3 crossings are dangerous. More so the proposal 1 crossing occurs at the junction of existing tracks. If not considered, the proposal 1 intersection should be developed as a mini-hub whereby there is good visibility, space to stop/rest/meet etc. I know this affects the extent of vegetation however its about safety and removing trail conflict. My most recent ride, I came across about 6 riders who had stopped, which is fine. Having a 'hub' (about size if the clearing with the seats and nikau on Clinical is probably about right), would allow this to happen safely. If you think about a group of varying skills riding together, they will naturally stop at points such as this to wait for others etc.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a perfectly good idea.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As you may ascertain from my address I live close to George Denton park. I have 2 young children and often use the playground equipment. To me, this is Highbury's 'public space' a place of gathering for the local community. We don't have a suburban centre like Kelburn with a church, a diary, a school etc. where people naturally cross, gather for whatever reason. In this situation we should want people to 'bump' into each other and interact socially. I've never seen any bike/park user conflict. Safety does need to be considered, and I think the improvements made about 18 months ago(?) do well to address this. Generally most people are not going fast as the last section of Clinical is steep so you generally need to catch your breath. Agreeably it is the situation of a young child chasing a ball or making a sudden action towards the bike route is possible but very limited situation and as I said the speed of bikers is minimal at best. Further to this I understand this is be 'quality' bush, which should not be compromised for what I perceive as a separation of users/society. I'd guess there is a significant elevation change from where the base of the connector is proposed to elevate to Highbury Fling, and as it shows it doubles back on itself, so to me it's effect on the bush is significant. Not far from here on one of many walks with my baby daughter I've seen 3 saddlebacks in one tree. I wouldn't want that to be affected.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think removing track this is unnecessary. There are trampers out there who enjoy a more challenging experience. Selfishly as a biker, I've come across people who are tramping the harder tracks like Deliverance, but if there were options like this then they would be less likely to consider these tracks.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As I support the creation of the connection to 104 Karepa Street.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Wrights Hill, Johnson Hill, Makara, Mt Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Please do this. At the very least proposal 1. I think it would make the use of Polhill are far superior experience for all. I think BTB, and the likes of Polhill Restoration are great contributors to what make Wellington a great place to live. They play a quasi-guardian role to a fantastic asset / environment. This relieves some of the burden from WCC. Its not just the trail building, its the planting, trap maintenance etc.

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All various mob tracks in the region and lots of walkingtramping tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is a very congested trail as a result of its own success. However, the experience of using the trail is starting to become difficult because of this. Users of Polhill reserve will have a far better experience if most of the downhill mountain bike traffic is diverted to a new track. It will make the experience of using the reserve more serene and reduce the chances of collisions.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal 1 is a far better option.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This provides greater connectivity and makes it easier for more walkers and runners to access the reserve.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Currently the process of getting from Clinical to Highbury Fling is poorly marked, steep, and unsuitable for many beginner mountain bikers. The user experience of the reserve would be significantly improved with this connection, because it would allow people to continue their walk/run/ride on a gentle graded track without having to leave the forest.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

My friends and I love the challenge of running up this track. Not only does it make you fit, but it's a direct route if you are trying to fit in a run to the windmill and only have a limited amount of time to go running.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't mind - it would be nice to replant this area if it's unused, but if there is a legitimate case for leaving the steps open then that's okay.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Biking: Makara Peak, Wright's Hill, Miramar Trail Project, Wainuiomata, Belmont Regional Park  
 Running: All of the above plus Trelissick Park and Otari Wilton's Bush

Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Some people have raised the concern of the environmental impact of building new trails. However, the long term effect of building these trails is that more people will be able to walk, bike, or run in Polhill Reserve. This will, in turn, make more people interested in giving back to the area, by joining Polhill Restoration Project or similar.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have used transient a lot and it is not safe being such a tight and narrow track to have downhill mountain bikes sharing with walkers and uphill mountain bikes.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All mountain bike tracks from aro st through to makara peak, the south coast and the skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Safety. 2 way tracks are safest and more enjoyable.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Most of them

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

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**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic; all Wellington biking tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will reduce the risk of an accident from downhill travelling mountain bikes colliding with uphill travelling traffic.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. The Wellington City Council's survey referred to had 866 responses, with 93% supporting a new track. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. The new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. The environmental effects of the new trail are able to be managed, and the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Option 1 is much better

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. This should be kept. WCC could get BTB to maintain this trail if this is an issue for WCC.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Miramar, Te ahumairangi, Skyline, everywhere

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

As New Zealand's environmental efforts ramp up and we see native flora and fauna populate areas that were previously devoid of such taonga, we must allow greater access to these areas, not diminish it. The educational potential and ecological narrative that can be crafted around such exposure is immense.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara, Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline Makara Belmont

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The new trail should enhance the experience of all users in this area, and will reduce the risk of collisions occurring.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. This should be kept. WCC could get BTB to maintain this trail.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I believe the WCC officers are best placed to judge the merits of this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is a popular 2-ways trail, which can see a lot of traffic both ways particularly in summer. Downhill trail will reduce risk and make experience more enjoyable by all users.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Carpark, windmill, barking emu, serendipity

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm a runner who regularly uses Polhill's tracks. A new downhill track would aid lowering the risk of collision.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would give better access for non-bikers to the reserve

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling **1250** **1236**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This new track would link Clinical to Highland Fling well.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Please leave this track in - although steep for MTBs, walkers and runners can still use this

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I'm a regular trail runner, living in Paparangi. My routes around the City include the Skyline, City to Sea, Mt Vic, te Ahumairangi and Trelissick Park. Further afield, I run in Belmont, Keith George Memorial Park, Blue Mountains and the Hutt river trail.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - we support this. The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. We note that the Wellington City Council's survey referred to had 866 responses, with 93% supporting a new track. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. We believe the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. We note the mitigation effects contained in BTB's proposals and agree with these. We think the environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, and note that the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve. BTB have highlighted in their proposal that they are happy to build the trail, and Wellington Trail Trust will support them in doing this (through raising funds etc.).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No - We don't support this, as we believe option 1 is significantly better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - We support this. This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - We support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling. We are surprised that this was never done as part of the original work building Clinical.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. This should be kept. WCC could get BTB to maintain this trail if this is an issue for WCC.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Unsure - We believe the WCC officers are best placed to judge the merits of this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes

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No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

We have seen comments from some groups that they perceive the new trails have some sort of negative impact on the environment. We believe poorly formed positions around the environmental effects of trails simply fall apart if they are applied to widely tracked areas like Zealandia or Wilton Bush. As New Zealand's environmental efforts ramp up and we see native flora and fauna populate areas that were previously devoid of such taonga, we must allow greater access to these areas which enable more people to appreciate the environment, not diminish it. The educational potential and ecological narrative that can be crafted around such exposure is immense.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To separate pedestrians and cyclist. As a runner and mountain biker who uses the trails separating downhill traffic is important for safety.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal 1 is a better option

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Belmont, Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To separate dh bikers off transient

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Doesn't seem worth it

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Is it worth it?

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flats **1257** **1243**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Existing steep Trail isn't that bad. Also fine to come out to park, and no problem crossing road at top either.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No real problem with steep track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why remove them? They are awesome feat of engineering and are not defective, though admittedly underused.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Heaps! Everywhere. I love the outdoors. You build a track and I'll ride/walk/run it.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I agree with the need for an extra downhill track in poleHill for bikers. The existing walking track there is vastly under used as walkers prefer transient. The walking track does not need steps

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added to it. It has existed as it is for ages prior to transient being built. I also don't see the need to change tiny bits of track, removing vegetation for minimal impact.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To take the pressure of the existing trails. To make it safer for all users. I live in Brooklyn and both walk and ride in Polhill

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It would be a nice option. good as part of the greater plan.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flats

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I find it ok, Remove it if its to hard for people to walk or it uneconomical to maintain.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use these a lot.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most wellington trails for walking and riding

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I can then safely walk my dogs on the tracks

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

This is great for running

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Will reduce pressure and the risk of collision.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Currently a steep and odd way to link the trails.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara, Mt Kaukau, Wainuiomata, Colonial Nob

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I support the new downhill trail. This is a high-use route, that I have constant encounters of cyclists on - they stop in time, and are considerate, however it is frustrating that there is not another option.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a less-useful option than 1.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes, there is no compelling reason not to to enhance the walking areas of Wellington.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flats

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes, this would add connectivity and enjoyment of this natural facility.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I see no reason to remove the trail, if it is not used, it will simply disappear itself.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have no strong opinion on this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All tracks, I enjoy the connectivity of these internally, and to the other recreational areas of Wellington.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The trails around Wellington are a huge benefit to the community, they provide safer commuter access, enjoyment, a fun fitness facility, and add to Wellington's outdoor lifestyle. The only argument against enhancing this seems to be the minimal removal of vegetation - which is already

massively offset by volunteer planting. Often by the same volunteers that use, make, and maintain these trails.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

While I support a downhill trail for bikes and some walker activity I am concerned about the long term impact to hillside erosion and bird life disturbance. The block of public land and also private land ( some with protection established by the Environment Court) adjoining or nearby, has a high value ecological function in the distribution of native species of plants and trees as well as birds and reptiles. Polhill is a part of this and an ecological corridor. Over time regeneration of bush may support significant areas of canopy species native to this area prior to human settlement and the cut and burn activity when converting cropping or farmland. The regeneration is of high priority . Proliferation of bird life adapted to native bush and distribution of seed is axiomatic. Tracks are somewhat counter to supporting regeneration but while they are mainly a recreational convenience, some important spin off is gained in wider appreciation of the native bush and support of its regeneration. So my support for a downhill track in principle must be couched in terms of observance of minimum disruption to regeneration of bush and native inhabitants while providing a track that hopefully will add to human incentive to appreciate and care for the reserve and adopting a regeneration perspective and ethic. A downhill tack will attract younger users who will need education but may become staunch supporters of bush regeneration.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This track may provide more connectivity which could help with management of pest eradication work as well as giving more options for both biker and walker route planning.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If it does not attract / suit regular use, closing it for purposes of regeneration is its proper function.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Erosion management is more important than convenience to user traffic.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Bush regeneration support

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

A variety but mainly walking alone or with a group.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

ebike use can be included as bike use. Because a bike has electric assistance does not make it essentially different to any other bike in terms of disturbance to bush or other traffic. It is the rider who makes the difference. Rider education for all traffic is a much more important aspect of biker and walker interaction. Ebikes are more controlled in ascent allowing a rider to have greater courtesy to others met on the trail. There is some envy and exclusion evident in criticism leveled against ebikes which is transparently specious.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
 safety

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
 Avoids conflicting activities

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

To enhance the mountain biking experience. Loss of vegetation is only temporary

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

They are already formed. Whats the harm in retaining them?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All the tracks below the windmill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

We Wellingtonians are so lucky to have these assets on our doorstep. As a 58 year old biker, I love the activity these trails provide and would be happy to pay a modest levy of some sort for the privilege.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

\* Avoids conflict on Transient \* Area devoted to tracks is still a small proportion of Polhill, so little lost by creating the proposed new tracks, and little gained by removing tracks. \* Existing tracks do not seem to have disturbed birdlife or prevented the spread of native species from Zealandia, and no reason to suppose that the proposed tracks will do this. The Council's proposal to monitor wildlife impact is good, though. \* 93% of Council Polhill survey respondents supported having more tracks \* Existing tracks have not caused significant erosion \* Polhill being easily accessible from the CBD is attractive for lunchtime and after work riders. Tracks in other areas such as Te Kopahou, would not serve this purpose.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Steeper track, so likely to be less maintainable.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

\* Useful walking access to Transient and the direct walking path down the ridge to Aro St(Planet Ride). \* Effectively reinstates a track that used to exit onto Ashton Fitchett Drive.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

would reduce conflict at playground and Highbury Road end

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

\* Still useful to make a walking loop with Transient and Planet Ride (and indeed is signed as a loop). \* Doesn't need to be upgraded - it's good to have a range of tracks and while steep is manageable. I've got a dodgy hip and walk this OK. \* Useful access for predator control. \* If walker/biker conflict is a potential issue it seems odd to remove a walk only track from the area.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Hard to see what this achieves. It's a useful shortcut for walkers going from Ashton Fitchett Drive down Transient. Reduces conflict with bikers.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

While this is a submission on behalf of CAW, I personally use this area as a walker now that I'm not fit enough for single track biking.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

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- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
 All of them I can get to!

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

While I appreciate the work that has gone into the formal assessment of the trail builders plan, I feel that: \* It seems to treat Polhill as a pristine wilderness. It's not, it's recovering farmland and scrub. \* Some emphasis seems to be placed on specific distances at which human activity disturbs wildlife. This seems to be based on the research in Ruddock, M. & Whitfield, D.P. 2007. A Review of Disturbance Distances in Selected Bird Species. However this references bird behaviour in Scotland, where countryside is rather more open than Polhill, and I suspect the distances quoted aren't applicable. However as the report recommends, it will be useful to monitor the impact of the trails on wildlife activity. \* If human activity is seriously affecting birdlife on the fringes of Zealandia we should also be looking at restricting development in Highbury and Messines Rd/Croydon St in Karori.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak; Wanuiomata; Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Seems a sensible option to provide for some separation between users (bikers and walkers etc.) where possible.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm mostly ride in Polhill. But I actually like walking up this track as it's a good workout. I'm also concerned that removing this track could be perceived as bikers taking control of the area. This could lead to anti-mtb sentiments, especially in the local community. I'd rather avoid that.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Removing these steps could be perceived as bikers taking control of the area. This could lead to anti-mtb sentiments, especially in the local community. I'd rather avoid that.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Biking: Tip track, Barking Emu, Red Rocks, Scout Hall, Wrights Hill, Makara, Wainui. Walking: Mt Vic, Mt Albert, KauKau

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I work in a software startup founded by, and also employing a number of highly skilled Europeans that have settled in Wellington due to the good access to the outdoors. Wellington should continue to invest in mountain biking in order to attract skilled workers.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

this is a fantastic idea which will stop conflicts between walkers and cyclists

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm not sure what the point of this would be?

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Tinakori

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will be a critical addition to the trail system at Polhill Reserve. At present I believe there is a real safety risk on transient - a serious collision on this two-way track is a real risk. Adding a downhill trail to this amazing central city trail system will benefit many and will enhance Aro Valley as a 'destination' for locals and tourists.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Lower priority to be honest.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most of the trail systems around wellington.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I fully support the proposed trails. More trails for multiple users only enhances Wellington.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Various, city wide. e.g. Makara Peak, Skyline, Mt Vic, Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a mountain biker, not keen on a steeper ascent to Ashton Fitchett Drive if there is a less steep alternative available.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure it's necessary.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Ring

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Ascent to George Denton Park currently difficult.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No opinion.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure it's necessary. Not sure what is to be gained by this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Car Parts, Car Parts Extension, Windmill, Barking Emu.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

seems to be more and more user groups using this area now, and a descending trail would be amazing

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

most of the aloud areas inside Greater WELLINGTON

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To get downhill mountain bikers onto a seperate track to other users of the reserve. I both mountain bike and trail run and would highly appreciate the added safety this would give me as both a biker and a runner.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Happy with a steeper climb, not a worry for me. Downhill is the more important for a bike track.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not use this section, however it does look really convenient to anyone who lives around that area.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be great to avoid heading into the park and onto the road.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am a little unsure of which track this is. I occasionally run this way, but there are plenty of other tracks

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use these steps, so safe to remove

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara Peak. City to sea walkway, southern walkway, Mt Albert tracks, Reserve in between Berhampore and Happy Valley (unsure of name)

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Will be delighted to see Polhill become safer and more fun for runners, walkers and bikers with a new purpose downhill riding track!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Polhill makes for some great exercise and fun, including loops from the Tip Track - but up-hill walkers always have that surprised look when someone rides around the corner toward them. Everyone would have more enjoyment with this new track in place.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Sorry I don't quite understand it - 'a steeper climb onto Ashton Fitchett Drive' but it's the downhill track. Or is it for people who ride down from the top and want to exit to Brooklyn instead of going down to Aro Valley. If that's the case I would think the very steep climb up to the \$WD track would defeat things a bit, and it would be better to connect to the existing track.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Seems like a good idea - would make some good running loops

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A great idea

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I've never run along it - but would think it odd to remove it

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Can't see why it would be removed - it makes a good little steep sprint for runningg

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Lots of them - Makara Peak, Mt Vic, Southern Walkway, Kaukau, Wrights Hill, Korokoro, Eastern Hills.....

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

BTB do an awesome job making Wellington a great place to live and should be commended for

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their perseverance!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Much safer for everyone and saves the mountain bikers from having to slam on brakes when you encounter a walker and them having to duck for cover

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Separation of uphill and downhill traffic is the safest and most logical solution for Polhill and will improve the enjoyment of all users.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This does not seem like a successful and workable solution for mountain biking

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Seems to make sense

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a good idea. Clinical should also be better promoted.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Many from Mt Albert, to Breaker Bay, Makara to Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I am a firm believer that separating downhill traffic and up hill traffic is the most logical and safest option. It also add's to the enjoyment of all users. I also believe that opening up access to reserve and conservation land provides opportunities for a broader range of users, which in turn develops the public's awareness and value of these areas.

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Central Park and all other parks adjoining the Brooklyn suburb

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Active 2 Brooklyn (A2B) overarching goals are: - Creating a vibrant, healthy and safe community - Making the most of the Brooklyn area's proximity to the CBD and recreational opportunities for walking and cycling. We have previously submitted proposals to the council regarding changes that could be made to enable safer walking and cycling in and around the Brooklyn, Vogelmorn, Mornington areas. We support the Brooklyn Trail Builders proposal as it aligns with A2B aims specifically: - they will improve access between Brooklyn and the town belt - the creation of a mountain bike only track will relieve pressure on existing mixed use tracks and improve experiences for all users Also we note that the council has already made better wayfinding signs but would suggest that improvements continue to be made to the tracks to ensure walkers don't end up on

mountain bike only tracks and vice versa

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - current two track has significant safety issues and near miss situations

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The option 1 seems a more logical design for the purpose and any adverse effects can be mitigated as for other MTB trails around Wellington

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would improve the walking experience and minimise user conflicts

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be a great improvement to the experience. Very supportive and a longterm asset

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This a good shortcut but could be improved

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Tracks to red rocks, Mt Victoria, Wilton bush

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a partial safety improvement for walkers. The proposal is showing consideration from the mountain bikers. If possible I would prefer the change without the adjustment from council as reduced steepness improves usability and is a compromise on the basis that assuming proposals 2 and 3 are withdrawn for the tieke.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Reduced steepness will improve usability

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I say unsure as I do not support 2 IF 1a is withdrawn

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
agree with council response

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
It does appear to reduce connectivity

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
It does appear to reduce connectivity

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Other walkways in Wgtn and have used tracks in Otari and Tinakori Hill areas

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Overall the access to tracks is awesome and appreciated The balance of recreational activity, 1295

1309

safety and conservation is important The proposed downhill trail supports this. I am not convinced about the removals and perhaps the addition of steps on Option 4 would be a beneficial addition for walkers. Thanks for the opportunity to have a say.

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Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

City to Sea, others, but most frequently Polhill (2-5 times a week)

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

It would be nice and safer to have separate tracks for walkers and bikers.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

There are a lot of riders and walkers/runner by having a priority descend trail it would reduce risk of crashes with for all users

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

only 400 m from a current entrance - seems a waste of resources

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Flats

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

These are a useful access point often used by walkers

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Take steps to reduce the number of dogs off leads in the reserve area The sealed track from Ashton Fitchett drive to the wind turbine has been shared use for over a decade. In recent months with the subdivision and sale of private land the road has been claimed as vehicle only. There was no public consultation about this. The off-road track is impossible to access with a small child/buggy. It frequently has loose gravel/slips so has limited suitability for walking/running and is unsafe for anyone who is frail. It is extremely unfair that a public road that has been used by the community for decades has been now appropriated by a group of private land owners who would

have been able to see the shared use signs posted on the road when they purchased their properties

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To quote Yogi Berra 'Nobody goes there anymore. It's too crowded.' This is how I feel about Transient. Transient is such a good track but it's popularity for walking, running, and biking has made it much less enjoyable. Living in Brooklyn, I used to ride Transient at least once a week but I've only ridden it three times this year. Separating downhill bike traffic would improve things for everyone.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Seems like a god idea.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be a good way to reduce conflict in the playground (I'm guessing that is why the fence to guide riders around it were installed) and remove the short steepish climb up the fenceline to the start of Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't mind either way.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Te Kopahou, Makara Peak, Wrights Hill, Skyline, Mt Vic, Miramar, Wainui Trail Project.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I really appreciate the work that the Brooklyn Trail Builders and the council put into these trails.  
Keep up the great work.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes! We love the Pohill Reserve trails, but have a difficult time using them for our kid's after school sessions. With Transient as a 2 way trail, we often encounter other riders/walkers/runners. While we have yet to have any serious collisions, it is a major safety concern for us.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The last bit of Clinical is pretty darn steep...most kids end up having to walk this section so it would be great to have a reroute for an easier gradient.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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If this would make it easier for walkers/runners...sure!

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Victoria, Miramar, Wainuiomata

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Thanks heaps for putting this out to consultation. We absolutely love Polhill Reserve and feel very lucky to get to ride our bikes in such a special area.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To make polhill a better mtb destination, currently I will be hesitant to ride due to transient being a popular shared track

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mapuia Mt Vic Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is the only sensible solution. As a mountain-biker I avoid the lower loop here due to not wanting to meet walkers and two-way bike traffic, and I wouldn't walk it with my dog because I don't want to meet descending bikes.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Eastern Walkway Centennial Reserve Mount Victoria Polhill Southern Walkway Makara Peak  
Skyline Karori Park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A necessary trail to optimize the traffic flow of the trail network in Polhill. This trail would also reduce user conflict on existing trails.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
All of them :)

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak Wrights hill Mt Vic Mt Crawford Redrocks Johnsons hill Otari wilsons Tinakori hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I often avoid Polhill because I expect heavy trail usage. It's awesome to see so many people out enjoying the tracks so close to a city centre, but I believe that the amount of walkers, runners, and bikers on these tracks only increases the chances of heated confrontations as the speeds at which the groups travel differ greatly. A descending trail would divert bikers and create a safer environment for walkers and runners.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Primarily Mt.Vic, but also; Maupuia, Red Rocks, Wainuiomata, Makara Peak.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The creation of a descending only mountain bike track would be the end of so much conflict and safety issues. It really needs to be done for the public's health and safety

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This track would be perfect for a mountain bike descending trail. One accidental turn down it was one of my best MTB experiences I've had in the park.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most tracks in the Wellington CBD region

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I am in total support for this. It is a tremendous proposal The new proposed track will take pressure off the two-way Transient trail which is very popular, Because of the high usage there is a higher chance of a collision and injury occurring on Transient so a new track will fix this providing a more rewarding experience for all users. I would however request that the tracks are made wider to allow the not so confident riders more room to navigate their way around the tracks. The tracks in Pohill are too narrow for the social and inexperienced riders . Also these tracks need to be at a grade level that allows all levels of riders to use them please , not just the grade 4 or 5 dare devils. Can we please make the tracks safer for the use by a greater number of riders with different skill levels and abilities. There is plenty of vegetation in the reserve so being absolutely frugal with the width of the tracks does not make any sense.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No - I don't support this option. Option 1 is a much better proposal.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes most definitely. Good proposal

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - We support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling. We are surprised that this was never done as part of the original work building Clinical.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why does this need to be removed . This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. This should be kept.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If it adds no value have the steps there and there is alternative access point that is safe for riders, walkers and runners sharing the track then I am ok with it.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes

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No

If yes, which ones?

Te Ahumairangi Mt Victoria, Mt Albert, Johnson Hill, Wrights Hill Makara Hill Zealandia perimeter  
Red Rocks Mt Kau Kau Trelissick Park Maupuia Walkway Massey Memorial Atatürk Pass of  
Branda tracks to Seatoun Eastbourne Tracks Rimitaka etc, etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Yes why are we not developing the tracks on Mt Victoria and doing more work to remove the pine trees and replanting the area with NZ natives to bring it back to what it once was. This is such a great asset for the city that I would be keen to know what if any plan exists to develop Mount Victoria into something like the Botanical Gardens but at the same time providing walking and mountain bike tracks . This is a real jewel that needs to be developed into a great tourist attraction. The same needs to happen with Te Ahumairangi

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Many throughout the Wellington region

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Given the popularity of Transient with a wide range of users, this new track offers the best option for improving safety and the user experience for all users. For some walkers it doesn't take a collision or a near collision to spoil their experience of Transient, the fear of a collision is enough. I agree with the principle in the Open Space Plan that tracks should be shared use 'whenever this is appropriate' but feel that the risk and the perceived risk introduced by downhill riders on Transient makes it less than ideal as a two-way shared use track. The model of uphill riders plus walkers being separated from downhill riders works well with the Windmill/Carparks tracks further up the hill so should work well for Transient. The new track needs to be carefully designed and constructed given the concerns about slope stability, significant trees and the bird life that is spilling out of Zealandia into Polhill.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It simplifies the overly complex layering of tracks at that point

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Not justified, as there are other access points nearby.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

It doesn't improve the network enough to justify the level of disturbance that building this track would involve.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Removal of tracks that are redundant or not well designed will improve the overall network and the environmental value of Polhill. This will be a good opportunity to plant significant species that may not be re-colonizing Polhill naturally.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

See above

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline, Miramar, Mount Victoria, Wrights Hill, Red Rocks, Sanctuary Fenceline, Makara Peak.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Thankyou to the Brooklyn Trail Builders for the superb work they have done so far and to WCC for their consultative approach to the management of Wellington's 'open spaces'

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Polhill Reserve Track Proposals

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a runner, walker and Mountain Biker, but predominantly a Mountain biker, I'm concerned that unless something is done to address the two way, dual use nature of parts of the Polhill track network, it's only a matter of time before a serious accident occurs. I'm not keen on an accident from any track user's point of view so I'd like to submit my opinion regarding the Polhill track network and what I think may be the best solution for the WCC to implement going forward. I most definitely support Proposal 1, a new 2.5 kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail that will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. This for me is the most dangerous spot for a collision between users and needs to be urgently addressed. I also understand that there have been suggestions that building a new trail may have detrimental environmental effects to the surrounding environment. As Brooklyn Trail Builders has submitted I feel that a correctly managed construction phase could mitigate many if not all the suggested detrimental environmental effects; and more importantly remove the aforementioned risk of user collision.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't support the 1a Proposal of a new track below Ashton Fitchett Drive, I feel Proposal 1 is a far better idea.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a runner I also support Proposal 2; a new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient. This would provide further access to the public reserve and separation between mountain bikers and foot traffic.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I support the construction (or is it completion) as set out in Proposed 3 of a new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical to the Highbury Fling trail. Using the current track it always seems that this connection is something that should've taken place when Clinical was originally constructed, providing a connection to Highbury Fling would complete this trail.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

With regard to removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient as set out in Proposal 4, I'm unsure about this as I have never used this section of track before.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is the same for Proposal 5, removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient, again I am unsure about this as I have never used this section of track either.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Wainui Trail Park, Makara Mountain bike park, Belmont Park, Eastbourne Bush Reserves, Mt Victoria, Akatarawa Forest Park...

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Using any of the fantastic reserves bordering Wellington City should be encouraged, a better purpose built safe track network does this. It's a resource that enriches users experience and provides insight into New Zealand native flora and fauna and gets people active and outdoors, and all within minutes of the City. I think it's also worth mentioning that Mountain biking is one of the fastest growing sports in New Zealand. I can tell you Wellington is renowned for its unique brand of terrain which is within riding distance of the central city, cafes and amenities. This sport is sure to continue to grow and while it does so bring money into the city, so in my opinion should be actively encouraged and nurtured. The massively popular two-way Transient trail is a track that needs attention to address the ever growing numbers that are using it. Money spent developing the trail network is money well spent and I hope WCC recognises this. I look forward to seeing a favourable outcome after the submission process is complete.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is essential to the safety and therefore the enjoyment of all who use these tracks. The effect of a downhill track will be no different than walker scrambling up banks to avoid downhill mountain bikers. The result is of course safety but also damage outside the track network.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All. Not many other tracks are as dangerous to mixed use as polhill.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Polhill Reserve Track Proposals

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

See full submission as attached. 1. Proposed bike-priority descending track (parallels Transient) - as described above, we are concerned about the impact on the natural environment and slope stability, and note that it may not deliver significant benefit to walkers/runners due to an increase in uphill cycling on Transient itself. It would not even fully separate downhill cycling from the other modes as the lower section would still need to be open for beginner-level downhill cyclists.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If the proposed bike-priority descending track was approved, we would favour the lowest impact version possible, which we understand to be Proposal 1a. We think the natural environment should be given more weight than avoiding steep climbs for users. But as per our full submission, we would recommend approaches that don't involve large scale track building.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

See full submission as attached. 2. Proposed walking-only connector trail (to Karepa St) - we appreciate WCC concerns around vegetation loss, but this option might be considered as part of removing walkers from Transient if the bike-priority descending track is not built.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

See full submission as attached. 3. Proposed shared-use connector track (near Highbury Rd) - we suspect the loss of vegetation outweighs the 'nice to have' value of this section of trail.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

See full submission as attached. 4. Proposed removal of steep track (from Waimapihi Reserve to near top of Transient) - we think this track could form part of an alternative walking/running loop, reducing demand on Transient and therefore the need to build a parallel track. We would support further investigation into the merits of retaining/improving this track.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

See full submission as attached. 5. Proposed removal of steps (to Ashton Fitchett Drive from above Transient) - again, we would support further investigation into the merits of retaining these steps as part of an alternative route for walking/running.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

This submission is from the Aro Valley Community Council (AVCC), a body that represents the residents and businesses of the Aro Valley. We are aware that the AVCC represents people who have many different views on the proposal for **1346** reserve tracks that is currently being **1332**

considered by the Wellington City Council (WCC). They may enjoy one or more of walking, trapping pests, running, planting trees, riding bikes and walking dogs, or work in a business that caters to users of the reserve. For example, groups of mountain bike commuters can be observed at Aro Cafe most mornings. The views of people represented by the AVCC range from unqualified enthusiasm for mountain biking in Polhill Gully to a fervent wish to turn back the clock to before the 2009 decision to allow bike riders to use and create tracks in the reserve. We understand that many others are comfortable with the status quo, but would not want it to be altered towards more tracks for bikes and less space for birds and walkers/runners. This submission is not therefore either 'pro' or 'anti' the proposals, but rather considers how best to maintain the balance between nature, walkers/runners and cyclists as the three main users of the Polhill Reserve at the present time.

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Members of the Aro Valley Community use many different tracks all around the city, and many venture further afield. Impossible to list here!

Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Please refer to the full submission as attached as it provides a context for the answers to specific parts of the proposal as asked above. In summary, we share the significant concerns about ecological impact detailed in the WCC formal assessment of the proposal and are not convinced that the survey responses favouring new tracks and user separation are robust enough to outweigh these concerns. We are concerned that building a new track to take only downhill cyclists would not meet the desires of walkers/runners for 'separation of users' as they would still be sharing with uphill cyclists. We are not sure that the Polhill Reserve can accommodate a significant increase in downhill mountain biking, and would like to see further investigation of low-environmental impact options that provide alternatives to Transient for walkers/runners to be investigated before allowing further large scale building of tracks for biking. We also note that new tracks are being created in other areas, such as Makara Peak and Te Kopahau which have more space, fewer walkers and less immediate potential as natural habitat for rare birds. We suggest deferring a decision on the proposed new track (proposal #1) until other options to reduce track conflicts can be investigated and trialled, and the impact of increased options for mountain biking elsewhere in Wellington can be assessed.

#### Attached Documents

File
PolhillTracks-AVCCsubmissiontoWCC
Polhill Reserve Track Proposals

This submission is from the Aro Valley Community Council (AVCC), a body that represents the residents and businesses of the Aro Valley.

We are aware that the AVCC represents people who have many different views on the proposal for Polhill Reserve tracks that is currently being considered by the Wellington City Council (WCC). They may enjoy one or more of walking, trapping pests, running, planting trees, riding bikes and walking dogs, or work in a business that caters to users of the reserve. For example, groups of mountain bike commuters can be observed at Aro Cafe most mornings.

The views of people represented by the AVCC range from unqualified enthusiasm for mountain biking in Polhill Gully to a fervent wish to turn back the clock to before the 2009 decision to allow bike riders to use and create tracks in the reserve. We understand that many others are comfortable with the status quo, but would not want it to be altered towards more tracks for bikes and less space for birds and walkers.

This submission is not therefore either 'pro' or 'anti' the proposals, but rather considers how best to maintain the balance between nature, walkers and cyclists as the three main users of the Polhill Reserve at the present time.

We submit that the natural environment should be the considered the most important 'user' of the reserve. Although we acknowledge that the vegetation is of somewhat mixed quality at present, it is adjacent to Zealandia and has enormous potential to extend the habitat provided in the mainland island. The reserve is home to rare birds, including nesting tieke/saddlebacks, which also provides an almost unique opportunity for Wellingtonians who cannot pay admission to Zealandia or visit Kapiti/Mana islands. Therefore we share the concerns about bird disturbance, slope stability, removal of vegetation, canopy disturbance and edge effects that are detailed in the formal assessment of the proposal. These are not minor issues and should be given significant weight in the decision making process.

While 92% of survey respondents supported 'adding new tracks', we suspect that the response to this question would have been very different if it had been framed in the context of the environmental impact of cutting new tracks. We therefore recommend that this figure be treated extremely cautiously.

The 2009 agreement that allowed mountain biking to take place in the Polhill Reserve was based on a shared use methodology. Obviously shared use has some limitations, particularly as the number of people using the shared resource increases. We have spoken to many people who find the current degree of shared use problematic, which is consistent with the 65% of survey respondents who reported an incident on the track (fright, near miss or injury) and the 76% of survey respondents who supported 'separation of users'.

However, we think that the 'separation of users' survey question may have been understood in several different ways. For mountain bikers, particularly those who enjoy fast downhill rides, 'separation' means downhill cycling on a different track to slower uphill cycling and walking (as has been proposed). For people on foot, particularly those with a dog on a leash or with smaller children, 'separation' means cyclists on one track and walkers/runners on another. For this second group, we understand that removing downhill cycling would improve

their experience somewhat, but uphill cycling still has a significant and negative impact on their enjoyment of the Reserve.

Another problem with the current proposal for creating a downhill-only bike track paralleling the popular Transient track is that of induced demand. Although downhill cycle movements would be removed from Transient itself, many more people would use Transient to cycle uphill in order to use the new downhill track. This means that the net impact on walkers/runners might be negative or neutral.

We note that about 50% of the survey respondents said that they used a car to get to Polhill Reserve. The survey summary doesn't break this down by bikers versus runners/walkers, but it is likely that many of the private vehicle users are mountain bikers - a view supported by observations of many vehicles carrying bikes at the entrance to the reserve. There is very limited off road parking and no realistic possibility of adding more, leading to significant impacts on residents of nearby Holloway Rd even at current usage levels. Users who travel by car are less likely to support local businesses, while detracting from the enjoyment of the large number of pedestrian (and bike) visitors to the Aro Street shopping area at weekends. We wonder if Polhill Reserve has the capacity to be a destination mountain biking facility.

While we don't seek to propose specific track building solutions, we wonder if a different approach to reducing conflict between cycling and walking/running users might be helpful. Improving existing walking tracks and adding short extra sections in order to form a loop would have a minimal environmental impact and provide walkers/runners with an alternative to Transient. Similarly, relatively small improvements could improve connections to roads such as Karepa Street, so that walker/runners could use streets for a return/downhill journey. Removing some walkers/runners would make cycling on Transient more enjoyable, although downhill cyclists would still have to give priority to uphill cyclists and remaining walkers.

Comments on the five individual parts of the proposal:

1. Proposed bike-priority descending track (parallels Transient) - as described above, we are concerned about the impact on the natural environment and slope stability, and note that it may not deliver significant benefit to walkers/runners due to an increase in uphill cycling on Transient itself. It would not even fully separate downhill cycling from the other modes as the lower section would still need to be open for beginner-level downhill cyclists.
2. Proposed walking-only connector trail (to Karepa St) - we appreciate WCC concerns around vegetation loss, but this option might be considered as part of removing walkers from Transient if the bike-priority descending track is not built.
3. Proposed shared-use connector track (near Highbury Rd) - we suspect the loss of vegetation outweighs the 'nice to have' value of this section of trail.
4. Proposed removal of steep track (from Waimapihi Reserve to near top of Transient) - we think this track could form part of an alternative walking/running loop, reducing demand on Transient and therefore the need to build a parallel track. We would support further investigation into the merits of retaining/improving this track.
5. Proposed removal of steps (to Ashton Fitchett Drive from above Transient) - again, we would support further investigation into the merits of retaining these steps as part of an alternative route for walking/running.

In summary, we share the significant concerns about ecological impact detailed in the WCC formal assessment of the proposal and are not convinced that the survey responses favouring new tracks and user separation are robust enough to outweigh these concerns.

We are concerned that building a new track to take only downhill cyclists would not meet the desires of walkers/runners for 'separation of users' as they would still be sharing with uphill cyclists. We are not sure that the Polhill Reserve can accommodate a significant increase in downhill mountain biking, and would like to see further investigation of low-environmental impact options that provide alternatives to Transient for walkers/runners to be investigated before allowing further large scale building of tracks for biking. We also note that new tracks are being created in other areas, such as Makara Peak and Te Kopahau which have more space, fewer walkers and less immediate potential as natural habitat for rare birds.

We suggest deferring a decision on the proposed new track (proposal #1) until other options to reduce track conflicts can be investigated and trialled, and the impact of increased options for mountain biking elsewhere in Wellington can be assessed.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good option, will reduce downhill traffic, and improve flow.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be useful, although not as good as option 1

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

around zealandia, wilton bush, makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes, it's only a matter of time before there's an accident on these trails. I use the trails on a daily basis for commuting to work by mountain bike, as a trail runner and walking my dog on lead. I've had several near misses both as a cyclist and as a walker and it makes sense to separate the traffic.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This options requires multiple track crossing and steep switchbacks.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yep, great idea to segregate traffic and would make me feel safer when running/walking my dog.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes! The existing setup is just plain weird, going through a park and across a road.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I've never used it tend to just ride/walk down transient. Appreciate there's probably some upkeep involved.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Whilst I don't use them myself I frequently see walkers/runners using them.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara mountain bike park, Miramar reserve.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It would be great to have something for bikes only, so that they don't interfere as much with walkers, and vice versa.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara, Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

All for something that give bikers and walkers/runner both something they can enjoy, preferably on separate routes so that everyone is safe and having fun.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Having this trail will make the trail network in the area more complete and usable for a range of users and improve their experiences. Currently there are a wide range of users and abilities using Transient in both directions and this detracts from the experience as one has numerous interruptions while using the trail.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A steeper diversion from what has been proposed will detract from the flow of the planned trail.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All trails open to mountain biking around Wellington City and beyond. Particularly: Makara Peak, Karori Park, Skyline, Wrights Hill, Red Rocks, Miramar, Mt Vic.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Refuse user conflict. I am a biker and don't use the track much because if descending traffic. I also walk this track and find it not as relaxing as it should because if the faster descenders on bikes

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The trail down from the playground is dodgy, also awkward with people on trail.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Returning used trail back to nature is s great idea

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria, miramar jail tracks, moa point hills, makara, my Albert, town belt,

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I've worked with council making tracks ((Hippy's track my Vic) and managing events. If you are going to make a descending trail it needs to have features that make riders want to ride it more than the old trail. There is an opportunity to make an inner city track that will be great for events . for this to happen it would require an advance Kevel of track building to what is currently being done.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be a fantastic addition to Serendipity as another downhill mtb trail, removing the risk of collisions between bikers and other trail users that currently exists on the busy Transient.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't think this is needed

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Support this as would avoid collisions between bikers and other trail users.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling **1363** **1349**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use these personally but have seen others using them.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Tawatawa reserve, Makara peak and others.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Current downhill track (Transient) is too busy now with both directions walkers/bikers. High risk of an accident

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
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 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

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 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic, Tinakori Hill, Belmont Park, Wainui Park, Eastborne, Te Whiti Riser

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Pressure taken off Transient. Fun downhill made safer

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
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Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
makara skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission to Wellington City Council on  
Polhill track proposals**

Contact person: **Ellen Blake**  
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**Submission**

Living Streets Aotearoa thanks the Council for this opportunity to submit on the Polhill track proposals.

Living Streets supports the findings in the officers' environmental assessment report that more tracks are not needed in Polhill and will cause detriment to the natural environment, and therefore this proposal to create new tracks should not proceed.

Living Streets supports extension of bike tracks at Makara Peak Mountain Bike park to cater to mountain-bike demand.

Living Streets supports use of existing dirt roads (i.e. four-wheel-drive roads) as the best way to extend cycle reach rather than further use of tracks in parks.

Please note that bicycles are 'vehicles'. There is some confusion in this document.

Living Streets would like to see a proper standard being applied consistently in our parks and on our footpaths. This would include a clear requirement that where tracks or paths are 'shared' mixed use they must meet a consistent standard that allows for safety and amenity of experience for all users.

Clearly in Polhill this is not the case. For example, the Highbury Fling track is a one-person-wide path with no room along much of its length for passing. This means that walkers are required to constantly watch out for and give way to bikes, which diminishes the experience of being in a natural park environment for all users.

There are a range of available standards for shared use paths, so a new standard does not need to be developed. We note that the WCC standards are for walk or bike paths but not for shared mixed users.

The proposal is to close two areas of track. Both of these are pedestrian-only sections. Both of these areas (the steps and the old steep path to Waimapihi - Aro St) should be retained for pedestrian-only use.

The old walking-only track from George Denton Park to Brosnahan Street and Holloway Road should be re-signposted as walk only. There seems to be mountain-bikes using it, which the map indicates should not be the case (although we did find the map in the consultation document difficult to follow).

The entrance to the park on Aro Street needs to be clearly marked to indicate where the 'shared' mixed-use section stops and the pedestrian-only footpath begins. We note there are conflicts at this point.

The signage and maps for Polhill need to reflect that this is a long-standing walking area. It would be encouraging to see the WCC promoting walking in this area as vigorously as they do biking.

We would like to be heard in support of our submission.

### **About Living Streets**

Living Streets Aotearoa is New Zealand's national walking and pedestrian organisation, providing a positive voice for people on foot and working to promote walking friendly planning and development around the country. Our vision is "More people choosing to walk more often and enjoying public places".

The objectives of Living Streets Aotearoa are:

- to promote walking as a healthy, environmentally-friendly and universal means of transport and recreation
- to promote the social and economic benefits of pedestrian-friendly communities
- to work for improved access and conditions for walkers, pedestrians and runners including walking surfaces, traffic flows, speed and safety
- to advocate for greater representation of pedestrian concerns in national, regional and urban land use and transport planning.

For more information, please see: [www.livingstreets.org.nz](http://www.livingstreets.org.nz)

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**Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

**Do you support the following proposals:**

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

Yes  No  Unsure

I'm not so familiar w itl  
On the negative side,

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

Yes  No  Unsure

This seems sensible

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

Biker  Walker  Commuter  Runner  Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

Yes  No

Mainly Makara Peak (i

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

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# WALKING CAPITAL

3 July 2017

Wellington City Council

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## POLHILL RESERVE TRACK PROPOSALS - SUBMISSION

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a written submission on the Polhill Reserve track proposals. This submission is made on behalf of Walking Capital – a recently formed group representing the interests of walkers and others on foot using Wellington’s open spaces.

### 1. **New downhill track environmentally damaging and should not proceed**

Walking Capital opposes any new tracks in the Polhill Reserve due to the significant environmental damage that would be caused. The new tracks would require the clearance of regenerating native forest, disturb native bird populations (including several threatened species) and significantly increase the risk of erosion.

This environmental damage is emphasized in the Council’s own environmental assessment of the proposals. It points out that the proposed new track “...goes through the habitat of four threatened avian species” and recommends “...that the ecological values of Polhill Reserve should take precedence over adding new tracks.”

We strongly endorse the Council’s own Environmental Assessment Report on Polhill Reserve and support it in opposition to any new track construction.

### 2. **Do not remove the walking-only linking track and steps**

We oppose the Council’s proposal to remove the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve and the steps from Ashton Fitchett Drive entrance. They are well used by walkers and locals and provide a useful link to the different areas in the reserve. Removal would detract from the walking experience in Polhill Reserve.

Retention of steps on the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve would make them safer for walkers and deter bikers from using this track.

The walking-only tracks in Polhill Reserve are used by many walkers. If these were maintained then more people would use them. It’s not their steepness and narrowness that stops some people using them, Wellington is full of popular tracks like these, instead, it’s the general uncared for look of these tracks, which give the impression of informal tracks that don’t go anywhere.

### 3. **Alternative submission – clear signage to enhance safety & minimum standards for (shared) tracks**

The development of the tracks in Polhill Reserve has occurred in a chaotic and ad-hoc manner. If the tracks in the Polhill Reserve had been designed from scratch they would look totally different.

While a clean slate approach is appealing, it is clearly not practicable. The best option in our view is to call an immediate halt to all new tracks and put our effort into making the most of the current track network.

User safety is paramount. There must to be a minimum standard for mixed-use tracks, e.g. Highbury Fling is very narrow, surely it wouldn't meet the minimum standard in terms of construction, width and sightlines. We regard the Council's current track standards to be out of date and appear to have been drafted before mixed-used (shared) tracks became the norm.

All mixed-use tracks need clear signage, stating 'bikers give way to walkers'. This is a cheap, practical step that would enhance the experience for all users and prevent the risk of injury.

'Time sharing' for users was also suggested by the Council. Walkers should have the right to walk on any track they want, and at any time. We'd like to see some mixed-use tracks closed for mountain bikes on some days of the week. A good example of this 'time sharing' is The Red Rocks track being closed to motor vehicles on Sundays, allowing walkers to walk in peace and safety.

For the longer term, Walking Capital would like to see Council adopt a more co-ordinated policy and planning approach to its iconic open space walking tracks, especially in our urban environment.

In particular, we would like to see a review of the Council's current 'shared tracks' policy. We think this is critical given its involvement in the Regional Trails Framework that is looking at greater consistency across the wider Wellington region.

We are concerned at the increasing pressure from the well-organised and funded mountain bike lobby to build more adventure-style tracks in our best open spaces such as the Town Belt and inner city Council reserves. This usually proceeds under the guise of meeting local demand with a *quid pro quo* of supporting predator/pest control projects, and a positive cost/benefit argument based on either shared tracks or dual track construction.

In reality, this pressure tends to drive walkers away due to increased health & safety risks and diminished amenity value arising from mountain bikers colonising the area.

Given the Council's investment in this numerically-small group already e.g. Makara Peaks, we think it is time for the Council to cry halt to developing stand-alone proposals and review these issues afresh in a more integrated manner.

Walking Capital would like the opportunity to speak in support of its submission before a meeting involving WCC Councillors.

Yours sincerely

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To whom it may concern

My submission is in two parts:

**1. SUBMISSION:  
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF MOUNTAIN-BIKING TRACKS CITY-  
WIDE**

As a keen walker, amateur botanist, and leader of tramps and botanical field trips on tracks in the city's reserves and Town Belt for several decades, I am deeply concerned at the adverse environmental impacts caused by some people in the mountain-biking community. Unauthorised vegetation clearance and track construction are at epidemic levels.

Elements in the mountain-biking community have caused, and continue to cause, irreversible destruction of natural landforms, indigenous and exotic vegetation, root systems and their supporting soils, throughout the city's Town Belt, Outer Green Belt, Scenic Reserves and Recreation Reserves.

Has this destruction of natural values had the approval of councillors, and Parks, Recreation and Sport staff over the last twenty years?

Have councillors and staff overlooked, or been ignorant of, mountain-bikers' unauthorised construction of tracks and clearance of vegetation?

Has Wellington City Council ever prosecuted any individual or group for unauthorised vegetation clearance and track construction in our Town Belt, Outer Green Belt, Scenic Reserves and Recreation Reserves? If not, why not?

Have councillors and staff been overly impressed by mountain-bikers' call to make Wellington the mountain-biking capital of New Zealand, or even more grandiose, the world's mountain-biking capital?

Have councillors and staff spent, year after year, more rate-payer funds on mountain-biking facilities, than on walking tracks in our Town Belt, Outer Green Belt, Scenic Reserves and Recreation Reserves? If so, how can that

be justified, given that most people can walk or run on tracks, and by comparison, fewer people use mountain bikes?

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**2. SUBMISSION:  
BROOKLYN TRAIL BUILDERS' POLHILL CONSULTATION ON NEW TRACKS**

**Introduction**

I welcome the fact that the document, *Polhill consultation on new tracks*, has not come from Wellington City Council, but from a community group. Thus I assume that Wellington City Council does not necessarily support the proposed track-onstruction works. I welcome the fact that *Polhill Reserve – Formal Assessment of Brooklyn Trail Builders' Proposal* indicates concern about numerous aspects of the proposal. I make more detailed comments on the assessment of environmental effects later in this submission.

**Comments**

I oppose, in its entirety, the proposal to construct any new tracks in Polhill Reserve, a treasured part of Wellington's Town Belt, added to it in 2016, when Parliament passed the Wellington Town Belt Act into law.

The native forest community is regenerating from pasture, and from the use of the part near Karepa Street as a rubbish dump (tyres, white-ware, roofing iron, plastic items, etc.), as I found when tramping the length of the valley in the mid-1980s, leading a Tararua Tramping Club group. Since then, I have walked all the tracks, except Polhill Ridge Track and 'Rabbit Road', listing native plants, weeds and native and introduced birds. I have not yet tramped up the valley floors of the several creeks. Please refer to the species lists in the appendix below.

Clinical Track is an example of the adverse impacts of track building on a regenerating indigenous ecosystem. Substantial cuttings were dug, some over 1 m high, producing large volumes of side-castings, especially on tight corners on zigzags. On some tight corners, the track is c. 2-m wide, with the outside of the bend banked so that mountain-bikers can speed up hill round the bends. Several down-slope roots supporting a large tree fuchsia growing between a 'zig' and a 'zag' have been cut, with the potential for the tree to fall. This indicates crass incompetence by the track builders. Several species of weeds have established along the new bush edges created by clearance of bush along the alignment, and the resulting opening up of the canopy.

I sense that elements in the mountain-biking community have an insatiable appetite for the felling of trees and shrubs, and the earth-moving, bridge-building, and other tasks involved in building new tracks.

**Reasons for my opposition to the proposals**

Page 8 of *Formal Assessment of Brooklyn Trail Builders' Proposal* states: "Polhill Reserve has been identified as a Significant Ecological Site, as well as a Conservation Site (3c) in the District Plan."

Thus I oppose the proposal because it would:

1. Compound the already considerable fragmentation of the reserve's indigenous ecosystems caused by a multitude of wide, often heavily zig-zagged, 'stacked' tracks;
2. Involve more loss of regenerating indigenous vegetation;
3. Create 6.4-kilometres of new bush edges, double the length of the proposed new tracks (2.5 km + 350 m + 350 m = 3.2 km x 2 = 6.4 km). This would facilitate the invasion of the bush edges by weeds and pest animals, and would facilitate access by sunlight and wind into the interior of the native forest. This would alter the forest micro-climate by drying out the leaf litter and soils of the forest floor, putting existing native vegetation at risk from moisture loss, and from fire;
4. Pose the risk of forest collapse along the existing tracks and the proposed new tracks, because of 1, 2 and 3 above, with a resulting loss of the amenity enjoyed by visitors to the reserve;
5. Further disturb the populations of native birds, lizards and invertebrates, caused by the existing day-time and night-time use of tracks in the reserve.

**WCC's Polhill Reserve – Formal Assessment of Brooklyn Trail Builders' Proposal**

As stated in the summary on page 12 of the document, the proposed track:

"goes through the habitat of four threatened avian species. Due to the structure of the forest and slope, it is unlikely that canopy gaps can be avoided. The impacts on any significant trees could potentially be avoided, but the steepness of the slope will also make it difficult to realign the track. In addition, due to the height of the required cuts, if a significant tree is on the alignment, it is unlikely that root disturbance will be avoided.'

"The predominant risk posed by this track proposal is to the threatened and locally significant bird species found in this reserve. The direct disturbance by having a track within the habitat of these birds poses a direct risk to their nesting success, and the success of their fledglings. There is also a risk to the forest structure through opening up the canopy, introducing weed species and increasing the potential for slips.'

"When assessed against the criteria in the Open Space Access Plan, and given the significance of the bird species found here, **it is advised that a precautionary approach is taken**" (The bolding is mine).

I fully support the candid assessments in quotation marks above.

I believe that the precautionary approach recommended by the officers warrants councillors declining the track proposal in its entirety.

**Additional comments**

Efforts by mountain bikers, and others in the community, to control pest animals, pest plants and other weed species, are praiseworthy, but neither this work, nor the work of people planting in Polhill Reserve, would in any way compensate for:

- the environmental destruction already done by mountain bikers;
- the additional destruction that would be caused if Wellington City Council were to approve the construction of any new tracks in Polhill Reserve, Wellington Town Belt.

Efforts by mountain bikers, and others in the community, to plant native plants in Polhill Reserve would be praiseworthy if the plantings had been restricted exclusively to locally sourced (eco-sourced) *pioneer* species\*. Too often, the opposite has happened. I believe that planters have made ecologically unsound assumptions about the composition of the native forest that once grew on what is now Polhill Reserve before Māori, then European, settlement began. They have then endeavoured to replicate that imagined composition. Examples include planting kahikatea, tōtara, miro, nīkau, tītoki, northern rātā, pukatea, etc. At maturity, these species either occupy the canopy, or may become emergents, rising above the surrounding canopy. In my opinion this will result in a designer forest, not a naturally evolved native forest ecosystem. Human impatience has pre-empted the natural process of forest succession.

I believe that what the planters have done can best be described as ‘botanic gardening’. Given time, the natural form of forest succession would occur, with seeds of native plant species delivered by birds and the wind, from the several bush communities in the area. They include Te Kopahou Reserve, Carey Gully, Long Gully Bush Reserve, Lot 2 Long Gully, Karori Sanctuary/Zealandia, Burrows Avenue Reserve, Wright Hill Reserve, Wellington Botanic Garden (five areas of native forest), Birdwood Reserve, Johnston Hill Reserve, and Otari-Wilton’s Bush.

(\* Pioneer species of native plants in Wellington include rangiora, karamu, taupata, kanono, māpou, tauhinu, kawakawa, common koromiko, poroporo, hangehange, two small-leaved coprosma species: *C. propinqua* subsp. *propinqua*, *C. rhamnoides*). If myrtle rust does not arrive in Wellington, then mānuka could be added to this list.

**Recommendation**

I recommend that councillors decline the proposal in its entirety.

**Hearings**

I wish to speak in support of this submission before the relevant committee of council.

Yours sincerely

Chris Horne

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## APPENDIX

**POLHILL RESERVE  
INCLUDING GEORGE DENTON PARK  
WELLINGTON TOWN BELT  
ARO VALLEY, WELLINGTON**

**Map:** NZTopo50-BQ31 Wellington, centred on grid reference 470265.

**Area:** c. 75 hectares.

**Catchment:** "Waimapihi Valley".

**Elevation range:** c. 40 m – 299 m "Polhill trig" A2LP.

**Landform:** Two principal valleys, and several minor valleys, all tributaries of "Waiimapihi Stream".

**Geology:** Alternating dark grey argillite and greywacke sandstone. Conglomerates. Intricately folded. Spilitic lava with pink limestone and jasperoid chert. Ruahine greywackes. Kawhia Herangi Series, Jurassic. *NZ Geological Map 1 : 250,000. Sheet 12 Wellington.* (NZ Geological Survey, Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. 1967).

**Soils:** Korokoro-Makara soils. *Soils of Wellington District.* H S Gibbs. Soil Bureau, Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. 1960.

**Aspect:** The main tributaries flow north-north-east.

**Rainfall:** 1228.9 mm p.a. (gauge at Kelburn Meteorological Office).

**Ecological District:** Wellington Ecological District 39.01.

**Forest classification:** Regenerating semi-coastal broad-leaved native forest; mixed indigenous/exotic shrublands; plantings of native species; rank pasture; areas of bare soil and rock along tracks.

**Tenure:** Wellington City Council.

**Status:** Wellington Town Belt, protected under the Wellington Town Belt Act 2016.

**Wellington City Council District Plan:** Conservation Site 3C.

**Reference:** Park, G 1999, *An Inventory of the Surviving Traces of the Primary Forest of Wellington City*, compiled for Wellington City Council by Geoff Park Landscape Ecology and History. Site O406.5, Site O406.6. These two sites are in Aro Valley near Polhill Reserve.

Lists compiled by B Mitcalfe and C Horne on 25.8.2011 during a 5-hour reconnaissance along Highbury Fling Track and Transient Track. Additions by C Horne on 29.6.2017 during a 4-hour reconnaissance. Itinerary: Transient Track from Ashton Fitchett Drive to Serendipity Track; track and sealed footpath up to Karepa St and back to Transient Track; down Serendipity Track to Aro St. Additions by CH on 30.6.2017 during a 2.5-hour reconnaissance of Clinical Track and George Denton Park Track:

**Abbreviations:**

# = NZ native species not naturally occurring in Wellington Ecological District  
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agg. = aggregate

(cult) = cultivar

(P) = planted

sp. = species

subsp. = subspecies

var. = variety

x = hybrid

## Notes

## Observations

### LIST 1: SOME INDIGENOUS VASCULAR PLANTS

BOTANICAL NAME	MĀORI NAME	COMMON NAME
<b>GYMNOSPERM TREES</b>		
<i>Dacrycarpus dacrydioides</i> (P)	kahikatea	kahikatea
<i>Podocarpus totara</i> var. <i>totara</i> (P)	tōtara	tōtara
<i>Prumnopitys ferruginea</i> (P)	miro	miro
<b>MONOCOTYLEDONOUS TREES</b>		
<i>Cordyline australis</i>	tī kōuka	cabbage tree
<i>Rhopalostylis sapida</i> (P)	nīkau	nīkau
<b>DICOTYLEDONOUS TREES AND SHRUBS</b>		
<i>Aristotelia serrata</i>	makomako	wineberry
<i>Beilschmiedia tawa</i> (P)	tawa	tawa
<i>Brachyglottis repanda</i>	rangiora	rangiora
<i>Carpodetus serratus</i> (P)	putaputawētā	marbleleaf
<i>Coprosma areolata</i> (P) coprosma		thin-leaved
<i>Coprosma grandifolia</i>	kānono	kānono
<i>Coprosma rhamnoides</i> <i>Coprosma propinqua</i> var. <i>propinqua</i>		a coprosma sp.
<i>Coprosma robusta</i>	karamu	karamu
<i>Coprosma rotundifolia</i> (P) coprosma		round-leaved
# <i>Corynocarpus laevigatus</i>	karaka	karaka
# <i>Dodonaea viscosa</i> (P)	akeake	akeake
<i>Dysoxylum spectabile</i> (P?)	kohekohe	kohekohe
<i>Elaeocarpus dentatus</i>	hīnau	hīnau
# <i>Entelea arborescens</i> (P)	whau	whau
<i>Fuchsia excorticata</i>	kōtukutuku	tree fuchsia
<i>Geniostoma ligustrifolium</i> var. <i>ligustrifolium</i>	hangehange	hangehange

Griselinia littoralis (P)	papâuma	broadleaf
Hedycarya arborea	porokaiwhiri	pigeonwood
# Hoheria populnea	houhere	lacebark
Knightia excelsa	rewarewa	rewarewa
Kunzea robusta (P)	kānuka	kānuka
Laurelia novaezelandiae (P)	pukatea	pukatea
Leptospermum scoparium agg. (P)	mānuka	mānuka
Lophomyrtus bullata (P)	ramarama	ramarama
Melicope ternata (P)	wharangi	wharangi
Melicytus ramiflorus subsp. ramiflorus	māhoe	māhoe
Metrosideros robusta (P)	rātā	northern rātā
Myoporum laetum	ngaio	ngaio
Myrsine australis	māpou	māpou
Olearia paniculata (P)	akiraho	akiraho
Ozothamnus leptophyllus	tauhinu	tauhinu
Pennantia corymbosa	kaikōmako	kaikōmako
Piper excelsum subsp. excelsum	kawakawa	kawakawa
Pittosporum eugenioides (P)	tarata	lemonwood
# Pittosporum ralphii		a pittosporum sp.
Pittosporum tenuifolium	kohuhu	kohuhu
Pseudopanax arboreus	whauwhaupaku	five-finger
Pseudopanax crassifolius	horoeaka	lancewood
# Pseudopanax crassifolius x P. lessonii		a pseudopanax hybrid
# Pseudopanax laetus		a pseudopanax sp.
Schefflera digitata	patē	seven-finger
Solanum laciniatum	poroporo	poroporo
Sophora microphylla (P)	kōwhai	kōwhai
Veronica (Hebe) parviflora (P)	koromiko tāranga	tree hebe
Veronica (Hebe) stricta	koromiko	koromiko
# Vitex lucens (P)	pūriri	pūriri

### MONOCOTYLEDONOUS LIANES

None recorded

### DICOTYLEDONOUS LIANES

Clematis forsteri	pikiarero	small white clematis
Muehlenbeckia australis	pōhuehue	pōhuehue
Parsonsia heterophylla	kaihua	a NZ jasmine sp.
Rubus cissoides agg.	tātārāmoa	a bush lawyer sp.

### FERNS

Asplenium bulbiferum	manamana	hen & chickens fern
Asplenium flaccidum spleenwort	makawe o Raukatauri	hanging
Asplenium oblongifolium spleenwort	huruhuru whenua	shining
Blechnum chambersii	nini	lance fern
Blechnum filiforme	pānako	thread fern

<i>Blechnum fluviatile</i>	kiwakiwa	ray water fern
<i>Blechnum novae-zelandiae</i>	kiokio	kiokio
<i>Blechnum procerum</i>	kiokio	small kiokio
<i>Cyathea dealbata</i>	ponga	silver fern
<i>Cyathea medullaris</i>	mamaku	mamaku
<i>Histiopteris incisa</i>	mâtâtâ	water fern
<i>Lastreopsis glabella</i>		smooth hield fern
<i>Microsorium pustulatum</i>		
subsp. <i>pustulatum</i>	kôwaowao	hound's tongue
<i>Paesia scaberula</i>	mâtâ	ring fern
<i>Pellaea rotundifolia</i>	tarawera	round-leaved ern
<i>Polystichum neozelandicum</i>		
subsp. <i>zerophyllum</i>	pikopiko	a shield fern sp.
<i>Pteridium esculentum</i>	rârahu	bracken
<i>Pyrrosia eleagnifolia</i>	ota	leather-leaf fern

### LYCOPODS AND PSILOPSIDS

None recorded

### ORCHIDS

None recorded

### GRASSES

<i>Anamanthele lessoniana</i> (P)		wind grass
<i>Austroderia fulvida</i>	toetoe	toetoe

### SEDGES

<i>Carex geminata</i> (P)	rautahi	cutty grass
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### RUSHES

None recorded

### MONOCOTYLEDONOUS HERBACEOUS PLANTS, other than orchids, grasses, sedges, rushes

<i>Arthropodium cirratum</i> (P)	rengarenga	rengarenga
<i>Dianella nigra</i> (P)	tûrutu	blueberry
<i>Libertia ixioides</i> (P)	mîkoikoi	a NZ iris sp.
<i>Phormium cookianum</i> (P)	wharariki	coastal flax
<i>Phormium cookianum</i> x <i>P. tenax</i>		a hybrid flax

### COMPOSITE HERBACEOUS PLANTS

<i>Senecio hispidulus</i>		a fireweed sp.
<i>Senecio minimus</i>		a fireweed sp.

### DICOTYLEDONOUS HERBACEOUS PLANTS, other than composites

<i>Cardamine debilis</i>	panapanna	NZ bitter cress
<i>Haloragis erecta</i>	toatoa	shrubby
<i>haloragis</i>		
<i>Hydrocotyle novae-zelandiae</i>		a pennywort sp.

Stellaria parviflora

kohukohu

NZ chickweed

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**LIST 2: SOME ADVENTIVE VASCULAR PLANTS****GYMNOSPERM TREES**

Cupressus lawsoniana

Lawson's

cypress

Pinus radiata

radiata pine

**DICOTYLEDONOUS TREES AND SHRUBS**

Berberis darwinii

Darwin's barberry

Buddleja davidii

buddleia

Cytisus scoparius

broom

Eleagnus Xreflexa

eleagnus

Eucalyptus sp.

a eucalyptus sp.

Hypericum androsaemum

tutsan

Ilex aquifolium

English holly

Laurus nobilis

bay

Phytolacca octandra

inkweed

Prunus laurocerasus

strawberry laurel

Prunus sp.

a flowering

cherry sp.

Racosperma melanoxyton

Tasmanian

blackwood

Rubus fruticosus agg.

blackberry

Salix sp.

a willow sp.

Teline monspessulana

Montpelier broom

Ulex europaeus

gorse

**DICOTYLEDONOUS LIANES AND TRAILING PLANTS**

Asparagus scandens

climbing

asparagus

Clematis vitalba

old man's beard

Delairea odorata (Senecio mikanoides)

German ivy

Hedera helix

English ivy

Lonicera japonica

Japanese

honeysuckle

Nasturtium officinale

nasturtium

Passiflora mollissima

banana

passionfruit

**LYCOPODS**

None recorded

**FERNS**

Dryopteris filix-mas

male fern

**GRASSES**

Agrostis capillaris		brown top
Dactylis glomerata		cock'sfoot
Ehrharta erecta		veld grass

**RUSHES**

None recorded

**MONOCOTYLEDONOUS HERBACEOUS PLANTS, other than orchids, grasses, sedges, rushes**

Allium triquetrum		onion weed
Crococsmia Xcrococsmiiflora		montbretia
Hedychium sp.		a ginger lily sp.
Sisyrinchium iridifolium		purple-eyed
grass		
Tradescantia fluminensis		wandering willie
Zantedeschia aeothiopica		arum

**COMPOSITE HERBACEOUS PLANTS**

Bellis perennis		English daisy
Cirsium vulgare	kotimana	Scotch thistle
Erigeron karvinskianus		Mexican daisy
Erigeron (Conyza) sumatrensis		fleabane
Helminthoceca ecioides		oxtongue
Hypochaeris radicata		catsear
Jacobaea vulgaris		ragwort
Mycelis muralis		wall lettuce
Sonchus oleraceus	pūha	sow thistle

**DICOTYLEDONOUS HERBACEOUS PLANTS other than composites**

Achillea millefolium		common yarrow
Digitalis purpurea		foxglove
Foeniculum vulgare		fennel
Geranium molle		dove's-foot
cranesbill		
Malva dendromorpha		tree mallow
Prunella vulgaris		self-heal
Ranunculus repens		creeping
buttercup		
Raphanus raphanistrum		wild radish
Rumex obtusifolius		broad-leaved
dock		
Solanum chenopodiodes		velvet nightshade
Solanum nigrum		black nightshade
Stachys silvatica		hedge stachys
Stellaria media		chickweed

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**LIST 3: SOME INDIGENOUS BIRDS**

Falco novaeseelandiae	kārearea	NZ falcon
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Gerygone igata	riroriro	grey warbler
Larus dominicanus	kāroro	black-backed gull
Mohua albicilla	pōpokotea	whitehead
Nestor meridionalis		
subsp. septentrionalis	kākā	North Island kākā
Notiomystis cincta	hihi	stichbird
Petroica longipes	toutouwai	North        Island
robin		
Philesturnus rufusater	tieke	saddleback
Prothemadera novaseelandiae	tūī	tūī
Rhipidura fuliginosa placabilis	pīwakawaka	North        Island
fantail		
Zosterops lateralis	tauhou	waxeye

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**LIST 4: SOME ADVENTIVE BIRDS**

Fringilla coelebs	chaffinch
Platycercus eximius	eastern rosella
Turdus merula	blackbird
Turdus philomelos	song thrush

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## Section 1 – your details

Your name*: CHANDAN RANCHOAD
Your email or postal address*: BROOKLYN
You are making this submission: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> as an individual <input type="checkbox"/> on behalf of an organisation. Your organisation's name:

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## Section 2 – questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

### 1. Do you support the following proposals:

<p><b>Proposal 1:</b> A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure Why/other comments More parking for users / other tracks available as alternative routes
<p><b>Proposal 1a:</b> Alternate option for the top of the new track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure Why/other comments Less congestion for users
<p><b>Proposal 2:</b> A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure Why/other comments Keep access way by Windmill road on Ashton Fitchett Drive, more parking available. Walkers could leave cars parked in areas adding to congestion of traffic. Buses already struggle to drive past cars on road. Road is too narrow. Privacy as my section backs onto reserve. Safety/security for home owners. Random people wandering onto my property.
<p><b>Proposal 3:</b> A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsure Why/other comments

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

**2. Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply.)**

Biker  Walker  Commuter  Runner  Dog walker Other:

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**3. Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?**

Yes  No If yes, which ones?

**4. Any other comments or questions?**

Track for 2: behind my property.

Large tree would need to be removed.

High fence installed as 3 metre drop onto my property.

Safety for users.

more carparks would need to be created, as more users will create traffic congestion.

No guarantees users will abide by rules walkers/bike users using proposal 2 option.

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Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

**Neutral to proposal**

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

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Yes  No If yes, which ones? **Makara Peak and Mt Victoria**

**4. Any other comments or questions?**

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26<sup>th</sup> June 2017 (Revised)

I make this submission in opposition to these proposals as an individual and as a regular, at least weekly, user of the "Polhill Reserve" and many other tracks, trails and routes around Wellington. I do wish to be heard.

I walk, tramp, climb, clamber on alternative days for about three hours on each outing. I am now limited by my diminishing sight and chronic malady besides which rheumatoid arthritis has crippled my feet but with the aid of two sticks I press on regardless.

I have been sharing, by e.mail, my journeys for more than ten years. The audience for "Rosamund's Rambles" is more than 60 individuals some of whom share the information provided with their "walking groups" etc. The names I use for tracks, trails and routes are long established as I have been walking between Miramar and Porirua for many decades.

I understand that the full information pack has been posted to me during the last few weeks. Sadly NZPost has not yet delivered!

A leaflet with a map on the reverse was dropped into my letterbox it is only a summary. A very brief reference is made to the Open Space Access Plan (OSAP), the updated Town Belt Management Plan (TBMP) and to what appears to me to be an environmental impact report. I have not yet seen the latter.

In 2009 I wrote that "Mountain Bikes" were not permitted either in or around Polhill/Highbury/Brooklyn. Since then the formal colonisation of tracks, trails and routes has accelerated apace with each inch given a mile has been taken. At the time Highbury Fling was under construction with a charming sign warning about its narrowness..."not suitable for stout people" it has now been cambered and cleared for cyclists at the time it was anticipated that cyclists would continue cycling around the KWS fenceline "Roller Coaster". I am happy to supply more information on the history of the area as walked!

The idea of removing the steps descending from Ashton Fitchett and to the removal of the Waimapihi Walking Track to Holloway Road appals me.

A) (Proposal 4) The Waimapihi Walking Track is the oldest track in the network. It has always been gnarly, rutted and steep, but it provides the only direct access to the end of Holloway Road and "Rabbit Road" from Transient 1. In the last couple of years there have been attempts to make it passable. Some years ago I was promised by WCC steps (2008), which would also deter hurtling cyclists, on this useful access route. This route is a direct link to the recently upgraded lower "Rabbit Road" and a means to make a loop by then ascending to the "old route" that begins by the waymarker showing Transient 2 is a popular descent route despite it being heavily rutted and steep it leads into the pine forest above Aro Street and is a good connector track through Carey Street, across Holloway Road and then to Brosnahan and the beginning of Clinical.

I note that the Waimapihi Reserve is the nesting site for many birds there are signs of track excavation/creation within this tiny reserve. Doubtless one day it will have an informal connection to Clinical!

B) (Proposal 5) The Ashton Fitchett steps are a very useful shortcut when one has been circling the tracks or coming from the Skyline it reduces the journey from the end of Highbury Fling and Transient 1 by about 15 minutes. The steps, which were installed about ten years ago have until recently rarely been maintained, these days there is a "continuous" handrail and there has been some tidying. The steps avoid some of the least stable parts of Transient 1 beneath.

The lack of detail on the "map" undermines its usefulness the names of tracks such as "Squatters" and trails such as "Roots" are well used, by walkers. Useful bypasses have also been ignored. Most regular users know the common/traditional names and had the map been checked with an older user names could have been appended. Similarly unnamed bypasses are not marked to show access points between Highbury Fling and Clinical, "Squatters" (old Brosnahan Track) and Clinical, both provide direct access albeit steeply.

It astonishes me that regular walkers were not consulted, there are still many of us and in the daytime our numbers exceed those of cyclists.

C) The environmental impact of removing vegetation is already considerable. When the pilot track was built care was taken to ensure that vegetation hugged the sides to prevent erosion and to provide habitat for fauna. That is now a thing of the past with each upgrade removing vegetation, causing erosion and in places land slips, the "switchbacks" have been sharpened to allow cyclist to sweep downwards and to make negotiation by walkers more problematic. Recently (starting 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2017) more tree limbs have been removed and the surface, which once allowed purchase has been smoothed with "cake-mix" making it slippery. Large sums were spent on upgrading (post 2009) "Squatters", another old route, now known as the George Denton Track, most of the new infill has slipped and the trail has largely reverted to the rutted trail that it has always been. The lesson on Polhill's difficult terrain is leave well alone and save rate-payers money.

Note: Highbury Fling leads to Transient1 > Transient2 is marked as is just before the "old route" > Transient2 ends logically just by the Durham Street ridgeline > Transient3 begins and continues down to the Polhill Reserve Green at Aro Street.

The hair-raising "Serendipity" begins about 5 metres further along the ridgeline. Vegetation has been cleared and land erosion is apparent apparently it is used by hurtling hoodlums on bike nocturnally thus disturbing the surviving remnants of birdlife in what was once a "bird rich" area.

Conclusion:

The relief I seek is for the entire Polhill area to be left as it is with nothing added or removed. I oppose all of the proposals outlined.

Appendix below:

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Supplement – 6<sup>th</sup> July 2017

In the last five days I have received by courier the "Formal Assessment of the Brooklyn Trail Builders' Proposal" including the "Assessment of Environmental Effects (AEE)" and the "Users, use and experience survey (UU&ES)". The postal delivery service from WCC has failed as neither of the information packs have arrived to date.

I note that the AEE discusses the impact the proposed track building will have on the flora and fauna; mention is also made of potential damage that will be caused by the removal of vegetation. The slips will affect all users and already there are places that have been cleared where nothing grows because of the soil exposure. It will take many years for new vegetation to "take" and protect. I further note that the "Old Trail" to Aro Street" is being cleared (3 July 2017) and stumps poisoned to create a wide corridor for cyclists and remove habitat for a third of its length. The remainder of this trail is deeply rutted with some hazardous gullies continue to be carved out by water, run off and cyclists descending through the ruts, this is despite the trail being clearly labelled "Walkers Only" as it has been for many years. Trees absorb 91% of water from their roots and 9% from their crowns so not only are they a means of filtering carbon dioxide but also a means of silt, mud control. Poisoning stumps ensures that poisons seep into the gullies to reach the many waterways in the area. It is reprehensible to remove trees and vegetation including gorse and barberry that have provided nutrient rich corridors for birds, other fauna and shelter and shade for pedestrians. Birdlife on this trail was absent on my last visit.

The "UU&ES" was a result of people who use e.mail surveys self selecting, it is not representative of the many people who use all or part of Polhill with some regularity during daylight they include in this order: walkers, runners, dog-walkers, walkers with babes-in-backpacks, cyclists with dogs-in-tow, cyclists with dogs running alongside or ahead, mountain bikers, walkers with babies in pushchairs. Transient 1 (from Aro Street) to the escarpment above Durham Street has been widened and

the vegetation cleared and is no longer a “forest walk”. Transient 2 (from the escarpment and through the valley to the seat above the “Old Trail”) has defied clearances and is well used by walkers etc. Transient 3 (from the top of the “Old Trail” to Highbury Fling) is often used by those wanting a discrete stroll through a forest to and from George Denton Park. The access from George Denton Park to Mount Pleasant, Brosnahan and Clinical has developed a strange camber making it hazardous for walkers. This route was once verboten to cyclists as there was a large kakariki population in the forest which seems to have abandoned this site.

The new colourful waymarker caps only give information of the track, trail names. No useful information is being provided such as that at Makara Bike Park...which has the best legible combination locational-directional-information signs anywhere in Wellington, congratulations to their designers.

I would be happy to take any elected representatives on a gentle stroll around Polhill as a day-walk.

Thank you again for the extension.

Rosamund Averton

Mount Victoria,  
Wellington 6011.

NB: I visit my inbox approximately monthly.

FYI : below are some of my notes about the area covering the last few years, I have more notes back to the mid-90's!

2016 all footbridges completed. Pleaching on archway successful and best of all the steep connector from the top to directly to Highbury Fling is being well used. Someone has placed a seat by the “Lone Pine” lookout...potential there for a direct track down to “Clinical”...[[its shown on the original map for a Community Track – to be completed in 2013!!!]] {24<sup>th</sup> January 2016}

The route was almost complete in late 2015. It sports some splendid and easily visible directional signage top and bottom. The locational sign on the corner of Brosnahan and Holloway Road has been moved to the opposite corner and is now visible. The access to “Clinical” is still gnarly with some very skittery switchbacks (ie: sweeping corners) to climb before reaching two benched seats (a mystery) the “Clinical” track proper begins here going left. *[[The old access from the “old” (now named George Denton) track is veryyyy steep, rutted and skittery despite money being spent on it...the problem is and has always been the terrain.]] Be aware that cyclists will be ascending as will other walkers. The first junction is an old connector which goes through bush to reach the George Denton track...it's a short cut back to the top, “Highbury Fling” or to Mount Pleasant Road.*

An update:::: the Community Track that sort of parallels the old Brosnahan Trail is almost complete and longer than you might think. Begin at George Denton Park at the second waymarker descend...there is a "Holloway Road" sign descend to the double arrow waymarker. Contrary to the implications of the sign this is not just for cyclists but leads to Mt. Pleasant Road, the Brosnahan Trail and a wee side of track access to the "Community Track" which is quite steep and skittery at its end where it parallels the Holloway/Brosnahan/George Denton route. All "Old" access points are there. But only one exit on the "Community Track" [[learnt subsequently that it is known as "Clinical"!!!!]]

I understand that the waymarker is meant to be interpreted thus: everyone may use the track the arrow pointing downwards indicated (!) the way cyclists should go and the arrow pointing upwards indicates the best way for walkers proceed so that they are facing oncoming cycles! No one is being excluded and that includes dogs but they should be on leads. A great deal of work has gone into developing this generally sheltered and shady trail which has some mature, healthy tree fuschias. It is quite steep and narrow in places. I imagine it will be a great favourite once complete and complementary to the Transient>Highbury Fling route about 3 hours at a comfortable trot!

A local living in Holloway Road bemoaned that they had tried all local routes so I suggested those from Haines Terrace and Carey Road, Rabbit Road and Waimapihi [[with a warning...promises given by WCC some years ago to put in some steps on the more hair-raising slopes of the latter are still just a dream...but hope springs eternal.]]

[[[2013]]

I am delighted to tell all of those of you who have tried "Transient 1/2/3 – Polhill = Highbury Fling" that some good WCC elves have installed seats with backs that look over the valleys. My hope is that some equally good elves do the same on Mt.Vic (from Haitaitai over the tunnel route) there once was a crude seat but someone removed the planks that rested securely on some historic heritage brick piles!

"Squatters" (the old neglected and very rutted trail from Brosnahan to Mt.Pleasant and eventually Highbury Fling etc, is being used by some dare-devil downhillers who hurtle down without any regard to any other track users they then pile their bikes onto a truck and head off to Mount Vic. To wreak havoc there!

But earlier in the month several visits to Highbury Fling (Highbury), Kohekohe (above Otari), Kaiwharawhara Stream (Otari), Carey's Road (Holloway Road) to old Polhill Track>Transient exiting at Hawkins Hill Road and then Johnsonville Park (undertrack on left>Skyline) before tackling Te Wharangi>Crows Nest (Ararua Street-Ngaio).

Sadly the oldest route upwards through Highbury Fling to the KWS fenceline track is "closed"...its incredibly rutted and the final descent is challenging but doable thanks to the remaining trees. Exit to Mt.Pleasant is as it has been for many years there is healthy population of Kakariki in here...visitors from Highbury Fling, perhaps

George Denton Park, Highbury is so close to Highbury Fling that I rarely resist it and then of course do Transient where a good elf has been doing some maintenance to the track surface. Sadly the places where plants were poisoned has caused slippage and erosion from the sides

of the valley. I know that many of you use and enjoy this route either up or down especially on windy days.

To get to HL. Park at George Denton Park (Highbury) on your right is a rough road and the KWS fence, climb the rough road passing the directional sign to Waiapu Road (Karori): about 30 metres further on there is a waymarker showing Highbury Fling. *Someone has taken away the GPT painted sign that used to be attached to the large tree stump alongside the track entrance.*

[[[2012]]

The foxgloves (white to purple) and mullein (yellow) on Highbury Fling are looking spectacular. I completed a KWS fenceline walk to check out the killing fields and new vegetation, sadly most is dead until one reaches just above the final exit route down to HF where there are lots of opportunity plants tucked into a bank. The track down is now clearly defined (!) cross over HF and continue descending...this is a steep route and not for the faint-hearted it seems to have been made for/by “downhillers”, it used to be quite walkable though it has always been steep to vertical; at its end it meets the junction for Holloway Road and Mount Pleasant Reserve/Road. It looks as though someone is removing trees and vegetation, a shame as they provide shelter, shade and much needed handholds as one descends gingerly to Brosnahan – Holloway teetering on the side of narrow gullies.

Highbury Fling (Highbury) has a (new?) population of friendly tom-tits who escort one. There a bees, butterflies, lots of flowering thistles, another flush of foxgloves and mullein. A mysterious opportunity plant (possibly toa-toa???) is lining the first part of HF.

*It seems that someone has photographed in Waikanae the bird I identified last year as a fernbird beside Highbury Fling. Perhaps there is a separate population living in the Polhill Valley beneath HF? It is certainly a haven for a very chatty population of Tui, Piwakawaka, Kaka etc.*

The kaka and piwakawaka below Highbury Fling seem to have built an alliance with the kaka causing clouds of insects to rise and the wee fantails visible enjoying the bounty. Corpulent kereru are all over the City...not just at Otari – karaka have also heavily fruited.

Questions again about getting to and from George Denton Park (Highbury). If you are driving/parking from the City head for Aro Valley and drive up to Raroa then turn left at Norna, left into Highbury Road then right past the bus terminus then left to GD Park. No.20 Bus (weekdays only and hourly). Walking through Highbury Fling > Transient3 exiting to Ashton Fitchett No.8 Bus (weekdays only and hourly) back to the City.

Highbury Fling is holding up well though its quite muddy. It perfect for those who want an easy walk with a natural termination point (Ashton Fitchett). I generally start a loop at Aro Street > Transient to H.Fling with a wee detour to

Carparks/Windmill [[apparently 400m to go before it meets up with the Carparts extension]] then descending and walking around KWS fenceline and back down to Birdwood Reserve (Waiapu Road) then up the pathway exiting just past George Denton and walking home via Kelburn!

On a delicious day I walked to the end of Aro Street and then climbed Transient passing the steps and then detouring to Hawkins Hill Road to visit "Windmill"...what a joy it is as it winds upwards through bush to its natural termination...I extended my pleasure by going left...and then exiting opposite the turbine. I could have gone right but that would have curtailed my pleasure! Crossed to the fenceline and descended all the way to George Denton then ducked into "Mt.Pleasant reserve"...its going to get a new track...sometime, apparently. Saw kakariki, kereru and kaka all within minutes so bouncy was I that I then ascended (!) and walked along Highbury Fling exiting at Ashton Fitchett and went down to Sugarloaf and wended my way to Central Park... daffodils only in patches now...then homewards. Magical day.

Transient – Highbury Fling is getting prettier by the day...lots of clumps of foxgloves. Went around the fenceline a couple of times and back to Karori and once or twice down to Campbell/Croydon and then back to the fenceline, then Birdwood Reserve, ending at Waiapu Road.

[[[2011]]]

The day before walking back along Highbury Fling from Transient 1>3 a kaka mated with my hat covered head and then another kaka landed on the bare head of a runner, preceding to wee on him, this was a group of banded kaka who were so tame that they walked around our feet and onto our shoes...probably intending to mate with them too...walked on and descended to Waiapu Road. En route I had met a KWS worker testing a new large, shiny black 4wd which apparently had the wrong tyres fitted. I told the chap about the kaka and he told me that it was their mating season, he also explained that many of the little birds had died in the snow, hopefully the bird population will swiftly recover. I have already seen flocks of wax-eyes feasting in the many blossoming fruit trees around town.

A marathoner "in training" wanted some gentlish routes, so I sent her up Transient 1/2/3 – Highbury Fling – George Denton Park – Mt.Pleasant Road and back to the beginning at the western (!) end of Aro Street, just before Holloway Rd ( *by the beautifully decorated pseudo Klimt bus shelter*).

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Your name*:	MARK COBURN
Your email or postal address*:	
You are making this submission:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> as an individual	<input type="checkbox"/> on behalf of an organisation. Your organisation's name:

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## Section 2 – questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

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<b>Proposal 1:</b> A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure Why/other comments REALLY GOOD IDEA. YES I WANT TO CYCLE SEPERATED.
<b>Proposal 1a:</b> Alternate option for the top of the new track below Ashton Fitchett Drive? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsure Why/other comments NO OPINION
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Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

NO OPINION

Proposal 5: Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

NO OPINION

2. Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply.)

Biker  Walker  Commuter  Runner  Dog walker Other:

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3. Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

Yes  No

If yes, which ones?

MAKARA. WAINUI.

4. Any other comments or questions?

NO OPINION = I'M FINE WITH OTHER PEOPLES VIEWS

DEAR MOUNTAINBIKERS, DON'T TRY TO TAKE "ALL THE CAKE" IN WATN. BE BALANCED. PLANT TREES. SEPERATED <sup>THE</sup> SEEMS WAY TO GO.

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4. Any other comments or questions?

As a runner and walker with small children, I support expanding walk/run-only access and separation from the MTB trails. I also believe adding MTB only trails will relieve pressure on the shared tracks. Polhill Reserve is a great resource - let's keep it useable for all!

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**Russell Taylor**

**03 July 2017 – Submitted via email**

Further to my initial submission and response.

A short addition - summary

Its one for the birds!( no more "bikies!")

The regeneration of native bush, edible forests and supporting the native birds, having safer foot tracks is of more value than adding an "at speed" downhill track (water race!!!) solely for mountain bikers.

Any resources available need in my view to support establishment of better "halo' habitat for the birds,skinks wetas etc , especially food all year round, reestablishing the hinau forest and reducing any new human excursion let alone adding cycle thru way- , maintain existing tracks ist (let alone water ways, footpaths and roads), and plenty of biking areas - theres already the karori bike park

I also believe that decisions made for our reserves should follow the conditions agreed by the community in the Open Access Plan - this proposal does not appear to meet those conditionand its also quesdtionable it fits with the town belt management plan and intent.

I also request an opportunity to make an oral submission and would welcome a "decision makers" actual dialogue and a meighbourhood consult- we the" gullyytes" have been guardians of the Waimpaihi and its been a 40+ year project with little assistance and in many instances opposition from the Uni , WCC and the Public Trust.

Now it seems that its become the fashionable "playground" for some well off arrogant bikers and untethered dogs, at our community and ecosystem expense.

Russell Taylor

**07 June 2017 – Submitted via email**

Can you please confirm receipt, add this to your submission material and respond.

There is confusing information on your website

The squatters track is referred to by 2 conflicting useage- one walking only( see below)and the other priority for bikers ( a red line on current and proposed track maps))

Which is correct and operates?

My understanding is its a downhill bikers track shared use. Mountain biking is encouraged and certainly the old road section is open to service vehicles and walkers and until recently patrolled by parking enforcement.

Background\history

This track was reopened in the 1980s by the Waimapaihi Project utilising community sentence offenders. The original work was done to clear what was a previous century sledge track modified by bulldozer illegal quarrying in 1960s( the foundations for BNZ bldg) It joined the postmans track running from Waimapihi stream to the ridge. The Brosnahan terrace used to have residential sections, at one time 11 houses. Sections in Mt pleasant had paths stormwater and sewage lines and street access to bottom of their properties. There is concern theres leaking sewers still!and some stormwater and sewage connections are not as they are supposed to be.

I with permission from WCC in 1983 opened up the then Brosnahan Terrace road for vehicular access to the old quarry area at back of our property. Subsequently we had resource consent to reshape the old quarry, drain and introduce and compact clean fill of up to 2 m deep in the 90s.

I also obtained resource planning consent( to build on the quarry) to penetrate the height restriction) and gained consent of neighbours - this lapsed as I did not have the funds to build and as fallback built at roadside in 1991 The quarry was also used with WCC permission as a mobile home camping area for the sculpture symposium Te Tari Tanaga -unfortunately one of the buses got rained in. They have left limestone scraps and the sculpted figure at holloway entrance.

Further work was done by Earthquake commission contractors to address the slip damage arising from developers at 90 Holloway road including laying a coarse metal which was compacted and drainage installed to enable concrete truck access .

The developer had illegally over xmas period brought in a 20 tonne digger and excavated illegally more than 25 s m of fill.( took away 82 truckloads of fill )

Further work was done post the disastrous landslides arising from the Korimiko road storm water diversion and months of work closing in the open sewer and installing the 60 cm storm water pipeline .

This track was altered in early 2000 by rogue track builders and fences demolished and track diverted thru private property at end of Mt Pleasant Road( Muriels property)

The track was further realigned resurfaced by diggers and tracked barrows by Downers a contract also funded by Transpower and commitment made by wcc to regularly maintain the track bridges etc and deal with noxious weeds and revegetate.

This track also marks the transition from inner city residential zoning rules to outer residential rural zoning rules

Considerable local volunteer effort has seen planting of over 2500 trees shrubs and flaxes and clearing of gorse blackberry oldmans beard from 1984 to 2016. This was done with assistance of goats( 8 of them tethered ) until dog attacks stopped this in 2015

The recent track builders have put the uphill track thru the old house foundations and the remaining toilet and diverted use of squatter track and cut thru the postmans track and theres been lots of collateral damage to previous planting. Water courses have changed and there been several slips

The bottom section has for years been dumping ground and visitors are warned to be wary both broken glass and rusty iron. 2 k bedford trucks, old appliances and 1000s of bottles ( square riggers gully - another leaf in this areas history) have been dragged out in several clean ups and bottle collectors have been thru many times. There also has been 2 mining shafts- the morning star gold mining coy - this being the city end of their claim - refer to shaft story at Zealandia) There also used to be a carrier carter stable at the holloway end of the track( swamped by a landslide) and beef and dairy cattle once roamed the hillside and its where xmas and easter chickens were raised. In the 50 and 60s some of the best and most prolific blackberry patches were here and theres rumours of cannabis plots in the 70s. Pre european this gully and track saw summer forager seeking wood pigeons( theres always been wood pigeons in this valley) and hinau berries and a escape from the eels and swamps of te aro and parties on their way to bath and drink the waters of the Waimapihi - (the bathing place of the princess and subsequently Mrs Leonard in the the 20s.) George Swinson tells of this track being the ist leg of the long gully excursions by youths of the st to the south coast. He reports of expedition to and from in a afternoon returning with fresh fish.

Russell

Your site says  
"Squatters (Squatsville)  
Location  
Polhill, Wellington, New Zealand

Overview

Squiggly single track down from the bottom of the Roller Coaster to Holloway Road.  
Grade

Intermediate or 2+ for the George Denton entry.

Access

Foot [Closed to Mountain Bikes per WCC Tracks Policy] Getting there The entrance is on the far side of George Denton park. The other entry is about 100m up from the bottom of the Roller Coaster, look for either of the two pine needle single tracks heading off to the east.

Length

0.89km

Conditions

Single track"

Initial submission

FROM: "russell\_taylor"  
SUBJECT: Re: Proposed changes to tracks in Polhill Reserve  
CC:  
REPLY-TO:  
DATE: Tue, 06 Jun 2017 12:14:17 +1200  
STATUS: normal  
TO: Michael Oates  
Thanks mike,

I think the tracks also involve george denton and waimapihi- they are not polhill!

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where do I locate the survey results?

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when is WCC going to address the entry exit points cycle lanes parking run off etc

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still problems with pvte track which are pedastrian only - a bevy of cyclists went thru this weekend

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whats happened to the maintenance of existing tracks- i.e the down hill one from george denton cost intially in excess of \$50000 and the commitmebnt of WCC back then was it would be maintained especially weedeaten x 2 pa and no spray - yet its been sprayed and birdlife diminished and no weedeating

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specific suggestions

the george denton downhill and up hill tracks should have the connecting track reinstated and signage so theres no down hill on the up hill!!

and

the clinical track should have a entry exit well marked off the right tributary in upper holloway road

and

the old postmans track reinstated(from there to ridge downhill track)

and

brosnahan entry exit point needs to be made safer and more obvious( so bikers don'tmiss the entry point and go on up and use waimapihi pedestrian only tracks)

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why did wcc not seek to claim a use for the pohill x vic properties- a storage and changing facility showers toilets would be great for all users and the freedom campers bring back the the sutch toilets reactivate the old school toilets

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will there be notified resource consent(more than 25 sq m disturbed)required - and enviromental ecological transport and social impact reports?

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Consultation- its been long established that the point of consultation is to reach agreement- I wonder who when etc the negotiation of the agreement will occur and who is my representative in that process and when will past agreements undertakings be observed

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also wonder how all this fits with town belt management plan restrictions- i have been advised that formal informal paths and access are not permitted in town belt

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where is the funding for this arising from- i understood it was austere times and what funds there were were to address the critical infrastructure problems is it coded as recreation, reserves or what in WCC financial records? where can i or anyone track and identify expenditure against budget and policy ? especially the funding for food proliferation, predator control, old mans beard noxious plant eradication versus more tracks versus stormwater upgrade,footpath maintenance ,wet house, social housing etc

russell

## Submission on Proposed New Mountain Bike Trails in Polhill

I am writing this is a personal submission to the proposal by the Brooklyn Trail Builders to build further bike tracks in the Polhill area. In essence this is a mild revision of a letter on this topic that I sent to Councillor Peter Gilberd and Michael Oates a few weeks ago. I am an active member of the Polhill Protectors, and have shared this submission with other members of the group. Overall, the opinions here reflect that of the group as a whole, however I expect that the Polhill Protectors will independently write a submission.

My wife and I have lived in Wellington for twenty five years. I have a vivid memory of my first view of the Polhill area. We were looking for a house to rent and were shown one in Karepa St in Brooklyn. The view from the house was of a vast sea of gorse and the idea of living in a house with such a view did not appeal at all. Twenty five years before that the view would have been to farmland. How that has changed. Polhill has evolved into a hugely valuable recreational area returning to largely native bush, although with plenty of exotics mixed in. For us, the Polhill Protectors, the most exciting thing is the well-documented return of the bird life. Supporting that return is our primary objective.

Recently I went for my regular run which basically is a circuit through most of Polhill. On that run I saw kaka, toutouwai, kereru, piwakawaka, wax eyes and whiteheads. I heard tieke, kakariki, karearea, kingfisher and grey warblers. For me its an enormous privilege to have that experience. It greatly enhances my quality of life and is something that would have been unthinkable twenty five years ago. Thanks to the Sanctuary and the protected areas nearby, Wellington residents can connect with and experience nature in a way that is essentially impossible elsewhere in New Zealand. (On making this revision I notice that I had omitted mentioning tui in the list of native birds. It speaks volumes for how privileged we are in Wellington that such an omission was possible! I still remember my excitement at seeing a tui for the first time in Wellington and now I take them completely for granted.)

On that run I also saw rabbits, blackbirds, sparrows and a flock of quail. I heard rosellas and I think chaffinches. And thats okay. Polhill is not pristine wilderness. Its a complex area in which native species are learning to live in

a new environment. We are seeing that, so long as certain key predators are kept at very low levels, these pioneering members of our native species can indeed compete and survive. *Kia kaha manu whenua!*

We have always maintained good relationships with the Brooklyn Trail Builders, but our goals are distinct. The key thing we have done is to put in place a network of over 160 rat and stoat traps throughout the Polhill area. We have an army of volunteers that regularly check the traps. They are likely the most checked traps in New Zealand — our problem is not lack of volunteers; rather the reverse! The traps follow the tracks. Without the network of tracks constructed by the Brooklyn Trail Builders, it would have been much more difficult to position and to check the traps. Were it not for the tracks, the traps would not be there. This melding of recreation with conservation has arguably been pioneering in an urban environment.

That is one benefit of the tracks. But there are others. The tracks have enabled Garth Baker to pursue his amazing replanting work in Polhill. I do not believe that this could have happened without the track network. It has been argued that the tracks enable the spread of weeds into Polhill. That may be true, but there was no shortage of weeds in the first place. Polhill is not a pristine wilderness. A large, blackberry covered, former slip face below the Highbury Fling predates the tracks. The tracks facilitate the current work of clearing and replanting that slip.

Moreover the tracks create light wells. Areas that were essentially mahoe with a bare understory are now seeing other native species growing vigorously along the track margins. Wellington's worst summer in thirty years seems to have had a silver lining. The regeneration of native species along the track margins this year has been nothing short of spectacular.

The tracks have also opened up Polhill to recreation users. It's not just bike riders, but walkers and runners that use the area, and use it in large numbers. I'm not a bike rider, but I often think how frustrating it must be for them to have to constantly stop for walkers, runners and even large family groups with kids on trikes. But with one exception over a year ago I have found the bikers to be courteous and considerate. Hats off to them. Everyone understands that it's a multi-use area and it all seems to just work.

But it's far more than just that. If we are to achieve ambitious conservation goals in New Zealand we will need the engagement of the whole community. And that will only happen if people connect with nature. It's a small minority that has the fitness and desire to get into the back country. But Polhill is for everyone. I'm an Aro Valley resident and the community engagement with Polhill is enormous. In fact I would go so far as to say that Polhill has become a key part of the identity of the community. This has only happened since the tracks were built. Before that, those who ventured into the area were few and far between. For some, maybe many, the connection that they get from that casual stroll in Polhill will be life changing. While there may be some valid issues raised in the expert WCC reports on a new track, our concern as a group is that the message it presents to the community is a negative one going forward: that conservation values and recreation are exclusive.

In my experience the birds are not particularly concerned about we humans, but I'm not a professional ecologist. Perhaps the main problem that arises from human usage and a genuine danger is the presence of dogs off lead. Fewer people would mean fewer dogs. But that's not the way to solve that problem for the future. The way is through culture change. I see far fewer dogs off lead than I used to and that's been a product of the effective Take the Lead campaign as well as good signage. People take time to adapt, but they do — who could imagine smoking in a restaurant these days? And then there is the elephant in the predator-free room and that is roaming cats. We would welcome working with WCC on these campaigns.

I should add here that I have absolutely the highest respect for WCC staff who have been involved with Polhill. We are lucky to have people of such calibre engaged in conservation in Wellington and their relationship with us as a volunteer group has been exemplary. Dave Bryden, who probably has the best understanding of the spillover of birds from Zealandia has raised concerns about the 300m section of proposed track that connects the Highbury Fling to Clinical as it seems that it passes through particularly valuable tieke habitat. I expect that the Polhill Protectors as a whole will comment on this.

I also understand that there is concern about possible erosion that a new track would cause. I don't see much in the way of erosion from the existing tracks — no doubt helped by Garth's good work — and I don't see that as

being a huge concern for a new track, assuming that it is well designed and well engineered.

All up, we argue that the impact of the tracks has been overwhelmingly beneficial. We are also very keen to work with Brooklyn Trail Builders and WCC to mitigate any ecological concerns, and to work together with relevant parties to do so via a collaborative process. Having said that, there must come a point where enough is enough. Off track, Polhill rapidly becomes rugged and difficult terrain. It's a strange feeling being in such terrain with the sounds of Wellington still audible in the distance. Our position as Polhill Protectors is that we are supportive of the proposal for one more track. That would probably be enough. We wouldn't want Polhill to lose its untamed side.

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Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

The proposal does not meet the conditions set out in the Open Space Access Plan.

Proposal 5: Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

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2. Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply.)

Biker  Walker  Commuter  Runner  Dog walker Other: Neighbour

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3. Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

Yes  No

If yes, which ones?

South Coast, Otari, Sutton/Breaker Bay, Tann Belt

4. Any other comments or questions?

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## Issues within the Polhill Reserve

1. Negative Human interactions
  - a. Loss of flora from trail building, trail use and expansion, slope erosion and competition from weed species.
  - b. Introduction and proliferation of non-native flora (“weeds”)
  - c. Introduction and proliferation of non-native fauna (cats, rats, mice etc.)
  - d. Dogs off lead accompanying walkers, runners and bikers
  - e. Rubbish and waste (including human and dog waste)
2. Positive Human interactions
  - a. Recreation of all types
  - b. Trapping of pests
  - c. Planting of native species and weeding of non-native plants
  - d. Halo effect provided by the natural habitat for the native bird species being supported by Zealandia efforts.

## Principles to manage Polhill Reserve to reduce the negative interactions and maintain or increase the positive

1. Maintain equality of all users, do not allow any one user to dominate
  - a. Do not introduce any additional trails and specifically do not introduce bike-only trails or downhill bike “speed” trails. This will drive away dog walkers, trampers and joggers as bikes come to dominate the Reserve and the parking.
  - b. Help all users have a safe experience
    - i. Make all trails one-way biking only
    - ii. Make all trails at a mild grade to reduce bike speed and improve control.
    - iii. Good signage to help way-finding and rule following (dogs on lead, bikes to be in control in order to stop at all times for other users.)
2. Support the introduction of native flora and fauna
  - a. Disrupt existing flora as little as possible.
  - b. Support weed removal and native, bio-local plantings
  - c. Reduce weed spread (maintain canopy, do not add or expand size of trails)
  - d. Support the trapping of pests
  - e. Support cat containment
  - f. Discourage waste with rubbish bins and a near-by bathroom signed for users
  - g. Add land to Polhill Reserve to increase size and density of flora.

## Applying these Principles to the current Polhill Reserve Track Proposals

1. No new trails of any type in Polhill.
2. Maintain current trails to support trapping regime and planting and weeding efforts.

***In summary, none of the 5 trails proposed should be adopted by WCC.***

## Notes regarding the **Users, Use and Experience Survey**

1. 66% of the respondents used the reserve for “mainly biking”. Thus, the results of the survey must be seen in this light – most of the answers came from bikers.
2. 70% of the respondents use other trails in combination with the Polhill trails. Thus, one can assume many bikers move out of Polhill during their ride to experience the other types of trails around.
3. Thus, the experiences sought in Polhill (a bike only downhill trail, i.e. a trail you can ride at speed), can be found elsewhere by these users outside of Polhill. Polhill does not need to contain this kind of trail.

## Notes on the **Formal Assessment of Brooklyn Trail Builders’ Proposal**

1. *“Traffic engineers have reviewed Aro Street around the Polhill entrance and have determined no additional car parking is available.”* Increasing the trails in Polhill and the draw of more bikers by offering the new downhill trail, is likely to increase the car parking needs in the area. If there is no additional parking available, this will cause stress for those who use the area for parking.
2. *“This is poor track network design due to negative impacts on slope stability and vegetation loss.” “May increase risk of hill slope slips in heavy rain events. It will result in larger open canopy in a relatively small area.”* These comments are specifically about the area under the Ashton Fitchett stairs, but also represent the risk of trails in general – slope stability, vegetation loss and canopy loss. This is not the direction we want to go with the Polhill Reserve, we want to preserve vegetation and maintain slope stability.
3. *“Additional tracks and their users may introduce more pests. The new tracks will see more weed pests introduced into the Reserve.”* Already we see areas in Polhill where the weeds are winning. Along the new Clinical track, weeds are proliferating. This is not what we want for Polhill, we want to support the regeneration of native, bio-local flora.
4. *“More tracks may result in easier access for predators.”* In my use of Polhill over the past 6 years, I see more cats, farther into Polhill than I used to. This does not help Polhill maintain and improve its halo effect for native fauna coming from Zealandia.
5. *“Dogs off lead in ecologically sensitive reserves through the reserve network are a threat to native bird species”.* More trails are likely to result in more users with dogs that do not obey the lead rules. This is commonly seen with bikers and runner who have their dog run along them off lead. And it can also be seen with walkers who feel it is OK to walk dogs off lead. It is a large problem within Polhill and a threat to the fauna, other users and a source of pollution.
6. *“It is likely that bikes will be travelling at speed on the descending bike track and this may cause concerns at these crossing points.”* Based on the development of the downhill priority Serendipity Trail, I am no longer able to use the trail that leads up and out of the back of Polhill park because of the increased use by bikes and the speed and numbers at which they travel. I have even felt uncomfortable in Polhill Park as bikers come off Serendipity into the park at speed. This has cut off a section of Polhill from my use. More bikes seeking more speed will further reduce my comfort level and other non-bikers users on Polhill trails. Right now, the balance is about right between users, but additional trails will throw this balance in favour of bike riders.
7. *“The Proposal does not meet the Environmental Impact guiding principles in the Open Space Access Plan.”* We should honour the work and science and consultation that went into the Open Space Access plan. None of the trails proposed meet the Plan’s conditions, so they should not be approved.

## Notes on Appendix A – Assessment of environmental effects

1. *“Even localised disturbance can harm rare or endangered species.”* The new trails might seem benign, but even the smallest human interaction has its effects. The special nature of Polhill as a halo area for Zealandia needs to be valued and protected. There isn’t any more land out there that can be protected, so we really need to do our best with this land.
2. *“There is support in the literature for the hypothesis that the effects on some species of wildlife are more pronounced with mountain bikes than they are with other forms of recreation, primarily related to the ‘sudden encounter’ effect.”* New trails for bikes and especially those designed so the bikes can go fast and not have to stop or control their speed will increase the ‘sudden encounter’ effect with wildlife and with other trail users.
3. *“Due to the height of the required cuts, if a significant tree is on the track alignment it is unlikely that root disturbance will be avoided.”* New tracks are likely to mean the disturbance and loss of big trees and regenerating native trees of all sizes. We see this happening along the Clinical trail - the most dramatic was the slip of a very large tree fuchsia. More trees along this trail are failing. We don’t need any more loss of trees.
4. *“The direct disturbance by having a track within the habitat of these (threatened and locally significant) birds poses a direct risk to their nesting success and the success of their fledglings.”* After the incredible success of the tieke breeding inside Polhill, why would we want to risk this happening again. Why make decisions to reduce the chances of Polhill supporting the full life cycle of our native birds?

## Notes on the Brooklyn Trail Builder’s Proposal

1. *“The trail will be intermediate-grade, incorporating “flow” so it is a fun experience to ensure it becomes the preferred descending route. It will also incorporate occasional very short ‘alternative’ or harder lines which will suit more advanced riders and again make them want to descent this new trail rather Transient.”*
  - a. BTB want this as a fast-moving, non-stop downhill trail. This type of trail is inappropriate due to the mix of users in Polhill and the importance of the natural environment found there.
  - b. BTB wants this trail to be technical and wider in parts. This will increase the negative effects on the canopy and slope stabilisation, which negatively effects flora and fauna. It will also attract a more technical and speed-seeking type of biker. This could change the composition of the users and the friendly nature of current interactions between bikers and walkers in Polhill. And it will have an effect on the availability of parking.
  - c. BTB does not want Transient to be made one way, they want Transient to stay 2-way with the addition of this fun new downhill option just for mountain bikes. This does not support shared use principles and does not solve the problem of the reduction of “trail user enjoyment” which they mentioned in their proposal as the reason for this trail.

***In summary, none of the 5 trails proposed should be adopted by WCC.***

## An alternative Polhill Reserve Track Proposal from the Brooklyn Trail Builders and the WCC proposals.

The WCC undertook an **Assessment of environmental effects** (Appendix A of their **Formal Assessment of Brooklyn Trail Builders' Proposal**) for the new tracks proposed by Brooklyn Trail Builders. This assessment states all the ways in which the proposed trails do not meet the Open Space Access Plan. It contains a review of 7 conditions trail proposals must meet and the proposal is found to meet none of them.

And yet despite these definitive findings, the WCC Officers chose to "support the descending bike proposal with a small number of modifications". The reason they give for this is the survey results showing "as strong demand" for some form of separation to relieve pressure on Transient.

This is where our alternative proposal offers a better solution - we suggest most trails in Polhill be made one-way only for bikes, thus making it a safe and more pleasant experience for all users. We have prepared the attached maps to show how easy and efficient it would be to reconfigure most of the existing trails into one-way for bikes. We believe this would relieve pressure more effectively on Transient and other Polhill trails than what has been proposed by Brooklyn Trail Builders.

This proposal would reduce the negative impacts clearly outlined in the **Assessment of environment effects** by using existing trails and one new trail to provide 5 distinct loops bikers can use in Polhill, offering something for all biking experience level. The benefits of this proposal recognise:

- ≠ The importance of a good balance between all users in Polhill - not allowing bikes to come to dominate, as Polhill is not and should not become a "bike park", but rather a reserve that supports all manner of recreation, *including bikes*, in a peaceful and respectful manner.
- ≠ The best practice for safe use of bikes on shared trails - each trail being one-way only for biking makes it easier for other users to watch for bikes coming from that direction and react in time to allow them to pass unhindered. And this will be especially beneficial for bikers who will no longer have to meet other bikers coming at speed in their direction.
- ≠ Honouring the Open Space Plan by only suggesting a small addition to the Polhill trail network to allow a new bike loop to be created, an addition which increases the spectrum of biking experience and skill level required. This is a good compromise between the negatives a new trail creates and the positives it can provide to users.

Our interest in this issue is not to reduce the use of Polhill for biking, but rather make it safer for bikers and non-bikers alike, and to provide bikers an appropriate experience in Polhill - not a downhill thrill that is available elsewhere. Polhill is a very special environment that should continue to be enjoyed by all types of users. However, our actions must balance the needs of people and nature carefully. We believe this proposal is the solution all users can support, while our native flora and fauna continue to reclaim Polhill.

### Map Attachments

A. **Reconfiguration of Polhill tracks for bikes** – using existing trails, I have proposed how most can become one-way for bikers. Included is a new trail that provides an additional loop beginning and ending at Polhill Park.

B. **5 One-Way Bike Loops** – based on making most Polhill tracks one-way for bikes, this maps a minimum number of loops (start and finish in the same location), providing great variety along with increase safety for bikers in Polhill.

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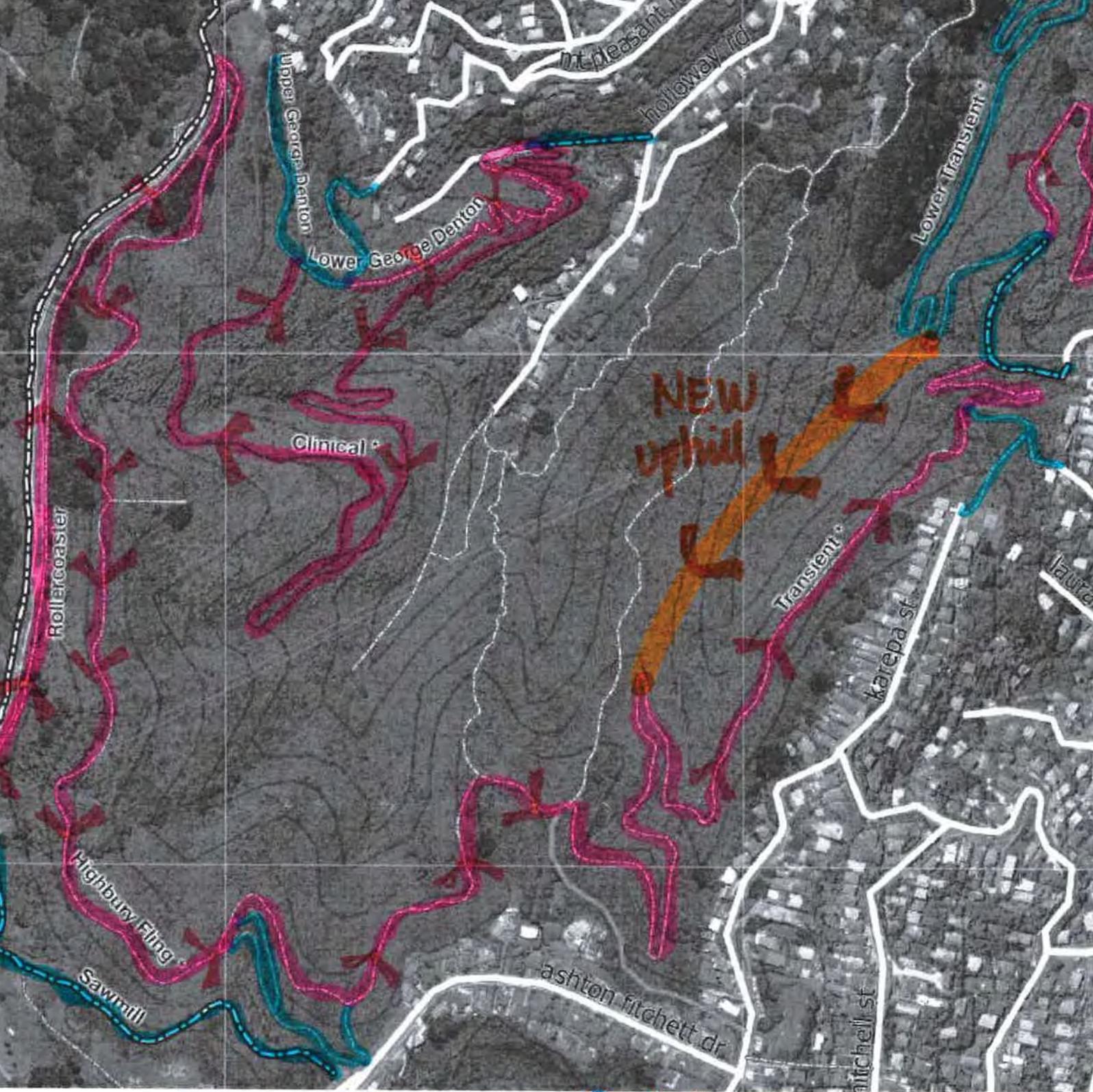
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- Track Types**
- 4WD - Shared Use
  - Single Track - Bike
  - Single Track - Shared
  - Walking Only



-  Two-way for bikes
-  One-way for bikes
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### **Proposed New Mountain Bike Track Through Polhill Gully**

The Polhill Gully area at the head of the Aro Valley – sometimes referred to as the Polhill Gully Reserve, is an important element of the Wellington Town Belt. Its character and use is described in Section 3 of the Wellington Town Belt Management Plan as adopted by the Wellington City Council in June 2013.

The land in question became formally part of the Wellington Town Belt on enactment of the Wellington Town Belt Act 2016 on 9 May 2016.

Subsequently on 20 April 2017 the Wellington City Council adopted amendments of a minor and technical nature to the 2013 Wellington Town Belt Management Plan. These amendments were consequential on to the enactment of the Wellington Town Belt Act 2016.

The obligations on the Council for the protection, management and enhancement of land subject to the Wellington Town Belt Act are set out in the Act. These obligations and responsibilities state the Council must recognize and provide for the protection and enhancement of the Wellington Town Belt for future generations and in doing so have regard to the principles set out in Section 1(b) of the Act as follows:

- (i) The Town Belt should be managed in partnership with the Mana Whenua;
- (ii) The landscape character of the Town Belt should be protected and enhanced;
- (iii) The Town Belt supports healthy indigenous ecosystems;
- (iv) The Town Belt should be accessible to all and for all to enjoy;
- (v) The Town Belt should be available for a wide range of recreational activities;
- (vi) Community participation in the management of the Town Belt should be encouraged and supported; and
- (vii) The historic and cultural heritage of the Town Belt should be recognized and protected

In considering the principles to guide protection, management and enhancement in the Act there is a requirement that those principles must be considered together with no order of importance or priority to be accorded them.

The Polhill Gully catchment is habitat for the rare tieke/saddleback, which bird species spends much of its time on the forest floor.

In the WCC handout booklet 'Our Wellington 16 June to 31 August 2017' Mayor Justin Lester states "Over the next 3 years we'll focus on restoring ecologically significant areas and creating buffer zones around them."

The presence of tieke in the Polhill catchment clearly makes that site ecologically significant requiring protection from all intrusion of activities that will disturb the sensitive ecological balance.

The Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment in her most recent report has expressed significant concern at the loss of habitat for threatened and endangered bird species in New Zealand.

The Wellington City Council has in the Polhill catchment a habitat for tieke so threatened the Council must immediately stop any proposals for the formation of additional tracks for cyclists. Such immediate action must cover not only consideration of proposals advocated by Brooklyn Trail Builders but most certainly any construction of new tracks.

If the Council does not act accordingly and immediately, it will clearly be in breach of the requirements of the Wellington Town Belt Act 2016. A lack of action by Council to cease consideration of the Brooklyn Trail Builders' cycle track extension proposals will send a message to all Wellingtonians that the protection sought over many years for the Wellington Town Belt will have been in vain.

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Why/other comments

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Why/other comments

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Yes  No If yes, which ones? *Makara, Miramar*

**4. Any other comments or questions?**

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Why/other comments

Yes will ease congestion on the other tracks

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
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Why/other comments

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Will make it more viable for commuter traffic

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

There is no need to remove this track. It is walked often by people that want to use a less well formed track. Some people want a more rugged experience. Providing easy, well formed tracks is great but plenty of people want something more challenging. I am also saddened to see the track from highbury fling to clinical closed which has the same challenging features. Please reopen it as well.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Most track networks across the city for commuting and recreation

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be a superb addition to the reserve. It would remove the risk of incidents between riders and walkers that currently exists on Transient.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view as we don't use this.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good move, this is a bit of a slog for more inexperienced riders/walkers and children.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view as we don't use this.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view as we don't use this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All over Wellington region (bike, walking and running). From Wainui through Makara, through Belmont, Colonial Knob etc etc....

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Great to see such positive consultation and engagement with the community. I think its important to

recognize not just the work that has been done to improve the trails (by volunteers) but also the pest control and planting work done by many of these same people. I'd also stress that while my family and I ride, we are not part of some 'mountain biking lobby' as has been suggested in some (very limited, very ill-informed, sensationalist) media coverage. We use the trails for many reasons, walking, riding and running. If we had a dog, I'm sure we'd use it for walking said hound as well. These proposals will improve access and enjoyment, support conservation efforts and minimise some very real risks - for everyone. It's a great call and one I commend the Council to take it forward. I know my 6 year old and 8 year old will be amongst the volunteers with their spades wanting to help make this a reality,

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is a trail that is used by a large number of people and removing downhill bike traffic would prevent a lot of conflict. It's a positive outcome for all users, particularly runners with headphones who can't hear bikes coming down the hill.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Everything that I can get my feet/wheel to

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This seems like a safety improvement. having been walking on these tracks when there is cyclists separating walkers from downhill bikers can only be a good thing.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'd like to see keeping that connecting track.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It seems like it passes too closely to peoples back yards and I don't think it;d be well used.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Seems like a big loop to not get very far.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

if it;ll be hard to maintain and if it's under used then it seems to add nothing to the recreation abilities of the reserve.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Most of the walkways around wellington through the green belt and up on the hills like the skyline walkway etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It is important since no other downhill only trail links the top to bottom. Having shared or multidirectional trails is an accident waiting to happen and this will keep all park users happy

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of them

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Because will reduce crashes when mountain bikers come flying around the corner

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak, Mt vic, wrights hill, Belmont, Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Currently biking downhill on the tracks means quite a slow ride as is a shared track till the bottom shutdown hill. A separate track would seem to make sense for riders and wallets in terms of safety and enjoyment.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt vic, makara, wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

User conflict is a real issue. Separation between disciplines needs to happen

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Although the current options are fine

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

I ride all bike tracks around the region.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Bike only options need to happen to a, stop conflict between disciplines b, continue to make Wellington a detonation for overseas bikers

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Seriously It's a no brainer! Transient is a gem of a track but the amount of foot / bike traffic it currently gets (a victim of its own success) necessitate a separate descending mtb track. This is already a proven track strategy demonstrated by the car parts / windmill combo.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Skyline, Salvation, Karori cemetery, Fenceline, Silversky

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm unsure what is proposed here - my response depends on the nature of the proposal, as per my comments below. There currently exists a short trail that drops off Sawmill and connects onto Transient - it is primarily used by bikes going downhill (it's very difficult to ride uphill), and provides a good way back onto Transient for those bikers coming down Sawmill from Fenceline who don't want to go all the way down Sawmill to the main Ashton Fitchett Drive entrance to Transient. On the 'Proposed Tracks and Removals', either this short section of track is not marked, or it's the one that the Council proposes to remove as Proposal 1a. My feedback depends on whether this track is not marked, or is the one proposed for removal under Proposal 1a. If this short section of track is not currently marked on the map it would be helpful to add it. It could also be adapted to serve the purpose that BTB are currently suggesting the track that the council wants to use as Proposal 1a be used for. If this short section of track is the one that the council suggests removing - the rationale ('less removal of vegetation and reduced earth works') doesn't make sense, seeing as the track already exists. I support maintaining or creating an entrance to the new mountain bike priority descending trail from Sawmill, as this gives riders who have just climbed Transient a quick entrance to the downhill trail without having to climb all the way up Sawmill to the entrance off Fenceline near Rollercoaster. The Fenceline entrance, near Rollercoaster, is likely to be a better option for riders who are descending from further up the hill (e.g. having come down Car Parts from the turbine).

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great idea. My only comment would be to make it clearer whether Clinical is uphill-only for mountain bikes, or whether it is two directional for both bikes and walkers. There's some disagreement in the biking community about whether it's just a priority uphill trail, or whether riding downhill is prohibited.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have no views on this proposal.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm neutral on this proposal - although it's odd that no rationale has been provided! I would assume the steps were originally built for some purpose and at some expense, so removing them without good justification seems strange.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Mountain Bike Park Wainuiomata Trail Project Miramar mountain bike trails (Conviction, Jailbreak, Solitary, etc). Mt Vic mountain bike and walking trails Belmont Regional Park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separating downhill mtb traffic from other users is urgently needed

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I use this track

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Steps are good training tools for running. I use them.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic. Makara. Skyline. Wtb. Tinakori.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I regularly ride up transient and have had a few. Close calls with bikes coming down. This would solve that problem. It would also make a fantastic downhill ride combined with serindipity.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would reduce walkers on transient and make it less congested.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak, wrights hill, mt kaukau

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To relieve the pressure on Transient. This track is a victim of its own success. Too many people use it - walkers; runners; bikers. It is becoming dangerous and the fun factor has been removed from it because all users have to get out of each others way.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It creates two crossings across existing tracks and a steep pinch climb up to Ashton Fitchett Drive. The proposed track alignment in the map as outlined for option 1 is the better option.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will be good for the many walkers who use the tracks in Polhill.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will be a better user experience for all users and means you won't have to go through George Denton Park and cross Highbury Road (as you do with the current situation).

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Never use that track, but understand that it can be useful as an access way for planting and trapping initiatives in the Reserve.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

They are steep and a little dangerous, but they are used by runners and walkers. They also can be used as an access way for planting and trapping initiatives in the Reserve.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All over. Mt Vic; Te Kopahou; Makara MTB Park; Belmont; Wainuiomata; Skyline; Mirimar etc.

Any other comments or questions?

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Comments

I am a member of the Brooklyn Trail Builders but am making this submission as an individual ratepaying Brooklyn resident who frequents Polhill primarily as a mountain biker.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I commute regularly down Transient and ride it in weekends for enjoyment. There is simply too much pedestrian traffic up and down to make it a suitable dual use track. I've personally had one bike-on-bike collision and many near misses with pedestrians. Downhill MTB traffic needs to be taken off it and given another option. Further, walkers/runners should be discouraged from using the new track up and down. Otherwise the Collision risk just moves to the new track.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

That last pinch climb on existing Clinical is unnecessary and leads into a kids park as well as the ride and then 4wd track to link back up with Highbury Fling. This track extension makes complete sense and allows a ride to remain in Bush and on single track for the entire loop.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's been there long enough to be useful. It provides a great technical challenge to ride, and leaving it there doesnt appear to cause any grief.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Wright's hill, Makara Peak, Miramar, Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use the transient track and on to serendipity to commute to work regularly on my mtb. While i have not experienced any conflict and always keep speed in check to avoid collisions, the risk of an accident is high and increasing with higher use. I support the building of a new track to reduce this risk and if approved will volunteer my time to help build as i did with the serendipity track.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All over Wellington, Mt vic, makara, wainui, mirimar etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The alternate option involves more track crossings for the downhill track, which increases potential conflict with other track users.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This area is very popular for walkers and I think it would be well used.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

An easier climb will encourage more people to use Clinical.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Barking Emu, Carparts, Windmill, Makara Peak, Skyline, Wrights Hill, Mt Victoria, Miramar, Mt Kaukau

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Great to see the Council is supporting this volunteer-led initiative that encourages Wellington people to be fit and active outdoors; promotes pest control and restoration of the natural environment, and promotes Wellington as an awesome destination for tourists who like to combine active lifestyles with everything a boutique City has to offer. Wellington is unique for having such good mountain biking so close to the CBD/urban area - let's continue to develop and use that to our

competitive advantage.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Car Parts, Barking Emu, Red Rocks, Tip Track, Radome, Windmill, Fenceline, Birdwood, Scout Hall, John's Track, Salvation, Deliverance, Burrows Track, Makara Peak, Skyline, Central Park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes poll hill a safer hill for all users as it greatly reduces traffic and stops us from getting run over going up transient, also increases the tourism opportunities for the area as the hill already has one of the best views in wellington it allows for more enjoyment going up and down the hill

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Because the hill will much safer and better for all

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As more trails like this mean, less enthusiastic riders, such as kids or tourists hiring a bike or a older person walking the hill will find it easier and more enjoyable

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why go through the effort

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Again why go through the effort

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline walkway, northern walkway, and every other hill in wellington, every hill has a unique feel and climate to it is awesome to have some much variety

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

My only concern is that this track might be too difficult for beginner/intermediate riders. It would be a shame to exclude a huge portion of the mountain biking community by taking the easier descending routes away from them. For this reason, if there are any technical features then alternate easier lines should be included to accomodate. I also think that the descent should not be too steep for the same reason.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I would be interested in whether this is meaningful realistic demand.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Wonderful idea. This section can be very confusing for those new to the trails. Great way to connect it all together.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not familiar with this track, sorry.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Zealandia fenceline, trails to red rocks

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The Council should really be throwing more money at this considering the benefits that this brings

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to the community. This would be instead of pumping millions of dollars into swimming pools that seem to be predominantly used by upper socio-economic school kids.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The top section of Transient has proven to be a very popular riding, walking and running trail. I use the this trail and the wider trail network for all three uses, but primarily mountain biking. However, there is an obvious conflict and with mountain bikes descending this trail and all other users. I either ride the trail at night or slowly which does reduce the enjoyment of the trail. It is not unusual to meet a walker who is startled by the appearance of a bike because of the perception of speed. To me it seems self-evident that the creation of a separate bike priority trail is required to mitigate this risk to all trail users enjoyment and safety.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I can't really tell from the topo which makes more sense in terms of rider enjoyment but more importantly, safety at intersections for all trail users. I'm happy to leave to both BTB and WCC to work through this.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

While it doesn't have a screaming need, at a general level I think making it as easy as possible for people to access the network will encourage more people using it, which is a good thing.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is an obvious need. Currently, riders have to get through the children's playground which is slightly off-putting with young kids chasing balls etc. As well, for less strong riders (such as my children) the two steep climbs and having to cross the turning area discourage use.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I use and like this track for both running and walking. It is a good way to connect Waimapihi reserve up to Transient for a run. As well, there is quite a nice specimen (to me anyway) beech tree half way down. My children and I have used this track to join up a loop into the reserve from our house which was great fun. I appreciate it is possible to do a longer loop via planet ride but that is distinctly less fun. Also, it is not clear to me why removing this trail is being proposed. Is it to lessen the maintenance burden?

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

It is easy enough to use the trail existing trail from the top of the steps through to Transient. However, if people are using the steps actively then it isn't a big deal.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

First mountain bike trails for my children. Glow ~~1471~~ spotting on Transient and Highbury Fling

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Otari Mt Vic Tinakori Hill Miramar Botanical Gardens Zealandia Wrights Hill South Coast trail network - red rocks and tip track

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The trail provides a mtb priority trail that enables riders to have a dedicated downhill journey. As highlighted by the survey this trail will remove the collisions, near misses and congestion caused by the shared use of the existing transient track. This will benefit all user of Polhill (walkers, bikers and runners) allowing them to enjoy this special environment without the risk of injury. The BTB trail design also ensures the minimal impact on the environment and control of water erosion

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Provides a better flow and use of existing trails. Access from Ashton Fitchett Drive has a better flow (although shared) on this is relatively flat section, Also would reduce the potential access of sawmill which is not a good design and disrupts walkers who use this track.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

Provides an easy access point for walkers and runners to the Polhill trails - would promote less access from Ashton Fitchett Drive.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Promotes a better flow for the trail connections, the current connection means riding through the park and gates which both disturbs the park participants and enjoyment of riders, walkers and runners

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is an unused trail as it is very steep and overgrown - not practical for walking and running

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Not seeing any issue with the steps as an access point for walkers and runners. Has there been any recorded collisions / near missues at this intersection?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Makara Bike Park, Wanuiomata, Miramar.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I used to ride Polhill more as this is my local area, but congestion turned me off these trails, could never understand why you would build a shared access trail for bikers, walkers and runners on a single track trail! Survey proves the point! Fully supportive of dedicated tracks for walkers and runners and MTBs - I was the treasurer of the Queenstown Mountain Club for 5 years and was fully supported by the Lakes District Council for dedicated use trails. Lets build these trails please.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will reduce downhill mountain bike traffic on transient and make it safer for all users. Great idea.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Much more user friendly for bikers, with no need to leave the reserve.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Sanctuary Fenceline, Skyline, Mt Vic, Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I regularly use Polhill trails for mountain biking. I access the loop via Durham Street typically ride a loop picked to avoid trail conflict (I ride down Serendipity and up Clinical). I currently need to ride down upper Transient to complete the loop. I take care to ride slowly and always be ready to stop - even so, meeting walkers at a corner can be a surprise (mostly for them). Some corners are narrow and steep, and it's not always possible to see far along the track to check it's clear. I'd love to be able to ride down a separate track with less worry about frightening someone walking.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I agree with the intention to reduce downhill cycling on Sawmill by encouraging descending riders to use the new track from Fenceline instead. However, I worry that any riders who continue to use Sawmill will now need to use the single remaining access point at Ashton Fitchett (with the steps removed, all walkers from Ashton Fitchett will use this access point too).

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I support adding extra access points to encourage use by local residents. The connector trail would provide a more direct walking-only route joining Aro and Karepa streets - good for walking to and from work.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This connector trail would reduce conflict at the playground / road end. It would also provide a more manageable track - I know riders who always have to get off and push their bikes up the last steep and narrow section of the track into the playground.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Removing this track takes away the option of a loop walk on walking-only tracks. I think leaving it in, marked as a tramping / difficult track, would be better. Alternatively, you could build a new walking link between the two walking tracks to complete a new smaller loop.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't see any specific benefit to removing these. If expensive maintenance is expected, that could be a reason to do it I suppose. As mentioned for proposal 1a, I worry that any riders who continue to use Sawmill will now need to use the single remaining access point at Ashton Fitchett (with the steps removed, all walkers from Ashton Fitchett will use this access point too).

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, the South Coast tracks beyond Polhill, and others around Wellington. Polhill is 90%+ of my mountain biking though, as my local trail area.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

BTB have done great work and understand the track usage well. I'm happy to support their well-thought-out proposals.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The Brooklyn Trail Builders have done an amazing job and have almost been too successful. The Polhill trails attract so many people now that some delineation between users is needed in order that the values of the different groups can be supported. I support the proposal.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

1481

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara My Victoria Wainuiomata trail park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A downhill-specific bike trail is required to alleviate pressure and user conflict on the current Polhill network.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This trail will improve the enjoyment of Clinical, which will also serve to reduce the traffic levels on Transient.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wright's Hill, Miramar, Mount Victoria, and across the wider Wellington Region.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

reducing the pressure on Transient by removing downhill mountain bikes would be a sensible solution.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

walking only tracks aren't as effective as biking only. Walkers will continue to walk on both tracks but the numbers of riders is increasing.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Miramar, Makara, South coast

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separation is good.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

My Vic, Te Ahu Mairangi, Makara, south of windmill, any and all Wgtn trails!BTB

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

BTB and all the other trail builders and MTBers from back last century have transformed Wgtn for the betterment of all of us, the should be helped and commended for their work. How about a lift for Makara Peak? Great ROI, and tourism potential.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separating the uphill and foot traffic from the downhill traffic will drastically reduce user conflict in this high traffic area

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am confident that either way will be fine

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

more tracks = more people walking

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

1489

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Connecting those 2 tracks directly will make for a much nicer ride!

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I never even knew this track was there

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

runners and walkers may have stronger opinions there

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

pretty much all the MTB tracks in the wellington region

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

These tracks are my regular lunch time ride. Having tracks like this so close to the CBD of a capital city is virtually unheard of world wide! Even 'mountain bike meccas' like Rotorua and Queenstown have to go a significant distance from the town center to reach the good riding. It is great to see Wellington embracing this amazing opportunity and making the most of it.

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It can be really dangerous riding down transient at Polhill when you come across others using the track. A downhill only track would make the polhill decent a lot safer.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Doesn't affect me as I do not use this entry point.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

1491

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be great for mountain biking because it is really steep to access Highbury Fling and this would keep everyone within the reserve.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Kaukau, Porirua Rangituhi trails and Wainuiomata Te Whiting Riser.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a regular rider of Transient I believe this is overdue.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes please! Very logical.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I defer to Brooklyn Trailbuilders on this. I trust them implicitly.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Ditto. I have faith in BTB to advocate for the best improvements to flow.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Neighbour. Conservationist.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Various, including Te Kopahou & Mak Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

No thanks,

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It would be great for bikers and walkers to be able to enjoy the tracks more safely.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

1495

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Kau Kau (skyline walkway), Mt Victoria trails

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

reducing the number of collisions / incidents between downhill bikers and walkers / runners etc should always be a priority in my opinion.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

this seems counter intuitive to the whole point of separating downhill bikers, although I assumed this is more to do with the cost of building the additional trail?

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

same reasons as proposal 1

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

1497

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

this doesn't seem to fix any problems? Bikers often have to get off on steep climbs and crossing the road there isn't dangerous due to good visibility and lack of traffic; this doesn't seem to have any positive impact for other trail users

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't know this section of trail, seems like a waste of money to get rid of it unless the work reduces conflict between bikers and other trail users, or it is difficult / expensive to maintain

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

see proposal 6

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainui, Miramar, Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Although I consider myself intermediate skill level **1498** bike and would like to see more technical /

difficult single track, I think top priority should be the reduction of conflict between bikers and other trail users. I personally feel that better signage on the entrances to existing trails should be a priority over getting rid of existing trails as proposed; and that top priority for additional trails should be for separating traffic as much as possible, regardless of it's for mountain bike or walker priority

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The increase in traffic on Transient will only lead to continued issues, especially with downhill cyclists meeting up hill cyclists, as well as 2 way walkers. The problem is compounded by the density of the bush (blocking sight lines on corners), and the tight twisty nature of much of the existing track.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't like the idea of having to exit past gate if coming down the current 4wd track to then re-enter the reserve. So if track was removed, would need to consider the configuration of tracks at the edge of reserve by Ashton Fitchett Drive But can see removal of that track will reduce one additional cross-point if the new downhill track goes ahead

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would only support if a downhill track had been built, as a ne walking track would just increase foot traffic on the current 2-way Transient trail

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

YES - The current configuration is frustration, with the short sharp PINCH coming at the end of a long slow grind. For intermediate riders, this can be a 'last straw' and I have often seen people have to stop and push bikes up the last hill. Also on windy days, you end up exiting the relative shelter of the trees, and ride in the open for a section, before reentering the trails again. For new comers to the area, it is currently hard to 'figure out where to go' when you reach the top of Clinical. A continual track provided by the new section would be a vast improvement. Access to the area for workers and equipment would be easy due to its proximity to the roads at the edge of the reserve, thus minimising impact to bush etc.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Steep and overgrown often. Also confusing to people on Transient for the first time. Would remove a conflict point if new downhill track goes ahead.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Fully support the regeneration of bush in this area. Will stop rocks etc washing down onto Transient too.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar Track Project Mt Victoria Makara Peak Wainui Track Project

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Re one of the alternative options suggested of 'Time Sharing' - I do not support such an idea, as due to family commitments, the days I can ride are limited, and change often. Being forced to ride on set days would not work. Also very confusing and frustrating for visitors to the city who turn up only to find a trail is not available for use that day. Re improving education of users. One suggestion that could be put in place immediately, could be signs at the top and bottom of transient saying 'Headphones free trail'. I have on a number of occasions come across trail users (on foot and on bikes) who were listening to music, so could not hear me on my bike. I sign that says 'stop listening to rock/pop/classical, and listen to nature instead' would be kinda cool! Cheap and easy to implement NOW :) And I would also like to suggest that a thorough review of Transient is done to see where lower branches and re-growth could be trimmed on the inside of corners/bends in the trail to improve the sight lines WITHOUT removing or affecting trees that contribute to the canopy. This could be a low cost, quick safety improvement that could be done ASAP, before waiting for the end of consultation, and something that could be done annually via the BTB team under guidance from the council team.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

But not the removal of the really short section between Sawmill and Transient. I love the technical challenge of this short track, I can ride up cleanly only about 50% of the time. It also avoids the worst of the dog shit that is always a hazard at the lower end of Sawmill track.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**1503**

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I like to include this trail on my runs for variety so I don't have to do multiple laps the same, but it's not special to me.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I almost never use these steps as they are not on my usual routes. However I also don't feel they conflict with Transient track at their lower end so I see them as harmless.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Hawkins hill and Te Kopuhou above. And entire fence line including the steep zig-zags from Zealandia entrance up to Karori

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

<https://www.instagram.com/p/BTs1LZFh56l>

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will be much safer to separate downhill MTB traffic from other users of the reserve as I have experienced many close calls from both perspectives. Having a dedicated downhill trail will also allow MTB riders to have a more enjoyable decent without having to slow significantly on all tight corners to avoid collisions.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

1505

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara, Mirimar, Wainui, Belmont, Red Rocks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a biker and walker this will reduce pressure and create a better experience for myself as a walker and mountain biker. Win-win

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline Makara Red rocks Mt Vic Miramar The list goes on!

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Dedicated downhill track will keep bikers off other tracks in the area for descending

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would still result

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Wainui, Makara, Mount Victoria, Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The existing volunteer built trail has become a victim of its own success opening up the underutilised Polhill Reserve to a valuable asset for the public of Wellington. As a regular user both on foot and bike of these trails, I highly support an alternative downhill only trail. I do however wish for this trail to be set to a level enabling the majority of mountain bikers to use it. Currently the lower downhill trail is an advanced trail, and so less competent riders still must use the 'uphill' trail. If this downhill trail is going to be geared towards advanced riders, then the existing Transient track should remain open for beginner mountain bikers to descend on.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

There is a need for an alternative track due to increased popularity of the Transient trail. This proposal will not address this need. Building trails will always be in conflict with vegetation removal, but the amenity and access to this special place these trails provide must also be considered. The planting and trapping work performed by the BTB group will more than compensate for any minor damage of the regenerating forest.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

**1511**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As there are other connecting tracks nearby, I don't see huge value in this proposed trail. This however is contingent on whether proposal 1 goes ahead. If there is no new downhill trail, then further work will be needed to separate bikers from walkers such as this track.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This trail will allow for a seamless transition between very popular trails. It will also avoid a steep section which is too hard for most children to cycle. It also avoids conflict with vehicles and park users. Building trails will always be in conflict with vegetation removal, but the amenity and access to this special place these trails provide must also be considered. The planting and trapping work performed by the BTB group will more than compensate for any minor damage of the regenerating forest.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I disagree that this track requires steps as it is no steeper than many other 'wilderness' style trails around Wellington. These trails provide great opportunities for Wellingtonians to explore a wonderful forested area on the doorstep of the city, taking them away only turns our back to it.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

These stairs are often overgrown and clearly underutilised.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mount Victoria, Te Kopahu Reserve, Wrights Hill, Makara Peak, Skyline, Miramar...

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Polhill is an amazing location for mountain biking, hiking, trail running just steps from the capital. We need more trails like Transient, managed by environmentally conscious groups like BTB, to bring our couch potato population outside to enjoy what our great city has to offer.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea. Please consider making this a grade 3—4 trail (like serendipity). Beginners can go transient and should obey a posted speed limit.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainui, Belmont, Mt Vic and Miramar trail networks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

**1516**

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Wainuiomata Mt Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

**1518**

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Mt Vic Wainui Trail Project Miramar Trails Red Rocks/Hawkins Hill Skyline Karori Belmont

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This addition to Polhill would bring obvious benefit to all users of the reserve. Walkers, runners and uphill riders on Transient would no longer have to deal with the constant but appreciable tension that arises from anticipating a downhill rider at every blind corner. The risk of conflict and injury would be significantly reduced. Riders would similarly be able to enjoy the downhill journey more fully knowing the risk of conflict or collision is significantly reduced.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This proposal makes less efficient use of the existing trails and creates an additional crossing of the downhill trail with Highbury Fling. The undeleted section of the existing Sawmill to Highbury Fling connector is at best redundant, at worst it will draw walkers onto the downhill trail, and/or be used as an alternate downhill by riders. The existing exit from Transient towards Ashton Fitchett Drive as it stands is a far better ride than the steep end of transient past that turnoff. Forcing Brooklyn bound uphill riders to take the longer steeper path & then have to cross a downhill trail to exit the park is an avoidable backward step.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

**1520**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As a walker I prefer a more direct and time efficient route than I do as a rider. This connector would give walkers travelling to/from Brooklyn a shorter and more direct route & further improve pedestrian/rider separation in the reserve.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This would create a closed loop entirely within the reserve that would be appreciated by all users. It would help mitigate issues with visitors and first time users exiting at Denton Park and being unable to locate the entrance to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This trail isn't much more than a possum bait line currently, presumably it has some value for access for trapping, planting, etc.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

They contribute in a small way to separating pedestrian and rider traffic on upper transient and provide a useful point of entry for some walkers. If maintenance cost is an issue perhaps there is a volunteer group who can pick this task up?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much all of them ;) Makara Peak MTB Park, Mt Vic, Miramar, Wainui MTB Park, Skyline, Wrights Hill, Hawkins Hill, Colonial Knob, Battle Hill, Akatarawa Forest, etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As per the BTB objection

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**1523**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak, Wright's hill, Mt Vic, mirimar, colonial knob, wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To cater to all users better and improve the selection of trails in Polhill.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It would create twice the number of crossings, sharper corners and steeper climbs.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It would be good to have a trail solely for the use of walkers.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**1525**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

It increases the options for taking alternative routes through the polhill trails.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

If they are useful or have no negative impact.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar, Mt Vic, Makara Peak, Wainui bike trails, the tracks from the turbine down to red rocks and various others around Wellington.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I ride the Clinical-Highbury-Fling-Transient route on average once or twice a week. The level of two-way traffic on Transient is mounting and a descending trail would relieve the pressure and the likelihood of conflict.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

On occasion, I have assisted BTB with track construction. I have faith in their judgement when it comes to the issues of buildability and ridability. I also agree with them that it is better to have fewer track crossings.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I agree that it is good to provide walkers with walking-only options.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will improve the experience for both walkers and riders, making the entire circuit within the bush.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't regard this being of any real consequence.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Car Parts, Windmill and Barking Emu and from Wrights Hill down Salvation. (I also visit Makara Peak, but as I live in the inner city, this tends to be a less frequent destination.)

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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I really can't express much I appreciate having access to the tracks on Polhill, both as a way of escaping the city and of getting some aerobic exercise. Almost without exception, my interactions with riders and walkers have been positive. As a Zealandia member, I am also thrilled to see kaka, stitchbirds and saddleback foraging in the reserve and to see trapping and replanting being carried out.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Access can be made by trail. Let's save money where it can be used better.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This makes the most sense so that walkers and bikers can be safe.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mount Victoria, Makara, Wainuiamata

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Basically I support the Brooklyn trail builders who do so much good work.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm an elite level mountain bike rider and ride up and down these tracks at least 1x week, often twice. This is outstanding riding so close to a city centre and wellington should be incredibly proud of such a natural resource. A d/h only trail makes a whole lot of safety sense and one-way mob tracks have been the norm in trail building for several years now. It will add both a safety and fun factor to a classy piece of trail.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

makara, tinakori, skyline, Johnson and wrights hill, miramar, Belmont

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do in general support the construction of a new descending trail. I do however query why this needs to be a MTB only or MTB priority descending trail. It should also be open for use by descending runners, as they are also fast moving trail users. If the new trail is not open to descending runners, then surely an opportunity to reduce trail conflict has been missed. The main drive behind the new trail is to reduce conflict. This also means the trail is shared, which fits within one of the council's frameworks.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This seems overly fussy to me.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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## Why/other comments

I strongly support this new connector. It means there is a walking only trail that takes a fairly direct line through the reserve from upper Brooklyn to Aro Street. The new entrance is directly opposite the public walkway/stairs between Mitchell Street and Karepa Street. These stairs are fairly well used and it makes sense to be able to access the reserve near an existing walkway.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

I think the exit across the park could be improved. Over winter the grass does get killed off by bike tyres and this issue will remain even if the proposed connector is added, because Clinical is accessed also via the road (Highbury). I am also aware that the proposed trail passes through a potentially sensitive conservation area. I do not think the benefit of the connector outweighs other issues. The steep rise to the park is not steep enough to warrant stairs (if it were, then I would support the proposed connector). Riders can dismount and walk if they cannot ride up it.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

I question the motive behind removing this trail. Does the WCC have hard numbers of users? Perhaps the Councillors can revisit the parks and gardens budget. We should not be closing trails because the WCC are spending the money elsewhere. People using the trail network has increased over the last 10 years - has patronage at indoor stadiums also increased? A drop in the bucket compared to stadiums...

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

I question the motive behind removing this trail. When on foot I have used the stairs multiple times and see others using the steps frequently. The stairs do need maintenance. The fill behind the steps has slumped, creating a potentially dangerous lip on the front of each step. Again, I feel the WCC should address its spending in other areas. Parks can only do so much after all.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Hawkins Hill - Carparts, Windmill, Carparts EXTN, Barking Emu, Tip Track, Red Rocks, coast trail, Wharangi, fence line, Te Kopahou reserve trails. Trails at the kaka park. Makara now and then.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a runner I have had a number of near misses with cyclists. I would be safer if there was uphill only for Transient.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

A great run, that would be even better

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have never used the track

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use the steps a lot, a good way to get to the sawmill track or the road to the windmill

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Tinakori Hill, Mt Victoria, Otari Bush, Wrights Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient track is not rideable anymore as there is way too much traffic on it. Downhill traffic needs to be taken somewhere else, which the proposed track would provide.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

Birdwatcher

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic trails, Tinakori Hill, Makara, Wrigthes Hill, Southern walkway/City to sea, Wainui MTB Park, Rata ridge, Belmont reginal park tracks, kolonial knob trails, akatawara forest trails... there might be more

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

They're really unnecessary given the other tracks available.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria, Trelissick Park, Otari-Wilton's Bush and occasionally the Skyline Track.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I want to congratulate the Council for discussing these proposals with the community and allowing submissions on them. I also want to praise the work of the Brooklyn Trail Builders for maintaining the tracks, the Polhill Restoration Project for trapping pests, clearing weeds and planting natives, and the Council for supporting them. While I follow both groups on Facebook, I'm not a member of either group. I run the Transient, Highbury Fling and Clinical regularly but the level of traffic on the first two is getting heavy especially during summer. While I have always found runners, walkers and mountain bikers to be courteous to each other, the potential for accidents is growing and creating a mountainbiker only track would reduce this potential. I've only had one collision with a mountain biker but he wasn't going fast so no damage was done. For example, two friends and I ran up the

Transient and Highbury Fling in March a few weeks before the end of day light saving on a Thursday between 6 and 7pm. We could barely run for about 100 metres on the upper Transient without having to pull off the track to allow descending mountain bikers to pass. There were so many on the track, probably far too many given the numbers of walkers also on the track that we passed going up. By comparison there were no issues on the lower Transient as mountain bikers have the separate Serendipity Track to go down. I think the BTB proposal is sound but I also think that unless a very strong case can be made to the contrary, then they should be the last tracks built in the Polhill. I don't want to see the Polhill become like parts of the Mt Victoria network (especially the western side of Mt Alfred) where there are far too many tracks and they dominate the terrain. What makes the Pohill special is that the tracks are relatively narrow, you're surrounded closely by bush and you can rarely see another track. It's a special place - you're only 15 minutes from the city but it seems like a wilderness. Thanks for the opportunity to make this submission.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is the highest priority. There are now too many trail users on Polhill reserve Transient trail and it is becoming hazardous for mountain bikers, walkers, runners, etc. to share this 1 up and downhill trail. Please allow a separate descending trail.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Bike Park, Wainuiomata Bike park, Mt Victoria trails, Miramar trails.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Very steep. Unsafe. Deteriorates quickly in the rain.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Very steep. Unsafe. Deteriorates quickly in the rain.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Car parts, barking emu, transient, roller coaster, sawmill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Miramar, Mt Vic, Murchison

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will give improved safety and enjoyment to the bikers and walkers using polhill

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, skyline, mt vic, turbine to south coast....

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara bike park. Colonial knob & wainuiomata bike park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

It would be great to have the downhill transient bike only trail, much safer for everyone. Thanks.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Reduce trail conflict and add to the great trails available at Polhill.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainuiomata, Belmont, Miramar, Mt Victoria.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Wholeheartedly support council getting behind any trail building (be it walking or running)

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes it safer for walkers when the bikes are coming down- currently only one way back to Te Aro park

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Typically the tracks heading to Brooklyn/south coast- great riding all around there- We have a large group of middle aged men who love the reserve

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient track is congested. creating unnecessary hazards for all users. A descending only track would alleviate much of this congestion

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

separate walking only tracks is the only way to fix the ongoing and unnecessary conflict between bikes and walkers.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

too steep to walk when the ground is greasy

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

provides walking only access to upper transient. leaves both bike access tracks with fewer walkers, resulting in less conflict.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Kenapuru, belmont, arapuke

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Pol hill track network is very good both in coverage and quality. the issues is with the huge volume of users, which can understandably lead to conflicts of interest on shared use tracks. these proposed changes will defiantly help with this, but user education could go a long way as well.

Personally a lot of the issues and conflict experienced are attitude based - if all users understood track etiquette and that every one has a right to use the tracks, weather biking, walking, or exercising dogs. something to educate users could be good to help in this area.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Cut down on fear of and actual possibility of collision when riding down Transient. Make a perfect riding loop Up clinical Down new track and Serendipity without the fear of injury to myself or even worse injury to someone else.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It is a natural progression of the old back doors walking track

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

It would stop having to ride through the kids playground and onto the road. and up to Highbury Fling These are currently all a really makeshift solution that is dangerous for riders at the pinch point below the park and can be startling for young parents whose kids are using the playground and a group of bikers rides by close to their small children. Plus the grass /grass sloop is a real mess in winter forcing riders to use the neighbors driveway to get off/onto the park which must be annoying for them. Even though I can see why they closed the old Rooty track it was actually a much better access route that skipped the road and park.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Only ridden it once about 15 years ago and didn't like it or see the point of it but walkers probably like it and residents probably get use from it. I like the idea of leaving it there and allowing residents to maintain it themselves.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I have used this several times and always in an emergency ie when someone has crashed or had a problem and cannot complete the journey. This is both walking and riding. This offers a fast way off the track when need. I don't know how often it is used recreationally but it has proved to be indispensable as a safety feature of the park.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Carparks, windmill. Mt Vic. Tinakori. Makara peak.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Please please please let us build a dedicated mountain bike downhill track in Po Hill. IT would make Pohill a world class attraction as there can't be many Mountain Bike parks like this in the heart of a capital city. At the moment it is a really good facility but the possibility of collision is a real threat and means the park will never be a great facility.

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Absolutely. Transient is far too busy

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Do not use so cant comment

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't walk in this area

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Gives more options

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Not sure which this is. But if it's the one off sawmill I don't support its removal

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara, mt Vic, Mirimar, wainui, spicer forest, Belmont

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments  
Please approve the downhill polhill track ASAP

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

to separate bikes going downhill from runners/walkers/bikes going uphill. prevent polhill from becoming a victim of its own success. it's a hugely popular area and it's great to see so many people using it but a necessary by-product of that popularity is the higher chance of collision. a dedicated downhill track will go a long way to making it safer for everyone

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

no strong opinion

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

no strong opinion

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

the steep pinchpoint and traverse across the road are not ideal

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

no strong opinion

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

no strong opinion

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

carparts, red rocks, makara, miramar

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

i cycle polhill most days at lunchtime with friends. We often comment on how lucky we are to live in

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a city where we can ride in such nice settings so close to the city. surely there aren't many places in the world where that can be done? polhill reserve is a gem and well worth devoting resources to ensure it can be safely enjoyed by as many people as possible.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Bike Park Wainuiomata Bike Park Red Rocks Colonial Knob Mnt Vic Prison Break

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The current dual use track is very dangerous. As a walker, runner and MTB, where possible downhill only MTB tracks should be the norm. The speed at which MTB go downhill should not be mixed with walkers. Even when you don't pedal on transient you fly and all the blind corner make it heaps of fun but also very dangerous.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Hard to build

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be great to stay in the reservation and away from the road/kids park

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, skyline, city to sea, Mt Vic, pretty much all the main tracks and trails around the hills for MTB and running

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar tracks. Makara peak tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Predominantly a cycling user, and have not needed to access Brooklyn on foot

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Almost all mountain-bike tracks in Wellington, I particularly like linking Makara Peak, the South Coast and city trails using Polhill as a link.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

There is no valid full height downhill track which causes unnecessary conflict. By providing a downhill track you can remove this conflict. You can also build the track in such a way which increases the experience on the track for mountain bikers which will attract more people to the area.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most of the wellington mountain bike tracks.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Segregating the uphill and downhill users of transient, the current major two route for foot and bike users will increase the enjoyment of this track for all groups. Uphill users won't have to worry about downhill users appearing suddenly around the tight and sometimes blind corners of transient.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The proposed alternative has more trail crossings than the original. For a downhill only track, crossing another track means that either riders will slow down hard on the brakes - eroding the trail or not slow down to a safe speed to avoid this, and create a hazard for users of the intersecting track.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

This is a small project that results in a cohesive walking-only route through the Polhill gully. Transient is multi-use so currently the top section must be shared by walkers and cyclists.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This makes a cohesive route from Clinical and the rest of the Polhill tracks through Highbury Fling. The current hodge-podge traverse from the top of Clinical, through a children's playground, across a public road then onto the Zealandia fenceline interferes with users of those facilities.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I have not used this track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a good short cut to cut off the top, meandering section of Transient up to Ashton Fitchett drive for foot users who are looking for a quicker route between transient and Ashton Fitchett.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Makara Peak Mountain Bike Park, Mt Victoria trails, Mirimar Trails, Northern/Eastern walkway and skyline, Belmont Regional Park, Wainuiomata Mountain Bike Park, Main Ridge track and Rata Ridge above Eastbourne, Karapoti Gorge and surrounding tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would separate the riders from other users of the Polhill and would make it safer for all concern. This is not the case with the current situation.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

this would make it more pleasant for the last climb on the bike from Clinical to GD Park.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wainui, Mt Kaukau, Colonial Knob, Belmont

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It makes complete sense for all users - it's a needed safety measure for everyone!

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't really understand this - it creates more trail crossings where there would only be one otherwise.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This doesn't really interest me.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Sure, why not (if it's removal means we get the new downhill trail, then yes).

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This doesn't really interest me.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of them - I ride and walk everywhere in Wellington, and I frequently use Polhill to get to them (Carparts, Barking Emu, Red Rocks, Fenceline, Mr X, Deliverance, Salvation, Makara Peak, All of Mt Vic, all of Miramar, K-Hole, Skyline, etc, etc)

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I would suggest that the new trail could be a little **1589** difficult (grade 3 with grade 4 features) than

Transient currently is, as it wouldn't have to cater for foot traffic. Allowing for grade 4 features will enable better use of areas with shallow gradient, and there can always be ride-arounds for those who don't wish to attempt a feature. Also, I really appreciate the sentiment with labelling the new trail 'bike priority', but I would suggest that we all know that people will walk on it, and they will grumble and cry foul when they meet bikes. In the interests of public safety (for all users - not just walkers) it would be prudent to label it as a downhill only, bike only trail, with signage to help guide this - take away the innocuous label, and make it plain. Walkers will have a much better time on Transient when this new trail is built, so their needs are being met automatically. The sooner this can happen, the better for all trail users, so I would suggest the hiring of someone like southstar trails or TGL to get the ball rolling, and have a successful trail from the outset. Cheers!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

I support The Brooklyn Trail Builder and their proposals. They have done such amazing work already to enhance the neighbourhood and bring back native birds. I found the survey hard to use on my phone but I'd like it noted that I support their proposals

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All over Wellington eg Northetn and southern walkways, city to sea. Etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

**1593**

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Great stuff. Will be pleased to see these go in.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient track is currently far too congested with both bikers and walkers and accidents are bound to happen. This will help a lot. Huge priority

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

**1595**

- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Not needed

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara, Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, WTP, Battle Hill, Belmont, Arapuke, Miramar etc etc!

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Polhill is great for biking but I have had some unpleasant experiences when meeting walkers/runners and dogs.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This proposal has been mooted by the Brooklyn Trail Builders (BTB) for some time. Early this year a survey was undertaken by the WCC and the results of that were overwhelming in favour of constructing a new downhill only mountain bike track to get downhill riders off Transient which would become a walker/runner either way and uphill cycling only. The building of this new downhill only track is a very sensible plan, especially given the popularity of the tracks in this area. Getting downhill riders off Transient would enhance the recreation experience for walkers/runners and uphill cyclist and minimise the risk of accidents from crashes between downhill cyclists and other users. As I understand it, there were ~70,000 unique visitors to the trail 'transient' alone in the last year which is an extremely high level of use for such a new track and shows the popularity of the area for recreational users. I fully support the proposal put forward by BTB and think it will enhance the area and the use of the area.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

In terms of the Proposal 1a, I do not support the removal of the short mountain bike track from the track Sawmill to the top of transient. Also I do not think the alternative track routing proposal from the WCC near the intersection of highbury fling and transient is a good one as it means the new downhill track ends up crossing two other tracks instead of only crossing Highbury Fling once as per the BTB proposal. Separating traffic on these tracks and keeping users separated is a better

management strategy

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think building a new walking only track below Ashton Fitchett is a good plan. It gives walkers and runners a track without any cyclists on it.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a good proposal as it means less people will cycle through George Denton Park, something that the local Highbury residents are likely to support.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

What harm does it do to leave that track there. It is a rugged track that people wanting a more wilderness experience might appreciate

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good plan if the track is replaced with an alternative walking track.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Skyline, Mt Victoria

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

This is a great proposal from the Brooklyn Trail Builders. They have built a great wee track network with a mix of volunteer labour, corporate sponsorship and WCC support. It is a great example of a community project that is making an area better for both nature in terms of replanting, pest trapping and enhancement of the natural environment, plus it is providing a unique recreation asset right in the middle of the city. Several years ago this area was a neglected one which most people in Wellington didn't know existed. Now tracks like Transient are attracting ~70,000 unique visits per year from a variety of users. I think the BTB should be commended by the WCC for the amount of work they have put into the area and how it has enhanced the area. In terms of damage to the environment and lost of flora from track building activities, I submit that the area is one of regenerating bush and only 2-3 generations ago the area had been clear felled and then farmed. I do not see the lost of some flora as a reason to hold back the construction of the new tracks as proposed by BTB. There is also a larger question of ecological values of this regenerating bush area versus recreation and I think in the Polhill area that recreational and ecological goals can co-exist and the provision of tracks in the area does allow people to experience the beauty of nature and enjoy some exercise at the same time.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainui, Belmont

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will remove downhill mtb traffic from existing trail which will improve the experience for both walkers and mtbers

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not familiar with this detail

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not familiar with this detail

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara mtb park Skyline Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Existing tracks in polhill are great - a credit to the trail builders and council

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File 1605

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm keen to support mountain biking with the Pol Hill park

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Establishes the trail as a biking area

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Skyline Mt Vic Wainiu

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Experience of (polite) Biker/Walker conflicts. Would like to relax more and bike faster downhill.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I prefer the look of having MTB access to downhill track from Ashton Fitchett Drive. Increased vegetation & earthworks can be mitigated with more planting.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Better walking access to Aro St without having a reasonably long detour up Ashton Fitchett Dr.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I haven't really noticed any big issue with the current access via the park (but only one visit to this area only)

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have not used it. Some people like to have rougher tracks available for variety.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It is good for walkers to have a 'direct route' option, particularly when going downhill to Aro St.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Biking - Wellington: Makara, Mt Vic, Mirimar. Lower Hutt: Wainui, Belmont. Porirua: Colonial Knob  
 Walking - Wellington: Polhill, Mt Vic, Tawa. Lower Hutt: Rimutakas, Eastbourne.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

There are more kids getting into biking. My daughter is in WORD. Let's encourage them with and

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draw others in with increased visibility.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I believe the safety concerns raised are real and this provides a good solution that will benefit all users.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak Otari Wilton bush Tinakori hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Tinakori and Victoria and greater Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I would also like to see the introduction of single direction moutnain bike tacks in Polhill such as MTB up shared with foot traffic, and mtb downhill only.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic, Wrights Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The current shared use dual direction track is a serious accident waiting to happen. This priority descending track will dramatically improve safety and as a result increase usage of Polhill by all users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This track will enable users to be spread across a wider number of tracks and avoid congestion.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Low use and high maintenance

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Low use and high maintenance

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

A wide variety of tracks in Greater Wellington, riding and running.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All Wellington trails

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is unsafe and unenjoyable in its current 2 way dual use configuration

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Why? If maintenance is the problem, like the bike club take over.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Why would you?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Most of the town belt.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Polhill is a great asset, but in its current form is an accident waiting to happen. It has been hugely successful, building a whole extra side to the economy of Aro Valley. One way bike trails are a standard around the world, and need to be followed here.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

But protection of the bird species in the area must be taken in to account when determining the location of the track.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Windmill, Fenceline, Red Rocks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Polhill is once of the jewels of Wellington - thanks for taking care of it WCC and BTB. I think the bikers are a really well organised bunch when it comes to getting tracks built around Wellington. Which is great, but shouldn't come at the cost of walkers (of all ages) being able to use the tracks. I'd like to see less people driving to go for a bike ride - perhaps we can get tracks happening in other parts of the city, so Wellingtonians can bike to their bike rides (if you get what I mean?!). I do not think more parking should be provided - in fact, wouldn't it make more sense to take out car parks down Aro Street to allow for a bike lane - for MTBers and commuters?

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Polhill is only increasing in popularity. Conflict will only rise unless a one way system is created. Polhill is a bit chaotic before or after work and all day during the weekends. It is a bit like peak hour traffic on our roads, but this traffic shares a blind unlaned road rather than a one way system (making head on collision inevitable).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The conflict issues can be much better managed. Ideally there would be no cross overs except a start and end of a well designed trail. However there are existing trails to consider and so crossing trails as little as possible has to be preferred, which Brooklyn Trail Builders proposal does (only crossing once). If A trail does need to cross however, the trail must cross with the best sight-lines possible, and slowest possible speed implemented by design rather than signage or danger and be before the intersection, not at it. The best way to implement a safe crossing is by reducing gradient leading up to the intersection and mellow features in the form of rollers/grade reversals or an incline and some turns (if they can be added without reducing sight-lines).

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I see it as a good idea to add direct routes for walkers and runners, although they can also use upper Transiet (if climbing) and the new descent (if descending) to reach the walking/running only trail. There may be some other links not thought of that would be higher priority. My thoughts would be on a shared connection linking Clinical to the bottom of Transient/Serendipity to complete an all off-road loop to add safety of keeping reserve users off the road and away from the bus turn around. An all off-road loop would also add to the user experience and utilises a currently under utilised reserve (Waimapihi). The current trail for foot traffic only is poorly maintained and consists of low value bush where it sidles above Holloway Road, something that would be enthusiastically restored to a higher value planting with a new shared trail link approved through there!

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This Connection is a no brainer, The trees just bellow George Denton park are only gaining girth, and I can think of quite the pinch/squeeze point in narrowness and steepness of the original exit/entry where the park is. Obviously the trees are there to stay so to avoid them loosing all their bark and eventually not being able to fit a bike through this connection would make this issue non existent. This connection also helps connect the Polhill loop. Everyone prefers a loop!

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

If it was to cost to maintain due to safety, then be it. But currently it isn't doing any harm, provides options and options creates a better user experience. It is a very seldom used trail anyway, and therefore has low impact on the area.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Again, if there was a cost then that is fair, but this again provides further options for improved user experience and more trails reduce stress on one very well used trail.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker

- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

I really enjoy creating loops when out in the reserves, I also like the great variety that the central region has to offer (I live in the outer suburbs which lacks a trail network sadly! So when I go to work in town I make the most of being in town by going for a Run or ride after work. Sadly I seem to be starting to avoid Polhill due to the lack of being able to create loops and the feeling of being in everyone elses way.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Since the completion of the current trails in the Polhill reserve, the area has been transforming into something special thanks to all the community groups involved! It is really easy to think that creating another trail is impacting the area negatively, but remembering how far the park has come because of the current trails it is a big reminder that the positives out weight the negatives by far! These include the obvious such as the access into a new area of the park to expand the trapping network to further help towards eliminating the pests, access to new areas to regenerate the park into an awesome native forest for future generations to come. If you think about what birds like to eat then even the phase of building a new trail is great for the native birds, the birds get curious and find that they have less work to do to be able to pick out a tasty worm or insect. The canopy if you look at the current trails repairs very quickly, although if the trees are now at a reasonable height, there is little to no damage to canopy anyway.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use the Polhill trails for both running and biking and believe the current number trails are reaching capacity. Or are reaching a level of use that is impacting user experience for all trail users (runners, walkers, and cyclists)

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Increases the number of walking track crossing

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Provides a route through the reserve that is entirely walking only

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

closes the loop at this corner of the reserve so don't need to exit and enter again

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great trail running track that is more difficult than the surrounding walking trails. I have no issue with maintenance being reduced to allow this to become a more advanced running/tramping track for people to test themselves on

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Why go to the effort of removing these steps. It would be better to spend money on improving signage in the area to show there are other easier entrances nearby

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Trails in Wrights Hill, Makara Mountain Bike Park, Te Ahumairangi, Central Park, Te Kopahou, Mount Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would complete an amazing Mtb circuit to red rocks or the wind turbine alone

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Alternative lines are always refreshing

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Providing walkers an exit point there would encourage more for traffic

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The steps are already there... Why change it?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Just about all of them to vary the MTBing experience/adventure and enjoy as much nature as Wellington has to offer. I often use pole Hill trails to ride to red rocks.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Building trails like this really goes a long way in encouraging people to go out and enjoy nature.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

after initially being built by and for mtbers, upper transient has become so popular with walkers that it is no longer appropriate for descending mtb use.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

too many track crossings and looks like it will be steep so prone to erosion, build/maintenance issues and possibly too much for some riders

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

i can't see myself using it as i run loops but if there is demand then by all means

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

i can't see myself using it but if there is demand then by all means

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

if its more work to maintain than its worth then sure, as long as there is improved signage to indicate to take the other fork to get to transient/ashton fitchett

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

seem to be of limited use/benefit and likely a lot of maintenance

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

hawkins hill-redrocks, makara peak, wrights hill, skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

a singletrack connection between polhill and wrights hill avoiding the steep section of the fenceline

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would be fantastic

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient as a central, two-way track often becomes quite congested. I intentionally try to bike on weekdays to avoid people. I worry about coming around the corner and hitting an uphill rider if I am biking downhill. Serendipity is quite challenging, so it would be good to have another alternative downhill track. It would make me feel a lot safer knowing that it was only downhill. As Clinical is a fantastic uphill track, it would be fine to only have it downhill.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Dropping out to the park, the road, and then the fence line is a pretty odd way of connecting onto Highbury Fling. I often have to wait for cars/buses on the road. It would be a nice and clean way for riders to connect on.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Victoria, Wrights Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Brooklyn Trail Builders do some fantastic work!!

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It is great that Polhill is so popular now, but the number of walkers and riders together currently is dangerous.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be dangerous as involves multiple track crossings. I'm also worried about the steepness, and those hairpin turns.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great to keep walkers and riders separate. This will make things a lot safer for everyone on a busy trail.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

That last grind past the playground is really steep. A more usable track through to Highbury fling will make it a more family friendly route.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Never used it, no opinion

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Have never used them as a cyclist

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The steps make for a great finish for runners heading up Transient.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Hawkins Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I support expanding the trail network and separation, where possible, of bikers and walkers.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

the pressure on the Polhill tracks is increasing, and having a dedicated downhill track will reduce incidents and accidents on those main access tracks. the existing tracks have several blind corners, with speeds varying among users. with a suitable gradient, a down hill only track for that segment will give walkers and riders going up the freedom to know they are safer, and the riders going down the new track the freedom from worry about their speed to quite the same level.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

the beauty of the tracks as they are currently is that they are accessible to a wide range of users, especially the beginner to intermediate level rider. the steepness of an element in the proposed 1a design concerns me as it will create a pinch point, and hairpin bends which can be a negative for the current wide range of riders. I also gather it crosses existing tracks at least twice, which can be problematic for navigation, and ride-ability as it causes risk of accidents

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I think the walkers deserve some walking protected access and give them overall better access to the park

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

the top of the existing clinical ride currently has a short sharp end which is tough for some beginner or intermediate riders. riding up Clinical and the across Transient is a common route, and the addition of this short stretch will divert some of the riding traffic away from the George Denton park, the road and the nearby segment of the roller coaster/fenceline.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

no concerns either way

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

these are popular steps for runners/walkers and enable them to shortcut away from some of the mountainbike areas. if maintenance of these steps were a concern, could a series of small switchbacks be constructed to reduce long term maintenance of the stairs?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

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- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I've run and ridden over the majority of the wider Wellington region tracks over the 40 plus years I've lived in Wellington. I currently ride regularly on Polhill and Makara as well as the Wrights Hill area and skyline area. I use those tracks and more for walking with family and the local scout group with which I am involved.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I am disappointed to see so much resistance to some of the ideas promoted by the Brooklyn Trail Builders (BTB). they spend a lot of time building and maintaining tracks that riders, walker and runners use. Mountain biking is a rapidly growing sport, so without a progressive attitude towards trail building, the congestion on the existing tracks is only going to increase. I would be more willing to consider the opposition views if I also saw them out helping maintain the tracks, but it appears to me that only the Council and the trail-builders undertake that work. the proposals suggested by BTB have been well considered as a way to improve everyone's experience on the tracks and would appear only to have a less than minimal impact on the natural environment. And if the impact were a concern, I believe that can be addressed with good trail design, maintenance and further planting in the area.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient being a multi-use and multi-directional track increases the risk of accidents or conflicting uses or impacting on other users. Creating a separated priority descending trail will reduce pressure on Transient and make both Transient and the new track much safer to use, for all users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Having direct access from Sawmill onto the new track will be critical for both users coming from car parts and from Brooklyn. The alternative option would require downhill riders to continue to use parts of Transient. Not the outcome we are looking for!

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Great idea!

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea!

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Potentially convert this into a single use track, either for walking or for downhill riding.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

no opinion (don't use them)

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most MTB trails around Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Red rocks, Mt Vic, kaukau, makara.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Victoria, mirimar, southern walkway

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good way to separate users

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not loving the way it crosses the other tracks

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes good track connections

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Ask another community group to maintain it if council want to save costs

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Think walkers like these

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara/skyline/Te ahumairangi/mt vic/otari bush/my kaukau

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

More tracks are a great idea especially at Polhill. Also two way track can get crowded with walkers and bikes.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Hawkins Hill, Belmont, Wainuiomata,, Rimutaka.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The more tracks the better.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Important to separate uphill & downhill mtb. Easy access area close to town. Will get more positive mtb media exposure for WCC.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not a walker.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unnecessary, especially as this is a tieke area. Keep the challenge of the steep at the top. People can always walk. Birds more important at the top of the track/adjacent to Zealandia, Has been amazing to see Tieke by the track while riding past. Love hearing their calls too.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Simplify

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Appreciate the fantastic impact of Zealandia birds on the Polhill area. Brooklyn Trail Builders are the best track builders in Wellington - very durable, well planned, well drained excellent trails - thank you for supporting this community group.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria Miramar Tip Track Red Rocks etc Wrights Hill Cemetery-Skyline Tinakori Hill Makara Peak Old Coach Rd Mt Kau Kau

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Wellington is the best city for mountain biking in New Zealand. Let's make it even better by further enhancing Polhill!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a regular user of te Polhil network, one way traffic make s sense,for exactly the same reasons there are on-way roads in Wellington city - efficient flow.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It doesn't look like a good track, with more crossings of existing tracks, and too steep gradient in places.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Walking only tracks are as beneficial as downhill only - they avoid multi-modal conflict.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This completes and complements the exiting circuit through Polhil

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If it already exists, why remove it?

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is frequently used by runners and people seeking strenuous exercise.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Red rocks/Tip track , Skyline, Wainuiomata MTB, Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

This seems to be a perfect solution - you have volunteer groups seeking to build amenities for the benefit of the greater public, a resource that is increasing in value from the investment (just look at the sasquatch solstice event happeing in June) and huge ecological benefits from the community - bird life, and predator free Brooklyn growing on the back of the Sanctuary and Polhill Reserve.

Please make this happen so we can enjoy Polhill reserve.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Polhill Reserve is a fantastic mountain biking opportunity, close to the CBD and University. It is increasingly used, and at weekends, descending mountain bikers often meet walkers - these are good natured interactions in my own experience, but if there are many meetings, frustrating to both. An alternative descending trail will improve the experience for both walkers and mountain bikers. The impact on vegetation will overall be minimal, as in general the canopy can be expected to grow over the (narrow) new mountain biking track, and I think any impact is more than mitigated by the benefits of enhancing bush accessibility for Wellingtonians.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The final ascent from Clinical to George Denton Park is a little unfriendly for users, and the proposed diversion will keep the park (for children) and mountain bikers separate.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Miramar, Wainuiomata

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will take the pressure off the dual direction, multi-purpose Transient trail making it safer for all to use.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I prefer steeper trails so it works for me! But if the alternative doesn't get implemented, then the original option would suit the majority.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It makes sense to have a dedicated access for walkers so there is no risk of a near miss or actual collision with bikers (even though they will be crossing up Transient only with the new proposal).

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good idea as long as it is well signposted so everyone is aware of the type of use the trail would get.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Doesn't affect biking so whatever is best for the walkers/runners.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Doesn't affect biking so whatever is best for the walkers/runners.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic, Miramar, Barking Emu/Red Rocks, Belmont, Wainui Bike Park.

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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I fully support a dedicated downhill bike only trail as it will ease congestion and hugely reduce the volume of near misses and accidents between uphill/downhill travelling users.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Point Belmont Wainui MTB Tunnel Gulley Cannons Point

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Polhill Reserve Track Proposals

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To stop crashes between walkers, runners and bikers.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Wainui, Mt Vic, makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would help meet the needs of the mountain biking crowds as well as make Transient a safer track for slower users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

? Unnecessary

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

More walking tracks would be brilliant, especially in helping connect this neighbourhood with the main track network.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Sounds excellent.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
? Would this just be to reduce the need for maintenance? I have used this track quite a bit when trail running....

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
This are located perfectly to connect upper Brooklyn with the tracks...they are a great workout and are well-used by trail runners.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
All of them! My favourites for running and walking are Makara Mountain bike park, Centennial Reserve in Miramar, Red Rocks, Belmont Regional Park, Central Park, Mt Vic, Eastern/Southern/City to Sea Walkways, Skyline Track, and all the tracks out in Eastbourne.....

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Any other comments or questions?

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### Comments

I used to be a very keen mountain biker, and many of my friends are current biking users of these tracks. Even though i no longer mountain bike, i feel that all track users tend to get along VERY well in real life, out on the tracks--we all love Wellington's track networks, and generally just want more for everyone! My running days are currently on hold due to the arrival of my first baby, and walking is now number one for me in terms of my outdoor activities. I can appreciate additional safety for all track users. Polhill is getting very busy as its popularity increases, and more tracks would help address this. The area is also incredibly important to me as a ring of safety for native birds like tieke and kaka nesting just outside Zealandia. More tracks also mean better access to areas for trapping efforts, improved plantings of native trees, and increased opportunities for public awareness and appreciation of these taunga. Thank you so much for taking the time to read this submission.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline walkway Makara Peak Te Ahumairangi Mount Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Attached Documents

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a frequent user of the trails the creation of a new one way down hill track will be a significant safety step. I have had many 'near misses' with opposing traffic and this would be a significant step forwards.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Battle Hill, Whareroa Farm as well at bike parks at Taupo and Rotorua

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I would also observe that existing track signage is not as large/clear as it could be - I have personally found some of the signs confusing and relied on the Trail Forks phone app to make sure I was where I thought I was. The mountain bike parks at Taupo, Rotorua and Makara all have much better signage and, I think, set the standard for what we should be trying to achieve at Polhill.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The track will be well used and will take the downhill load off other tracks. This will be good for us walkers. The Polhill Protectors submission should give Council confidence that the track will be built in a way that minimises ecological impacts. This will be a welcome addition to what is already a fantastic asset for the city. So you should give it your full support.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This looks a great idea. It will add a variety of options for walkers and make Polhill even more appealing.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will keep bikers away from the George Denton park and will add to Polhill being a seamless biking and walking network.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would cut off some future walking options. It is basically unusable now. But what if in the future something decent was done with it. A walking connection that was easier down to the Waimapihi reserve would be a good future option.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This has always been a bit of a random orphan. If a Karepa st access is built then this can go.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Lots. Any track in south wellington and karori

Any other comments or questions?

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### Comments

Polhill is a treasure. Its been a community driven recreation and environmental wonder. As a resident of Brookkyn for 30 years it has added immeasurably to the pleasures of living in the suburb. The two groups behind the success of Polhill work really well together. Given the support of both the bikers and the Pohill protectors the Council should be right behind this measured and well thought through proposal.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Everything and anything I can bike on

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm confident that BTB can design and build the trail in a way that minimises any adverse affects on the environment and involves the removal of the minimum number of trees. It's very hard to actually see Transient from Highbury Fling and other points around the valley as the canopy almost completely covers it. This must reduce risk of slips & erosion and other concerns noted by WCC Officers

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The BTB proposal will result in a better user experience for riders and walkers using all tracks, up and downhill, and require less complex trail building (such as switchbacks etc which are harder to build and maintain)

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

This would provide walkers with a great alternative option to Transient, hopefully increase use of Planet Ride which is massively underused.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The existing exit from Clinical is out of grade and too steep for a lot of the riders using the track. This proposal would enable riders and walkers to avoid two steep pitches, and make it easier to navigate and link tracks together (a problem given the lack of decent signage)

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't know if this track is used much by walkers or not so can't comment.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure what the benefit of doing this is, other than reducing WCCs maintenance obligations

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak. Skyline. Fenceline. Te Ahumairangi. Mt Stons Bush, Carparts & Barking Emu, Wrights

Hill. Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Broadly I'm quite disappointed that it's taken this long to make progress on this. How many times does it need to be consulted on? It's a matter of dumb luck that no one has been seriously injured on Transient. It's also disingenuous to point to stats around injuries given most people don't know how to, or wouldn't bother reporting them to WCC. While I can appreciate WCC concerns to a point, the overwhelming impression I get from the supporting documentation is a lack of respect for BTB, the huge number of volunteers and the wider community that have contributed to track building, trapping and planting trees in Polhill. WCC Officers seem more interested in putting up road blocks and preventing the continued development of a great resource for the Western Suburbs. It's an attitude that's inconsistent with the WCCs supposed desire to promote the city as a mountain biking destination and a reason for people to live here.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient badly needs to be decongested, for the safety and enjoyment of both bikers and walkers/runners.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

makara, skyline, fenceline, etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Attached Documents

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will make it safer I have had too many near misses.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am not convinced of the benefit vs the 'cost' in terms of loss of habitation.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am not convinced of the benefit vs the 'cost' in terms of loss of habitation. There are two entrances near by, on Karepa and Ashton Fitchett

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

1692

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I am happy with the existing entrance and do not want to see trees removed to avoid one small pinch climb.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

If it has value for access to traps then I don't think it should be removed, if not then see no reason not to removed it.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The locals might use it as a short cut if walking to / from walk?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Clinical, Highbury Fling, Serendipity, Roller Coaster, Windmill, etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I think WCC does a really great job of supporting community groups.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's a win for all users of the reserve! It will also add more users to the reserve. The more people that care about the reserve, the higher the chance of it remaining important and protected for generations to come

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
 Pretty unmaintainable!

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara, Southern/Central/Eastern walkways, Miramar etc...

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

A big thank you to Brooklyn Trail Builders, and for WCC for making this city an amazing place to live in. The more relationships like this that can be maintained and grown, the better for all inhabitants.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separating the uphill and downhill would be very useful on Transient due to the speed of the downhill riders. One aspect to consider: younger riders who'd want to descend slowly can carefully - how would they cope if the downhill was faster than current Transient, and would it be better that slow children descend on the uphill route?

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Think a walking track without steps going to Karepa st is far better than the steps going to Ashton Fitchett. I suspect 1a degrades the downhill options a bit as it removes the main downhill connector from Sawmill. I think there should be better uphill and downhill connections to Sawmill. A better uphill route would bypass the barrier at the bottom of Sawmill and keep riders away from man-made features.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

1696

Unsure

Why/other comments

Very good. The steps are ugly and their uniformity counts against the wild experience. The walking connector would enable a full walk up from Aro St without contention with bikes. This would be a huge improvement for walking commuting and with children. Ideally it would have no steps. This would also make dusk walking much safer. At present commuting from the city via the walking track requires competition with fast riders in poor light conditions. The new connector would mean much safer walking.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Very good to connect the Clinical/Denton area directly with Highbury Fling and the fenceline. Would need to be carefully designed

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is an excellent, tramping-type track that enables a wilder experience for adults and an introduction to less-made tracks in other parts of the region. This is a proper single-track walking track, unlike the main Polhill spur track which is a 4WD.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

They're ugly, uncomfortable and detract from the wilderness experience. Great to have them gone, as long as there's the new walking track to Karepa St.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Hawkins Hill, Mt Vic, Miramar, Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I'd like to see a few more tracks in the future, ideally in the Polhill area but development could move to Te Kopahou area once this set of proposals are implemented. This Polhill/Te Kopahou area is very central and be helpful to support good riding options for people living in surrounding suburbs without having to drive to another site. Highbury Fling works ok as two way because there's little height change. All Transient and others should have separated up/down, or at a minimum, downhill speed reducing features on dual use track - current Transient has some fast downhill leading to blind corners. This area should focus on narrow, twisty single track handmade routes to avoid the impact on the wildlife, and provide a good level of challenge and interest for all users. The stack of tracks near the top of Polhill near Sawmill is unnecessary and one of the Ashton Fitchett - Transient routes could be removed. Better single track connection up and down between Polhill and Te Kopahou should be considered. Currently it's a bit of a muddle. More attempt to mitigate the introduction of weeds and unwanted plant species by strategic planting to shade the track, and add more natives to move the area towards its traditional vegetation.

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#### Attached Documents

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is currently too busy for the only descending track to connect Serendipity to Brooklyn. The track has been built as fast flowing grade three which means there is high conflict with uphill and downhill traffic. While there is clinical most people go up transit.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be good if clinical connected directly to highbury fling. While most of clinical is a great grade 3 the start and finish are much harder which probably is why it gets low use compared to transient. Making the top easily and better signage may help more people to use it as is a great uphill option.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Few people seem to use it. Unless it were to be redeveloped in a steep/technical grade 4 or 5 bike track seems little value in keeping it.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

They seem to have little use and main track doesn't take much longer, no use for bikes and a place walker can suddenly emerge without warning causing possible conflict if walkers not looking for bikes.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak, mt Vic, Miramar bike tracks, wanui bike park, Belmont, Wright's hill, k hole/98dh.

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Any other comments or questions?

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### Comments

Would be good if lower george Denton track could be redeveloped into something more fun for bikes descending. It is currently just a steep brake burner, there is potential for track to made more fun without changing its path such as burmed corners and some rollers etc. Since clinical was built seems few walkers use it and as clinical is uphill only would be great to have fun decent off it like there is with lower transit and serendipity.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

While cyclists and walkers get along really well on Polhill trails and everyone is well aware of other users, this will ease congestion and make for a more enjoyable experience for everybody. Due to the trails being so central, they are extremely popular!

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

In the Wellington region I frequent trails in Mirimar, Mt Vic, Makara peak, Colonial Knob, Belmont, and Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Benefit all users by removing/mitigating conflict points.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Weaker option than 1 above, both in terms of ultimate outcome and level of scoping/inherent buildability risk.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wright's Hill, Bird Sanctuary, Hawkins Hill and connections.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I currently do not use Polhill for mountain biking because of conflict on Transient. This new trail would solve that.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Option 1 is better than 1a because it does not result in the closure of existing tracks.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Walking from Karepa Street up to Ashton Fitchett Drive is impractical if you want to get down to Aro Valley

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will provide a link between two key trails in the park and reduce conflict with park users

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Oppose removal of track, used by many walkers from Holloway Road as quick access to upper end of the park. Not all tracks should be 1.5m wide and 5% gradient. Diversity in the supply of tracks is good and provides for a wider range of users with difference abilities and fitnesses.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Oppose removal of track, used by many walkers from Ashton Fitchett Drive as quick access to Transient. Not all tracks should be 1.5m wide and 5% gradient. Diversity in the supply of tracks is good and provides for a wider range of users with difference abilities and fitnesses. If someone doesn't feel confident using the stairs then don't use them, but don't remove them, some people would rather use them than the flat transient track, which takes too long to get anywhere.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline, Mt Vic, Miramar, Te Kopahau, Wainuiomata, Belmont, Porirua

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Any other comments or questions?

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### Comments

There has been a recent trend by WCC of only building grade 2 and 3 shared use tracks and closing steep, technical trails. The proposed changes to Polhill tracks are overall good, the provision of a downhill alternative to Transient will gain a lot of attention for the park, which is major asset being so close to town. However, I strongly urge that this should not be at the cost of closure of existing tracks which your volunteers have worked very, very hard to provide and are valued greatly. There has also been a disturbing trend by WCC of closing technical tracks (both walk and bike) around the city (think Livewires at Makara Peak, Super D at Mt Vic, various old tracks at Te Ahumairangi) and a growing appetite for beginner level tracks. The recent changes to Wellington mountain biking are analogous to taking a football pitch and providing a bowling green, both flat grassed surfaces, but not what we are looking for. Sure, the Councils position in this governance is to provide beginner and intermediate tracks, but this must not be at the closure of advanced tracks (which it recently has been).

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would remove congestion and potential hazard from Transient while improving riding options in this area

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria Maraka Peak Wrights Hill Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Ashlea Hale

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**From:** Caroline Horrox  
**Sent:** Monday, 12 June 2017 11:43 a.m.  
**To:** BUS: polhill  
**Subject:** Polhill Reserve track proposals

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Hi there

I would like to make the following comments on the Polhill Reserve track proposals.

### **General comments**

As a Brooklyn resident, I am a frequent user of the Polhill tracks - both as a walker and a mountain biker. They are a fabulous resource and obviously very popular. On highly popular tracks such as these, I generally support separation of biking and walking (particularly where there is the ability to ride fast on a bike) where this is practicable.

### **BTB proposal 1 - New 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail.**

I support the construction of a new 2.5km MTB-only descending track to alleviate the pressure on the very busy Transient. The BTB alignment looks to be sensible.

#### **Proposal 1a**

I do not support this proposal as it would create unnecessary additional crossings of existing tracks, along with hairpin corners, and a steeper climb to Ashton Fitchett Drive.

### **BTB proposal 2 - new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient.**

I support the construction of a new foot traffic-only connector track from 104 Karepa Street to the Planet Ride walking trail as this helps separate out foot and bike traffic.

### **BTB proposal 3 - A new 350-metre shared-use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling**

I support the construction of a new shared use connector trail from the upper Clinical trail to the Highbury Fling trail as this will improve the general flow of this track and remove the out of context steep climb into George Denton Playground (the rest of this track is quite mellow).

Regards  
Caroline Horrox

**From:** Chris White  
**Sent:** Sunday, 11 June 2017 7:24 p.m.  
**To:** BUS: polhill  
**Subject:** Polhill consultation

Hello

I have just filled in the consultation form on an iPad but am not able to submit the results - when I press the submit button it tells me that I've saved my answers (just like when I press the save button). I have therefore taken screenshots of my submission which are attached for your information. Please consider this a formal submission.

Many thanks, Chris

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Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

Proposal 1: A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Of huge benefit to both walkers/runners and bikers by removing conflict on Transient. Will be hand built to IMBA standards with sensitivity to natural environment. Creates new access for planting and pest control. No cost to WCC.

Proposal 1a: Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Poor mountain bike track design. Will reduce the attractiveness of the track as an alternative to Transient, thereby risking continued conflict on Transient. Will be built to IMBA standards with sensitivity to natural environment.

Proposal 2: A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure



Why/other comments

Improves the experience for walkers/runners. Creates new access for planting and pest control.

Proposal 3: A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No

Proposal 3: A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Improved experience for mountain bikers. Removes pressure on playground at George Denton. Will be hand built to IMBA standards with sensitivity to natural environment. Creates new access for planting and pest control.

Proposal 4: Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure



Why/other comments

Requires too much maintenance.

Proposal 5: Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No

Proposal 5: Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Empty text box for comments.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker



Other:

Empty text box for other categories.

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Windmill, Car Parts, Car Parts Extension, Barking Emu, Tip Track, Red Rocks, Highbury Fling, Fenceline, Rollercoaster, Salvation, Deliverance.

Any other comments or questions?

Brooklyn Trail Builders have invested enormous volunteer time, and significant, donated funds, into improving the amenity of Polhill for bikers, runners, walkers and dog walkers. Their latest proposal continue this sterling effort on behalf of the whole community. They deserve our thanks as well as support for their well thought through proposals.

WCC needs to do more to support the growth of mountain biking in the region. With greater investment, a good trail network could become a great one, with huge economic benefits for the city, both as a place to live and work, and to visit.



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## Polhill Protectors' group submission

The proposal by the Brooklyn Trail Builders to build additional trails in Polhill is out for consultation. We have been asked by many folks for our position:

– Polhill Protectors is a diverse group of 50+ trappers and nearly 600 in the wider group. We are residents, ramblers, riders, runners, grannies, students, office workers, tamariki and more. Our stated commitment is to be “neighbourly with our natives” and to work towards “people, pets and native wildlife getting on progressively”. We do this through trapping, planting and advocacy work. Polhill is a 70ha slice of the Town Belt managed by the WCC and used by 1,000s of patrons; it is public land. It contains nationally significant biodiversity: with the only confirmed breeding sites of tieke ‘in the wild’ outside of a fenced sanctuary in over a century. As well, Polhill has hosted breeding kaka, toutouwai and popokatea, alongside tui, kereru and karearea. This has been enabled by council and volunteer pest control and kaitiaki work. This represents a positive opportunity to figure out how to get along: these animals are only found in NZ and are central to our identity. As a group our priority is to look after the manu taonga and other wildlife living, playing and working alongside us in this special urban reserve. It’s a sincere privilege.

– Polhill Protectors has a strong relationship with the Brooklyn Trail Builders, and we share a progressive passion for Polhill. Many Polhill Protectors are also mountain bike riders and trail runners. The tracks have opened up the recreational usage of the reserve. With few exceptions this is a respectful, safe and friendly environment for all. Through the combined efforts of the community groups engaged in the space, Polhill has become a genuine asset for Wellington, and it is a key part of the identity of the community. Most everyone understands that its a multi-use area and it all seems to just work.

– We have always maintained good relationships with the Brooklyn Trail Builders, but our goals are distinct. The primary thing we have done is to put in place a network of over 160 rat and mustelid traps throughout the Polhill area. We have an army of volunteers that regularly check the traps. They are possibly some of the most checked volunteer traps in New Zealand and they have enabled a diverse variety of park patrons to engage in conservation, an opportunity that has been embraced widely. The traps follow the tracks. Without the network of tracks constructed by the Brooklyn Trail Builders, it would have been much more difficult to position and to check the traps, and to achieve awareness. Were it not for the tracks, this network of traps would not be there. This melding of recreation with conservation has arguably been internationally pioneering in an urban environment. It has been cited in The New York Times and used by the Australian Threatened Species Commissioner as an inspiration; Polhill was used to launch Predator Free 2050 and the project was a finalist in the 2017 Green Ribbon Awards and the 2016 WWF Conservation Innovation Awards. Like the dawn chorus in the valley, it is booming.

– If we are to achieve ambitious conservation goals in New Zealand we will need the engagement of the whole community. And that will only happen if people connect with nature. (It’s a small minority that has the fitness and desire to get into the back country.) Clearly that connection is happening in Polhill, and the track network has enabled 1,000s of potentially transformative encounters to occur.

– We have partnered with BTB’s Garth Baker to support his extensive tree-planting programme (see photo): restoring examples of the original forest cover back on to Polhill’s slopes (following earlier work by prior community groups). The tracks have enabled Garth’s programme to grow and be accessible to 100s of volunteers.

– All up, we argue that the impact of the BTB-built tracks has been overwhelmingly beneficial.

– Our position as Polhill Protectors is that we are supportive of the proposal for the separate downhill track (1).

– We have consulted with ecologists on the downhill trail’s possible impact on tieke breeding, now and in the future, and we are happy with their assessment that it should not have a significant impact.

– We are also very keen to work with Brooklyn Trail Builders and WCC to mitigate any ecological concerns, and to work together with relevant parties to do so via a collaborative process. Having said

that, there must come a point where enough is enough. As Polhill Protector Geoff Whittle said in his personal submission: "That [downhill trail] would probably be enough. We wouldn't want Polhill to lose its untamed side."

– Concern has been raised about about the proposed track (3) that connects the Highbury Fling to Clinical, as its 300m route may pass through particularly valuable tieke and toutouwai habitat. We are currently seeking satisfaction that the mooted trail benefits outweigh the impact on the biodiversity values here. Some of the northwestern slopes of Polhill are among the most mature regenerating forest sites in the reserve (with notable stands of kotukutuku and pate) and it is a core spillover zone for tieke and other manu, and as such is especially sensitive; BTB have assured us it does not impact on these gullies. Ecologist and wattlebird expert Dave Bryden is not available until early July: at which time we'll go for a walk through the proposed site and garner his assessment.

– WCC has suggested removing the steep downhill track to Waimapihi to Transient (4). This track hosts a handful of traps from one of our lines: we would wish to maintain access for trap-checking. This is a minor consideration!

– In sum: Polhill Protectors support the biker-priority downhill trail (1); we are agnostic regarding the other trails, with the minor exceptions of the Waimapihi-Transient track (5), for the reason above; and the Clinical-Fling connector (3) where we're seeking assurance it will not adversely effect the biodiversity values of that area.

– Overall: we look forward to continuing to work closely with BTB to to help make Polhill the very special place it has become for its community.

– Kia ora, cheers: see you on the trails or at The Taproom for a friendly Polhill pow wow!

**Ashlea Hale**

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**From:** dianasg  
**Sent:** Sunday, 11 June 2017 8:55 a.m.  
**To:** Michael Oates  
**Subject:** Polehill Gully trails

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Hi Michael

A friend has passed on info about the proposed changes to the trails above Aro Valley.

I am an organiser of Walking Wellington, which has over 700 members (and increasing daily) and I live in Aro Valley. Some of the easier walks I lead include sections through those trails. I usually take up to 15 people at a time.

Unfortunately I doubt I am able to make either of the consultation meetings. Looking at the map I am not entirely sure of the impact on walkers of the proposed changes. The main tracks I use are also used by cyclists.

My observation is that most cyclists are very courteous but a few are a reckless and there is definitely quite a danger to walkers at times. So if any of the changes divert more cyclists elsewhere that would be great. I'm not sure that this is the case.

I also appreciate that it is probably cyclists who put a lot of effort into building these tracks and I'm grateful for that.

Diana Suggate

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

**Ashlea Hale**

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**From:** Nick Simcock  
**Sent:** Thursday, 8 June 2017 8:19 a.m.  
**To:** BUS: polhill  
**Subject:** Polhill Tracks 178

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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Dear WCC,

This email is to confirm that as residents of Brooklyn we are fully supportive of both the BTB and WCC proposals. We thank both the BTB and WCC for their vision in continuing to develop this fantastic multi-use amenity.

Yours Sincerely

Simcock Family

Aro Valley  
Wellington

# Polhill Reserve track proposals

We want to hear your views on the Polhill Reserve track proposals. You can answer these questions online at [wellington.govt.nz/polhill-consultation](http://wellington.govt.nz/polhill-consultation), email your thoughts to [polhill@wcc.govt.nz](mailto:polhill@wcc.govt.nz) or post this form to us (no stamp needed). **Tell us what you think by 5pm, Monday 3 July 2017.** When the proposal is considered by the City Strategy Committee you can apply to speak during public participation.

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## Section 2 – questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

### 1. Do you support the following proposals:

<p><b>Proposal 1:</b> A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input type="checkbox"/> No    <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure</p> <p>Why/other comments: <b>This is a well used area for walkers, commuters and bikers. By creating a 1 way system will help elevate any tension between users</b></p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>
<p><b>Proposal 1a:</b> Alternate option for the top of the new track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input type="checkbox"/> No    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsure</p> <p>Why/other comments: <b>If 1A can still include a 1 way downhill biker only</b></p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>
<p><b>Proposal 2:</b> A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input type="checkbox"/> No    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsure</p> <p>Why/other comments: <b>maybe as a 2nd option for walkers?</b></p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>
<p><b>Proposal 3:</b> A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input type="checkbox"/> No    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsure</p> <p>Why/other comments: <b>nice for some but not a top priority</b></p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

Yes     No     Unsure

Why/other comments    **If left it connects to a downhill track which will lead to possible confrontation with walkers**

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

Yes     No     Unsure

Why/other comments    **No, probably a good entry for many walkers?**

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**2. Which of the following apply to you?** (Tick all which apply.)

Biker     Walker     Commuter     Runner     Dog walker    Other:

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**3. Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?**

Yes     No    If yes, which ones?    **Mainly Polhill and makara bike park sometimes elsewhere**

**4. Any other comments or questions?**

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I believe this is a great idea and is really in all honesty going to get rid of any of the little conflicts that happen from time to time. To me this is really just a completion of what was started years ago.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't see why it cant stay, it is not much to maintain.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be good as either a short loop for walkers who don't want to go all the way to the top as well as a connection for residents.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Totally agree with this, not having the steep last bit and also keeping traffic away from the park.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't see why this cant stay, it is a really good track for trampers to train as it is extra steep.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a really good sprint section for runners to do a last blast of explosive exercise or even as a mid run explosion.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

all mountain bike tracks and some walking tracks with my Greyhound.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Great stuff, particularly the downhill only mtb track, this area has always needed this, mainly

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because of the uphill and downhill traffic conflict on transient and also to properly connect car parts to serendipity. A straight run top to bottom. This also keeps it a shared space and makes it much safer for everyone.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think the mountain bike builders community have created so many benefits for our community through such things as fitness, replanting native trees, trapping pests and health benefits that such activities should be encouraged. They also add a social dynamic through engaged communities that are likely to impact on overall mental and physical health.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I support Brooklyn Trail Builders proposal due to their wealth of experience over years of carefully thought out track layouts and implementation of trails in Polhill. They have intimate knowledge of the mountain bike community needs and users.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

Multi user facilities are important but in some situations segregation is important.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Avoiding George Denton park may avoid conflicts with families using the playground.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not know this track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have not used, but have seen these steps, so will removing the steps make the facility more accessible to a wider range of users? If it is replaces by an easier access for walkers with less mobility that could be a good thing.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Southern Walkway, Tawatawa, Tip and related side tracks to south coast and wind turbine etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Keep investing in facilities due to the wide ranging health benefits. Maybe some more child and family friendly facilities.

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separation of downhill and uphill trail users will reduce the likelihood of accidents and improve the trail experience for all users. The trails in Polhill are probably the most accessible from the city for mountain bikers (Mt Vic is probably closer, but the trails are generally more technical) so improvements to uphill and downhill use will probably support increased utilisation of the trail network. A strong network in this area will facilitate the desire to see an expansion of trail development into Te Kopahau Reserve (which will need to be served from this network). The trails already built in this area appear to be relatively robust to weather and other damage, and the narrowness minimises the impacts on vegetation and tree cover. Having this new trail built in the same manner should be expected to provide similar results. Upon completion of the new trail the upper section of Transient should be clearly identified as being for uphill riding only.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This design appears to create a greater 'stacking' of the trails, which is identified as a potential issue in the environmental assessment. It also appears to increase the number of junctions located in a very short distance, with associated impacts for trail clearing and a need for clear signage to prevent confusion. Perhaps the decision on route could be made in consultation with the independent trail design reviewer?

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not use the walking trails in this area, so do not have a view on the impacts or benefits.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This track should help to separate the use of the mountain bike trails from the road and George Denton Park, as well as providing a more continuous riding experience for all users (the last section of the existing uphill into the park can be challenging for less experienced riders). Experience with the existing trails suggests the trail can be well designed with minimised environmental impacts (see comments for proposal 1).

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not use this track, so do not have any comments.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not use these steps, so do not have any comments.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Skyline and associated trails Mt Vic (though less frequently) Tinakori Hill (walking and running only) Otari Wiltons Bush (walking and running only).

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Needed to relieve congestion and reduce user conflict.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Crossings, hairpins and too steep

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Improves connectivity and bypasses road crossing and steep section

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

a useful link for walkers

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Bot Gardens, town belt, Makara Peak, Zealandia

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great idea and will make Polhill reserve much more enjoyable and safer for all. Although the majority of mountain bikers are respectful and do not descend quickly down Transient, the sheer volume of commuters and park users, including people with headphones in, makes it impractical for bikers and walker to continue sharing the entire trail. A new mountain bike priority descending trail will ease that pressure and result in significantly less potential conflict. I support keeping lower Transient open for both downhill/uphill biking/walking to give beginner and intermediate riders a safer option - this part of the trail is short, generally wider and has more open sight lines than upper Transient so I don't see continued two-way traffic being a problem there. If this goes ahead, clear signage at the entrance and exit of the new mountain bike priority trail will be extremely important.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mount Victoria, Miramar - Centennial Reserve, Wrights Hill, Te Kopahou Reserve

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Very supportive of new trail. Main trail is too crowded, with mixed use. Not many places do mountain bike down share trails with up traffic. Does not make sense. Transient losing it's 'fun' factor and is becoming a challenging ride/run in simply avoiding other trail users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Support separating trail users early on.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unsure of necessity, but not opposed.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I enjoy the 'pinch' climbs and feel that all the challenge is being taken out of the trails, so a bit of a challenge here and there is good. Unsure of necessity but will support trail building.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I still use this as a fast way to get out of the trails if running late for work or starts raining etc.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Red Rocks, Tip track, carparts ext, barking emu, Wrights Hill, Mt Victoria, Mt Kaukau Berhampore, etc.....

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

PLEASE build a downhill mtn bike transient trail as there will be a serious accident between trail

users as it is so busy. Consider less 'grading' of trails. I ride and trail run for the challenge of tree roots, puddles, ups and downs. Trails are almost wheelchair friendly, which defeats the purpose 'trail' running and 'mountain' biking. Please keep some trails in poor condition!!

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

Very short, impact on birds unclear, possibly negative

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

Yes

No

Unsure

Why/other comments

As above

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

Yes

No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

Biker

Walker

Commuter

Runner

Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

Yes

No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is a great track - I sometimes use it 3 times a day and really noticed how much more traffic from walkers, runners, cyclists it is getting. So it's time to separate the bikers for the safety of everyone. It's fantastic how popular it now is, but we really need to increase the capacity on Polhill for everyone's continued enjoyment.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm taking it on advice from the people who build tracks that this is not really a good option.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not opposed, but don't see it as a priority

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not opposed, but don't see it as a priority

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't see the point in removing tracks. Some people (myself included) actually enjoy the challenge of a steep track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The steps are great - I use them often.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Car-parts and extension Roller-coaster to Karori Wrights Hill Mt Vic Salvation Makara Peak Mt Kaukau And I use these tracks as a walker, a cyclist and a dog-walker

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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I'm really trying to play my part for the city. I NEVER drive to work - I either walk, cycle or take the bus. I really think we need a downhill only track in Polhill to encourage more and more people to see cycling and walking as a real commuting and exercising option.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, windmill, jail brake. Everywhere

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Moving downhill traffic off the upper section of Tranny makes absolute sense to me. It makes it much more walker friendly

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I think between WCC and the trail builders you will be able to resolve. As long as it doesn't compromise the sight lines for riders and walkers, but maintains the flow for riders then this will be fine.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I wouldn't use this track but if it encourages people who wouldn't otherwise use the trail network

then it seems like a good idea.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will make it a nicer trail for all users. We occasionally use George Denton park as a family and it would be a little (only a little tbf) more relaxing without riders coming and going.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have used this track a few times when running and walking to keen to retain.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use this but if lots of people do then I don't have a problem with it.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Much safer for everyone. Good for MTB tourism too. Potential to contribute to Wellington being a premier MTB destination.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara MTB park Wainui Belmont

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It is too dangerous descending down the current 2 way transient trail

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak, te ahumaragi, mt Victoria, wrights hill, wainuiomata, Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

It is essential to complete the downhill specific trail. I personally have had a number of near misses descending and climbing. It is a popular, high use trail but in my view there is risk of a serious injury in its current form

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Wellington is my home. I learnt to ride mountain bikes in the Wellington region over 25 years ago. Over the years, the Polhill area has changed significantly. The area has many trails to offer - from Long Gully, Wrights Hill, Karori Reservoir, Tip Track, Red Rocks and the Roller Coaster. Most of these trails require using Polhill to access them. With the increased number of users, it is obvious that separation of riders and walkers is what is essential. A dedicated descending trail is what the area needs. Not another alternative short cut that disperses too many users with very different objectives. The biggest risk for both walkers and riders using the existing Transient trail is that every single users enjoyment is compromised because of the possibility of an impact with a walker at any time. This is the worst situation for all trail users. Every user is just an accident just waiting to happen. Because of this, I choose not to ride in this area. Without a dedicated descending trail here, many other riders in Wgtn feel the same. This needs to be fixed to make the entire area appealing to riders and walkers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This proposal will not solve the problem of separating riders from walkers. It will merely disperse users to different ares, that will only satisfy in the short term. The area needs a dedicated descending trail to allow riders to not interfere with walkers and uphill traffic. This is a terrible idea.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This trail should remain open to riders only. It is a good trail that needs little maintenance for experienced technical riders. There is currently no other trail of this type in the entire area. It should be opened to replace the George Denton park to Holloway Road trail, that is now closed to bikers. Without this trail there is no other off road exit from the bottom of the Roller Coast to the CBD.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

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- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Roller Coaster, Red Rocks, Car Parts, Long Gully, Transcient, Tip Track, Wrights Hill, Makara Peak, Deliverance, Tinakori Hill.

Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Over the past 5 years, Wellington City Council claims to satisfy mountain bikers of all abilities, with clever marketing of existing trails. My honest opinion is that WCC lacks the ability to clearly visualise and assess what is really desired from the mountain biking community. WCC's continual ambition to provide family focused and beginner trails in most of its areas is really boring. There currently exists no technical riding for advancement of the sport in the Wellington. Long Gully is now closed to riders. The recent closure of Tinakori hill is another example of the WCC lack of understanding of this requirement. Tinakori has amazing potential for ambitious riding. The WCC needs to look at Rotorua, Nelson, Christchurch and Queenstown, to see what Mountain Bikers really want. Wellington doesn't need more baby trails, we need more technically ambitious trails. Open Tinakori Hill finally....

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The current dual direction shared path concept does not work for the number of walkers and riders using the current tracks. At present this is causing real issue and stress (not to mention risk of serious injury through collision) for both walkers and riders as they attempt to negotiate the many blind corners the make up the tracks. The tracks made by BTB are of an exceptionally high quality and low environmental impact - and I have confidence that any new tracks will share their minimalist build philosophy (unlike the new trails at each end of the Makara Peak Swing Bridge).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm uncertain as to the benefits of this alternative. Either option seems ok to me, but key is that downhill cyclists are removed from the shared use path.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The Planet Ride walking track is a great asset, however the current access to Brooklyn is particularly convoluted. This direct entrance makes sense and reinforces the need to separate walking and cycling traffic for the benefit of both.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The current connection between these two tracks is inadequate and needs to be improved. The last uphill section of Clinical is very narrow so creating another option (with a shallower gradient) will assist the common congestion that occurs just below the George Denton playground.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It is a very difficult track to descent/ascend - and connects haphazardly to Aro Valley. It adds nothing to the network.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I support this only if it comes in conjunction with the new walking connector at 104 Karepa as the Ashton Fitchett steps are a much more direct connection to the Planet Ride track than the other at grade options.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

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If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Victoria, Skyline, Miramar, Wainuiomata, Belmont

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

This is an excellent proposal, and I am disappointed by the negative response indicated in the WCC officers report. The need to improve safety on the tracks essential, and I encourage the decision makers to undertake a site visit at peak times so they can observe the frequent near miss conflicts between uphill and down hill traffic (not necessarily confined to just walkers and cyclists). These tracks provide outstanding connections between a number of suburbs and the CBD, and the improvements proposed make absolute sense.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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# Polhill Reserve track proposals

We want to hear your views on the Polhill Reserve track proposals. You can answer these questions online at [wellington.govt.nz/polhill-consultation](http://wellington.govt.nz/polhill-consultation), email your thoughts to [polhill@wcc.govt.nz](mailto:polhill@wcc.govt.nz) or post this form to us (no stamp needed). Tell us what you think by 5pm, Monday 3 July 2017. When the proposal is considered by the City Strategy Committee you can apply to speak during public participation.

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Your name*: <b>DUNCAN KENDERDINE</b>
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## Section 2 – questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

### 1. Do you support the following proposals:

<b>Proposal 1:</b> A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure Why/other comments <b>THE INCREASING NUMBERS &amp; RANGE OF WALKERS/ RUNNERS &amp; CYCLISTS IS RAPIDLY DECREASING THE SAFETY OF USERS.</b>
<b>Proposal 1a:</b> Alternate option for the top of the new track below Ashton Fitchett Drive? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsure Why/other comments
<b>Proposal 2:</b> A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsure Why/other comments
<b>Proposal 3:</b> A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure Why/other comments <b>THE CONNECTIVITY OF BIKE PATHS RUNNING ALONGSIDE THROUGH A PLAYGROUND CREATES UNNECESSARY RISK.</b>

Proposal 4: Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal 5: Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

2. Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply.)

Biker  Walker  Commuter  Runner  Dog walker Other:

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3. Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

Yes  No If yes, which ones?

BARKING EMU / CARPARKS / OUTKAPA BIKE PATH /  
KARORI PARK / KAUKAU /  
MIRAMIRI & MT VC.

4. Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All MTB Tracks in the wellington area

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

For the safety of both bikers and walkers, to many near misses and removes enjoyment for all users

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara Peak, Skyline.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The trail on the map looks close to the existing Transient, given the steep slopes I'd be worried about more vegetation removal in the area. Other trails (e.g. Clinical, Highbury Fling) are showing signs of erosion and slippage even with their dense surrounding vegetation. I also don't see a clear reason for the upper section parallel to Sawmill - that's already a 4WD track plenty wide enough for safe shared use, and it connects to the same places. Maintenance is an issue - upper Transient is already a bit dicey for running, especially at night. Lots of loose chunks of rock and uneven footing. If the maintenance effort is then split between two trails I can see this getting worse. The walking-only trail up Polhill Ridgeline is better maintained. Interestingly, Transient is one of the few trails where I haven't had any meetings with MTBs. I can only assume this is down to timing given the apparent popularity. If I was coming across several downhill bikers each time I ran there I might feel differently.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure this matters much either way to me, it's very much tied to the proposed downhill trail.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

I would be unlikely to use this - I tend to enter the reserve and stay within it as much as possible (e.g. on the Transient/Fling/Clinical loop) but I can see it makes a useful connection to the top of the Polhill Ridgeline track for Brooklyn and Aro residents.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The justification for this is a bit hard to follow - it cuts off a (very) short section of moderate climb (which is no big deal for walkers/runners, I don't know about the MTBs) and makes the start of the Fling a bit more complex. I don't see that bikes really have to 'cross a public road' to get from Denton Park to the top of the Fling - there's a couple of metres of the turning circle at the end of the road, but then everyone is on the 4WD fenceline track. I do notice that the grass on the right of the playground (as seen when arriving from Clinical) gets eroded and muddy from bike and foot traffic, and it would keep people off the drive of the last house on the road, but these seem like minor advantages. Overall it doesn't seem worth the vegetation/habitat loss to me - the area around the start of the Fling is signposted for ground-nesting chicks each spring, isn't that where the proposed trail is to go? Is the issue the gate between the turning circle and the fenceline 4WD track? Would a wider pedestrian/cycle opening there, or bollards rather than a bar alleviate the problem by making passage smoother for MTBs?

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't have any experience of this track, I've only used the Polhill Ridgeline section. I can see that it might be a duplicate and the maintenance effort would be better spent elsewhere.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This seems reasonable - the steps are steep and the maintenance effort might be better spent elsewhere.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner

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## Dog Walker

Other:

Background: I run around three times a week on the roads and trails around Wellington, day and night. I also walk the trails at weekends with my family. I avoid bike priority trails and just use shared tracks and 4WD tracks. I generally don't see many MTBs when I'm out running, but if I do meet one on a single track trail it can be a hair-raising experience. I've usually been the one to have to stop and move aside for the bike (clinging to a tree or the edge of the track) despite the priorities notionally being the other way around. FWIW I have several MTBer friends!

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most of Te Ahu Mairangi with emphasis on the Ridgeline and Northern Walkway. Fenceline, Sawmill, Carparts uphill, Carparts Extension, Barking Emu. Skyline track, most of Otari Wilton's bush, Johnston Reserve, Trelissick Park, tracks around Birdwood Steps and up to Wrights Hill. etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I'm unsure about the value of several more km of bike priority trail. I appreciate that the MTB community has been very important in opening up new trails and I'm grateful for that, although as a runner I'd rather have a few high-quality routes than many routes of a lesser quality. I can also see that segregating downhill bikers from everyone else is a good idea, provided that junctions are well-designed to discourage high speeds. At the same time I often see MTBs on banned sections of Te Ahu Mairangi and signs of unapproved MTB track construction there and in other areas like the Johnston Reserve, and am aware that I'm the one moving aside for them, and not the other way around, because they're bigger and have more momentum. I think the MTB community as a whole could demonstrate a bit more responsibility before being given more trails. I don't know if this is the usual case of a few bad apples spoiling things, or a more general issue, but it needs thought. Lastly, I don't know how much resource the council is looking to put behind the proposal but there are other places it could be spent - in particular the fenceline tracks on all sides of the sanctuary are getting very rough and could do with re-surfacing or other changes to limit the rate at which the surface wears and washes downhill. Best wishes and thanks for giving us a chance to provide input!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's needed to maximise recreational opportunities and reduce congestion

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria commuting Red rocks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This area desperately needs to split mtn bikers and runners and a designated downhill track is the only way to achieve this. The area has become incredibly popular in recent years (I would ride or run in there at least 2 times a week), and the fact is it that the transient track is becoming unsafe as bikes descend and others run/walk/bike up. A designated downhill track would be another asset for this area and greatly help to alleviate pressure on the existing tracks.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Be amazing to have a single track connection to avoid going through the George Denton Park and around by the sanctuary fence line.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why remove them? They are well used and I cannot imagine that they are costly to maintain.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Car parts, car parts extension, barking emu, Mt Vic, Wainui Bike Park, Jail break, solitude etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is very busy and there is high likelihood of collision. I have had many near misses going up and down both transient and clinical. A dedicated downhill track will divert most fast downhill riders.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Steep climbs are rubbish

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good addition to track network

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**1772**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes sense to make top of clinical less steep/easier to walk or ride

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

just stop maintaining it. Don't need to waste resources closing it

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mainly: townbelt, akatarawas, tararuas, Rimutakas...

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This proposal sounds AMAZING! I love doing a loop on my bike through Polhill, and despite having only ever encountered nice people on the track while riding down Transient, with both parties being polite and respectful of each other, it would be even more enjoyable and more relaxing to be able to ride downhill without being on edge coming around corners in case someone is there. I think it would be more pleasant for all users! As when I have been running up Transient in the past, I'm always having to be keeping an ear out for any cycling sounds further up the track so I can get out of their way. But in saying that, it wouldn't be the end of the world if it stayed the way it is; I think 99% of users there are respectful and mindful of each other :)

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This sounds like an ideal alternative for 1, if it will result in less vegetation being removed. Even though steep climbs are hard, they are a great challenge for a bike! Makes the downhill more worth it with a bit more effort to get there :)

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

This sounds like an unnecessary loss of vegetation for a new route that is only 350m, and is only 400m away from the existing entrance.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't think the steep climb that exists is prohibitive to riding that route, and it is a good final challenge before getting to the Highbury Fling. So there doesn't really seem to be a need to remove that steep final climb. Also, the road that needs to be crossed is nothing major - it's quiet and a dead-end (from what I remember), and very little traffic.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm not sure what this track is, but I'm curious as to why it needs to be removed? Is it to put in more vegetation? Otherwise, it seems like extra effort to remove it for no reason, when it might still be useful for one or two people, and maybe more in the future.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainuiomata and Te Whiti Riser.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

It could be useful to provide a map that pinpoints the locations of the proposals, particularly the WCC proposals (i.e. which tracks are being removed). And also a little clearer of an indication as to the reason for the WCC proposals (the purpose seems unclear to me). Also, in general, I would want to be assured that the risks to the tieke are being manage/mitigated.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is the most critical part of the proposals. If you do nothing else, do this. Our family are regular mountain bike users of Transient and we have serious safety concerns deriving from the current mixing of down-hill bikes with uphill bikes and all walkers. The trouble is that Transient is one of Wellington's best connecting (and riding) trails, so we use it all the time for commuting as well as fun in the weekends.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

BTB's proposal looks preferable, with fewer crossings and better track alignment.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**1777**

Makes a lot of sense to provide as many alternatives to allow walkers to avoid bikes where possible.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would properly link Clinical to the other tracks and remove the very steep finish to the park, and up the start of the roller coaster. .

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't mind either way.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't mind either way

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Every mountain bike track you can think of, linking to the Tip Track, Red Rocks, Wrights Hill, and everything beyond ...

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The Council needs to continue working with BTB and other trail builders who have turned Wellington into a world-class mountain biking city. It's a great place to live and a huge attraction for MTB tourists. Keep up the fantastic work, keep progressing, and keep making use of the huge efforts of the trail building community.

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is important to avoid conflict between descending bikers and ascending bikers and walkers. This will allow Polhill to offer an attractive mountain bike circuit, with opportunities to link to higher tracks.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be OK if of consistent grade and difficulty with Highbury Fling and remainder of new track.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Top of Clinical is currently very awkward and start of Highbury Fling is also steep. This addressed both issues.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Belmont Regional Park, Wainui, Rotorua, Nelson, Mt Buller, Christchurch, Queenstown.....

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wrights Hill, Miramar, Wainui, Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I strongly support this. Transient gets very busy on weekends and it is frustrating for both walkers and bikers having to watch out for each other. The conflict is worst when biking downhill as you are going faster. Separating the downhill bikers and having a shared uphill / walking path would be much better, especially as a lot of mountain bikers use clinical to get up the hill. This seems like a no brainer to me. I don't understand why the walkers would oppose it - surely it is better for them?

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It seems sensible to have a walking only track all the way. However it depends on how much this is used by walkers and bikers to determine if the removal of vegetation etc is worthwhile.

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**1784**

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I strongly support this. I find this section of track frustrating to ride as it is too steep and you have to go through the barriers from the road end. It is a bit confusing about where to go from the playground if you are not familiar with the track as well. It would be great to have a nice gradient single track to ride.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm not familiar with this track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm not familiar with this track.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Victoria, Island Bay kids track and new track up from the scout hall.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Please can we have a trail map sign at the bottom of Polhill. I find that many riders don't know about the Clinical track and just ride up Transient. It would be very useful to have a map showing the biking and walking tracks.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

**1787**

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I mountain bike and run on the majority of tracks in Wellington city.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I think proposal 1 for a new descending track would be great to alleviate the pressure on transient and hopefully reduce the risk of collision with bikes and other users.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To remove potential conflict on the upper part of Transient.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Never used it.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

From a rider perspective, it would be great to stay in the bushline and not have to pop out to the playground to get up to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Brooklyn, Makara, Karori, Skyline, Mt Vic, Mt Albert, Miramar, Tinakori

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a frequent runner on Transient, I have never had any trouble, but have noticed at peak times, that the trail is getting quite busy. Having a new descending trail would help alleviate this and allow for future growth in trail use without any issues of overcrowding

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal 1 seems a better thought out and planned route than 1a

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Helps connect urban trails together, which can only be a good thing. Allows easy access to the Polhill reserve from a different access point.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Will allow better connection of trails between Highbury Fling and Clinical without exiting the reserve along the fenceline (steep and rutted track), through the playground and onto the top (steep and difficult) section of Clinical. This will benefit walkers and runners just as much as those on bikes.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I cannot support the removal of any tracks. Just because tracks are steep and difficult does not mean they should be removed. Just as mountain bikers enjoy a range of trails from easy through to technical, exactly the same applies to walkers and runners. If the council does not wish to maintain this track, then fine. Just change any signage to indicate it is a rough/difficult trail and only for advanced use

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have little opinion on this, as it is only a short track segment. There are however other alternatives nearby.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much any of the trails in the Wellington and Lower/Upper Hutt region. Including (but not exhaustive), Otari-Wiltons Bush, Kaukau-Skyline, Mara MTB park, Wrights Hill, Sanctuary

Fenceline, Radome-Red Rocks, Tip Track, Tawatawa, Mt Victoria-Houghton Bay, Belmont regional park, East Harbour regional park, Eastern Hills.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would really help improve relations between the different users, I think the downhill riders are the scariest part of the mixed-use trails. It removes a major objection for walkers and some actual risk.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Commonsense connectivity options for walkers are always welcome.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Again, connectivity between features is welcome.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I've never used the trail and would not miss it, but I can't speak for users.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why? Not worth maintaining? Does it help ease pressure on more popular walking routes?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline, Wahine, S-bend, Scout Hut, Deliverance

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Love the development of Polhill, so many Wellingtonians get such varied use out of it now, I think it's an excellent resource and worthy of continued investment.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will reduce congestion and risk of collision on the shared tracks

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This can be used by walkers for commuting or pleasure without risking collisions

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

1798

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

These are good for stair repeats

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Wrights hill Skyline Makara peak South coast Mt Vic Most tracks around Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The brooklyn trial builders have done an amazing job over the years. And having the tracks has made conservation efforts in the reserve easier in many respects (especially predator control). I support their proposals

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

1800

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Many in Wellington. Nearby include fence line tracks to turbine, red rocks and Wrights Hill. Also Mt Victoria, Te Ahumairangi, Mt Albert, Makara Peak, etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

There are already two options to access Ashton Fitchett Drive - stairs and the track which goes around to the top. Not sure what alternate option would add to it as both tracks are accessible to various types of users - mtb riders, walkers and runners

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea to allow walkers quick access. Mind you, our group runs in Polhill very often we never experience any type of congestion or issues between different groups of users

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

1802

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

That's a great idea as it will add to the existing options - fantastic option.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The track is still used - walkers and runners might still be keen to make use of it. it's a nice challenge!

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

depending on what the consequences would be.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

pretty much anything that's trail around greater Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

There has been plenty of discussion about the 'conflict' between different user groups of Polhill. Building additional tracks to expand on the available options is definitely one way to alleviate the effect of the increasing numbers of users. Another thing would be to run a social campaign that

addresses the sharing etiquette - I've personally never had a bad experience, and the overwhelming majority of runners and mtbikers I know has only had a positive experience even if they experienced a 'fright' - people are generally courteous and respect each other on the trail. BUT. for those few who might have had a different experience and with the real possibility that Polhill will become even more popular (among other trails around Wellington), devising a clever and playful social campaign around trail etiquette would definitely help.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

1805

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline, ahu mairangi, red rocks, Hawkins hill , bird sanctuary, makara bike park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I'm a trail runner, without the mountain bike community I'd have sub standard trails to run on. They know how best to create trails that are able to be used safely by everyone. I encounter bikers every weekend on the trails and it's never a problem. The council is creating an issue that doesn't exist so should just get out of the way and let progress happen.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

**1807**

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
All of them

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Despite the huge support for the new track, the WCC has found it necessary to go through a long and expensive process. It's no surprise that some choose to bypass the official channels and build tracks without consent. Wellington risks continuing to fall behind other cycling destinations if it continues to put process ahead of action.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

**1809**

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

I regularly run on shared use and walkers only tracks all over the Wellington and Porirua areas and find that Polhill Reserve are some of the best.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The mountain bike community put in a lot of work to build and maintain tracks that are shared with other users. It would be great to see them being rewarded for their hard work with an additional track which will also help to lessen the traffic on the shared use tracks. Anyone that opposes this clearly doesn't appreciate the hard work they put in.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Congestion on Transient is currently an issue and is likely to continue. Walker and biker use of other trails in the reserve (eg CLinical, the descent to Holloway road next to CLinical, and the old 'Planet Ride' trail) is comparatively low. Although Transient is actually a very well made intermediate descending trail, it has poor sight lines and blind corners which can lead to unpleasant surprises, whether riding or walking! IT pains me to say it, but mountainbikers cannot be trusted to ride sensibly DOWN transient and I feel a nasty crash is inevitable. Walkers can also not be trusted not to have headphones on or dogs off leads, but there isn't much we can do about that. I would therefore support a descending trail with MTB priority. It has to be said that one can still not be sure there won't be walkers on descending trails (personal experience on Seredipity and Super Plus on Wainuiomata hill) and vandalism etc may occur (eg as has occurred on Portal) but overall the perception of conflict - which in my experience is actually very rare - on Transient will be mitigated. It will be important that any descending trail is of a similar standard to Transient. Some more difficult alternate lines would be good to encourage progression, but it needs to allow beginner/intermediate riders to complete a return trip up to Hawkins Hill.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If it makes the job easier go for it. Don't mind a steeper section.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Wouldn't worry me either way. I think there may be an existing old track line there anyway? If so, won't increase damage to environment. Happy if it helps walking experience.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't care if it's a bit steep. CLinical should be kept as a harder option to Transient esp if Transient is made uphill only. DOn't want to see resources wasted or increase perception of vegetation damage just to cut out a tiny bit of park and road.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I love that trail, but haven't used it since signage went up. However only way in will be via transient and might encourage people to ride down to get to it. If it COULD be kept as a natural advanced trail then great, but if the feeling is it is too much to maintain and is not sustainable then it should go.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Not fussed by this. Steps are a good option for walkers and runners. Don't see the point in spending time pulling htem out again.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
All of them!

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments  
Appreciate the opportunity to provide an opinion.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Ive had several collisions with other bikers on this (none bad) and the other one called clinical. Theres just too many people on it, so I dont bother riding polhill anymore as its just too much potential for crashing. Sucks for those that commute using polhil.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Trees grow back

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Dont walk in this area

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If you can make the initial clinical climb, its probably not a biggie

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

handy shortcut

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of them

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have been riding the trails in the Polhill reserve for weekly for the past 18 months. In this time it has been very apparent that use of Transient in particular has grown for all users, walkers, runners and cyclists. Given this is a two way trail the increasing traffic creates safety challenges specifically where downhill riders meet any oncoming traffic. Removing the downhill MTB traffic through a prioritised trail makes perfect sense to improve the safety and enjoyment of all park users

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Anything that can be done to increase the uphill use of Clinical by MTB users is a great idea

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Crawford, Mt Vic and Makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The trails are getting more use than ever and if the downhill traffic can be moved off onto another track it can only be a good thing.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

1818

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wainui Trail Park, BAMBA (Belmont), Mt Vic, Te Whiti Riser, Porirua tracks (Tumeke etc), Miramar trails, Southern and Northern Walkways, Red Rocks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Having formerly lived in Brooklyn I used to use this track on my daily commute to work, so have had a lot of time riding it. It's a great track, but due to popularity with bikes, runners and walkers both ways I feel it is getting dangerous. There are lots of blind corners and with it being a narrow track doesn't give many options for places to go, if people need to make way. I've ridden the track many times and had a toddler walk/bike around the corner, as they don't have the greatest reactions it leaves all the manoeuvring to the adult, which can be tricky, especially if riding down the hill with any kind of momentum.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes sense to keep the experience contained, especially for people new to Wellington/ the track, so they know where to go.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara Peak, Wanui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

1821

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To remove perceived conflict with walkers and continue to improve the overall facility

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic, wainui, Miramar, writes hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I find it difficult to understand walkers and lonas opposition to this given who built transient and what was there before hand. Mtb riders and the organizations behind them have put in huge effort to avoid existing tracks prior to transient (i.e. The trail known as backdoor) and are now once again in a position where they are attempting to come up with another solution and are accused of a 'take over' to the detriment of walkers. Maybe the walkers should start building some trails for once.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Pretty much all of them.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a runner I would prefer a shared trail

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will alleviate some of the trail congestion that we face on Transient. We have a dedicated downhill track in the last section, and a decitated up. Makes sense to shift the faster traffic away from the dual direction shared trails.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

DEFINITELY a walking only trail.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, all the green belt, Mt Vic MTB specific trails, Wrihst Hill.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be great for avoiding collisions between walkers and bikers

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Adds extra trial crossing which is more dangerous for little gain

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainui. Mt Vic, Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Safer life on transient for everyone

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Same as above

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Same as above

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All Makara ones, Skyline, Mt Vic, Waionui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Mount Victoria Miramar Wainui Belmont

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I fully support the proposed track as the area is a victim of its own success with a high contention between descending riders and uphill riders/walkers/runners on the two-way Transient track which makes that track less than ideal. The proposed new track would let riders who have climbed up Polhill on the existing tracks enjoy the rewards of climbing without the constant worry of suddenly meeting slower moving uphill traffic. I do think Transient should remain open in both directions for riders, I'd imagine most experienced riders would opt for the new track but families and new riders would still be able to pick Transient for an easier way down Polhill.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

as long as the track retains the feel of Transient I don't mind

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

Why walking only, it leads to a dual-use track?

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

this is a long overdue connector track, when can I help with digging it?

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

as a mountain biker, I do not use the steps

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Trail builder/maintenance volunteer on Polhill (and other parks)

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I and my 10yr old daughter use most tracks in Wellington region up to grade 4/Advanced level Makara, WTP, MTP, Redrocks, Belmont, Whareroa Farm, Mt Victoria and many more areas

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The Polhill tracks are some of the best trails in the country, the fact they are so close to the city centre is just incredible and when I take friends from out of town or country on the tracks they have been blown away.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic, Mirimar, Skyline, Wrights Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I believe in the interests of safety having a priority downhill trail that is clearly marked. I also am strongly supportive of mountain biking as a recreational activity and way to promote healthy living in the region. Wellington is becoming known globally as a mountain biking haven and building more trails for a variety of skill levels will help us to continue to grow tourist numbers and revenue growth in our city. I think having dedicated areas designed and suitable for each different activity - cycling, running or walking makes sense and helps prevent conflicts between various park users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I guess so, as long as it's clear that walking is the only activity here.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't believe in shared use trails. It's asking for conflict and injuries.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If data supports the claim that no one appears to be using it, yeah sure.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria Miramar - Jail Brake, Repeat Offender, etc.

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The development of this proposed track would benefit all users of this special area. I regularly ride on the current track and am respectful of all users however given the nature of downhill riding you of course are going to gather speed and this can often create a hazard when coming around corners in to walkers suddenly. I always slow down and let walkers passed and have never experienced any bad feelings which is great to see. However, by approving the proposed track walkers, runners, dog walkers and mountain bikers would all reap the benefits of a safer and more enjoyable experience. It's an absolute no brainer!

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Carparts, Transient, Serendipity

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I commute into the city using Transient 5 days a week (both ways) and whilst everybody is polite and friendly, I often have near misses with walkers, runners AND uphill bikers. I once tried to go down the Highbury Fling track and couldn't stay on the bike, so Transient is the only option at the moment. The track gets VERY congested in Summer and because it is filled with tight corners, you can never see what's coming the other way. In my experience 95% of runners are listening to music so won't hear you coming either.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Could be an option, I don't have any objection at all to shared use tracks, other than that it's pretty dangerous for everyone.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As long as a new downhill only track was suitable for intermediate level riders (ie. not too difficult!) then no MTBs should go downhill on Transient anyway. I currently go downhill on the walking track all the way to Aro Street because I have a habit of crashing on the downhill only section of the trail, which is too difficult for me.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

I commute on my MTB 5 days a week both ways on the Polhill tracks. I also walk and run regularly on the tracks.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

George Denton, Mc Vic, Makara, Wainui. Pretty much everywhere in Wellington, but I use Polhill every day.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

As most of the comments I've seen mention, it seems like the mountain bike community have been the ones building these tracks. I'm all for shared use, but if walkers want to get rid of us then they should take the time to build their own trails.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The current tracks are fantastic but they do not offer a safe option for mountain bikers coming down the hill. even at slow speeds it is possible to collide with another cyclist/runner due to a large number of blind corners and thick bush obscuring sight lines. A new track that is intended for descending will relieve congestion at peak times and create a safer environment for all users.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

unsure where the trail would be located, very few details provided for a decision to be made.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**1848**

There is a well established walking only entrance not far from the proposed sight so it doesn't seem to be necessary. However, if this entrance didn't involve steps and was thus more accessible for those people that would be challenged by steep steps then it would be a beneficial alternate route.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Completely unnecessary, the 'steep' section is not particularly steep and is incredibly short. The time, money, and loss of bush required to skirt around such a small area would be considerable. The public road crossing is almost always traffic free and if anything, an entrance to the trail from the park ground to the left of the gate would be a better option.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

My understanding is that this is a walking/running only trail anyway. I use this trail on a fortnightly basis for running as it is a great option for steep hill running of which there isn't much in central wellington. Surely it would require more effort to 'remove' the trail and police this shut down then it would be to just let it be. If it is a trail that is rarely used then the trail will eventually disappear as the bush grows.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If the steps are simply going to be replaced by another set of steps 400m away on Karepa street then seems like a waste of time and resources.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

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- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mount Victoria, Wainui Trail Park, Skyline, Wrights Hill.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

to remove conflict with walkers on transient and increase public safety

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainui, Belmont, Salvation, Delieverance, Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The development of this proposed track would be a huge benefit all users of this special area. I often ride on the track and I am respectful of all users however given the nature of downhill riding you often frighten other track users due to the blind corners and topography of the track. I rode Polhill last Sunday 11 June , it was a spectacular day and the track was full of riders, walkers and runners. I slowed down from my normal pace to be safer to others, but it was still dangerous and I noted that the kids are the ones who panic when they suddenly see you coming as they don't know what to do. Separate tracks would solve this issue. By approving the proposed track walkers, runners, dog walkers and mountain bikers would all reap the benefits of a safer and more enjoyable experience.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's a great track plan that is well thought out.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's a great track plan that is well thought out.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's a great track plan that is well thought out.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I bike Mt Victoria, Makara Peak and Miramar, often on the same day and on the same ride as they all link up easily.

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Mountain biking is one of the fastest growing sports in the world, one that can be enjoyed by people of all ages and different skill levels. Having dual tracks is sensible and safe and caters to a sport with an ever growing base. Wellington has an opportunity to attract a lot of Mountain Bike tourists here like Rotorua and Taupo have, we could learn a lot of lessons from how they have adopted bikers and developed tracks and trails to support them.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

More trails!! Also, as a down hill trail it frees up the others for uphill slogging!

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Woohoo! more trails!

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Woohoo! more access!

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

1856

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Woohoo! more options!

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use it occasionally, but it probably isn't needed!

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It'll only save a couple of minutes, as stated there is an alternative route close by

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

You name it, i've been there! love trail running in Wellington!

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will make the whole area safer for ALL Polhill Reserve users including, walkers, runners, conservationists and bikers. It will ease congestion and increase safety. It is a no brainer.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

What does 'alternative option' mean? This could be communicated clearer.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Only if there are alternative priority routes for mountain bikers.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**1858**

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Te Ahumairangi, Mt Vic, Mt Crawford, Wainui Mountain Bike Park, Makara Peak Bike Park. I am a walker, dog walker, runner and biker and help with train maintenance and conservation.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

This process and other trail development council processes have been very disappointing. The council are becoming harder to deal with on these times of developments, not easier. Why has it taken this long to get yet another consultation on Polhill. It is shameful. Also why has there been no public consultation on Te Ahumairangi?

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

With the transient track becoming more popular as people discover this fantastic asset, it's important to realise that with this increase in popularity, so increases the tensions between the various users. As a runner I've had a few close calls, each party has been very courteous of each other, but this may not always continue to be the case.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

1860

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

South Coast, Southern Walkway, Skyline, Otari Wilton, Makara Mountain Bike Park, Karori Sanctuary

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Wellington is becoming a great city for mountain biking and new tracks will have a positive influence on tourism, health and wellbeing and residents engagement

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

1862

Unsure

Why/other comments

Shared use trails seem to cause more tension than they are worth.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

Yes

No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

Yes

No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

Biker

Walker

Commuter

Runner

Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

Yes

No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I often run Polhill. It is a beautiful track. I very much appreciate what is being done to it to make everyone's use a pleasant one. Really grateful for it. I use a lot of trails for running in Wellington. I think Polhill gotta be the one that I am most cautious and attentive as it is a shared track. The track has so many special aspects that could be enjoyed in all different ways and that is a beautiful thing, too. I found some MTB use on this trail unsafe at times despite taking all the caution I can take. If I understood this proposal correctly it could help, reduce the risk of and prevent accidents. I fully support this kind of safety measure for shared tracks as a runner. Many many thanks to all those working on the proposals and trying to improve our beautiful trails, in fact I would say one of the greatest trails on the planet and also thanks for the opportunity to submit on the proposals. Best,

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much all of Wellington tracks- but most often Skyline, Otari-Wilton, Te Ahumairangi- Old Coach - Belmont - Mount Victoria -Makara - Kaukau

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Thanks again for the opportunity to give opinion and feed into your process. Best, Onur

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am concerned about additional tracks creating further breaks in the existing regenerating canopy and potentially creating additional disturbance, erosion and potentially a vector for further spread of non-native invasive plant species. I also feel there are enough tracks in the reserve and developing a new track giving priority to Mountain Bikers is contrary to the reserve's status as Town Belt public land with a conservation purpose. Polhill is not a Mountain Bike park and it is unfair and impractical to restrict users (e.g. runners, dog-walkers) from using any one piece of track.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

1867

I can see the rationale for creating additional connectivity between Aro Valley and Brooklyn but have concerns around additional disturbance of vegetation.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I can see the benefit of increasing connectivity but am concerned about removal of vegetation and potential disturbance of tieke nesting/feeding habitat.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This track is very steep and little used.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not support the proposal to remove the steps from Ashton Fitchett Drive - these provide a useful pedestrian access to Transient. The steps need improving though as they have recently suffered severe erosion following an extreme rainfall event.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Conservationist/trapper - Polhill Protectors Founder

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
A variety

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I greatly value the tracks built by the Brooklyn Trail Builders and the increased use of the reserve this has led to throughout the community. I do think the Reserve needs to remain accessible to all users without priority given to any one group.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A very good idea. Riding or walking is not fun OR safe at the moment due to the risk of collision.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Seems like a good idea. Would make Transient more accessible.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of the town belt but Mt Victoria mainly as that is where I live

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

It would reduce the potential for trail conflicts on transient.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara Peak, Centenial Reserve, Wainui bike park, Colonial Knob, Belmont Park, Karapoti Forest, Tunnel Gully

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Primarily for safety. Current tracks built by mtb community have become very popular shared tracks with other walking only tracks far less utilised. The result has been many accidents and near accidents.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be good but not really necessary.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This could perhaps be turned into part of a dedicated downhill track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of them.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Thanks.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wanui, Miramar.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Definitely needed to many near misses... Too many close calls to want to keep riding transient so this would be essential.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Have never used

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Any Makara Skyline Redrocks Mtvic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It makes sense to have a trail where walkers/runners and mountainbikers won't clash. It's always baffled me that shared descending trails even exist, they seem like the most dangerous idea ever, hence why I avoid these trails.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

don't have a huge stance on this one but more options are always better in my opinion.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Again, it makes sense to have trails for those on foot, and trails for those on bikes. Walking trails are usually pretty boring to ride down anyway, **1880** get why people do it if there is a bike specific

option available.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Like I said before, more options are always better. Means people don't get sick of using the same trail all the time and might help the trail network get more use.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Steps are fun!

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much every mountain bike trail, especially Mt Vic and Portal out in newtown (The new jump line looks amazing by the way, it's about time Welly got a decent sized jump line).

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Downhill riding is much more enjoyable without the fear of running uphill riders or walkers over! It would reduce congestion on the other tracks.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Saves biking on the road.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainuiomata, Belmont, Mt Vic, Mapuia, Colonial Knob etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Love the work that the track builders do. A great city to ride and live in.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The number one issue at the moment is congestion. Bikers and runners/walkers alike, would benefit from a downhill only section to alleviate the two-way track congestion at the Polhill entrance.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A steeper climb doesn't bother me, and reduce earthworks and vegetation disruption sounds good. However, there is not much detail on this option to feel like I can make an informed decision.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not essential, but this would be a 'nice-to-have'.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would prevent near collisions, and collisions on the public road (cyclists and motorists) and downhill bikers with ascending bikers and runners.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why not just let nature reclaim it ? What benefit is there to spending time/effort on removing it ?

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why ? No rationale given.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Trails in and around Makara MTB park (mtb & running). Wainui MTB park (mtb only). Trails throughout Mt. Vic (mtb & running). Southern Walkway, City-to-sea walkway, hawkins hill, northern and southern Miramar peninsula trails, trails throughout Tinakori Hill, Mt. Albert area trails, and Newtown-Melrose-Zoo area trails.

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, skyline, Mt Victoria regularly, almost all other off road trials periodically.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Belmont Wainuomata

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

More travels ate needed as transient is to high use to be a safe descending track.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Existing karepa track is fine

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak, wright's hill, mt vic, fence line, wtp, Belmont etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea to separate downhill MTB traffic to a new trail, much safer and also more fun, it's another reason to come to Wellington

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unsure what this option is

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Ensures continuity of descent

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If this is to allow MTB access then yes

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Husband!

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most other Wellington MTB tracks / parks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Mountain Bike Park, Mt Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

We've got such a great space - if we work hard at sharing it and think safety first then we all win

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I run many hours a week on Wellington's extraordinary trails. Some of my favorites are the trio of Polhills Highbury - transient - clinical. Please consider the extra trail to alleviate the impact on current trails and give mountain bikers more options.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

I run daily, including run commuting, and often around Wellington trails / tracks.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All the town belt, Skyline, Otari, Makara, Zealandia fenceline, Red Rocks, Tinakori, Mt Vic, other.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

This is critical to the Wellington we love and are proud of.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Windmill, Carparts & extn, Barking Emu, Red Rocks, Makara Peak, Miramar, Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It improves safety in Polhill by separating bikers and walkers and additionally adds to a great recreational facility.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Victoria, Miramar.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think it's great to reduce congestion on the trails, and to give bikers a fast downhill track to themselves. I'm a runner, a walker with my young childer, and very occassional biker.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I actually like running this.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I can live with it.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Lots of tracks all around the South of Wellington, Mt Vic, Polhill, Tinakori, and others further North

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I am really keen to promote shared trails.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Volume of traffic and safety

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most tracks around the city

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

more tracks means more people who will appreciate and conserve the bush

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

so that bikers and walkers can more fully enjoy their respective disciplines without the fear of collision with oncoming traffic

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

it gives walkers/runners a greater own use track option, keeping crossover down

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
better track flow

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
it gives runners and walkers more options

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
no real requirement

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
almost all

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

the proposed additions will only make for a happier and safer environment for all track users, not to mention the increased advantages to the area via tree planting, trapping etc.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I wholeheartedly endorse the Brooklyn Trail Builders' (BTB) proposal and justification for three new trails at Polhill, including this new 2.5km mountain bike (MTB) priority descending trail. In particular, I strongly consider that by effectively removing downhill MTB from Transient, the new MTB priority trail proposed would reduce congestion and safety risk, and enhance recreational benefits for users on Transient and the new track. I further endorse the environmental impact mitigation measures put forward with BTB's proposal as well as the excellent track record of BTB and other stakeholders' in balancing environmental and conservation considerations when building trails. Indeed, far from minimising such considerations, trails that are built in a low-impact, considerate manner draw more users into the outdoors, and increase their awareness, appreciation for, and active participation in, caring for the natural environment. The recreational benefits, economic returns, and amenity gains from engaging the Aro Valley and Brooklyn communities in trail development and use are also considerable. These comments apply equally to the other trails BTB recommend developing in their proposal.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connection trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection

with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a techn

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Crawford, Wainuiomata and Mt Victoria, amongst others.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

A downhill bicycle trail needs to be one way. It is extremely unsafe having walkers/runners/bicycles going up and down the same narrow trail!

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt. Victoria, Makara Peak, Wtp, Miramar trail project,

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

In high use areas bikes and pedestrians need to be kept separate.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Providing for more trails in Polhill is great for many reasons, encouraging more trail use, health of walkers, riders, attracting more tourists, etc. This track is no brainer, the less trail conflict the better.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

BTB understand better what will work here.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Again a no brainer this is great track for walkers and runners, reduces opportunity for conflict.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

BTB reasons for this are completely sound.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a nice trail to walk up and down.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Only if proposal 2 goes in.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of trails in Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Reduce conflict on Transient

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Happily tack track designers recommendation

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Make a good loop for riders to enjoy, reduce traffic through highbury park

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Enjoy walking it on occasion

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Never use, don't have a position

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much all of them at some point. Makara peak, karori park skyline, wrights hill, mt vic the most regular

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As both a runner and a mountain biker, I think it is a great idea to separate downhill bikes from walkers/runners. Biking down narrow, twisting trails, it is easy to encounter someone coming up with very little warning, even if travelling relatively slowly. When running up transient, descending bikers are definitely a concern.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be nice to have a lower gradient track to connect the two.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I have used this track a number of times, and rather like it. But not strongly attached to it if it comes at the expense of maintenance or construction of more popular trails.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Barking emu out to red rocks, tip track, Mirimar, Mt Victoria, Houghton Bay, Makara, and skyline/Mt Kaukau mostly.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A bike-priority descending trail will improve the experience for all trail users - walkers and cyclists will have an assurance that there will not be cyclists riding (fast or slow) around the many blind corners on the trail. The development of trails in Polhill has drawn many new trail users into the reserve, and further into the south coast and red rocks. The creation of a descending-specific trail will provide a second route back into the city

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Windmill, Sawmill, Barking Emu, Red Rocks, Mount Victoria Trails, Miramar trail park, skyline, makara peak, wrights hill etc. All of wellington, basically.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Reduce traffic on Transcient which is very popular with walkers, runners and bikers

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Heaps of walking tracks around Wellington, too many to list, but regular walks on Tinakori, Johnsons and Mt Vic. I also mountain bike mostly at Makra MTB park, Wainui MTB park and Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Most walkers, runners and mtb riders are polite and get on fine, all enjoying the outdoors on trails made by mountain bikers. We would not be able to enjoy the bush and green belt if the tracks were not there, I can't see what all the fuss is about

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

With a hill that steep it is a lot safer to have dedicated tracks. Mountain biking brings a lot of value to Wellington. Other cities see the big benefits that can come from mountain bike tourism and are chasing them... Wellington for some reason doesn't see it the same way. I appreciate that walkers want their space too... We're lucky in NZ, and Wellington specifically, that there's room for everyone to enjoy the outdoors, in the way they choose. Mountain biking is great for people's health (mental and physical). It gets people out of the house, meeting new people, and appreciating nature. Why would you fight that??

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

makara, wainui, red rocks and further afield

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

can't we all just get along?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

So my 10 year old daughter has somewhere safe to ride without collision dangers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Pol hill is an amazing place to ride with the long narrow descent. I hope it's not destroyed by being made wider or the bumps/roots removed. It's a shame so many tracks are being dumbed down to the point where children are upset that the tracks aren't challenging anymore.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is a great trail but it's much more popular now than when it was first build. Separating downhill bike traffic from uphill bikes and walkers makes sense from an enjoyment and safely perspective.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara Peak, Wainuiomata, Miramar, everywhere really.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea to separate pedestrians from cyclists from a safety and enjoyment perspective

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, skyline, red rocks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm a regular user of the Polhill Reserve as a walker and runner, I never mountain bike but I deeply appreciate the work that has been done by the mountain biking community in the Wellington area to create these amazing trails that all of us get to use and enjoy. As a regular weekly user of the Transient trails I also appreciate the considerate way that bikers share the trails with others, but I also know that the pressure on this trail is growing and that bikers need another downhill track. A lot of work has gone into this proposal, and I support it as the best option.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I prefer the first option for the new downhill trail. This option would create two crossings of existing tracks (rather than one), have difficult hairpin corners to navigate, and be a steeper pinch climb.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

This provides a walking only route through Polhill that links to suburban tracks.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would provide improved way finding and utility (an alternative to bypass George Denton Playground, avoid steep pinch climbs and the road crossing)

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This connection is used by walkers

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of them! I run and walk trails all around the Wellington region every week. I run Skyline, Eastern Walkway, Southern Walkway, Makara Mountain Bike park, Paekakariki Escarpment, Eastbourne trails, Belmont Reserve, Colonial Knob and many others

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I'm a runner and walker, not a mountain biker but I want to give my support for the proposals for new mountain bike downhill track. Bikers are super considerate of runners and walkers, but they deserve more of their own dedicated downhill tracks - and they do amazing work building and maintaining these tracks. The mountain biking community do a lot of great service for the entire Wellington community and we need to support them as well.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Build This track asap

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Btb proposal is fine

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Many

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Council must Work with btb and other groups in a positive manner to develop welly

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Polhill is an incredible place to mountain bike, particularly for beginner/intermediate riders. Revolve Cycling is committed to getting more women into the sport of mountain biking, and we use Polhill for our weekly rides on a regular basis. At the moment, passing someone coming the opposite way can be the scariest part of the ride for beginners, because the Polhill tracks are quite narrow. This is a great feature, and not something we think should change, but having an alternative downhill MTB priority trail would lessen the conflict currently occurring on Transient. Every year, Revolve hosts a woman-only mountain bike event in Polhill. At most Wellington mountain bike events, ten or less women will participate. At Super V (Revolve's event) we have between 40 and 50 women participating, many for the first time. As a token of appreciation for using the trails, we donate \$5 per rider to the Brooklyn Trail Builders, as well as hosting and attending some trail digging days. If this trail proceeds, Revolve is keen to contribute to the cost. We have \$3,000 that we fund raised earlier this year earmarked for a trail in Wellington, and a downhill trail in Polhill is our top pick. Everyone deserves to enjoy the fantastic trails in Polhill and we believe that by making Transient an uphill -only MTB trail, it will improve the user experience of mountain bikers, walkers and runners. It should also be noted that mountain bikers put hundreds of volunteer hours into building these tracks. The number of users who don't seem to have any awareness or appreciation of that fact is disappointing.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The gradient at the end of the track is completely different to the rest of the track, which is unfortunate given the effort that's been put into making the rest of the track achievable for beginner/intermediate riders.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve? **1038**

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Red Rocks, Makara, Mount Victoria, Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

1) It would be great to have a small section of the signage at the bottom of Polhill devoted to explaining who the Brooklyn Trail Builders and the Polhill Protectors are. 2) It would also be good to have a sign that mentions where Clinical is - it's a great trail and so many Polhill users are unaware that it exists. When we host the Super V we don't use Clinical so we direct walkers and runners to Clinical and 90% have never heard of it. 3) Acknowledge the means to the end: While the concern about affecting the birdlife that is thriving in Polhill is valid, it's worth remembering that part of the reason this birdlife is flourishing is because mountain bikers built the tracks that allowed the Polhill Protectors to access the area to trap pests. 4) Despite comments made earlier in the year about mountain bikers only being middle-aged men getting paid \$100K+ per year, Revolve can assure you that is not true. We have 120 paid members (all women as we are women's cycling) who range between 22 and 69. Our weekly email also goes out to 1,500 women in Wellington who are interested in cycling. This is not a guy's sport.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Value of trail itself and reduced traffic on transient. Safety and fun, seems like a no-brainer.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view on value.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Nice to have, but can understand the council's concerns. Pretty easy to switch tracks now and its not crowded enough that the steep uphill is an issue if people have to walk.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mount Vic (mtb, running) Southern Walkway (running) Makara peak (mtb) Miramar (mtb)

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I love riding by bike up and down Transient. It's so close to the city, a great gradient both up and down, and a whole lot of fun. But coming down, it's impossible to see people around bends, so even while trying to keep your speed in check, there are regular near misses. A downhill only mountain bike track just makes sense. Everyone wins!

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The original track has been designed by mountain bike track builders for mountain bike riders. This track will be ridden for generations - do it the best way right from the start, rather than always having an awkward, tight, steep part of the track.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm unlikely to use this, but if you can make it easy for people to access the trail network, that might get more people active.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The Upper Clinical Trail provides a great quick way into the park if you don't have much time, and this new connector means you can mountain bike the whole way, rather than come out to the road for a bit.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use it, so don't have a strong opinion.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use it, so don't have a strong opinion.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Lots. Makara Peak, Belmont Regional Park, Colonial Knob, Mt Vic, Wainuiomata. But Polhill is one of my favourites.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Thanks for all the great work done to transform the Polhill area, and I look forward to seeing this final piece of the puzzle completed.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To reduce friction between pedestrians and cyclists and to add to the enjoyment of both

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't mind uphill riding on my mtb but a lot of riders do so a future like this could reduce the effectiveness of the new track and even cause it to be redone later which is worst case.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be nice for the mtbs but also improve the amenity of the playground.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Very old track hardly used. Probably has very little impact on birdlife and ecology either way.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Ugly.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Very keen that more work is done with planting and pest control.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Virtually all mountain biking tracks.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I am hugely in support of all improvements to the town belt. It adds to the quality of life to all Wellingtonians who use it and there are a lot of us. It is one of the defining features of our city along with the harbour. The volunteer groups that work with the council should be applauded. thank you

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If you want to reduce conflict then the only viable options is to separate the walkers and mountain bikers. We do this all the time for other modes of transport such as not allowing bikers on the footpath separate them from the walkers to reduce conflict very simple solution. If the walkers are worried about being hit by mountain bikers is it not in their best interest also to separate the two? I feel the only thing some walkers want is for no new tracks and to ban all mountain bikes from the reserves which is unjust and stupid.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If you're going to build it do it once do it right, there is no point in worrying about a small section of trees when a. they can be replanted and b. its all regeneration forest anyway. the whole region use to be all untouched native bush but now thats gone and its Wellington city.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

if it keeps walkers and bikers separate then yes good idea.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

makara peak, Portal, mount vic, ian galloway park, mirimar,

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

If you want sustained economic growth you need to look to the likes of Rotorua, Queenstown.

Mountain biking is bringing in more money in Rotorua than forestry is around 10 million annually. Queenstown is pumping millions a year into their economies directly as a result from mountain bikers coming to the city to ride their bikes and spend their money. No ones flying around the world to come stay in Wellington for the summer to go walk in the reserves but thousands of people are doing this every year in Queenstown. There is no reason why Wellington cannot be a mountain biking destination, we have such good location in terms of close proximity to the city and how close the trails are. We also have something that these places dont that is a big city only minutes away from the trails. The council needs to realise this investment potential and capitalise on it, there is no point in listening to a few disgruntled walkers. We have just lost the sevens so why not invest some of that money into mountain biking and get year round economic benefits, with non of the bad press about drunks? There is plenty of room for everyone it just needs to be managed appropriately, the council also needs to speed up the process on which this is happening because the more we wait and muck around the more and more Queenstown and the likes are building more and more tracks everyday and not being held back by red tape.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Mountain bikers are effectively turning Polhill Reserve into a mountain bike park within a bush reserve. It is increasingly untenable for other track users, and after any sort of mountain bike event becomes completely unusable - an impassable muddy sludge. Mountain biking results in three track feature - ruts, roots and rocks, all of which present hazards for other users. These are hazards created by every mountain bike that goes through, and exacerbated by rain. Adding another 2.5km mountain bike-only trail simply results in the increasing monopolisation of Polhill's by mountain bike users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not needed - leave the other one (option 5) in place.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No particular need to add this? Is it being driven by Option 1, and moving walkers?

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The rationale for the 'shared use' trail is entirely predicated on mountain bike user needs ('keep bikes in the reserve on an even gradient'. From a walking/trail running perspective there is no particular benefit. The reserve shouldn't be being carved up to keep bikes on an even gradient.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

If you must - it doesn't seem to be doing any harm.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Again, unless there's a particular problem with maintenance (?) it's a handy in and route out.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Otari, Bot Gardens, Northern Walkway, Te Ahumairangi etc (ebikes on northern walkway? You have to be kidding!!!).

Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Mountain bikes damage walking trails. A good mountain bike trail becomes increasingly unusable for foot traffic. Bikes and walkers on a downhill trail are an unsafe combination. Makara is a great dedicated mountain bike park, and a great community resources. Having some access trails for mountain bikes in some areas, fine. Brooklyn Track Builders is unashamedly devoted to the mountain biking community - at some point, enough is enough for Polhill. There is not, and should not be, an unlimited license for mountain bikers to carve their way through the bush creating more and more trails to the detriment of the bush, and other users. That they have a loud voice is not in doubt (66% of survey respondents). That this voice is representative of reserve users is (50/50 cycle/foot).

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Insofar as the proposal is consistent with the submission made by the Polhill Restoration Trust. I support the Trust's submission.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

See submission by the Polhill Restoration Trust.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

See submission by the Polhill Restoration Trust.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

See submission by the Polhill Restoration Trust.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't see any compelling reason to remove the track instead it could be deprioritised in terms of track maintenance. Having run down it recently it clearly does not get maintained.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a runner I regularly use these steps and there would be a cost to removing them.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

I am a volunteer with the Polhill Restoration Project so I help out with the trapping. Through the Wellington Running Meet Up Group I help out with planting.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I regularly run all the urban and regional trails around Wellington. As I live in Hāitaitai I run the southern and eastern walkways frequently and the trails that connect to Polhill such as round the Sanctuary and the Tip Track/Red Rocks trails. I run the northern trails as well Skyline, Salvation, Makara Peak trails etc slightly less frequently. I run the Polhill trails at least weekly often twice weekly.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I would like to see the WCC make more of an effort to educate dog owners of the need to keep their pets on a leash if walking the Polhill trails and I do not think having a dog exercise area at the entrance to Polhill and in George Denton Park sends a good signal in terms of protecting the endangered birds and lizards that live in the Polhill Reserve. Dogs should be exercised elsewhere. It would be very disappointing if the WCC gave undue weight to the opinions of submitters who do not use the Polhill Reserve or contribute to its upkeep. As someone who visits the reserve at least weekly and who checks traps and helps with planting and tries to engage with dog owners who do not keep their dogs on a leash I feel a strong sense of ownership of this special place and have an expectation that my views will be taken into account.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is an absolutely fantastic proposal. Polhill is such a great asset for runners, bikers and walkers but it's popularity has led to quite a lot of traffic, particularly on Transient. A purpose built downhill for bikers would be a great solution and ensure all users can continue to enjoy the Reserve for the longterm. Great initiative.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is another very good idea. The final climb to George Denton is pretty steep, even for intermediate riders, and it's also not ideal having bikers riding through George Denton park.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria, up toward wind turbine, red rocks, south coast, mapuia, wrights hill, Makaurau peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Safety mainly. It is really dangerous coming down transient if walkers, runners or other riders are coming ascending.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Belmont, Mt Vic, Miramar, Wainui, Northern Walkway

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. We note that the Wellington City Council's survey referred to had 866 responses, with 93% supporting a new track. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. We believe the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. We note the mitigation effects contained in BTB's proposals and agree with these. We think the environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, and note that the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve. BTB have highlighted in their proposal that they are happy to build the trail, and Wellington Trail Trust will support them in doing this (through raising funds etc.).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't support this, as we believe option 1 is significantly better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

I support this. This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

I support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling. I am surprised that this was never done as part of the original work building Clinical.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. Should be kept and given to BTB to maintain if this is an issue for WCC.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

We believe the WCC officers are best placed to judge the merits of this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Makara Peak Rimutuka Incline Belmont Regional Park Colonial Knob Te Whiti Riser Wainui MTB  
Park Mirimar MTB Tracks Mount Vitoria walking and riding tacks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

We have seen comments from some groups that they perceive the new trails have some sort of negative impact on the environment. We believe poorly formed positions around the environmental effects of trails simply fall apart if they are applied to widely tracked areas like Zealandia or Wilton Bush (which supports our view is that any argument being presented on this basis is flawed and a distraction). As New Zealand's environmental efforts ramp up and we see native flora and fauna populate areas that were previously devoid of such taonga, we must allow greater access to these areas, not diminish it. The educational potential and ecological narrative that can be crafted around such exposure is immense

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The current shared track is dangerous with mountain bikers going too fast on the down hill section.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Buckley Road Reserve

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Safety is a real issue with the current track designs this needs to happen

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

not a good idea

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

makes sense

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
makes sense

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
its fine

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Its fine

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
makara, mt vic, red rocks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

For safety of walkers and riders using the transient track it will be better if riding is limited to Uphill riding only

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Option 1 it far better option

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes provides additional options for walkers

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - provides great access to all trails for users

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Keep it for Walkers its a great trail

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

not aware of reasons

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Yes access all tracks I'm able to

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

having access to to local trails in the CBD is a massive plus for getting our kids out on their bikes. Adding this trail will give our kids a safer more fun experience in getting out into the local forrest and

letting them appreciate what a fantastic flora & fauna we have on our back door steps and they stay fit & healthy

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I fully support the recommendations by Brooklyn trail builders for this track.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I fully support the recommendations of Brooklyn Trail Builders on this track.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I fully support the recommendations of Brooklyn Trail Builders on this track.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Neither agree/disagree with this in line with Brooklyn Trail builders view.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Neither agree/disagree with this in line with Brooklyn Trail builders view.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

I LOVE running and walking in this area. I am really value all the wonderful new tracks being built and feel they are well-shared across runners, walkers, dog walkers, commuters and mtn bikers.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Yes heaps. I love off road running and walking. And intend to get a bit more into mountain biking as time goes on, but I am only a beginner at the moment.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This will significantly improve the track experience for all users by removing conflicts between downhill bikers and uphill traffic, and the proposed track building techniques appear to have negligible flora and fauna impacts.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Involves additional crossing points on the existing trail, reducing the benefits of the new track.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This will improve the loop options in the area

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will improve the loop options in the area

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unclear on the extent of usage of this track

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unclear on the extent of usage of this track

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Southern Walkway, trails from Kingston to South coast, Makara peak, skyline walkway

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would create two crossings of existing tracks (rather than one), have difficult hairpin corners to navigate, and be a steeper pinch climb to Ashton Fitchett Drive (on what was part of the Transient track designed as uphill).

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

We neither agree nor disagree with removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient (but note it can be a useful access route for tree planting and predator trapping).

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

We neither agree nor disagree with removing the Ashton Fitchett Street 60m steps onto Transient (but appreciate these steps are well-used by runners/walkers etc).

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainuiomata, Skyline,

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Multiple across Wellington and Hutt Valley

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Supported. The present trail is so heavily utilised by all that it has become unsafe to cycle it. The current situation is not good and has relied on a generally positive attitude by users. A new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. The Wellington City Council's survey has a high response rate and with 93% supporting a new track. The environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, indeed the usage the first trail has created has underpinned volunteer enthusiasm to support pest control (etc.). A good experience in the area will support this continuing

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Not preferred, as option 1 is significantly better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

support this. This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers, dog walkers, runners

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Supported This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. Should be kept and maintained by volunteer labour

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Yes, extensively. Polhill provides amazing access **1981** into the Brooklyn tracks and a partial way of

riding to Makara peak off-road from the city

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Polhill is one of the best inner city assets for Bikers, runners and the like in the country. Its popularity means it needs a little more development. The trails in this area and the likes of Makara have facilitated amazing environmental gains, at very low cost to WCC (particularly compared to the cost of supporting and maintaining other area's). There maybe group's that prefer to limit access, not to build tracks - this is a limited view. Well build tracks grow community support and allow access to control pests (animal and weed) and lead to positive environmental outcomes

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As a regular user of the MTB tracks in the area. Ive recently found Transient trail a lot more over crowded and as a result it loses the fun factor!!! being always on edge for persons coming the other way Building a single direction track down makes sense.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

But I would construct and insure the downhill MTB track is in place first

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think this is the trails that runs from the 4 x 4 access road down into Transient? If so then keep it.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Depends on the future use of Transient? If its an uphill only and for walkers etc then this access would be useful.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak MTB park, Wainuiomata trails, Belmont Regional Park MTB trails, Colonial Knob and the Skyline trails between Mt Kaukau and Karori Park.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I frequently descend via the current track and am v concerned by the current dangers and restricted vision. A secure dedicated route for cyclists is a much safer option.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's great that these trails are so busy, but this makes transient quite congested at peak times. Removing down hill riders will ease this. In addition, when cycling down hill, it's always a worry that you might come across an uphill rider/runner round a blind bend. Most people are courteous and travel at an appropriate speed for a 2 way track, but separating them would make it a non-issue. And by the looks of the proposed track, provide and excellent down hill option if on 2 wheels. The addition of this track, if the impact on the environment is minimised, while have benefits for all those who use Polhill freeing up transient or those on foot or riding up, and providing a free flowing down hill for those riding down. This has worked very well with free ride and car parts (although admittedly there is less foot traffic here compared to transient).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

With the original option, people can access the down hill track from saw mill if they are approaching from Ashton fitchett. With option 1a, they will have to go down highbury to get on it. If bikers are doing loops - transient highbury down hill, option 1a will see 2 way traffic on that section of highbury whereas they would be separated with option 1. Although option 1a does remove the need to get over the gate, again if you were doing that loop. I'm not sure about this one, keen for least impact on the environment, but with a track system that has good flow and ease of access. From looking at the proposal the impact on track use seems minimal, but the potential impacts on the

reserve/vegetation are less with 1a and I would therefore support that.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Looks good, allows a loop to be done down the walking track an up transient.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Cycling into George Denton and onto fenceline is not a big deal (although does always get my HR up!). The road we enter onto briefly is very quiet. Although this would be nice, I think it is a lower priority than the other sections.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have never walked this track, but it sounds as if it is steep and rarely used. This would allow vegetation re-growth and remove the need for maintenance allowing other tracks to be focussed on. Looking at the map it does look like this removes a loop option for walkers within the reserve, although the walking track-transient loop remains.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Allow this to regrow, focus on the other main tracks. It is right next to an access point onto transient. Although this may be a track used by walkers and runners as it does not have bike traffic. Again, I think this is a track potentially worth sacrificing for the greater gain of the reserve and focus on the other main use tracks.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker

- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, miramar, skyline, redrocks, wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

It would be useful to have the drop in sessions spread over more than one week. If you are on holiday there is no chance to get in. Glad there is a consultation on this. I think it's really important to provide a facility that promotes use by all groups/modalities and allows that use to happen with minimal conflict.

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a really, really good idea. It will alleviate the pressure on Transient and help separate out the riders from the mountain bikers. This is a really great idea and will be of advantage to everyone.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will create 2 crossings of existing tracks and, if I understand the proposed route correctly, will have steep and difficult to ride. It doesn't sound like a good long term solution at all.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good idea. It will be a good link track for walkers, giving them more alternatives.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a really, really good idea. The last bit of Clinical is really steep, and the lacking of connection is really obvious when you are using the tracks. I am surprised this hasn't been done already.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't mind too much either way. I have used this track a few times, but it is really steep and not that usable.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm not sure why you would remove these steps. I have used them a lot in the past and they are useful short-cut straight down onto the track. The alternatives will all take significantly longer. What is the advantage of removing this?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, the Skyline tracks around Johnsons Hill and Mt Kaukau and across to Makara Peak, Otari/Wilton Bush tracks, Wrights Hill tracks, Mt Vic tracks, Red Rocks tracks, Wainuimata, Miramar tracks.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I think the Council should be far sighted and future focussed. Wellington already has fantastic, world class tracks that are loved by residents and visitors equally. Why would we not want to make them even better for everyone! Grab the opportunity and just do it! It is such a small investment of money, the pleasure people get out of it is enormous, and the more users there are the more people there are who will love these areas and push to protect the environment for all. And so it is a win - win - win. Do it!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is logical, strongly supported, and will relieve pressure from the heavily used and very popular Transient trail. It will result in safety improvements through reduced risk of collisions and user conflicts. Any environmental effects are manageable and in fact, the expansion off the trail network will provide additional opportunities and impetus for ecological enhancement and remediation. The Polhill environment would not have improved to the extent it has without the care and attention of trail builders and users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Option 1 is superior.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

It's a sensible initiative, and will provide better access to the area for walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

It will provide an improvement to the trail and is entirely logical. It will also reduce the need to traverse the playground at George Denton for those intending to go onto Highbury Fling or up the Rollercoaster, and will be more efficient for all trail users.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

No reason to get rid of it, serves a useful purpose.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Most of Wellington's trails, but particularly Makara Peak, Mt Vic, Te Ahumairangi Hill, Te Kopahou, Hawkins Hill, Skyline Trail

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I am a strong believer in encouraging people to experience all that Wellington has to offer, including outdoor experiences. Our reserves are jewels in the Wellington crown all user groups should have the right to safely access and enjoy these amenities. I have observed significant increase in use of the Polhill trail network by multiple user groups following it's expansion and accessibility improvements (it's also my opinion that traffic from existing eg walking only trails has reduced in favour of the more accessible trails - the so called Planet Ride for example). I've seen & experienced conflict between (and also within !) different user groups - particularly downhill cycle traffic vs ALL uphill traffic - which will only increase with usage. Of more concern is reducing the likelihood of the almost inevitable injuries from conflict. While I accept that all users should be aware of their speed, track positioning and be responsible, I think that reducing the risks by separating the conflicting usage is the most logical solution. Fringe benefits will include track design and construction optimised for least environmental impact and maintenance and (hopefully) a deterrent to illegal track building or pirate use of single use tracks.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Introduces additional points of conflict & associated injury risk.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Fenceline, Car Parts & Extension, Windmill, Barking Emu, Red Rocks, Makara Peak MTB Park,

Skyline (J'ville to Makara - both ways, plus side tracks), Salvation (Wrights Hill), Deliverance, , Korokoro Gorge, Belmont Park (various). East Harbour tracks (eg Pencarrow, Parengahau Lakes, Wild Coast), Tunnel Gully, Pakuratahi Forest.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Doing nothing will not be a successful option - no benefits will result. Change is required, and while change resistance and conflict is 'normal' all groups involved need to recognise this and work professionally and respectfully towards mutually acceptable positions. I also find it somewhat ironic that a user group that has invested much time and effort in developing and maintaining the trail network is - in a way - being penalised for their success and prevented from reducing user risk and conflict (by further, low impact trail development).

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Will redirect most descending mtbers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good walking options created by it.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would make a more seamless route for mtb and walkers.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak, mt Vic.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I strongly support mtb tracks on fringe of Cbd.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will help avoid accidents. It is good to have great mountain biking facilities close to the city.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara peak, Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As it would create two crossings of existing tracks (rather than one), have difficult hairpin corners to navigate, and be a steeper pinch climb to Ashton Fitchett Drive (on what was part of the Transient track designed as uphill). We gather this route has not been inspected for buildability.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mirimar Peninsular, Mt Vic, Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To take pressure off transient, increase safety for all parties and minimise user conflict on this very busy track.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

more walking options

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2006

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

no need to walk / bike through the playground

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

town belt as a walker, Makara, Mt Victoria, Miramar, Wainiuomata and Belmont Mtb tracks as a biler

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It makes huge sense and makes it safer for all in polhill but continues to promote a fantastic facility to promote health and well being in Wellington

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**2008**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The Polhill tracks are very important for me as a regular MTB rider because they are the closest long tracks to the city (much closer than Makara). As a regular rider on Transient I am always worried about limited visibility and the possibility of tangling with track users coming the other way. My concerns are so strong that I now pretty much only ride down Transient at night when I can see oncoming trail users by their headlights. The experience of both walkers and riders will be considerably enhanced if downhill riders are on a separate track. It will also improve safety for all users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal 1 gives the option of entering the new downhill track from Rollercoaster or Sawmill.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

Unsure

Why/other comments

Good to provide separate tracks for walkers and riders, where practicable.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The last part of Clinical is pretty steep and difficult for intermediates and having to go onto the cul-de-sac and then through the gates onto rollercoaster before accessing Highbury Fling is a nuisance. More importantly, I don't think it is good to have riders crossing the grass of the George Denton Playground. Better to keep riders off the playground.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have never used this track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have never used these steps. Happy for walkers to make the call on this one.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

2015

Makara MTB Park, Wainuiomata MTB Park, Mt Victoria trails

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a submission. Construction of a new downhill track parallel to Transient is very important to allow riders and walkers to safely enjoy Polhill Reserve.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

2017

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
 Makara Peak, Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This would make things much safer for walkers ascending and descending. It would also allow for mountain bikers to have a more enjoyable descent, without having to worry about oncoming bikes or walkers.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm happy to leave this to those that know the area best.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm happy to leave this to those that know the area best.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm happy to leave this to those that know the area best.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm happy to leave this to those that know the area best.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm happy to leave this to those that know the area best.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Skyline, Wright's Hill, Wainuiomata, Colonial Knob, Miramar, Silversky, Kaukau, Makara Wind Farm.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

2021

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Red rocks Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I strongly support this. A new descending trail is, I think, absolutely essential to ease the current congestion on Transient, which I use regularly as a walker and a rider, both by myself and with my small children. It is inevitable, if a descending trail is not put in, that further accidents will occur: this is the Council's opportunity to avoid that. I think that view is reflected in the responses you've had to your survey. As to the possible environmental effects of the new trail, I think it's worth making a couple of points. First, erosion is very unlikely to be a problem, given the number of bikers who will use the trail and the current efforts made by that group to maintain the trails in the greater Wellington region. Secondly, the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve, so it preserves the integrity of that fence. Thirdly, it will not affect the levels of use: it will simply ensure that the existing levels of use are safe. Fourth, I'm not aware of any study demonstrating an effect by walking or biking on wildlife. In fact, I think access to our wild areas and the taonga they contain is essential (and consistent with the rationale for the reserve itself). I understand that the Brooklyn Trail Builders are happy to manage the construction of the trail - that seems to me to be the right solution.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The track should be designed to be attractive to down-hill intermediate riders, or they may still use Transient. I believe that the option designed by the user group is much more likely to be effective.

2023

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Improves walking access.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Improves walking experience, removes shared use for serious bikers doign a loop and takes children on a loop away from the road (and the playground where they always want to stop!), improves biking access to Highbury Fling and Clinical.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't see why this should be done.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No opinion.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Johnson's Hill, Makara, Mt Vic, Makara beach, Butterfly Creek, Wairarapa Incline

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

With the greatest respect for Council, this seems to me to be an easy decision. I understand some concern about environmental effects has been expressed. I have not seen any evidence to suggest that 2 new tracks will have any effect on wildlife (especially given the points I have made above about maintenance and likely level of use).

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A new one-way descending trail will take a lot of pressure off the popular two-way Transient trail. The Wellington City Council's survey referred to had 866 responses, with 93% supporting a new track. A separate bike descending will reduce the risk of collisions occurring and will enhance the experience of all users in this area.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal A is a significantly better option

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would provide better access for walkers

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. Should be kept and given to BTB to maintain if this is an issue for WCC.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

WCC officers are best placed to judge the merits of this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I use a large number of Wellington's trails, it would be difficult to specify them all.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The educational value and awareness of New Zealand's environment is significantly enhanced by

allowing greater access to it. As an example of this, you need look no further than the widely tracked areas of Zealandia and Otari-Wilton's bush. It is through a greater understanding of our environment that we then seek to preserve and enhance it. The proposals I endorse support this position.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Too many close calls with walkers/Runners and other MTBs resulting in Conflict. Even when no close calls/accidents there is mis-trust and bad feelings coming to the fore

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments  
One way works

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments  
Not enough steep Technical tracks being built

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments  
The option is already there, why limit them?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Most of them

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This removes some traffic from Transient, which is already so busy it detracts from the experience. Volume is increasing as more out-of-suburb users are being attracted to Polhill gully. Downhill mountain-biking is incompatible with walking, running and up-hill mountain biking on safety grounds due the potential disparity in speed.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal 1 seems better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure I can see this as being necessary, given the proximity of other access points.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - top 20m to George Denton park is steep. This would encourage more uphill MTB riders away from the very busy Transient track.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Fine as is. No need for steps or expensive enhancement. This track complements Transient for walkers and runners, in that Transient is very easy but busy, this is slightly more challenging (but certainly not hazardous) and less contention.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I seldom use the steps and other suitable alternative routes are available. I can see the point that maintenance effort would be best used elsewhere.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Victoria, Southern Walkway, Mt Kaukau. But given I live in Brooklyn I use Polhill gully as an accessible local asset far more frequently.

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Woodhill MTB park, 440 MTB park, All Rotorua MTB trails

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

it would be good to take the kids down this area and tracks, knowing they are not going to come across another rider hurtling the other way at them, they are only 5 and 6 years old but love riding their bikes off road, so for now the tracks p there are to dangerous being to way for young children

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

yes then we can shuttle the kids

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

it will make both user groups feel safer

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

it will cause more unnecessary conflict between user groups

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

its fun, but remember to ride within your limits

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

why remove something that's already there. Gives easier access if someone is injured

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

miramar mt Vic makara wainui belmont porirua

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

see first answer, i would mainly like it safe enough to come to take my kids out to and know that they

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are not going to have a run in with another cyclist.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Polhill is a fantastic resource for walkers, runners and mountain bikers but is currently becoming a victim of its own success. Due to the increased number of users across all groups the trails are becoming increasingly congested leading to an increased risk of accidents and a generally decreased level of enjoyment for all users. Building a descending priority track will remove most of the traffic off the dual use tracks so is essential for the ongoing development of this amazing resource.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I believe the option proposed by the BTB is a far superior solution.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I use many of the fantastic tracks around Wellington for both walking and running including Makara, Wainui, Belmont, Wrights Hill, Skyline and Redrocks. Polhill is an important part of the Wellington trail network so I believe it is essential that it is developed as proposed by BTB.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Will remove mtb's off the dual use trails making walking in the reserve safer and more enjoyable.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The BTB option is a far better solution for all user groups.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Wiltons bush, Wrights Hill, Mt Kaukau/Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I 100% support and endorse the proposals made by Brooklyn Trail Builders (BTB).

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara mountain bike park, mount vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I 100% support and endorse the proposals made by Brooklyn Trail Builders (BTB).

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Neutral

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Neutral

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar and Makara bike tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I bike Pohill once a week during workday lunchtime. it can be busy and I'm aware that walkers do feel scared if a bike is moving fast downhill. Although I try to let people know that there's a biker, many have headphones on and get surprised by a bike. A bit more separation would help both bikers and walkers. The creation of the bike tracks, existing and the proposed, is helping make Wellington a premier MTB city. In minutes I can be out of a central Wellington office and into the bush. This is something special for Wellington. By getting people, bikers and walkers, into the bush they will come to respect what they have especially as the regeneration of the native bush continues. Thanks for taking the time to consult with the users. Regards Stephen

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Relieve congestion, improve user/viitor safety

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Poorly used but does provide access for trapping

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Those steps may improve safety for walkers being able to bypass the upper part of the shared track, but I'm ambivalent about this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I am a regular biker of all the tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Polhill is a precious portal for entry to the Southern areas, including, potentially, the Terawhiti Peninsula. Refer here: <https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=terawhiti%20grand%20traverse%20track%20supporters>

Investment now in a series of high-quality trails that link the central city, via Polhill, 2051 south coast opens up amazing possibilities

for the future of this city as an 'active' tourist destination.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. We note that the Wellington City Council's survey referred to had 866 responses, with 93% supporting a new track. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. We believe the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. We note the mitigation effects contained in BTB's proposals and agree with these. We think the environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, and note that the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No - Proposal 1 is far superior

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. Should be kept and given to BTB to maintain if this is an issue for WCC.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Various

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Lets just get on with it. These tracks can be made great with these changes so close to the city centre. Totally unique.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I ride this track at least once a month - and it's great, but you always need to be careful for other cyclists or pedestrians. On some sections you do not see the other users until you are almost on top of them. Virtually every one is very considerate, but it would be more pleasant for all users if downhill cyclists had a track to themselves. Also, I'm sure pedestrians would prefer a track that didn't have potential surprises around each corner!

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainuiomata, Miriamar, South Coast.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not support option 1a

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I support and endorse the Brooklyn Trail Builders submission in full. They are passionate and they know what they are doing and yhey know what is the best solution for the different types of users of the Polhill Reserve.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As the majority of conflicts between walkers/runners and mountain bikers is while MTB riders are descending the trail a separated mountain bike trail would alleviate the majority of these conflicts. With the new trail any walkers/runners could be made aware that they were using a mountain bike priority trail and therefore should expect bikers at any time to be travelling quickly. With a purpose built downhill specific trail, only a few mountain bikers would still use Transient to descend back into Aro Valley leaving walkers/runners free to enjoy this track in both directions as mountain bikers would only be travelling slowly up Transient.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Is this to save maintenance costs? otherwise leave these here as alternative options.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Is this to save maintenance costs? otherwise leave these here as alternative options.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All the trails leading over to Red Rocks, Sanctuary Fenceline, Car Parts, Barking Emu.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I would like to add that enthusiastic mountain bikers with assistance from Wellington Council have done an outstanding job of creating this facility and the reserve almost seems to have become a victim of its own success! As I know how many good keen MTB folk have been involved in many hours of hard trail building to help create this success, I would also be interested to know how many

others in the community (walkers, runners,) have also got out there and lent a hand, do you have any statistics or figures? Keep up the great work which is helping to cement Wellington as a prime location for urban riding right in the 'heart' of the city. Steve Meeres Club Captain Hutt Valley Mountain bike Club

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**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Carparts Redrocks Wrights Hill. Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Ease the load on Transient and for the safety of all users of Transient.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Bike Park, Mt Vic, Maupuia tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A new downhill MTB only bike track will ease congestion and tension between bikers and walkers. There is plenty of space in the reserve and room for everyone to enjoy walking or biking. The Brooklyn Trail builders are willing to put in the effort to build the track for the enjoyment of everyone. MTB will become a very lucrative industry for tourism in Wellington.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will be great to avoid conflict with other trail users while MTB downhill. As a trail runner I'm aware of MTB and happy to hop out of their way but given the popularity of pollhill it's not not really feasible to have walkers/runners and MTBers all on the same trail

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great to separate MTB and walkers/runners

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All over! tip track/south coast, makara peak, various walk ways, mirimar trails, Mt Vic etc as well as throughout the Hutt. We are very lucky in Wellington!

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Pollhill is amazing and I think we citizens owe much to the Brooklyn Trail Builders and others who have created a wonderful resource and do peat trapping and planting. I wish I was able to volunteer to help myself! WCC has been great to support these efforts and it makes me embarrassed for the HCC who are decades behind. I hope WCC could see the value in providing for MTB which

has potential for tourism dollars as well as contributing to the health and well being of locals.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great idea and will benefit both mountain bikers and walkers/runners.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The BTB proposal creates fewer crossings between bikers and walkers.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This creates new opportunities for walkers to access Polhill,

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This track will offer a sensible diversion from the playground for both walkers and mountain bikers.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use this track (not being open for mountain bikers). Whether closing this makes sense depends on the number of walkers that currently use it. Removing the track would eliminate the option to walk between Holloway Rd and the top of the reserve (and reverse).

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Windmill and Carparts, The Zealandia fenceline, Wrights Hill tracks (especially Salvation), Skyline tracks from Karori to Kaukau and the Cemetery track and the MTB permissible tracks on Te Ahumairangi.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

In general I think that mountain bikers and walkers co-exist very well on the tracks around

Wellington. However separating the fast downhill riders from both uphill riders and walkers make a lot of sense in the Polhill reserve.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Had plenty of close collisions when riding or running on the existing single two-way trail.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Why, steps are a great way to access the trails.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All of them in Wellington Region

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is very much needed to keep trail users safe from accidents. I myself as a rider travelling up transient have had a collision in the past and feel worried about conflict as most corners are blind. Having a descending trail will work as serendipity has and since that has been in place the bottom of transient has been a fantastic experience.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Needed because Clinical directs everyone on to George Denton park. Having this new route allows an easier climb and choices.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No point removing. It gives walkers more options.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No point removing. It gives more options for walkers.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I use Makara MTB park. Mount Victoria. Wrights Hill. Skyline trail. Wainui. These trails I use for riding. I also use tinakori hill for dog walking along with fenceline and polhill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

This is one of the most needed trails and further **2080** improvements in wellington. I take wellington

college school mountain biking and would love to use these trails as close to city but can't due to high risk and congestion.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Reduce congestion on Transient.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This proposal appears to require crossing other tracks, introducing risk of collisions.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Gives walkers and runners a way through all of Polhill Reserve.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Probably important to have this in order to prevent users needing to cross the road, and avoid the shoulder-clipping tree that angles onto the track just as you exit George Denton Playground on the way to Clinical.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The steps make for a quick alternate route and different workout when running around the area.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline, Makara mountain bike park, Wrights Hill area, Zealandia fenceline/Rollercoaster, Brooklyn turbine area, Barking Emu, Red Rocks area, Tip Track, Tawatawa Reserve, Mt Albert, all over Mt Victoria.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The safest way to share polhill is for the users to be separated. I ride there often. I have been flattened by high speed descending runners on clinical whilst riding up and have almost run down dogs off the leash on the roller coaster. The Clinical and Transient tracks are too tight with too little visibility for mixed use in both directions. You would not do it in a bike park so why here. I think a new descending trail is a 'must do' project for Polhill.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

no opinion

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

**2084**

Provides the walkers with more options away from shared use tracks

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
no opinion

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
no opinion

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
no opinion

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Carparks, barking emu, tip track, red rocks, Miramar, Wainui, Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Serendipity is the jewel in the crown of Pohill, followed by Highbury fling. To ride in there as the sun comes up over the city is the best part of my day particularly Highbury fling. Its a magic place. I have stopped riding up or down Transient mostly as it is too busy and i go up and down clinical and Highbury fling. The bush on Pohill is far superior than Mt Vic. Seperating the traffic on Pohill on the down hill tracks will make it safer. I will feel happier about taking my son there.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Miramar Skyline Wainuiomata

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Really appreciate the opportunity to have some input and love what the council is doing for bikers and walkers!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Will get rid of all the user conflict

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainuiomata, Belmont, Mt Vic, Mirimar, Colonial Knob

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar, Mt Victoria, Makara Peak, Wainuiomata, Belmont, Porirua.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

I believe the impact on vegetation and habitat would be significant

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use this track more than once per week and would be very upset if it were removed.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use this and don't see any benefit of removing the track.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

In general I support the submission from the Polhill Protectors, with my own comments additional

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria , KauKau, Makara, Kaiteriteri Nelson, Wanaka Lakes District, National Park ,  
Paraparaumu Trails

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. I note that the Wellington City Council's survey referred to had 866 responses, with 93% supporting a new track. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. I believe the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. I note the mitigation effects contained in BTB's proposals and agree with these. I think the environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, and note that the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve. BTB have highlighted in their proposal that they are happy to build the trail, and Wellington Trail Trust will support them in doing this (through raising funds etc.).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No - I don't support this, as I believe option 1 is significantly better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Holloway Rd to Polhill. It should be kept and given to BTB to maintain if this is an issue for WCC.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unsure - I believe the WCC officers are best placed to judge the merits of this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I have seen comments from some groups that they perceive the new trails have some sort of negative impact on the environment. I believe poorly formed positions around the environmental effects of trails simply fall apart if they are applied to widely tracked areas like Zealandia or Wilton Bush (which supports our view is that any argument being presented on this basis is flawed and a distraction). As New Zealand's environmental efforts ramp up and I see native flora and fauna populate areas that were previously devoid of such taonga, we must allow greater access to these areas, not diminish it. The educational potential and ecological narrative that can be crafted around such exposure is immense.

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As set out in BTB proposal.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As set out in BTB proposal.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As set out in BTB proposal.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As set out in BTB proposal.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All the MTB tracks in the Wellington area!

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Remove user conflict on Transient

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

BTB have greater experience designing mountain bike trails than WCC so I support Proposal 1.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mount Victoria, Mystic Portal, Belmont, Maidstone, Karori Park 98 DH and K-Hole, Miramar MTB tracks, Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separating riders on descending routes would enhance safety and enjoyment for all users. Runners/walkers would not face being overtaken by bikers, bikers would not be inconvenienced by having to slow for pedestrians. (Shared uphill trails are less of a problem because bikers do not go as fast).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Provide walking-only access; separate walkers from faster runners and bikers. This would be to everyone's benefit.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

But I note BTB's argument that this track can be useful for predator trapping

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara MTB, Skyline Walkway, Wrights Hill, Zealandia Perimeter Trail, Windmill to Red Rocks.....others occasionally.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Mountain biking is one of the great things about this city, and the biking community is doing a lot to enhance the trails here. I generally support any comments made by BTB and other biking groups (speaking as a non-biker).

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Skyline, Northen Walkway, Southern Walkway....

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Mountain biking and the trail network has transformed Polehill, it has now become a destination in the Wellington trail network. Transient is a lovely track to ride downhill, however, with the increased popularity with uphill runners, walkers and cyclist, it's become dicey at various points in the trail where visibility is sometimes obstructed. Building a 'downhill only track' in a similar manner to Serendipity will make the reserve more pleasant and offer a safer alternative for mountain biker and walkers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Trail crossings can be really dangerous, especially with the increased number of walkers and runners wearing headphones etc... and not able to hear approaching cyclists.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure why you'd spend money removing a trail? Just let nature take its course...

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure how much they are used by other trail users.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Tip track Wrights Hill Mount Victoria (Daily commute) Maupuia Park Red Rocks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Less chance on collision between mountain bikers and walkers. Build on Wellington's tail network!

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Belmont, makara, wainuiomate, mt Vic, mirimar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Reduce rider, walker conflict

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Will be an easier gradient than what is there now

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar. Mt Vic. Makara. Belmont. Wainuiomata. Etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separation of downhill biking from other users is critical for safety and enjoyment of all. Transient is a really frustrating downhill ride as you never know what is around each corner (literally) meaning that it has to be ridden reasonably slowly which detracts from its enjoyment. A dedicated downhill would enhance the Polhill riding experience immeasurably.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unnecessary and would detract from the riding experience.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would enhance the walking options in Polhill and would remove some of the foot traffic from upper transient.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be a great addition as it would make for a more connected, joined up riding experience and would remove the small steep section into GD Park.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not use it.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not use them.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Carparts and Barking Emu, Fenceline, Makara Peak and most other mountain biking in Wgtn

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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The most important improvement to Polhill is a new downhill track.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The site lines on Transient are not suitable for downhill bikers approaching uphill walkers/runners/bikers/dogs (all dogs I come across in Polhill are off the leash).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's hard to tell what would make a better downhill bike track. The variation 1a looks like it takes up more space which could encroach on more birdlife territory. 1a option looks like a faster track but the alternative looks more technical which would get my support. The both appear to reuse some existing tracks so no benefit either way in that respect.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

More access for walkers is always good. It doesn't look like it would have much impact on wildlife

being close to existing houses for most of its length

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A nice to have piece of track although not critical. I agree though that it is a steep exit out of clinical to the park then up to Highbury Fling. I like this sort of climb but many don't.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't know anything about this track or how many people use it. When I walk I like to walk loop tracks and removing this track would make it a no exit track. 1 option could be to remove this track but make a connection to Clinical from the top of the other Holloway Rd track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria, Wrights Hill, Makara Peak, Skyline walkway, Hawkins Hill.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Walkers always apologize when I come across them on my bike - we have equal rights on these tracks, no need to apologize. Polhill has some great riding and BTB and WCC do a fantastic job looking after these tracks. Wildlife will always take a hit with the building of new tracks, but if more people use these tracks they will become aware of our wildlife and hopefully take more interest in protecting them.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It is unfair on walkers and runners to be afraid of fast mountain bike descenders. As a mountain biker even riding cautiously down the trail so no collision will occur still scares walkers I know to the extent that they avoid the trail

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will be a poor quality route with multiple crossings

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Red rocks, Makara, mt Victoria, mt crawford

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The downhill only track will be a massive enhancement for the Polhill track system. I am confident that BTB can create the track and maintain it without adversely affecting our beautiful Polhill environment and its ecosystems

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To avoid the two-way issues on current Transient. The current situation is a recipe for injuries. Both walkers and bikers will have a better experience in the park with a mtb descending trail.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

it would create two crossings of existing tracks (rather than one), have difficult hairpin corners to navigate, and be a steeper pinch climb to Ashton Fitchett Drive

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Better experience for all - it just makes sense.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Yes - all over Wellington and the Hutt Valley.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is an excellent initiative, which I fully support. (1) We should continue to encourage and facilitate mountain biking, not merely for its many health benefits but also, more generally, as an investment in our continued attractiveness as a tourist destination and as a city with a great 'vibe'. New Zealand is well regarded as a tourist destination for mountain biking, but if Wellington does not continue to invest in relevant infrastructure it will not be a place where mtb tourists bother to stop for a few days in between North Island (Rotorua and Taupo) and South Island (Christchurch and Queenstown) mtb destinations. (2) Paired trails work well already, as do unidirectional trails (of which there are many in Makaro Peak and Wainuiomata), and will deliver all the benefits set out in in the BTB proposal. I am a keen mountain biker, and frequently encounter runners, walkers and riders on Transient and Highbury Fling. I have never encountered any irresponsible riders or aggression from either riders or walkers, much less any close calls or collisions. However, it is very clear that each person I encounter would enjoy their run, walk or ride more were it not for the need to stop and/or move aside. And it is also undeniable that the downhill ride would be enormously more enjoyable for me were I able to ride to my ability, rather than much more slowly lest there be pedestrians or uphill riders around the next bend.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not consider I have enough information upon which to make an informed decision, as much will

depend on how much vegetation is saved and how much (if any) of the downhill riding experience would be compromised by the proposed alternative compared to the BTB proposal. However, if the riding experience is unaffected, I support the alternative which preserves more vegetation.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will improve the riding experience. And see, more generally, my comments in Proposal #1.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If it is not used and requires significant expenditure to renovate it, I would prefer it to revert to bush and for funds to be spent on other things.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I never use them, but would not object to them remaining if material numbers of people wish them to stay.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria, Makaro Peak, Wainuiomata. Levin trails. Rotorua (forest and gondola) Taupo (Craters if the Moon). And others further afield when on holiday.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

There is the obvious destruction of native vegetation every time a new track is made. I recall when mountain bike tracks were first put into Polhill Gully that the side of the hill looked like the cliffs of Gallipoli they were so bare. The new track will attract even more mountain bikers. The track will more importantly disturb the wildlife. I am particularly disturbed by the practice of night-time mountain biking. This must be extremely disturbing for species that like to sleep at dusk and wake at dawn. Riding downhill is a thrilling practice and will involve much yelling in excitement as well as the flashing of lights as these bikers descend through the trees. The Formal Assessment of the Brooklyn Trail Builders' Proposal overlooks the matter of night time biking. Recently a caravan has been parked on Aro Street to provide refreshments for riders in the evenings so this activity is likely to increase. I can't imagine that a curfew can be imposed. The fact that mountain bikers like to ride at night is an indicator that their interest is the biking experience and not the bush. Even during the day it is unlikely they can take their eyes off the track to enjoy the bush. Walkers enjoy the walk but they also enjoy the bush.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connection trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection

with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be good to have route that goes from Waimapihi Reserve up to Ashton Fitchett Drive so people could use that route to Brooklyn or the Windmill.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
Eastbourne bush tracks

2132

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

separation of walkers and hill cyclists from descending cyclists

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Happy with the proposal

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

better option for a circuit ride / walk

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak, Te Ahu Mairangi, Skyline, Mt Victoria, Wrights Hill, Rangituhi / Colonial Knob, Wainui Bike Park, Belmont, Whareroa Farm,

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separating downhill bike traffic will dramatically improve user experience in Polhill Reserve. This was certainly the case for Serendipity, which drew much of the downhill traffic off of lower Transient.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will take bike traffic out of George Denton park, making the park experience better for users. It will also keep riders from having to re-emerge onto the road.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wright's Hill, Mt Vic, Miramar, Wainuiomata.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mak Peak Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Removal of potential or actual conflict between users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

'if you build it they will come' If the facility is right and in the right place it will get more users. More users = more active Wellingtonians = better for all of us.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

These areas are already shared use and this keeps the feel of walking/riding in the park more consistent.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This doesn't appear to be a well used track. I assume the removal has been suggested because the track is little used and also it will eliminate the cost of maintenance. I haven't used this track for years (since Transient was opened) so I don't have a feel for the impact of removing it. I don't mind either way.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Similar to proposal 4 above - if these are well used and are the right option for access at this point then leave them in place. If they are not well used then remove them.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Tracks in the following areas: Mt Kaukau and Skyline, Khandallah Park, Colonial Knob/Spicer Forest/Rangituhi (Porirua), Makara Peak, Miramar, Wainuiomata, Johnson's Hill, Mt Victoria, Seton Nossiter Park, Wrights Hill, occasionally Belmont Regional Park, Tip Track/Red Rocks and the tracks that link to and from those from Carparts.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Further development that helps limit conflict is good. Clear signage will be required to stop walkers and runners from using the dedicated downhill tracks. Some signage is hidden or not obvious enough, such as the uphill/downhill only signs when descending Clinical. I have had more close calls when riding up Clinical with riders coming down than any other track. They claim that they didn't see the signs. When heading downhill on a bike they don't stand out well enough, because you are moving and not at a trailhead. Better designs are required for the new tracks signage to make them a deserved success.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline, Karori MTB Park, Miramar, Town Belt, Red Rocks, Mt Vic, etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

A second track to separate downhill track for MTB's just makes sense to make the trail safer and more accessible for all users.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will improve safety and enjoyment for all track users. Currently there is far too much traffic on Transient which diminishes the experience of all track users in Polhill Reserve. Adding a downhill only trail for mountain bikers would not only benefit Polhill but Wellington's wider trail network.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

2144

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This would make an excellent addition to the Clinical/Highbury Fling/Transient loop, and take a lot of pressure off the park which becomes extremely muddy in winter from mountain bikers.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Hawkins Hill/Te Kopahou Reserve, Makara Peak, Miramar (Cenntenial Reserve), Skyline Track

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

because the current trail is congested and dangerous

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

2146

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

miramar. makara, mt vic, wainui, belmont, etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

2148

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Great to see community consultation happening

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Due to congestion on the current track and danger from downhill mountain bikers. Have had many near collisions when biking/running uphill. Is really popular it is worth creating a downhill option to reduce the amount of traffic

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

2150

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure what this one is

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure what these are

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainui, Skyline, Otari (walking and running)

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If built by hand, and building impacts are mitigated well, I feel the benefits of this track will outweigh the environmental impacts. An area this close to (and unprotected from) a large population of domestic cats and dogs is not a prime conservation area for predator-naive species that spend much time on the ground. Peri-urban forests are prime outdoor recreation areas. Providing for recreation within walking and cycling distance of people's homes enables recreation for time-poor people, and encourages people to recreate without hopping in a car (and burning fossil fuels) to go places. The health benefits of areas like Polhill are massive. If it turns out that the new track is significantly harder than Transient, I would like to see all of Transient remain two-way. With the introduction of Serendipity, my safety concerns on lower Transient have been greatly eased, as the remaining downhill MTB traffic on lower Transient is much reduced in volume and is significantly slower.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

2152

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I support the concept of a walking access point at 104 Karepa St. This would make the Polhill tracks significantly more accessible for people walking up from central Brooklyn. However, I take the point about 350m of track having negative impacts and feel it needed be that much. You could Halve the length of this access track to 175m and have it connect in to Transient 50m along from the nearest switchback. Some steps would be desirable to deter bikers. With a descent of just under 20 vertical metres over 130m (i.e. 170m less the first 40m which would be slightly uphill) the gradient would be around 15%. That would be much less than the average 35% gradient off the current walking-only access off Karepa St.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Again, I support this concept, but take the point about the negative impacts of building that much track. I feel the main problem in this part of the track network is the last 100m of Clinical, which has a gradient well over 20% (far too steep for this grade track). This problem could be overcome with a re-route of that last 100m of Clinical. The second problem mentioned in the proposal is crossing the road. This road has low traffic volumes travelling at slow speeds. This problem could be resolved by re-opening the direct access from George Denton Park to the bottom of the Roller Coaster track. With a bit of a tweak to the intersection, I think this could be a reasonably safe option, and would be more aesthetically pleasing than crossing the end of the road.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes, especially if better access were to be provided near the bottom of Ashton Fitchett Drive/Karepa St.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter

- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Skyline, Mt Vic, Karori Park, Otari-Wiltons Bush, Te Kopahou Reserve.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Thank you for taking the time to consider the concerns of so many users. I appreciate the great work council do to maintain the trails, and would welcome more of that in the future. I would like to see more resources put into pest control so that species such as Hihi can thrive in Wellington outside of Zealandia, but feel that would be best focused on habitat that is far enough away from urban areas that you can eliminate cats and dogs (as well as mustelids and rodents). In peri-urban areas, I look forward to the return of species like Korimako that have been shown to nest successfully in forests in and around cities. Mixing recreation and conservation (as much as is practical) is an excellent way to garner greater community and rate-payer support for both.

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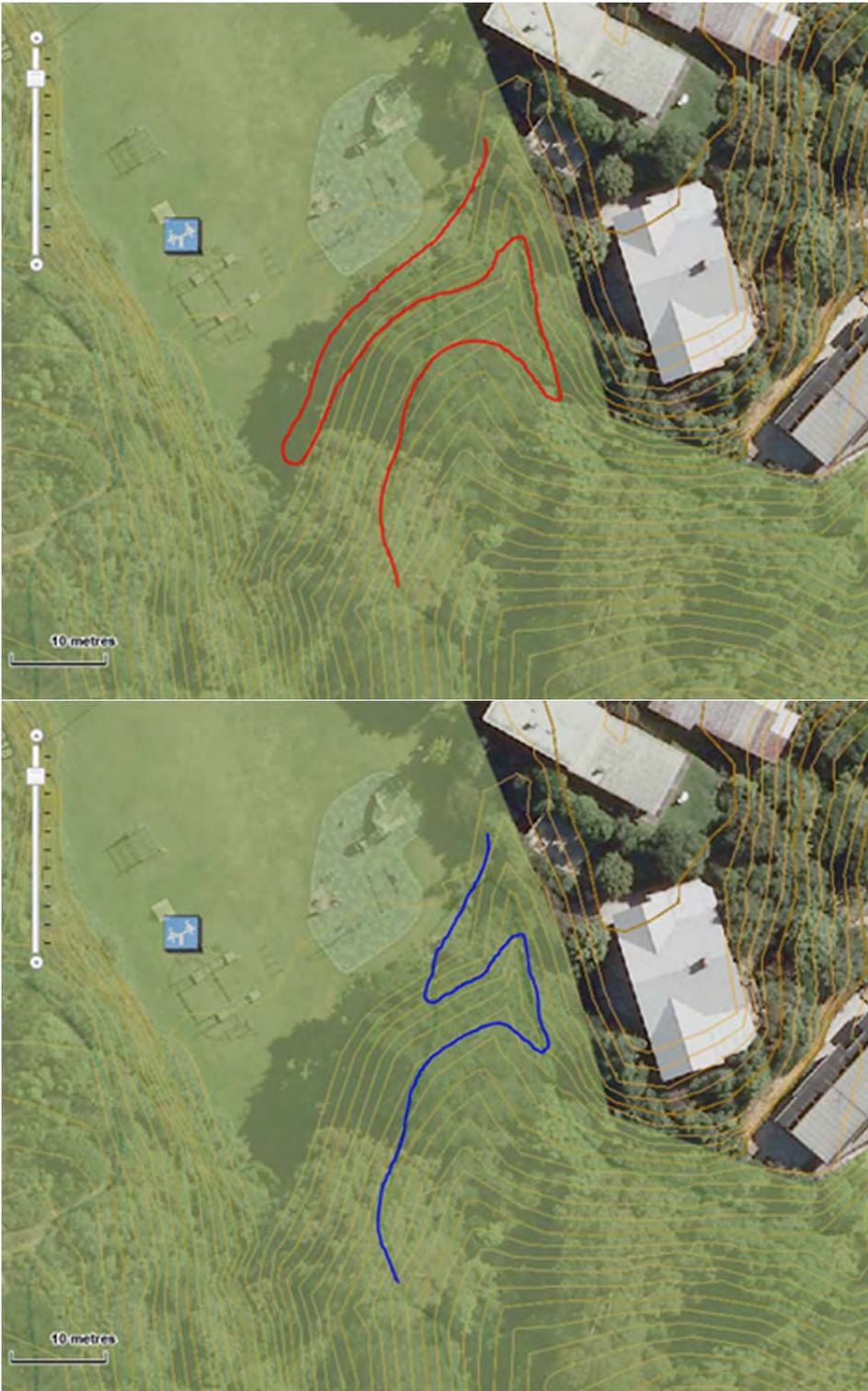
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Hi Dave

I whipped off a submission for the Polhill consultation last night and think (in hindsight) that what I wrote about the possibility for a re-route at the top of Clinical might have been unclear. I had a look in that area last weekend and it seems there are two ways that the gradient over the last 80m to the park could be eased to a max of 15% (from the current 25%) without significant vegetation removal.

These two sketches give the general idea.

Cheers,  
Simon



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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Peace of mind to both riders and walkers that you want run into them going in the opposite direction

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**2156**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I support any changes that will endure increased safety and increased use of the wonderful environment by all users. More enjoyment means more use means healthier Wellingtonians.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea would really facilitate good walking options esp for locals

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**2158**

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Great idea better flow

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I walk up there on way home from work sometimes but option 2 would be good replacement to this so fine with option 2 instead.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All over wgn

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Thanks for seeking to improve this already very cool reserve.

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File
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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's only a matter of time before someone gets hurt with the current track configuration. A good downhill track to Polhill is the missing link in Wellington's inner city MTB trail network

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I would never use it so can't comment

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I would never use it

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2160

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would take the majority of bikes out of the playground but is a nice to have; the transient downhill is the priority

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No one uses it

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All other MTB tracks; mainly Mt Vic, Miramar, Makara, Wainui, Porirua, Skyline, Wrights Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I currently use Transient (on a bike) to commute to and from the CBD, as also bike on many other trails around Wellington. Transient is the one track where the mixed use is very high and potential conflict with downhill riders most frequent. Separating downhill bike traffic will fix this. The track will also provide access for the volunteers that provide the labour for the Polhill trapping and planting work, improving the health of the bush for our valued birdlife.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This option will create two crossings of existing tracks (rather than one), have difficult hairpin corners to navigate, and be a steeper pinch climb to Ashton Fitchett Drive. The people that have built the tracks in the area have surveyed and prefer option 1.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No preference/opinion on this part of the proposal

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Whilst I understand the appeal of this track, I dont believe the connector trail is necessary. The existing route via George Denton Park and the bottom of the 4WD fenceline track already links these two tracks and is adequate for that purpose.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No preference/opinion on this part of the proposal

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No preference/opinion on this part of the proposal

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wainui MTB Park, Mt Victoria, Red rocks etc

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Given that Polhill Reserve is becoming more popular for walkers, runners and mtb-ers, I fully support to separate the walkers from the bikers in respect of safety.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This option provides a better flow.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2164

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good to have an option to circumvent Denton Park which is children's playground.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara MTB Park, Skyline (Mt Kaukau), Karori Park, Wrights hill, Fence-line and may others outside Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

This is great work and love to live and work in Wellington with a council that support so many outdoor activities. Keep up the great work!!!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

**2166**

- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak Miramar trails Mt vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Polhill is an incredibly popular place for mountain bikers and walkers. It would be much better to have dedicated descending tracks to separate the bikers from walkers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**2168**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much all mountain bike tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be awesome and avoid trail conflict between bikers and other users. I don't support option 1a, this has cross over of trails (opportunity for conflict) and difficult hair pins for bikers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Opportunity for trail conflict and difficult hair pin turns, greater opportunity for erosion due to excessive breaking into corners.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be great to keep walkers and bikers separate.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2170

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would keep bikers, walkers and runners in the reserve. It avoids having to go around the playground and will be more incentive for people to use the trails as they link up nicely.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Carparks, red rocks, mt Victoria, makara, wainuimata, skyline, deliverance.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

i do not see a need for further consultation as there was the original open spaces draft, then a mini survey and now this. I don't see that this is efficient use of my council rates. One round of consultation should have been sufficient, if not then your consultation documents/surveys should be designed better. The impression I have is that there is overwhelming support for a new track in polehill but that the council is unwilling to accept this due to minority groups that are complaining

about biking in the reserve. The number of mountain bikers are growing and this should be encouraged.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Improved safety and user experience on transient as a mixed use track.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Improved access for walkers /runners and less multi-use congestion on lowe transient

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**2173**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Definitely a better experience for Mountain Bikers and providing a less exposed option for walkers

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use this trail currently

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use this trail currently

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria, Makara peak, Mt Kaukau, Mirimar (jailbrake etc), Wainuamata MTB park etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

As a multi sport user of tracks, I'm very happy to see proposals that provide alternate routes for runners/walkers and MTB, especially MTB decent tracks. I have seen some near misses with descending MTBers and runners using headphones. As use of track increases we need to ensure everyone's safety and enjoyment. Thank you **2174**

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use this track often, and although I believe most bikers use the track with caution I often experience walkers, particularly people with children, the elderly, or people with pets, that get very scared when I approach before stopping to let them pass. I think having a dedicated downhill bike track will be beneficial for everyone - more use of Polhill by the bikers who maintain the walking trails as well should be beneficial to all users of the track, as well as keeping it pest free and planting those valuable natives right next to Zealandia to help the fauna spread.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't know who put forward this track plan - do they have experience on bike tracks, building and maintaining tracks, and using shared tracks/crossings? Hard to say without seeing both track plans first hand/on site.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

2175

Unsure

Why/other comments

Doesn't influence me, as I only cycle. I have not heard about any downsides however.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not use this track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not use this track.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria tracks, most of them, downhill track sometimes.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. I note that the Illington City Council's survey referred to had 866 responses, with 93% supporting a new track. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. I believe the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. I note the mitigation effects contained in BTB's proposals and agree with these. I think the environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, and note that the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve. BTB have highlighted in their proposal that they are happy to build the trail, and Illington Trail Trust will support them in doing this (through raising funds etc.).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No - I don't support this, as I believe option 1 is significantly better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes

**2177**

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling. I am surprised that this was never done as part of the original work building Clinical.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. Should be kept and given to BTB to maintain if this is an issue for WCC.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Unsure - I believe the WCC officers are best placed to judge the merits of this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

2178

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Great ideas, this whole area is awesome, the more tracks close to the city centre the better. I have seen comments from some groups that they perceive the new trails have some sort of negative impact on the environment. I believe poorly formed positions around the environmental effects of trails simply fall apart if they are applied to widely tracked areas like Zealandia or Wilton Bush (which supports our view is that any argument being presented on this basis is flald and a distraction). As New Zealand's environmental efforts ramp up and I see native flora and fauna populate areas that Ire previously devoid of such taonga, we must allow greater access to these areas, not diminish it. The educational potential and ecological narrative that can be crafted around such exposure is immense.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separating bikers and walkers is preferred. The environmental impacts of this option are moderate to medium. I support the Council alternate route for this option.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have no view as to this option.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The environmental impacts of this option could be substantial - particularly to the Tieke/Saddleback that are nesting outside of Zealandia.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most frequently the tracks along Zealandia's fenceline. Infrequently other tracks in WCC's track network.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I support the issues raised and requirements proposed in the review of the proposals against the Open Space Access Plan.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

**2182**

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Name it... as long as I'm allowed...

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This downhill track is a necessary addition to the Polhill reserve. The track will benefit all users and eliminate the current significant risks. The Transient, Highbury fling and Clinical tracks were a huge improvement to the area, opening up the reserve for walkers and bikers. They have also allowed for the removal of weeds and improvement of the gully that wouldn't have happened without the trails being built. Last weekend a group of us supported the Brooklyn Trail Builders removing gorse, holly and barberry from the zigzags above the pylon, then planting native species. Without the track the gorse, holly and barberry would have prospered. The Transient track is now so well used by bikers it's quite scary for walkers and occasionally dangerous. Once a fortnight I'd meet someone biking down transient at a fast pace and have had a couple of close calls. This problem won't be fixed with track alterations or education programmes. A separate track is the only way to make this work for all.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm not sure this option is any better. Introducing 2 track crossings seems dangerous

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

**2184**

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This seems a great idea

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This track is quite important. I quite often meet people either lost or having given up trying to find their way to link up Clinical to Highbury fling. The steep pitches at the top of the Clinical track and bikes cutting across the edge of the play ground are not good. Hopefully a way can be found to minimise the impact on the saddleback.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm not sure that this is necessary. Runners and walkers sometimes chose these stepper track for fitness. If this will save significant costs and help with the ecology of the reserves then maybe it's worthwhile

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use these steps occasionally. While steep, they provide a useful option for dog walking. Unless there is significant costs maintaining this track it should be kept.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

I commute on the Polhill trails by bike at least once a week and also use them on the weekends, for biking and dog walking (on a lead). You should also note that the tracks are well used at lunch time

by mountain bikers - the tracks are close enough to the city to fit in a quick circuit

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

I use all the mountain bike tracks from Brooklyn to Red rocks, and over Wrights Hill to Makara peak. Occasionally I'll use other tracks like Belmont, Skyline and the Wanui trails.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The Long gully Station has closed their road from the radar station road to the start of the Wrights hill climb (beside the sanctuary fence line), The only alternative is the steep and dangerous (when wet) sanctuary fence line. Are there any plans for the council to help out with an alternative track?

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As a trail runner I often run the Transient- Highbury Fling - Clinical loop. To have such an awesome 50-60 minute trail run just off the centre of town is flipping awesome. I cannot think of any other major metro on NZ that has this literally on their doorstep. I run this before work, after work and on the weekends. Day and Night. When I have friends and work colleges in town I purposely take them on this loop and they all agree. The only part of this run that can sometimes get dodgy is the upper Transient part as it can have descending Mtbers. I have never had an accident and find the Mtbers to be very respectful when our paths cross, in fact I am more worried for the Mtbers who get the biggest fright and the more likely to leave the track and have an accident. The problem is that you never totally switch off and run you always need to have your oncoming radar on. Proposal 1 solves this issue 100%. On Clinical its not such an issues as the Mtbers are slowly coming up hill so you have a lot of time to move to one side and pass.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Let's do this right first time and make a track that we can be proud of. One that just flows from top to bottom. Don't cut corners.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection

with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am actually thinking of moving to Brooklyn because of all these great trails. So why not.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As per my comments in point 1. Let's make this the most awesome inner city trail anywhere!

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

90% Trail Runner/10% mountain biker

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

2188

Windmill, car parts, barking emu. Zealander Loop

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

safety safety safety. 2 way traffic is just so dodgy. maybe not many actual accidents but a huge amount of close calls and high potentials for accident.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

more options that can spread the foot traffic out over the hill.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

2190

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

the uphill entry into the park from clinical is a steep pinch and bike v pedestrian in a steep pinch is not fun

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Belmont Waiiau Centennial Reserve

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It benefits all users of the park including walkers and runners who won't have to be worried about cyclists. May also give access to areas not previously accessible. Would be amazing if you could find places for short alternative challenging lines

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Brooklyn Trail Builders no this area better than anybody, I would support what they say,

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Looks like it would create a natural quick link from Aro Street to Brooklyn as well as forming a loop with Transient

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Clinical is my preferred climb due to the business of Transient, the final climb is outside of it's grade and you see less fit riders pushing upto the park and then again up the steep fencline. I would however consider this secondary to the main downhill bike only trail

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This cuts a significant length off a walk/run which can be important, I have used it when anting to quickly get to the windmill / back home

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara, Wirghts Hill, Te Kopahau, Miramar trails, Belmont, Wainui mtb park and many others more occasionally

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

excellent proposal, transient is very busy and two way!

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

that could work

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

better community access

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2194

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
really good idea.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

mt vic makara wainuiomata skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

rode at polhill for the first time today. it was fantastic. but busy. compared to the other places we ride, it was usual to share the track with so many other users, especially people cycling uphill on transient....? more tracks needed.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

2196

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much all Wgtn tracks at times

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be a huge asset in the Polhill mountain bike network. It would also reduce congestion on transient track

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

make sense to complete the clinical uphill track to meet up with Highbury fling - the existing exit onto George Denton park is a killer

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria, Maupuia, Makara, Wainuiomata

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Relieve congestion on the tracks

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**2200**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
All tracks in wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Wellington has fantastic tracks and trails and continuing to improve them benefits everybody.  
Thank you:-)

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

2202

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Skyline, Mt vic, Wainui, colonial Knob, Belmont.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient has become too congested to ride safely.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**2204**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Mt Crawford, Makara, Wainui.....

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good for walkers and bikers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**2206**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All walkers and biking tracks wellington wide

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

**2208**

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
Belmont region Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Fenceline, carparts & all tracks out to barking emu and the Tip track. Polhill is an integral part of that loop for me walking, running, biking and dog-walking.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am a regular uphill morning MTB commuter and evening descender of Polhill's Transient trail. Over the last year or two there has been a marked increase in trail usage by both MTBers, commuters, dog walkers and recreational runners/walkers. While for the most part all trail users are courteous and respectful there are still at times when near misses occur.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2212

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am okay with the current trail layout here although a more gentle climb from the top of clinical would be great.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have never used this trail so have no opinion.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Wainuimata, Miramar, Makara Peak, Red Rocks, Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Currently the main descending track (down to the Serendipity junction at least) is Transient. This amazing track is a victim of its own success in that it is hugely popular with everyone - walkers, runners, dogs and mountain bikers. I'm both a walker and a mountain biker so I understand the conflict between downhill mountain bikers and walkers. As a mountain biker I want to go downhill fast on a track like Transient, but as a walker it is confronting to meet a downhill MTB on a blind corner no matter how considerate they are. Mountain bikers do their best to get along with other track users but there is always going to be tension where the fundamental use of each group is in conflict with the other.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This involves steeper gradient, tight hairpins and two crossings of existing tracks, which is a less favourable situation than the route proposed by the BTB.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

**2214**

Unsure

Why/other comments

I support greater accessibility for pedestrian track users, especially on separate tracks from mountain bikers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It would be good to avoid the very steep pinch just before George Denton Park, and would make this an even more amazing trail by keeping it entirely within the bush reserve.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use this track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use these steps but I'm sure that many walkers and runners do.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I use ALL the tracks around Wellington and the ~~24~~ **2215**

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I read in a letter to the Dom Post that one opponent is worried that the Tieke (Saddleback) will be threatened by an increase in the number of tracks. The flourishing of Tieke outside of Zealandia is something to celebrate. Seeing/hearing Tieke in the bush is always a highlight of my ride or walk. The Polhill tracks have opened up this experience to so many more people. From my observation the Tieke are not bothered by track users once they have sounded their warning, and we have the privilege of watching them go about their business in the trees above us. I don't believe they are threatened by the kind of people who enjoy being in the bush and using these tracks. In fact, I think this is all the more reason to ensure that the bush experience is enhanced for all users.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea to separate the downhill biking form other trail users.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara, Wainui ect

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Just so long as it is safely constructed and is not narrow and safe for all levels of users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

We need more safe and clearly sign posted walking tracks.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

We want to make sure we can still get safe access from Ashton Fitchett Drive to these valuable resources for biking and especially for walking. Again please clearly signpost which track is for appropriate use. Also will it be possible at the start of track on Ashton Fitchett Drive to have a sign board or map - that maps out all of the walking/ bike tracks and also identifies (beginner to advanced gradients).

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Please clearly signpost and if possible please have a map sign-board up at Ashton Fitchett Drive about this as noted above that has a map of the tracks and also shows different level of difficulty (beginner to advanced). On a different note, there is a path that we use that takes up to the

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windmill. It runs parallel to the road that one can drive from Ashton Fitchett up the windmill. 1) Can the pathway be paved over to make it a more pleasurable walkway up to the windmill? 2) Can road widening work be done for the road up to the windmill which is very narrow and can safety road barriers be installed on the side of the road along with lighting? This could be the best site in Wellington.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am disappointed that a separate down hill mountain bike track needs to be built because downhill mountain bike traffic cannot share the current track with other users and I think it sets a bad precedent for dual use tracks within the Green Belt. While I am fine with the current state, I also respect that others feel their experience is depreciated by sharing the track. I am unable to assess the ecological impact myself, however this is the most important factor to me. If the ecological impact is not significant, I support a contractor built track so council can hold the builder accountable for creating exactly what the community as a whole wants opposed to giving control over to a community group who should not bear this burden. I would also support council maintaining the track because it will be too big of a job for a community group and I think this track will be one of the most heavily used tracks in the city. There is currently a nearly continuous down hill mountain bike priority track using from the wind turbine using Carparts, Roller Coaster, and Squatters, but that does not appeal to the same crowd that descend via Transient. If the track is built, I will definitely use it often and enjoy it.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I would prefer the council suggested route of 1a using existing track to reduce the new track built.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is not necessary. There is a footpath separate from the road that runs down Karepa St. that is sufficient for walking. This does not add much and adds a new entrance and 350m of track that already has plenty of both. I do not see this resolving any issues of shared usage.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This only addresses issues at the top of Clinical and ignores the same issues at the bottom, such as a steep climb to the first seat and it is relatively hard to find when coming from the bottom of Transient. I also think that the final pinch climb can be lessened by rerouting the track under the mahoe and exiting at the top of the steps of the walking track. This would only see the loss of one mahoe, some scrub and the addition of about 20m of track.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

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- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

I use nearly all of the track network in the Wellington. Makara Peak, Te Kopahou, Wrights Hill, Skyline, Tawatawa, Southern Walkway, Miramar, Trelissick, Otari Wiltons, Botanic Garden, Karori Park, Central Park, Ataturk

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To separate walkers and bikers for safety reasons.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

- Mt.Vic - Mirimar - Makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Absolutely essential to separate riders and walkers. Currently very dangerous with the two together, and this negatively affects the experience of the area.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Very poor section of riding here, and would be great to continue track within the reserve

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, as it is a mountain biking priority area, and is much safer to descend.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separation of uphill and downhill cycle traffic is of huge benefit. Likewise separation of downhill cyclists and walkers.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

1a appears to have more track crossing / intersections increasing collision risk and increasing the possibility of a cyclist inadvertently heading down the shared track thinking it is the downhill only track.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The ability for walkers to take separate paths to cyclists through the reserve is of benefit. Ensure stairs or similar are placed at the start of walking trails to discourage cyclists from short cutting.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

While this is a nice to have it does not provide the same level of benefit as the other proposals.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Is there potential for this to be upgraded to provide a walking only route from Holloway Road to Ashton Fitchett Drive (linking with proposed new walking only track)? This would result in increased dedicated walking access through the reserve, particularly east - west direction.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Support if the new walking only access to Karepa Street is created.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most of them... Makara, Wrights, Mirimar, Mt Vic, South Coast, Wainui, eastern / western hills, etc...

Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments  
Cyclists don't 'share'.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Trelissick Park Northern Walkway and associated (connected) tracks. Botanical Gardens Central Park Mt Victoria The Bridle Path

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

WCC and the cycle lobby are conducting a veritable war on walking in Wellington. Cyclists use public road footpaths and no biking parks with impunity. The constant turning over of public resources to cyclists encourages ever more brazen and dangerous invasion of walking space. Areas made unpleasant and dangerous for walkers, or about to be, include the Wellington waterfront, the footpath between Oriental Bay and Kilbirnie, the Bridle Path, Hutt Road in Kaiwharawhara. Even the Botanical Gardens have now been defiled by cycling and what are in effect powered trail bikes are now being encouraged onto our tracks. No enforcement or even discouragement means Trelissick Park - supposedly set aside for 'quiet contemplative experiences' is being invaded by these dangerous pests. Enough to enforce existing cycling bylaws and road

rules, don't continue turning over all parks and pedestrian spaces to cyclists.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. We believe the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. I ride Transient downwards and I am always worried there will be serious accident as a result of a collision.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal 1 is much better

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

a good alternative walking trail.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Good idea

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
WCC officers and rangers will know what to do here

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
WCC officers and rangers will know what to do here

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
Most of the tracks in Wellington, except Mt Vic.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

A new descending track would be fantastic as it is dangerous riding down the current trail with the possibility of running into walkers

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It would be great to stay within the reserve rather than having to cross out of the park

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I frequently use the network of trails within the Makara Peak Mountain Bike Park and the trails extending to the South Coast

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I really love the Transient track so hard call, but I miss not having a track to really go nuts on as you have to be so cautious of uphill traffic (MTB, runners, walkers and dogs). I think this is the correct call as a one way track would be great and with other tracks of differing abilities from that track would also be a great proposal.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Pretty steep track. Maybe a track alongside the steps but would need cornering to reduce the gradient as may as walk bike up the steps. Im a runner too.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

provided good linkage to other tacks for walkers **2238**

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I like the track, but a track to avoid the steep pinch climbs at the end coming up the playground would be good.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Steps are well used by walkers and runners including myself. What would be the point in removing them? Pretty steep up there.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makera, Wainoiomata

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Tinakori Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This has become an urgent need. Polhill Reserve is a major recreation area for a very large number of users. While I find that all users are considerate, there is significant congestion throughout the year and especially from the top of Polhill to the top of Serendipity. I simply avoid going down Transient as even with the most care and attention, I find that I am more concerned about incoming users than simply enjoying the experience. Even with the most care, it's hard not to startle walkers and bikers going up. I also use Clinical to go up the hill and I have not gone up Transient even since Clinical has been opened. The need for a new track is a mark of the success of the recreational development. It is such an extraordinary outdoors experience so close to the city.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

MTB tracks all over the Wellington region and especially Makara. However, I often ride linking Makakara to Polhill through Wrights Hill. The absence of a safe downhill track from the top of Polhill is a major concern and limits options to complete a loop back to Karori. I hesitate to go down Transient even while applying utmost care.

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It would be better to have a downhill MTB Track as shown in Proposal 1, as it would be easier for cyclists coming from Ashton Fitchett. But i am not that familiar with the details.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Allow greater connectivity of the track network

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**2244**

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Allow greater connectivity of the track network

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

all tracks to wind turbine, and beyond, on MTB and walking

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I think that is good to have downhill MTB tracks as this separates downhill cyclists to other track users. When walking on the transient I have had near crashes with fast downhill cyclists. Likewise when i am biking downhill I am always concerned about walkers and runners on the same track.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The is a huge amount of track use by pedestrians bikers which often leads to accidents, conflict and injury. A descending track for mountain bike use will reduce such issues comprehensively allowing users to have a safer and more enjoyable experience.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not a good idea. This would mean two new crossings of existing tracks with inferior uphill cornering and an unpleasant pinch climb up onto Ashton Fitchett Drive.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**2246**

This would provide good pedestrian-only access from Karepa street to The Planet Ride Walking trail.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great idea and will allow people to avoid the steep pinch climb to George Denton Park and children's play area and access onto the Highbury Fling Track from the clinical Track.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This provides good access for pest control and environmental work such as tree planting.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

These steps are used by pedsestrians and are useful.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Trail builder and track maintenance/tree planter.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Everything. Miramar, Makara, Mt Vic, Tawatawa, Red rocks, Wrights Hill, Skyline, Mt Albert etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Wellington City Council does a great job and provides great assets. However, we need more Mountain bike down hill only/priority tracks as these are essential for health and safety reasons and to reduce conflict. we need to be smarter and make good decisions to avoid as much conflict as possible.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To relieve Transient, There are a lot of near misses.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, mt victoria, miramar, wainuni, belmont and colonial knob

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

**2251**

- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainui,mt vic, miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

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**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I have had countless close calls or collisions with other users on the Transient track. With the amount of bland corners and use it gets, it is simply not safe for a two way track.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not a lot to add about the trail - this seems like a no brainer. I would not like to see the current Transient track turned into an uphill only track, it functions acceptably as a 2 way track currently, and removing traffic onto the proposed new track would make it work even better. I would like to see Wellington Council embrace mountain bike ONLY tracks in the same way as they embrace walking only tracks, as there is a need for places that mountain bikers can ride to their limits rather than the limits of walkers using the tracks that mountain bikers build.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This seems unnecessary, and anything that increases steepness removes accessibility from marginal users and increases maintenance problems. As my understanding is that BTB will be maintaining these tracks, it seems rather rude to make the work of a group of volunteers more difficult.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

As above, I'm happy to see foot only tracks in the wellington plan, and would like to see the courtesy extended to MTB only as well!

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'd be happy to see maintenance on the track stop, but 'removing' to me means overplanting or the like, which seems unnecessary.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

My understanding is that these are well used

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Event organiser

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All over the city, region, country, and the world. **2256**

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

The city does a great job of facilitating the use of it's track network, but I believe it sometimes loses sight of equality. As I've mentioned already, there should be equal weight given to MTB only and foot only tracks. Similarly, the survey you quote says 66,000 annual users, evenly split between foot and MTB. Do you have the numbers from before BTB started opening up the area by building tracks? It seems to me that the MTB community have provided access to an under used area for THE WHOLE COMMUNITY, and is now being penalised for its own success. Please, bear this in mind when making the decisions, as it is obvious that BTB will benefit the whole of wellington if allowed to do so.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The new one-way descending trail will reduce bike traffic on the two-way Transient trail, which will make for a more enjoyable experience for all trail users.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Option 1 is better.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Fantastic idea. Keeps bikes away from the George Denton play area and from the road turning circle.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Please keep for walkers and runners.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of them! Wellington tracks are a great resource.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Increasing frequency of user conflict - both number and severity of interactions. I ride and run frequently, and both experiences would improved significantly by removing down hill riding to a separate trail. I have no involvement with anyone connected to the trail maintenance group other than following their social media feeds - it seems as though the group is predominantly mountain bike focussed and the maintenance, work and time investment predominantly contributed by mountain bikers, with walkers and us runners significantly benefiting from the actions of mountain bike riders. I would like to see the council reflect this contribution and if that meant a 50/50 call went the way of the riding community that would sound fair.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I would use this trail as a runner/day walker. I am not sure why there is any opposition to this? Walkers/runners don't merge with bikes, the bike riders are offering (yes with some funding requirements etc) to build a separate walking loop, what possible reason would see this declined? The 'Environmental impacts' excuse sounds like nonsense, absolute worst case it will improve access to planting more natives, and improve our interaction with separate parts of the Polhill reserve.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Defer to the guys and girls who actually invest their time building and maintaining the Polhill reserve. Neither walkers or riders think that walkers and riders mix!

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I am not sure why there is any opposition to this? Walkers/runners don't merge with bikes, the bike riders are offering (yes with some funding requirements etc) to build a separate walking loop, what possible reason would see this declined? The 'Environmental impacts' excuse sounds like nonsense, absolute worst case it will improve access to planting more natives, and improve our interaction with separate parts of the Polhill reserve.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Defer to the guys and girls who actually invest their time building and maintaining the Polhill reserve. The impact of these trails is so small environmentally, seems like everyone makes to much of an issue on it.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yea plant it if that gives more ability to build other lengths of trail, not fussed. The impact of these trails is so small environmentally, seems like everyone makes to much of an issue on it - remember that 50m from these steps is tar sealed road and cleared sections. Any bush paths should be encouraged.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner

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Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All Wellington town belt and Mountain bike areas - for walking and riding. For me, Polhill is the best option for riding within non-car travel distance from town and Mt Vic is the best option for walking. I generally take visitors to either of these place depended on activity. I would walk more at Polhill if there were walk specific trails, and I would ride more at Polhill if there were ride specific trails.  
 Cross contamination sucks!

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Please please remember (noting the WCC comments re alternate options eg Makara) Polhill is the offroad bike riding closest to CBD. This is 100% unique in any city in the world and is very special. Makara requires a car/congestion trip, and Mt Victoria is a very unique style of bike riding that to be honest is to damn hard for me and most normal people. Polhill is the best option! The WCC alternate options to ease congestion are nonsense. Why fluff with the logistics and average outcome of 'time-sharing' or education when for a very minimal environmental investment, users can be separated. Agree that circulation could be improved, but a decent solution still requires segregation. Thanks for considering :)

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I ride Transient regularly and I have had many near misses.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Increased chance of collision

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**2263**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, red rocks, Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great to have trail separation for users. Even though we have tried dual use the reality is that it doesn't work in a compact city like wellington with the numbers of different users we have.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**2265**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Steps are bad for all users !

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak, Mt vic for my daily commute to work by bike, Miramar trails as they in my backyard

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Be great to have this finally done and agree that no more trails are required in Pohill reserve

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separates walkers and uphill riders from downhill riders Main conflicts are due to difference in speed of two groups of users

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Tracks above Polhill Gully and Makara Peak, but Polhill Gully is most accessible for me

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use this trail on a weekly basis commuting to work from Miramar, normally 1 time per week at around 8:15 am. I often come across people, I have lights this time of year, the walkers generally don't. I love biking through this area, nice bush and bird song, the more accessible and safe this area is, the better. I realise more paths reduces the vegetation and wilderness aspects, but these urban bush areas should be about accessibility and community use. Wellington has great full on wilderness areas that are in a easy drive from the city.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Vegetation loss as per the review

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**2271**

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Ideally bikers and walkers should be separated wherever possible

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mount Victoria. Red Rocks. Miramar. Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

**2273**

Why/other comments

Mountain bike only is better, shared tracks have risk

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic, Skyline, Tunnel Gully

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**2275**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The steps are a useful connector for walkers

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic and Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I regularly use the trails at Polhill for both commuting and recreation. While they are excellent their popularity means that they are used heavily by all types of trail users. I think the proposed trail would reduce the congestion on these trails and greatly improve the experience for all users

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Mt Vic Miramar Skyline Karori Park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, and ones out the hutt

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - we support this. The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. We note that the Wellington City Council's survey referred to had 866 responses, with 93% supporting a new track. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. We believe the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. We note the mitigation effects contained in BTB's proposals and agree with these. We think the environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, and note that the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve. BTB have highlighted in their proposal that they are happy to build the trail, and Wellington Trail Trust will support them in doing this (through raising funds etc.).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

No - We don't support this, as we believe option 1 is significantly better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - We support this. This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - We support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling. We are surprised that this was never done as part of the original work building Clinical.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. Should be kept and given to BTB to maintain if this is an issue for WCC.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Unsure - We believe the WCC officers are best placed to judge the merits of this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

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If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Otari, Wrights Hill, Skyline ( Kaukau to Makara Hill Rd )

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

We have seen comments from some groups that they perceive the new trails have some sort of negative impact on the environment. We believe poorly formed positions around the environmental effects of trails simply fall apart if they are applied to widely tracked areas like Zealandia or Wilton Bush (which supports our view is that any argument being presented on this basis is flawed and a distraction). As New Zealand's environmental efforts ramp up and we see native flora and fauna populate areas that were previously devoid of such taonga, we must allow greater access to these areas, not diminish it. The educational potential and ecological narrative that can be crafted around such exposure is immense.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Belmont, Mt. Vic, Wainuiomata, Miramar.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I think this is a good idea, but the grade of the trail is important. It needs to suit the types of riders who would no longer be able to take Transient. Transient is not just a downhill track for fast bad-asses, but also for conservative cross-country commuters (like me). there is high traffic at 7AM of people going to work on Transient, who aren't looking for thrills, but safe, interesting, and not-too-technical descent. We don't have any other single-track downhill (the one next to clinical is too steep), so make sure it will suit the conservatives too.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

no opinion.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

all the reasons you give are fair enough, but I don't see it as a very high priority. It's really easy to link the two, even with the steep pinch to the playground. I think the entrance to Clinical is a bigger problem. It's too hard for a grade 2-3 track.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

not a track I use.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara wright's hill red rocks.

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use this track frequently and prefer tracks without steps as they hurt your knees

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I hate steps and these are a good example of total over kill. Do not repeat this sort of thing in future.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Trelissick Park , Skyline, Johnson's Hill, Tinakori Hill, Mt Vic , Makara Peak ,Deliverance, Roller Coaster, Red Rocks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I would like the downhill track asap as current Transient is so annoying and risky I have given up using it.

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Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

the current situatuion is there are a lot fo walker son transient and is main downhill form western suburbs into town if you dont want to take the road . having a downhill to work without worrying about pedestrians would be excellent.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
all in karori and mt vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

**2294**

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Karori Park, Wright's Hill, Karori Cemetary, Skyline track to Kaukau, Other tracks around Zelandia, Carparts/Windmill/Barking Emu/Red Rocks, Mt Vic, Tinakori Hill, etc etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

It will make walking and miuntainbiking much safer and more pleasant

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**2296**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria, Miramar, Makara peak, wainuiomata

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Tieke and other native bird species have begun establishing themselves in Polhill, which has had mountain bike trails for several years and walking trails for many. However the moving of tieke is in part pressure from the population in Zealandia requiring space to expand. There has been an astounding increase over the last 20 years of certain native birds in Wellington due to Zealandia, but the predator free Zealandia is relatively small. For some species especially, there is essentially nowhere else to go with predators and/or urban areas on all sides, bar locations such as Wrights Hill and Polhill with some regenerated bush and predator suppression. I have observed and photographed tieke/saddleback, touwaiwai/NI Robins, hihi/stitchbird, kakariki/red-crowned parakeet, kaka, and popokatea/whitehead (and others) in both Wrights Hill and along the edge of Zealandia in Polhill. I have also observed korimako/bellbirds in these locations. Tieke, toutouwai and kakariki spend much of their time on or near the ground. Others such as kaka will also spend time on the ground, especially as chicks. I believe that construction of further tracks for mountain biking and removing of the bush is completely incompatible with any desire to see native species increase in Wellington. While the mountain biking tracks are popular and extremely convenient, I believe that introduction of mountain bike tracks in 2009 was a major error. I believe that greater vision for increasing the predator-suppressed (or free) halo around Zealandia is required, prioritizing conservation. This would involve planting native food sources for native wildlife, letting native vegetation mature, and so on. Outdoor activities areas over time should be appropriately rationalized away from centres of native wildlife. I agree with the main statements in the Council's assessment that: 'the ecological values of Polhill Reserve should take precedent over adding new tracks.' and 'the focus on new bike tracks should be concentrated in other areas, such as close-by Te Kopahou Reserve and Makara Peak Mountain Bike Park.' and disagree with all the compromise alternatives which would still result in more tracks.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

See above

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Greater contiguous bush without interruption or disturbance from people/bikes should be prioritised

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:  
Bird photographer

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Zealandia Fenceline track, Wrights Hill tracks, Wrights Hill to Pariwhero/Red Rocks tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Safer for cyclist and walkers alike, as Transient is a very busy track at present.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To provide a more direct route for pedestrians.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector **2301** trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To do away with the necessity of coming out onto the park and walk/cycle up the 4 wheel drive track. It will make for a lovely uniinterrupted circuit of trails.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Eastern suburbs walking tracks Wainuiamata trail project Belmont reserve skyline track salvation

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I have used the Polhill trail as both a mountain biker (primarily), and a walker/runner. I completely support building this new trail, as it will remove a lot of traffic from most of the current Transient trail. Importantly, it will remove (along much of its length), the potential for conflict between uphill and downhill traffic of all sorts (i.e. bike vs bike; or bike vs foot traffic). Building such a trail will ultimately enhance the experience for many users of this wonderful area. Please, please, please do this!

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

From what I have read, I do not believe that this is a good alternative to (1) above.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling. This is such a natural extension to the existing trails, it just seems logical!

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have no firm view on this.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have no firm view on this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic/town belt, Miramar

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will avoid colliding with the walkers along the Transient track. Much safer for all concern.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**2305**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

**2307**

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Wainui tracks Makara Tracks Miramar Tracks Belmont Tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I ride responsibly and in control when descending Transient, but even so uphill walkers or runners often get a fright and jump to the side of the track despite me having plenty of room to stop to make way for them. I think it would make for a more enjoyable experience for both walkers/runners and bikers to get down-hill riders off Transient (as fun as it is).

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would create a second crossing of the walking only track. Preference would be 1.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**2309**

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I personally don't mind the short pinch climbs up to the park, however I'm sure re-routing bikers would work best for the regular park users and local residents.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I've never used this trail.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I've never used this trail.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Many around the greater Wgtn area (Mt Vic, Makara, Skyline, Wainui, Belmont Regional Park, Miramar etc.).

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

It seems to me that option 1 is especially beneficial to everyone. Mountain biking is going through massive growth in NZ and globally, and Wellington can and should do more to improve riding in and

around the city. Having great riding accessible from the CBD is a competitive advantage. Surely the minor impact on the reserve and the wild life is far outweighed by the significantly better trail experience proposed for Wellingtonians and visitors to our city.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think this would reduce the number of encounters between bikes and walkers. Although most of the time these encounters are friendly they do make both bikers and walkers extra vigilant and perhaps detracting from the enjoyment of the trail.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2312

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't think this is necessary and potentially impacts some of the important breeding areas for flow over species from Zealandia. I bike that trail often and don't think it is that much of a problem to do the short climb to George Denton and then up the fenceline track. There is a tree on the left hand side as you climb into George Denton that is a bit of an obstacle and removing it might make the incline more acceptable to all riders.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

I also clear traps as part of the Polhill Protectors and regularly take small children riding along Highbury Fling.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Mountain Bike, Mount Victoria, Southern Walkway and more.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

2313

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think this will be a great use of the area and server to direct traffic in the right directions and increase safety.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will allow a quick exit and remove some traffic from the top

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will give walkers a dedicated bike-free path to get around the reserve.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea, this will remove the very steep path at the end of Clinical near the playground, and offer a nice way to stay in the bush for connecting to Highbury Fling

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This track doesn't add any value to the area, bush will regenerate naturally once it is closed off.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Personally haven't used these steps, but there is another entrance in the same area so it makes sense that we remove the duplication.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Regularly walk and mountain bike in Mount Victoria. Often bike in Makara and Wainuiomata.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm hoping this is the trail that's already been marked out by Geoff Carter's company from Rotorua? That guarantees to be a quality trail.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**2316**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Can't we add this as a downhill mountainbike track given the vegetation is already cleared? Allow the serious downhillers to add jumps etc and it'll satisfy some of them reducing the congestion on the new 2.5km Proposal 1 track (which I'm sure will be very heavily used).

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most mountain bike tracks in the Wellington Region. But I use Polhill more than any others.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is a great uphill track but you are always wary about some bikers coming down too fast. This will make it a lot safer for bikers and walkers.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes another great loop trail

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will reduce risk to transient runners/walkers from faster downhill bikers. This makes a lot of sense given the popularity of Polhill reserve. More people will use Polhill in the future, adapting to increasing usage by moving the faster downhill bikers to a dedicated track is entirely sensible.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This doesn't appear to add anything for trail users, actually seems to add an extra intersection between transient and the proposed downhill trail. An additional intersection is an extra point of conflict that isn't needed. The minimal advantages of 1a don't outweigh the advantages of 1.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Another walking track in/out of Polhill from a different location seems sensible.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The existing trail at the end of Clinical isn't great. A better link to Highbury fling would provide much better links between the trails.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use it on occasion (steep uphill makes for a challenging run). Polhill would be poorer to lose it. Variations in trails is nice. Some pedestrian only trails is a good thing.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I use many trails in Wellington but regularly use Car parts, Windmill, Barking Emu, Fenceline etc above Polhill. Skyline. Makara. Various Te Ahumairangi trails.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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I am surprised at how long this process has taken.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No - I don't support this, as I believe option 1 is significantly better.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Carparts, Parking Emu, Rollercoaster, Red Rocks, Tip

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Polehill is a high use area. Creating a purpose built descending trail will make the area more user friendly for those who bike and those who walk/run (I do both in the area). It will enhance the experience for all users and as shown, the community are well involved in restoration so there will be minimal net impact.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

yes - more interconnections are a good idea

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be very useful but I would consider it lower priority then the other options specifically proposal 1.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - if the council has found it is not used much. Perhaps a 'goat track' could be kept for pest control access?

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If the Council can show these are not used frequently - then yes - removing them is a good idea to lower ongoing maintenance costs

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Bird watcher

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Southern Walkway, Carparts, Barking Emu, Makara Peak, Tinakori Hill etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Zealandia perimeter and Wrights Hill track networks for hiking and dog walking. All other MTB trails.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I support the descending mountain biking track as it will: - Remove descending cyclists from the busy Transient track (this is the largest group of riders on this track). This will give all track users a safer and more pleasant experience. It would also account for increased use of Polhill in the future.  
 - Offer a more diverse range of cycling experiences.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Maintain a suitable, gentle inclination of slope that is possible for all cyclists to ride is important.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**2329**

This would provide an easy access to Polhill, closer to the bulk of Brooklyn's residents. It will also open up a walking-only route through the heart of Polhill to Aro St. At a time of criticism that there's too much mountain biking track in Polhill, opening this track will give a real alternative for pedestrians.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I support diverting cyclists away from the George Denton play area, and providing a gentle climb straight onto other tracks. However, I am concerned this track cuts through a key area that tieke are colonizing, and its construction may disrupt the ecological values necessary for bird nesting.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I oppose the removal of this track. No rationale has been offered for this proposal. The reasons to keep the track are: - There is a need as it is used by pedestrians now. - It provides for a walking loop and links the lower and higher tracks in Polhill. - It is effectively a tramping route and provides a different experience. A 'tramping route' is a current WCC classification. - WCC currently spends little money on this track and does not need to spend any more in future if it remains open. It will cost more to close the track, with barriers and signs needed to close it off. This is poor use of resources, when way finding (maps and up-dated signs) are needed across Polhill. - Even if it is closed, it is likely to be continually used by pedestrians wanting to descend to the top of Holloway Rd.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I support retaining these steps as they are used by pedestrians now. If removed, and the connector to Karepa is not built, they will have a significantly longer route to link to the Transient track. If the Karepa track is built, it is likely to become a popular entrance as it will be nearer the bulk of the Brooklyn population.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Ahu Miarangi, Mt Vic, Kopahou, Wrights Hill, Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

There are already sufficient routes for trail bikers many of whom have little regard for the safety of track walkers. In my view, WCC should no longer support the building of trail biker only or shared tracks

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Having it separate will make it safer for both walkers and bikers

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This provides walkers with safer option

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak - biking Mt Kau kau - Walking and biking Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
will help to reduce conflict between users

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

the connection up to George denton park is a bit of a tight one and also bikes track through the park which is not so good for the park users or the grass there. There are also houses pretty close - not sure if its an issue, but a more well designed connections between clinical and Highbury fling would be great. If it was possible to fix up the situation at bottom of roller coast with people ripping out the end conflicting with people walking up fence line in this area that would be good too .

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

im not sure why track needs to be removed? if its about maintenance then I guess it makes sense that its not there.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

im not sure why track needs to removed? if its a maintenance thing I guess it makes sense that its not there.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

for mtb all the ones up to/down from golf ball, car parts, barking emu etc, red rocks, tip track, wrights hill, makara peak + occasionally skyline and walking all other city tracks (e.g. city to sea), ones further afield in regional parks etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

### Comments

I fully support the planning for improving the trail network. Its great work by trail builders and the benefits for users is fabulous. the spin off for business especially aro valley is evident by the number of bike and people using cafe, beer etc. Im not sure what can be done about it given the constraints of space, but having a better arrangement for bike parking in aro street shops area would be helpful. The area outside the Fisk and chip shop seems like its 'left over' rough garden and not well tended - perhaps owners would entertain a big rack? I have considered the potential to dedicate some of the public space of the street to a cycle lane but it seems this would be impractical given the constrained width. Removing on street parking would be the only way and this is unlikely to be tenable. Perhaps (although I dont like them everywhere) more awareness signs that bike riders are users too would help to address the still pushy driver behaviour from people squeezing past - I've had three extremely close near miss contact situations in the past 6 months just riding from Epuni st to polhill. There might be some opportunity to create a stronger 'threshold' across from Polhill to the other side of Aro Street (its a big open space to west side) that marks the point at which people are tending to arrive at Polhill/put bikes on and off cars, exit back out to Aro Street etc. Could maybe be build out of street/footpath, tree planting. This would at least help to signal to down hill traffic that they should slow down as drivers do rip around here fast at times. It might be too much to extend 30k zone up to this point from Aro shops? Anyway, all the best with the process - I am fully supportive of all the trail efforts.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Separating downhill traffic from Transient would remove conflict between trail users and make walking, running and biking in Polhill much more pleasant and less nerve wracking. You won't need to worry so much about what is waiting around the next corner.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Creates more trail intersections which can create user conflict.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would provide a walking only option from top to bottom.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would provide a nice loop without having to cross George Denton Park

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't know this trail.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Do use this trail.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic and Mt Crawford/Centennial Reserve are the ones I use most, but use most of the tracks in the town belt at some point.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Erosion and pest introduction, parking congestion

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Ecological impact

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Maintain existing tracks and remove bike priority on shared tracks

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Ecological impact, and shared tracks are actually bike tracks with 'walkers beware' precaution. I am unable to use shared tracks for walking with my children as there is no way I can protect/warn them about bike impact without keeping them in arms reach, which defeats the purpose of a relaxing, freeing bush walk.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This links the walking tracks and is one of the few 'free from bikes' tracks in the area.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not use this section of track

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

I walk with my children so they can get to know and enjoy their local environment. I like for them to be able to do these walks on their own as they get more independent. We need walking only tracks for this to be possible. This activity is very different to sport biking and sharing the two is incompatible. I am also very proud of the regenerating bird life, and want to protect the environment with the flora and fauna associated with this area.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

The town belt should be protected firstly for the wildlife as the benefits from this are extensive. It is not a sport park. Many bikers drive to the area and park, as this is the case, they can drive to areas that do not have the ecological potential that Polhill has. I support the more extensive submission provided by Ingrid Downey.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If it's used keep it, if it's low up keep. Don't use this trail enough to either support or not.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Khandallah, skyline, wainuiomata,

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Good work, and if priority can be given to the new mountain down hill trail. It will be a much better and safer experience for all reserve users

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Hill, Tinakori Hill, Wilton Bush, Mt Vic, Karori Cemetry, Southern Walkway, Northern Walkway, Tracks on Miramar Peninsular, Ngaio Gorge, Mt Kaukau, Eastborne tracks, Belmont Regional Park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I support the mountainbike trail building initiatives, the tracks are great for running, walking, and riding.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I DO NOT support the development of new mountainbiking tracks in Polhill Reserve. The value of Polhill as a nature reserve and important habitat for very rare birds (Hihi, Saddleback, etc) that are beginning to breed in the reserve is put at risk by further track development. The long-term natural value of the reserve for future generations (of people as well as birds) far outweighs immediate justification for building new tracks, which only serve to benefit a narrow interest group. The incredible halo effect from Zealandia relies on a healthy and safe Polhill for the rare and endangered birds to flourish outside the Zealandia fenceline.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I DO NOT support the development of new mountainbiking tracks in Polhill Reserve. The value of Polhill as a nature reserve and important habitat for very rare birds (Hihi, Saddleback, etc) that are beginning to breed in the reserve is put at risk by further track development. The long-term natural value of the reserve for future generations (of people as well as birds) far outweighs immediate justification for building new tracks, which only serve to benefit a narrow interest group. The incredible halo effect from Zealandia relies on a healthy and safe Polhill for the rare and endangered birds to flourish outside the Zealandia fenceline.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Removing tracks will improve the vegetation overall and give nature more space to flourish

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Most cycling tracks, Karori/Makara Peak, Wind turbine tracks, etc

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I have been mountainbiking in Wellington for 29 years, live in Highbury and am a regular user of the current tracks, for cycling as well as walking. In a short timeframe I have witnessed Polhill become more akin to a mountainbike theme park, at the expense of nature and other track users. Polhill Reserve needs to be left to regenerate and allow the halo effect from Zealandia to continue and flourish. It's early days in this respect. The intrinsic value of looking after our rare native wildlife is easily more important than tracks for mountainbikers to enjoy, brief fun times. The higher track density in this proposal will increase volume of bike traffic in the reserve, in much the same way that building more highways increases car traffic. The amount of night riding, which involves extremely bright lights and likely impacts the birds in the reserve, will also increase and penetrate new areas of the reserve. I have also observed over the years that track users have become more courteous and careful. Problems with dual-use and direction on Transient are not as common as in the past. I enjoy riding Transient downhill as it suits my un-hurried riding (I don't need ugly berms). There is no need for a 'fast' descending track to be constructed. Even though I am a track user for cycling I have been unhappy with some of the track development that has taken place in the past, where I have seen perfectly adequate walking/riding tracks straightened and widened with berms to support rapid downhill mountainbiking (for example, the short connector track between Sawmill and Highbury Fling). I have taken this up with the Wellington City Council in the past as I believe it has diminished the value of the reserve for nature, reduced safety (people ride faster with berms) and generally in many areas, such as the Serendipity track), there seems to be more track than forest. It's ugly and does not permit vegetation to regenerate adequately. My observation has also been that the track development by BTB has been to suit their own riding equipment and desires which suits full suspension bikes, rapid, flowing (non-technical) downhill descent. As their name suggests, Brooklyn Track Builders exist to create tracks. The mountainbike lobby is quite organised and it's logical that if a new bike track is proposed, most mountainbikers will support it,. This support is readily drawn through social media and cycling interest groups, whereas individuals or groups opposing bike track development cannot organise as effectively. As a biker my own personal experience is pressure from other bikers to support tracks. There are many mountainbike tracks in Wellington and other options for riders, such as Makara Peak mountainbike park and Mt Victoria. I'd prefer to see the resources in this proposal put towards improving vegetation, trapping and weed removal, to the benefit of the bird population.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

mt Victoria, makara peak, skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I support the creation of new tracks that are sustainable and low environmental impact and take into account the interests of all users. The proposed changes seem sensible and an improvement to the current situation, and the process being followed thorough, if not overly so. It doesn't seem that one particular group's interests are being prioritised over any other's and i hope that a sensible and balanced outcome can be achieved.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This will significantly reduce congestion at peak times on Transient as it will become a predominantly up hill mountain bike track and dual direction walking track, mountain bikers will have an alternative route down. The proposed intermediate downhill track (with the option for more advanced parallel short sections) will make the new track an attractive alternative downhill) and it will link nicely with Carparts and Serendipity to make an attractive long downhill ride. The existing tracks have all improved the flora and fauna in the region through new plantings and trapping of pest animals. The Brooklyn Track Builders have a proven track record of developing environmentally sensitive tracks.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

In my experience this track is not used as often as the other two link tracks, it is not an easy uphill and it meets the Highbury Fling intersection quite steeply. Removing it will remove one more intersection with the new proposed downhill track, one which is potentially hazardous because of the current steepness of the lower part of the track.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

**2353**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This will give walkers another access point and an easy way to connect with an existing walkers only track, an excellent option for those walker who want to minimise any interaction with bikers. Impact on the vegetation would be minimal, as noted by BTB there are potential concerns regarding privacy of nearby houses. Consultation would be needed.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The current route puts cyclists and walkers into potential conflict (if the proposed link goes ahead and the track from the play area to the current junction becomes walkers only, then there will be less potential for conflict if they are planning to head down to Aro St (and take the older more direct but steeper route), If the new downhill biking track goes ahead, potentially the older part of the track (currently downhill biking only) could potentially be closed to cyclists. If the new connector track does go ahead, then potentially this would give another walkers only route from Denton Park to Aro St (shared track for only the very last 50 or so meters).

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As one who primarily uses the Polhill tracks for cycling, I have not been on this track for many years. It would not impact on me personally if it was removed, however, some walkers/runners might prefer it remains as a quick descent route.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As above, I am neutral on this point.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

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Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All and any mountain biking tracks in Wellington City (and beyond) including Carparts, Barking Emu, Red Rocks, Tip Track, Fenceline, Makara Peaks, Mount Victoria, Mt Albert, Skyline and beyond! I also use these (but less frequently) as a walker and runner particularly for orienteering & rogaining events.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I fully support all the changes suggested by BTB. They are well thought through and will enhance the experience of all track users in this part of Wellington. Because of their proximity to the central city, they are extremely accessible to a large number and wide range of users. We need to encourage Wellingtonians to get outdoors, exercise and enjoy our fantastic reserves. The new tracks will do just that.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Great addition to the Polhill reserve and will improve the area for bikers and walkers.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makra Peek wainuiomata bike park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Build more as the sport is growing and it helps attract people to Wellington.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A medium-difficulty down hill track would have two major advantages. 1) Reduce potential conflict/accidents between faster-moving down-hill riders and up-hill riders, walkers, and runners. 2) Add two round-trip routes for MTB riders (Up Transient Down new track; Up Serendipity, Along Highbury Fling, Down new track).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The short section of track (for which removal is suggested) is not a high use track and there are several alternatives to get from Transient and Highbury Fling to Ashton Fitchett. Better to use the track-maintenance budget on more useful tracks.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Fine with that as it offers an alternate route for pedestrians that could reduce foot traffic on the upper parts of transient.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea. Cyclists won't have to ride through the park/play-area.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view. Remove or cease maintenance is fine by me.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No view.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peaks, Mt Victoria MTB tracks, MTB tracks in Miramar peninsula, MTB tracks to Red Rocks and Tip track, al the official walkways. Numerous other bush tracks in the town-belt.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is currently quite busy, especially at peak times. In my personal experience, there are no serious problems sharing the trail, although I have had several near misses over the years, and walkers and runners often look quite scared when bikes come down the hill towards them. A dedicated downhill bike trail would be safer and more enjoyable for everyone.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I trust BTB to determine the best location for the proposed trail, as they have years of experience both riding and trail building in the area

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a previous resident of Ashton Fitchett Drive, I think this sounds like a great option

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a rider I think this is an obvious requirement

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm not familiar with the track

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have no strong opinion

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All the Wellington mountain biking trails as well as many of the regions walking/running trails

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I think the BTB proposal has been well researched and presented, and I fully support it

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would remove conflict of downhill bikes with other users. (Bikes heading uphill and walkers, runners etc).

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal 1 appears to be a better layout.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Would allow users to stay within the reserve and not impact on the playground and road.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Maupuia, Makara, Wainui, Belmont, Mt Vic,

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Popularity of Transient makes this a very good idea. Riding or running up Transient is always accompanied with a bit of anxiety about downhill riders and runners. While I've never had an accident - just the occasional adrenaline surge, it would be nice to not have that and this is a great solution.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't think removal of that small piece of track is going to achieve much. I have used it coming down from the wind turbine - mainly when running.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**2364**

Good separation of users. Presumably walking includes running!

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Will make top of track consistent with the rest of the track in terms of gradient. This is a great track!

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Personally, I've never used it.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I've never used them.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Fenceline, Windmill, Red Rocks, Barking Emu, Wrights Hill tracks, Salvation, Makara Peak, Tip Track, Skyline ...

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Any other comments or questions?

2365

### Comments

I just LOVE all the tracks around Wellington. Tracks through our native forest give access for pest control, facilitate recreation with all its physical and mental health benefits and promotes low-impact, low carbon emission recreation that is compatible with the restoration of native bird populations. Congratulations WCC for this consultative process that can only benefit all Wellingtonians. Our Town Belt is one of our city's best assets. A real reason to live here!! What other city offers off-road commuting for cycling and running and walking? This is something special for Wellingtonians and visitors.

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### Attached Documents

File
Polhill Reserve Track Proposals

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

While I like the idea of a new downhill track to make it more enjoyable for all and safer I'd like some clarification before giving my total support. My fav ride is up Todman, along Mitchel and Karepa and into Polhill from 1 Karepa St, down to Aro street via Transient and back up to Denton Park via Clinical and back along Highbury Fling. It doesn't look like I will be able to do the Karepa St to Aro Street as it looks like from 1 Karepa St to the start of the northern bit of the new track is uphill only. This would prevent me from using this section and I am not in favour of anything that removes my ability to do this ride If the uphill section is from the intersection of Transient and the join with access from 1 Karepa st (See attached map) then it is a great idea.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't understand the proposal so can't comment. Seems to be just a design change.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

It makes sense to have this track go all the way from Aro Street to Karepa St. It follows a logical line. Am concerned about the intersection with the new downhill only for bikes. Hopefully the intersection won't be at a bit of track that is really fast and fun for downhill bikers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't mind either way. Seems to be creating a new track that will invite future conflict between walkers, runners and bikers. What is the point of this, other than avoiding cycling/walking past Denton park?

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why? Some walkers like steep tracks. Makes it easy to do a training walk in the one area. Is this proposed because it is too /expensive to maintain? Seems to me be better to remove the bit of walking track that goes nowhere just to the west of this. I'm all for keeping this bit of track for walkers.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Again, is this a maintenance issue? I have no preference either way but lets not dumb down to park to a certain level of ability. Some like steps and some don't! They are a good way to maintain balance, agility and flexibility. I say keep them.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve? **2368**

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Wrights Hill Makara Peak Mt Victora Wind Turbine Rimutaka Miramar Botanic Gardens (walking)  
Central Park

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Any other comments or questions?

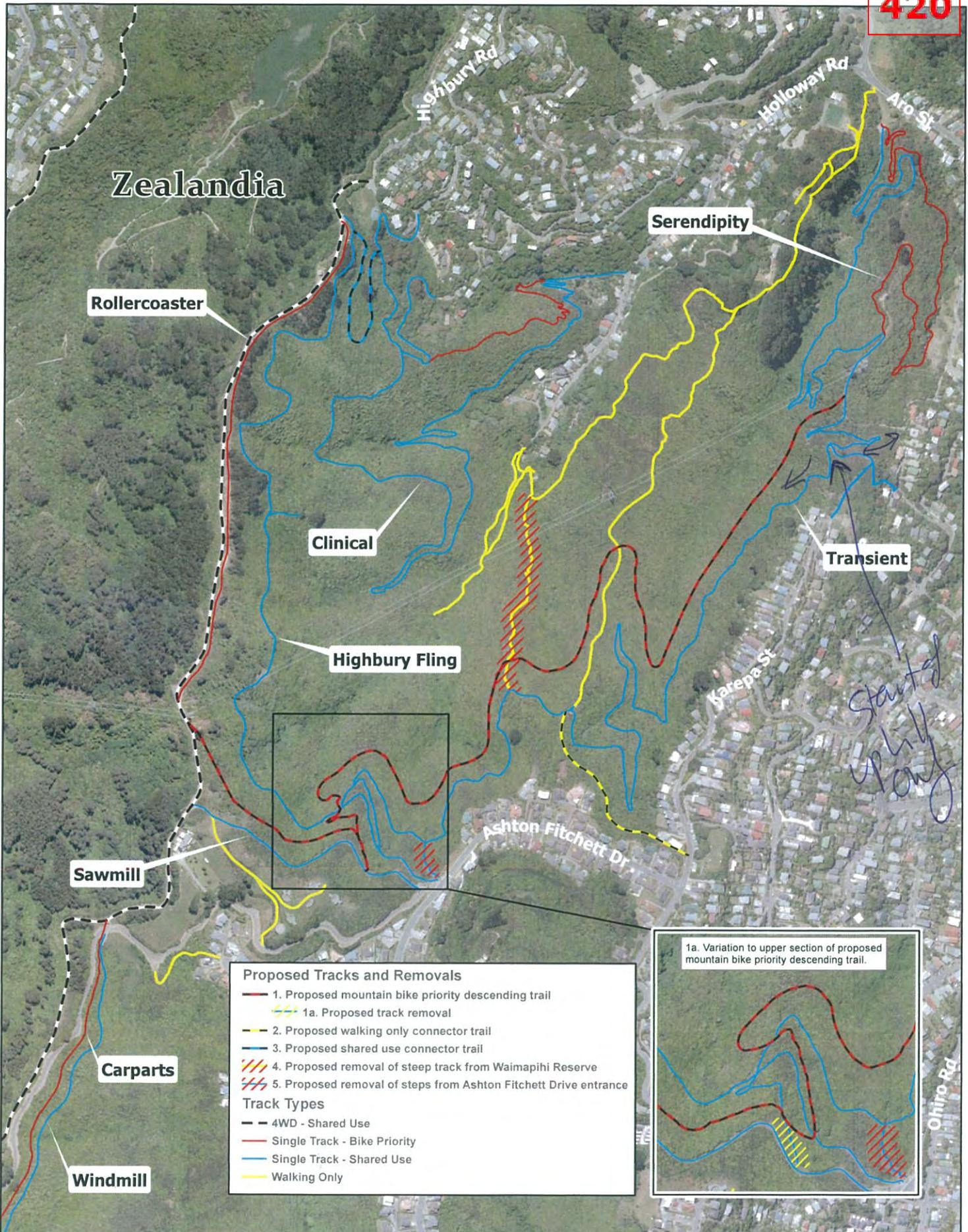
#### Comments

I love this piece of bush so close to town. It is a great resource for all. Anything that allows combined use and separation is great. Lets not dumb it down though by removing the bits that may be harder to maintain or that it's not thought people like. I use it as a starting point to get elsewhere for longer rides or a circuit or a quick stress buster along the Fling and back. The work that has been done here with pest control. track maintenance etc has been amazing.

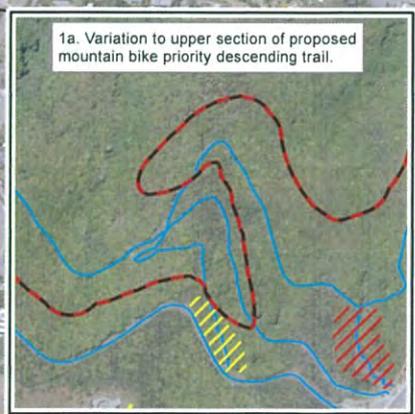
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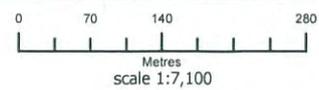
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Polhill Reserve Track Proposals



- Proposed Tracks and Removals**
- 1. Proposed mountain bike priority descending trail
  - 1a. Proposed track removal
  - 2. Proposed walking only connector trail
  - 3. Proposed shared use connector trail
  - 4. Proposed removal of steep track from Waimapihi Reserve
  - 5. Proposed removal of steps from Ashton Fitchett Drive entrance
- Track Types**
- 4WD - Shared Use
  - Single Track - Bike Priority
  - Single Track - Shared Use
  - Walking Only



**Polhill Track Layouts**  
Proposed tracks and track removals



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101 Wakefield Street  
WELLINGTON, NZ

ORIGINAL MAP SIZE: A4  
AUTHOR: presto2j  
DATE: 14/06/2017

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## Polhill Consultation Submission

Submitted as an individual by:  
David Harkness, 32 Karepa Street, Brooklyn.  
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I fully support proposals 1, 2 and 3; do not support 1a; and have no strong opinion on 4 or 5. I also have a number of further comments and suggestions relevant to Polhill at the end of this submission.

I would like the opportunity to speak at oral hearings in support of my submission.

Please see my comments against each of the questions below.

### Proposal 1

Yes, I support proposal 1.

Transient has become overcrowded and dangerous to use - particularly if going "the wrong way" during commuter times (e.g. up in the morning, or down in late afternoon/evening). A new trail to provide a pairing, similar to Carparts/Windmill or Serendipity/Lower Transient is the only sensible solution to alleviating this congestion.

Additional considerations:

- As a commuter accessing from Karepa St, I request that the short section of Transient from Karepa St to the 4WD track below should remain two-way; or else a downhill connector should be built from the bench at the Karepa junction down to the proposed new trail.
- The proposed trail should be mountain bike exclusive, rather than mountain bike priority given that two-way foot traffic will remain on Transient. This approach works well for Carparts/Windmill. Having foot traffic on a downhill bike trail, even if the bike has priority, defeats the purpose of trying to improve safety by separating usage types.
- Given the proposed trail is replacing downhill travel on Transient, it should be no harder than Transient/Car-parts. However, the proposed trail should have "B lines" in various places to allow for harder features (similar to the drop/tree root option on Serendipity).

### Proposal 1a

No, I do not support proposal 1a.

The alternate 1a proposal is less safe than the above proposal 1.

- It would require two trail crossings (Transient/Ashton Fitchett upper connector, and Transient proper) rather than only one (Highbury Fling).
- It also proposes changing a trail (lower connector from Transient to Ashton Fitchett) which is currently almost exclusively an uphill trail used by people coming from Transient to the Sawmill, into a down only, which at least in the short term would be likely to cause confusion and compromise safety.
- The proposal looks like it removes a number of switch-backs (ie. use of the existing Sawmill/Fling connector and again below the Fling/Transient trail), near the Transient crossing, which would likely result in higher crossing speeds and associated risk.

The reduced vegetation removal justification appears flawed.

- The apparent justification for the alternate proposal is that it results in less removal of vegetation. The difference in vegetation removal between the two options has not been quantified; it would appear to be minimal.
- It appears that Proposal 1 uses an existing connector trail from Sawmill to Highbury Fling, whereas proposal 1a requires additional vegetation removal to get from there to the Transient / Ashton Fitchett connector route, and again below Transient to get to the proposed trail
- if anything, that looks like more vegetation removal and earthworks for 1a than the initial proposal 1.

The other difference between 1 and 1a appears to be the removal of the upper part of the Sawmill/Fling connector - this would not be a reduction in vegetation removal/earthworks, so its length would not be counted in quantifying the difference between the two options. The connector should be retained as is.

### **Proposal 2**

Yes, I support proposal 2. Great idea.

It not only opens a pedestrian only through-route, particularly beneficial for those people who want to get to Mitchell St; but also opens up the possibility of wheelbarrow access half-way down upper Transient, which would make gravelling and trail maintenance easier and less costly. It does not make sense to have steps on this route, for that reason.

The statement that it is only 400m away from another entrance appears to suggest that it is not necessary; however, you need to measure the total distance back along the track too, not just one side; so if someone is just wanting to get A-B along the trails, you're actually saving them more like a kilometre; plus they get to walk/run in bush rather than up Ashton Fitchett drive.

### **Proposal 3**

Yes, I support proposal 3.

The last part of the climb up to George Denton park from Clinical is a killer, my kids have to push their bikes up there - and the vast majority of people going there would be continuing up to Highbury Fling; so, a connector in the reserve at a more sensible gradient is a great proposal.

As an additional suggestion

It would appear from the aerial photo/map that the proposed trail goes near to a large conifer - given these are introduced species, there is presumably no value to them and an opportunity for removal. I have seen images elsewhere of large tree stumps being chain-saw carved into the shape of a Gruffalo about 3m in height (see examples below). What a great opportunity to do something like this in Polhill; and given it is close to a kids' playground, imagine the adventures of going from the playground into the bush to look for the Gruffalo!! What would it take to get this into the plans?



**Proposal 4**

I am unsure about proposal 4.

I think this proposal should be modified to close the trail below the proposed new descending trail to remove the link to Waimapihi Reserve. However, the bit of the trail between Transient and the new descending trail should be retained for bike use as an additional entrance point for those that want to do shorter loops up Transient and down the new trail without climbing the whole way to the top of Sawmill. It would also allow another entry point that would presumably help with trail building and maintenance.

**Proposal 5**

I am unsure about proposal 5, and offer no comment.

**Which of the following apply to you?**

Biker; Walker; Commuter; Other – use the trails with kids (aged 6 & 2 in this photo taken a year ago).



**Do you use the tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?**

Yes:

I primarily use Polhill for commuting during the week; but at weekends I'll use it for messing around with my kids; or as a connector to the Te Kopahau trails, or Wrights Hill.

I also ride on Mt Vic; Makara Peak Mountain Bike Park; Karori Forest Park; Skyline; and have been to Wainuiomata trail project.

**Any other comments or questions**

1. A proper trail map board at the bottom of Polhill showing the full network (inc. the walking only trails) should be installed so that people can find the trail that best suits their needs.
2. Better signage to direct downhill walkers/runners onto Lower Transient and away from Serendipity, and change status of Serendipity to downhill bike exclusive, would improve safety and should be accepted along with the other proposals.
3. The George Denton trail on the western side of the reserve has confusing signage. In some places, it appears to state downhill biking only; in others, appears to encourage walking. It would benefit from some clarity (and potentially re-alignment of some of the corners and repair of the water ruts to make easier to bike down).
4. A rubbish bin at the bottom of Polhill should be installed, given that there are picnic tables there.

5. A tap (rather than just a water fountain) for filling water bottles would be helpful at the bottom of Polhill.
6. Additional signs at the Karepa St entrance to Transient (at the commuter path) to say all dogs must be on leads; and consideration should be given to the removal of the dog off-leash area at the bottom; given the impact that off leash dogs can have on the fauna.
7. Changing the sign at the end of the Karepa commuter path so that it shows  
“←Aro St (via Transient Trail)  
Aro St (via Mortimer Terrace) →”  
This could avoid the situation that I encountered last year whilst commuting home, where an old man was trying to get to Aro street from Karepa Street, followed the sign which only pointed to the trails and felt lost in the dark with no torch.
8. Allow for shared use of Planet Ride/Backdoor between Transient and the new proposed downhill trail, to enable shorter loops, as per comment on proposal 4.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mount Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments  
reduce conflict

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
make an easier climb

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
it is there if few people use it then it doesn't matter just leave as is.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
they are there leave them be.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
All over town

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A mountain bike priority descend trail will provide a safer, more enjoyable environment. Walkers will be able to walk up transient without fear of riders barrelling into them. While riders will be able to enjoy their descent without having to be overly cautious due to walkers.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All of the tracks in Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is getting so busy, it would be great to relieve pressure.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Will get the bikes out of George Denton Park and making it easier to find your way.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara bike park (biking), Te Ahumairangi (dog walking and biking), Otari Wilton Bush (dog walking), Trellisick Park (dog walking)

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The tracks are such a wonderful asset to Wellington.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

BTB want to build a new 2.5km MTB-only descending track to alleviate the pressure on Transient - this is beneficial to all users. The survey referred to received 866 responses with 76% supporting separation of users and 93% supported another track. Our alignment is preferred as the best long term solution for this area. This route has been blazed and we are confident it is buildable and provides access to scrub land so it can be rehabilitated. We dont not consider there to be any slope stability concerns (there have been no issues along that section of Transient that the new track 'duplicates'. The opening of the tree canopy is not an issue as it is beneficial for introducing diversity.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

BTB does not support this, as it would create two crossings of existing tracks (rather than one), have two difficult hairpin corners to navigate, and be a steeper pinch climb to Ashton Fitchett Drive (on what was part of the Transient track designed as uphill). We gather this route has not been inspected for buildability by WCC. Our alignment (above) should have been inspected prior to this consultation in conjunction with BTB. We offered to do this and consider the 1A proposal as unnecessary and certainly not a good long term solution.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

BTB want to build a new 350m foot traffic-only connector track from 104 Karepa Street to the Planet Ride walking trail. This provides a walking only route through Polhill that links to suburban tracks. The distance to another entry is irrelevant as that entry is multi use. The link will also allow access to Transient for getting gravel into that middle section of upper Transient. Our original masterplan was to make Polhill as accessible as possible with multiple entries to encourage ease of entry by all user types (in this case its non cyclists). The vegetation removal is less than minor (very few trees, if any, are impacted) and most of the alignment is under tree canopy so very few weeds will grow. The majority of the track is on easy side slope so very easy to build - the exception is near Karepa St which may require retaining and screening for adjoining neighbour privacy. WCC has not inspected this route so its view is 'desk' based.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

BTB want to build a new 350m shared use connector trail from the upper Clinical trail to the Highbury Fling trail for improved way finding and utility (an alternative to bypass George Denton Playground, avoid two steep pinch climbs and the road crossing). There is also potential conflict with fast travelling cyclists exiting Rollercoaster. The vegetation removal is less than minor (very few trees, if any, are impacted) and most of the alignment is under tree canopy so very few weeds will grow. WCC has not inspected this route so its view is 'desk' based. BTB has also floated the idea with Polhill Protectors of installing an interpretive area along this track. Currently there is an 'open' area that doubles as a blackberry patch and can be cleared. An adjoining large pine tree (BTB offered to have it removed but WCC is happy for it to stay) can be used for Tieke nesting boxes that Polhill Protectors are considering installing in that general area.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

BTB neither agree nor disagree with removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient (but note it can be a useful access route for tree planting and predator trapping). It can stay in its current form (without steps) as it has worked adequately for the last 15 years. It provides a different style of use for those that want a steeper 'tramping' track. If WCC no longer want to maintain it then walking groups could be encouraged to adopt it.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No

Unsure

#### Why/other comments

BTB neither agree nor disagree with removing the Ashton Fitchett Street 60m steps onto Transient (but appreciate these steps are well-used by runners/walkers etc).

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All tracks within cycling distance of Wgtn CBD.

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Any other comments or questions?

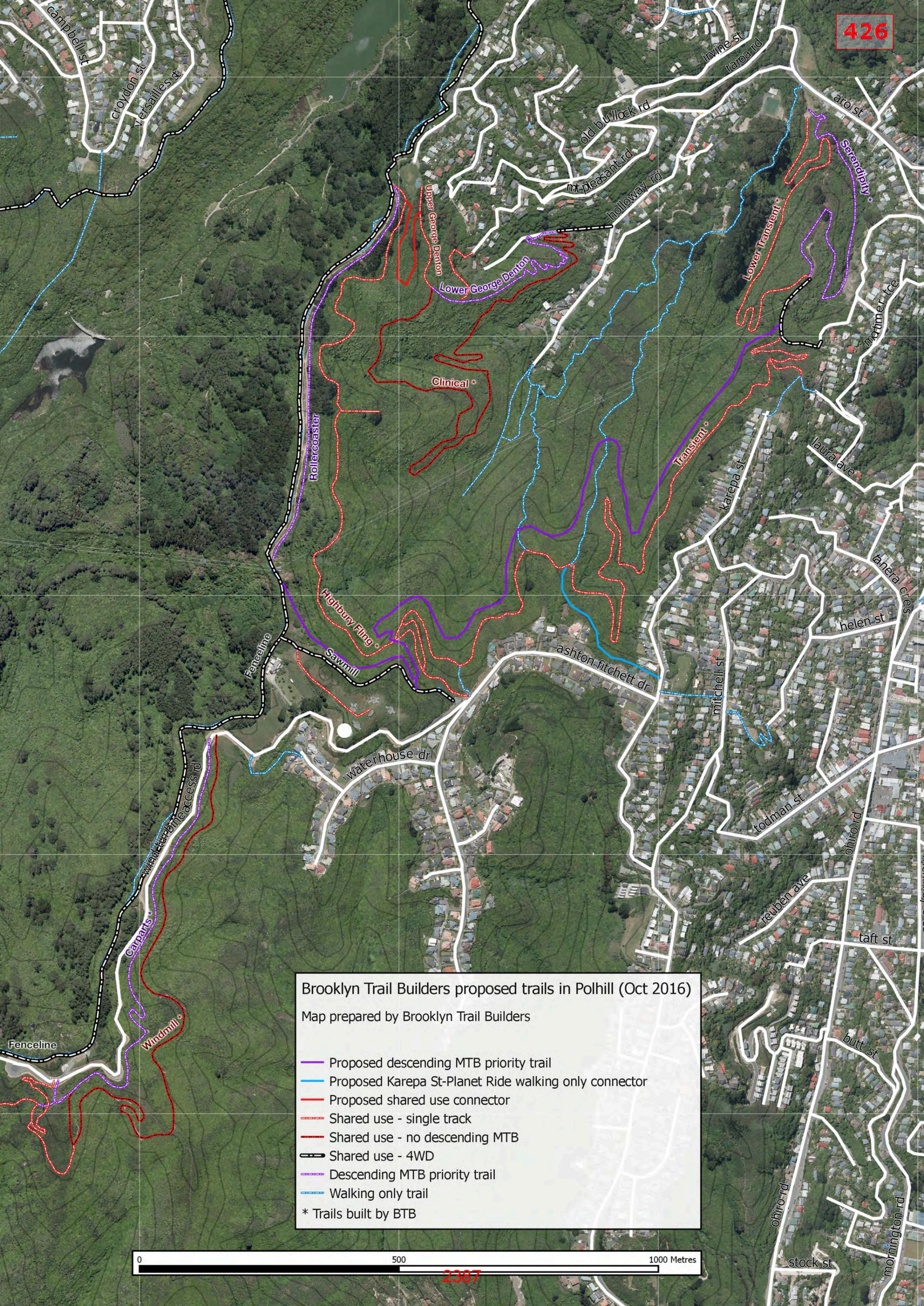
#### Comments

We agree that consultation is appropriate. We consider that taking 4 years to consult on Proposal 1 is punitive on a volunteer group that has an MOU with WCC and, arguably, has the same high level objectives as WCC. We do not think that the officers report was balanced (ie it was biased against the track) and BTB repeatedly attempted to get them to adopt a neutral considered position (we had limited success with this). We do not think WCC got value for money (tens of thousands of dollars?) for running the various consultations. We are keen to assist with improving communications on future track developments elsewhere in Wellington City.

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#### Attached Documents

File
Polhill consultation for 3 new tracks
Polhill proposed tracks Oct 2016
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**Brooklyn Trail Builders proposed trails in Polhill (Oct 2016)**  
 Map prepared by Brooklyn Trail Builders

- Proposed descending MTB priority trail
- Proposed Karepa St-Planet Ride walking only connector
- Proposed shared use connector
- - - Shared use - single track
- Shared use - no descending MTB
- - - Shared use - 4WD
- - - Descending MTB priority trail
- - - Walking only trail

\* Trails built by BTB

0 500 1000 Metres

## Polhill consultation on new tracks

Brooklyn Trail Builders (BTB) is a community volunteer group that has been building and maintaining trails, planting trees, and removing rubbish in Polhill for the last decade. BTB has won several awards, the most recent being the 2016 Wellington Community Award winner for Sport and Leisure.

The 15 kilometres of hand built trails in the Polhill and Hawkins Hill are some of the most popular trails in Wellington. The Polhill trails have been used by the Polhill Restoration group, who have set up a pest control network to protect the spill-over of rare birds from Zealandia next door. Due to its close proximity to the city centre, walkers, runners, commuters, mountainbikers and bird watchers now use these trails extensively.

BTB thinks it's great that the trails are so popular with a variety of users. We love seeing walkers and runners as well as mountain bikers using these trails, but this means that the traffic has increased to a point where trail user experience and enjoyment – the reason people go into the green hills of Wellington – is being seriously affected.

We believe the existing trail network cannot sustain the current (and ever-growing) numbers of users and action is required to mitigate the current issues it faces. This need was illustrated by the number of submissions highlighting concerns about the busyness of the area made to Wellington City Council (WCC) in the recent Open Spaces Access Plan.

BTB proposes three trails to improve user experience and safety in Polhill.

1. A mountainbike priority descending trail, 2.5 kilometres in length. Grade intermediate. (Purple solid line on map).
2. A foot traffic only connection from Karepa St to Planet Ride trail - Planet Ride is a walking only trail. (Blue solid line on map).
3. A two-way multi-user 350m connector trail from near the top of Clinical, connecting to Highbury Fling. (Red solid line on map).
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These proposals are described in more detail below. BTB has no additional trail proposals for this area for the next five-ten years.

### 1. Build a mountainbike priority descending trail, 2.5 kilometres in length.

**Graded intermediate, it descends from the Fence line 4WD track to the lower Transient trail.** Description: Descending from the Fence line 4WD track (near pylon) to Transient trail (near pylon above Durham St). The trail will be intermediate-grade, incorporating 'flow' so it is a fun experience to ensure it becomes the preferred descending route. It will also incorporate occasional very short 'alternative' or harder lines which will suit more advanced riders and again make them want to descend this trail rather than Transient.

#### Why is it needed?

This would remove descending mountainbikers from the upper two thirds of Transient trail, thereby reducing congestion and improving the experience for both directions for walkers and runners and uphill mountainbikers.

Issue/ Opportunity	Commentary	Mitigation
a. Volume of use	Total usage is about 100,000 pa on Transient with a 50/50 split between cyclist/non cyclist. Users trips are generally interrupted so enjoyment of trails/environment is compromised.	Provide additional trail to reduce volume of usage on Transient.
b. User conflict	The electronic counter show that most cyclists are descending, while non-cyclists are ascending. This gives the most potential for conflict, especially on some of the blind corners.	Provide a separate descending trail to reduce conflict and improve enjoyment for all users.
c. MTB descending expectation	There is already a mountainbike priority descending trail above Transient in Te Kopahou Reserve (Carparts trail). There's also another mountainbike priority descending trail for the lower 1km of Transient (Serendipity trail). The proposed new trail would provide continuity of riding experience between these. Currently mountainbikers move between priority and shared use trails which is confusing, and lessens the user's experience.	Provide a continuous priority mountain bike trail so rider (and non-rider) expectation is consistent.
d. Shared trail principle	BTB generally agree with the principle of shared trail use. However, the very high user numbers on Transient compromises the experience of all users and hence, is no longer a valid design model.	The model of having two parallel, 'paired trails', with one for ascending and another for descending, is a model that already works well in this area (the Windmill and Carparts trails in Te Kopahou, and Serendipity and lower Transient in Polhill). Paired trails start and finish at the same point, so no user group is excluded from the area but removes the fastest traffic from slower users.
e. Trail closure for events	Users are excluded when events are being held, e.g. running or mountain biking events close trails.	Building paired trails means Polhill can remain more accessible during events.
f. Future trails further south, e.g. Te Kopahou	BTB is keen to work with WCC to develop trails further south (subject to master planning and consultation). Polhill is the obvious 'gateway' to the South Coast and needs a complete trail network to meet future demand. The envisaged new trails could complete a 42 kilometre loop from Aro St, which would allow walkers, runners and mountainbikers into areas of Te Kopahou currently inaccessible to them. It would also allow access for tree planting, pest control and be a tourist drawcard.	Complete the trail network with paired trails that provides the foundation to meet future demand.

g. Flora impact	The trail will require the removal of some trees and the benching of a narrow trail. Bush is regenerating from farmland and currently has limited diversity with low ecological value, and the first part of the trail descends through large areas of weeds.	Longer term, the trails will improve the flora of Polhill and will provide access to previously inaccessible areas for planting native trees. BTB will maintain all trails and remove weeds. All waterways will be protected from debris or sediment.
h. Fauna impact	Additional trail will negatively impact on birds etc.	Trails have allowed for closer identification and monitoring of rare birds, which often nest in very steep bush. No studies have been carried out but saddleback have chosen to nest next to trails with chicks successfully fledged. With the trails providing access to place traps and plant trees, on balance, we think the environmental impact is acceptable.
i. Cost	Concern that an additional trail will be a drain on ratepayers.	The trail will be built by volunteers and BTB is prepared to build and maintain this trail at no cost to WCC. If WCC wish to contribute to costs, then this can be discussed.
j. Safety	What about where the descending trail crosses other tracks? Can trails be made safer?	Design features at trail intersections, including good sight lines, will reduce speed and ensure safety of users. At trail exit onto 4WD (near Durham St) a 30m section of trail will be built to separate uphill and downhill traffic where it crosses a blind dip.
k. Impact on residential areas	How will the new mountain bike trail impact on residents in this area	The exit of this trail onto the 4WD Transient ensures there is no change to overall rider flow and use in Polhill. Accordingly, residents in this area will be unaffected.

- Once the proposed priority downhill trail is completed, BTB envisages very little downhill mountainbike use on upper Transient.
- Mountainbikers accessing the trail network and descending from Karepa St will still need to ride down Transient until they reach Serendipity.
- The lower one kilometre of Transient will still be used by beginner and some intermediate mountainbikers as the corresponding parallel priority downhill trail, Serendipity, has four short sections of advanced riding.

Currently Transient has an electronic counter. If this trail is consented and built, BTB asks WCC to install a corresponding electronic counter towards the bottom of it. It, along with the counter on Transient, will give invaluable information on user type, direction and numbers and the changes that have occurred. This information may then be used to help other busy trail areas meet their increased usage in the future.

## 2. Foot traffic only connector trail

Description: A 350m connector from 104 Karepa St to Planet Ride walking trail.

**Why is it needed?** This will provide another entry to Polhill Reserve and a link with existing suburban Brooklyn walking routes. It would connect with the existing Planet Ride walking track to provide a seamless foot traffic only route through the middle of Polhill, connecting upper Brooklyn with Aro St. It will then be possible for walkers and runners to ascend and descend Polhill and only encounter mountainbikers at trail intersections.

This proposed trail passes very close to houses near the road. Consultation re privacy or other screening may be needed between WCC land and house owners. Costs incurred by WCC in building this track include retaining in two areas and gravelling. BTB will build the rest of the trail by hand.

BTB proposes that the name of the trail Planet Ride be changed. It is also known as Backdoor but BTB suggests that Planet Walk might work.

## 3. Shared use connector trail

Description: A 350m connector from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail (both shared use trails) that 'by-passes' George Denton playground.

**Why is it needed?** At present, trail users climbing the top of the Clinical trail to George Denton Park face a steep, increasingly rutted pinch climb just before the playground. If they then re-enter Polhill they have to cross a public road for another pinch climb, leading up to Highbury Fling. These climbs are inconsistently steep, compared with the gradients of Clinical and Highbury Fling trails. Users also need to avoid traffic on the end of Highbury Road and any fast travelling cyclists descending the Rollercoaster trail. Way finding through the playground is challenging. A new connector removes the above issues while still maintaining the current circular route around the Reserve.

No costs to WCC. Built through areas of regenerating bush.

### **Build philosophy** (for WCC and may not be needed in public consultation document)

The trails will be built following the principles of International Mountain Bicycling Association (IMBA), which has at its core an emphasis on minimising trail construction in a natural environment. IMBA's philosophy includes working with the natural environment, with the trail moving above and under large trees and other natural 'anchors.' It is for this reason that BTB hand build trails and use as much rock dug from the slope as possible to naturally 'armour' the trail.

The biggest risk to a trail is erosion by water and we will incorporate IMBA's ideas of a low overall grade of descent, outslope and regular grade reversals to quickly remove water from the trail surface.

**Track Assessment** (for WCC and may not be needed in public consultation document)

It was suggested in the meeting with WCC to discuss this project that we look at the Track Assessment as outlined in WCC's Open Spaces Access Plan. Hence it is included and our response is bolded.

5.4 Track assessment • Shared-use tracks are preferred within the open space network to optimise usage rates. However, where there are safety issues or major conflict between users, for example fast bikes and walkers and /or runners, tracks may be prioritised for certain activities.

**BTB believes the proposed priority mountainbike descending trail is needed to improve safety and mitigate conflict. We wish it to be one direction only, with a sign at the bottom forbidding all uphill traffic.**

- In considering the suitability of developing a new track or changing the use of existing tracks, the following criteria will be taken into account.

Environmental impact – tracks must be well planned and maintained, taking into consideration priorities and actions to protect and restore biodiversity in accordance with Our Natural Capital. For tracks in ecologically significant sites, there are important design considerations that need to be taken into account.

**Rare birdlife is spreading into Polhill from the nearby Zealandia Sanctuary. These birds are spreading into regenerating bush, into an area that already has trails built. We believe our trail building techniques (narrow and hand built) will mitigate any adverse effects and our planting of trees and removal of weeds will improve the habitat and biodiversity of this area in the long-term.**

- Protect prime bush remnants – **There are no prime bush remnants in Polhill.**
- Protect significant trees – **Polhill is dominated by mahoe, a tree that is essential for regeneration but not a tree of final bush maturity. Trees of 'note' will be avoided, these include rewarewa and other important regenerating trees. The most common tree to be removed is mahoe, karo and pittosporum.**
- Keep track development at an appropriate distance from the stream channel to avoid negative impacts, for example through sedimentation. **One stream will be crossed and barricades will be erected to stop debris from trail building entering stream. The trail alignment will also meet and leave the stream area as soon as able, keeping in mind trail gradient.**
- Keep the tree canopy intact and not create canopy gaps – this can be accomplished through good track design. **Trail will be hand built and a narrow intermediate trail. This means most large trees, close to the trail, will be kept. The trail has to "work" for descending mountain bikers, ie, it has to have flow and hence trees that impede this will be removed.**
- Ensure that soil disturbance is minimised. Regardless of whether a site is ecologically significant, any track development should minimise disruption to the natural environment. **Trail will be hand built and broadcasting of dirt away from the trail will occur. This ensures no piles of dirt on the outside of trail that can encourage weed growth. When passing over large trees, wooden retaining will be used in**

appropriate places to raise the trail height, hence leaving more large roots undisturbed and removing less soil. The resulting 'bump' not only protects the trees but is a feature liked by mountainbikers. Cut trees will also be removed from the trail side.

Draft Open Space Access plan 2016 13 - User group conflict – A track is unsuitable for shared use when conflict between users can't be mitigated. - Public safety – Speed of travel must be controlled for safe, shared use of tracks. For example, bike speeds may be slowed using track construction methods such as tight corners, or "switchbacks", and reverse gradient designs. **As discussed above, the proposed trail is as a result of these factors.**

**The second proposal, a connector from Kerapa St to Planet Ride trail is also a response to trail conflict and user experience. It allows for a foot traffic only route from the bottom to the top of Polhill.**

5.5 Walking, running and mountain biking/cycling Tracks are open to walkers, runners and mountain bikers/cyclists unless declared closed for a specific purpose in accordance with this policy. The Council intends that use of the majority of tracks is shared between bikers, walkers and runners. In particular, easy mountain bike tracks and connector tracks are well suited as shared-use tracks. Opportunities to increase the number of these tracks may be investigated as new initiatives through the draft annual plan process. **The third trail proposal, a connection between upper Clinical trail and Highbury Fling trail, fulfils this approach.**

**Users groups**

- Friends of Town Belt
- Wellington Mountain Bike Club
- Makara Peak Supporters
- Dirt Merchants
- Wellington Marathon Clinic
- Wellington Harriers
- Brooklyn Residents Assoc
- Highbury Residents
- Aro Valley Residents
- Waimapihi Restoration Group
- Polhill Protectors Group
- Active to Brooklyn (A2B)
- Adjoining residents (only that are close to the 104 Karepa entry)
- Wellington Trails Trust
- Welly MTB Facebook forum
- Garage Project
- Wellington Runner's Meetup Group
- Revolve
- WORD -Wellington off road Department
- Brooklyn School
- Port Nicholson Ponoke Cycle Club

'Misinformation' about the trails we are proposing to build has occurred in social media. Some FAQ's that may be considered.

**Will this new mountainbike track be detrimental to walkers and other users in Polhill?**

The purpose of this trail is to remove descending mountain bikers from Transient, a very busy trail, thereby improving the experience for walkers, runners and commuters in both directions and for uphill mountainbikers.

**Is this a new type of downhill and fast trail for mountainbikers in Polhill?**

No. It is designed to complement the trails that already exist in Polhill, it will be of intermediate grade, narrow and twisty, and designed to control bike rider speed.

**Are mountainbikers trying to turn Polhill into a mountainbike park?**

No. Brooklyn Trial Builders are a trail building group, we want walkers and runners to use the trails as much as mountainbikers. The second proposal for a foot traffic only trail to access the area, is proof of this.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As both a mountain bike rider and dog walker I have thought long and hard before objecting to this new downhill priority track. Last Sunday I walked the length of Transient from Ashton Fitchett Drive to Aro Street with my wife and our 2 dogs. During our downhill walk between 10am and 11am we encountered 17 bike riders going up, 5 bikers going down 5 runners all going up and 2 walkers going up. All of the cyclists bar one 11 year old rider were very courteous and either stopped or slowed down to allow us to pass. Accepting that this in only a 1 hour survey in winter I still struggle to believe there are more riders going down than going up. During the week commuter cyclists will mainly ride down in the morning and up in the evening. The Brooklyn Trail Builders state that the total usage is about 100,000 per year with a 50:50 split between cyclist and non-cyclist. The Council survey only records 65,699 users per year. I have ridden Transient many times and rarely encounter many walkers especially on the section from Karepa St to Aro St. There are alternative more direct walking tracks and most walkers including myself use the walking tracks. I am also conscious that the Polhill Reserve is adjacent to Zealandia and believe we should be encouraging new bird life to establish in the Reserve. Cutting new tracks will not achieve this objective. The proposed 2.5 kilometre downhill bike track will destroy about 4,000 square metres of native bush which I find unacceptable. I therefore agree with the Council officers recommendation that the ecological values of Polhill Reserve should take precedence over adding new tracks. The submission from Brooklyn Trail Builders shows a desire for several new tracks but has not in my view demonstrated that the tracks are needed or necessary. The existing shared tracks work well for me both as a dog walker or mountain bike rider. I also agree that new tracks are more appropriately constructed in less ecologically sensitive areas such as Te Kopahou Reserve, Mount Victoria, Tinakori Hill and Makara Peak Mountain Bike Park.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not support the construction of any new tracks in this reserve.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As outlined in proposal 1 I do not support the construction of new tracks in this reserve. Also the proposed start point in Karepa Street has very limited parking compared to Ashton Fitchett Drive. There is a very steep drop in contours from Karepa Street into the reserve which also makes this route unsuitable for walkers. The new proposed walking track will be close to existing houses and may have consenting issues and also require significant retaining walls.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Again I do not support the construction of new tracks in this Reserve. As a mountain bike rider the comments by Brooklyn Trail Riders trying to justify this new route do not ring true with me. I regularly ride this route from the Highbury Fling in the down hill direction. There is no clash with down hill traffic on the roller coaster as the track is a wide 4WD track at the end. There is no traffic conflict at the end of Highbury Road as it is a quiet dead end street with very little traffic. Route finding across the small playground is straightforward but could be improved with a couple of signs rather than a new track. Again Brooklyn Trial Builders have expressed a desire for a new track with no evidence in my opinion of a genuine need.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This is an existing walking track. Although I do not personally use it I fail to see why it should be removed. Surely if we are providing facilities for both walkers and cyclists we should keep existing tracks.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

#### Why/other comments

I regularly use these steps as a dog walker to gain access to Transient. There is always good parking available adjacent to this track. Although the steps are steep they are perfectly adequate as a handrail is provided. There used to be no steps here but about 10 years ago when walking with my sister-in-law she fell over descending the track on a steep grass bank while carrying her 18 month old son in a backpack. He broke his leg from this fall. I raised the matter with Council and shortly afterwards the steps were constructed. As these steps provide good access for walkers to the upper section of Transient I can see no good reason to delete it

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mount Victoria, Tinakori Hill, Wiltons Bush, Mount Kau Kau, Mount Albert

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

As a recreational mountain bike rider and dog walker I have never experienced congestion or conflict when riding or walking Transient. I do not see the need for any new tracks in this ecologically sensitive reserve. The existing shared walking and cycling tracks work well in my opinion. I have yet to encounter any loss of experience or enjoyment as suggested by Brooklyn Trail Builders.

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

this would make transient much safer for everyone, as it is a very busy track used by a lot of people.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be very steep and have difficult hair pins

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
makara peak tinakori hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The present situation creates risk for walkers, runners and uphill cyclists using Transient. A bike descent priority trail will remove this risk, make Transient a lot safer and add to all users enjoyment.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I think either option 1 or 1a would be fine.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes great sense to connect with an existing walking track to provide a through route between Brooklyn and Aro St.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Such a track would be a nice to have in the long term but I don't think it's necessary. Opposition to these track developments will focus on damage to vegetation and disturbance to wildlife so it's probably best to minimise construction in close proximity to Zealandia. The present tracks in this area are adequate.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not much point continuing to maintain such a track. People who like using it will continue to do so whether it's maintained or not.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unnecessary with the addition of a new walking track between Karepa St and Transient.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Nature enthusiast.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Tracks in most reserve areas in the Greater Wellington region.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I think this is a fantastic proposal and will really enhance both the cycling and walking experience in the Polhill Reserve. It's a huge benefit for Wellington having fantastic mountain biking trails easily accessible from the CBD. Although we already have designated MTB Parks at Makara Peak, Wainuiomata, Belmont Regional Park and Colonial Knob these are not easily accessed from the CBD without vehicle transport - many short stay visitors don't have such transport. I don't think the negative effects including vegetation loss and habitat disturbance are significant. These impacts will be localised and can be adequately managed.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As discussed at the Drop In Centre at Brooklyn Community Centre on 14 June we oppose the proposed Karepa Street connector trail for the following reasons: Our major concerns are for our safety and security plus the removal of existing trees from a reserve when there is already an entrance to the reserve trails a short distance away. The concept walkway extension compromises our privacy and security because it is too close to our nearly 1100 sq. metres property which is

40% (approx.) covered in bush. Your brochure picture is misleading as it looks like part of our section is in the reserve. The proposed path is actually extremely close to our boundary, which like the majority of impacted sections backing onto the reserve, is not fenced off. A real concern is the walkway will provide those with criminal intent secluded access to our property via our paths which, as stated above, are very close to the proposed walkway. It will also make our property vulnerable to strangers wondering around and uncontrolled dogs roaming around our open property. We bought the property based on the adjoining area being reserve and retained the bush area on our section to integrate into our garden with paths, seating and a hammock area. Development continues. Our section is actively used, including by many children who visit us. Currently we consider the area very safe but the proposed changes would greatly impact on how we could use our property due to these safety and privacy concerns. Furthermore, the closure of a the existing access way in Ashton Fitchett Drive, which necessitates the removal of trees in a reserve to create a replacement access way from Karepa Street, appears contrary to the national focus on maintaining a green environment.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:  
Property owner

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

An additional descending track with mountain bike priority will enhance the network and separate different trial user groups. The addition of this track is welcome but it is incorrect to say it will remove descending mtbs from upper two thirds of Transient as some bike users may still elect to use the existing shared use track however i would expect these number to be vastly reduced. Provides flexibility to track network.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

While this would create another track crossing, all crossings occur within close proximity of one another and would already be an area which mtb users should proceed with caution. If feasible, the track could be widened, passing lanes etc in this section to reduce conflict and impact of this proposal.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The climb to George Denton Park is steep and narrow for the short section and an alternative option would be welcome to bike users, nearby residences and users of the park as bike users would bypass this area.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Preference to retain existing steps access. Maintenance could be undertaken by supporters of the Polhill reserve.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Red rocks, Maraka, Mt Vic, Miramar, Wainui, Belmont Mtb trial networks.

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**Antoinette Bliss**

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**Subject:** FW: Submission not working

**Importance:** High

**From:** Jill Ford [<mailto:jill.ford1@gmail.com>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, 28 June 2017 10:00 p.m.

**To:** BUS: polhill

**Subject:** Submission not working

Hi

Just spent ages reading documents and making submission but submission didnt go through.

I totally support development of new track and proposal 3 - So it is better, safer and less technical connection., plus removal of steps at Ashton Fitchett.

A- I use all tracks in Wgtn region. I am currently in UK but returning later this year. I have been involved with MTB since knobbly tyres came out! I used to run but injuries prevent me from this hence I cycle

MTB internationally and in NZ is growing fast, in many countries and in places like Taupo, Rotorua there are separate tracks for walkers, MTB etc. There is already a walkers only track on Polhill which would easily enable Transient and this new track to be MTB only. Separation makes for more pleasant experience for everyone. And needs to be considered for all popular tracks built for MTB in the region.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much most MTB tracks in Wellington and Hutt Valley.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

It's a wonderful spot for riders and walker/runners. Having a dedicated downhill bike track off Transient will improve things out of sight.

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Attached Documents

File
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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The tracks in Polhill are very well used and this could help reduce user conflict and risk of incidents between mountain biking, walkers and runners on what are now very narrow tracks. However it will cause yet more fragmentation of the habitat for tieke and other birds which are an absolute treat for people recreating in the reserve. I am not convinced that the proposal is a sustainable solution for this steep terrain.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The main concern is that there would be a steeper climb onto Ashton Fitchett Drive. However this track is a descending one so why is an ascent an issue? This option would mean less removal of vegetation on what is a very erodible slope.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

I would like to see the current steps upgraded rather than create a whole new track that would mean even more removal of vegetation in the headwaters of another stream.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This creates more fragmentation of the habitat close to Zealandia. I often see a lot of birdlife in this area including saddlebacks and this could disturb them further.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would help support native bird habitat in the reserve and it is hardly ever used.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I sometimes use these steps to get to Transient and down to Planet Ride. They provide good access but they are not well designed (high risers and shallow depth). They should ideally be upgraded and properly maintained.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

East Harbour northern forest Belmont Regional Park 2412 Queen Elizabeth Park

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I agree with the officer assessment that there are too many tracks on Ashton Fitchett Dr side of Polhill. I would like to see the tracks rationalised as this fragmentation demonstrates unsustainable track design in this type of terrain. I would also like to see surface upgrades to the current Planet Ride walking track to make that more accessible to walkers. It has degraded a huge amount over time. This could help with further separation of walkers and bikers.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Take pressure off existing trail and better accomodate increasing demand

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Mount Victoria Makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

It is important Wellington meets the huge demand for improved cycling and mountain biking opportunities to make this a more liveable city

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Reduce user conflict between descending mountain bikers and uphill/pedestrian traffic

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposed changes to the track design would make the track less effective, creating awkward turns, track crossings and pinch climbs

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Creating a walking only route through the reserve would also reduce potential for conflict between cycle and pedestrian traffic

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would create continuous loop within the reserve on more consistent gradients and avoid the need for cyclists to cross the playground area

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not familiar with this track so have no opinion

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Again, not familiar with this section, so no opinion

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Use cycling and running trails all around the city, particularly Mt Vic, Makara Peak, South coast trails and Mirimar for cycling, Mt Vic, Southern Walkway, City to Sea walkway for running

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

MCG support the proposal for a new descending trail because we believe there is too much pressure on Transient. Transient has a lot of blind bends and steep pinches, which makes conflict inevitable as a dual direction trail and even more so that it is multi use. Creating a one way system is the best option, which will see significantly reduced conflict and a major increase in safety.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

MCG do not support this alteration to the Brooklyn Trail Builders design because it creates extra unnecessary trail intersections. Extra trail intersections are always worth avoiding so that navigation can be kept as simple as possible. If there were more intersections, it would see more chance for conflict and collisions. This is also the most trail user centric (both people walking and on bikes) approach.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

This would create a more direct link for people walking or running. It would let Transient and the new descent be a full loop and let residents on Ash Fitchett commute to town without having to travel to the top of the one way system to start descending down.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This piece of trail makes a lot of sense, making the Polhill loop easier to navigate will improve user experience, especially if people are from out of town.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

There is no real need to close the track as such, it seems to get very low use, and it doesn't seem to need much work to maintain it to its current state.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

There is no real need to remove these steps unless significant dollars were needed to keep the stairs safe, and if so don't close the steps until they are in the state of repair.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Probably easier to ask which ones we don't. People like variety, and everyone lives somewhere different.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

MCG identifies the new descent is a must for the reserve to keep up with the already significant and ever increasing user numbers and to improve their user experience. The initial impact that the new trail would have on the environment would be less than minor. Canopy opening is a very short term issue that rapidly improves as the trees grow into the light well. If you look at most of transient, it is under canopy and the bits that aren't are areas where gorse has been removed and the natives seem to be starting to close in on these areas. It is worth noting that most of the reserve is low value regenerating Mahoe with small remnants of higher value natives. The Brooklyn Trail Builders can complete this work while maintaining an overall positive net conservation value and significantly improving the user experience for people on foot, people on bikes and the birds that will thrive off the higher value plants that can be planted with trail access. Lastly we would like to believe that extra bird disturbances would be less than minor because once the descending only trail is built, Transient would become ascending only. This would reduce the disturbance in wildlife on Transient immensely with each trail effectively receiving half the traffic because of users doing a loop (rather than an 'out and back' which obviously disturbs the birds far more frequently).

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As a walker, runner and bike rider I support this proposal. Since the Brooklyn Trail Builders created Transient it has become really popular with bikers, runners and walkers. I often find myself not using this trail because of the potential issues around meeting other users in this area. I have looked at the the mitigation effects contained in BTB's proposals and agree with these. I think the environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, and note that the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve. I also would like to commend the work that BTB have done in terms of planting and trapping in Polhill. They have significantly enhanced this environment, along with other community groups, since putting trails in. I think that the concept that trails might have a negative impact on the environment is unfounded. Clearly there are lots of trails in Zealandia and this is not seen as being negative.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Option 1 is significantly better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for me when I am walking. I often walk through the reserve and this is a good linkage to Brooklyn.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling. I am surprised that this was never done as part of the original work building Clinical. I often run this loop and it will be cool to be able to do it without having to exit out of the reserve.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. This should be kept.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I believe the WCC officers are best placed to judge the merits of this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wrights Hill, Te Ahumairangi (walking), Mt Victoria, Miramar Peninsula, Johnsons Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

This is a great initiative. Trails are the thing that connect our community to our environment. I know that personally becoming an active user of the trails in and around Wellington has seen my interest in enhancing and protecting these environments has grown. Therefore I think that continuing to provide trails to help people use and enjoy areas like Polhill can only be good for these environments. I would like to take this opportunity to thank WCC and BTB for the work they have done to date on these areas.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

My friends and I walk up through Polhill regularly. We often meet bikes and while the people riding them are friendly, it forever gives us a bit of a fright. It is hard enough walking the dog (on the lead), and talking to friends, without having the extra complication of having to always be looking for bikes. I noticed that when they opened up a new trail near the bottom of Transient that all the descending bikes simply disappeared. I guess that this is because it is more fun for them to go down the other trail. It would be great if this also happens as a result of building this new trail. I was interested to see that it looks like the trail called Transient was built by volunteers who are bikers (BTB?). I always thought WCC did this. These BTB people should get a recognition for the great work they have done.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I think the first option looks better.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This gives us another way to walk up to Brooklyn. We have friends from up there who often join us for walks.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

We also walk across Highbury Fling and then out on to the road and park, before going down Clinical. Having a linking trail is far better as then we won't have to leave the reserve.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I have walked on this track. I am not sure why WCC would want to remove a walking track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I am aware that there are some steps, but don't use them.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

We have met the trail people in this area when they have been trapping pests. This is incredible that these volunteers do all this work restoring this environment. Since they put the trails in here we have started using this area more, and it is awesome. Another trail will make it safer and more enjoyable to walk here.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Because I don't want to hurt walkers or myself and there and would love to see another tack on the hill

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I would rather transient be for riders only

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makra peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Would love to see polhill mad safer for both walkers and riders

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

it would remove the congestion on transient, and improve the reserve for all users

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

another walking route would be great, make for more interesting loop walks in the Area

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

would improve the flow of the trails considerably

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

it is too steep in its current form

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

doesn't bother me either way as i tend not to use them .

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

There is regularly dogs being exercised off lead in the Reserve. This can be off putting, and is surely not good for the birdlife in the area

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

makara, karitane and mount vic, plus walking tracks all over Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It is clear that these trails have answered a need within the community from Mtbers, Runners and Walkers alike. What is becoming clear is that due to their popularity, a two way track will lead to a degraded experience for all. When mountain bikers are climbing, they do so at a similar speed to runners and walkers, sometimes even getting overtaken by the runners. The speed differential is low, the risk of conflict is also low. But the reality is that bikes can travel faster downhill. Even when used in full control. It is safer for all to seperate the users. It is worth noting that the current trail is narrow and it is very hard for mountain bikers and walkers to pass each other, or make room for oncoming traffic, it is even harder for uphill mountain bikers to make space for down hill mountain bikers. Given the narrow trail and the exposure in places, it is only a matter of time before someone has a major fall off the side of the track. This would be mitigated by a seperate trail.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would create a degraded experience for Mountain Bikers.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

In high use areas, separation of users is entirely appropriate. I support dual use trails as much as possible where there is light and moderate use. But in this case this is a very high use area.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Excellent idea. Currently the only way is to come out to George Denton park at a playground, whilst this option should be retained, there is no need to put traffic that would prefer to stay on the trail network out into this area.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It is not required, and is of very poor design. Steep tracks like this are unsustainable in the long term as they get highly rutted.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Steps block trail users of all types, whether they be wheeled users such as bikes, prams and wheel chairs.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

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- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar Cenntenial Reserve, Mt Victoria, Makara Peak, Wright's Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea! Can't happen soon enough

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

But only on the condition that it be built by the walkers that want it.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It's not hurting anyone. Leave it be

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much all the mtb ones

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Cheers WCC

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be a huge improvement to the park for all users.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

User of all major biking areas in greater wellington region

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Safer for all trail users

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Consider that fewer intersections provide a safer option, with less likelihood of collisions between various users at intersections.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
This would be great

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Haven't used this track

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
In my experience, these are quite well used.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most other intermediate/advanced Mt Bike tracks within Wellington, regularly use walking tracks within the town belt, including Mt Albert area.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Strongly support this proposal as it will benefit all existing users of the trails. The tracks on Polhill Reserve have been hugely successful and a testimony to what the community, led by mountain bikers, can achieve. But the network is incomplete and desperately needs a descending trail for mountain bikers to use. Runners, walkers and riders on the existing trails will benefit from this important project.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great idea to decommission trails that are not being used. Happy to come and help plant this one out!

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good idea as they appear to be used very frequently and are an eyesore and a potential liability unless they are better maintained.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

I use the reserve on a regular basis both in foot and on my bike.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria and Miramar / Centennial Reseve

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As predominantly a runner within the reserve now, Transient has become an incredibly busy 2 way track. Removing some of the users from the track will help make using track a much more enjoyable experience for all users. As a mountain biker, whilst it's easy for runners and walkers to move aside for others, it's no so much for cyclists. I HATE riding in Polhill reserve due to the extreme level of caution required in being vigilant of other trail users. Allowing cyclists a trail where they have priority will increase the enjoyment for mountain bikers exponentially.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Brooklyn Trail Builders have done an amazing job with trail designs so far. I'd be reluctant to alter their designs as it may mean a less than desirable outcome in trail design, and therefore a reluctance from mountain bikers to use the council design. Although proposal 1A may mean less vegetation removal, if it means fewer people use the trail then it makes the initial removal of vegetation less worth it.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Encouraging more users into the reserve by making it more accessible is sensible. What purpose is a Town Belt if it is not for the enjoyment of the citizens it serves?

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good idea to remove bikes from the playground.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mostly as a runner and rider across all of the Southern and Western Town and Outer Green belt trails. Rider in Centennial Reserve in Miramar. **2445**

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Best option!

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:  
Person

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar, Makara, Skyline, WTP

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes I do. The track is a great idea

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

To reduce risk of collision between trail users

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Most of other tracks in Wellington for running and mountain biking

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Removes clash between walkers and mountain bikers and mountain bikers meeting head on.  
Bottom one way track has achieved this and added considerable amenity to mountain bikers and walkers alike.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Added amenity for walkers

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Agree on safety grounds and balances to a point reduction in bush for the other tracks.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara But I am a regular user of Polhill reserve.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will improve safety and the overall experience for users including ascending bikers, walkers & runners on Transient. Trails right from the CBD are the cornerstone of Wellington's differentiation as an MTB destination. Polhill's trails are critical to live up to this positioning. These trails are significant economic and lifestyle reputation profile drivers for Wellington but some managed expansion is necessary. Existing trails in Wellington region, which are more relevant than the reports used in WCC's AEE, show that the suggested negative impacts have been overstated. Provided there is a well-informed trail specification developed and WCC have good project oversight in close partnership with BTB, the impacts will be minor and effective mitigations can be put in place. 'The Doctor' trail in Colonial Knob Scenic Reserve has had to open canopy much more than what is proposed on Polhill (because of removal of exotics). With limited volunteer hand-weeding control the level of natural regeneration is spectacular and has been complimented by some volunteer native planting. Bird activity is also equally as positive here as in other untouched parts of the reserve. It is notable that one of the most vocal opponents to MTB trails bases their argument on bike bird-scare and yet at the same time states she takes her dog through the Polhill reserve trails. Dogs are significant bird-scarers so her argument lacks any credibility. I believe Brooklyn Trail Builders have removed a lot more pest plants than any trail-side invasion that has occurred, especially where the trail is in double-overhead scrub. The net vegetation result is positive. Walkers already have a vast number of priority access and exclusive access trails. MTB is a much faster-growing recreational pursuit by residents and visitors so this proposal represents appropriate council response to stakeholder demand. The project represents excellent leverage of council resource with a community group to attract volunteer, charitable and corporate support for asset construction, maintenance and ecological restoration. This degree of opportunity has not been presented by the walking and running sectors (notwithstanding that many of the MTB supporters of this project are also runners and walkers.) Counter-arguments by individuals

including a WCC councillor have erroneously stated that the MTB demand is only by 30-55 yr old males. This is incorrect as MTBing appeals increasingly to females (fastest growing in Sport NZ survey), youth and baby boomers. Interest in MTB is a much stronger catalyst for youth to get involved in ecological restoration than traditional channels such as Forest and Bird and waning Tramping Club membership.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Geological survey will ensure avoidance of stated slipping risk. This improves the experience and safety (by taking bikers out of the playground and off the Karori Sanctuary fenceline)

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Safety

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic, Mirimar, Wainui, Belmont, Rangituhi, Whareroa

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I support the concept of more separation of Bikers and walkers/runners on busy trails. I acknowledge that it is much less relaxing as a walker to have to worry about keeping out of the way of bikes. I think the Open Spaces review ended up with More Shared Trails due to the worthy objective to improve MTB access where appropriate. Unfortunately this has meant we are working against the criteria in the Open Spaces Plan in order to approve this eminently sensible proposal to separate users in a popular trail zone. The Open Spaces Plan needs appropriate flexibility on this issue.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

At present Ive seen little evidence of congestion or reckless riding, but adding a down hill will future proof the track as it will be better to have separated up and down rides, presumably with walkers/runners advised to stick to the up-bike track

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think serious consideration should also be given to making Clinical two way all the way down. Ive ridden it a number of times down hill and Ive very very rarely encountered anyone going up If it were well sign posted and with a couple of changes it would be perfectly safe as a two way. Because of poor signage I'm still unsure as to which bits are two way and which not At some point in the future if it seems at risk of congestion consideration could be given to reverting to separate up and down tracks. But that is not required now

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much anything you can find in Wellington on the TrailFork ap

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I believe that MBTers should have to register with the Council as a way of paying for the use of these

2460

tracks It is grossly unfair that ratepayers pick up 100% of the cost. The people riding these tracks are on expensive bikes, and can afford to pay an annual registration fee of say \$100 If someone plays tennis, cricket, hockey etc etc on Council grounds they have to pay something towards Council's cost It should be exactly the same for MTBers

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If there was a clear defined down hill only track there would be less riders on the dual use tracks which mean more space for walkers and runners. Not that there's much actual conflict, but it would be more pleasant for everyone. It's such a high use area.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Ok, but the descending track is the main one needed.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**2462**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Sounds good.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All the MTB tracks in Wellington. Makara Mt Vic Miramar tracks Wrights hill Skyline Etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Because it's dangerous having a two way track

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**2464**

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, wainui, Belmont, mt vic, tinakori, mirimar, and more

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

**2466**

- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt vic, makara, town belt, owhiro, miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

this will significantly reduce trail conflict (real or perceived) on Transient. Currently some mountainbikers are avoiding Polhill during peak weekend hours as Transient is too busy.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I like option one better for separation and . If anything I think that section of track proposed for the alternative route should be closed as there are multiple routes there already.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am unsure how much use that track would get. Maybe it could be added at a later date once the other changes have been implemented.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

this provides a better loop option and may mean that clinical gets more use as it seems underutilised compared to Transient

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I've not used that track

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

while there is an alternative via the main track entrance the other route adds 200+metres of walking. The steps are also never used by bikes so may be good to keep for walkers.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

tree planter, pest trapper

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Miramar (centennial reserve), Wrights Hill, Makara Peak, Skyline, Redrocks as well as others in the Hutt City and Porirua areas.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wright's Hill Reserve, Mt Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Option 1 should be a priority to allow safe biking and walking through separation of user types.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is what Polhill trail network needs most currently - to keep both walkers and descending riders separate so that for both parties their use of the tracks is safer and more enjoyable.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The advantages of removing this small bit of track have not been articulated, it seems create a slightly tidier network of trails and slightly reduce the amount of trail, however this is at the cost of creating more intersections between tracks. If this small decrease in trail density and tiny increase in vegetation is necessary in order for this project to progress then I could support it.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have no doubt that most walkers would be happy to not encounter any bike riders for the entire

length of trail. This alone could reduce congestion on transient.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Walking and riding up steep fire-roads is unpleasant at best and a small section of new track would connect two really good climb tracks. Lets protect Wellington's reputation as having the best climb tracks around (just ask anyone from Rotorua or Nelson)! Also a real bonus to not leave the reserve for the duration of the walk/ride.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It seems a shame to close an existing track, but if it is under-utilised and helps reduce our impact on endangered birdlife then I'm all for it.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Fewer intersections on a trail is safer and makes for a more immersive experience for both riders and walkers/runners. Removing unnecessary track serves the objective of only having as a large a footprint in the reserve as necessary and helps reduce our impact on endangered birdlife.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Makara Peak, Mt Victoria, 'Mystic Portal' Track, Albert Park 'Zoo track', Wainuiamata Park, Mirimar Peninsula, Colonial Knob, Belmont Track

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

As a rider I can still see how suddenly encountering a fast moving rider while walking in the park could be unpleasant or scary. This reserve and many others around Wellington are a precious resource to shared by all Wellingtonians and should protected from domination by any one group. Any development that makes shared use safer and more pleasant, and creates options for only 'riders only' and 'walkers only' is definitely the way to go

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It is good to get walkers and mountain bikers separated. For the enjoyment of both groups

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Walking only trails are a good idea

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2475

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara and Seaton nossiter

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Take pressure of the other tracks. Enhances Wellington as a destination.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I use Polhill on average once a fortnight as a biker and my daughter is now starting to experience it as her skills develop. I work for a company that puts Health and Safety of its people and its customers at the forefront of all its business decisions/practices - rather than being legislation and staff doing the minimum to comply, its something that we are absolutely passionate about. A simple to consider risk is the swiss cheese model - everything has inherent risk (holes in layers of swiss cheese) but our role (as bikers, workers, track builders etc) is to minimise risk (reduce or remove the swiss cheese holes in the layers) where we can otherwise the remaining otherwise its just a matter of time before the risks come together (holes will align), and when they do, disaster will strike. Polhill would have to be the most heavily used shared track I use and getting busier by the year. Whilst everyone is always accommodating, even accidental altercations occur. Its happened to me where a walker or me as a biker, take action to avoid the other, and one party ends up off the track. This has nothing to do with speed - its simply that the tracks dont cater for bikes and others users to have two way traffic. My daughter has fallen off her bike and hurt herself quite badly trying to stop to allow a walker past. She is young and inexperienced and will continue to have accidents. My point is that accidents will happen - line the swiss cheese up and it will be serious if we don't start separating the traffic and building a downhill bike priority track would be a brilliant mitigation to what would otherwise be an ever increasing risk for such a popular area. My other motivations for responding to this are: 1. a lot of us bikers put a huge amount of effort into building tracks, planting native trees and we are committed to sharing with everyone that wants to enjoy what we do. My daughter even helps out and we it as a token of saying thanks to council and others who let us use the tracks - we dont want all tracks to be bike priority (well that would be nice but we accept that its not realistic), but having the odd track prioritised for us to keep the risk down and let our hair down means we will keep building shared tracks, keep helping pest eradication for the greater good of all users, and 2. keep us in Wellington a bit more rather than heading off to Rotorua or Nelson. I have reasonable disposable income and a fair bit goes to out of town journeys where I can get my buzz

without fear of wondering if a walker/runner is around a corner. Give us the occasional bike prioritised track and not only will I stay in Wgtn more, you'll attract my friends from around NZ/ the world. Many thanks for considering this. Dean

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter

- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

I used to commute from Karoriu to work but its now too dangerous - swiss cheese (just a matter of time before something bad happens due to volume of users).

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Any black track in Wgtn/Kapiti/Hutt is a regular place for my bikes and I :)

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is my preferred option

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**2482**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Pesk

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I fully support option 1

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

2484

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Polhill connectors to Makara, Barking Emu to Red Rocks, Prince of Wales Park tracks, Mt Victoria, Massey Memorial and around, Miramar MTB tracks, Fort Dorset/Breaker Bay, Tinakori Hill, Mt Kaukau.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I note the reservations about disturbance to Tieke in and around Polhill. These are important but I believe overstated as regards recreational uses that do not directly harass the birds. I also consider that steps to protect Tieke or Hihi outside Zealandia may be counter productive. Over my lifetime I have observed an increase in abundance of some native birds, such as Tui, which are much more common around NZ and not only in Wellington. I think that the likely reason for this is that over time Tui evolved or developed strategies to cope with environmental change and introduced predators. If I am right about that, the presence of Zealandia next to modified bush

habitats presents an opportunity for overspill bird populations from the sanctuary to develop better survival strategies in unprotected bush through, in effect, trial and error. In my view attempts to restrict use in reserve areas as protected species move into those areas may actually be an unproductive effort in the long term. While I do strongly support Zealandia being taken out of the recreation reserve for conservation purposes I do not consider that further diminishment of the recreation reserve as birds spread through them is justified. I would also query the authority for restricting recreational use of reserves as a matter of course as Tieke or Hihi move into them (if, in fact, that is what is happening). Use of reserve land should be controlled by a formal decision making process rather than on an ad hoc basis dependant on where birds choose to live or nest.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It should be further down, where Karepa divides, to make more sense to walkers to decide on a short or longer round

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**2487**

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

rather a connection from Transient to Upper Clinical and continuing to Highbury Fling also touching the walking only track

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Because it gives the opportunity for a round walk

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I think there should be a connection between Transient and Highbury fling for walkers only

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

**2489**

- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To make Transient safer for all users

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2491

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It makes perfect sense, and removes the steep pinch onto George Denton park

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Pretty much all in the Greater Wellington region...

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

This is an excellent logical proposal that will benefit all users

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I support having dedicated/seperate up and down tracks to help improve safety of all users

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**2493**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

---

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most mtb and running tracks within 30mins of cbd

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Great initiative, support it wholeheartedly

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The present situation of riders descending and walkers ascending causes conflict and is dangerous.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**2495**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All that are available for riding.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think this is preferable to Proposal 1 but I cannot see why it involves closing the short stretch of track between Sawmill and the new bike priority trail, turning the rest of that track (in blue) into a dead end. I think the whole track from Sawmill down to Transient should be retained for walkers/runners only.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**2497**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why?

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Too many to list.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Rollercoaster is currently a downhill-only track for bikers, who travel at speed. It is extremely dangerous for walkers or runners. It MUST be classified as bikers only.

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2498

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

2499

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

---

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I've had many crashes on transient, the worst saw my bike written off by insurance company, when i hit another bike head on. We were not even going quickly. I've had at least another 3 crashes with other cyclists over the past 5 years. The congestion is getting worse.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't think this will solve the issue.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Absolutely if it is possible to give walkers their own track, as many walkers find it frightening to encounter even slow bikers, as many are older, and not sure on their feet.

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2501

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't think its really necessary. The steep bit as u finish Clinical is a good challenge, and the crossing of the road is a non issue given the quietness of the spot surely. Similarly the steep bit up the start of roller coaster to Highbury Fling start is another good challenge. I don't think the cost benefit stacks up, it is fine as is.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Sorry I'm not sure where this is.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Only ever used it a few times, yes its too steep, doesn't seem safe, or an option people would choose.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara bike park, Skyline, all tracks out to the tip track.

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Any other comments or questions?

2502

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

2503

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**2505**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Karori MTB, Colonial Knob.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

It completes a network that will provide benefit and ease of use for walkers/runners and mountainbikers in Polhill.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This line means users need to go up a steep grade and interferes with a good design. Also -the idea that this needs to be done to stop more trail being built is erroneous.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

this gives better access to the area and allows a walking only route up Polhill

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is regularly used by walkers/runners and provides much-needed access for tree planting and maintenance

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
all of Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The time and money spent on this consultation could have been spent in other, more essential areas. This process for a single track costs too much, no wonder our rates continue to rise. Is there a process to review when consultation off this large (two questionnaires plus drop in session) is

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necessary.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A new descending trail (one way) will remove the risks of descending Transient where there are frequently chances for collision with both cyclists and walkers/runners. Even with careful speed management there are still several risks due to the nature of the track and how frequently it is used.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Is this to bypass having to go through the kids park and then up a bit of the Fenceline track? If so, I guess that is ok, but I don't see it as a priority.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't know which track this is.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I've never used these steps so I'm not sure if it is a good idea or not.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wainui, Hawkins Hill, Rangituhi, Belmont, Mount Victoria plus local tracks in Newlands.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Polhill is a really great place for Mountain Biking that I use frequently so having it upgraded is going

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to be a good investment for people in Wellington.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Achieves separation of downhill MTB traffic from walkers, runners and uphill bikes. I've had a low speed 'off' trying to avoid a walker on this section; all good humoured and no damage done but would be better if there was an alternative.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Unsure of the details here and if it's an acceptable compromise then go for it.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Makes sense.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I gather it's hardly used and there are alternatives, the initial expense and ongoing maintenance doesn't seem justified. required

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

There is an alternative and it would reduce maintenance costs.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wrights Hill, Skyline, Mount Victoria, etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The more we can do to develop and improve access to Wellington's trails the better. It makes sense, where possible and appropriate, to separate bikers from walkers/runners; in particular

where speed is likely to be an issue (riders going downhill specifically). I've ridden lots of dual use trails round Wellington and have never had a conflict issue with walkers, runners, dog walkers etc. We're lucky to have such easy access to a fantastic environment whatever can be done to make the experience vine more pleasurable for everyone is a good thing in my book.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient track very heavily used - a downhill bike track would alleviate this, and make things easier and safer for riders and walkers.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Trail Builders' design is better for riders

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Te Kopahau Reserve, Tawatawa Reserve, Mt Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Creating a one way system is the best option to reduce the pressure on Transient, which will see significantly reduced conflict and a major increase in safety.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

MCG do not support this alteration to the Brooklyn Trail Builders design because it creates extra unnecessary trail intersections thereby making navigation more difficult and related safety implications. If there were more intersections it would see more chance for conflict and collisions.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would create a more direct link for people walking or running. It would let Transient and the

new descent be a full loop and let residents on Ash Fitchett commute to town without having to walk to the top of the one way system to start descending down.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This piece of trail makes a lot of sense, making the Polhill loop easier to navigate will improve user experience, especially if people are from out of town.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If there is no real benefit in closing it, then it may still be good for people of foot.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not unless there is a a tangible benfit to remove this. Some runners/walkers like steps.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Rangituhi-Colonial Knob and most of the trails in the Wellington region

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

The new descent is a must for the reserve to keep up with the already significant and ever increasing user numbers and to improve their user experience. The initial impact that the new trail would have on the environment would be less than minor. As seen in many other local examples, Canopy opening is a very short term and short sighted outcome to focus on. Canopy is proven to quickly improve as the trees grow into the light well. Most of transient is under canopy and the bits that aren't are areas where gorse has been removed and the natives seem to be starting to close in on these areas. It is worth noting that most of the reserve is low value regenerating Mahoe with small remnants of higher value natives. The Brooklyn Trail Builders can complete this work while maintaining an overall positive net conservation value whilst significantly improving the user experience for people on foot, people on bikes and the birds that will thrive off the higher value plants that can be planted with trail access. Lastly bird disturbances relate to these trail developemnts would be less than minor due to the traffic being dispersed over over more trails. Further user conflicts due to these developments would significantly reduce and vastly increase the user exeprience in this reserve. This would be great outcoem for the reserve and for the users.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Reduce the chance of collision between others.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Red Rocks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It would make the main transient trail far safer for everyone to have a real alternative for MTBs. The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. We note that the Wellington City Council's survey referred to had 866 responses, with 93% supporting a new track. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. We believe the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. We note the mitigation effects contained in BTB's proposals and agree with these. We think the environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, and note that the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve. BTB have highlighted in their proposal that they are happy to build the trail, and Wellington Trail Trust will support them in doing this (through raising funds etc.).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Option 1 is significantly better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be great for the walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Natural to complete Clinical - rather surprised it wasn't part of the original build.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good track for walkers and runners.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic, Centennial Reserve, Wainui, Red Rocks, Upper Hutt

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I have seen comments from some groups that they perceive the new trails have some sort of negative impact on the environment. We believe poorly formed positions around the environmental effects of trails simply fall apart if they are applied to widely tracked areas like Zealandia or Wilton Bush (which supports our view is that any argument being presented on this basis is flawed and a distraction). As New Zealand's environmental efforts ramp up and we see native flora and fauna populate areas that were previously devoid of such taonga, we must allow greater access to these areas, not diminish it. The educational potential and ecological narrative that can be crafted around such exposure is immense.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

They do seem to be popular with walkers and runners

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

To avoid user conflict. Currently, it is dangerous for both cyclists and walkers.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Mt. Vic Belmont Wainui Miramar Spicer Rotorua Wrights Hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

PLEASE BUILD THE ONE WAY DOWN HILL TRAIL :)

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

So that I don't have to worry about hitting walkers on my way down transient

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal 1 is better

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt.Vic, Wainui O mata, Mirimar, Belmont, Salvation, Spicer, Rotorua

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wainui, Tunnel Gully, Spicer Park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Current trial gets v. busy

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
 Makata peak Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am a consultant ecologist working in the field of urban forest and stream restoration. Polhill Reserve is home to many native birds: tieke, kakariki, kaka, whitehead, robin, tui, bellbird, falcon and morepork. It is also home to the giant bush dragonfly, glow worms and a multitude of other insects. Local people began weed control and restoration planting the area in the early 1980s and as a result of their work there is now a good diversity of plant species growing in the reserve. Many of these will one day replace the mahoe canopy and become forest giants that support a multitude of life. The trail will be much longer than is depicted on the map because it has to negotiate slopes. The level of forest clearance is based on the erroneous calculation of the track length. This means that effects on the local ecology will be worse than the council assessment describes. The level of forest fragmentation and edge effects, which are cumulative, will seriously threaten the ecological fabric of the reserve. The forest is already struggling with weed invasion which is costing WCC money and has a major negative effect on indigenous plant and animal life. Brooklyn Trail Builders grossly over-emphasise the level of forest restoration work that they and other mountainbikers contribute to the reserve. The real work is actually being done by WCC and their contractors, Conservation Volunteers, and local residents. This includes track maintenance, weed control and planting. I have been involved with restoration work in Polhill for about 30 years and personally know other Aro Valley residents who contribute their time to the reserve, and have done so for many years. In the past there have been walker only tracks that have been taken over by bikers and the council has failed to enforce compliance with the walker only status, In fact, whenever the council says no to the mountainbikers it is ignored, with no repercussions for people who flout the rules. The result is that a group of people who are mainly wealthy, white and male continue to have their own way. For example, at a public meeting last year the Brooklyn Trail Builders stated that if WCC didn't fund the tracks they wanted in Polhill they could easily get the money from corporate sponsorship. They were oblivious to the fact that they were talking about public land, the reserve status of which means it is there for all people, not just the favoured few. Many mountainbikers have mounted a strong campaign to back their proposal. This included an article in the local paper

which stated that 80% of submitters were in favour of it. As a result a number of Holloway Road residents told me that they felt that there was no point in their making a submission against the proposal. As the inner city population grows it becomes more important to have a high quality area of native forest within walking distance of the CBD. Wellington City Council is the guardian of Polhill Reserve for the people of Wellington. Council must protect the forest so that that it can provide for the future needs of these people, and maintain safe and equitable access for all. Currently, the Polhill tracks, which my children and I walked along almost daily 30 years ago, are not safe for my young grandchildren to walk on. These young people have no vote and are rarely represented in submissions. Please consider them when making your decision regarding the proposed mountainbike tracks.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This track is close to an existing one and not necessary.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I use this track fairly frequently. It is one place where you can see flocks of whitehead, and in the spring I see glorious golden swathes of bush lawyer flowers along it. I always go up the track, not down, but since mountainbikers decided to use it for a thrill seeking downhill ride it has deteriorated.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

#### Why/other comments

I have not walked these recently but they are very useful for walkers.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

#### Other:

I am also a botanist, birder, fish spotter, insect lover and forager for fungi

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I walk in a large number of reserves across the Wellington region, but the most important to me is the one outside my back door. I can go there for ten minutes or ten hours, as frequently as I wish, without the need of a vehicle, and at no cost. A fine example of a shared track is the Te Whiti Rise in Waiwhetu, The track is very wide, and the gradient gentle. There is only the one track and there is room for everyone. Congratulations Hutt City Council.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Because using transient as an uphill track creates conflict with other trail users this would remove fast flowing downhill traffic and improve enjoyment for all.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**2539**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would like to see these sections of trail match the gradients on clinical

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak Red Rocks Barking Emu Zealandia Fenceline WTP Karori Park Skyline Belmont  
 Many more....

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Would like to see proper signage and maps throughout polhill perhaps large map boards at polhill reserve and windmill.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

2541

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic, Colonial Knob

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Far less conflict/risk of incident. I mostly stopped descending transient except for low-use times (eg at night) due to way too much traffic. It wasn't fun to descend anymore because I had to be constantly wary of what was round every corner.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Steeper climb doesn't worry me but would be off-putting to newer riders

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm all for separated trails where possible, if i am walking I would feel much more at east on a walking only trail.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Less riding on the road is all good by me.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Does not affect me

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Does not affect me

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Wider Hawkins Hill area (Barking Emu, Red Rocks etc), Sanctuary Fenceline, Wrights Hill, Makara Peak, Mt Victoria, Miramar Trails, Wainui Trail Park & Mt Lowry/Rata Ridge, Belmont Regional Park

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Definitely keen for more trails/choice for both riders and walkers, separated trails are the way to go, more fun and less stress to ride and I like helping to dig new trails.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A new track will improve the safety and experience for all users. It is a sensible idea, however it does not go far enough. With its proximity to the central city, Polhill has the potential to become even more of an attraction to visitors to the city as well as residents. Interestingly 2/3rds of Polhill track users are bikers - Polhill offers a unique biking experience with features such as views from the windmill, abundant bird life, with the aro st Cafes and the Dirt Merchants Bike shop a perfect way to end a good ride. The question that the proposal also needs to address is how to maximise the attraction and potential of Polhill tracks while protecting the environment. The proposal still leaves only one significant mountain bike down hill track from the Ashton Fitchett area to Aro Street. There needs to be more. I would recommend that the council encourage and approve planning for additional downhill routes and / or consider making clinical two way.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a runner, these steps provide a much shorter route from transient to Ashton Fitchett while also providing an excellent training facility (I see these used for step repeats).

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara MTB, red rocks track, barking emu, salvation, zealandia fenceline, wainui mtb tracks, Belmont park, colonial knob tracks, skyline, Mt Vic tracks.

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Any other comments or questions?

2547

Comments

Please can we have more signs that dogs need to be kept on a lead. I would estimate half to three quarters of the dogs I see are not on leads. This creates risks for nesting bird life, runners and bikers. Last week I saw a dog off its lead around the downhill roller coaster track - a potential recipe for disaster!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I regularly ride the Polhill trails and agree with the purpose of the new route to separate walkers from down hill riders - safer for both parties.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**2549**

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I regularly ascend Clinical. Although I have no trouble with the current trail gradient I agree that some riders will find it challenging and keeping cyclists away from the playground and road end makes a lot of sense to avoid conflict with other users.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't walk the trails so can't comment

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't walk the trails so can't comment

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara bike park and through to Kaukau and northern walkway to Johnsonville, Wahine, Salvation and Deliverance, Wainuiomata bike park, Tip Track to Hawkins Hill, Barking Emu/Carparks Extension

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

2550

I believe all forms of exercise and experiencing the outdoor environment should be encouraged and supported by council and the general public alike from a health and well-being point of view. The fact that a keen group of volunteers are prepared to provide these facilities is to be applauded.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara and Wainui mtb bike trails, Waikanae Rvier waalking and running, Mt Vic running

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Essential if you want to promote Wellington as a Mecca for walking and cycling and keep everyone safe

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Half the job

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Pointless

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2554

trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Shared use is the problem why propagate more of it

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Lots of them

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

This is an easy bike project to get right (unlike IB...), do right by everyone and make Polhill even greater

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Of all the recent proposals presented, this has been the most anticipated and talked about in the mountain biking community. Polhill has become an iconic part of the Wellington CBD trail network. It has engaged so many people into our local bush and urban outdoor culture. Both my wife and I use this area extensively for both mountain biking and trail running. Transient is a phenomenally good trail. What makes it even more outstanding is that its just as good up as it is down. Credit must be given for how much of a pleasure it is to both run and ride this trail. It has fantastic gradients, flow and aspect. The right amount of light, bush cover, open areas and narrow paths winding through trees. Also given it's central and obvious entry point, its a go to meeting point and start to an outing. While Clinical technically should have relieved much of the uphill traffic on transient it has proven to be less popular. With its steep and hidden entry, it doesn't present nor connect itself in the same manner as Transient. While I personally enjoy Clinical and think it is a fantastic addition to the park, there is no way that it can replace what Transient offers and hence Transient is here to stay as an uphill entry to the park. I therefore anticipate the number of trail users on Transient will continue to increase, further exaggerating the current uphill/downhill usage conflict. The current conflict often occurs due to Transients narrow nature with blind corners. My experience on Transient is that speed is seldom the root cause of conflict, rather that especially with the trend to wider handlebars (800mm), physically passing each other causes problems. One party will typically attempt to climb up or down the bank causing damage to the trail and flora. It is also not uncommon for them to slip over once on the side slope of the trail. This can lead to trees being damaged, minor injuries and in general a poor experience. While widening the trail would be one solution, I think this would detract from the enchanting woodsy feel of the trail that it has today. Hence in my view an additional downhill-priority trails offers a better solution. Downhill trails can tend to get away with slightly less ideal terrain than uphill trails. What may be considered a hindrance when building an uphill trail can be used as a feature on a downhill trail. This may allow a downhill trail to be built around significant environmental assets with minimal impact.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

I believe that BTB have considered the alternatives and found that Proposal 1 will offer the best all round solution. BTB have a proven track record of getting things right and they have my full support with Proposal 1. A typical loop of Polhill reserve descending via Carparts means that riders will already be on the fence line side of the park. Forcing a further descent to Aston Fitchett via sawmill will detract from the flow of the park and cause uphill/downhill conflict around the gated entrance to Sawmill.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

This will offer another quality entry point to Polhill for walkers and runners.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

This will dramatically improve the flow of Clinical and hopefully improve its popularity and usage.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

This trail offers a good entry point from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. I see no need to remove it.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

I personally have not used these steps but I imagine they would be used by residents of Ashton Fitchett Drive for their daily commute. If they aren't causing any harm, why remove an asset?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Miramar, Mt Victoria, Makara Peak, Wiltons Bush, Te Ahumairangi Hill, Wainuiomata MTB Park, Belmont.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Relieve pressure on transient

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Less vegetation take

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Better access will increase use

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**2559**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Will avoid going through park

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most tracks in Wellington region

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Building more tracks is overall a good thing however will bring more people and more cars. Would be a good idea to think about bike racks and other facilities for users of this growing network

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient has become so popular that users' enjoyment is suffering due to congestion, especially on summer evenings. This trail should be built because it'll solve the problem and make people happier. Riders, walkers, and runners will all benefit. The reason I'm confident the proposed trail will solve the problem is that personal experience tells me that congestion and conflicts are only a problem on Transient; conflicts are rare on the nearby one-way trails (Serendipity, Windmill, Carparts, Clinical).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not have a strong opinion about this option. I quite enjoy the existing short connector from Sawmill to Transient and I am pleased to see that most of it remains in both 1 and 1a.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

There is a good walking connection through to **2561** St and the war memorial from here and it

will make it easier to access Polhill on foot from Brooklyn.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I guess so, but it seems like a minor improvement so it is a very low priority option for me. I am happy with the existing exit from Clinical, and have not personally experienced any trail conflicts around this area.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I can't remember ever having used this trail.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am not sure of the benefits of removing the steps, unless they are expensive to maintain. If the option 1 is rejected by council, and Transient were to remain busy and congested, then uphill walkers may appreciate retaining the steps as a quicker exit.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most regularly, Carparts, Windmill, Barking Emu, Red rocks, and zealandia fenceline to Wrights hill.  
 Less frequently: Mt Vic, Makara peak.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

I'm a very regular local user of the Polhill/Hawkins Hill trails and I'd like to stress that Transient is the main problem, and I believe proposal 1 is the right solution. It has got to the point where I feel guilty riding downhill now, for ruining the serene forest vibe for all the walkers and runners. I feel I can keep out of the way on the uphill by taking Clinical, but when descending from Carparts to Aro Valley, there's no decent alternative to Transient and Serendipity. It's hard for those who don't use Transient regularly to understand that there could be a genuine problem on a ten-year old trail. But it's often not relaxing for walkers: you're taking a stroll and you have to be on alert for the next nutcase who comes around the corner too fast. A few of these encounters are ok, but a few more and it just wears you out and stops being fun. There will be submitters who instinctively reject any new trail because of its impact on the bush and birds, and that is fair enough, but I'd urge people to go for a slow wander up and down Transient on a summer evening before claiming there's no need for Proposal 1. I'd also like to put in a plug for more local trails. Most users in the survey arrived by bike or foot, and this is even more pronounced when you look at the frequency of use by local. I would bet there are similar proportions of people arriving by bike in other local riding areas such as Mt Vic or Miramar, (but probably more car users in the bigger mountainbike parks like Makara and Wainui). If the smaller mountain bike areas were not there, this would generate many more car trips, and associated congestion and greenhouse gas emissions. There are few things more ridiculous than people sitting in traffic on their way to get their exercise.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Very popular track area, anything that shares the traffic out more would be good.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Very popular track area, anything that shares the traffic out more would be good.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not so keen on single use trails

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**2564**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Very popular track area, anything that shares the traffic out more would be good.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Wainui, Belmont, Porirua, Mt Vic pretty much all of Wellington trails at different times

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The two way nature of the current track is both dangerous and frustrating. It gives rise to unavoidable collisions.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

**2566**

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wainui, Belmont, colonial Knob

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

As both a biker and runner that has used these tracks in Polhill for many years I find myself avoiding the tracks nowadays because of the two way nature of the tracks (transient in particular) making it often dangerous in places. A separate descending bike track would be so welcome - and would benefit all users.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient has become a popular walking/running track which adds an increased level of danger to all track users, particularly when mountainbikers and pedestrians inevitably meet on some of the corners. If Transient were to be an uphill only track this would reduce the risk significantly. A new DH only track would need to be created to complete this awesome circuit.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Only that parking for this Polehill area also needs to be addressed.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a trail runner, down hill mountain bikers are the largest source of near miss collisions. Everyone is as careful as possible, but this is the best solution for all. Let's do it once and do it right

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Highburry fling Mt Kaukau My vic Tip track

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transcient has become so busy and at times can be dangerous for both MTBikers and walkers with MTBikers using it as a descending trail - it would be much more pleasant for Transcient to be a designated uphill MTBiking trail and shared with walkers

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes sense to have an alternative walking track at the top

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure it is needed but would be a good option if available

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unless it is well used by walkers!

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not required

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara MB Park, Mt Victoria, Wainui MTB Park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This track would allow riders to descend Polhill confidently without risk of encountering other users and creating issues. With the increased popularity of Transient there are periods when the risk of conflict is increasing. I am however against the closing of transient to downhill cycle traffic. I think that there are plenty of periods when there is little traffic and that this is great alternative for riders who may want a more leisurely way down. I do believe that leaving this open will still avoid conflict as those riders who want to ride fast will gravitate to the MTB priority track. This will provide riders with variety in their rides (often lunch rides). I coach a college group and having two downhill (1. and Transient) and two uphill routes (Clinical and Transient) would allow variety in group rides and allow riders to select the track which suits them the best.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This introduces more potential conflict points as it introduces more intersections where the downhill track crosses other tracks.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

further alternatives for any users (e.g. walkers in this case) will reduce any areas of conflict in this increasingly popular reserve and will benefit all users. It may also provide runners etc with different ways to create routes of interest.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Personally the benefit of this track is significantly less than Proposal 1. and keeping Transient 2 way. While I support proposal 3 I would gladly trade this track for those 2 tracks.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I am a little undecided upon this as know little of this but have no issues with this being approved and would support this if it assists in better options elsewhere.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I am decided on this. Looking at this I suspect that some commuters would object to the further distance they have to walk. I am surprised that this is a shared use track however.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

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- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

nearly all MTB tracks in the wellington region - either for personal use, commuting, training or for when I run the weekly college MTB rides.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm a keen mountain biker. Having a designated downhill track would make it a lot safer. Improve your experience and separate cycles at busy times.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I support the separation of walkers and bikers. I love saying hi, but I often give people a fright

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It'll open up this track to regular riders

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of them. I travel all around Wellington and beyond

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
mt vic, makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

There needs to be separation of downhill bikers from other users

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Improves the interconnection of the trails

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not clear about pros or cons of this alternate compared to main option

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

**2585**

- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proximity of recreation opportunities is a key driver of use, and given expected population growth in Wgtrn city, existing tracks will come under more pressure

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**2587**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Be nice to avoid the playground and end of road

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Western Hutt Hills, Wainuiomata, Belmont, Miramar, Makara Peak,

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

**2589**

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, tracks above Karori Park, Skyline, Wrights Hill, Mount Vic, Wainui, etc etc the list goes on

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

the network of trails/tracks around the Wellington region is fantastic and I hope there will be more, thanks to all that make it happen

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Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

2591

Unsure

Why/other comments

Fantastic idea to join Clinical and Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Removes the crossing of the proposed MTB track

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Te Ahumairangi (running only!), Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This should be made to be rideable by all mountain bikers, hence not too knarly, to ensure it takes all downhill Mtn bike traffic off upper transient.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not if this makes the downhill only mountain bike bit too steep... and it crosses the walking track twice vs only once.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes! This would be a great addition to the walking and running loop of transient/highbury fling/clinical which I run quite a bit. The pavement bit up or down Ashton Fitchitt would be great to avoid, and it will link well to the direct walking route up **2593** Sugarloaf etc.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes this would be nice to have but I'm OK about the current ride going via George Denton playground... As is my 9 year old who can climb that steep bit.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I've only walked this a few times and it is steep and rough, so I can see the reasoning to not maintain it. Is it feasible to connect the walking loop track at the top of Holloway Road to about the mid point of Clinical to create a route that connects Clinical to then climb up the opposite of the valley and then up to Ashton Fitchett?

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't mind if these stay or go.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All of Te Kapohou reserve, Makara Peak, Ahumairangi, and Mt Vic.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Safety and enjoyment of all recreationa users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Safety of all users

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2595

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good to ease congestion and offer more riding and walking options

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Great descent and one of the iconic Wellington sections that is a great technical ride. The question is a bit like asking whether the Monaco Grand Prix should be canceled because the road is narrow and windy.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All over Wellington but especially Mt Vic tracks which I commute on each day. They are awesome..... Thanks. Paul

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Totally separate topic but could someone in council please consider using the green belt on the west side of the valley from Island Bay into Mt ~~2596~~ a place for a dedicated bike and running

commuter track. It would be safe, off the road and easily done given nothing too fancy is needed in the way of a surface. That would be a huge asset for bikers, families (as off the road) and runners etc.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Provisionally support on the basis that 1) proper ecological assessment is completed 2) appropriate ecological mitigation completed 3) trail is downhill only in its entirety (not just the upper 2/3) 4) appropriate signage and education campaigns implemented for trail users.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unsure, poorly described, not shown properly in the consultation map (no corresponding trail matching the legend).

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Rare walking only resource, provides useful entrance/exit point for many. Appropriate ecological mitigation should be implemented.

**2598**

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Sensitive ecological area/bird habitat. Possibly other routes (e.g., periphery of the flat park area) could be developed.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Oppose. Removes a rare walking only track from the reserve. Very steep but does not need to be redeveloped for easier access - it has sufficed for generations.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Oppose, remove a key exit point for walkers. Removal would not add much to ecological values that couldn't be accomplished while leaving track in place or providing offset mitigation elsewhere.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Too many to list, range typically extends from Polhill to redrocks to around Zealandia.

Any other comments or questions?

2599

### Comments

With the potential loss of the vacant properties at the entrance to Polhill, Council needs to provide alternative safe loading/offloading space for cyclists and other trail/track users and also alternate parking (it is unrealistic to assume that everyone will cycle to the entrance). Through intensification of the trail use, the proposal will also put further pressure on neighbourhood parking, which is already at a premium due to the current trail use and commuter parking. This should be sorted by Council. Of course Council should have secured these properties already from VUW under the PWA, a shortsighted decision which not only limits the reserve's amenity and recreational function but will no doubt create a huge visual impact at the entrance to the reserve when these vacant properties are redeveloped. Need to provide appropriate trail-use signage and also education campaigns for all trail users. Would be great if there was an equal/commensurate contribution to improving/providing walking/running/dog walking only paths. There are also some possible synergies between Polhill/1 Holloway/town belt and the soon to be former dog school that need to be explored.

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**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The way I see it no-one is fully enjoying using Transient at the moment. Walkers feel under constant threat of being hit by bikers unable to stop. Considerate riders don't enjoy the trail nearly as much as they want to because they are descending at walking pace with no flow or momentum. Inconsiderate riders are creating altercations with walkers with heated exchanges. Bikers and walkers can share uphill tracks because bikers can stop instantly on the uphill - just like a walker or runner. There is no threat of collision or feeling of skidding out of control or near misses. Riders at Polhill will comply with a new uphill downhill route configuration leaving the uphill route more relaxed for walkers to enjoy without fearing being hit by riders unable to stop. I see it as a win-win. It works at Makara Peak. We often see walkers going on the uphill trails with no issues.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No

2601

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Wainui, Colonial Knob, Skyline, etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

2602

Uphill and downhill trails are the key to a shared recreation area with minimal conflict. We have seen good cooperation and compliance when the preferred options for both parties keeps them separate naturally.

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Remove downhill and uphill traffic from the same track

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

2604

Unsure

Why/other comments

Remove uphill and downhill traffic from the same track, and also keeping off roads can only be a good thing

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use the steps so can't really comment

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use them so can't rally comment

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Victoria, Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Encouraging people t get out and enjoy outdoors needs to be embraced more. Wellington is being promoted as a mountain bike destination so more needs to be done to help this. Mountain bikers are happy to help build or maintain trails, plant trees etc (which not many other users do at all), this needs to be embraced and also rewarded.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Even when moderating speed on transient, I have had some close calls when people going up are moving fast making for higher closing speeds i.e. other riders or fast trail runners. Sharing on flat sections and uphill makes sense as speeds are always going to be slower than descents.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Less crossings the better as long as this section is still good riding.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Makes sense to connect this area for walkers/runners.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2606

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would improve the experience for walkers/runners/mountain bikers as you stay within the bush completely until the cleared area on the lower section of transient.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mount Vic, Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

**2608**

- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak MTB park, Wainui MTB park, Deliverance, Miramar Trails, Mt Victoria, Mount KauKau, Karori Park.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**2610**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Numerous around Wellington

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

this would seem to be the best /safest option for reducing conflict between user groups.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**2612**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
makara peak wrights hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To avoid the cluster of families, dogs, walkers, runners

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

**2614**

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - we support this. The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. We believe the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. When Transient was built, it fulfilled a massive pent-up demand for off-road access into Brooklyn (and beyond) - by both mountain bikers, walkers, runners, and other open space users. The creation of a descent-priority track will ensure that user conflict (in terms of all uphill users and descending mountain bikers) is minimised, and will allow for further development of trails in Te Kopahau reserve without causing 'logjams' on the existing routes. We note the mitigation effects contained in BTB's proposals and agree with these. We think the environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, and note that the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

We don't support this option, and suggest that option 1 (above) is a preferable route.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

**2616**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - We support this. This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - We support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it properly connects Clinical to Highbury Fling. This connector would also minimise the amount of walking and mountain biking traffic currently passing through George Denton Park

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

The existing track into Waimapihi reserve is one of the only tracks that connects the upper reaches of the park into Waimapihi. We don't believe that a clear benefit has been identified for the closure of the track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Be believe that council officers are best placed to make a recommendation on the utility of these steps.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

Trail building organisation

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All (mountain bike permissible) tracks in the Wellington region

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

The Wellington Mountain Bike Club, and it's subsidiary trail projects (including BTB, Miramar Trail Project, Mount Victoria Trails etc) has been an advocate for shared trail use, and trail development across the Wellington region for over 15 years. We are proud of the work that BTB has achieved in the past 7 years, and believe that the creation of a descending priority trail in Polhill Reserve will resolve many of the user contention issues that have occurred as a consequence of the increasing use of the trails in Aro Valley and beyond. We look forward to continuing working with the Wellington City Council to build and maintain trails for all types of trail users, and to make Wellington the most liveable capital city in the world.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I helped form and maintain this track 26 years ago in order to access areas of gorse scrub in which members of Aro valley and Holloway road community, mainly the Mitchelltown society, planted many native trees which have now overtopped the gorse. In the years following the initial formation of that track I have walked there on a regular basis with family, friends and visitors to Wellington who have all appreciated the regenerating forest, birdlife and views. It is now one of the few tracks left in the reserve that walkers do not have to share with bikers. That lends itself to a peaceful and enjoyable experience for walkers. There are greater numbers of native birds to be seen and heard. Also the native undergrowth alongside the track is very lush and diverse compared to shared use tracks.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Otari / Wiltons bush. Zealandia. Rimutaka forest park , Tararua forest park. Wellington Botanic gardens. Belmont regional park. Trelissick park, Tinakori Hill, Mt Kaukau, Red rocks reserve, Turakirae Head scientific reserve, Butterfly creek and all the Eastbourne tracks, East Harbour regional park, City to sea walkway, Southern walkway, Northern walkway

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Any other comments or questions?

### Comments

The Polhill reserve is small, the native regenerating forest is fragmented, and my observation is that the width and extent of mountain bike tracks have had a detrimental impact on the native trees and birdlife. Walking on a shared trail is not always a pleasant experience. As a walker you feel vulnerable to bikes rushing towards you particularly when walking with children. Bikers are mostly courteous however in my experience walkers have to step off the track to give way to bikes. Every year there are proposals for new bike trails in Polhill and I am concerned that the reserve is becoming a bike park by stealth. As a resident of Aro Valley of 26 years, involved in maintenance of Polhill reserve walking tracks, a regular walker, I appreciate the recreational opportunities available to all. However in recent years there has been a large increase in the number of bikers and that is impacting on all other users of the reserve. Another issue is that many bikers arrive from elsewhere in vehicles, bringing their bikes on bike racks. During the week, and particularly at weekends this results in increased vehicular traffic on our narrow streets and often difficulties for local residents to park near their own home.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Love this track been walking this track ever since it was opened. Enjoy the direct route....

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Family all walkers....it is what I do for entertainment health and well being

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I enjoy walking around these hills where I live. Been here for 26 years.

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I strongly support the building off a new 2.5km mountain bike priority downhill track. The new track will significantly improve the enjoyment and safety of all users (walkers, bikers and runners) while having only a limited environmental impact. I support the shared track philosophy. It's great to have resources (tracks) that a wide range of users can use to enjoy the reserve and area. I understand that there is around a 50/50 split between walkers/runners and bikers using the Transient track. However, the shared track philosophy of the existing Transient track is failing due to its high usage and busyness. High usage leads to incidents (e.g. collisions or near misses) and reduces the enjoyment of those using the track - both walkers and cyclists. Walkers are less relaxed due to the need to be alert for what might be coming and bikers need to stop on a regular basis for other users and bikers. About two thirds of the respondents in the City Council's recent survey reported to having experienced at least one incident while using the Polhill Reserve tracks. I have experienced both collisions and near misses and my wife won't even use the Transient track due to its busyness. New tracks are needed to separate users due to this high level of activity and to mitigate these issues. In the recent City Council survey, a very high 93% of all respondents were supportive of adding a further track or tracks and over three quarters supported the separation of users. The lower Transient Track which is paired with the bike priority downhill Serendipity Track works really well due to the separation of users. Likewise, the paired uphill biking/walking Clinical Track and bike priority downhill Squatters Track, and the uphill biking/walking Windmill Track and the bike priority downhill Carparts tracks also all work extremely well. A new dedicated bike downhill track would largely alleviate these issues and reduce this significant user conflict that arises from Transient's busyness. This new track would make Transient a far more enjoyable track for all users, be they walkers, runners or mountain bikers. Environmental impact I disagree with the estimated vegetation clearance calculated by council officers (page 4, assessment of BTB proposal). The Council states that the descending track is approximately 2.2 kilometres long and at an average of 800 millimetres wide this will result in 1760 square metres of vegetation clearance.

This is a significant and material overstatement. I have walked along a large proportion of this proposed new trail following the blazing markers. I saw a variety of vegetation areas including areas of gorse/blackberry, large areas of spread out and sparse bush/trees where I would expect no vegetation or trees to be removed, as well as some more denser areas of vegetation. I would expect that where vegetation does need to be removed, this would quickly be replaced by fresh and new bush.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I strongly disagree with the potential alternative option 1a for the top of the new track below Ashton Fitchett Drive. This potential alternative 1a option has disadvantages: - This alternative would create two crossings of the existing tracks by the proposed Council downhill variation that would need to be managed compared with the single crossing contained in the base BTB proposal. - The existing Transient to Highbury Fling connector (that the Council is suggesting making downhill only) is a well-used (particularly uphill) and easy graded track between Transient and Ashton Fitchett Drive - The alternative connector from Transient up to Highbury Fling (Highbury direction) is a steep pinch climb which is more difficult and off-putting for many users. This includes more children, families, and beginner to some intermediate riders. - This alternative connector from Transient up to Highbury Fling (Highbury direction) also includes a difficult hairpin corner for those travelling to or from Transient and Brooklyn or the Sawmill track. - I visited the area and had difficulty picturing where the proposed Council variation track would go given some steep banks across the proposed Council variation. I believe the Council variation would also be much more difficult to ride. - I also walked along the line proposed by the BTB. The proposed BTB track naturally follows the contours of the valley and it would definitely work well. Finally, the Council advises that the potential 1a alternative may mean less vegetation removal and reduced earth works. However, in the context of a 70 hectare reserve and what represents only a tiny portion of the proportion of the proposed track, the potential reduction in the vegetation removal must be very small. The existing Polhill tracks have been built in a way that is sensitive to the surrounding environment and I would expect this part of the track to be built with the same sensitivity.

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I support the building of a new 350m walking track between Transient/Planet Ride and Karepa Street. This track will: - Provide easy access to the upper reserve from public transport with bus stops close to the start of the track - Opens up a short and pleasant loop walk (new track, upper Transient back to Aston Fitchett Drive) - Provides a complete top to bottom walking only track

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

## Why/other comments

I strongly support the building of a new 350m connector track between the top of the Clinical and Highbury Fling tracks. The new track will provide an excellent and natural connector that will enhance the track network with minimal environmental impact. It will: - Provide an excellent and natural connection between the Clinical and Highbury Fling tracks. - Alleviate the need for the sharp pitch climb up to George Denton Park. This pitch climb is difficult and off-putting particularly to newer and younger cyclists. - Enable walkers, cyclists and other users to remain in the reserve without needing to enter the road. - Encourage further environmental and conservation efforts such as the removal to the blackberry patches. The environmental impact of the proposed track is very minor. I have walked along the new track line (as blazed) and I observed: - The proposed track runs through very sparse and relatively low quality regenerating bush, much of which is extremely young. It is hard to see how the building of this track will have much (if any) impact on mature or important bush. - The sparse nature of the bush means that minimal (negligible) clearance of existing bush and vegetation will actually occur. - Track runs alongside blackberry patches. - I would expect that the new track would have negligible impact on the canopy cover, as the track build would avoid the larger or older bush that provides the canopy. - Bush is not concentrated/dense and is very easy to walk through even with no track. - The track will be an easy track to build with low soil disturbance. - In any event, track is very short meaning that impact is minor. - While track looks nearby to other tracks on the map, the tracks are still well isolated from each other.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

I suspect this track only sees modest use, although I don't see any benefit from closing it.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

## Why/other comments

These steps get a reasonable amount of use and I'm not aware of any issues being caused.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Sawmill, Fenceline, Carparts, Windmill, Carparts Extension, Barking Emu, Red Rocks, Makara Peak etc.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

It's great to see the existing Polhill trails getting the significant use that they get, including walkers, runners and bikers. I personally commute (bike) daily up either the Transient or Clinical/Highbury Fling tracks enjoying the well-built tracks, the regenerating bush, the birdsong and the exercise! Transient is a particularly busy track, and I only very rarely get from the bottom to the top without coming across someone else, even on dark, wet, wintery, cold Friday evenings in July! I also find that the different types of users are ordinarily courteous to each other. I would like to call out the Brooklyn Trail Builders and the Polhill Restoration Group who have done a fantastic job in developing the Polhill Reserve. The development of the Polhill tracks has also been highly positive for the environment and area. The Brooklyn Trail Builders and Polhill Restoration Group, alongside others, have done a fantastic job of supporting the environment in the gully. The BTB: - Have built a track network that is enjoyed by multiple types of users - Have built trails that are sensitive to the environment - Continue to actively maintain these tracks - Are responsible for cleaning up large amounts of rubbish left and dumped in the reserve - Have cleared gorse, blackberry and other weed patches from the reserve - Planted numerous quality natives - The tracks have opened up the gully to enable many people to experience this developing environment, who are in turn now assisting in its ongoing development - This track network has enabled others to establish the predator trapping network. It's fantastic to see the reserve regenerating from the previous farmland and native birds returning. The evidence is that these birds are settling into the reserve amongst the existing track network, as also occurs amongst the Zealandia tracks, which appears contrary to the Council officers' suggestions. My hope is that Polhill is just the start of the environmental reclamation and development, and that the Council and locals will seek to broaden the environmental reclamation south into Carey's Gully/east of the turbine, and out to the south coast. I would like to speak to my submission in person. David Butterfield 2 July 2017 (I'll also email a formatted version of this submission. I've tried uploading it but not sure if its attached)

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# Polhill Reserve track proposals- Submission

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I would like to speak to my submission in person.

## Section 2 — questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

### 1. Do you support the following proposals:

#### **Proposal 1: new 2.5km mountain bike priority downhill**

**Do you support this proposal?** Yes.

#### **Why/other comments**

I strongly support the building off a new 2.5km mountain bike priority downhill track.

The new track will significantly improve the enjoyment and safety of all users (walkers, bikers and runners) while having only a limited environmental impact.

I support the shared track philosophy. It's great to have resources (tracks) that a wide range of users can use to enjoy the reserve and area. I understand that there is around a 50/50 split between walkers/runners and bikers using the Transient track.

However, the shared track philosophy of the existing Transient track is failing due to its high usage and busyness. High usage leads to incidents (e.g. collisions or near misses) and reduces the enjoyment of those using the track – both walkers and cyclists. Walkers are less relaxed due to the need to be alert for what might be coming and bikers need to stop on a regular basis for other users and bikers. About two thirds of the respondents in the City Council's recent survey reported to having experienced at least one incident while using the Polhill Reserve tracks. I have experienced both collisions and near misses and my wife won't even use the Transient track due to its busyness.

New tracks are needed to separate users due to this high level of activity and to mitigate these issues. In the recent City Council survey, a very high 93% of all respondents were supportive of adding a further track or tracks and over three quarters supported the separation of users.

The lower Transient Track which is paired with the bike priority downhill Serendipity Track works really well due to the separation of users. Likewise, the paired uphill biking/walking Clinical Track and bike priority downhill Squatters Track, and the uphill biking/walking Windmill Track and the bike priority downhill Carparts tracks also all work extremely well.

A new dedicated bike downhill track would largely alleviate these issues and reduce this significant user conflict that arises from Transient's busyness. This new track would make Transient a far more enjoyable track for all users, be they walkers, runners or mountain bikers.

#### *Environmental impact*

I disagree with the estimated vegetation clearance calculated by council officers (page 4, assessment of BTB proposal). The Council states that the descending track is approximately 2.2 kilometres long and at an average of 800 millimetres wide this will result in 1760 square metres of vegetation clearance. This is a significant and material overstatement.

I have walked along a large proportion of this proposed new trail following the blazing markers. I saw a variety of vegetation areas including areas of gorse/blackberry, large areas of spread out and sparse bush/trees where I would expect no vegetation or trees to be removed, as well as some more denser areas of vegetation.

I would expect that where vegetation does need to be removed, this would quickly be replaced by fresh and new bush.

#### **Proposal 1a: alternative option for proposal 1**

**Do you support this proposal?** No.

#### **Why/other comments**

I strongly disagree with the potential alternative option 1a for the top of the new track below Ashton Fitchett Drive.

This potential alternative 1a option has disadvantages:

- This alternative would create two crossings of the existing tracks by the proposed Council downhill variation that would need to be managed compared with the single crossing contained in the base BTB proposal.
- The existing Transient to Highbury Fling connector (that the Council is suggesting making downhill only) is a well-used (particularly uphill) and easy graded track between Transient and Ashton Fitchett Drive
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- This alternative connector from Transient up to Highbury Fling (Highbury direction) also includes a difficult hairpin corner for those travelling to or from Transient and Brooklyn or the Sawmill track.
- I visited the area and had difficulty picturing where the proposed Council variation track would go given some steep banks across the proposed Council variation. I believe the Council variation would also be much more difficult to ride.
- I also walked along the line proposed by the BTB. The proposed BTB track naturally follows the contours of the valley and it would definitely work well.

Finally, the Council advises that the potential 1a alternative may mean less vegetation removal and reduced earth works. However, in the context of a 70 hectare reserve and what represents only a tiny portion of the proportion of the proposed track, the potential reduction in the vegetation removal must be very small.

The existing Polhill tracks have been built in a way that is sensitive to the surrounding environment and I would expect this part of the track to be built with the same sensitivity.

### **Proposal 2: new 350m walking track**

**Do you support this proposal?** Yes.

#### **Why/other comments**

I support the building of a new 350m walking track between Transient/Planet Ride and Karepa Street.

This track will:

- Provide easy access to the upper reserve from public transport with bus stops close to the start of the track
- Opens up a short and pleasant loop walk (new track, upper Transient back to Aston Fitchett Drive)
- Provides a complete top to bottom walking only track

### **Proposal 3: new 350m connector trail Clinical to Highbury Fling**

**Do you support this proposal?** Yes.

#### **Why/other comments**

I strongly support the building of a new 350m connector track between the top of the Clinical and Highbury Fling tracks.

The new track will provide an excellent and natural connector that will enhance the track network with minimal environmental impact.

It will:

- Provide an excellent and natural connection between the Clinical and Highbury Fling tracks.

- Alleviate the need for the sharp pitch climb up to George Denton Park. This pitch climb is difficult and off-putting particularly to newer and younger cyclists.
- Enable walkers, cyclists and other users to remain in the reserve without needing to enter the road.
- Encourage further environmental and conservation efforts such as the removal to the blackberry patches.

The environmental impact of the proposed track is very minor. I have walked along the new track line (as blazed) and I observed:

- The proposed track runs through very sparse and relatively low quality regenerating bush, much of which is extremely young. It is hard to see how the building of this track will have much (if any) impact on mature or important bush.
- The sparse nature of the bush means that minimal (negligible) clearance of existing bush and vegetation will actually occur.
- Track runs alongside blackberry patches.
- I would expect that the new track would have negligible impact on the canopy cover, as the track build would avoid the larger or older bush that provides the canopy.
- Bush is not concentrated/dense and is very easy to walk through even with no track.
- The track will be an easy track to build with low soil disturbance.
- In any event, track is very short meaning that impact is minor.
- While track looks nearby to other tracks on the map, the tracks are still well isolated from each other.

#### **Proposal 4: close steep track**

**Do you support this proposal?** Unsure.

#### **Why/other comments**

I suspect this track only sees modest use, although I don't see any benefit from closing it.

#### **Proposal 5: close steps**

**Do you support this proposal?** Unsure.

#### **Why/other comments**

These steps get a reasonable amount of use and I'm not aware of any issues being caused.

## 2. Which of the following apply to you?

Biker, walker, commuter

### 3. Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

Yes.

Sawmill, Fenceline, Carparts, Windmill, Carparts Extension, Barking Emu, Red Rocks, Makara Peak etc.

### 4. Any other comments or questions?

It's great to see the existing Polhill trails getting the significant use that they get, including walkers, runners and bikers. I personally commute (bike) daily up either the Transient or Clinical/Highbury Fling tracks enjoying the well-built tracks, the regenerating bush, the birdsong and the exercise! Transient is a particularly busy track, and I only very rarely get from the bottom to the top without coming across someone else, even on dark, wet, wintery, cold Friday evenings in July! I also find that the different types of users are ordinarily courteous to each other.

I would like to call out the Brooklyn Trail Builders and the Polhill Restoration Group who have done a fantastic job in developing the Polhill Reserve. The development of the Polhill tracks has also been highly positive for the environment and area. The Brooklyn Trail Builders and Polhill Restoration Group, alongside others, have done a fantastic job of supporting the environment in the gully. The BTB:

- Have built a track network that is enjoyed by multiple types of users
- Have built trails that are sensitive to the environment
- Continue to actively maintain these tracks
- Are responsible for cleaning up large amounts of rubbish left and dumped in the reserve
- Have cleared gorse, blackberry and other weed patches from the reserve
- Planted numerous quality natives
- The tracks have opened up the gully to enable many people to experience this developing environment, who are in turn now assisting in its ongoing development
- This track network has enabled others to establish the predator trapping network.

It's fantastic to see the reserve regenerating from the previous farmland and native birds returning. The evidence is that these birds are settling into the reserve amongst the existing track network, as also occurs amongst the Zealandia tracks, which appears contrary to the Council officers' suggestions.

My hope is that Polhill is just the start of the environmental reclamation and development, and that the Council and locals will seek to broaden the environmental reclamation south into Carey's Gully/east of the turbine, and out to the south coast.

I would like to speak to my submission in person.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is definitely a thing to do. As a both walker and biker, I consciously avoid transient due to 1) the dual direction nature of that track 2) the amount of users. As a 2 way it is neither good for bikers or walkers. As a biker/walker I don't want to hit by someone, more so I don't want to hit someone as I come downhill, and I'm not a fast rider at 50 years old. Thus a downhill track is an absolute necessity to: a) support the significant numbers of Wellingtonians and others who want to enjoy this amazing area. b) improve/enhance the experience of all users. Would add the notion of 'bike priority' is flawed. In the interest of the safety of all, it needs to be solely bike. This probably does not meet the aspirations of all constituents but safety should be paramount, and clear demarcation of access should be the case. Solely for bikers.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why, the 1A proposal crosses tracks in 3 locations as compared to 1 crossing in proposal 1. 3 crossings are dangerous. More so the proposal 1 crossing occurs at the junction of existing tracks. If not considered, the proposal 1 intersection should be developed as a mini-hub whereby there is good visibility, space to stop/rest/meet etc. I know this affects the extent of vegetation however its about safety and removing trail conflict. My most recent ride, I came across about 6 riders who had stopped, which is fine. Having a 'hub' (about size if the clearing with the seats and nikau on Clinical is probably about right), would allow this to happen safely. If you think about a group of varying skills riding together, they will naturally stop at points such as this to wait for others etc.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a perfectly good idea.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As you may ascertain from my address I live close to George Denton park. I have 2 young children and often use the playground equipment. To me, this is Highbury's 'public space' a place of gathering for the local community. We don't have a suburban centre like Kelburn with a church, a diary, a school etc. where people naturally cross, gather for whatever reason. In this situation we should want people to 'bump' into each other and interact socially. I've never seen any bike/park user conflict. Safety does need to be considered, and I think the improvements made about 18 months ago(?) do well to address this. Generally most people are not going fast as the last section of Clinical is steep so you generally need to catch your breath. Agreeably it is the situation of a young child chasing a ball or making a sudden action towards the bike route is possible but very limited situation and as I said the speed of bikers is minimal at best. Further to this I understand this is be 'quality' bush, which should not be compromised for what I perceive as a separation of users/society. I'd guess there is a significant elevation change from where the base of the connector is proposed to elevate to Highbury Fling, and as it shows it doubles back on itself, so to me it's effect on the bush is significant. Not far from here on one of many walks with my baby daughter I've seen 3 saddlebacks in one tree. I wouldn't want that to be affected.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I think removing track this is unnecessary. There are trampers out there who enjoy a more challenging experience. Selfishly as a biker, I've come across people who are tramping the harder tracks like Deliverance, but if there were options like this then they would be less likely to consider these tracks.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As I support the creation of the connection to 104 Karepa Street.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Wrights Hill, Johnson Hill, Makara, Mt Victoria

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Please do this. At the very least proposal 1. I think it would make the use of Polhill are far superior experience for all. I think BTB, and the likes of Polhill Restoration are great contributors to what make Wellington a great place to live. They play a quasi-guardian role to a fantastic asset / environment. This relieves some of the burden from WCC. Its not just the trail building, its the planting, trap maintenance etc.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All various mob tracks in the region and lots of walkingtramping tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is a very congested trail as a result of its own success. However, the experience of using the trail is starting to become difficult because of this. Users of Polhill reserve will have a far better experience if most of the downhill mountain bike traffic is diverted to a new track. It will make the experience of using the reserve more serene and reduce the chances of collisions.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal 1 is a far better option.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This provides greater connectivity and makes it easier for more walkers and runners to access the reserve.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Currently the process of getting from Clinical to Highbury Fling is poorly marked, steep, and unsuitable for many beginner mountain bikers. The user experience of the reserve would be significantly improved with this connection, because it would allow people to continue their walk/run/ride on a gentle graded track without having to leave the forest.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

My friends and I love the challenge of running up this track. Not only does it make you fit, but it's a direct route if you are trying to fit in a run to the windmill and only have a limited amount of time to go running.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Don't mind - it would be nice to replant this area if it's unused, but if there is a legitimate case for leaving the steps open then that's okay.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Biking: Makara Peak, Wright's Hill, Miramar Trail Project, Wainuiomata, Belmont Regional Park  
 Running: All of the above plus Trelissick Park and Otari Wilton's Bush

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Some people have raised the concern of the environmental impact of building new trails. However, the long term effect of building these trails is that more people will be able to walk, bike, or run in Polhill Reserve. This will, in turn, make more people interested in giving back to the area, by joining Polhill Restoration Project or similar.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have used transient a lot and it is not safe being such a tight and narrow track to have downhill mountain bikes sharing with walkers and uphill mountain bikes.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All mountain bike tracks from aro st through to makara peak, the south coast and the skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Safety. 2 way tracks are safest and more enjoyable.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Most of them

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic; all Wellington biking tracks

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It will reduce the risk of an accident from downhill travelling mountain bikes colliding with uphill travelling traffic.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. The Wellington City Council's survey referred to had 866 responses, with 93% supporting a new track. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. The new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. The environmental effects of the new trail are able to be managed, and the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Option 1 is much better

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. This should be kept. WCC could get BTB to maintain this trail if this is an issue for WCC.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Miramar, Te ahumairangi, Skyline, everywhere

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

As New Zealand's environmental efforts ramp up and we see native flora and fauna populate areas that were previously devoid of such taonga, we must allow greater access to these areas, not diminish it. The educational potential and ecological narrative that can be crafted around such exposure is immense.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara, Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline Makara Belmont

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The new trail should enhance the experience of all users in this area, and will reduce the risk of collisions occurring.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. This should be kept. WCC could get BTB to maintain this trail.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I believe the WCC officers are best placed to judge the merits of this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Transient is a popular 2-ways trail, which can see a lot of traffic both ways particularly in summer. Downhill trail will reduce risk and make experience more enjoyable by all users.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No

2660

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Carpark, windmill, barking emu, serendipity

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm a runner who regularly uses Polhill's tracks. A new downhill track would aid lowering the risk of collision.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would give better access for non-bikers to the reserve

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2662

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This new track would link Clinical to Highland Fling well.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Please leave this track in - although steep for MTBs, walkers and runners can still use this

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

I'm a regular trail runner, living in Paparangi. My routes around the City include the Skyline, City to Sea, Mt Vic, te Ahumairangi and Trelissick Park. Further afield, I run in Belmont, Keith George Memorial Park, Blue Mountains and the Hutt river trail.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - we support this. The new one-way descending trail will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. We note that the Wellington City Council's survey referred to had 866 responses, with 93% supporting a new track. Transient has continued to grow in popularity with walkers, runners and mountain bikers. We believe the new trail will enhance the experience of all users in this area. It also reduces the risk of collisions occurring. We note the mitigation effects contained in BTB's proposals and agree with these. We think the environmental effects of the new trail are easily managed, and note that the new trail does not create any new entry or exit points to the reserve. BTB have highlighted in their proposal that they are happy to build the trail, and Wellington Trail Trust will support them in doing this (through raising funds etc.).

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No - We don't support this, as we believe option 1 is significantly better.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - We support this. This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - We support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling. We are surprised that this was never done as part of the original work building Clinical.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. This should be kept. WCC could get BTB to maintain this trail if this is an issue for WCC.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Unsure - We believe the WCC officers are best placed to judge the merits of this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes

2665

No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

We have seen comments from some groups that they perceive the new trails have some sort of negative impact on the environment. We believe poorly formed positions around the environmental effects of trails simply fall apart if they are applied to widely tracked areas like Zealandia or Wilton Bush. As New Zealand's environmental efforts ramp up and we see native flora and fauna populate areas that were previously devoid of such taonga, we must allow greater access to these areas which enable more people to appreciate the environment, not diminish it. The educational potential and ecological narrative that can be crafted around such exposure is immense.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To separate pedestrians and cyclist. As a runner and mountain biker who uses the trails separating downhill traffic is important for safety.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Proposal 1 is a better option

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This provides a good alternative walking trail, and provides better access to the reserve for walkers.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Belmont, Wainui

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To separate dh bikers off transient

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Doesn't seem worth it

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Is it worth it?

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2669

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Existing steep Trail isn't that bad. Also fine to come out to park, and no problem crossing road at top either.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No real problem with steep track.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why remove them? They are awesome feat of engineering and are not defective, though admittedly underused.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Heaps! Everywhere. I love the outdoors. You build a track and I'll ride/walk/run it.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I agree with the need for an extra downhill track in poleHill for bikers. The existing walking track there is vastly under used as walkers prefer transie~~nt~~<sup>nt</sup> The walking track does not need steps

added to it. It has existed as it is for ages prior to transient being built. I also don't see the need to change tiny bits of track, removing vegetation for minimal impact.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

To take the pressure of the existing trails. To make it safer for all users. I live in Brooklyn and both walk and ride in Polhill

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

It would be a nice option. good as part of the greater plan.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2672

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I find it ok, Remove it if its to hard for people to walk or it uneconomical to maintain.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I use these a lot.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most wellington trails for walking and riding

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I can then safely walk my dogs on the tracks

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

2674

Unsure

Why/other comments  
This is great for running

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Will reduce pressure and the risk of collision.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

2676

Why/other comments

Currently a steep and odd way to link the trails.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara, Mt Kaukau, Wainuiomata, Colonial Nob

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I support the new downhill trail. This is a high-use route, that I have constant encounters of cyclists on - they stop in time, and are considerate, however it is frustrating that there is not another option.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a less-useful option than 1.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes, there is no compelling reason not to to enhance the walking areas of Wellington.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2678

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes, this would add connectivity and enjoyment of this natural facility.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I see no reason to remove the trail, if it is not used, it will simply disappear itself.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I have no strong opinion on this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All tracks, I enjoy the connectivity of these internally, and to the other recreational areas of Wellington.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

The trails around Wellington are a huge benefit to the community, they provide safer commuter access, enjoyment, a fun fitness facility, and add to Wellington's outdoor lifestyle. The only argument against enhancing this seems to be the removal of vegetation - which is already

massively offset by volunteer planting. Often by the same volunteers that use, make, and maintain these trails.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

While I support a downhill trail for bikes and some walker activity I am concerned about the long term impact to hillside erosion and bird life disturbance. The block of public land and also private land ( some with protection established by the Environment Court) adjoining or nearby, has a high value ecological function in the distribution of native species of plants and trees as well as birds and reptiles. Polhill is a part of this and an ecological corridor. Over time regeneration of bush may support significant areas of canopy species native to this area prior to human settlement and the cut and burn activity when converting cropping or farmland. The regeneration is of high priority . Proliferation of bird life adapted to native bush and distribution of seed is axiomatic. Tracks are somewhat counter to supporting regeneration but while they are mainly a recreational convenience, some important spin off is gained in wider appreciation of the native bush and support of its regeneration. So my support for a downhill track in principle must be couched in terms of observance of minimum disruption to regeneration of bush and native inhabitants while providing a track that hopefully will add to human incentive to appreciate and care for the reserve and adopting a regeneration perspective and ethic. A downhill tack will attract younger users who will need education but may become staunch supporters of bush regeneration.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This track may provide more connectivity which could help with management of pest eradication work as well as giving more options for both biker and walker route planning.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If it does not attract / suit regular use, closing it for purposes of regeneration is its proper function.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Erosion management is more important than convenience to user traffic.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Bush regeneration support

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

A variety but mainly walking alone or with a group.

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

ebike use can be included as bike use. Because a bike has electric assistance does not make it essentially different to any other bike in terms of disturbance to bush or other traffic. It is the rider who makes the difference. Rider education for all traffic is a much more important aspect of biker and walker interaction. Ebikes are more controlled in ascent allowing a rider to have greater courtesy to others met on the trail. There is some envy and exclusion evident in criticism leveled against ebikes which is transparently specious.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
safety

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
Avoids conflicting activities

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

To enhance the mountain biking experience. Loss of vegetation is only temporary

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

They are already formed. Whats the harm in retaining them?

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All the tracks below the windmill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

We Wellingtonians are so lucky to have these assets on our doorstep. As a 58 year old biker, I love the activity these trails provide and would be happy to pay a modest levy of some sort for the privilege.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

\* Avoids conflict on Transient \* Area devoted to tracks is still a small proportion of Polhill, so little lost by creating the proposed new tracks, and little gained by removing tracks. \* Existing tracks do not seem to have disturbed birdlife or prevented the spread of native species from Zealandia, and no reason to suppose that the proposed tracks will do this. The Council's proposal to monitor wildlife impact is good, though. \* 93% of Council Polhill survey respondents supported having more tracks \* Existing tracks have not caused significant erosion \* Polhill being easily accessible from the CBD is attractive for lunchtime and after work riders. Tracks in other areas such as Te Kopahou, would not serve this purpose.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Steeper track, so likely to be less maintainable.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No

2686

Unsure

Why/other comments

\* Useful walking access to Transient and the direct walking path down the ridge to Aro St(Planet Ride). \* Effectively reinstates a track that used to exit onto Ashton Fitchett Drive.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

would reduce conflict at playground and Highbury Road end

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

\* Still useful to make a walking loop with Transient and Planet Ride (and indeed is signed as a loop). \* Doesn't need to be upgraded - it's good to have a range of tracks and while steep is manageable. I've got a dodgy hip and walk this OK. \* Useful access for predator control. \* If walker/biker conflict is a potential issue it seems odd to remove a walk only track from the area.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Hard to see what this achieves. It's a useful shortcut for walkers going from Ashton Fitchett Drive down Transient. Reduces conflict with bikers.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

While this is a submission on behalf of CAW, I personally use this area as a walker now that I'm not fit enough for single track biking.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

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- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
All of them I can get to!

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

While I appreciate the work that has gone into the formal assessment of the trail builders plan, I feel that: \* It seems to treat Polhill as a pristine wilderness. It's not, it's recovering farmland and scrub. \* Some emphasis seems to be placed on specific distances at which human activity disturbs wildlife. This seems to be based on the research in Ruddock, M. & Whitfield, D.P. 2007. A Review of Disturbance Distances in Selected Bird Species. However this references bird behaviour in Scotland, where countryside is rather more open than Polhill, and I suspect the distances quoted aren't applicable. However as the report recommends, it will be useful to monitor the impact of the trails on wildlife activity. \* If human activity is seriously affecting birdlife on the fringes of Zealandia we should also be looking at restricting development in Highbury and Messines Rd/Croydon St in Karori.

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Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak; Wanuiomata; Skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Seems a sensible option to provide for some separation between users (bikers and walkers etc.) where possible.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm mostly ride in Polhill. But I actually like walking up this track as it's a good workout. I'm also concerned that removing this track could be perceived as bikers taking control of the area. This could lead to anti-mtb sentiments, especially in the local community. I'd rather avoid that.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Removing these steps could be perceived as bikers taking control of the area. This could lead to anti-mtb sentiments, especially in the local community. I'd rather avoid that.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Biking: Tip track, Barking Emu, Red Rocks, Scout Hall, Wrights Hill, Makara, Wainui. Walking: Mt Vic, Mt Albert, KauKau

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I work in a software startup founded by, and also employing a number of highly skilled Europeans that have settled in Wellington due to the good access to the outdoors. Wellington should continue to invest in mountain biking in order to attract skilled workers.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

this is a fantastic idea which will stop conflicts between walkers and cyclists

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I'm not sure what the point of this would be?

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Tinakori

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This will be a critical addition to the trail system at Polhill Reserve. At present I believe there is a real safety risk on transient - a serious collision on this two-way track is a real risk. Adding a downhill trail to this amazing central city trail system will benefit many and will enhance Aro Valley as a 'destination' for locals and tourists.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Lower priority to be honest.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most of the trail systems around wellington.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I fully support the proposed trails. More trails for multiple users only enhances Wellington.

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

2699

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Various, city wide. e.g. Makara Peak, Skyline, Mt Vic, Miramar

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a mountain biker, not keen on a steeper ascent to Ashton Fitchett Drive if there is a less steep alternative available.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure it's necessary.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2701

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Ascent to George Denton Park currently difficult.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No opinion.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Not sure it's necessary. Not sure what is to be gained by this.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Car Parts, Car Parts Extension, Windmill, Barking Emu.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

seems to be more and more user groups using this area now, and a descending trail would be amazing

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

most of the aloud areas inside Greater WELLINGTON

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To get downhill mountain bikers onto a seperate track to other users of the reserve. I both mountain bike and trail run and would highly appreciate the added safety this would give me as both a biker and a runner.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Happy with a steeper climb, not a worry for me. Downhill is the more important for a bike track.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I do not use this section, however it does look really convenient to anyone who lives around that area.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be great to avoid heading into the park and onto the road.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I am a little unsure of which track this is. I occasionally run this way, but there are plenty of other tracks

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use these steps, so safe to remove

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara Peak. City to sea walkway, southern walkway, Mt Albert tracks, Reserve in between Berhampore and Happy Valley (unsure of name)

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

2706

Will be delighted to see Polhill become safer and more fun for runners, walkers and bikers with a new purpose downhill riding track!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Polhill makes for some great exercise and fun, including loops from the Tip Track - but up-hill walkers always have that surprised look when someone rides around the corner toward them. Everyone would have more enjoyment with this new track in place.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Sorry I don't quite understand it - 'a steeper climb onto Ashton Fitchett Drive' but it's the downhill track. Or is it for people who ride down from the top and want to exit to Brooklyn instead of going down to Aro Valley. If that's the case I would think the very steep climb up to the \$WD track would defeat things a bit, and it would be better to connect to the existing track.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Seems like a good idea - would make some good running loops

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A great idea

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I've never run along it - but would think it odd to remove it

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Can't see why it would be removed - it makes a good little steep sprint for runningg

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Lots of them - Makara Peak, Mt Vic, Southern Walkway, Kaukau, Wrights Hill, Korokoro, Eastern Hills.....

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

BTB do an awesome job making Wellington a ~~great~~ **2709** place to live and should be commended for

their perseverance!

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Much safer for everyone and saves the mountain bikers from having to slam on brakes when you encounter a walker and them having to duck for cover

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Separation of uphill and downhill traffic is the safest and most logical solution for Polhill and will improve the enjoyment of all users.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

This does not seem like a successful and workable solution for mountain biking

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Seems to make sense

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a good idea. Clinical should also be better promoted.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Many from Mt Albert, to Breaker Bay, Makara to Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I am a firm believer that separating downhill traffic and up hill traffic is the most logical and safest option. It also add's to the enjoyment of all users. I also believe that opening up access to reserve and conservation land provides opportunities for a broader range of users, which in turn develops the public's awareness and value of these areas.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Central Park and all other parks adjoining the Brooklyn suburb

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Active 2 Brooklyn (A2B) overarching goals are: - Creating a vibrant, healthy and safe community - Making the most of the Brooklyn area's proximity to the CBD and recreational opportunities for walking and cycling. We have previously submitted proposals to the council regarding changes that could be made to enable safer walking and cycling in and around the Brooklyn, Vogelmorn, Mornington areas. We support the Brooklyn Trail Builders proposal as it aligns with A2B aims specifically: - they will improve access between Brooklyn and the town belt - the creation of a mountain bike only track will relieve pressure on existing mixed use tracks and improve experiences for all users Also we note that the council has already made better wayfinding signs but would suggest that improvements continue to be made to the tracks to ensure walkers don't end up on

mountain bike only tracks and vice versa

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - current two track has significant safety issues and near miss situations

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The option 1 seems a more logical design for the purpose and any adverse effects can be mitigated as for other MTB trails around Wellington

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Would improve the walking experience and minimise user conflicts

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be a great improvement to the experience. Very supportive and a longterm asset

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This a good shortcut but could be improved

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Tracks to red rocks, Mt Victoria, Wilton bush

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is a partial safety improvement for walkers. The proposal is showing consideration from the mountain bikers. If possible I would prefer the change without the adjustment from council as reduced steepness improves usability and is a compromise on the basis that assuming proposals 2 and 3 are withdrawn for the tieke.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Reduced steepness will improve usability

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I say unsure as I do not support 2 IF 1a is withdrawn

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
agree with council response

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
It does appear to reduce connectivity

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments  
It does appear to reduce connectivity

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Other walkways in Wgtn and have used tracks in Otari and Tinakori Hill areas

Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Overall the access to tracks is awesome and appreciated The balance of recreational activity ,

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safety and conservation is important The proposed downhill trail supports this. I am not convinced about the removals and perhaps the addition of steps on Option 4 would be a beneficial addition for walkers. Thanks for the opportunity to have a say.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

City to Sea, others, but most frequently Polhill (2-5 times a week)

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

It would be nice and safer to have separate tracks for walkers and bikers.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

There are a lot of riders and walkers/runner by having a priority descend trail it would reduce risk of crashes with for all users

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

only 400 m from a current entrance - seems a waste of resources

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

These are a useful access point often used by walkers

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Take steps to reduce the number of dogs off leads in the reserve area The sealed track from Ashton Fitchett drive to the wind turbine has been shared use for over a decade. In recent months with the subdivision and sale of private land the road has been claimed as vehicle only. There was no public consultation about this. The off-road track is impossible to access with a small child/buggy. It frequently has loose gravel/slips so has limited suitability for walking/running and is unsafe for anyone who is frail. It is extremely unfair that a public road that has been used by the community for decades has been now appropriated to a group of private land owners who would

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have been able to see the shared use signs posted on the road when they purchased their properties

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To quote Yogi Berra 'Nobody goes there anymore. It's too crowded.' This is how I feel about Transient. Transient is such a good track but it's popularity for walking, running, and biking has made it much less enjoyable. Living in Brooklyn, I used to ride Transient at least once a week but I've only ridden it three times this year. Separating downhill bike traffic would improve things for everyone.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Seems like a god idea.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be a good way to reduce conflict in the playground (I'm guessing that is why the fence to guide riders around it were installed) and remove the short steepish climb up the fenceline to the start of Highbury Fling.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't mind either way.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Te Kopahou, Makara Peak, Wrights Hill, Skyline, Mt Vic, Miramar, Wainui Trail Project.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I really appreciate the work that the Brooklyn Trail Builders and the council put into these trails. Keep up the great work.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes! We love the Pohill Reserve trails, but have a difficult time using them for our kid's after school sessions. With Transient as a 2 way trail, we often encounter other riders/walkers/runners. While we have yet to have any serious collisions, it is a major safety concern for us.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The last bit of Clinical is pretty darn steep...most kids end up having to walk this section so it would be great to have a reroute for an easier gradient.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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If this would make it easier for walkers/runners...sure!

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara Peak, Mt Victoria, Miramar, Wainuiomata

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Thanks heaps for putting this out to consultation. We absolutely love Polhill Reserve and feel very lucky to get to ride our bikes in such a special area.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

To make polhill a better mtb destination, currently I will be hesitant to ride due to transient being a popular shared track

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Mapuia Mt Vic Makara Peak

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is the only sensible solution. As a mountain-biker I avoid the lower loop here due to not wanting to meet walkers and two-way bike traffic, and I wouldn't walk it with my dog because I don't want to meet descending bikes.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Eastern Walkway Centennial Reserve Mount Victoria Polhill Southern Walkway Makara Peak  
Skyline Karori Park

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A necessary trail to optimize the traffic flow of the trail network in Polhill. This trail would also reduce user conflict on existing trails.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?  
All of them :)

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Makara peak Wrights hill Mt Vic Mt Crawford Redrocks Johnsons hill Otari wilsons Tinakori hill

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I often avoid Polhill because I expect heavy trail usage. It's awesome to see so many people out enjoying the tracks so close to a city centre, but I believe that the amount of walkers, runners, and bikers on these tracks only increases the chances of heated confrontations as the speeds at which the groups travel differ greatly. A descending trail would divert bikers and create a safer environment for walkers and runners.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Primarily Mt.Vic, but also; Maupuia, Red Rocks, Wainuiomata, Makara Peak.

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Any other comments or questions?

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The creation of a descending only mountain bike track would be the end of so much conflict and safety issues. It really needs to be done for the public's health and safety

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This track would be perfect for a mountain bike descending trail. One accidental turn down it was one of my best MTB experiences I've had in the park.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Most tracks in the Wellington CBD region

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - I am in total support for this. It is a tremendous proposal The new proposed track will take pressure off the two-way Transient trail which is very popular, Because of the high usage there is a higher chance of a collision and injury occurring on Transient so a new track will fix this providing a more rewarding experience for all users. I would however request that the tracks are made wider to allow the not so confident riders more room to navigate their way around the tracks. The tracks in Pohill are too narrow for the social and inexperienced riders . Also these tracks need to be at a grade level that allows all levels of riders to use them please , not just the grade 4 or 5 dare devils. Can we please make the tracks safer for the use by a greater number of riders with different skill levels and abilities. There is plenty of vegetation in the reserve so being absolutely frugal with the width of the tracks does not make any sense.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

No - I don't support this option. Option 1 is a much better proposal.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

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- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes most definitely. Good proposal

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes - We support this. This creates a better trail experience for all trail users, as it creates natural flow from Clinical up on to Highbury Fling. We are surprised that this was never done as part of the original work building Clinical.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Why does this need to be removed . This is a great walking track that connects walkers and runners from Hollaway Rd to Polhill. This should be kept.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

If it adds no value have the steps there and there is alternative access point that is safe for riders, walkers and runners sharing the track then I am ok with it.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes

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No

If yes, which ones?

Te Ahumairangi Mt Victoria, Mt Albert, Johnson Hill, Wrights Hill Makara Hill Zealandia perimeter  
Red Rocks Mt Kau Kau Trelissick Park Maupuia Walkway Massey Memorial Atatürk Pass of  
Branda tracks to Seatoun Eastbourne Tracks Rimitaka etc, etc

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Yes why are we not developing the tracks on Mt Victoria and doing more work to remove the pine trees and replanting the area with NZ natives to bring it back to what it once was. This is such a great asset for the city that I would be keen to know what if any plan exists to develop Mount Victoria into something like the Botanical Gardens but at the same time providing walking and mountain bike tracks . This is a real jewel that needs to be developed into a great tourist attraction. The same needs to happen with Te Ahumairangi

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

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Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Many throughout the Wellington region

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Given the popularity of Transient with a wide range of users, this new track offers the best option for improving safety and the user experience for all users. For some walkers it doesn't take a collision or a near collision to spoil their experience of Transient, the fear of a collision is enough. I agree with the principle in the Open Space Plan that tracks should be shared use 'whenever this is appropriate' but feel that the risk and the perceived risk introduced by downhill riders on Transient makes it less than ideal as a two-way shared use track. The model of uphill riders plus walkers being separated from downhill riders works well with the Windmill/Carparks tracks further up the hill so should work well for Transient. The new track needs to be carefully designed and constructed given the concerns about slope stability, significant trees and the bird life that is spilling out of Zealandia into Polhill.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It simplifies the overly complex layering of tracks at that point

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes

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- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Not justified, as there are other access points nearby.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

It doesn't improve the network enough to justify the level of disturbance that building this track would involve.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Removal of tracks that are redundant or not well designed will improve the overall network and the environmental value of Polhill. This will be a good opportunity to plant significant species that may not be re-colonizing Polhill naturally.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

See above

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

Skyline, Miramar, Mount Victoria, Wrights Hill, Red Rocks, Sanctuary Fenceline, Makara Peak.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

Thankyou to the Brooklyn Trail Builders for the superb work they have done so far and to WCC for their consultative approach to the management of Wellington's 'open spaces'

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### Submission

#### Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

As a runner, walker and Mountain Biker, but predominantly a Mountain biker, I'm concerned that unless something is done to address the two way, dual use nature of parts of the Polhill track network, it's only a matter of time before a serious accident occurs. I'm not keen on an accident from any track user's point of view so I'd like to submit my opinion regarding the Polhill track network and what I think may be the best solution for the WCC to implement going forward. I most definitely support Proposal 1, a new 2.5 kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail that will take pressure off the massively popular two-way Transient trail. This for me is the most dangerous spot for a collision between users and needs to be urgently addressed. I also understand that there have been suggestions that building a new trail may have detrimental environmental effects to the surrounding environment. As Brooklyn Trail Builders has submitted I feel that a correctly managed construction phase could mitigate many if not all the suggested detrimental environmental effects; and more importantly remove the aforementioned risk of user collision.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't support the 1a Proposal of a new track below Ashton Fitchett Drive, I feel Proposal 1 is a far better idea.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

As a runner I also support Proposal 2; a new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient. This would provide further access to the public reserve and separation between mountain bikers and foot traffic.

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I support the construction (or is it completion) as set out in Proposed 3 of a new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical to the Highbury Fling trail. Using the current track it always seems that this connection is something that should've taken place when Clinical was originally constructed, providing a connection to Highbury Fling would complete this trail.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

With regard to removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient as set out in Proposal 4, I'm unsure about this as I have never used this section of track before.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is the same for Proposal 5, removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient, again I am unsure about this as I have never used this section of track either.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Wainui Trail Park, Makara Mountain bike park, Belmont Park, Eastbourne Bush Reserves, Mt Victoria, Akatarawa Forest Park...

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Using any of the fantastic reserves bordering Wellington City should be encouraged, a better purpose built safe track network does this. It's a resource that enriches users experience and provides insight into New Zealand native flora and fauna and gets people active and outdoors, and all within minutes of the City. I think it's also worth mentioning that Mountain biking is one of the fastest growing sports in New Zealand. I can tell you Wellington is renowned for its unique brand of terrain which is within riding distance of the central city, cafes and amenities. This sport is sure to continue to grow and while it does so bring money into the city, so in my opinion should be actively encouraged and nurtured. The massively popular two-way Transient trail is a track that needs attention to address the ever growing numbers that are using it. Money spent developing the trail network is money well spent and I hope WCC recognises this. I look forward to seeing a favourable outcome after the submission process is complete.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This is essential to the safety and therefore the enjoyment of all who use these tracks. The effect of a downhill track will be no different than walker scrambling up banks to avoid downhill mountain bikers. The result is of course safety but also damage outside the track network.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

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trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

All. Not many other tracks are as dangerous to mixed use as polhill.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

See full submission as attached. 1. Proposed bike-priority descending track (parallels Transient) - as described above, we are concerned about the impact on the natural environment and slope stability, and note that it may not deliver significant benefit to walkers/runners due to an increase in uphill cycling on Transient itself. It would not even fully separate downhill cycling from the other modes as the lower section would still need to be open for beginner-level downhill cyclists.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

If the proposed bike-priority descending track was approved, we would favour the lowest impact version possible, which we understand to be Proposal 1a. We think the natural environment should be given more weight than avoiding steep climbs for users. But as per our full submission, we would recommend approaches that don't involve large scale track building.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No

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Unsure

Why/other comments

See full submission as attached. 2. Proposed walking-only connector trail (to Karepa St) - we appreciate WCC concerns around vegetation loss, but this option might be considered as part of removing walkers from Transient if the bike-priority descending track is not built.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

See full submission as attached. 3. Proposed shared-use connector track (near Highbury Rd) - we suspect the loss of vegetation outweighs the 'nice to have' value of this section of trail.

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

See full submission as attached. 4. Proposed removal of steep track (from Waimapihi Reserve to near top of Transient) - we think this track could form part of an alternative walking/running loop, reducing demand on Transient and therefore the need to build a parallel track. We would support further investigation into the merits of retaining/improving this track.

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

See full submission as attached. 5. Proposed removal of steps (to Ashton Fitchett Drive from above Transient) - again, we would support further investigation into the merits of retaining these steps as part of an alternative route for walking/running.

Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

This submission is from the Aro Valley Community Council (AVCC), a body that represents the residents and businesses of the Aro Valley. We are aware that the AVCC represents people who have many different views on the proposal for **2758** reserve tracks that is currently being

considered by the Wellington City Council (WCC). They may enjoy one or more of walking, trapping pests, running, planting trees, riding bikes and walking dogs, or work in a business that caters to users of the reserve. For example, groups of mountain bike commuters can be observed at Aro Cafe most mornings. The views of people represented by the AVCC range from unqualified enthusiasm for mountain biking in Polhill Gully to a fervent wish to turn back the clock to before the 2009 decision to allow bike riders to use and create tracks in the reserve. We understand that many others are comfortable with the status quo, but would not want it to be altered towards more tracks for bikes and less space for birds and walkers/runners. This submission is not therefore either 'pro' or 'anti' the proposals, but rather considers how best to maintain the balance between nature, walkers/runners and cyclists as the three main users of the Polhill Reserve at the present time.

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Members of the Aro Valley Community use many different tracks all around the city, and many venture further afield. Impossible to list here!

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Any other comments or questions?

#### Comments

Please refer to the full submission as attached as it provides a context for the answers to specific parts of the proposal as asked above. In summary, we share the significant concerns about ecological impact detailed in the WCC formal assessment of the proposal and are not convinced that the survey responses favouring new tracks and user separation are robust enough to outweigh these concerns. We are concerned that building a new track to take only downhill cyclists would not meet the desires of walkers/runners for 'separation of users' as they would still be sharing with uphill cyclists. We are not sure that the Polhill Reserve can accommodate a significant increase in downhill mountain biking, and would like to see further investigation of low-environmental impact options that provide alternatives to Transient for walkers/runners to be investigated before allowing further large scale building of tracks for biking. We also note that new tracks are being created in other areas, such as Makara Peak and Te Kopahau which have more space, fewer walkers and less immediate potential as natural habitat for rare birds. We suggest deferring a decision on the proposed new track (proposal #1) until other options to reduce track conflicts can be investigated and trialled, and the impact of increased options for mountain biking elsewhere in Wellington can be assessed.

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File
PolhillTracks-AVCCsubmissiontoWCC
Polhill Reserve Track Proposals

This submission is from the Aro Valley Community Council (AVCC), a body that represents the residents and businesses of the Aro Valley.

We are aware that the AVCC represents people who have many different views on the proposal for Polhill Reserve tracks that is currently being considered by the Wellington City Council (WCC). They may enjoy one or more of walking, trapping pests, running, planting trees, riding bikes and walking dogs, or work in a business that caters to users of the reserve. For example, groups of mountain bike commuters can be observed at Aro Cafe most mornings.

The views of people represented by the AVCC range from unqualified enthusiasm for mountain biking in Polhill Gully to a fervent wish to turn back the clock to before the 2009 decision to allow bike riders to use and create tracks in the reserve. We understand that many others are comfortable with the status quo, but would not want it to be altered towards more tracks for bikes and less space for birds and walkers.

This submission is not therefore either 'pro' or 'anti' the proposals, but rather considers how best to maintain the balance between nature, walkers and cyclists as the three main users of the Polhill Reserve at the present time.

We submit that the natural environment should be the considered the most important 'user' of the reserve. Although we acknowledge that the vegetation is of somewhat mixed quality at present, it is adjacent to Zealandia and has enormous potential to extend the habitat provided in the mainland island. The reserve is home to rare birds, including nesting tieke/saddlebacks, which also provides an almost unique opportunity for Wellingtonians who cannot pay admission to Zealandia or visit Kapiti/Mana islands. Therefore we share the concerns about bird disturbance, slope stability, removal of vegetation, canopy disturbance and edge effects that are detailed in the formal assessment of the proposal. These are not minor issues and should be given significant weight in the decision making process.

While 92% of survey respondents supported 'adding new tracks', we suspect that the response to this question would have been very different if it had been framed in the context of the environmental impact of cutting new tracks. We therefore recommend that this figure be treated extremely cautiously.

The 2009 agreement that allowed mountain biking to take place in the Polhill Reserve was based on a shared use methodology. Obviously shared use has some limitations, particularly as the number of people using the shared resource increases. We have spoken to many people who find the current degree of shared use problematic, which is consistent with the 65% of survey respondents who reported an incident on the track (fright, near miss or injury) and the 76% of survey respondents who supported 'separation of users'.

However, we think that the 'separation of users' survey question may have been understood in several different ways. For mountain bikers, particularly those who enjoy fast downhill rides, 'separation' means downhill cycling on a different track to slower uphill cycling and walking (as has been proposed). For people on foot, particularly those with a dog on a leash or with smaller children, 'separation' means cyclists on one track and walkers/runners on another. For this second group, we understand that removing downhill cycling would improve

their experience somewhat, but uphill cycling still has a significant and negative impact on their enjoyment of the Reserve.

Another problem with the current proposal for creating a downhill-only bike track paralleling the popular Transient track is that of induced demand. Although downhill cycle movements would be removed from Transient itself, many more people would use Transient to cycle uphill in order to use the new downhill track. This means that the net impact on walkers/runners might be negative or neutral.

We note that about 50% of the survey respondents said that they used a car to get to Polhill Reserve. The survey summary doesn't break this down by bikers versus runners/walkers, but it is likely that many of the private vehicle users are mountain bikers - a view supported by observations of many vehicles carrying bikes at the entrance to the reserve. There is very limited off road parking and no realistic possibility of adding more, leading to significant impacts on residents of nearby Holloway Rd even at current usage levels. Users who travel by car are less likely to support local businesses, while detracting from the enjoyment of the large number of pedestrian (and bike) visitors to the Aro Street shopping area at weekends. We wonder if Polhill Reserve has the capacity to be a destination mountain biking facility.

While we don't seek to propose specific track building solutions, we wonder if a different approach to reducing conflict between cycling and walking/running users might be helpful. Improving existing walking tracks and adding short extra sections in order to form a loop would have a minimal environmental impact and provide walkers/runners with an alternative to Transient. Similarly, relatively small improvements could improve connections to roads such as Karepa Street, so that walker/runners could use streets for a return/downhill journey. Removing some walkers/runners would make cycling on Transient more enjoyable, although downhill cyclists would still have to give priority to uphill cyclists and remaining walkers.

Comments on the five individual parts of the proposal:

1. Proposed bike-priority descending track (parallels Transient) - as described above, we are concerned about the impact on the natural environment and slope stability, and note that it may not deliver significant benefit to walkers/runners due to an increase in uphill cycling on Transient itself. It would not even fully separate downhill cycling from the other modes as the lower section would still need to be open for beginner-level downhill cyclists.
2. Proposed walking-only connector trail (to Karepa St) - we appreciate WCC concerns around vegetation loss, but this option might be considered as part of removing walkers from Transient if the bike-priority descending track is not built.
3. Proposed shared-use connector track (near Highbury Rd) - we suspect the loss of vegetation outweighs the 'nice to have' value of this section of trail.
4. Proposed removal of steep track (from Waimapihi Reserve to near top of Transient) - we think this track could form part of an alternative walking/running loop, reducing demand on Transient and therefore the need to build a parallel track. We would support further investigation into the merits of retaining/improving this track.
5. Proposed removal of steps (to Ashton Fitchett Drive from above Transient) - again, we would support further investigation into the merits of retaining these steps as part of an alternative route for walking/running.

In summary, we share the significant concerns about ecological impact detailed in the WCC formal assessment of the proposal and are not convinced that the survey responses favouring new tracks and user separation are robust enough to outweigh these concerns.

We are concerned that building a new track to take only downhill cyclists would not meet the desires of walkers/runners for 'separation of users' as they would still be sharing with uphill cyclists. We are not sure that the Polhill Reserve can accommodate a significant increase in downhill mountain biking, and would like to see further investigation of low-environmental impact options that provide alternatives to Transient for walkers/runners to be investigated before allowing further large scale building of tracks for biking. We also note that new tracks are being created in other areas, such as Makara Peak and Te Kopahau which have more space, fewer walkers and less immediate potential as natural habitat for rare birds.

We suggest deferring a decision on the proposed new track (proposal #1) until other options to reduce track conflicts can be investigated and trialled, and the impact of increased options for mountain biking elsewhere in Wellington can be assessed.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Good option, will reduce downhill traffic, and improve flow.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

**2763**

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Would be useful, although not as good as option 1

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

around zealandia, wilton bush, makara

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes, it's only a matter of time before there's an accident on these trails. I use the trails on a daily basis for commuting to work by mountain bike, as a trail runner and walking my dog on lead. I've had several near misses both as a cyclist and as a walker and it makes sense to separate the traffic.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This options requires multiple track crossing and steep switchbacks.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yep, great idea to segregate traffic and would make me feel safer when running/walking my dog.

**2765**

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Yes! The existing setup is just plain weird, going through a park and across a road.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I've never used it tend to just ride/walk down transient. Appreciate there's probably some upkeep involved.

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Whilst I don't use them myself I frequently see walkers/runners using them.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Vic, Makara mountain bike park, Miramar reserve.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

It would be great to have something for bikes only, so that they don't interfere as much with walkers, and vice versa.

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

**2767**

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
Makara, Mt Vic

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

All for something that give bikers and walkers/runner both something they can enjoy, preferably on separate routes so that everyone is safe and having fun.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Having this trail will make the trail network in the area more complete and usable for a range of users and improve their experiences. Currently there are a wide range of users and abilities using Transient in both directions and this detracts from the experience as one has numerous interruptions while using the trail.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

A steeper diversion from what has been proposed will detract from the flow of the planned trail.

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2769

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

All trails open to mountain biking around Wellington City and beyond. Particularly: Makara Peak, Karori Park, Skyline, Wrights Hill, Red Rocks, Miramar, Mt Vic.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Refuse user conflict. I am a biker and don't use the track much because if descending traffic. I also walk this track and find it not as relaxing as it should because if the faster descenders on bikes

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**2771**

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

The trail down from the playground is dodgy, also awkward with people on trail.

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Returning used trail back to nature is s great idea

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Mt Victoria, miramar jail tracks, moa point hills, makara, my Albert, town belt,

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

I've worked with council making tracks ((Hippy's track my Vic) and managing events. If you are going to make a descending trail it needs to have features that make riders want to ride it more than the old trail. There is an opportunity to make an inner city track that will be great for events . for this to happen it would require an advance Kevel of track building to what is currently being done.

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

**2773**

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

This would be a fantastic addition to Serendipity as another downhill mtb trail, removing the risk of collisions between bikers and other trail users that currently exists on the busy Transient.

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't think this is needed

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Support this as would avoid collisions between bikers and other trail users.

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling

2775

trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

I don't use these personally but have seen others using them.

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Tawatawa reserve, Makara peak and others.

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

Current downhill track (Transient) is too busy now with both directions walkers/bikers. High risk of an accident

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes  
 No

**2777**

Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes  
 No  
 Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker  
 Walker  
 Commuter  
 Runner  
 Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, which ones?

Makara, Mt Vic, Tinakori Hill, Belmont Park, Wainui Park, Eastborne, Te Whiti Riser

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

Pressure taken off Transient. Fun downhill made safer

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

**2779**

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?  
makara skyline

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Any other comments or questions?

Comments

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**Submission****Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

Do you support the following proposals:

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- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

- Yes

**2781**

- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

- Biker
- Walker
- Commuter
- Runner
- Dog Walker

Other:

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Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

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Polhill Reserve Track Proposals



**Submission to Wellington City Council on  
Polhill track proposals**

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**Submission**

Living Streets Aotearoa thanks the Council for this opportunity to submit on the Polhill track proposals.

Living Streets supports the findings in the officers' environmental assessment report that more tracks are not needed in Polhill and will cause detriment to the natural environment, and therefore this proposal to create new tracks should not proceed.

Living Streets supports extension of bike tracks at Makara Peak Mountain Bike park to cater to mountain-bike demand.

Living Streets supports use of existing dirt roads (i.e. four-wheel-drive roads) as the best way to extend cycle reach rather than further use of tracks in parks.

Please note that bicycles are 'vehicles'. There is some confusion in this document.

Living Streets would like to see a proper standard being applied consistently in our parks and on our footpaths. This would include a clear requirement that where tracks or paths are 'shared' mixed use they must meet a consistent standard that allows for safety and amenity of experience for all users.

Clearly in Polhill this is not the case. For example, the Highbury Fling track is a one-person-wide path with no room along much of its length for passing. This means that walkers are required to constantly watch out for and give way to bikes, which diminishes the experience of being in a natural park environment for all users.

There are a range of available standards for shared use paths, so a new standard does not need to be developed. We note that the WCC standards are for walk or bike paths but not for shared mixed users.

The proposal is to close two areas of track. Both of these are pedestrian-only sections. Both of these areas (the steps and the old steep path to Waimapihi - Aro St) should be retained for pedestrian-only use.

The old walking-only track from George Denton Park to Brosnahan Street and Holloway Road should be re-signposted as walk only. There seems to be mountain-bikes using it, which the map indicates should not be the case (although we did find the map in the consultation document difficult to follow).

The entrance to the park on Aro Street needs to be clearly marked to indicate where the 'shared' mixed-use section stops and the pedestrian-only footpath begins. We note there are conflicts at this point.

The signage and maps for Polhill need to reflect that this is a long-standing walking area. It would be encouraging to see the WCC promoting walking in this area as vigorously as they do biking.

We would like to be heard in support of our submission.

### **About Living Streets**

Living Streets Aotearoa is New Zealand's national walking and pedestrian organisation, providing a positive voice for people on foot and working to promote walking friendly planning and development around the country. Our vision is "More people choosing to walk more often and enjoying public places".

The objectives of Living Streets Aotearoa are:

- to promote walking as a healthy, environmentally-friendly and universal means of transport and recreation
- to promote the social and economic benefits of pedestrian-friendly communities
- to work for improved access and conditions for walkers, pedestrians and runners including walking surfaces, traffic flows, speed and safety
- to advocate for greater representation of pedestrian concerns in national, regional and urban land use and transport planning.

For more information, please see: [www.livingstreets.org.nz](http://www.livingstreets.org.nz)

## Polhill Reserve Track Proposals

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**Questions about Polhill Reserve tracks and proposed tracks**

**Do you support the following proposals:**

**Proposal 1:** A new 2.5-kilometre mountain bike priority descending trail?

Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 1a:** Alternate option for the top of the track below Ashton Fitchett Drive?

Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 2:** A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?

Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 3:** A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?

Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track form Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

Yes  No  Unsure

I'm not so familiar w itl  
On the negative side,

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

Yes  No  Unsure

This seems sensible

Why/other comments

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Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply)

Biker  Walker  Commuter  Runner  Dog Walker

Other:

Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

Yes  No

Mainly Makara Peak (

If yes, which ones?

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Any other comments or questions?

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# WALKING CAPITAL

3 July 2017

Wellington City Council

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## POLHILL RESERVE TRACK PROPOSALS - SUBMISSION

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a written submission on the Polhill Reserve track proposals. This submission is made on behalf of Walking Capital – a recently formed group representing the interests of walkers and others on foot using Wellington’s open spaces.

### 1. **New downhill track environmentally damaging and should not proceed**

Walking Capital opposes any new tracks in the Polhill Reserve due to the significant environmental damage that would be caused. The new tracks would require the clearance of regenerating native forest, disturb native bird populations (including several threatened species) and significantly increase the risk of erosion.

This environment damage is emphasized in the Council’s own environmental assessment of the proposals. It points out that the proposed new track “...goes through the habitat of four threatened avian species” and recommends “...that the ecological values of Polhill Reserve should take precedence over adding new tracks.”

We strongly endorse the Council’s own Environmental Assessment Report on Polhill Reserve and support it in opposition to any new track construction.

### 2. **Do not remove the walking-only linking track and steps**

We oppose the Council’s proposal to remove the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve and the steps from Ashton Fitchett Drive entrance. They are well used by walkers and locals and provide a useful link to the different areas in the reserve. Their removal would detract from the walking experience in Polhill Reserve.

The addition of steps on the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve would make them safer for walkers and deter bikers from using this track.

The walking-only tracks in Polhill Reserve are used by many walkers. If these were maintained then more people would use them. It’s not their steepness and narrowness that stops some people using them, Wellington is full of popular tracks like these, instead, it’s the general uncared for look of these tracks, which give the impression of informal tracks that don’t go anywhere.

### 3. **Alternative submission – clear signage to enhance safety & minimum standards for mixed-use (shared) tracks**

The development of the tracks in Polhill Reserve has occurred in a chaotic and ad-hoc manner. If the tracks in the Polhill Reserve had been designed from scratch the area would look totally different.

However, while a clean slate approach is appealing, it is clearly not practicable. The next best thing in our view is to call an immediate halt to all new tracks and put our collective effort into making the most of the current track network.

User safety is paramount. There must to be a minimum standard for mixed-use tracks, e.g. Highbury Fling is very narrow, surely it wouldn't meet the minimum standard in terms of construction, width and sightlines. We regard the Council's current track standards to be out of date and appear to have been drafted before mixed-used (shared) tracks became the norm.

All mixed-use tracks need clear signage, stating 'bikers give way to walkers'. This is a cheap, practical step that would enhance the experience for all users and prevent the risk of injury.

'Time sharing' for users was also suggested by the Council. Walkers should have the right to walk on any track they want, and at any time. We'd like to see some mixed-use tracks closed for mountain bikes on some days of the week. A good example of this 'time sharing' is The Red Rocks track being closed to motor vehicles on Sundays, allowing walkers to walk in peace and safety.

For the longer term, Walking Capital would like to see Council adopt a more co-ordinated policy and planning approach to its iconic open space walking tracks, especially in our urban environment.

In particular, we would like to see a review of the Council's current 'shared tracks' policy. We think this is critical given its involvement in the Regional Trails Framework that is looking at greater consistency across the wider Wellington region.

We are concerned at the increasing pressure from the well-organised and funded mountain bike lobby to build more adventure-style tracks in our best open spaces such as the Town Belt and inner city Council reserves. This usually proceeds under the guise of meeting local demand with a *quid pro quo* of supporting predator/pest control projects, and a positive cost/benefit argument based on either shared tracks or dual track construction.

In reality, this pressure tends to drive walkers away due to increased health & safety risks and diminished amenity value arising from mountain bikers colonising the area.

Given the Council's investment in this numerically-small group already e.g. Makara Peaks, we think it is time for the Council to cry halt to developing stand-alone proposals and review these issues afresh in a more integrated manner.

Walking Capital would like the opportunity to speak in support of its submission before a meeting involving WCC Councillors.

Yours sincerely

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To whom it may concern

My submission is in two parts:

**1. SUBMISSION:  
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF MOUNTAIN-BIKING TRACKS CITY-  
WIDE**

As a keen walker, amateur botanist, and leader of tramps and botanical field trips on tracks in the city's reserves and Town Belt for several decades, I am deeply concerned at the adverse environmental impacts caused by some people in the mountain-biking community. Unauthorised vegetation clearance and track construction are at epidemic levels.

Elements in the mountain-biking community have caused, and continue to cause, irreversible destruction of natural landforms, indigenous and exotic vegetation, root systems and their supporting soils, throughout the city's Town Belt, Outer Green Belt, Scenic Reserves and Recreation Reserves.

Has this destruction of natural values had the approval of councillors, and Parks, Recreation and Sport staff over the last twenty years?

Have councillors and staff overlooked, or been ignorant of, mountain-bikers' unauthorised construction of tracks and clearance of vegetation?

Has Wellington City Council ever prosecuted any individual or group for unauthorised vegetation clearance and track construction in our Town Belt, Outer Green Belt, Scenic Reserves and Recreation Reserves? If not, why not?

Have councillors and staff been overly impressed by mountain-bikers' call to make Wellington the mountain-biking capital of New Zealand, or even more grandiose, the world's mountain-biking capital?

Have councillors and staff spent, year after year, more rate-payer funds on mountain-biking facilities, than on walking tracks in our Town Belt, Outer Green Belt, Scenic Reserves and Recreation Reserves? If so, how can that

be justified, given that most people can walk or run on tracks, and by comparison, fewer people use mountain bikes?

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## **2. SUBMISSION: BROOKLYN TRAIL BUILDERS' POLHILL CONSULTATION ON NEW TRACKS**

### **Introduction**

I welcome the fact that the document, *Polhill consultation on new tracks*, has not come from Wellington City Council, but from a community group. Thus I assume that Wellington City Council does not necessarily support the proposed track-onstruction works. I welcome the fact that *Polhill Reserve – Formal Assessment of Brooklyn Trail Builders' Proposal* indicates concern about numerous aspects of the proposal. I make more detailed comments on the assessment of environmental effects later in this submission.

### **Comments**

I oppose, in its entirety, the proposal to construct any new tracks in Polhill Reserve, a treasured part of Wellington's Town Belt, added to it in 2016, when Parliament passed the Wellington Town Belt Act into law.

The native forest community is regenerating from pasture, and from the use of the part near Karepa Street as a rubbish dump (tyres, white-ware, roofing iron, plastic items, etc.), as I found when tramping the length of the valley in the mid-1980s, leading a Tararua Tramping Club group. Since then, I have walked all the tracks, except Polhill Ridge Track and 'Rabbit Road', listing native plants, weeds and native and introduced birds. I have not yet tramped up the valley floors of the several creeks. Please refer to the species lists in the appendix below.

Clinical Track is an example of the adverse impacts of track building on a regenerating indigenous ecosystem. Substantial cuttings were dug, some over 1 m high, producing large volumes of side-castings, especially on tight corners on zigzags. On some tight corners, the track is c. 2-m wide, with the outside of the bend banked so that mountain-bikers can speed up hill round the bends. Several down-slope roots supporting a large tree fuchsia growing between a 'zig' and a 'zag' have been cut, with the potential for the tree to fall. This indicates crass incompetence by the track builders. Several species of weeds have established along the new bush edges created by clearance of bush along the alignment, and the resulting opening up of the canopy.

I sense that elements in the mountain-biking community have an insatiable appetite for the felling of trees and shrubs, and the earth-moving, bridge-building, and other tasks involved in building new tracks.

### **Reasons for my opposition to the proposals**

Page 8 of *Formal Assessment of Brooklyn Trail Builders' Proposal* states: "Polhill Reserve has been identified as a Significant Ecological Site, as well as a Conservation Site (3c) in the District Plan."

Thus I oppose the proposal because it would:

1. Compound the already considerable fragmentation of the reserve's indigenous ecosystems caused by a multitude of wide, often heavily zig-zagged, 'stacked' tracks;
2. Involve more loss of regenerating indigenous vegetation;
3. Create 6.4-kilometres of new bush edges, double the length of the proposed new tracks (2.5 km + 350 m + 350 m = 3.2 km x 2 = 6.4 km). This would facilitate the invasion of the bush edges by weeds and pest animals, and would facilitate access by sunlight and wind into the interior of the native forest. This would alter the forest micro-climate by drying out the leaf litter and soils of the forest floor, putting existing native vegetation at risk from moisture loss, and from fire;
4. Pose the risk of forest collapse along the existing tracks and the proposed new tracks, because of 1, 2 and 3 above, with a resulting loss of the amenity enjoyed by visitors to the reserve;
5. Further disturb the populations of native birds, lizards and invertebrates, caused by the existing day-time and night-time use of tracks in the reserve.

**WCC's Polhill Reserve – Formal Assessment of Brooklyn Trail Builders' Proposal**

As stated in the summary on page 12 of the document, the proposed track:

"goes through the habitat of four threatened avian species. Due to the structure of the forest and slope, it is unlikely that canopy gaps can be avoided. The impacts on any significant trees could potentially be avoided, but the steepness of the slope will also make it difficult to realign the track. In addition, due to the height of the required cuts, if a significant tree is on the alignment, it is unlikely that root disturbance will be avoided.'

"The predominant risk posed by this track proposal is to the threatened and locally significant bird species found in this reserve. The direct disturbance by having a track within the habitat of these birds poses a direct risk to their nesting success, and the success of their fledglings. There is also a risk to the forest structure through opening up the canopy, introducing weed species and increasing the potential for slips.'

"When assessed against the criteria in the Open Space Access Plan, and given the significance of the bird species found here, **it is advised that a precautionary approach is taken**" (The bolding is mine).

I fully support the candid assessments in quotation marks above.

I believe that the precautionary approach recommended by the officers warrants councillors declining the track proposal in its entirety.

**Additional comments**

Efforts by mountain bikers, and others in the community, to control pest animals, pest plants and other weed species, are praiseworthy, but neither this work, nor the work of people planting in Polhill Reserve, would in any way compensate for:

- the environmental destruction already done by mountain bikers;
- the additional destruction that would be caused if Wellington City Council were to approve the construction of any new tracks in Polhill Reserve, Wellington Town Belt.

Efforts by mountain bikers, and others in the community, to plant native plants in Polhill Reserve would be praiseworthy if the plantings had been restricted exclusively to locally sourced (eco-sourced) *pioneer* species\*. Too often, the opposite has happened. I believe that planters have made ecologically unsound assumptions about the composition of the native forest that once grew on what is now Polhill Reserve before Māori, then European, settlement began. They have then endeavoured to replicate that imagined composition. Examples include planting kahikatea, tōtara, miro, nīkau, tītoki, northern rātā, pukatea, etc. At maturity, these species either occupy the canopy, or may become emergents, rising above the surrounding canopy. In my opinion this will result in a designer forest, not a naturally evolved native forest ecosystem. Human impatience has pre-empted the natural process of forest succession.

I believe that what the planters have done can best be described as ‘botanic gardening’. Given time, the natural form of forest succession would occur, with seeds of native plant species delivered by birds and the wind, from the several bush communities in the area. They include Te Kopahou Reserve, Carey Gully, Long Gully Bush Reserve, Lot 2 Long Gully, Karori Sanctuary/Zealandia, Burrows Avenue Reserve, Wright Hill Reserve, Wellington Botanic Garden (five areas of native forest), Birdwood Reserve, Johnston Hill Reserve, and Otari-Wilton’s Bush.

(\* Pioneer species of native plants in Wellington include rangiora, karamu, taupata, kanono, māpou, tauhinu, kawakawa, common koromiko, poroporo, hangehange, two small-leaved coprosma species: *C. propinqua* subsp. *propinqua*, *C. rhamnoides*). If myrtle rust does not arrive in Wellington, then mānuka could be added to this list.

**Recommendation**

I recommend that councillors decline the proposal in its entirety.

**Hearings**

I wish to speak in support of this submission before the relevant committee of council.

Yours sincerely

Chris Horne

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## APPENDIX

**POLHILL RESERVE  
INCLUDING GEORGE DENTON PARK  
WELLINGTON TOWN BELT  
ARO VALLEY, WELLINGTON**

**Map:** NZTopo50-BQ31 Wellington, centred on grid reference 470265.

**Area:** c. 75 hectares.

**Catchment:** "Waimapihi Valley".

**Elevation range:** c. 40 m – 299 m "Polhill trig" A2LP.

**Landform:** Two principal valleys, and several minor valleys, all tributaries of "Waiimapihi Stream".

**Geology:** Alternating dark grey argillite and greywacke sandstone. Conglomerates. Intricately folded. Spilitic lava with pink limestone and jasperoid chert. Ruahine greywackes. Kawhia Herangi Series, Jurassic. *NZ Geological Map 1 : 250,000. Sheet 12 Wellington.* (NZ Geological Survey, Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. 1967).

**Soils:** Korokoro-Makara soils. *Soils of Wellington District.* H S Gibbs. Soil Bureau, Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. 1960.

**Aspect:** The main tributaries flow north-north-east.

**Rainfall:** 1228.9 mm p.a. (gauge at Kelburn Meteorological Office).

**Ecological District:** Wellington Ecological District 39.01.

**Forest classification:** Regenerating semi-coastal broad-leaved native forest; mixed indigenous/exotic shrublands; plantings of native species; rank pasture; areas of bare soil and rock along tracks.

**Tenure:** Wellington City Council.

**Status:** Wellington Town Belt, protected under the Wellington Town Belt Act 2016.

**Wellington City Council District Plan:** Conservation Site 3C.

**Reference:** Park, G 1999, *An Inventory of the Surviving Traces of the Primary Forest of Wellington City*, compiled for Wellington City Council by Geoff Park Landscape Ecology and History. Site O406.5, Site O406.6. These two sites are in Aro Valley near Polhill Reserve.

Lists compiled by B Mitcalfe and C Horne on 25.8.2011 during a 5-hour reconnaissance along Highbury Fling Track and Transient Track. Additions by C Horne on 29.6.2017 during a 4-hour reconnaissance. Itinerary: Transient Track from Ashton Fitchett Drive to Serendipity Track; track and sealed footpath up to Karepa St and back to Transient Track; down Serendipity Track to Aro St. Additions by CH on 30.6.2017 during a 2.5-hour reconnaissance of Clinical Track and George Denton Park Track:

**Abbreviations:**

# = NZ native species not naturally occurring in Wellington Ecological District  
39.01

agg. = aggregate

(cult) = cultivar

(P) = planted

sp. = species

subsp. = subspecies

var. = variety

x = hybrid

## Notes

## Observations

### LIST 1: SOME INDIGENOUS VASCULAR PLANTS

BOTANICAL NAME	MĀORI NAME	COMMON NAME
<b>GYMNOSPERM TREES</b>		
<i>Dacrycarpus dacrydioides</i> (P)	kahikatea	kahikatea
<i>Podocarpus totara</i> var. <i>totara</i> (P)	tōtara	tōtara
<i>Prumnopitys ferruginea</i> (P)	miro	miro
<b>MONOCOTYLEDONOUS TREES</b>		
<i>Cordyline australis</i>	tī kōuka	cabbage tree
<i>Rhopalostylis sapida</i> (P)	nīkau	nīkau
<b>DICOTYLEDONOUS TREES AND SHRUBS</b>		
<i>Aristotelia serrata</i>	makomako	wineberry
<i>Beilschmiedia tawa</i> (P)	tawa	tawa
<i>Brachyglottis repanda</i>	rangiora	rangiora
<i>Carpodetus serratus</i> (P)	putaputawētā	marbleleaf
<i>Coprosma areolata</i> (P) coprosma		thin-leaved
<i>Coprosma grandifolia</i>	kānono	kānono
<i>Coprosma rhamnoides</i>		a coprosma sp.
<i>Coprosma propinqua</i> var. <i>propinqua</i>		a coprosma sp.
<i>Coprosma robusta</i>	karamu	karamu
<i>Coprosma rotundifolia</i> (P) coprosma		round-leaved
# <i>Corynocarpus laevigatus</i>	karaka	karaka
# <i>Dodoniaea viscosa</i> (P)	akeake	akeake
<i>Dysoxylum spectabile</i> (P?)	kohekohe	kohekohe
<i>Elaeocarpus dentatus</i>	hīnau	hīnau
# <i>Entelea arborescens</i> (P)	whau	whau
<i>Fuchsia excorticata</i>	kōtukutuku	tree fuchsia
<i>Geniostoma ligustrifolium</i> var. <i>ligustrifolium</i>	hangehange	hangehange

Griselinia littoralis (P)	papâuma	broadleaf
Hedycarya arborea	porokaiwhiri	pigeonwood
# Hoheria populnea	houhere	lacebark
Knightia excelsa	rewarewa	rewarewa
Kunzea robusta (P)	kānuka	kānuka
Laurelia novaezelandiae (P)	pukatea	pukatea
Leptospermum scoparium agg. (P)	mānuka	mānuka
Lophomyrtus bullata (P)	ramarama	ramarama
Melicope ternata (P)	wharangi	wharangi
Melicytus ramiflorus subsp. ramiflorus	māhoe	māhoe
Metrosideros robusta (P)	rātā	northern rātā
Myoporum laetum	ngaio	ngaio
Myrsine australis	māpou	māpou
Olearia paniculata (P)	akiraho	akiraho
Ozothamnus leptophyllus	tauhinu	tauhinu
Pennantia corymbosa	kaikōmako	kaikōmako
Piper excelsum subsp. excelsum	kawakawa	kawakawa
Pittosporum eugenioides (P)	tarata	lemonwood
# Pittosporum ralphii		a pittosporum sp.
Pittosporum tenuifolium	kohuhu	kohuhu
Pseudopanax arboreus	whauwhaupaku	five-finger
Pseudopanax crassifolius	horoeaka	lancewood
# Pseudopanax crassifolius x P. lessonii		a pseudopanax hybrid
# Pseudopanax laetus		a pseudopanax sp.
Schefflera digitata	patē	seven-finger
Solanum laciniatum	poroporo	poroporo
Sophora microphylla (P)	kōwhai	kōwhai
Veronica (Hebe) parviflora (P)	koromiko tāranga	tree hebe
Veronica (Hebe) stricta	koromiko	koromiko
# Vitex lucens (P)	pûriri	pûriri

### MONOCOTYLEDONOUS LIANES

None recorded

### DICOTYLEDONOUS LIANES

Clematis forsteri	pikiarero	small white clematis
Muehlenbeckia australis	pôhuehue	pôhuehue
Parsonsia heterophylla	kaihua	a NZ jasmine sp.
Rubus cissoides agg.	tâtârâmoa	a bush lawyer sp.

### FERNS

Asplenium bulbiferum	manamana	hen & chickens fern
Asplenium flaccidum spleenwort	makawe o Raukatauri	hanging
Asplenium oblongifolium spleenwort	huruhuru whenua	shining
Blechnum chambersii	nini	lance fern
Blechnum filiforme	pânako	thread fern

<i>Blechnum fluviatile</i>	kiwakiwa	ray water fern
<i>Blechnum novae-zelandiae</i>	kiokio	kiokio
<i>Blechnum procerum</i>	kiokio	small kiokio
<i>Cyathea dealbata</i>	ponga	silver fern
<i>Cyathea medullaris</i>	mamaku	mamaku
<i>Histiopteris incisa</i>	mâtâtâ	water fern
<i>Lastreopsis glabella</i>		smooth hield fern
<i>Microsorium pustulatum</i>		
subsp. <i>pustulatum</i>	kôwaowao	hound's tongue
<i>Paesia scaberula</i>	mâtâ	ring fern
<i>Pellaea rotundifolia</i>	tarawera	round-leaved ern
<i>Polystichum neozelandicum</i>		
subsp. <i>zerophyllum</i>	pikopiko	a shield fern sp.
<i>Pteridium esculentum</i>	rârahu	bracken
<i>Pyrrosia eleagnifolia</i>	ota	leather-leaf fern

### LYCOPODS AND PSILOPSIDS

None recorded

### ORCHIDS

None recorded

### GRASSES

<i>Anamanthele lessoniana</i> (P)		wind grass
<i>Austroderia fulvida</i>	toetoe	toetoe

### SEDGES

<i>Carex geminata</i> (P)	rautahi	cutty grass
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### RUSHES

None recorded

### MONOCOTYLEDONOUS HERBACEOUS PLANTS, other than orchids, grasses, sedges, rushes

<i>Arthropodium cirratum</i> (P)	rengarenga	rengarenga
<i>Dianella nigra</i> (P)	tûrutu	blueberry
<i>Libertia ixioides</i> (P)	mīkoikoi	a NZ iris sp.
<i>Phormium cookianum</i> (P)	wharariki	coastal flax
<i>Phormium cookianum</i> x <i>P. tenax</i>		a hybrid flax

### COMPOSITE HERBACEOUS PLANTS

<i>Senecio hispidulus</i>		a fireweed sp.
<i>Senecio minimus</i>		a fireweed sp.

### DICOTYLEDONOUS HERBACEOUS PLANTS, other than composites

<i>Cardamine debilis</i>	panapanna	NZ bitter cress
<i>Haloragis erecta</i>	toatoa	shrubby
<i>haloragis</i>		
<i>Hydrocotyle novae-zelandiae</i>		a pennywort sp.

Stellaria parviflora

kohukohu

NZ chickweed

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**LIST 2: SOME ADVENTIVE VASCULAR PLANTS****GYMNOSPERM TREES**

Cupressus lawsoniana

Lawson's

cypress

Pinus radiata

radiata pine

**DICOTYLEDONOUS TREES AND SHRUBS**

Berberis darwinii

Darwin's barberry

Buddleja davidii

buddleia

Cytisus scoparius

broom

Eleagnus Xreflexa

eleagnus

Eucalyptus sp.

a eucalyptus sp.

Hypericum androsaemum

tutsan

Ilex aquifolium

English holly

Laurus nobilis

bay

Phytolacca octandra

inkweed

Prunus laurocerasus

strawberry laurel

Prunus sp.

a flowering

cherry sp.

Racosperma melanoxyton

Tasmanian

blackwood

Rubus fruticosus agg.

blackberry

Salix sp.

a willow sp.

Teline monspessulana

Montpelier broom

Ulex europaeus

gorse

**DICOTYLEDONOUS LIANES AND TRAILING PLANTS**

Asparagus scandens

climbing

asparagus

Clematis vitalba

old man's beard

Delairea odorata (Senecio mikanoides)

German ivy

Hedera helix

English ivy

Lonicera japonica

Japanese

honeysuckle

Nasturtium officinale

nasturtium

Passiflora mollissima

banana

passionfruit

**LYCOPODS**

None recorded

**FERNS**

Dryopteris filix-mas

male fern

**GRASSES**

Agrostis capillaris		brown top
Dactylis glomerata		cock'sfoot
Ehrharta erecta		veld grass

**RUSHES**

None recorded

**MONOCOTYLEDONOUS HERBACEOUS PLANTS, other than orchids, grasses, sedges, rushes**

Allium triquetrum		onion weed
Crocasmia Xcrocsmiiflora		montbretia
Hedychium sp.		a ginger lily sp.
Sisyrinchium iridifolium		purple-eyed
grass		
Tradescantia fluminensis		wandering willie
Zantedeschia aethiops		arum

**COMPOSITE HERBACEOUS PLANTS**

Bellis perennis		English daisy
Cirsium vulgare	kotimana	Scotch thistle
Erigeron karvinskianus		Mexican daisy
Erigeron (Conyza) sumatrensis		fleabane
Helminthoeca ecioides		oxtongue
Hypochaeris radicata		catsear
Jacobaea vulgaris		ragwort
Mycelis muralis		wall lettuce
Sonchus oleraceus	pūha	sow thistle

**DICOTYLEDONOUS HERBACEOUS PLANTS other than composites**

Achillea millefolium		common yarrow
Digitalis purpurea		foxglove
Foeniculum vulgare		fennel
Geranium molle		dove's-foot
cranesbill		
Malva dendromorpha		tree mallow
Prunella vulgaris		self-heal
Ranunculus repens		creeping
buttercup		
Raphanus raphanistrum		wild radish
Rumex obtusifolius		broad-leaved
dock		
Solanum chenopodioides		velvet nightshade
Solanum nigrum		black nightshade
Stachys silvatica		hedge stachys
Stellaria media		chickweed

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**LIST 3: SOME INDIGENOUS BIRDS**

Falco novaeseelandiae	kārearea	NZ falcon
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Gerygone igata	riroriro	grey warbler
Larus dominicanus	kāroro	black-backed gull
Mohua albicilla	pōpokotea	whitehead
Nestor meridionalis		
subsp. septentrionalis	kākā	North Island kākā
Notiomystis cincta	hihi	stichbird
Petroica longipes	toutouwai	North        Island
robin		
Philesturnus rufusater	tieke	saddleback
Prothemadera novaseelandiae	tūī	tūī
Rhipidura fuliginosa placabilis	pīwakawaka	North        Island
fantail		
Zosterops lateralis	tauhou	waxeye

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**LIST 4: SOME ADVENTIVE BIRDS**

Fringilla coelebs	chaffinch
Platycercus eximius	eastern rosella
Turdus merula	blackbird
Turdus philomelos	song thrush

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<p><b>Proposal 2:</b> A new 350-metre walking-only connector trail from 104 Karepa Street to its connection with Transient?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No    <input type="checkbox"/> Unsure</p> <p>Why/other comments  <i>Keep access way by Windmill road on Ashton Fitchett Drive, more parking available  Walkers could leave cars parked in areas adding to congestion of traffic. Buses already struggle to drive past cars on road. Road is too narrow. Privacy as my section backs onto reserve. Safety/security for home owners. Random people wandering onto my property.</i></p>
<p><b>Proposal 3:</b> A new 350-metre shared use connector trail from upper Clinical trail to Highbury Fling trail?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input type="checkbox"/> No    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsure</p> <p>Why/other comments</p>

**Proposal 4:** Removing the steep track from Waimapihi Reserve to its connection with Transient?

Yes     No     Unsure

Why/other comments

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**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

Yes     No     Unsure

Why/other comments

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**2. Which of the following apply to you? (Tick all which apply.)**

Biker     Walker     Commuter     Runner     Dog walker    Other:

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**3. Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?**

Yes     No    If yes, which ones?

**4. Any other comments or questions?**

Track for 2: behind my property.

Large tree would need to be removed.

High fence installed as 3 metre drop onto my property.

Safety for users.

more carparks would need to be created, as more users will create traffic congestion.

No guarantees users will abide by rules walkers/bike users using proposal 2 option.

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26<sup>th</sup> June 2017 (Revised)

I make this submission in opposition to these proposals as an individual and as a regular, at least weekly, user of the "Polhill Reserve" and many other tracks, trails and routes around Wellington. I do wish to be heard.

I walk, tramp, climb, clamber on alternative days for about three hours on each outing. I am now limited by my diminishing sight and chronic malady besides which rheumatoid arthritis has crippled my feet but with the aid of two sticks I press on regardless.

I have been sharing, by e.mail, my journeys for more than ten years. The audience for "Rosamund's Rambles" is more than 60 individuals some of whom share the information provided with their "walking groups" etc. The names I use for tracks, trails and routes are long established as I have been walking between Miramar and Porirua for many decades.

I understand that the full information pack has been posted to me during the last few weeks. Sadly NZPost has not yet delivered!

A leaflet with a map on the reverse was dropped into my letterbox it is only a summary. A very brief reference is made to the Open Space Access Plan (OSAP), the updated Town Belt Management Plan (TBMP) and to what appears to me to be an environmental impact report. I have not yet seen the latter.

In 2009 I wrote that "Mountain Bikes" were not permitted either in or around Polhill/Highbury/Brooklyn. Since then the formal colonisation of tracks, trails and routes has accelerated apace with each inch given a mile has been taken. At the time Highbury Fling was under construction with a charming sign warning about its narrowness..."not suitable for stout people" it has now been cambered and cleared for cyclists at the time it was anticipated that cyclists would continue cycling around the KWS fenceline "Roller Coaster". I am happy to supply more information on the history of the area as walked!

The idea of removing the steps descending from Ashton Fitchett and to the removal of the Waimapihi Walking Track to Holloway Road appals me.

A) (Proposal 4) The Waimapihi Walking Track is the oldest track in the network. It has always been gnarly, rutted and steep, but it provides the only direct access to the end of Holloway Road and "Rabbit Road" from Transient 1. In the last couple of years there have been attempts to make it passable. Some years ago I was promised by WCC steps (2008), which would also deter hurtling cyclists, on this useful access route. This route is a direct link to the recently upgraded lower "Rabbit Road" and a means to make a loop by then ascending to the "old route" that begins by the waymarker showing Transient 2 is a popular descent route despite it being heavily rutted and steep it leads into the pine forest above Aro Street and is a good connector track through Carey Street, across Holloway Road and then to Brosnahan and the beginning of Clinical.

I note that the Waimapihi Reserve is the nesting site for many birds there are signs of track excavation/creation within this tiny reserve. Doubtless one day it will have an informal connection to Clinical!

B) (Proposal 5) The Ashton Fitchett steps are a very useful shortcut when one has been circling the tracks or coming from the Skyline it reduces the journey from the end of Highbury Fling and Transient 1 by about 15 minutes. The steps, which were installed about ten years ago have until recently rarely been maintained, these days there is a "continuous" handrail and there has been some tidying. The steps avoid some of the least stable parts of Transient 1 beneath.

The lack of detail on the "map" undermines its usefulness the names of tracks such as "Squatters" and trails such as "Roots" are well used, by walkers. Useful bypasses have also been ignored. Most regular users know the common/traditional names and had the map been checked with an older user names could have been appended. Similarly unnamed bypasses are not marked to show access points between Highbury Fling and Clinical, "Squatters" (old Brosnahan Track) and Clinical, both provide direct access albeit steeply.

It astonishes me that regular walkers were not consulted, there are still many of us and in the daytime our numbers exceed those of cyclists.

C) The environmental impact of removing vegetation is already considerable. When the pilot track was built care was taken to ensure that vegetation hugged the sides to prevent erosion and to provide habitat for fauna. That is now a thing of the past with each upgrade removing vegetation, causing erosion and in places land slips, the "switchbacks" have been sharpened to allow cyclist to sweep downwards and to make negotiation by walkers more problematic. Recently (starting 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2017) more tree limbs have been removed and the surface, which once allowed purchase has been smoothed with "cake-mix" making it slippery. Large sums were spent on upgrading (post 2009) "Squatters", another old route, now known as the George Denton Track, most of the new infill has slipped and the trail has largely reverted to the rutted trail that it has always been. The lesson on Polhill's difficult terrain is leave well alone and save rate-payers money.

Note: Highbury Fling leads to Transient1 > Transient2 is marked as is just before the "old route" > Transient2 ends logically just by the Durham Street ridgeline > Transient3 begins and continues down to the Polhill Reserve Green at Aro Street.

The hair-raising "Serendipity" begins about 5 metres further along the ridgeline. Vegetation has been cleared and land erosion is apparent apparently it is used by hurtling hoodlums on bike nocturnally thus disturbing the surviving remnants of birdlife in what was once a "bird rich" area.

Conclusion:

The relief I seek is for the entire Polhill area to be left as it is with nothing added or removed. I oppose all of the proposals outlined.

Appendix below:

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Supplement – 6<sup>th</sup> July 2017

In the last five days I have received by courier the "Formal Assessment of the Brooklyn Trail Builders' Proposal" including the "Assessment of Environmental Effects (AEE)" and the "Users, use and experience survey (UU&ES)". The postal delivery service from WCC has failed as neither of the information packs have arrived to date.

I note that the AEE discusses the impact the proposed track building will have on the flora and fauna; mention is also made of potential damage that will be caused by the removal of vegetation. The slips will affect all users and already there are places that have been cleared where nothing grows because of the soil exposure. It will take many years for new vegetation to "take" and protect. I further note that the "Old Trail" to Aro Street" is being cleared (3 July 2017) and stumps poisoned to create a wide corridor for cyclists and remove habitat for a third of its length. The remainder of this trail is deeply rutted with some hazardous gullies continue to be carved out by water, run off and cyclists descending through the ruts, this is despite the trail being clearly labelled "Walkers Only" as it has been for many years. Trees absorb 91% of water from their roots and 9% from their crowns so not only are they a means of filtering carbon dioxide but also a means of silt, mud control. Poisoning stumps ensures that poisons seep into the gullies to reach the many waterways in the area. It is reprehensible to remove trees and vegetation including gorse and barberry that have provided nutrient rich corridors for birds, other fauna and shelter and shade for pedestrians. Birdlife on this trail was absent on my last visit.

The "UU&ES" was a result of people who use e.mail surveys self selecting, it is not representative of the many people who use all or part of Polhill with some regularity during daylight they include in this order: walkers, runners, dog-walkers, walkers with babes-in-backpacks, cyclists with dogs-in-tow, cyclists with dogs running alongside or ahead, mountain bikers, walkers with babies in pushchairs. Transient 1 (from Aro Street) to the escarpment above Durham Street has been widened and

the vegetation cleared and is no longer a “forest walk”. Transient 2 (from the escarpment and through the valley to the seat above the “Old Trail”) has defied clearances and is well used by walkers etc. Transient 3 (from the top of the “Old Trail” to Highbury Fling) is often used by those wanting a discrete stroll through a forest to and from George Denton Park. The access from George Denton Park to Mount Pleasant, Brosnahan and Clinical has developed a strange camber making it hazardous for walkers. This route was once verboten to cyclists as there was a large kakariki population in the forest which seems to have abandoned this site.

The new colourful waymarker caps only give information of the track, trail names. No useful information is being provided such as that at Makara Bike Park...which has the best legible combination locational-directional-information signs anywhere in Wellington, congratulations to their designers.

I would be happy to take any elected representatives on a gentle stroll around Polhill as a day-walk.

Thank you again for the extension.

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NB: I visit my inbox approximately monthly.

FYI : below are some of my notes about the area covering the last few years, I have more notes back to the mid-90's!

2016 all footbridges completed. Pleaching on archway successful and best of all the steep connector from the top to directly to Highbury Fling is being well used. Someone has placed a seat by the “Lone Pine” lookout...potential there for a direct track down to “Clinical”...[[its shown on the original map for a Community Track – to be completed in 2013!!!]] {24<sup>th</sup> January 2016}

The route was almost complete in late 2015. It sports some splendid and easily visible directional signage top and bottom. The locational sign on the corner of Brosnahan and Holloway Road has been moved to the opposite corner and is now visible. The access to “Clinical” is still gnarly with some very skittery switchbacks (ie: sweeping corners) to climb before reaching two benched seats (a mystery) the “Clinical” track proper begins here going left. *[[The old access from the “old” (now named George Denton) track is veryyyy steep, rutted and skittery despite money being spent on it...the problem is and has always been the terrain.]] Be aware that cyclists will be ascending as will other walkers. The first junction is an old connector which goes through bush to reach the George Denton track...it's a short cut back to the top, “Highbury Fling” or to Mount Pleasant Road.*

An update::: the Community Track that sort of parallels the old Brosnahan Trail is almost complete and longer than you might think. Begin at George Denton Park at the second waymarker descend...there is a "Holloway Road" sign descend to the double arrow waymarker. Contrary to the implications of the sign this is not just for cyclists but leads to Mt. Pleasant Road, the Brosnahan Trail and a wee side of track access to the "Community Track" which is quite steep and skittery at its end where it parallels the Holloway/Brosnahan/George Denton route. All "Old" access points are there. But only one exit on the "Community Track" [[learnt subsequently that it is known as "Clinical"!!!]]

I understand that the waymarker is meant to be interpreted thus: everyone may use the track the arrow pointing downwards indicated (!) the way cyclists should go and the arrow pointing upwards indicates the best way for walkers proceed so that they are facing oncoming cycles! No one is being excluded and that includes dogs but they should be on leads. A great deal of work has gone into developing this generally sheltered and shady trail which has some mature, healthy tree fuschias. It is quite steep and narrow in places. I imagine it will be a great favourite once complete and complementary to the Transient>Highbury Fling route about 3 hours at a comfortable trot!

A local living in Holloway Road bemoaned that they had tried all local routes so I suggested those from Haines Terrace and Carey Road, Rabbit Road and Waimapihi [[with a warning...promises given by WCC some years ago to put in some steps on the more hair-raising slopes of the latter are still just a dream...but hope springs eternal.]]

[[[2013]]

I am delighted to tell all of those of you who have tried "Transient 1/2/3 – Polhill = Highbury Fling" that some good WCC elves have installed seats with backs that look over the valleys. My hope is that some equally good elves do the same on Mt.Vic (from Haitaitai over the tunnel route) there once was a crude seat but someone removed the planks that rested securely on some historic heritage brick piles!

"Squatters" (the old neglected and very rutted trail from Brosnahan to Mt.Pleasant and eventually Highbury Fling etc, is being used by some dare-devil downhillers who hurtle down without any regard to any other track users they then pile their bikes onto a truck and head off to Mount Vic. To wreak havoc there!

But earlier in the month several visits to Highbury Fling (Highbury), Kohekohe (above Otari), Kaiwharawhara Stream (Otari), Carey's Road (Holloway Road) to old Polhill Track>Transient exiting at Hawkins Hill Road and then Johnsonville Park (undertrack on left>Skyline) before tackling Te Wharangi>Crows Nest (Ararua Street-Ngaio).

Sadly the oldest route upwards through Highbury Fling to the KWS fenceline track is "closed"...its incredibly rutted and the final descent is challenging but doable thanks to the remaining trees. Exit to Mt.Pleasant is as it has been for many years there is healthy population of Kakariki in here...visitors from Highbury Fling, perhaps

George Denton Park, Highbury is so close to Highbury Fling that I rarely resist it and then of course do Transient where a good elf has been doing some maintenance to the track surface. Sadly the places where plants were poisoned has caused slippage and erosion from the sides

of the valley. I know that many of you use and enjoy this route either up or down especially on windy days.

To get to HL. Park at George Denton Park (Highbury) on your right is a rough road and the KWS fence, climb the rough road passing the directional sign to Waiapu Road (Karori): about 30 metres further on there is a waymarker showing Highbury Fling. *Someone has taken away the GPT painted sign that used to be attached to the large tree stump alongside the track entrance.*

[[[2012]]

The foxgloves (white to purple) and mullein (yellow) on Highbury Fling are looking spectacular. I completed a KWS fenceline walk to check out the killing fields and new vegetation, sadly most is dead until one reaches just above the final exit route down to HF where there are lots of opportunity plants tucked into a bank. The track down is now clearly defined (!) cross over HF and continue descending...this is a steep route and not for the faint-hearted it seems to have been made for/by “downhillers”, it used to be quite walkable though it has always been steep to vertical; at its end it meets the junction for Holloway Road and Mount Pleasant Reserve/Road. It looks as though someone is removing trees and vegetation, a shame as they provide shelter, shade and much needed handholds as one descends gingerly to Brosnahan – Holloway teetering on the side of narrow gullies.

Highbury Fling (Highbury) has a (new?) population of friendly tom-tits who escort one. There a bees, butterflies, lots of flowering thistles, another flush of foxgloves and mullein. A mysterious opportunity plant (possibly toa-toa???) is lining the first part of HF.

*It seems that someone has photographed in Waikanae the bird I identified last year as a fernbird beside Highbury Fling. Perhaps there is a separate population living in the Polhill Valley beneath HF? It is certainly a haven for a very chatty population of Tui, Piwakawaka, Kaka etc.*

The kaka and piwakawaka below Highbury Fling seem to have built an alliance with the kaka causing clouds of insects to rise and the wee fantails visible enjoying the bounty. Corpulent kereru are all over the City...not just at Otari – karaka have also heavily fruited.

Questions again about getting to and from George Denton Park (Highbury). If you are driving/parking from the City head for Aro Valley and drive up to Raroa then turn left at Norna, left into Highbury Road then right past the bus terminus then left to GD Park. No.20 Bus (weekdays only and hourly). Walking through Highbury Fling > Transient3 exiting to Ashton Fitchett No.8 Bus (weekdays only and hourly) back to the City.

Highbury Fling is holding up well though its quite muddy. It perfect for those who want an easy walk with a natural termination point (Ashton Fitchett). I generally start a loop at Aro Street > Transient to H.Fling with a wee detour to

Carparks/Windmill [[apparently 400m to go before it meets up with the Carparts extension]] then descending and walking around KWS fenceline and back down to Birdwood Reserve (Waiapu Road) then up the pathway exiting just past George Denton and walking home via Kelburn!

On a delicious day I walked to the end of Aro Street and then climbed Transient passing the steps and then detouring to Hawkins Hill Road to visit "Windmill"...what a joy it is as it winds upwards through bush to its natural termination...I extended my pleasure by going left...and then exiting opposite the turbine. I could have gone right but that would have curtailed my pleasure! Crossed to the fenceline and descended all the way to George Denton then ducked into "Mt.Pleasant reserve"...its going to get a new track...sometime, apparently. Saw kakariki, kereru and kaka all within minutes so bouncy was I that I then ascended (!) and walked along Highbury Fling exiting at Ashton Fitchett and went down to Sugarloaf and wended my way to Central Park... daffodils only in patches now...then homewards. Magical day.

Transient – Highbury Fling is getting prettier by the day...lots of clumps of foxgloves. Went around the fenceline a couple of times and back to Karori and once or twice down to Campbell/Croydon and then back to the fenceline, then Birdwood Reserve, ending at Waiapu Road.

[[[2011]]]

The day before walking back along Highbury Fling from Transient 1>3 a kaka mated with my hat covered head and then another kaka landed on the bare head of a runner, preceding to wee on him, this was a group of banded kaka who were so tame that they walked around our feet and onto our shoes...probably intending to mate with them too...walked on and descended to Waiapu Road. En route I had met a KWS worker testing a new large, shiny black 4wd which apparently had the wrong tyres fitted. I told the chap about the kaka and he told me that it was their mating season, he also explained that many of the little birds had died in the snow, hopefully the bird population will swiftly recover. I have already seen flocks of wax-eyes feasting in the many blossoming fruit trees around town.

A marathoner "in training" wanted some gentlish routes, so I sent her up Transient 1/2/3 – Highbury Fling – George Denton Park – Mt.Pleasant Road and back to the beginning at the western (!) end of Aro Street, just before Holloway Rd ( *by the beautifully decorated pseudo Klimt bus shelter*).

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Why/other comments

NO OPINION

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Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

NO OPINION

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Biker  Walker  Commuter  Runner  Dog walker Other:

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3. Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

Yes  No

If yes, which ones?

MAKARA. WAINUI.

4. Any other comments or questions?

NO OPINION = I'M FINE WITH OTHER PEOPLES VIEWS

DEAR MOUNTAINBIKERS, DON'T TRY TO TAKE "ALL THE CAKE" IN WATU. BE BALANCED. PLANT TREES. SEPERATED <sup>THE</sup> SEEMS WAY TO GO.

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4. Any other comments or questions?

As a runner and walker with small children, I support expanding walk/run-only access and separation from the MTB trails. I also believe adding MTB only trails will relieve pressure on the shared tracks. Polhill Reserve is a great resource - let's keep it useable for all!

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**Russell Taylor**

**03 July 2017 – Submitted via email**

Further to my initial submission and response.

A short addition - summary

Its one for the birds!( no more "bikies!")

The regeneration of native bush, edible forests and supporting the native birds, having safer foot tracks is of more value than adding an "at speed" downhill track (water race!!!) solely for mountain bikers.

Any resources available need in my view to support establishment of better "halo' habitat for the birds,skinks wetas etc , especially food all year round, reestablishing the hinau forest and reducing any new human excursion let alone adding cycle thru way- , maintain existing tracks ist (let alone water ways, footpaths and roads), and plenty of biking areas - theres already the karori bike park

I also believe that decisions made for our reserves should follow the conditions agreed by the community in the Open Access Plan - this proposal does not appear to meet those conditionand its also quesdtionable it fits with the town belt management plan and intent.

I also request an opportunity to make an oral submission and would welcome a "decision makers" actual dialogue and a meighbourhood consult- we the" gullyytes" have been guardians of the Waimpaihi and its been a 40+ year project with little assistance and in many instances opposition from the Uni , WCC and the Public Trust.

Now it seems that its become the fashionable "playground" for some well off arrogant bikers and untethered dogs, at our community and ecosystem expense.

Russell Taylor

**07 June 2017 – Submitted via email**

Can you please confirm receipt, add this to your submission material and respond.

There is confusing information on your website

The squatters track is referred to by 2 conflicting useage- one walking only( see below)and the other priority for bikers ( a red line on current and proposed track maps))

Which is correct and operates?

My understanding is its a downhill bikers track shared use. Mountain biking is encouraged and certainly the old road section is open to service vehicles and walkers and until recently patrolled by parking enforcement.

Background\history

This track was reopened in the 1980s by the Waimapaihi Project utilising community sentence offenders. The original work was done to clear what was a previous century sledge track modified by bulldozer illegal quarrying in 1960s( the foundations for BNZ bldg) It joined the postmans track running from Waimapihi stream to the ridge. The Brosnahan terrace used to have residential sections, at one time 11 houses. Sections in Mt pleasant had paths stormwater and sewage lines and street access to bottom of their properties. There is concern theres leaking sewers still!and some stormwater and sewage connections are not as they are supposed to be.

I with permission from WCC in 1983 opened up the then Brosnahan Terrace road for vehicular access to the old quarry area at back of our property. Subsequently we had resource consent to reshape the old quarry, drain and introduce and compact clean fill of up to 2 m deep in the 90s.

I also obtained resource planning consent( to build on the quarry) to penetrate the height restriction) and gained consent of neighbours - this lapsed as I did not have the funds to build and as fallback built at roadside in 1991 The quarry was also used with WCC permission as a mobile home camping area for the sculpture symposium Te Tari Tanaga -unfortunately one of the buses got rained in. They have left limestone scraps and the sculpted figure at holloway entrance.

Further work was done by Earthquake commission contractors to address the slip damage arising from developers at 90 Holloway road including laying a coarse metal which was compacted and drainage installed to enable concrete truck access .

The developer had illegally over xmas period brought in a 20 tonne digger and excavated illegally more than 25 s m of fill.( took away 82 truckloads of fill )

Further work was done post the disastrous landslides arising from the Korimiko road storm water diversion and months of work closing in the open sewer and installing the 60 cm storm water pipeline .

This track was altered in early 2000 by rogue track builders and fences demolished and track diverted thru private property at end of Mt Pleasant Road( Muriels property)

The track was further realigned resurfaced by diggers and tracked barrows by Downers a contract also funded by Transpower and commitment made by wcc to regularly maintain the track bridges etc and deal with noxious weeds and revegetate.

This track also marks the transition from inner city residential zoning rules to outer residential rural zoning rules

Considerable local volunteer effort has seen planting of over 2500 trees shrubs and flaxes and clearing of gorse blackberry oldmans beard from 1984 to 2016. This was done with assistance of goats( 8 of them tethered ) until dog attacks stopped this in 2015

The recent track builders have put the uphill track thru the old house foundations and the remaining toilet and diverted use of squatter track and cut thru the postmans track and theres been lots of collateral damage to previous planting. Water courses have changed and there been several slips

The bottom section has for years been dumping ground and visitors are warned to be wary both broken glass and rusty iron. 2 k bedford trucks, old appliances and 1000s of bottles ( square riggers gully - another leaf in this areas history) have been dragged out in several clean ups and bottle collectors have been thru many times. There also has been 2 mining shafts- the morning star gold mining coy - this being the city end of their claim - refer to shaft story at Zealandia) There also used to be a carrier carter stable at the holloway end of the track( swamped by a landslide) and beef and dairy cattle once roamed the hillside and its where xmas and easter chickens were raised. In the 50 and 60s some of the best and most prolific blackberry patches were here and theres rumours of cannabis plots in the 70s. Pre european this gully and track saw summer forager seeking wood pigeons( theres always been wood pigeons in this valley) and hinau berries and a escape from the eels and swamps of te aro and parties on their way to bath and drink the waters of the Waimapihi - (the bathing place of the princess and subsequently Mrs Leonard in the the 20s.) George Swinson tells of this track being the ist leg of the long gully excursions by youths of the st to the south coast. He reports of expedition to and from in a afternoon returning with fresh fish.

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Your site says  
"Squatters (Squatsville)  
Location  
Polhill, Wellington, New Zealand

Overview

Squiggly single track down from the bottom of the Roller Coaster to Holloway Road.  
Grade

Intermediate or 2+ for the George Denton entry.

Access

Foot [Closed to Mountain Bikes per WCC Tracks Policy] Getting there The entrance is on the far side of George Denton park. The other entry is about 100m up from the bottom of the Roller Coaster, look for either of the two pine needle single tracks heading off to the east.

Length

0.89km

Conditions

Single track"

Initial submission

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REPLY-TO: [russell\\_taylor@clear.net.nz](mailto:russell_taylor@clear.net.nz)  
DATE: Tue, 06 Jun 2017 12:14:17 +1200  
STATUS: normal  
TO: Michael Oates [developer@arovalley.org.nz](mailto:developer@arovalley.org.nz)  
Thanks mike,

I think the tracks also involve george denton and waimapihi- they are not polhill!

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where do I locate the survey results?

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when is WCC going to address the entry exit points cycle lanes parking run off etc

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still problems with pvte track which are pedastrian only - a bevy of cyclists went thru this weekend

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whats happened to the maintenance of existing tracks- i.e the down hill one from george denton cost intially in excess of \$50000 and the commitmebnt of WCC back then was it would be maintained especially weedeaten x 2 pa and no spray - yet its been sprayed and birdlife diminished and no weedeating

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specific suggestions

the george denton downhill and up hill tracks should have the connecting track reinstated and signage so theres no down hill on the up hill!!

and

the clinical track should have a entry exit well marked off the right tributary in upper holloway road

and

the old postmans track reinstated(from there to ridge downhill track)

and

brosnahan entry exit point needs to be made safer and more obvious( so bikers don'tmiss the entry point and go on up and use waimapihi pedastrian only tracks)

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why did wcc not seek to claim a use for the pohill x vic properties- a storage and changing facility showers toilets would be great for all users and the freedom campers bring back the the sutch toilets reactivate the old school toilets

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will there be notified resource consent(more than 25 sq m disturbed)required - and enviromental ecological transport and social impact reports?

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Consultation- its been long established that the point of consultation is to reach agreement- I wonder who when etc the negotiation of the agreement will occur and who is my representative in that process and when will past agreements undertakings be observed

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also wonder how all ths fits with town belt management plan restrictions- i have been advised that formal informal paths and access are not permited in town belt

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where is the funding for this arising from- i understood it was austere times and what funds there were were to address the critical infrastructure problems is it coded as recreation, reserves or what in WCC financial records? where can i or anyone track and identify expenditure against budget and policy ? especially the funding for food proliferation, predator control, old mans beard noxious plant eradication versus more tracks versus stormwater upgrade,footpath maintenance ,wet house, social housing etc

russell

## Submission on Proposed New Mountain Bike Trails in Polhill

I am writing this is a personal submission to the proposal by the Brooklyn Trail Builders to build further bike tracks in the Polhill area. In essence this is a mild revision of a letter on this topic that I sent to Councillor Peter Gilberd and Michael Oates a few weeks ago. I am an active member of the Polhill Protectors, and have shared this submission with other members of the group. Overall, the opinions here reflect that of the group as a whole, however I expect that the Polhill Protectors will independently write a submission.

My wife and I have lived in Wellington for twenty five years. I have a vivid memory of my first view of the Polhill area. We were looking for a house to rent and were shown one in Karepa St in Brooklyn. The view from the house was of a vast sea of gorse and the idea of living in a house with such a view did not appeal at all. Twenty five years before that the view would have been to farmland. How that has changed. Polhill has evolved into a hugely valuable recreational area returning to largely native bush, although with plenty of exotics mixed in. For us, the Polhill Protectors, the most exciting thing is the well-documented return of the bird life. Supporting that return is our primary objective.

Recently I went for my regular run which basically is a circuit through most of Polhill. On that run I saw kaka, toutouwai, kereru, piwakawaka, wax eyes and whiteheads. I heard tieke, kakariki, karearea, kingfisher and grey warblers. For me its an enormous privilege to have that experience. It greatly enhances my quality of life and is something that would have been unthinkable twenty five years ago. Thanks to the Sanctuary and the protected areas nearby, Wellington residents can connect with and experience nature in a way that is essentially impossible elsewhere in New Zealand. (On making this revision I notice that I had omitted mentioning tui in the list of native birds. It speaks volumes for how privileged we are in Wellington that such an omission was possible! I still remember my excitement at seeing a tui for the first time in Wellington and now I take them completely for granted.)

On that run I also saw rabbits, blackbirds, sparrows and a flock of quail. I heard rosellas and I think chaffinches. And thats okay. Polhill is not pristine wilderness. Its a complex area in which native species are learning to live in

a new environment. We are seeing that, so long as certain key predators are kept at very low levels, these pioneering members of our native species can indeed compete and survive. *Kia kaha manu whenua!*

We have always maintained good relationships with the Brooklyn Trail Builders, but our goals are distinct. The key thing we have done is to put in place a network of over 160 rat and stoat traps throughout the Polhill area. We have an army of volunteers that regularly check the traps. They are likely the most checked traps in New Zealand — our problem is not lack of volunteers; rather the reverse! The traps follow the tracks. Without the network of tracks constructed by the Brooklyn Trail Builders, it would have been much more difficult to position and to check the traps. Were it not for the tracks, the traps would not be there. This melding of recreation with conservation has arguably been pioneering in an urban environment.

That is one benefit of the tracks. But there are others. The tracks have enabled Garth Baker to pursue his amazing replanting work in Polhill. I do not believe that this could have happened without the track network. It has been argued that the tracks enable the spread of weeds into Polhill. That may be true, but there was no shortage of weeds in the first place. Polhill is not a pristine wilderness. A large, blackberry covered, former slip face below the Highbury Fling predates the tracks. The tracks facilitate the current work of clearing and replanting that slip.

Moreover the tracks create light wells. Areas that were essentially mahoe with a bare understory are now seeing other native species growing vigorously along the track margins. Wellington's worst summer in thirty years seems to have had a silver lining. The regeneration of native species along the track margins this year has been nothing short of spectacular.

The tracks have also opened up Polhill to recreation users. It's not just bike riders, but walkers and runners that use the area, and use it in large numbers. I'm not a bike rider, but I often think how frustrating it must be for them to have to constantly stop for walkers, runners and even large family groups with kids on trikes. But with one exception over a year ago I have found the bikers to be courteous and considerate. Hats off to them. Everyone understands that it's a multi-use area and it all seems to just work.

But it's far more than just that. If we are to achieve ambitious conservation goals in New Zealand we will need the engagement of the whole community. And that will only happen if people connect with nature. It's a small minority that has the fitness and desire to get into the back country. But Polhill is for everyone. I'm an Aro Valley resident and the community engagement with Polhill is enormous. In fact I would go so far as to say that Polhill has become a key part of the identity of the community. This has only happened since the tracks were built. Before that, those who ventured into the area were few and far between. For some, maybe many, the connection that they get from that casual stroll in Polhill will be life changing. While there may be some valid issues raised in the expert WCC reports on a new track, our concern as a group is that the message it presents to the community is a negative one going forward: that conservation values and recreation are exclusive.

In my experience the birds are not particularly concerned about we humans, but I'm not a professional ecologist. Perhaps the main problem that arises from human usage and a genuine danger is the presence of dogs off lead. Fewer people would mean fewer dogs. But that's not the way to solve that problem for the future. The way is through culture change. I see far fewer dogs off lead than I used to and that's been a product of the effective Take the Lead campaign as well as good signage. People take time to adapt, but they do — who could imagine smoking in a restaurant these days? And then there is the elephant in the predator-free room and that is roaming cats. We would welcome working with WCC on these campaigns.

I should add here that I have absolutely the highest respect for WCC staff who have been involved with Polhill. We are lucky to have people of such calibre engaged in conservation in Wellington and their relationship with us as a volunteer group has been exemplary. Dave Bryden, who probably has the best understanding of the spillover of birds from Zealandia has raised concerns about the 300m section of proposed track that connects the High-bury Fling to Clinical as it seems that it passes through particularly valuable tieke habitat. I expect that the Polhill Protectors as a whole will comment on this.

I also understand that there is concern about possible erosion that a new track would cause. I don't see much in the way of erosion from the existing tracks — no doubt helped by Garth's good work — and I don't see that as

being a huge concern for a new track, assuming that it is well designed and well engineered.

All up, we argue that the impact of the tracks has been overwhelmingly beneficial. We are also very keen to work with Brooklyn Trail Builders and WCC to mitigate any ecological concerns, and to work together with relevant parties to do so via a collaborative process. Having said that, there must come a point where enough is enough. Off track, Polhill rapidly becomes rugged and difficult terrain. It's a strange feeling being in such terrain with the sounds of Wellington still audible in the distance. Our position as Polhill Protectors is that we are supportive of the proposal for one more track. That would probably be enough. We wouldn't want Polhill to lose its untamed side.

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Biker  Walker  Commuter  Runner  Dog walker Other: Neighbour

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3. Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?

Yes  No If yes, which ones? South Coast, Otari, Sutton/Breaker Bay, Tam Belt

4. Any other comments or questions?

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## Issues within the Polhill Reserve

1. Negative Human interactions
  - a. Loss of flora from trail building, trail use and expansion, slope erosion and competition from weed species.
  - b. Introduction and proliferation of non-native flora (“weeds”)
  - c. Introduction and proliferation of non-native fauna (cats, rats, mice etc.)
  - d. Dogs off lead accompanying walkers, runners and bikers
  - e. Rubbish and waste (including human and dog waste)
2. Positive Human interactions
  - a. Recreation of all types
  - b. Trapping of pests
  - c. Planting of native species and weeding of non-native plants
  - d. Halo effect provided by the natural habitat for the native bird species being supported by Zealandia efforts.

## Principles to manage Polhill Reserve to reduce the negative interactions and maintain or increase the positive

1. Maintain equality of all users, do not allow any one user to dominate
  - a. Do not introduce any additional trails and specifically do not introduce bike-only trails or downhill bike “speed” trails. This will drive away dog walkers, trampers and joggers as bikes come to dominate the Reserve and the parking.
  - b. Help all users have a safe experience
    - i. Make all trails one-way biking only
    - ii. Make all trails at a mild grade to reduce bike speed and improve control.
    - iii. Good signage to help way-finding and rule following (dogs on lead, bikes to be in control in order to stop at all times for other users.)
2. Support the introduction of native flora and fauna
  - a. Disrupt existing flora as little as possible.
  - b. Support weed removal and native, bio-local plantings
  - c. Reduce weed spread (maintain canopy, do not add or expand size of trails)
  - d. Support the trapping of pests
  - e. Support cat containment
  - f. Discourage waste with rubbish bins and a near-by bathroom signed for users
  - g. Add land to Polhill Reserve to increase size and density of flora.

## Applying these Principles to the current Polhill Reserve Track Proposals

1. No new trails of any type in Polhill.
2. Maintain current trails to support trapping regime and planting and weeding efforts.

***In summary, none of the 5 trails proposed should be adopted by WCC.***

## Notes regarding the **Users, Use and Experience Survey**

1. 66% of the respondents used the reserve for “mainly biking”. Thus, the results of the survey must be seen in this light – most of the answers came from bikers.
2. 70% of the respondents use other trails in combination with the Polhill trails. Thus, one can assume many bikers move out of Polhill during their ride to experience the other types of trails around.
3. Thus, the experiences sought in Polhill (a bike only downhill trail, i.e. a trail you can ride at speed), can be found elsewhere by these users outside of Polhill. Polhill does not need to contain this kind of trail.

## Notes on the **Formal Assessment of Brooklyn Trail Builders’ Proposal**

1. *“Traffic engineers have reviewed Aro Street around the Polhill entrance and have determined no additional car parking is available.”* Increasing the trails in Polhill and the draw of more bikers by offering the new downhill trail, is likely to increase the car parking needs in the area. If there is no additional parking available, this will cause stress for those who use the area for parking.
2. *“This is poor track network design due to negative impacts on slope stability and vegetation loss.” “May increase risk of hill slope slips in heavy rain events. It will result in larger open canopy in a relatively small area.”* These comments are specifically about the area under the Ashton Fitchett stairs, but also represent the risk of trails in general – slope stability, vegetation loss and canopy loss. This is not the direction we want to go with the Polhill Reserve, we want to preserve vegetation and maintain slope stability.
3. *“Additional tracks and their users may introduce more pests. The new tracks will see more weed pests introduced into the Reserve.”* Already we see areas in Polhill where the weeds are winning. Along the new Clinical track, weeds are proliferating. This is not what we want for Polhill, we want to support the regeneration of native, bio-local flora.
4. *“More tracks may result in easier access for predators.”* In my use of Polhill over the past 6 years, I see more cats, farther into Polhill than I used to. This does not help Polhill maintain and improve its halo effect for native fauna coming from Zealandia.
5. *“Dogs off lead in ecologically sensitive reserves through the reserve network are a threat to native bird species”.* More trails are likely to result in more users with dogs that do not obey the lead rules. This is commonly seen with bikers and runner who have their dog run along them off lead. And it can also be seen with walkers who feel it is OK to walk dogs off lead. It is a large problem within Polhill and a threat to the fauna, other users and a source of pollution.
6. *“It is likely that bikes will be travelling at speed on the descending bike track and this may cause concerns at these crossing points.”* Based on the development of the downhill priority Serendipity Trail, I am no longer able to use the trail that leads up and out of the back of Polhill park because of the increased use by bikes and the speed and numbers at which they travel. I have even felt uncomfortable in Polhill Park as bikers come off Serendipity into the park at speed. This has cut off a section of Polhill from my use. More bikes seeking more speed will further reduce my comfort level and other non-bikers users on Polhill trails. Right now, the balance is about right between users, but additional trails will throw this balance in favour of bike riders.
7. *“The Proposal does not meet the Environmental Impact guiding principles in the Open Space Access Plan.”* We should honour the work and science and consultation that went into the Open Space Access plan. None of the trails proposed meet the Plan’s conditions, so they should not be approved.

## Notes on Appendix A – Assessment of environmental effects

1. *“Even localised disturbance can harm rare or endangered species.”* The new trails might seem benign, but even the smallest human interaction has its effects. The special nature of Polhill as a halo area for Zealandia needs to be valued and protected. There isn't any more land out there that can be protected, so we really need to do our best with this land.
2. *“There is support in the literature for the hypothesis that the effects on some species of wildlife are more pronounced with mountain bikes than they are with other forms of recreation, primarily related to the ‘sudden encounter’ effect.”* New trails for bikes and especially those designed so the bikes can go fast and not have to stop or control their speed will increase the ‘sudden encounter’ effect with wildlife and with other trail users.
3. *“Due to the height of the required cuts, if a significant tree is on the track alignment it is unlikely that root disturbance will be avoided.”* New tracks are likely to mean the disturbance and loss of big trees and regenerating native trees of all sizes. We see this happening along the Clinical trail - the most dramatic was the slip of a very large tree fuchsia. More trees along this trail are failing. We don't need any more loss of trees.
4. *“The direct disturbance by having a track within the habitat of these (threatened and locally significant) birds poses a direct risk to their nesting success and the success of their fledglings.”* After the incredible success of the tieke breeding inside Polhill, why would we want to risk this happening again. Why make decisions to reduce the chances of Polhill supporting the full life cycle of our native birds?

## Notes on the Brooklyn Trail Builder's Proposal

1. *“The trail will be intermediate-grade, incorporating “flow” so it is a fun experience to ensure it becomes the preferred descending route. It will also incorporate occasional very short ‘alternative’ or harder lines which will suit more advanced riders and again make them want to descent this new trail rather Transient.”*
  - a. BTB want this as a fast-moving, non-stop downhill trail. This type of trail is inappropriate due to the mix of users in Polhill and the importance of the natural environment found there.
  - b. BTB wants this trail to be technical and wider in parts. This will increase the negative effects on the canopy and slope stabilisation, which negatively effects flora and fauna. It will also attract a more technical and speed-seeking type of biker. This could change the composition of the users and the friendly nature of current interactions between bikers and walkers in Polhill. And it will have an effect on the availability of parking.
  - c. BTB does not want Transient to be made one way, they want Transient to stay 2-way with the addition of this fun new downhill option just for mountain bikes. This does not support shared use principles and does not solve the problem of the reduction of “trail user enjoyment” which they mentioned in their proposal as the reason for this trail.

***In summary, none of the 5 trails proposed should be adopted by WCC.***

## An alternative Polhill Reserve Track Proposal from the Brooklyn Trail Builders and the WCC proposals.

The WCC undertook an **Assessment of environmental effects** (Appendix A of their **Formal Assessment of Brooklyn Trail Builders' Proposal**) for the new tracks proposed by Brooklyn Trail Builders. This assessment states all the ways in which the proposed trails do not meet the Open Space Access Plan. It contains a review of 7 conditions trail proposals must meet and the proposal is found to meet none of them.

And yet despite these definitive findings, the WCC Officers chose to "support the descending bike proposal with a small number of modifications". The reason they give for this is the survey results showing "as strong demand" for some form of separation to relieve pressure on Transient.

This is where our alternative proposal offers a better solution - we suggest most trails in Polhill be made one-way only for bikes, thus making it a safe and more pleasant experience for all users. We have prepared the attached maps to show how easy and efficient it would be to reconfigure most of the existing trails into one-way for bikes. We believe this would relieve pressure more effectively on Transient and other Polhill trails than what has been proposed by Brooklyn Trail Builders.

This proposal would reduce the negative impacts clearly outlined in the **Assessment of environment effects** by using existing trails and one new trail to provide 5 distinct loops bikers can use in Polhill, offering something for all biking experience level. The benefits of this proposal recognise:

- The importance of a good balance between all users in Polhill - not allowing bikes to come to dominate, as Polhill is not and should not become a "bike park", but rather a reserve that supports all manner of recreation, *including bikes*, in a peaceful and respectful manner.
- The best practice for safe use of bikes on shared trails - each trail being one-way only for biking makes it easier for other users to watch for bikes coming from that direction and react in time to allow them to pass unhindered. And this will be especially beneficial for bikers who will no longer have to meet other bikers coming at speed in their direction.
- Honouring the Open Space Plan by only suggesting a small addition to the Polhill trail network to allow a new bike loop to be created, an addition which increases the spectrum of biking experience and skill level required. This is a good compromise between the negatives a new trail creates and the positives it can provide to users.

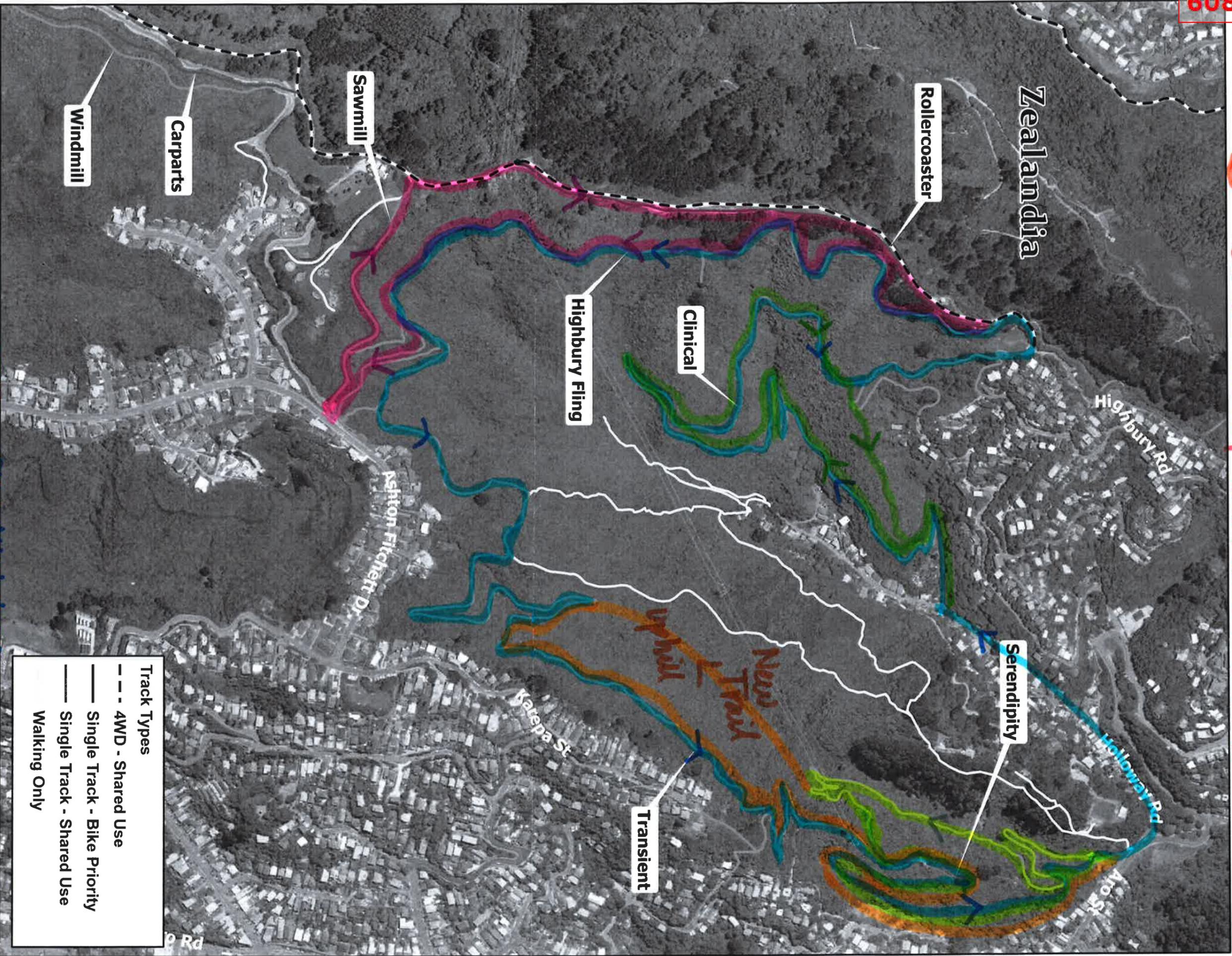
Our interest in this issue is not to reduce the use of Polhill for biking, but rather make it safer for bikers and non-bikers alike, and to provide bikers an appropriate experience in Polhill - not a downhill thrill that is available elsewhere. Polhill is a very special environment that should continue to be enjoyed by all types of users. However, our actions must balance the needs of people and nature carefully. We believe this proposal is the solution all users can support, while our native flora and fauna continue to reclaim Polhill.

### Map Attachments

A. **Reconfiguration of Polhill tracks for bikes** – using existing trails, I have proposed how most can become one-way for bikers. Included is a new trail that provides an additional loop beginning and ending at Polhill Park.

B. **5 One-Way Bike Loops** – based on making most Polhill tracks one-way for bikes, this maps a minimum number of loops (start and finish in the same location), providing great variety along with increase safety for bikers in Polhill.

5 ONE-WAY BIKE LOOPS



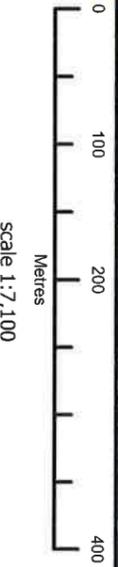
### Polhill Track Layouts

#### Current Configuration

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- █ Trans Clinical High Loop
- █ Rollercoaster Loop
- █ Clinical Loop
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- █ Transdipity Loop

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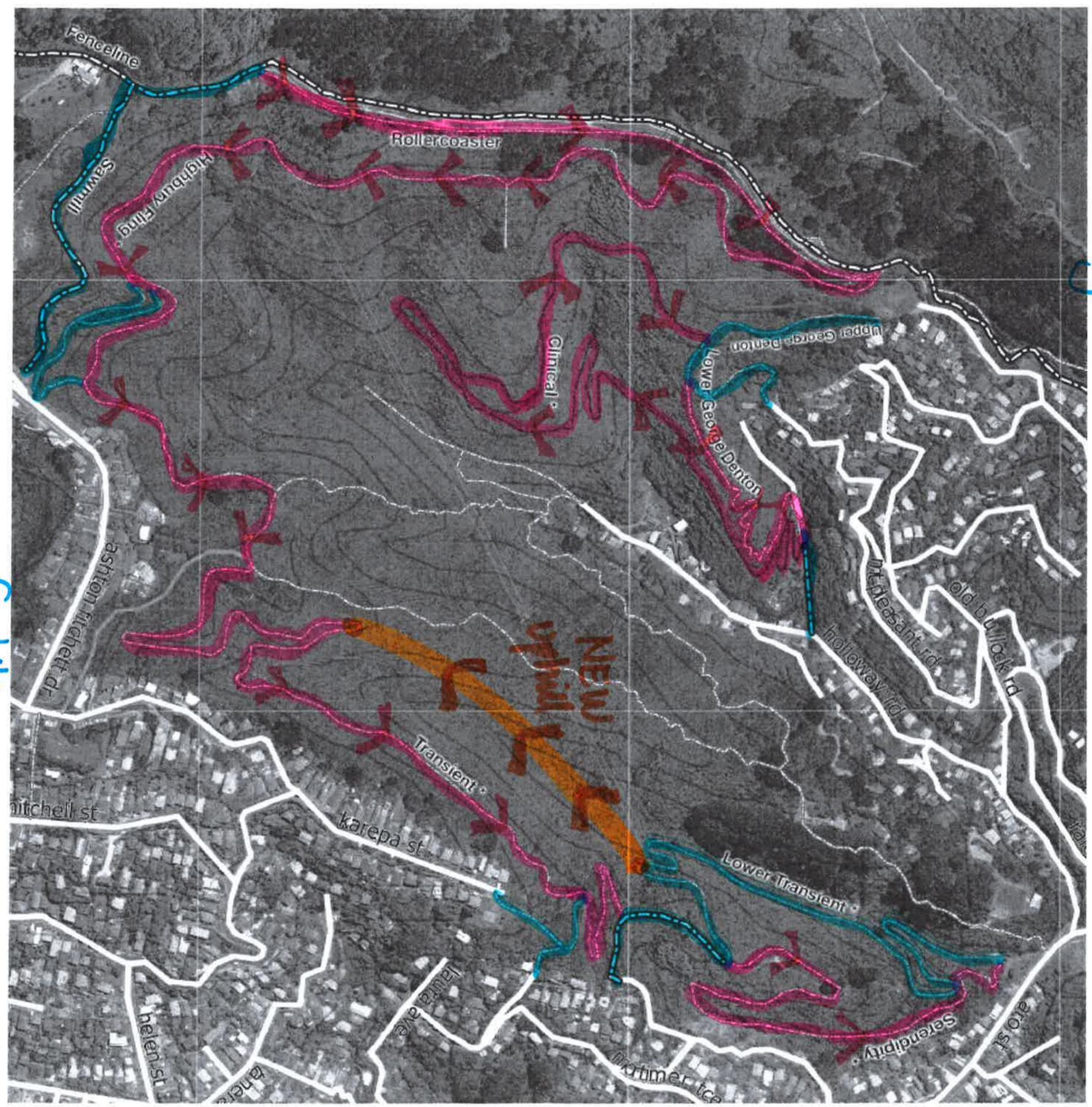


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Reconfiguration of Polhill tracks for bikes



Two-way for bikes  
 One-way for bikes  
 New! One-way for bikes  
 to create additional loop rides.

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### **Proposed New Mountain Bike Track Through Polhill Gully**

The Polhill Gully area at the head of the Aro Valley – sometimes referred to as the Polhill Gully Reserve, is an important element of the Wellington Town Belt. Its character and use is described in Section 3 of the Wellington Town Belt Management Plan as adopted by the Wellington City Council in June 2013.

The land in question became formally part of the Wellington Town Belt on enactment of the Wellington Town Belt Act 2016 on 9 May 2016.

Subsequently on 20 April 2017 the Wellington City Council adopted amendments of a minor and technical nature to the 2013 Wellington Town Belt Management Plan. These amendments were consequential on to the enactment of the Wellington Town Belt Act 2016.

The obligations on the Council for the protection, management and enhancement of land subject to the Wellington Town Belt Act are set out in the Act. These obligations and responsibilities state the Council must recognize and provide for the protection and enhancement of the Wellington Town Belt for future generations and in doing so have regard to the principles set out in Section 1(b) of the Act as follows:

- (i) The Town Belt should be managed in partnership with the Mana Whenua;
- (ii) The landscape character of the Town Belt should be protected and enhanced;
- (iii) The Town Belt supports healthy indigenous ecosystems;
- (iv) The Town Belt should be accessible to all and for all to enjoy;
- (v) The Town Belt should be available for a wide range of recreational activities;
- (vi) Community participation in the management of the Town Belt should be encouraged and supported; and
- (vii) The historic and cultural heritage of the Town Belt should be recognized and protected

In considering the principles to guide protection, management and enhancement in the Act there is a requirement that those principles must be considered together with no order of importance or priority to be accorded them.

The Polhill Gully catchment is habitat for the rare tieke/saddleback, which bird species spends much of its time on the forest floor.

In the WCC handout booklet 'Our Wellington 16 June to 31 August 2017' Mayor Justin Lester states "Over the next 3 years we'll focus on restoring ecologically significant areas and creating buffer zones around them."

The presence of tieke in the Polhill catchment clearly makes that site ecologically significant requiring protection from all intrusion of activities that will disturb the sensitive ecological balance.

The Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment in her most recent report has expressed significant concern at the loss of habitat for threatened and endangered bird species in New Zealand.

The Wellington City Council has in the Polhill catchment a habitat for tieke so threatened the Council must immediately stop any proposals for the formation of additional tracks for cyclists. Such immediate action must cover not only consideration of proposals advocated by Brooklyn Trail Builders but most certainly any construction of new tracks.

If the Council does not act accordingly and immediately, it will clearly be in breach of the requirements of the Wellington Town Belt Act 2016. A lack of action by Council to cease consideration of the Brooklyn Trail Builders' cycle track extension proposals will send a message to all Wellingtonians that the protection sought over many years for the Wellington Town Belt will have been in vain.

John Bishop

Chairman

Friends of the Wellington Town Belt

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Why/other comments

**Proposal 5:** Removing the 60-metre Ashton Fitchett Drive steps onto Transient?

Yes  No  Unsure

Why/other comments

**2. Which of the following apply to you?** (Tick all which apply.)

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**3. Do you use other tracks outside of Polhill Reserve?**

Yes  No If yes, which ones?

*Makara, Miramar*

**4. Any other comments or questions?**

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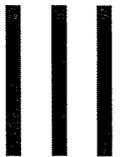
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