

Value

- Safe place to take extended family
- Peacefulness, tranquility, agelessness, trees,
- Walk dog freely, access to river
- Open space
- No major recreational restraints (own fun)
- Large piece of land that could accommodate several types of useage but being respectful of past + present + ~~values~~ values
- Place of memories
- Safe river access + safe to be in
- Close green area for local use
- Monkey Bars
- No retail / commercial activity

Constraints

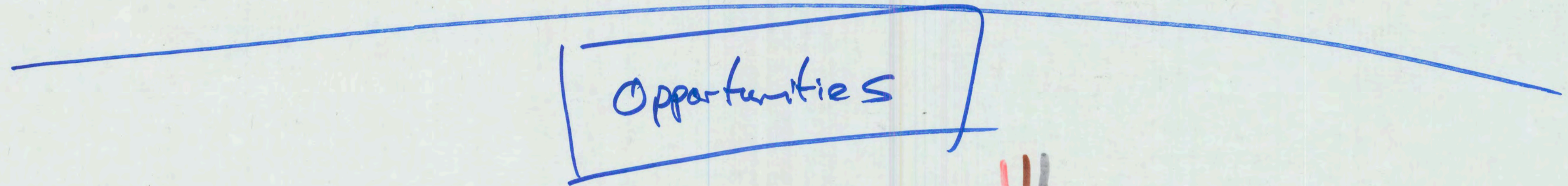
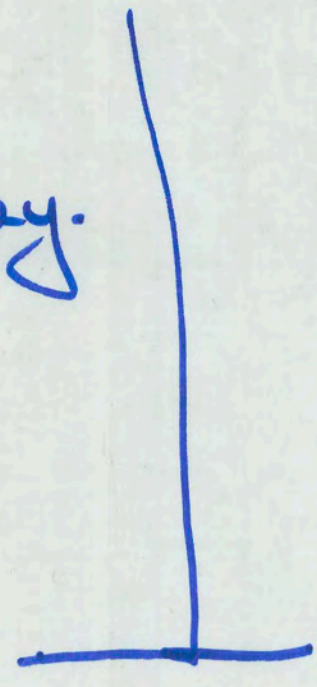
- ✓ Older tree / wind risk
- ✓ Traffic movement off main highway
- ✓ Flooding
- ✓ Toilet / changing facilities / disability access
- ✓ No designated access areas to river - steep
 - Locked gates to access - Yule Road river end
 - Playground / river
- ✓ (Keep access locked to lease land)
- ✓ - Park land not fully used as park or public use
- River bank not been kept clear - willows, blackberry, vegetation

Opportunities

- Extend park into lease block
- ✓ Outdoor activities - horses, mountain bikers, walkers, dog walkers,
- ✓ Accommodate younger generation activities. ~~while~~ while not impacting on values.
- ✓ Encourage non-tech play
- ✓ HB retain an open space - (tranquil)
- ✓ Use leased land for park opportunities.

Road Access - Safety
No link for biking or walking to inway.
No gardens.

Road Access
~~Not~~ No inwalk



Opportunities

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+ ~~Bad~~ Garden - scents
- colours.
- herbs

upgraded toilets

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- protection against
vandals.

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play area.

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access across water to
pan pac. (Parents can picnic
& enjoy family time
after)

Link back to inway
to bring people by walking
& riding.

Better Road signage.

long term tree plan.

Defining a carpark access
- thinking about accessibility.

Natural Environment
Attracts families - especially children.

Safe.

Peace and quiet.

Is Public and free.

Good space picnic

Unique - location & natural

location is fringe - but not too far out of town

Safe swimming

Eeling @ night

Has facilities. - toilets.

Encouraging families - enough space for different generations
to chill out separately.

VALUES

Away from Rat Race.

Not ~~crowded~~ crowded.

CONSTRAINTS

100km Road Access into - Shaw Road.

(Hazard entry/exit) - Yule Road.

No link back to iWay (Can't bike/walk to park if not
local - have to drive)

Rail corridor potential issue - level crossing -
- pedestrians, cyclists, motorists.

Park underutilised.

- Accessible facilities - ~~not~~ wheel chair/walker
access to toilets.

Lack of promotion - no signage
- Not on NCC website.

Security cameras.

Abuse of being able to
park anywhere.

Dated (facilities.) →

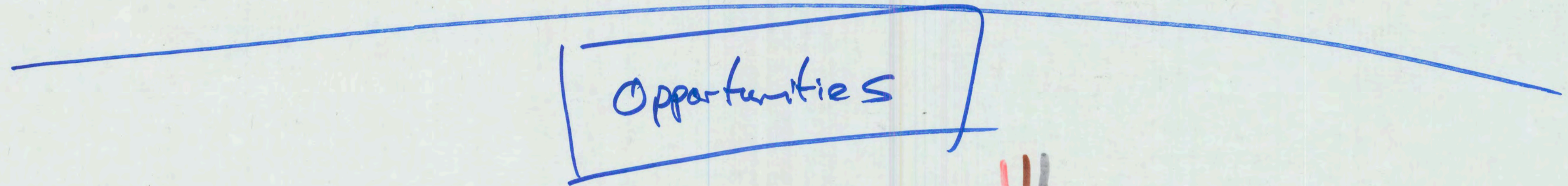
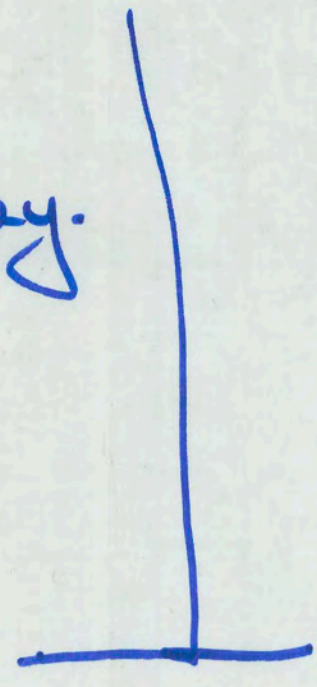
Any replacement w/ natural materials (Not plastic)

Part of park is
leased.

No gardens (scents & colours. esp for low vision users)

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Values about the Park

- Traditions, history & the stories of how you used the park. Your heritage
- Knowing its there to utilise as and when I need it. Safe tranquil relaxing place next door.
- Time out from a busy life. Calming
- Meditative space.
- After walking the park it is regenerative.
- Versatility of the park something different for everyone. Play with grandkids, play ball,
- Space size.
- Remember past time and part of a life story.
- Breath of fresh air both my spirit and wellbeing.
- Chance to chat to my son and enjoy nature in its natural form. We come every week to enjoy the tranquility and beauty. Plus our dogs love it.
- Generosity of the giving of the park by a special family for all to enjoy.

What isn't working in the park.

- Offensive noise from motorbikes and hoon cars.
- Signage is not efficient or effective. Not directional.
- No wheelchair toilet access proper & signed way.
- Lack of security.
- Under utilised land (leased land).
- Railway crossing dangerous with traffic management.
- Missing no camping signs & no motorbikes.
- No historical background to the park.
- Lack of recording of the park past history.
- Access to the river not good as it is limited.
- Toilet facilities.
- No interactive facilities for people with disabilities.
- Lack of flat ground track for running.
- Exercise facilities that look natural & fit essence of the park.
- Entrance not welcoming.
- Nothing to slow people down on the right of way going in.
- Unsafe tree limbs in wild weather.

Opportunities for the park.

- Keep the essence of the park as it is, & how it has been since the original gifting.
- Capturing the stories and history before it is too late with an online repository.
- Secure it for future generations and provide in a safe environment.
- Beautifying the entrance gateway.
- Preserve the spirit in how Thomas Clark gifted the land for all people for all time.
- tree management plan for future generations so there aren't gaps in the
- More interactive planting and activities. Sensory gardens etc.
- Keep improvements natural in keeping with essence of the park.
- Make use of the leased land.
- Secure the greenspace for future development of Papakōwhiri.
- More family friendly seating for picnics & BBQ area.
- Opportunity for other organised activities.
- ~~Off~~ Community events.
- Opportunity for Bridge into Parkland with assurance that all public can use. Free of charge. with use of both sides of river with walkways.
- Park administered by park user group as advisers.
- Provide better signage.
- Yule house ~~remains~~ remains site historically recognised.

Boy racers - dangerous hooligans in the park
motor bike riders & noise.
burn outs.

Rubbish being dropped

- 6 ||||| Toilet block needs up grading - tired * (3)
- 1 | | Culvert needs to be maintained
- 3 ||| play equipment need up-dating *
- 1 | | Dirt bikes need to be signage to say NO
Larger signs - NO motor bikes

Go Carts are a pain

- 3 ||| Safe park - NO NOISE NO boy racers. *

Massive amount of rabbits

- 1 | | Needs pest control

- 1 | | Needs to close park during high winds

close park after rain - stop boy racers.

- 2 ||| More rubbish bins

Some recycling bins

⑥ planting + plants Native trees - river erosion control
- shade, Kowhai

| more picnic tables

|| Upgraded play equipment!

⑤ green space, unstructured

⑥ usable BBQ's.

| Flying fox.

| petanque court

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Less is more.

River - swimming / fishing
cooling off

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- Natural reserve
- picnics - freedom for kids
- peace + tranquility
- bird life - native
- Native plantings
- Free accessible - open to all
- open green space
- cricket oval.
- BBQ
- Well maintained - looked after
- history of the park, good memories
- cat walking
- Dog walking
- horses - feed them with kids
- make your own fun
- picnic at car - No masks Kids can explore

OPPORTUNITIES:

- dog friendly area
- native bush ||||
- children's garden/area
- running / biking / dog walk
trails or loops
- make park bigger !!! ||||
- train rides

Farmers Market ☺

Sense of ownership.
guardianship of the land
50 years time?
100 years time?

Focus on:
KIDS
WALKERS
RUNNERS ||||

utilise riparian margin
+ leased land

Farm Park Experience. / "NATIVE BUSH"

VALUES:

- natural space eg. openers, green space,
- access to river, ecological value
- ability to socialise eg. school events, family events
- rural character
- history eg. weddings
- peaceful & tranquil

RAILWAY

"D.O.C INPUT?"

Next generation
what does it look like
in 100 years??

CONSTRAINTS:

- trees (safety) || ||
- limited access to river ||
- poor lighting in ablutions |
- safety: multiple groups
w/ limited space.
- user expectations || || Rural Park
- park size (too small) |
- access 'entry'
- vehicle movements eg. dirt bikes
- non-native planting ||
not sustainable.
- Right tree, right place
- limited options | for young children
- water quality . ||
(river / drinking)

- PEACEFUL ATMOSPHERE IN THE PARK.
- TREES ATTRACTING BIRDS + WILDLIFE
- HISTORICAL VALUE
- PASSED^{ON} AND ACCESSED BY GENERATIONS
- ENJOYMENT OF ALL AGES INTERACTING WITH NATURE
- EASY ACCESS TO A SAFE RIVER.
- BRINGS DIFFERENT COMMUNITIES TOGETHER OF^{generations}
- SECURE PLACE FOR DOG WALKING
- SPACE FOR ACTIVITY + PRIVACY.
- NO VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE RESULTS IN COURTESY.
- CLOSES AT DUSK.
- WELL MAINTAINED.

NOT WORKING? CONSTRAINTS

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① ENTRANCES - NOT INVITING - DIFFICULT TO LOCATE. ||||
ROAD + GATE

✓ ② WC'S - UNSAFE ORIENTATION. ||||

• UNABLE TO SHOWER/WASH AFTER TIME IN RIVER/PARK

③ FEARFUL OF A CHANGE IN THE STATUS QUO ||||

• MORE RUBBISH BINS

• IMPROVE SEATING AREAS. |

WISH-LIST FOR THE FUTURE.

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- MAINTAIN / MATURE TREE PARK.
- ANY FUTURE DEVELOPMENT IS SYMPATHETIC TO CURRENT ENVIRONMENT. ‡
- SIGNAGE THAT RECOGNISES CULTURAL HISTORY.
- FACILITATING CHANGING DESIRES / ACTIVITY.
- ORIGINAL GIFTED PURPOSE.

values

Family space

Everyone has access

connection to the river

Quiet / unbusy

Accessibility

Safe

Spacious / openness

Trees / shade

Native planting

Birdlife

Constraints 6.

- ✓ • Motorbikes / Burnouts
- Access of the road (main rd)
- Traffic Management
(people driving all through the park)
- ✓ .. Playground limited.
- Safety (not enough people)
- Dog rules not followed
- Not ^{enough} rubbish bin or big enough
- .. Old trees
- Water pollution

Opportunities

. Group oriented spaces

... No driving zones

.. Signage with rules — no motorbikes
 More enforcement \ dog rules
 (no dogs/off lead/on lead)

... Bigger Nature Playground

-> Different zones — kid's playground (Limited - x3 eg.)

. Native NZ Trees \ dogs off lead
 Quiet zone

.. Keep natural / not overengineered

Value
Const

Eske Dale Park - What we value.

- 1) Green fields ^{open} space, 2) natural rural environment 3) the river is safe, warm 4) the last traditional park for relaxing, picnicing, socialising family groups & serves ~~a~~ large urban ~~&~~ housing areas for leisure.
- 5) family orientated atmosphere.
- 6) Re-establishing natives trees & lots of tree shade - appreciated greatly!
- 7) Two toilet blocks are good.
- 8) Leased grazing area for horses.

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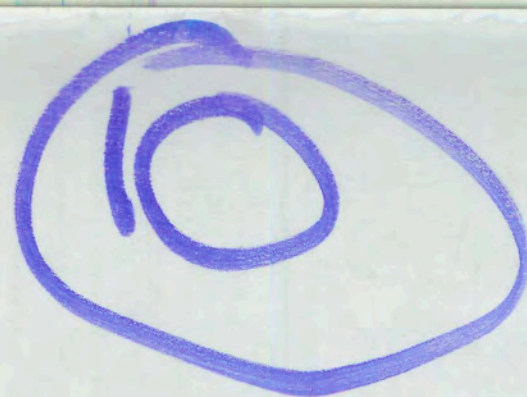
③ Constraints

- 1) Too much free driving on grass areas which are ~~of~~ leisure areas.
- 2) Leased area is not publicly accessible - (except by invite)
- 3) Potentially not urban type facilities to attract underutilised another population group.
- 4) The traffic spikes on the way out are scary & are unwelcoming.
- 5) Crossing ^{new road} SH5/518 tricky & potentially dangerous.

Opportunities

- 1) Loop route with signage to indicate
↓ in & exit all weather.
- 2) Utilise leased land into park.
& planted.
- 3) Native planting in leased block
& park
Retain Silver Birches
- 4) Vehicular access off Yule Road (safer)
- 5) Car park in area off Yule Road
AND
in leased block.
- 6) At least 3 separate play areas?
- 7) More heritage benches to ~~connect~~
access to Mountain Ridge park. From Yule Rd. to Whirinaki
being developed
- 8) Signs to tell history of Park.
- 9) Cycle track to urban cycle ways.

VALUE @ Esk Park



- Safe Environment
- Space.
- Family & Local history
- Strong personal memories (ie gymcarina)
- Strong connection to park.
- Great space for families
- Acces to Esk River = safe swimming
- Potential access for mtb community
- Trees are cherished
- Fact that play areas are separated
- Ability to drive in the park under a tree
- Great location to learn to drive/ride a bike.
- Explore space for kids that's safe
- "Countryfied" rural atmosphere
- Flat land for biking access Pan Pac

Not so great / could improve.

- Signage at gate is not ideal or easy to understand ie dog areas could be alot more useful for park users
- Exit gate can be intimidating
- ||| - Keep it simple not over develop.
- ||| Dog control is a issue (lack of signage / understanding)
- || * Playground location not ideal
- Connectivity needs improving
- limited lease area not optimal.
- Toilet blocks, need facelift.
require changing room
- Erk River level/quality
- || - Conflict of user groups how can park be better layed out?
- Access to River

* Not so great continued

- Trees debris / windfall needs sorting

- Playground does not cater to

* some user groups ie toddler or disabled
better layout

- Water tank area

- Cricket Pitch needs upgrade

- * Move picnic tables

Larger " " for family groups

- * lack of maintenance on park
in frastructure

Opportunities

- I - Signage ie History/Educational
- I - Upgrade Playround facilities in better locations incorporating all ages/abilities
- Larger picnic tables in various locations
- Possible BBQ area
- I - Improve layout of park including access to Esk River
- I - Create a access point for mountain biking community
- III - Embrace & facilitate Country feel
- Cricket green upgraded
- Make dog areas more obvious
- Track feeding into park is too close to line of trees

Opportunities continued...

- Leased land is underutilised
 - could be used for car park.
- Yule Road bridge crossing into mountain bike park
- Extend park more trees
 - utilise natural views
- protect historic trees
 - potential for more native trees
 - Clean up river of flood damage along river edge
 - Security camera's at entrance

Eg trees park