Kōrero mai | Let’s talk

Dunning Drainage Reserve - tree planting plan feedback

Response No: 1

Contribution ID: **42836**

Q1 **Full name**

Short Text

Elena Repyakh & Glenn Maguire

Q3 **What is your relationship to the park?**

Multi Choice

I live next to the park

Q4 **What is your property address?**

Short Text

[redacted]

Q5 **Is there anything the tree planting team needs to consider before this proceeds to the community board for a decision?**

Long Text

We, Elena Repyakh and Glenn Maguire, live at [redacted] directly opposite the Dunning Drainage Reserve. We chose to purchase our section and build our home here largely because of the open outlook and the views to the hills that currently exist.

Having reviewed the proposed plan, we noted that two large trees are planned in positions that would significantly obstruct this view. We would like to formally express our opposition to the planting of these two large trees in the reserve.

In our view, the Dunning Drainage Reserve is relatively small and may not be well suited to large tree species, particularly when there are other reserves in the surrounding area with considerably more space where such trees could be accommodated more appropriately.
Additionally, the reserve is known to be a habitat for grey herons and is used as a hunting area by falcons. We are interested to understand whether these ecological considerations were taken into account during the planning process.

Response No: 2

Contribution ID: **42832**

Q1 **Full name**

Short Text

Paul Wing

Q3 **What is your relationship to the park?**

Multi Choice

I live next to the park

Q4 **What is your property address?**

Short Text

[redacted]

Q5 **Is there anything the tree planting team needs to consider before this proceeds to the community board for a decision?**

Long Text

I would like to put forward an alternative planting plan for the eastern end of the Dunning Drainage reserve and have attached a rough drawing.

I for one like the open nature of this reserve, that allows plenty of light into the properties that surround it. Although I support the planting of some additional trees or shrubs, I would not like excessive planting that destroys the open nature of the reserve and brings excessive shading to those living next to the reserve.

I believe that the current plan;
• is detrimental to residents on the southern and eastern sides of the reserve through excessive shading;
• includes large trees that are inappropriate for this small reserve;
• does not correctly show the existing trees along the drain on the southern side of the reserve,
• and includes planting that would obstruct the overflow drain, leading to property damage in heavy rain (this area is crossed in red in the attached sketch).

I would like to suggest the following.
• That the small trees shown on the draft plant along the drain are moved north into the drainage basin. These are shown in blue on my attached sketch
• The large trees are removed completely.
• The medium trees at the eastern end of the basin are moved to the middle of the basin and closer to Dunning Way, possibly planting three or four trees. Shown in yellow on my sketch.
• No planting is done in the overflow channel. Shown in red on my sketch.
• The single tree that has died at the eastern end of the drain, near Te Repo Drive, is replaced.
• No trees are planted along the boundary of the Te Repo Drive properties.

Additional comments: Property shading. We built a house designed to use the sun as a heat source, the trees behind our property will shade it and cut off the most environmentally friendly heat source on the planet. I have used your tool and at mid-winter our property will be in shade nearly all day. The sun will be blocked from heating our property on most days during autumn, winter and spring. The council should be encouraging more properties to be built using the sun as a heat source. Why not plant the tress on the other side of the reserve where they will not shade properties.



LEGEND

Existing Features

- Existing Tree/ Vegetation
- Existing Path
- Site Boundary

Existing Services

- Stormwater
- Wastewater
- Water
- Orion Power Cable

Potential Tree Planting Areas

- 5m - 10m Trees Height Zone
- 10m - 15m Trees Height Zone
- 15m - 20m Trees Height Zone
- 20m+ Trees Height Zone

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