

**HOLBEN RESERVE**  
TE WHARANGI













FOXTON BEACH  
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**OVERALL CONCEPT**

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**KEY | LEGEND**

-  **THE ARRIVAL THRESHOLDS**  
Tall colourful poles aligned north to south in a grid pattern indicate key entrances. Poles cross the road, creating an intriguing threshold for the visitor to pass through
-  **EXISTING VEGETATION TO BE RETAINED**  
Retain healthy boundary planting.
-  **EXISTING VEGETATION TO BE REMOVED OR RELOCATED**  
Long term phased removal of Pine trees along Holben Parade + adjacent the Manawatu Estuary, to enhance connectivity, views into the reserve + safety
-  **STREET TREES**  
Hierarchy of street trees assist in wayfinding and legibility for vehicular traffic
-  **EXISTING WATERWAYS**  
Existing narrow waterway channels
-  **NEW WATERWAY ALIGNMENT**  
Existing waterways to be widened + recontoured to create a gradient stream profile from wet to dry
-  **CYCLE / HORSE TRAIL**  
Hard surfaced path for cycle and horse use linking the estuary to the reserve and strengthening the connection to forestry recreation areas.
-  **SHARED PATH**  
Multi-use walking/cycling, fitness track from the Manawatu Estuary to Foxton Beach in the reserve. Key interventions occur along the transect that highlight activities and/or natural features
-  **BOARDWALKS**  
Timber boardwalks provide access across the vegetation into the reserve + access to Te Wharangi Waterway
-  **CIRCULATION PATHWAYS**  
New multi-use walking/cycling, fitness track with connections to the wider landscape - Estuary, Town centre + Beach
-  **EXISTING PATHWAYS TO BE RETAINED**
-  **EXISTING REDUNDANT PATHWAYS + ROADS TO BE REMOVED**

**PRIORITIES**

- 1** Enhance the Te Wharangi waterway. Widen in key areas and create shelved shallow water areas for wetland planting. Plant with appropriate species. (subject to hydrological assessment and ecology assessment) Use excavated material to form grassed mounds.
- 2** Establish a Multi-use walking/cycling, shared path connection from Bond St to the play area and the estuary. Use a combination of imported fill and boardwalks to raise low areas and provide an all weather connection. Fitness circuit equipment could be integrated along this route.
- 3** Upgrade play area  
Build an all purpose pump track with integrated landform and planting. Integrate into the existing skate park.
- 4** Framework planting. Use a staged approach to planting in association with community working groups.
- 5** Establish 'gateway' planting with landform and sculpture to form entrances to the reserve. Local artists could be used to create elements that reflect a local identity.

- 1** **FOXTON BEACH COMMUNITY TOWN CENTRE HUB**  
Provide space for markets, gathering, seating, shade and community events. Relocate petanque court. Extend the character of the reserve into the town centre hub
- 2** **PLAYCENTRE + TOILETS**  
Upgrade playcentre building, incorporating new public toilets, new deck access to allow community multi-use of the building and new access to the Te Wharangi Waterway
- 3** **SEABURY AVENUE**  
Reduce the scale + dominance of Seabury Ave, create a 'slow park road' with parking and planting to enhance the entrance into the reserve. Planting + waterway appear to continue across the road + encourage pedestrian use