

Memorandum

TO: Melissa Shipman, City Planning

FROM: Angus Robertson, Parks and Recreation

DATE: 26 September 2018

SUBJECT: **LUC-2018-219 – 261 TOMAHAWK ROAD**

Hi Melissa,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above application. Parks and Recreation Services (PARS) have an interest in this resource consent as the provider and administrator of the Dunedin track network. PARS also have an existing track adjacent to the subject land.

While PARS have no immediate plans to develop this unformed legal road as a walking track, the possibility of this occurring in the future as demand and need arises should be considered in the granting of this application.

The legal road provides a right of access for the public. It also provides a moderately better grade than the existing walkway and is likely much drier on the ridgeline; the existing walkway is very wet for significant parts of the year. There is also a heritage aspect to this section of legal road, with stacked stone walls present in the vicinity. The legal road provides a much better view of the two lagoons, city and the coast, than the existing track.

There is value in a track around the outside of the lagoons and potential re-alignment of the existing track to a better grade, utilising the unformed legal road.

The existing track connects into a DOC track, and DCC amenity area, and could potentially be linked into the remaining unformed road in the future to compliment the area's track network as the city continues to grow, and service the Dunedin community.

Regards,
Angus Robertson
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