Lyttelton 'Port Saddle' Masterplan





Contact Us

Port Talk

If you want to have a chat, we are at Port Talk on the corner of Oxford and London Streets every Friday, 11am - 1pm.

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The land provides for potential recreation linkages to the Urumau Reserve, the Crater Rim Walkway and Lyttelton township. These linkages could be used for short walks from Lyttelton township as well as connecting into broader walking routes to Godley Head and Christchurch City. Cycling tracks are also proposed that could link into the Urumau Reserve area providing for accessible mountain biking in close proximity to the township. In conjunction with these tracks, picnic areas with seating and site interpretation of features such as the Historic Polhill's Bay Rifle Range are being considered. From the Port Saddle site, impressive views of Lyttelton Harbour, Lyttelton township and the Port Hills can be enjoyed. These views make the site an attractive destination with ecological enhancement and connections to the broader landscape of Lyttelton Harbour.



Ecology and Landscape

Ecological enhancement work will be phased over time and take into consideration the varying soils, degree of coastal exposure, and existing flora and fauna across the site. Where native regeneration is already occurring, key weeds will be managed and nature will be left to do the rest. Areas targeted for indigenous revegetation (see habitat area graphic) will be carefully managed using successional planting strategies with plants eco-sourced from the Port Hills Ecological District. Weeds and pests will be controlled and interpretation panels will be installed to enhance understanding of the special ecological values found here.

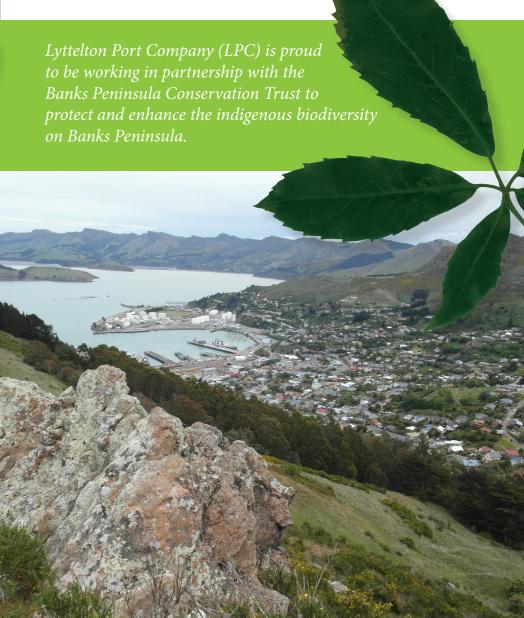
Next Steps ...

Access to the site has recently been improved and staged ecological planting is currently being planned. Community input and involvement is welcome, and we are looking forward to proceeding further with this exciting community-based ecological project. Please share your ideas and thoughts by contacting us at the addresses provided. We look forward to hearing from you.

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The Lyttelton 'Port Saddle' Masterplan covers an area of 17ha of Lyttelton Port Company owned land located above the eastern edge of Lyttelton township. This land has been identified for community recreational use, ecological protection and enhancement of the indigenous flora and fauna, and the long-term protection of landscape values for the benefit of the current and future communities of the Lyttelton Harbour basin. Improved access to the land from the Lyttelton township and enhancement of nature corridors with the adjacent Urumau and Department of Conservation reserves, will mean the community can enjoy, learn about, and contribute to thriving indigenous flora, bird, lizard, and invertebrate habitats.



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KEY - HABITAT AREAS

The following key plant species are proposed for habitat areas with different aspects, soils and coastal exposure. Native plant revegetation will require careful management with successional planting strategies and ongoing maintenance of weeds and pests.



TOTARA -KERERŪ SLOPE Podocarpus totara/hall

Prumnopitys taxifolia Hoheria angustifolia Melicytus ramiflorus

Pittosporum tenuifolium Griselinia littoralis Coprosma robusta Myoporum laetum (east slope)

Pittosporum eugenioides

DOC Buckley's Bay Reserve



KOWHAI-TŪĪ GULLY Sophora microphylla

Podocarpus totara Coprosma robusta

Hoheria angustifolia Pseudopanax arboreus Pittosporum eugenioides Pittosporum tenuifolium Plagianthus regius

Carmichaelia australis

Sophora prostrata

Hebe strictissima



BROADLEAF-SILVEREYE SLOPE

Griselinia littorali Olearia paniculata Myrsine australis Corokia cotoneastei

Sophora prostrata Melicytus alpinus Pseudopanax arboreus Pittosporum eugenioides Pittosporum tenuifolium Cordyline australis



ROCKY-GECKO RIDGE

Muehlenbeckia complexa Coprosma crassifolia Coprosma propinqua

Melicytus alpinus Poa cita



Melicytus ramiflorus Myoporum laetum Dodonaea viscosa



ACCESS AND LINKAGES





Griselinia littoralis Olearia paniculata Pseudopanax arboreus

Interpretation, picnic areas and seating

Fantail

Habitat enhancement

Rhipidura fuliginosa

Fantails, or pīwakawaka,

are easily recognised by

their fan-shaped tail, their

friendly 'cheet cheet' call,

Ecological restoration