Comments from people who DO support the KRRA in trying to find a suitable alternative parking space for self-contained campervans, motorhomes and caravans

SITE ONE: SPORTS GROUND

There is a paper road running from SH25 along the north eastern boundary (beside the river). As it is already designated Road there would be no planning or regulatory requirements (including access to SH) to allow vehicles (cars as well as camper vans) to park there.........Could be developed as a dual purpose facility to serve the visiting camper vans, as well as the various Domain visitors (tennis, sports ground, edible forest, etc).

Think the old tennis court is being returned to Ngati Hei. Not positive.

We think Site 1 is the obvious place, Im not sure which part of this reserve is council owned, but as long as it didnt take up too much ground (maybe a strip along the the tennis court side). Can it be restricted to a maximum number of motorhomes?. As you say it is close to toilets and beach.

Site 2 is definitely used by beachgoers all the time and Site 3 is way too far from beach I think you'd find they would still park in other places.

I support both 1 and 2 as options which can be put into use quickly. I have no problem with option 3 however I see this as a long term solution which is likely to take several years to prepare.

You could have some at the sports ground and some at blackjack in smaller groups rather than one big group

SITE TWO: BLACK JACK RESERVE

As you have mentioned, Black Jack Reserve is close to amenities, Luke's and the shop. It is also a little away from residents properties. A designated place for the RV's to be MAY stop the problem of them parking at the boat ramp and on residents roadside verges as well. While some RV people are pleasant and understand why you don't want them parked on your property, some are not so. The rubbish left behind plus the fact that some use the bushes as a toilet is a concern as well.

I also get concerned for the RV people parking at the ramp. There have been a couple of instances where there has been heated discussions around the parking of vehicles. This is especially so over the peak summer period when the ramp is full to capacity with boat trailers etc. We have also seen RV people loudly complaining when boats are launched at 5 ish in the morning! It is also not ideal to come across an RV parked tucked away somewhere while you are walking the beach etc. It would be nicer for all it there was a designated place for them, no surprises and if a mess is left it can be easily sorted out and tracked maybe back to the RV concerned.

Its at the heart of the commercial hub and these people have money to spend. It doesn't take anyones view and it could be restricted to the right hand side close to the bank

SITE THREE: OLD TENNIS COURTS

My concern is that the community could go to the trouble of establishing an alternative but they continue to use the boat ramp anyway. I understand the boat ramp is NZTA land. Are they not able to delegate authority to TCDC to fine offenders and put up signs to that effect?

Maybe there is a local farmer who might be interested in operating a facility the same as on Simpsons farm at Wharekaho?

I would support up to and no more than 5 designated sites that are no where near our beach or our reserves which are used being used by our community.

These sites could be funded by the considerable membership subscriptions of the NZMA if they want to list them in their magazines. For this to happen, we would also require a safe walk way from the site to our village.

The Sports Ground and the Reserve are precious to the local community; turning them into a camping ground or motorhome location would be ridiculous.

It may be useful to refer to suggestions received through this survey and see if there are any alternative ideas. The 2 sites suggested at the reserves will heavily impinge upon residents public space. The reserves are certainly no place for camper van parking.

Hi, I don't agree with our currently used community reserves being used as alternative parking spaces..If there is a real need for alternative parking spaces the currently unused old tennis court area makes sense to me.Otherwise it seems like it is just transferring the problem from one currently well used area to another.

Thanks for looking out for our community and for asking for our input too.

I don't think wither site 1 or 2 are viable options due to the high public use of these areas. This is espcially true of site 1 where time and money have already been spent putting in the bbque and petanque court and the library is about to be built. This area needs to stay relatively vehicle free for safety reasons, especially as all amenities there, including the tennis courts, are used a lot by children. It is also the propsed site for a skateboard ramp, yet again somerthing that will have high foot traffic, predominantly children.

Site 1 the area between the fence and stream which is farmed at present could be utilized quickly. Long term Site 3 is a better option .. Our community should look to the future to manage these issues .lf we do not manage it ourselves it will be done for us. Hahei is a good example

I support site 3 but only for self contained campervans (ie with a toilet/shower) and preferably if the NZ Motor Caravan Association can establish and run the site as they did in Whitianga and Coromandel Town...thus minimal cost to our ratepayers. Site 1 is going to become increasingly used for family activities so is unsuitable in the long term. However, it might be useful as as stopgap solution until site 3 is developed. Site 2 is not suitable as it too is a family area. Freedom campers are a different issue and I feel these should be directed to the commercial motorcamp at Kuaotunu West.

ideally we would not have freedom campers on the peninsular. the roads and facility's were never made for that kind of use, but if we have to put them some where is should be site 3. at least they are not occupying valuable space at the boat ramp or filling our reserves with ugly campers. they use our facility's without paying rates, why should they get to camp on the waterfront. if they dont like it the should go to places like Simpsons beach where it cost \$3 a night. its not expensive for what you are getting

For a start we do not believe freedom camping should be allowed in NZ these days as there are too many of them. .We are selling NZ as a cheap place to go. We are sick of seeing small vans and station wagons used as accommodation with no facilities parked up in our BEST SPOTS. Our choice would be Site 3 . That way they out of sight and not fouling up the beach reserves. If they want to park close to the beach they need to pay big money for the privilege.

It would be another area developed for the community in the long run

These vehicles will only increase in future years and it is better to have a means for dealing with them, than not. However, the proposal in my opinion should not give them prime positioning, which either options 1 or 2 would do. Better they are a bit removed from the family areas of the first two options. I would be very concerned if parking for these sorts of vehicles ended up at either of the first two options.

SITE FOUR: SOMEWHERE ELSE (Suggestion: private land)

Definitely not near sports field/ playground..as a parent the safety issues of large motorhomes parking/ reversing etc where small children run and play is a huge concern..not to mention the fruits and vegies of the food forest would be taken by tourists instead of enjoyed by our community as it is intended.

SITE FOUR: SOMEWHERE ELSE (Suggestion: reserve opposite sports ground)

The pro is that it doesn't interfere with the views from other houses nor does it interfere with community activities. It is probably the least utilized reserve in the community. And the toilets are across the road, The con is that the access via the dunes is limited and could be damaging - but this could be managed by careful placement of "stairs" and barriers to protect the other areas. Also I am not sure how level it is - it might require some work.