



**Kaipara
DISTRICT
PLAN REVIEW**

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**Kaipara District Plan Review
Discussion Document
Feedback Summary**



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The feedback received for Public Access expressed support for identifying future walking and transportation links (such as cycling connections and bridle paths) while also providing for maintenance and enhancement of the native fauna and environment so they do not become plant and animal pest pathways.

Other concerns included the need to consider potential climate change impacts and ensure connections are provided where development occurs.

Feedback from Te Uri O Hau Settlement Trust emphasised the need to avoid inappropriate planning of public access ways near urupa wahi tapu and other sites as identified by Mana Whenua.

There was also a recognised need to provide for cultural access through legal agreement or condition of consent and to manage public access to the foredune systems in Mangawhai and Poutō to ensure the health and stability of the ecosystem.

Other feedback emphasised that kaitiaki rights may be marginalised by increasing public access over wāhi tapu and other sites of significance.





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RECOMMENDATIONS

- Develop objectives, policies and provisions that promote walking and cycling,
- identify proposed and existing walking and cycling networks,
- require new areas zoned for urban development to include a safe and accessible connection to a planned or existing walking or cycling connections,
- clarify how new accessways will be protected and how regulation will be implemented,
- end-of-trip facilities to be considered such as secure bicycle storage,
- consider a walking track in the cliffs above the Glinks Gully settlement away from traffic,
- proposed accessways should connect to wider existing networks in the District and wider region,
- connections should be prioritised between key locations such as schools, services and employment areas,
- connections should be safe and easily accessible by people of all ages and abilities,
- encourage landowners to set aside fenced off areas for public access through rates relief,
- ensuring the protection of the environment particularly native fauna and avoid the creation of pest pathways,
- work in partnership with local iwi to co-manage strips,
- consider a partnership compliance model with Mana Whenua.

