

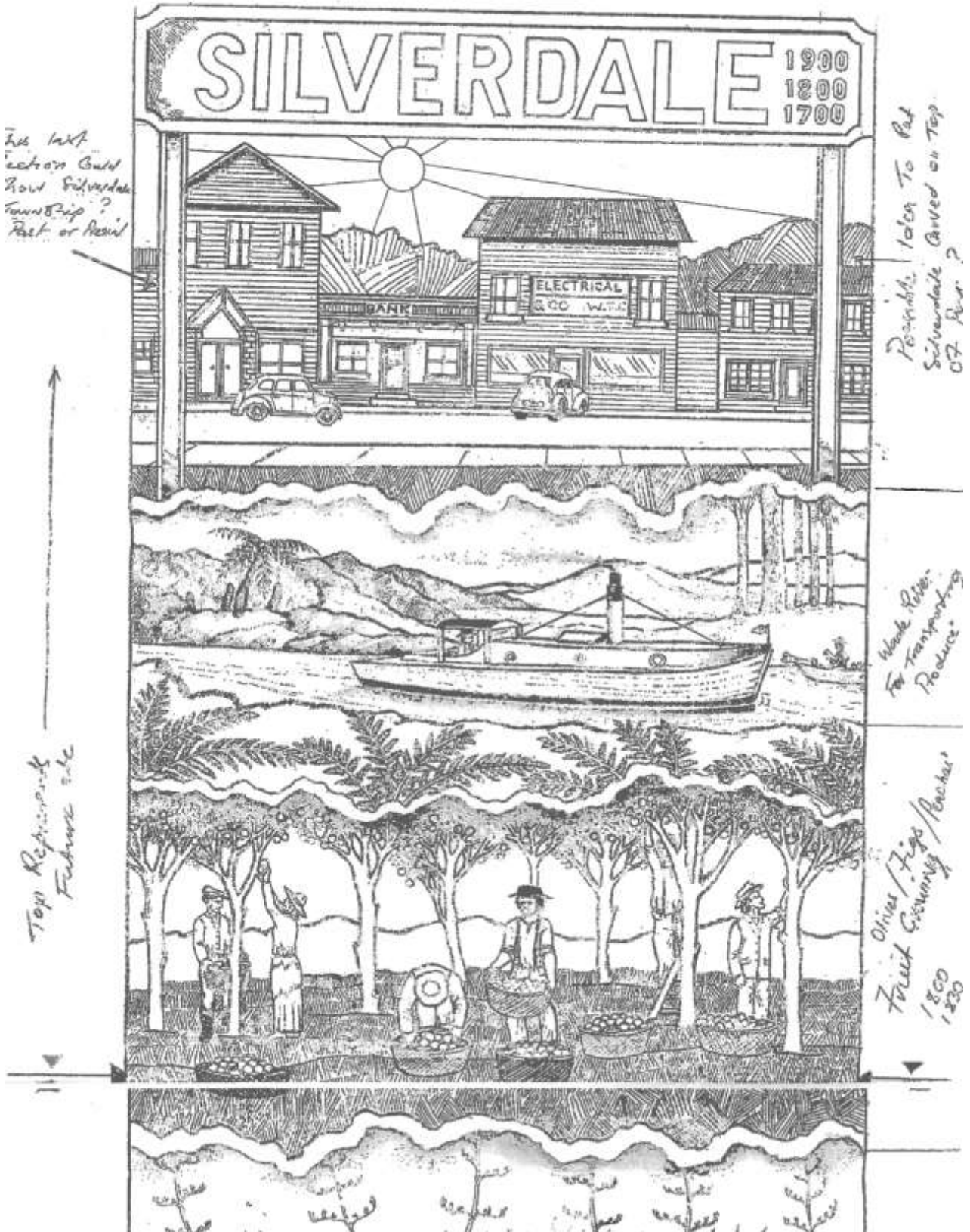
Date: Wednesday 18 October 2017
Time: 4.30pm
Meeting Room: Council Chamber
Venue: Orewa Service Centre
50 Centreway Road
Orewa

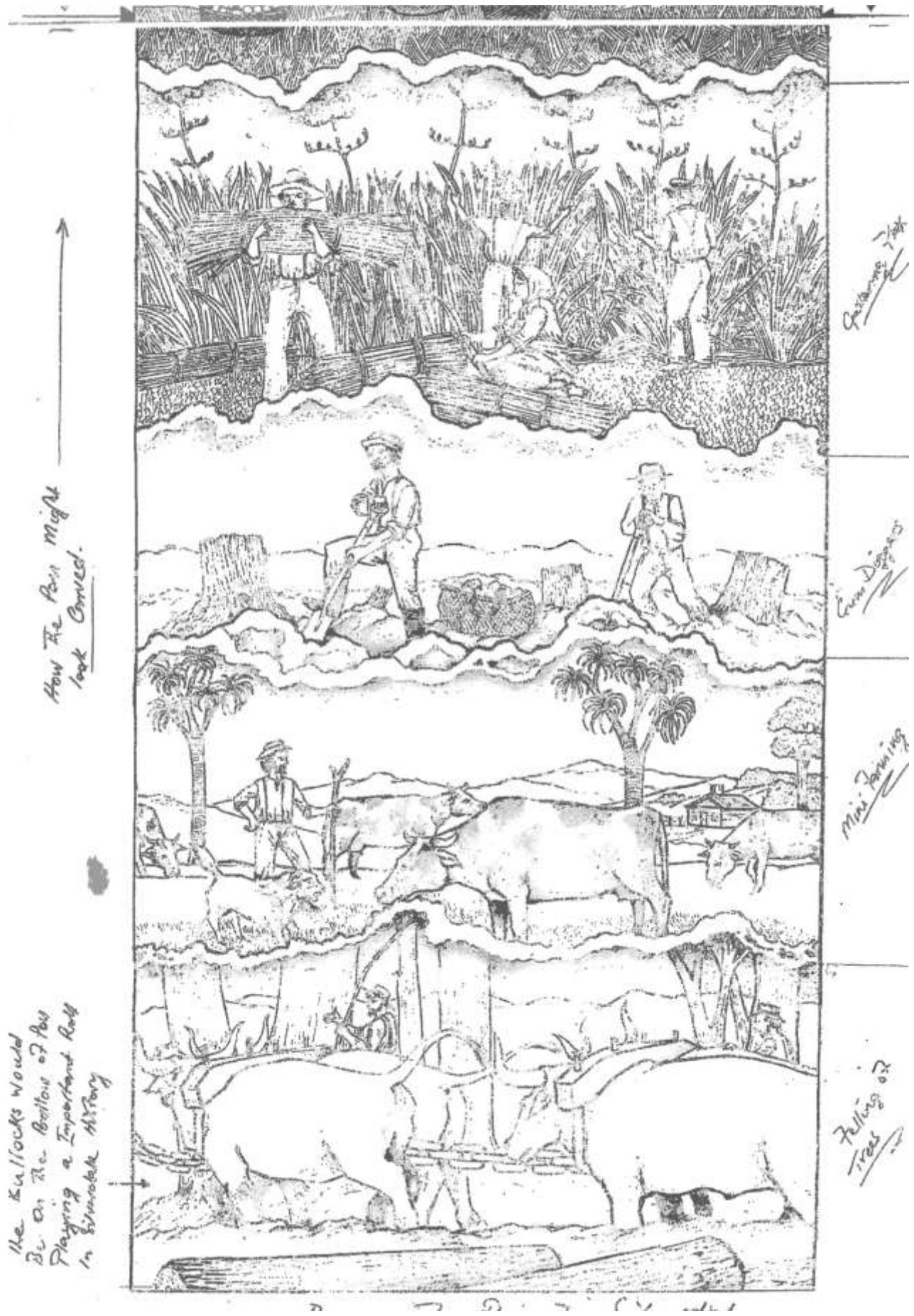
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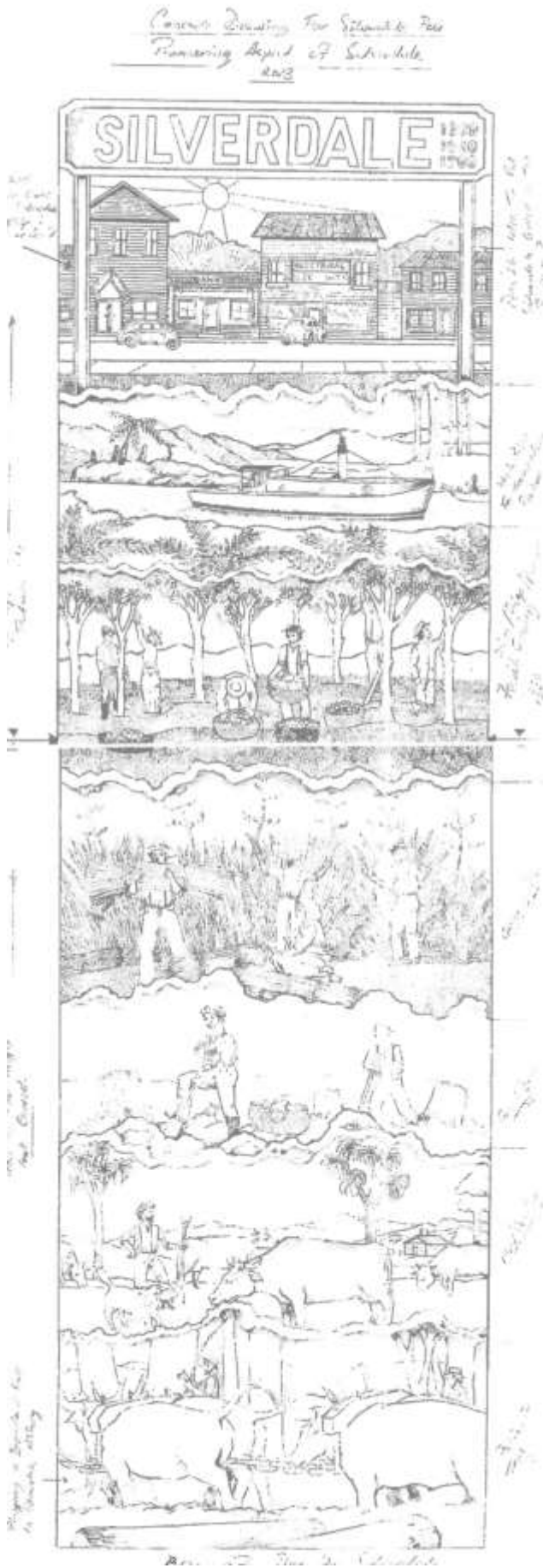
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Concept Drawing For Silverdale Post
Pioneering Aspect of Silverdale.
2013





The Kullocks would be on the bottom of the plow playing a important role in simulating history



Attachment 8.1

**Silverdale Community Action Group
Presentation to Local Board, 18th October 2017**

Background

We are pleased with the decision reached by the new developers of the land at the junction of Millwater Parkway and Bankside Road (the former Horncastle site), and confirmed at a meeting with Mark Mitchell MP at his offices in Orewa, that they will develop residential properties for sale freehold, and not proceed with the originally stated intention to have up to 62% for transient tourist use.

When the above discussions were taking place, the issue of pedestrian safety – and that of child pedestrians in particular – was highlighted, and the Silverdale Community Action



Group wishes to raise with Auckland Council and the Local Board the significant concerns regarding this.

Millwater is an area that is attractive to families with young children. There are five schools / kindergartens close to the busy junction of Millwater

Parkway and Bankside Road, with children needing safe pedestrian crossings at these. The number of young children attending the five places of learning (shown in the Google Earth image above) is significant (Figures attached at Annex).

Of this significant number, even allowing for alternative pedestrian access to some sites, we estimate that up to 90% of schoolchildren will use the pedestrian crossings at Millwater Parkway/Bankside Road at least once a day.

There is little space for parents to drop off children near the school, resulting in other through-traffic being delayed and often causing unsafe driving by impatient motorists. Although, thankfully, no one has (so far) been seriously injured or killed, we fear that this happy situation cannot last much longer.

Already, the vehicles belonging to the builders/tradies on the North side of Bankside Road are causing a lack of safe parking/drop-off spaces; this will be exacerbated when construction begins on the South side. Adding the vehicles of the future occupants of these two medium-high density developments to the existing high traffic volume will increase further the pedestrian hazard risk. Also, the new hockey field that is being developed adjacent to this busy intersection will potentially add even more traffic at school times.

There is significant, but anecdotal, evidence of red-light-running, not stopping at the stop lines at the junctions and turning on the green arrows but not allowing pedestrian priority.

Road rage is evident every morning and afternoon – it really does need to be seen to be believed.

The Millwater and Silverdale community is seriously concerned that there is a high potential for pedestrian injury or worse.

Suggested way forward:

1. We believe that it would be prudent, from a health and safety perspective, that a traffic engineer be invited to examine the situation during the morning and afternoon school drop-off and pick-up times, produce a report and make recommendations for improving road safety – for the children in particular.
2. We would recommend that the traffic engineer involve the schools' management teams in the examination and recommendations.
3. Further, we suggest that any proposals for improvement of pedestrian safety include the possibility of all traffic lights going red simultaneously during the morning and afternoon school times (sometimes referred to as a 'Barnes Dance Crossing' or 'X Crossing'). This idea is already employed successfully on some busy junctions in Auckland City and elsewhere; notably in Japan. This should remove the pedestrian dangers associated with turning on the green arrow.

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ANNEX

School roll numbers (data from Ministry of Education, received on 12 October 2017)

ID number	Service/School	Total roll
20110	Silverdale Kindergarten	licenced for a max 30
1482	Silverdale Primary	645
432	Kingsway school (junior)	610 (2016 data)
20245	Kingsway Preschool - Silverdale	licenced for a max 30
432 (same number)	Kingsway School (senior)	760 (2016 data)
Total		2075

Google Earth Image of Millwater Parkway/Bankside Road Junction



