

**Date:** Wednesday 28 March 2018  
**Time:** 4.30PM  
**Meeting Room:** Local Board Chambers  
**Venue:** Papakura Service Centre  
35 Coles Crescent  
Papakura

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## Papakura Local Board

# OPEN MINUTE ITEM ATTACHMENTS

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## KIRKS BUSH TIMELINE

1844	Adam Chisholm purchased 'Hingaia', an area of 2193 acres
1845	The Government waived his right to the land
1865	William Smith made a compensation claim for losses incurred after abandoning his land at Chisholm's bush during the Land Wars
1869	Approx. 6 acres, Lot 2 part of allotment which included portion of Kirk's bush known as Chisholm's bush is advertised for auction
1871	Messrs Smith & Abraham advertised sale of cattle, and sheep at their farm 'Chisholm's Bush'
1871	Under heading 'Estate of William Wheeler' the same plot that was advertised for auction in 1868 is again advertised for sale
??	W S Grahame purchased land from Wm Smith
1894	James and John Kirk purchased land from W S Grahame
1902	John Kirk died
1912	Town Board approached James Kirk with an offer to purchase the bush portion of their property. He agreed but nothing came of it.
1914	On 26 June 1914, the Council also approached the Prime Minister, Mr Massey, to request that the Government purchase Chisholm's bush to be used as a reserve
1918	James Kirk died
1919	Dr A W P Brookfield purchased land
1920	Dr Brookfield offered to sell 14 acres as a Scenic Reserve to the Town Board, but the offer was declined due to lack of funds.
1921	Bush declared public asset and was purchased as Crown Reserve
1922	Local fund-raising and Government grant enabled purchase of just over 7 acres
1926	Kirk's Bush Scenic Board set up
1929	Alfred & Robert Willis donated two and a half acres
1938	Five sections on Beach Road were purchased (one acre)
1956	A M Butterworth donated the three quarter acre section opposite the reserve and made bequest of money for custodians house to be built
1963	Papakura Borough council acquired the Southern Park Reserve
1989	Kirk's Bush Scenic Reserve Board abolished. Papakura District Council took over it's duties

1994 'Friends of Kirks Bush' established



