

Attachment A: KEY PARK CATEGORY CHARACTERISTICS

The open space provision policy informs investment decisions to create a high quality open space network that contributes to the quality of life for Aucklanders. It provides direction on the provision of open space at a network scale (across multiple open spaces rather than an individual site). Provision is considered on the basis of function, distribution, location and configuration

The table below identifies open space typologies and associated provision metrics that primarily achieve recreational or social outcomes.

Typology	Description	Indicative amenities	Provision target
Pocket Park	<p>Provides 'door step' access to small amenity and socialising spaces in high density residential areas.</p> <p>Provides visual relief in intensively developed areas.</p> <p>New pocket parks are typically between 0.1 to 0.15 hectares.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> landscaping and gardens small lawn areas furniture specimen trees hard surface treatments areas for socialising and respite 	<p>Voluntarily provided at no capital cost and only on agreement by council. Alternatively pocket parks can be retained in private ownership.</p> <p>Located in urban centres or high density residential areas. Must be located on a public street and not an internalised space within a development block.</p> <p>Not to be located within 100m of other open space.</p> <p>In addition to requirements for neighbourhood parks.</p>
Neighbourhood Park	<p>Provides basic informal recreation and social opportunities within a short walk of surrounding residential areas.</p> <p>New neighbourhood parks are typically between 0.3 to 0.5 hectares.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> play space flat, unobstructed, kick-around space for informal games (30m by 30m) areas for socialising and respite landscaping specimen trees furniture 	<p>400m walk in high and medium density residential areas.</p> <p>600m walk in all other residential areas.</p> <p>Provides a range of different recreation opportunities between nearby neighbourhood and suburb parks.</p>
Suburb Park	<p>Provides a variety of informal recreation and social experiences for residents from across a suburb.</p> <p>Located in prominent locations and help form the identity of a suburb.</p> <p>Suburb parks will often accommodate organised sport facilities, such as sportsfields.</p> <p>New suburb parks are typically 3 to 5 hectares if providing for informal recreation uses only and up to 10 hectares or larger if also accommodating organised sport uses.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> walking circuits or trails within the park multiple kick-around spaces socialising spaces, including picnic and barbeque facilities larger and more specialised informal recreation attractions, such as large playgrounds, skate parks, hard courts beaches and watercraft launching facilities organised sport facilities community event space car parking and toilets 	<p>1000m walk in high and medium density residential areas.</p> <p>1500m walk in all other residential areas.</p> <p>Provides a range of different recreation opportunities between nearby neighbourhood and suburb parks.</p> <p>Provides a neighbourhood park function for immediately neighbouring residential areas.</p>

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Destination Park	<p>Provides for large numbers of visitors, who often visit for an extended period of time, and may travel from across Auckland.</p> <p>Many destination parks are tourist attractions.</p> <p>Typically they will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be more than 30 hectares • accommodate specialised facilities • have significant or unique attributes. <p>Regional parks are considered to be destination parks.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • large events space • networks of walking circuits and trails • destination and/or multiple playgrounds • specialised sport and recreation facilities • distinct natural, heritage or cultural features • multiple places for gatherings and socialising such as barbeque and picnic facilities 	<p>A variety of destination parks should be located to serve each of the northern, western, central and southern areas of urban Auckland.</p> <p>Future provision will be determined through network planning, which will identify if and where new destination parks are required.</p> <p>See Figure 5 on page 34 for indicative provision guidance.</p> <p>Provides neighbourhood and suburb park functions for immediately neighbouring residential areas.</p>
Civic Space	<p>Provides spaces for meeting, socialising, play and events in Auckland's urban centres.</p> <p>Civic space encompasses a network of public space including squares, plazas, greens, streets and shared spaces.</p> <p>Civic spaces can be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • small (<0.1 hectares), typically providing respite, informal meeting and socialising opportunities • medium (0.15 to 0.2 hectares, typically capable of hosting small events • large (0.3 to 0.4 hectares), typically capable of hosting medium scale events. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • highly structured and developed urban spaces • predominately hard-surfaces • meeting and socialising opportunities • event space • landscaping and gardens • public artworks 	<p>The extent of the civic space network should reflect the scale of the urban centre.</p> <p>Civic space should be planned as part of an integrated network, which responds to the local character and needs of an urban centre.</p> <p>Local Centre</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • one small civic space. <p>Town Centre</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • one or more small civic spaces; and • one medium civic space. <p>Metropolitan Centres</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • one or more small civic spaces; • one or more medium civic spaces; and • one large civic space.
Connection and linkage open space	<p>Provides contiguous networks of open space that establish recreational, walking cycling and ecological connections, integrated with on-street connections.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • trails • walkways • cycleways • seating • landscaping • boardwalks • native bush 	<p>The provision of open space for linkages and connections will depend on the particular characteristics of an area.</p> <p>Primarily provided along watercourses or the coast.</p> <p>Refer to the section <i>connect our parks and open spaces</i> for further provision guidance.</p>