

## **Paekakariki Surf Lifeguards New Building Project**



Paekakariki Surf Lifeguards celebrated its centenary in 2013, making this iconic club one of the oldest in the country. The club has had a very good period of growth in the past 20 years and now has over 250 members. In this time it is estimated that the efforts of the club have rescued well over 1000 people from life threatening situations in the past 100 years.

### **Patrol Statistics for the 2018-19 season**

- 242 members - over 50% female
- Six patrol teams and 85 lifeguards completed 3,408 Patrol hours
- 3 Rescues of people in danger, 58 people assisted from dangerous situations
- 2 Major First Aids and 16 minor first aids were performed
- 6,266 preventative actions keeping people safer while at the beach

Over the past 50 years the club house has been battered by the environment and is now in a poor state of repair. The primary driver for the development of the Pavilion is the need to address major structural degradation, mitigate against coastal erosion and to reconfigure patrol, meeting and storage spaces to improve their performance and reflect the growing size of the club. A Seismic Assessment was completed by Chris Pine of Sawrey Consulting Engineers in 2011 and updated in 2018 which included a number of recommendations. The main suggestion was that the club move out within 5 years.

In summary, the Pavilion is currently requiring redevelopment because of:

- increased club use, particularly by juniors and their families
- requirements for multiple concurrent use, driving a more effective layout
- increased demand and expectations by other users
- the current facility is no longer fit for purpose
- the building is structurally unable to withstand a seismic event or tsunami
- the location of the facility is within the forecast erosion zone
- club membership and use has outgrown the current space available
- Civil Defence may want to locate their Paekakariki centre to this site
- other community groups and users are keen to use the facility

The key needs are therefore:

- improved changing and toileting facilities
- improved and increased storage
- separation of patrol and meeting/function rooms
- improved kitchen facilities
- space for other community groups and activities

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The site proposed for the new building is directly behind the current one (marked #4 on the map). This will be built behind the dune with beach access over the existing access track. Vehicle access will be from Wellington Road the back of the club using the current caretakers access road.

Allowing for the forecast beach erosion, management of the fragile fore-dunes and continued surveillance of the beach, a site has been identified by the Paekakariki Surf Lifeguards and the Greater Wellington Regional Council and fits with the GWRC coastal erosion plans. A concept drawing has been developed to give an idea of the area that a new building can be built in and how this will fit into the current landscape. The grey block (right) represents a new club house and the old club house is inside the orange block to be restored to fore dune.



The building process is in the planning and consultation stage and to date we have not confirmed the final site or building design. The cost for the projects is estimated to be around \$2.5-\$3m and a major fundraising and partnership programme has been initiated to raise the funds for the build.

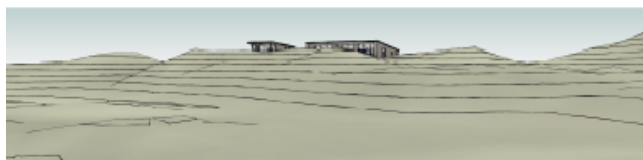
Concept drawings have been completed with feedback from Club members, Greater Wellington Regional Council Staff and local community members. The design has been developed to add value to the area without being intrusive visually or spatially. The design has been developed to fit in with the landscape and we will look at using natural materials that are low maintenance and suit the harsh environment.



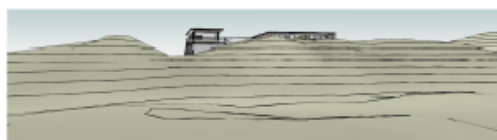
We hope to get a lease signed off with GWRC in early 2020 and will start detailed planning and fundraising in 2020 & 2021. We would like to begin building in 2021 and have this building completed in 2022.







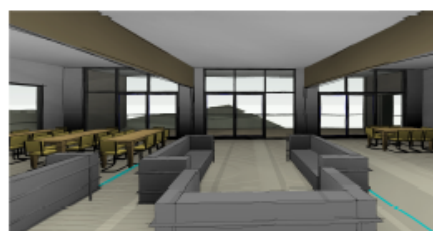
View of building from the beach



View of the building from existing building location



View from sand dune



## Project timelines

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| ➤ Feasibility Study                     | 2011                    |
| ➤ Project planning and initiation       | 2011-2015               |
| ➤ Concept design                        | June 2018               |
| ➤ Lease application                     | Mar 2020                |
| ➤ Stakeholder meetings                  | Jan-Nov 2020 (+ongoing) |
| ➤ Detailed design                       | Sept 2020               |
| ➤ Fundraising initiation                | Mar 2020                |
| ➤ Fundraising key milestone (Go, no go) | Dec 2021                |
| ➤ Resource and building consents        | April-July 2021         |
| ➤ Build initiation                      | Feb 2022                |
| ➤ Fundraising completion                | May 2022                |
| ➤ Building Complete                     | October 2022            |

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