

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Gillian
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

I would like to express my firm concern regarding the recent proposal to change regulations at Linklater Dog Park, specifically the introduction of on-leash zones in what was previously an off-leash park.

As you are aware, the overwhelming majority of the submissions during the last consultation overwhelmingly supported the park being left as off-leash. Given this, the recent decision to impose on-leash restrictions on half of the park, including the paddock containing the dog agility equipment, is not only surprising but deeply disappointing. It is contrary to the expressed wishes of the majority of the community and seems to ignore the fact that the vast majority of dog owners who use this park do so with the expectation of a safe, enjoyable space for their dogs to exercise freely.

It is important to note that Linklater Dog Park is one of the few off-leash spaces in the city, and it serves as a vital community hub for dog owners. For many, it is not just a place to walk a dog; it is a space for dogs to socialize, exercise, and interact in an environment that promotes their well-being. The decision to restrict so much of the park to on-leash only, including the agility area, is contrary to the intended purpose of this park and is in direct conflict with the needs and desires of the community.

Furthermore, it is unrealistic and impractical to assume that dog owners should be restricted in such a large portion of the park. In fact, it's rare to see anyone in the park without a dog, and the lack of off-leash space in the Palmerston North area is already a growing concern among the community. The introduction of extensive on-leash areas may also discourage responsible dog ownership, as many dog owners prefer spaces where their dogs can interact and run freely without constant restrictions.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

I am happy to accept certain areas of the park being designated on-leash for the safety and consideration of others, such as the designated play zones. However, the continued availability of a large, off-leash area is crucial for both the well-being of the dogs and the enjoyment of the community. Reducing off-leash space by such a drastic measure is both unnecessary and unfair to the overwhelming majority of dog owners who use the park regularly and responsibly.

I urge the Council to reconsider this proposal and restore the off-leash areas, with the exception of the play areas. The community has spoken, and the clear majority want to maintain Linklater Dog Park as a space where dogs can run, play, and interact freely. It is essential that this park remains a place that serves the needs of responsible dog owners and their pets.

I sincerely hope that you will prioritize the interests and well-being of our community of dog owners.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

I am one of the majority.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?

(select as many as apply)

Poster, sign or billboard

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Hearing

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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	I like to travel in to Palmy to use the Reserve
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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

1. The dogs cannot utilise the agility area while on lead. Must be off lead here.
2. No off lead access to the water hole under the bridge for dogs to swim!
3. The cost of erecting a fence in the position indicated will be considerable. A large cost for the small gain of a small group of locals who rarely attend the park. Better to re-zone at the existing farm wire fence that already exists beside the bike track.
4. Today, Fri 27 June we walked from 8:15 to 10:00. There were about 20+ people walking about 25+ dogs. Tomorrow and Sunday there will be 30+ people and dogs...continually. Will the moaning minority even be there..I bet not.
5. The playground is underutilised. Only in summer and on pleasant weekends do we see maybe 3-4 people with kiddies. The sign says - no dogs within 30 metres..really? So the path is only about 5-10 metres from this area. So is the dog water station! Rules posted that can't possibly be obeyed.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

We walk here 5 days a week. Have so for 2-3 years. Have not witnessed any dog "attack" on a person. We have seen several incidents where dogs trot up to people and poke their noses looking for treats..or make an attempt to jump up in a friendly way and some of these people have panicked, shouted and become angry and hostile to the dog owner. This is the worst I have seen. Why walk in a dog park and then complain when dogs act in a playful way. Most dog owners will call their dog back and restrain them in these situations. But panicky, nervous people can't deal with it...and frankly are walking in the wrong place. Why put yourselves in an environment you will not be comfortable in? I think some of these people are looking for conflict in order to stake their claim to the park. Have never seen ever a dog actually ATTACK a person. I have been attacked twice in my life by dogs. Both times I was on a PN footpath and both times the approaching dog was on a lead. A dog on a lead if scared or spooked will feel very threatened and will launch at an approaching "threat"..in my cases - I was a runner. At Linklater - I have seen 2 incidents where dogs restrained on a lead have gotten into a handbag scrap with another dog - because of this feeling of vulnerability.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

You invited it on your notice and I feel quite angry that PNCC is making a too significant intrusion into the offlead area in order to satisfy a small number of complaining people who are not compatible with dogs. The absolute waste of PNCC ratepayers money on this drama. You have not gone for a sensible compromise. A 50/50 split is a soft way out of the drama. This park has been designated as a dog off lead area for too many years now. I believe (based on newspaper article) that a huge majority are in NOT in favour of this - yet you persist in a non-democratic fashion.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

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Hearing

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About yourself

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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

Silly waste of a lot of money to fence that half off. Only to have a large grass area currently utilised by dogs off leash - not used at all. The area by the agility equipment.
No need for fences. The park/reserve can be accessed by everyone now - if people have a fear of dogs, they would be well advised seeking recreation in other reserves.
We have been taking our dog here for 2+ years. Have not seen a dog attack a person. Dog attacks are just as likely to occur on the street and when dogs are ON LEAD,

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

Too much time, public money and angst is being committed to this issue that as far as I know, only affects about 64 Kelvin Grove locals. We are retired oldies and have no fear of any of the dogs here. We meet and greet people older than us - a couple using a walking stick to navigate the park with their dogs. We see kiddies being walked and pushed in pushchairs etc - with their dogs. These people do not have fear of other dogs here. What is wrong with this whinging group of people? If their fear of dogs is SO great - why are you changing the park around to appease them? Better to give them sensible advice to use other parks.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

There are now a lot of very angry dog owners who feel hugely let down by the PNCC and the suggestion of a 50/50 park split. You are segregating the dogs into a bland area of the reserve - taking away the free access that all now enjoy to the bush area and swimming hole. These can't be done on a lead. The council seems to think dogs are "walking" with their owners - well, a few are. But most roam and run the central grass areas, bush area and the pond under the bridge. This is used a dogs at play area. They all love it, benefit from it and learn to develop social interaction skills where needed.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Letter or email

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First name	Rebecca
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Last name	Burns
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Hearing

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About yourself

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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

I believe the boundary should be moved back to the existing fence line closer to the bike track

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

an move the aroplane down to that area as well, this would give a more defined playground area and provide more space for off leash walking.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

Linklater is the only fenced in off leash are provided for dogs and their owners. There are plenty of playgrounds for kids to use and there are plenty of on leash walking locations for owners to take their dogs.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Poster, sign or billboard

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First name	Andrew
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Last name	Carroll
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	No
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	Yes, I support this change
Please tell us why.	There are too many uncontrollable dogs that are a risk to children at the park entrance where the swings are rides are. I appreciate that dogs need to run about and having the off-leash areas as proposed should be suitable for this.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	Safety concerns
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Letter or email Digital advertising, eg an advert on TVNZ+, Stuff, MetService etc

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First name	Fiona
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Last name	Berendt
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

I do somewhat support the half on-lead and half off-lead....but the blue line that indicates the on-lead area needs to be adjusted to incorporate the 'dog agility course'. Why would you have a dog agility course in an area where dogs are on a lead? Could you imagine the humans (dog owners) running alongside their dogs along the course? Imagine the dogs doing the 'weave' in and out poles on the course with a dog on a lead. I would suggest the (new) fence be brought forward to bush line just past the bike play area. That would make more logical sense.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

The first submissions which were around 2000, with a majority percentage against any change, I find it interesting that these statistics are ignored. And that PNCC are supporting two 'squeaky wheels' with 46 odd signatures. I urge commonsense. Lastly

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

I was walking my dog on the morning the PNCC staff were attaching the new sign on the fence. This is something I feel very strongly about. If you are not comfortable around dogs...don't walk or play at a park where there are dogs off the lead.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Council website

Social media

Poster, sign or billboard

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First name	George
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Last name	Twort
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Postal address

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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	Large areas of the park that would be suitable for off leash would now be on leash areas, it also significantly reduces area that dogs can properly play and explore. The majority of the area proposed is also not really suitable for any other activity and would currently be predominantly used off leash dog walking only.
Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.	The on leash areas should only include the walkway, picnic and playground area by the toilets. Fencing should be placed around the flying fox and plane slide. This would reduce the impact on dog owners, whilst allowing others to enjoy dog free areas. This would also allow better enforcement of the rules at minimal cost.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	My enjoyment and use of the park would be seriously affected by the change
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

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First name	Andrew
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Last name	Stern
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Postal address

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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

The proposed off leash area is too small compared to the current area. Condensing the area would result in more dogs in a smaller area potentially leading to issues. The on leash area I believe would be greatly un-utilised and be wasted.

The plane could be moved to give off leash dogs more area.

I support other option such as fencing off the play ground, potentially with a fenced off path way from the car park.

I support cameras being installed to help make the park feel safer and deter vandels.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

Please keep the park as is, it will be a massive shame to change it.

Can you please provide a list of elected member who support the proposed changes so I can make a informed decision on who to vote for next time.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

I have lived in kelvin Grove for 11 years and have had My dog for 1.5 years, prior to having My dog I enjoyed walking at link later and seeing dogs run freely and had no issues. My dog is a huge part of my life and we love the park the way it is, I do not want to lose the freedom it currently gives us.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Council website

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First name	Maurice
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Last name	Shailer
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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Do you support this change?	Yes, I support this change
Please tell us why.	Yes, full agreement. People can move around knowing that any dog in that area is on leash, especially if they are nervous around dogs. We have 2 small dogs and they are always on leash as they seem to loose their ears otherwise.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	We feel very strongly about this and can see why it is needed.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Newspaper

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Last name	Fletcher
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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	No
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	I like the idea of a dog's on-leash area, but I feel the yellow area should be made smaller and the off-leash area should be made bigger. How about the row of trees just behind the bike track (indicated on your map as the end of the on-leash area. Most of the kid activities are in front of this row of trees - it is only the aero plane that is behind. This would also allow the dog agility area to be off-leash and provide a large space for dogs to be off-leash, but also allow an on-leash area so those with kids (big and small) can use the playground areas and also for dog owners to ensure their dogs are back on leash's before getting to the carpark.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	I take my kids to Linklater Park and we know it is a dog-off leash area. We have had heaps of fun at this park and have enjoyed the increase of playground equipment places there. I believe there are not a huge amount of off leash areas in Palmerston North. I also work at Cornerstone Christian School and we visit Linklater Park.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	School, church or other community group or network, eg newsletter

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First name	Ian
Last name	Butturini
Organisation you represent <small>If applicable. Please only answer this question if you are speaking on behalf of an organisation.</small>	Pwia Ltd

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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
Are you a dog owner? <small>You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.</small>	Yes
Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local

| The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	Because it is a dog park! If people want dogs on leashes they can go else where.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	Because it is a dog park. There aren't enough dog parks where they can be off leash.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Other: Stumbled across it on line

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First name	Scott
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Last name	Adams
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Hearing

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About yourself

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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	I support someone the park area becoming on leash, but I would like the ability for dogs to have a wet area in which to play which is not currently available up the top area. Unless work was done to increase the water area up top I would like to see the wetland area off leash as well.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	I regularly use the park and have both both small children and a dog.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Letter or email

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Last name	Hardisty
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	Not sure
Please tell us why.	<p>I think it's great, my dog and I have been rushed by many dogs when mine has been on a lead, we even got circled by a husky that the owner had no control of.</p> <p>But it's would be great if weekdays from 5pm in winter and maybe 7pm in summer the off leash could be everywhere as it's a great stop on the way home for a dog walk but the carpark around the side is dodgy and closes and out the back later on and around the plane can be a little dodgy so staying around the front is preferred as it starts to get dark.</p> <p>I hope that makes sense, happy to clarify!</p>
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	I love being able to have somewhere that my dog can just run!!
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Digital advertising, eg an advert on TVNZ+, Stuff, MetService etc

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Dianne
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Last name	Cable
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Postal address

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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	I like to travel in to Palmy to use the Reserve
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	The dog agility area would seem to be in the on leash area. Unless you are proposing to move this area it would not be beneficial to have the dogs agility area on leash.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	The area is a great area for dogs & exercise. I wouldn't like to see it compromised too much. I thought Mr Linklater wanted a off leash dog exercise area when first given to the city.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Digital advertising, eg an advert on TVNZ+, Stuff, MetService etc Other: I have already put in a submission when first presented.

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Sue
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Last name	Cooper
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Postal address

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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	No
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

Few enough off-leash areas in Palmerston North for dog owners. Plenty of areas for those who don't like dogs

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

Please give us something in return for our registration fees. Now we don't even get a new 20 cent tag each year. Responsible dog owners should not pay for the pound. It's a benefit to all residents. Parents are not levied to pay for playgrounds - why are dog owners targeted to pay for facilities no responsible owner will ever use?

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

Sick of dog haters trying to remove what few benefits dog owners get for their registration fee.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?

(select as many as apply)

Newspaper

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First name	suzanne
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Last name	grayson
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	I like to travel in to Palmy to use the Reserve
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	Not sure
Please tell us why.	<p>Because to the plane is not specific, unless you put a solid fence across at the point you mean, then the people with the problem are still going to have a problem with the rest of us.</p> <p>It is also unfair to have the dog exercise fun equipment in the leash zone.</p> <p>I do understand that it would be nice for some people who have had bad experiences with dogs, to have a space to be. But there are MANY people who play with their dogs on that hill. There would need to be a well taken area down in the off leash area that they can do this.</p>
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	<p>I have always loved that Linklater is the one place that is specifically dog freindly and where you can have your dogs off leash. I have had my fair share of difficult moments. But as a dog owner you expect these, and you come to the park ready to manage anything.</p>
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Newspaper

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Juliette
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Last name	Jobson
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Postal address

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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

16-2

area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

The dog is happier off the lease.
It is easier for the owner/dog walker to enjoy the walk without being dragged in various directions by happy dogs .
Generally dogs behave a lot better off the lease than on it.
When you get a badly behaved dog it is generally the other dogs that teach it how to behave.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

It's a very lovely park ... no too groomed and showy.
Leave well alone

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

The dog I walk sometimes (my daughters) loves that park and has his own routines. I can sit myself down and know he will do his own thing and come back to me when he's ready. It's easy and pleasant for us both. On a lease he walks faster than I comfortably can and drags and jolts me in his eagerness

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Digital advertising, eg an advert on TVNZ+, Stuff, MetService etc

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Juliette
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Last name	Jobson
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Postal address

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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	No
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

16-4

area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

Because it's set up as a dog park, for dogs to run free.
Because badly behaved dogs are just as likely to be met and troublesome anywhere else and it's not fair to restrict good dogs and their owners because some are not well trained (this may be a licencing matter ... owners might need more training).
Dogs actually seem more inclined to fight or get distressed when on a lease or when restrained.
For us, the very elderly, that's a difficult walk up the hill to the back paddocks, especially if being dragged by a big dog.!

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

More seats in places where we can sit and watch our dog would be helpful

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

When I had dogs they loved a free run.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Digital advertising, eg an advert on TVNZ+, Stuff, MetService etc

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First name	Gordon
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Last name	Whitlock
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Postal address

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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	No
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	I like to travel in to Palmy to use the Reserve
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The proposed change

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17-2

area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

Active dogs need an area larger than proposed. It will be difficult for some owners to get their dogs to comply and there will be owners who don't comply making the on leash area pointless. This is one of the few dog parks around and I can see the rules tightened further in the next decade. Not fair on dog owners and even more unfair on the dogs. If this is the new rule shouldn't all parks in Palmy have an off leash area?

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

A lot of dogs need a good run to keep them fit and to keep them calm while elsewhere. This may backfire in that dogs elsewhere in town will be frustrated at not being able to run around freely.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

I drive from the other side of Feilding to use the park, now where can active dogs exercise?

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Digital advertising, eg an advert on TVNZ+, Stuff, MetService etc

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First name	Gordon
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Last name	Whitlock
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	No
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	I like to travel in to Palmy to use the Reserve
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

There's plenty of parks in Palmerston North for people who don't like dogs. With around half the families in Palmerston North owning a dog, there should be more no less places the dogs can exercise. This is important for the dogs to learn socializing without a lead and for dogs to run off energy to become more docile. These new restrictions could result in more problems with dog/people interaction on the streets of Palmerston North. Please allow dog owners to have at least one place in Palmerston North where dogs can run freely , this area proposed is too small for the number of dogs that need to have a place to run around in.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

We visit this park at all hours of day and night, there's always people exercising their dogs- even in the early hours of the morning. Sometimes it is already so full with dogs we need to rearrange our visit times, these new restrictions may make it crowded at all times if the day and night.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

We already visit the park and find hundreds of dogs being exercised sometimes. This will make the park unusable for dogs that need some space.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Family or friends

Digital advertising, eg an advert on TVNZ+, Stuff, MetService etc

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Sheenagh
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Last name	Tinkler
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

18-2

area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	Yes, I support this change
Please tell us why.	My dog needs to be on leash because as a puppy she was attacked by another dog & is as a result reactive to other dogs. I do not trust her not to react to other dogs that approach her. So for the safety of my & other dogs I keep her on leash.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	I like to take my dog to different areas for walks.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Sheenagh
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Last name	Tinkler
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Postal address

Email

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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

18-4

area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	Yes, I support this change
Please tell us why.	A good idea for all
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	I am a dog walker and i need to keep my dog on leash
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Michele
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Last name	Thornton
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Postal address

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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

I do not support the suggested boundary for the on leash area in Linklater. I would like to see the boundary stretch from the carpark on Kelvin grove to the tree line behind the bicycle track where there is already a fence in place. It would cost a lot less to fix up this fence than to build a new one. I also want to highlight that the agility course is in the area behind the bicycle track but in front of the aeroplane and to make dogs remain on leash while trying to train them on the agility course is ridiculous. If the issue is that kids want to be able to play on the plane then move the plane to the front part of the reserve where dogs will need to be on leash.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

I do not have an issue with dogs being on leash where kids are likely to play. But the majority of the land between the bike track and the aeroplane is pasture not play area.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

Because with a further tweak to include the area before the plane as off leash i think it will be a good outcome for everyone.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?

(select as many as apply)

Council website

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First name	Nelly
Last name	marquetoux
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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
Are you a dog owner? <i>You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.</i>	Yes
Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local

The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	This is bullshit! Dogs are fine, the reerve is large and there are too few off leash areas!
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

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First name	Jen
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Last name	ANNANDALE
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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

Yes, I support this change

Please tell us why.

I've come across a number of people who just don't like uncertainty of dogs being off leash which is perfectly fair.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

My dog was mauled by another dog 3 months ago so I just wish there was a way that this could've been avoided with these new rules too but both my dog and the other dog were off leash so likely the incident would've just happened in another area instead unfortunately.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

The incident with my dog but also that this will hopefully mean that more users find an area to enjoy in the park. It is a lovely outdoor space to enjoy nature.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?

(select as many as apply)

Social media

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First name	Katie
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Last name	Jackson
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	I like to travel in to Palmy to use the Reserve
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	<p>Palmy & the wider Manawatu is not a particularly dog friendly place to live, there are so few playgrounds & parks where you can take both your children and dogs to play happily together. We use Linklater park at least once a week and find that most dogs and owners are well behaved. The ones that are not won't follow the new rule anyway. Don't punish hundreds of good dog owners for the few that are problematic. Let the people who don't like dogs use many of the other wonderful spaces that dogs are not welcome for their activities.</p> <p>And consider moving the Frisbee golf to another location. Whoever thought Frisbee golf in a dog park was a good idea in the first place? That was always going to cause issues.</p>
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	Dog owners should have a large off leash space to go with with their pets.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Michael
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Last name	Davidson
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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	It is a dedicated dog park. Other people who use it for other activities should understand dogs will be running around
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	It's a unique park in its size and pure dedication to being a dog park. I know people from outside the region travel there for that purpose
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Newspaper Digital advertising, eg an advert on TVNZ+, Stuff, MetService etc

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name Sue

Last name Gifford

Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025? No

About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user? Yes

Are you a dog owner? Yes

You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local? Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local

The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	Yes, I support this change
Please tell us why.	It will be safer for both dog owners and families. We are very fortunate to have this huge area. It has not been safe for some time, I am speaking as both a dog owner and a grandmother. Dogs and children are not always a safe combination. And some owners are not aware of the risks their "friendly" can pose other dogs.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	Linklater reserve is a fantastic asset and needs to be managed appropriately. Without this change I would not visit with my family and young grandchild.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Reuben
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Last name	Parr
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	No
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	As a non dog owner and one who is normally quite negative about city dogs I do not support this proposal as I think that anybody who doesn't want to interact with off leash dogs has plenty of other places they could go and walk. The city should have at least one completely off leash area.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Letter or email

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



Submitted on	27 June 2025, 9:47PM
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First name	Lisa
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Last name	Wagener
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	Yes, I support this change
Please tell us why.	I work at a local vet clinic and we have had a number of dogs brought in who have been attacked by other off leash dogs at Linklater. The owners of the dogs doing the attacks do not admit ownership and the victim's owners end up paying vet bills and having the pets attacked with no recourse from the attacker. People need the choice of on or off leash for their dogs' safety
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	I walk my dogs there and see injured dogs at my work from there
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



Submitted on	27 June 2025, 10:17PM
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First name	Peter
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Last name	Ferrar
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Postal address

Email

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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Prefer not to say
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Are you a dog owner?	No
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	Yes, I support this change
Please tell us why.	Unleashed dogs can be a menace and many owners are not responsible which makes the reserve a no go area for families without dogs
Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.	If u want to keep the reserve just for dog owners leave it as it is. If u want it accessible for kelvin grove families, then the proposed changes are the minimum
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	I'm sick of the area essentially being dog family only
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Newspaper

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



Submitted on	28 June 2025, 12:00AM
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First name	Wirihana
Last name	Ironside-Mateparae
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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
Are you a dog owner? <i>You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.</i>	Yes
Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local

The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	There are very few off leash places in palmy. This restricts it even further
Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.	The only negative interaction I've had at linklater was with a non dog owner
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	I would say that 90% of dog owners who take their dog there are off leash. It's one of the few positive aspects of palmerston north as a dog owner and I would hate to see a vocal minority change that. Do a proper consensus of usage before cutting a valuable resource from our pet dogs
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Other: Google

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First name	Mariska
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Last name	Grobler
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Postal address	
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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	Yes
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	No
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	Yes, I support this change
Please tell us why.	Many people's dog dont have proper recall off leash and can make it hard for people with reactive dogs, my dog is reactive to other dogs so i keep him on leash, he is not reactive in a aggressive way, but I'm always nervous on how other dogs will receive his very energetic reaction, and scared that could trigger a negative response from an off lead dog whose owner dont have much control or recall.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	I would like to feel confident that no dogs will rush over to my dog that's on lead, and we would like to enjoy the park again, as we have stopped going after a couple instances where we didn't feel save with big "stereotype aggressive" dogs that were off leash that owners didn't have a handle on.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Digital advertising, eg an advert on TVNZ+, Stuff, MetService etc

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



Submitted on	28 June 2025, 1:39AM
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First name	Grant
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Last name	Goldsack
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	Yes
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	There are very few places in this city where you can let dogs run freely. This park is one of the last places a dog can run. Please do not change this
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	It is the responsibility of the dog owner to control his or hers dog while running freely.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

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First name	Jessica
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Last name	Mullan
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

There are not very many safe and accessible areas in Palmerston North for dogs to be off leash. For instance, the River is available but particularly dangerous being near running water that frequently floods and has been known to sweep dogs, and people, away. The river also has much wider public access, meaning people may be less inclined to bring and overwhelm their dogs and other users. Linklater, however, is an explicitly dog-friendly park where members of the public know they will encounter dogs no matter what. There are lots of other parks and recreational spaces in Palmerston for people to go if they do not want to encounter dogs off leash, or even at all. Restricting the off-leash space so much may also prevent dogs with less mobile owners from getting to be off leash at all, for the most common carpark is at the front, and walking to the back just to let the dog loose may be too strenuous for those with disabilities, illnesses, or older dogs.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

If the changes were to go ahead, I think the on-leash area needs to be cut in half. I see no reason why a dog owner should have to personally stand closely beside their dog as it tries to jump over obstacles, yanking owners' arms and potentially causing the dogs to choke if the owner cannot maneuver themselves fast enough. I understand that an open field might be nice for those dog adverse, but there is plenty of grassland prior to the swing bridge.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

This is the only confined space that I know of in Palmerston North where I feel safe to let my dog off leash, and man oh man does she enjoy it more than anything. This is why I feel the need to advocate for maintaining this space as much as possible.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Other: This website came up on my recommended Google homepage

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First name	Katie
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Last name	Stuart
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Postal address	
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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

The outlined area prevents off leash dog to be walked in multiple different loops. The outlined area excludes multiple paths that would be used for walking and excludes the agility area. Huge area around agility that doesn't have any regular users other than off leash dog use. The problem with a lot of off leash dog areas is that they aren't practical to bring your dog to and walk any distance. Having a poor off leash dog area makes people go to other areas where they may cause problems anyways rather than concentrating off leash dog use to a specific area that people could avoid if they wanted to. The dog area at Ahimate is useless as it is so small. The Linklater reserve is the only fenced off leash dog area, the other areas are shared. Dog owners in the city need places that are well know and large off leash parks where they can safely take their dogs, where other users don't have the right away and can impede on your ability to walk your dog.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

I would be very disappointed in the reduction in services available to me if this went ahead as proposed.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

Walking my dog is one of the few discretionary city services that I use. This would be a huge loss if city recreational services for me.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Digital advertising, eg an advert on TVNZ+, Stuff, MetService etc

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name Shelley

Last name Dansby

Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025? No

About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user? Yes

Are you a dog owner? Yes

You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local? Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local

The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

Why not move the aeroplane back down by flying fox area and make off leash from the fence line where you can put 2 small gates to separate the areas.
Seems ridiculous to have the stand alone air craft in amongst an open off leash dog area.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

Alot of Dog owners use this park.
This is the only off leash dog park in this area. Every time i go up there, which is 4 times a week, there are always more dog walkers than parents with children. This park is important and necessary for dog owners.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

To make sure dog owners are represented. Also, bigger dogs need an off leash park to exercise, to use up there energy, to run free.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Social media

Poster, sign or billboard

From: Submission
Subject: FW: Let us know your thoughts on our proposed dogs on-leash area at Linklater Reserve

From: Shelley Dansby
Sent: Tuesday, 15 July 2025 10:03 am
To: Stacey Solomon <stacey.solomon@pncc.govt.nz>
Subject: Re: Let us know your thoughts on our proposed dogs on-leash area at Linklater Reserve

How would you make sure no dogs ran from the off leash area into the children's playground area?
Move the aeroplane into the children's play area and fence it off as I wrote before at the pergola along the tree line with gates to walk thru.

That way the few hyper parents of the children can relax and know they don't have to worry about the dogs, and we the dog owners won't have to worry about the hyper parents and there kids.

Anyone dog in the children's area must then be in a leash.

Easy!

Cheers Sheldy

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First name	Maria
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Last name	Work
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	No
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	Yes, I support this change
Please tell us why.	I would like to be able to take my grandchildren to Linklater Park and feel they are safe from dogs running free and dog owner who are inconsiderate. This proposal would mean we have a safe local park to enjoy anytime without the threat of off leash dogs.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	I have seen on 2 occasions, large dogs attacking smaller dogs and resulting alterations with owners. Also, I've had dogs charging up to me or my grandchildren, causing great distress to the point where we feel we cannot enjoy this space without fear or risk.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name Ian

Last name Neal

Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025? No

About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user? Yes

Are you a dog owner? Yes

You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local? Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local

The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	You have made the off leash area to far away. For those folks that find it a bit of a struggle to walk that far. You may find that it's to far to go to let their dogs off a leash. You are not caring about the likes of the elderly or disabled people
Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.	Leave it as the only off leash area in palmy please
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	My dogs enjoy being off lead, but because of my health it would be to far for me to walk to the off leash area
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Jillian
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Last name	Christoff
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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

Yes, I support this change

Please tell us why.

I have a dog and a small child. I respect the boundaries of no signs near play areas, but most don't. It's only a matter of time before a child gets bitten or worse. It makes me avoid Linklater as too many dodgy dogs and their owners.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

Can the new off leash area be well fenced. Also major penalties for those not complying would help (after an adjustment period). Maybe you'd need cameras or something? Thanks

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

I've had issues before at Linklater and so now avoid it. Which is a shame as it's a lovely place!

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?

(select as many as apply)

Letter or email

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Jim
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Last name	Work
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner? <i>You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.</i>	No
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	Yes, I support this change
Please tell us why.	I have had dogs large and small rush up to me and my grandchildren and jump up This has installed after if dogs in my granddaughter.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media Family or friends

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Gabi
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Last name	Gronqvist
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	I like to travel in to Palmy to use the Reserve
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The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	Yes, I support this change
Please tell us why.	It will help keep kids and on-leash dogs safe from off leash dogs that are not well controlled. It will also allow dog owners to train their young or timid/ anxious dogs in a safe environment.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	Both myself, my kids and our dog have had unleashed and uncontrolled dogs rush up to us on multiple occasions
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

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First name	Rod
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Last name	Pedley
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Organisation you represent	NZ Dog owners
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If applicable. Please only answer this question if you are speaking on behalf of an organisation.

Postal address

Email

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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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| The proposed change

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Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
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Please tell us why.	The link later reserve has always and must remain a dog exercise off lead area. Families [rate payers] with four legged family members appreciate this area for the safety and mental health and well being for both dogs and humans. There are plenty of alternative green spaces in this city for non-dog owners to enjoy. Have you or your colleagues witnessed the enjoyment dogs and humans receive from this area in its current freedom . It sounds like your decision has all ready been made.
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How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Family or friends
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First name	Geoff
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Last name	Anderson
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	Yes
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

Linklater is one of few places in Palmy where dogs can properly socialize and exercise. Cutting it in half is crazy. There are a huge number of places for people to walk where dogs are on lead so for those who are worried by dogs they don't have to go to Linklater. Why ruin one of Palmy's best recreational areas?

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

Have many friends who agree and if this is put in place I think compliance will be low and difficult to enforce. It will also make the council very unpopular with most dog owners.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

Have been walking several generations of dogs at Linklater several times a week for years. Never seen a problem. There is no need for change other than meddlesome overmanagement.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Family or friends

From: Submission
Subject: FW: Linklater Submission

From: Geoff Anderson
Sent: Monday, 14 July 2025 7:38 pm
To: Submission <submission@pncc.govt.nz>
Subject: Linklater Submission

Thanks for consulting.

- 1 My view is that there are many parks and children's play areas in Palmy where dogs have to be on the lead but only one which is completely off lead. Linklater is a fabulous asset for Palmy and something we should boast on rather than water down. For those who do not like the off lead experience they have all the other places they can go.
- 2 Have there been any examples of off lead dogs in Linklater Park doing significant harm and if so could you please share them so we might perhaps understand that there is rational planning rather than emotive posturing behind this plan? I have been walking there once or twice a week for years though 4 generations of dogs and have never seen a hint of aggression from them or towards them.
- 3 If you do make this rule how do you intend to enforce it?

Cheers
Geoff Anderson

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Leanna
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Last name	Carthew
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	No
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Are you a dog owner? <i>You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.</i>	No
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	Yes, I support this change
Please tell us why.	I don't use Linklater park because I don't feel safe taking my children to the park with the dogs off leash. I was there and experienced a dog attacking another dog and it terrified my young children, so I don't use the park. However, my children love the aeroplane and the equipment at the park and if the area proposed does become on-leash, I would feel much safer taking my children to Linklater park again.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	This issue effects my family directly as the park is in our local area and we don't use it because it is a dog park. This new proposal would mean we could start enjoying using the park.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Digital advertising, eg an advert on TVNZ+, Stuff, MetService etc

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First name	Kelly
Last name	Feldon
Postal address	
Email	
Phone	

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025? No

About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
Are you a dog owner? <i>You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.</i>	No
Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local

The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	Yes, I support this change
Please tell us why.	My kids attend Cornerstone Christian School in Kelvin Grove and we used to love stopping there to play. They're a bit wary of unknown dogs, and after too many incidents where owners would not recall their dogs away from my kids we had to stop going there because of their fear. It's a terrible shame because they love the little swing bridge and the aeroplane... And I'm sure many other families are in the same situation as us, as I've talked about it with other parents. I don't believe it makes sense to allow dogs off leash in this children's play area, when all other children's playgrounds have a rule that dogs aren't allowed within 30 meters of the playground, even ON a leash.
Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.	How would you propose to inform dog owners of this change? Because I can see them simply ignoring any rule change, and allowing their dogs off leash where children play.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Pauline
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Last name	Williams
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

This decision is too restrictive. Linklater is the only safe off leash area in PN (excluding the tiny caged area near Maxwells line). On lead walkers can go almost anywhere in PN including the town centre. There are many other playgrounds available to children in the city.

There is nowhere else we can take dogs to allow them to run freely in a safe environment. To reduce this area would be disappointing and probably foolish.

I don't believe anyone will comply with this very restrictive proposal and I would add that information gleaned from other users is they have no intention of complying. This will lead to arguments between users. You would need a compliance officer there at all times!

I would suggest as an alternative proposal- you could move the plane down to the children's play area and then at least increase the off lead area to the natural tree line near where the gazebo is situated. This would then encompass the agility area.

Another site that would lead to non compliance is the bridge over the stream. This is a favourite swimming spot for the dogs.

If this proposal goes ahead as planned I believe the council will be picking a battle that can't be won and will end up being extremely costly to all ratepayers in the long term.

Please reconsider this decision.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

I do believe that with a few tweaks a mutual resolution can be reached. If not I believe the council is creating a costly nightmare for itself.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

As a responsible dog owner I want to see this open space exercise area remain as large as possible. There is no alternative area. People travel from all over the city and beyond to use this park. Dog owners are ratepayers too. Kelvin grove is only one area of the city but there is only one area in the city for dogs to exercise safely.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Poster, sign or billboard

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First name	Sharon
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Last name	Stanley
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

The area you have chosen to be off leash is not that big! The dog agility is in the on leash area this area should be included in the off leash area. You will need more rubbish bins and also a toilet facilities in the off leash area. Also you have already decided this is going to be it despite what we think. The council will do what they want even in an overwhelming vote by the dog walkers as shown in the votes for the original decision for making the park off leash. I can understand making the front entrance up to the tree line on leash but you are cutting us out by a big margin. This is really a farce on the councils part . The park is now becoming a park for people who are not dog owners which is a shame as this park was awesome for walking dogs of leash as there really isn't one like it in town. Other dog lovers come from out of town to take their dogs for walks there.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

Bring the off leash area to include the dog agility area.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

I wanted to give my feedback as now this dog park is becoming a smaller area than necessary! Sure have a on leash area that will be used by people that don't have dogs I'm fine with that but really from the plane . That's a small area . But it doesn't matter though does it because you will go ahead anyway despite our views. So much for voting with the majority.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Poster, sign or billboard

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First name	Neil
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Last name	Vertongen
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

Only agree to the fence/tree line next to the gazebo as there is only the plane, which should be moved to front hillside area of the park. This would give a good draw card to the park as most of the public don't even know the plane is up there. Also the agility course would have to be moved as this has to be off lead. The bridge over the pond at the bottom of the wetlands is also a great swimming area for the dogs, which also would have to be off lead.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

feel that it is unfair that most of us dog walkers are only hearing about what's happening from word of mouth rather than something being submitted through the post, so that everyone can have the opportunity to have their say.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

Because the council is not listening to the majority of users (rate payers). But listening to the minority that just whine about everything for the sake of it and generally get their way.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Family or friends

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First name	Christian
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Last name	Duurentijdt
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Organisation you represent <small>If applicable. Please only answer this question if you are speaking on behalf of an organisation.</small>	Dog owners
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Postal address

Email

Phone <small>Please provide a daytime contact number</small>

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	Yes
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner? <small>You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.</small>	Yes
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

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Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	<p>The dog agility area. Your cover photo. The photo is a dog off leash in the dog agility area. If that area is on leash only, the dog agility area needs to be moved.</p> <p>Footpaths. The off leash area doesn't have a southern footpath that off leash owners foot path.</p> <p>Anxiety. A minority of non dog owners feel anxious when they see a dog off the lead. We cannot make the world anxiety free for every millennial Gen z snowflake.</p>
Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.	The yellow line should be moved south to the tree line. That provides a clear diliniation between on and off leash area
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	To avoid frivolous expenditure of rate payer money adding additional foot paths and moving the off leash dog agility area
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	<p>Letter or email</p> <p>Newspaper</p> <p>Digital advertising, eg an advert on TVNZ+, Stuff, MetService etc</p>

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First name	Tania
Last name	Crawford
Postal address	

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
Are you a dog owner? <i>You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.</i>	Yes
Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local

The proposed change

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Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	It's one of the few places I can take our dogs to have a good runaround without being on lead.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	Because I would like to see this being an off lead area for dogs and majority of responsible dog owners to continue to enjoy
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

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First name	Alastair
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Last name	Schaw
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Organisation you represent	Private
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If applicable. Please only answer this question if you are speaking on behalf of an organisation.

Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	Yes
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

'Palmy is a paradise for dog walkers. We've got loads of great spaces where you can let your four-legged family member run around to their heart's content. We call these dog exercise areas. Remember, you need to exercise your dog on a lead unless they're in a designated dog exercise area.' PNCC website.

I agree with the above statement - there are many places and a variety of environments for dog-owners to find the best for their pooch, and so it is surprising that we are going through this consultation exercise again! Given the amount of feedback in the last Linklater Reserve Dog-Lead Consultation that the Strategy and Finance Committee received, I find it incredible that we have to do this again - surely there was enough information in the last to put this issue to bed!

I am against this change in policy for several reasons:

The previous feedback that PNCC received on this matter, barely six-months ago, was overwhelmingly in favour of keeping the status quo for Linklater, with a huge majority of people asking for the current policy to remain.

Although I feel for the people who have experienced some difficulties with other dogs, as a regular user of this space I must say this is not what we all experience. The small number of people asking council to consider this proposal is not a reason for change. Kelvin Grove Community Centre Group does not represent me, and in my time using Linklater Reserve I have never had an aggressive experience. Sometimes people feel a sense of worry when none exists. The anecdotal evidences and experiences given to council are extreme, and felt by people who would feel vulnerable in many places.

In the Kelvin Grove area there are around 1200 registered dogs. In Palmerston North as a whole there are only two fenced off-leash dog exercise areas. Linklater is the only one of a large size, with variable tracks and a variety of terrain. This offers most of Palmerston North's population with a variety of options for a whole family. In our area, and for most of Palmerston North, this is the only large, variable place to take our dog off-lead for important exercise & socialisation. Other off-lead areas in the city are either not fenced, or do not offer the space or variety that Linklater Reserve does.

In our city there are 510 kilometres of footpaths for on-leash walking anywhere in the city. There are around 73 hectares of parks and reserves in our city, spread across the city (PNCC website). Included in this, there are around 10 hectares of reserves in Kelvin Grove suburb itself. If people want an on-lead experience then there is a massive amount of space in which to do this safely and enjoyably in other places. There is plenty of reserve space to be shared, but it does not always have to be in one place.

'You can't exercise your dog in any prohibited places. This includes within 30 metres of a playground, and all sportsfields and cemeteries.' (PNCC website) There are rules and by-laws to deal with any dog-related issues, and plenty of ways in which those worried for their well-being or dog can access help to see these owners 'corrected'. PNCC is a big part of that issue in terms of enforcement.

This policy change is not going to take away the highlighted issues

people are asking PNCC to address through this policy proposal. If a dog is aggressive, or if people bring their dog close to a playground there are bylaws in place to deal with this.

There are plenty of spaces for family experiences where on-lead is expected. reserves, playgrounds, parks. Linklater is the only place in our area that provides for off-lead lovers.

For the reasons above, we do not have to change the current Linklater policy at all. It's a 'NO' from me.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

See above - I think there's plenty of feedback there

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

Because I feel strongly on this issue, and also feel this should have been decided upon in the last round of consultation, where there was overwhelming support for the status-quo.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Social media

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First name	Raewyn
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Last name	Marshall
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Prefer not to say
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

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Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
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Please tell us why.

It's a dog park designed for dogs to run free...why over complicate it.
Keep it as an open dog park...no leash required.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	I think it's an over reaction.
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How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media
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First name Severine

Last name Beneteau

Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025? No

About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user? Yes

Are you a dog owner? Yes

You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local? Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local

The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

I have been using Linklater Reserve almost daily for the past six years with my two dogs, and I strongly oppose this proposal.

This change feels like an overreaction that penalises the overwhelming majority of responsible dog owners because of the behaviour of a small minority. Before any decision is made, the Council should publish the actual evidence behind this proposal. Specifically:

How many complaints or incidents have there been?

Over what time period?

How many involved serious aggression or injury versus minor issues?

Were the incidents concentrated in particular areas or times?

Without clear, transparent data, it's difficult to see how halving the off-leash space is justified.

Linklater Reserve is unique in Palmerston North. It is the only large, fully fenced park dedicated to off-leash exercise and dog socialisation. There are already plenty of on-leash or dog-prohibited parks across the city, including:

The Esplanade

Memorial Park

Victoria Esplanade Gardens

Monrad Park

Hokowhitu Lagoon area

Many neighbourhood playgrounds and reserves

If people prefer to avoid dogs, they have numerous alternatives. Dog owners, on the other hand, have almost no other options for safe, purpose-built off-leash exercise.

It is also completely contradictory to require dogs to be on a lead around the dog exercise equipment. This area was designed precisely to allow dogs to move freely and use agility structures safely. Putting dogs on a leash in that zone undermines the purpose of having a dog park in the first place.

Reducing the off-leash area by half will likely create overcrowding and more tension between dogs, not less. It will also make it much harder for owners to meet their dogs' physical and mental exercise needs.

Instead of imposing sweeping restrictions, I urge the Council to:

Focus on targeted enforcement against genuinely irresponsible owners and aggressive dogs

Improve signage about expected behaviour

Educate users about safe dog handling and recall

Consider time-based restrictions in specific areas, rather than permanent blanket rules

This proposal is neither balanced nor fair. It removes a vital community asset from responsible owners who have used it safely for years. I ask the Council to reconsider this decision and engage openly with the full community of park users before taking such drastic measures.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this feedback.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

Regular user, owner of 2 dogs.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Digital advertising, eg an advert on TVNZ+, Stuff, MetService etc

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
Are you a dog owner? <i>You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.</i>	Yes
Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local

The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	I feel like dog owners who use the reserve keep their dogs under control. Only place for us where dog can be off leash but all fenced off
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	Would be very upset if this was no longer all off leash as dogs can run freely without concern of going onto the road
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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Last name	Scott
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	I think the proposed area goes too far. Personally it would make sense to put it in line with the eastern boundary of Roberts Line. This allows the use of the looping path way off leash so that you're not having to leash your dog and then unleash them again. It also means the council can leave the existing pathways in place without needing to make changes at increased costs to rate payers. I would also suggest moving the airplane inside the on lead part of the park.
Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.	I think having an on and off lead part to the park does make sense. But the proposed area doesn't make sense in terms of the current waking track layout.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	I've used the park many times and seen how people use it. I think it's a great area for walking dog's, but also has a lot to offer everyone.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Council website

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name Emma

Last name Bermingham

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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025? No

About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user? Yes

Are you a dog owner? Yes

You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local? I like to travel in to Palmy to use the Reserve

The proposed change

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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

The off leash section is too small. It would make more sense to put the gates near the pergola and the bridge in the lower section enabling the top section to be off leash.

We use this park as residents of ashhurst.

If people want to walk their dogs on leash they have the whole of Palmerston North to do so. We have so few off leash areas. We have put the time and effort into training our dog to recall. Do not punish our dog (she's a heading dog so needs space to run) because other dog owners are lazy with their training.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

If people want to walk their dogs on leash they have every footpath in pncc area.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

I'm an outraged perimenopausal

Dog owner. Haha.

I love running with my dog and we use this park weekly.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

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Last name	Moore
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

There are plenty of other places for on-leash dogs to go, but there are very limited spaces for off-leash dogs.
I haven't had any negative interactions in the five years I have been frequenting there.
This is a case of a very small number of bad dog owners ruining it for all the rest of us who have well trained well behaved dogs who need somewhere to fulfill their natural needs.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

Feel free to fence off an area around the playground etc to keep dogs away. That's totally valid and will be encouraged.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

This is a ridiculous proposal that significantly impacts dog owners near Palmy.
The facilities for dogs in Palmy is the main reason I continue to live here.
If this is taken away (specifically losing off leash areas) it will make Palmy even less appealing than it already is lol

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Social media

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Last name	Mobberley
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
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Please tell us why.	
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There are very few off leash parks in Palmerston North. This is one place I go to purely to walk my dog so he can be off the leash. If I wanted him

On leash I would just walk the streets.

There are a huge amount of play grounds in Palmerston North that other users can go to to avoid dogs!

In my 7 years going to Linklater park with my dog I have never had a bad off leash experience.

Dog owners pay dog registration fees and I feel this is one of the only things you do for us is provide a few dog friendly off leash parks.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

Please do NOT make this change!

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

I feel strongly about this.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Poster, sign or billboard

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First name	Zak
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Last name	Derrick
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	This is the best place in Palmerston North to allow dogs off leash. I also regularly play frisbee golf when walking my dog so it gives us both a good bit of exercise. As there are very few closed in dog parks in Manawatu it would be nice to keep it all open. If you want to have your dog on a leash then take them anywhere else.
Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.	Keep it as it is.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	Because a lot of people use the dog park. My dog loves having a good run around off leash
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

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First name	Katie
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Last name	Cronin
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

This is the only park we can use for my dog to be off leash safely and for my daughter. It would be really sad to have this decreased in size for dogs to run free,

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

I think that would be a shame to stop letting dogs have the whole park to run free. In the time we have been going here we have never had any issues with other dogs and users of the park.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

I think that it is wrong to take an exercise area that is so well designed off the dogs and their users.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Social media

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First name	Joanne
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Last name	Middleton
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

There are so many parks in Palmerston North including i. kelvin Grove where people can go who do not like dogs. Off leash running for our dogs is so valuable and off leash is better for socialisation. I go weekly to this park and the only dog aggression I have experienced was a dog on a leash. The wetlands area is especially enjoyed by the dogs going into the water and you have this as on leash??? I would support on leash the toilet and childrens playground area only. Not the wetlands area and obviously not the dog agility area!!! It would make that impossible to use

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

I think maybe a public campaign reminding the community of all the other amazing childrens parks and walk ways in Kelvin Grove would help the community to understand that they are being unreasonable and inconsiderate of other people who has different needs ie anplace to run their dogs

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

I feel diasapointed that this lovely space for dog owners will be ruined by people who have so many other options

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Social media

Poster, sign or billboard

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First name	Karalyn
Last name	Tavendale-Brooks
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
Are you a dog owner? <i>You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.</i>	Yes
Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes

The proposed change

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Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	Inklater is a dog and dog lovers park, one of the only all of lead experiences available. The space is open with good visibility for dog and owner, providing an excellent opportunity for training, learning, exercising and socialisation.
Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.	Good dog onwets pay registration fees for the pleasure of having a dog. Linklater is a safe space for good dog owners and theirs dogs.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	Linklater is a very popular park for dogs and their families which services a large portion of PN population.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

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Last name	Maynard-Pourau
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	No
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	There are limited places already for dog owners to freely run there dogs, if people feel unsafe about unleashed animals then they should find other places to walk. They can move, dogs cannot.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

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Last name	Tomecki
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	Because dogs are on leash everywhere in palmy, including the Majority of the river path which is very appropriate. Linklater is the only place in palmy that I can take my kids and my dog for all of them to run around. Making it on leash from the Rd up to the past the adventure playground would be appropriate but all the way to the plane send excessive.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	I'm a parent and a dog owner
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

It is the most ridiculous change I've ever heard and a waste of rate payer money to install a fence and a gate along half the park. I understand the playground area at the bottom being on lead but beyond that is ridiculous. The dog agility part is within the leashed area so that would need to be moved, costing even more money. Linklater is the only fully fenced large off lead area in Palmerston North and if people have an issue with off lead dogs then they can go to one of the other many parks and walkways where they are required to be on lead. We are moving towards high density housing where people do not have suitable backyards for their dogs to run around in so parks that allow at least 3km of walkway offlead are beneficial for wellbeing, social, and behavioural requirements of dogs. I understand there have been issues with some dogs but I go there multiple times a week and have been for years and have seen very few out of control dogs. Mostly puppies who are learning. Everyone else is very respectful. Do not take away the one place we have for safe off lead walks. We have no other options. Dogs are part of our families and we need a large place where we can allow them to run free and sniff at their leisure.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

Because I feel so strongly that Linklater should be kept off leash as it is the only place in Palmerston North that is fully fenced and safe with no pest control traps or fast running rivers where dogs could drown etc like in other off lead walks. It is also very open making it easier to see and control your dog as opposed to bush walk where if your dogs runs it can be harder to see them making it more unsafe to both the dog and those around them.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

There is an amazing community of dog owners at Linklater who also enjoy walking together and stopping to chat while socialising their dogs. The majority of the people there have amazing control over their dogs and do the right thing. When we see on lead dogs we make sure our dogs are by our side or put on a lead. I've had more issues on the street when walking my dog than at the dog park eg roaming dogs. How about you actually listen when I call up for roaming aggressive dogs and follow up with their owners rather than driving past and saying oh I can't see them out despite me and my husband making multiple complaints and providing the address of the concerned dogs. I'm more terrified to walk my dog on the street than Linklater.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Social media

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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	I like to travel in to Palmy to use the Reserve
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

This is the only off leash dog park, please keep it that way for the entire space. There are plenty of other play spaces and parks that can be used (Celaeno is less than 1km away!) that are not safe to have dogs off leash and are safe spaces for people to walk and play. Please leave the one dog park alone. It's a great space for dogs, long walks and we've never had an issue. We are frequent users of the park.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

We shouldn't have to compromise on this, it's famously a safe dog park with gates in Palmerston North and the land was donated to the council, and should be promoted as a dog park and not turned into a shared space with additional off leash areas. I have seen many disc golf users, kids on flying fox, playground, walkers and dogs off leash and we can all use the space harmoniously together with no issues.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

I'd be very disappointed with this change, and feel strong enough that I wanted to make a submission to have my voice heard. There are no alternatives of this size that are off leash and allow the dogs to be contained within fencing. I do not support splitting some more of the park to be off leash. Palmerston North is lucky to have so many playgrounds, parks and walking areas for everyone to enjoy but very few off leash parks that are fenced. Please leave linklater as the completely off leash dog park. The one at the end of maxwells line isn't as big or as ideal for walking dogs.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



Submitted on	28 June 2025, 3:40PM
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First name Sjaylah

Last name Grayson

Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025? No

About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user? Yes

Are you a dog owner? Yes

You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local? Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local

The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	Not sure
Please tell us why.	I would love parts of this reserve to be an on leash area, but it doesn't make much sense to have the dog agility obstacle course as an on leash area. Maybe you could fence around course and keep that area as an off leash training area.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Family or friends

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Janelle
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Last name	Deuchrass
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Postal address

Email

Phone

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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
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How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media
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Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



Submitted on	28 June 2025, 3:50PM
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First name	Janelle
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Last name	Gillespie
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

There are very few off leash places in Palmerson North.
While I understand that community spaces should be for all, there also needs to be spaces that allow for off leash usage, just as there has been disability able play spaces created.
If I or someone I was with had a fear of dogs, I would choose another place to go, not an off leash area - just like I would choose to go to a disability able area to play if I had someone disabled.
I would not expect every public space to cater to everyone.
I also appreciate that not all dog owners are respectful or responsible.
Maybe animal control could run patrols randomly through the week and work with the few antisocial owners, rather than removing access to all.
I have never had an adverse encounter while walking my dog or my children.
If the issue is unruly dogs, will we also ban unruly children?

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

Yes, everyone should be able to enjoy public spaces, but not every space is designed for everyone.
To remove the off leash ability, makes this reserve no different to any other.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



Submitted on	28 June 2025, 3:54PM
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First name	Taylor
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Last name	O'Connor
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	It's a great place to walk your dog off leash and my dog has such a good time doing this walk it would be disappointing if it went half on leash as my dog loves to be off leash at times
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	being a dog owner I think it's important dogs go off leash at times if they have good recall and listen to their owners
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



Submitted on	28 June 2025, 3:57PM
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First name	sean
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Postal address

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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	Leave it as is, been going to this park for years with no problems with other users. I made a submission on the last proposal to leave it as is this council seems to have already made its mind up. Like everything this council does doesn't listen to the ratepayers . No impressed
Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.	LEAVE IT AS IS, AS AN OFF LEASH PARK. plenty of other parks for people and on leash dog users to go to. Don't wreck this park
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	My dogs happiness
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name Tayla

Last name Prince-Saxon

Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025? No

About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user? Yes

Are you a dog owner? Yes

You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local? Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local

The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	Its purpose is a dog park for dogs to be able to enjoy off lead
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	I take my dog there regularly and my dog loves this park and being able to run free. Would be a shame to see it changed
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Family or friends

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First name	Larina
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Last name	Van der Werff
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

This is an Amazing, fenced dog park. Virtually every dog we meet there is relishing the opportunity to run, to socialise, to smell, there are so few places in Palmy where they can really be autonomous and socialise the way they are designed to. The only time I've ever experienced a negative interaction is when a dog has been on a lead, while others have not, and they have felt trapped and therefore threatened. Leashing this huge area is simply not necessary. People who require dogs on a lead have SO many alternative spaces in the city, it should not be required in impose on those spaces too.

We back onto Frederick krill reserve, and although the his too is an off leash area, many dogs are on leash, and therefore require my dog to be leashed more often (she is never aggressive, but can be too friendly and unassuming). It is so nice to go to Link Later knowing that everyone expects dogs to be free, and welcome dogs into their space. Everyone can be so much more relaxed knowing the dogs can interact, give and read cues with the space and movement required for dogs.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

Thank you so much for filling in the stinky mud pits and resurfacing the pathways at link later! It is a dream to walk around without needing gumboots this year!!

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

Another dog owner shared this submission on Facebook , I had previously given my feedback in the original submission and am so disappointed to read that you're seriously considering reducing the off lead area.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Social media

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First name	Marie
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Last name	Flynn
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner? <i>You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.</i>	Prefer not to say
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

This is one if the only off leash dog parks. There are plenty of other areas for people who do not like dogs to go.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?

(select as many as apply)

Social media

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Submitted on	28 June 2025, 4:00PM
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First name	Helen
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Last name	O'Connor
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Postal address	
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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	There is not many dog parks in palmy compared to lots of playgrounds for kids
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

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Submitted on	28 June 2025, 4:09PM
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First name	Susanne
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Last name	Smith
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Postal address

Email

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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

There are more than enough play parks in Palmerston North for children. Linklater reserve should be a dog only park, as there is not enough areas for dogs to run free in Palmy. Keep it that way.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

Because it concerns me, as I have a dog. I guess only people that have dogs have a better understanding of what dogs require to keep them healthy and sociable!

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?

(select as many as apply)

Poster, sign or billboard

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



Submitted on	18 July 2025, 9:24PM
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First name Susanne

Last name Smith

Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025? No

About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user? Yes

Are you a dog owner? Yes

You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local? Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local

The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

There are enough children's parks in Palmy. Why are you mixing a dog park in with a children's park? It should be a dog reserve for dogs to run free. You will always get irresponsible owners of dogs, but that is a minority. Most dog owners are very responsible people who care about their dogs and how they interact with other people. I have spoken with a few people who have said they will not bring their dogs to the reserve if you fence parts of it off - I for one will be one of those! There are not enough parks for dogs in Palmy for dogs to run free only. Think of the savings to ratepayers for all the extra fencing that you have laid out in your plan that you wouldn't need if the reserve was made for dogs only!

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

Dogs are family, and I find the council anti-dog. I think people and children need to be educated about dogs. Maybe starting in the schools would be a good beginning.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Poster, sign or billboard

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First name	Rodger
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Last name	TAYLOR
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Postal address

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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

There are plenty of other public areas where people can go where dogs are only allowed on lead. Dog owners are allowed to have an off leash area, including a play ground for those children included, where pets can participate with their owners and other pet owners.

If pets are unruly or disruptive those owners, and pets need to be dealt with as they affect ALL users, not just non pet owners. Animal control could easily patrol and enforce behavior rules, we ALL pay plenty of rates to have enough support for ALL users and areas to take recreation in.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

Its time our elected reps listened to reason, and found some common sense in the administration of our city. To allow Council employees to dictate change, with an agenda, is completely inappropriate. I expect the next local body elections to represent more rate payer participation in decision making by voting out those people that make and allow silliness to abound.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

After the last submission saw 70% of respondents support keeping the status quo, this prompts me to submit now. DON'T change the use of any of the area, simply enforce behavior rules with animal control personal!! This is totally unacceptable, stop abdicating YOUR responsibility by being too PC.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Council website

Social media

Family or friends

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First name	Charlotte
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Last name	McKinlay
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Postal address	
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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	No where else in palmy has a safe off leash park - PLEASE keep as it is
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



Submitted on	28 June 2025, 4:16PM
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First name	Rebecca
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Last name	Culver
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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	Yes
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	No
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

Although i don't have own dog, i do walk my mums dog at Linklater. I'm my recovery from breaking my leg the only part of the park i was able to use was the front half because it has the smooth path and places to sit. The back part of the park lacks the facilities found in the front half - tables, seats, the drinking fountain, a toilet, and the water ways, which dogs love to play in. I can't run, or even walk, as fast as my dog, so letting her run free in the front section, while i sit is important to me. Closing off the front half to dogs off leads restricts people with disabilities from using Linklater. While they could go in the back entrance, it lacks facilities and space. The car park is woefully small for the number of people who come to walk their dogs there.

Another example is when my dad, who has since passed away, went to Linklater in his wheelchair, the front part of the park was the most accessible part for him. He enjoyed watching out dog run around and play with other dogs.

Linklater is a gem in our city because it's all off leash. I have talked to people who are visiting the Palmerston North and make the effort to visit Linklater because they can have their dog off leash. Please don't change something that works for the majority of people.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

I would reiterate the points that I've made above.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

I love this space and being able to take my dog, off leash, somewhere that is accessible and fun is priceless.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Family or friends

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Allen
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Last name	Birchler
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Postal address

Email

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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner? <i>You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.</i>	Prefer not to say
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

The Council is proposing to make the area of Linklater Reserve, from the carpark on Kelvin Grove Road up to the aeroplane, a dogs-on-leash

area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	leave it alone... if people want to use a lead let them, if they don't let them. Pro-choice, stop being anti-choice
Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.	time and money wasting
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	because you need to be told once again you are wrong. Why did our fathers go to war...have you forgotten - freedom!
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Zandra
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Last name	Raxworthy
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	I would prefer the whole area to be off leash. I regularly walk our dog at Linklater and have never had any issues with off-lead dogs anywhere in the reserve.
Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.	I am disappointed that this proposal is wasting my ratepayer money, and think that it is probably based on the voice and opinions of a minority of people. It seems very unbalanced and not fair.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	I am providing my feedback because I want the council to apply a balanced and fair approach to this idea. I believe that there will be more submissions in favour of keeping the whole of Linklater off leash.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

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First name	Shatha
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Last name	Abzakh
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	No
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

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Do you support this change?	Yes, I support this change
Please tell us why.	This would be perfect, my kids are 8 years and 2 years . Few years before a dog chased my son and tried to bite him . He is no scared of all dogs ! And refuse to go to this park as it's not safe . Would love to have a safe zone for my kid to enjoy the park as we live a 3 min walking distance from it
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

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First name	Janelle
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Last name	Birchler
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Postal address

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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	No
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

It's one of the few places people can go to exercise Their dogs off lead. It's like the one and only best dog park Palmy has and you want to get rid of that???? By having it a dog on lead area it is just like the river. It's a stupid idea and an insult to the people who donated the land! Outrageous. People shouldn't go if they don't like dogs....they have the streets and all the footpaths to walk on where dogs are expected on leash. Give us dog people a break for crying out loud. No wonder dogs behavior can get bad because no one has the opportunity to exercise them properly. Palmerston North is going backwards. Why don't you take a look at CHCH and see how many open spaces dogs have there and follow the example.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

People uncomfortable around off lead dogs have every single walkway and footpath to use instead. Stop being greedy.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

I am outraged. We travel across town to exercise our dog. Well now we might have to take it to the local park to be free ranged. Not traveling that far for only half a dog park.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Social media

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First name	Liz
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Last name	Warburton-Taylor
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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	I like to travel in to Palmy to use the Reserve
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	The proposed dog on leash area is taking over a large part of the park including the dog agility area, I would support on lead but only if the front part which includes over the bridge and mountain bike area, I already quite often have my dog on lead in these areas if young children are playing or people are enjoying the BBQ area. I feel this would suffice people using these areas without dogs off the lead. There is no need to extend the on leash area further back towards the dog agility area leave this back of park area for people to decide whether on leash or off leash is appropriate.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	There is no other area like it to have your dog off leash I feel this is a unique and favorable resource to the community. We have never had a problem with our children and dogs nor our dog's interaction with others. We find people use common sense already in deciding whether on leash or off is appropriate for the situation. Leave it be or reduce the proposed area.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

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First name	Amy
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Last name	Lawrence
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	No
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	This is one of the safest parks in palmy to take dogs, I walk multiple dogs per week for many different families and it is a great place for enrichment for dogs who have small areas at home. I have never had an issue with dogs at the park. There are plenty of other places and parks in palmy that dogs must stay on leash. The off lease status of linklater is what makes it unique and a popular place for dog walkers. The convenience of throwing a ball while watching you children play on the equipment is perfect. Making dogs stay on leash on these areas will make it difficult for families as kids don't usually venture to the back of the park
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	I value this area in palmy it is such a great place for dogs and young families, I'd like to keep it this way.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

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First name	Selina
Last name	Chittenden-O'Leary
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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Prefer not to say
Are you a dog owner? <i>You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.</i>	Yes
Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local

The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	There are lots of areas for dogs to freely access in the area you propose to make on leash. If people wish to enjoy an onleash area there are plenty of parks in Palmerston North they can travel to. There are very few parks that dog owners can walk in that are off leash now. Finally, dogs are creatures of habit. Many dog owners who walk their dogs also have mobility issues. They come to linklater because they can access the off leash area easily. They would have to do a lot of walking to go to the proposed area.
Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.	Whilst I don't use Linklater because I my old deaf dog does not have any recall, it would be a huge shame for Palmerston North not to have this facility for dog owners.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	The submissions of small group of people will potentially have a big impact on a much larger group of people. Whilst the park is in Kelvin Grove, it isn't just for Kelvin Grove residents.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

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First name Rebecca

Last name Mcshane

Postal address

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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025? No

About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user? Yes

Are you a dog owner? Yes

You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local? Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local

The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	This was given to council I understand as a dog park where dogs can enjoy and run free. I have not had trouble. If people don't like dogs go down the river where dogs are on lead.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

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First name	Fahren
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Last name	Torrance
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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	That's too much on leash for the park. Specifically it seems ridiculous that you would have a dog agility area that required dogs to be on leash. I support having on leash areas for around playgrounds and flying fox, but beyond the current fence and tree line I can't see why that isn't the sensible option.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	We spotted the board today and were disappointed by the proposed change. As we were looking at it, another two groups of dog owners approached us and expressed how they were also upset by the proposed change. We already have limited areas to exercise the dog off leash. Chopping palms best one on half is awful.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Poster, sign or billboard

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Last name	Webb
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	I believe from the tree line next to the bike track back should be off leash this would include the dog agility park.
Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.	I feel if you are not able to recall your dog or control your dog off leash you should have them on leash at all times. There are dog owners that are unable to control or recall their dogs that are the reason for the need to have on leash areas. We have been utilising this area with our Chocolate lab who is well behaved and stays close to us. She is not a bother to anyone and walks well off leash.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

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First name Tracye

Last name Katon

Postal address

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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025? No

About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user? Yes

Are you a dog owner? Yes

You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local? Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local

The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	There are plenty of areas that are on leash areas in Palmy. Leave one for dogs to run freely. My dog walker often uses this space as an off lead area and there have been no issues. Those that want on lead experiences, can find plenty of opportunities around Palmy.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	I am tired of the mamby pampy residents who have always got something to whinge about. It was built for the dogs and has had few problems compared to the masses of success as an off lead area. Time to make two columns and look at the percentages!
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

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First name	Fiona
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Last name	Martin
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Postal address

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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	I like to travel in to Palmy to use the Reserve
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The proposed change

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Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	Harder and harder to find off leash areas to walk dogs
Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.	Amazing reserve will it all off leash
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	Annoying to hear yet another restriction put on dogs but cats wandering and kill birds daily is ignored???
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Family or friends

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Last name	Webb
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

Linklater reserve was created as an off leash dog park from day 1. Upgrades over time has seen the park adding children playgrounds. And sticking a plane in the middle of know where to only get damaged?

99% of people with dogs use the area because of its off leash rules. A small percentage of Dog owners who have no control over there animals shouldn't the reason the rest of the dog owners and users miss out? There's a dog agility course at the top of the reserve that's been a day 1 addition.

I feel like a few old nanas and Karen's are obviously the ones behind the proposal which affects 99% of the majority dog owners. I've been using the park since day 1 every weekend and only recall a few times meeting dogs on leash.

Clearly poor project management in the placement of children/family activities within the dog park.

If there's no solution to the issue (too keep the nanas happy) the park should be off leash beyond the flying fox area. Not half.

My 2 cents. Have a lovely day.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

Because it's un just.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?

(select as many as apply)

Social media

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First name	Shannon
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Last name	Meyrick
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Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

There are hundreds of square metres of space in Kelvin grove, and Palmerston North for people to enjoy. This is the one place in palmy where no matter the time, day or weather that my dog and I can both go, get some exercise. she can sniff , mark, fossick and bound through the long grass without worrying about whether someone will get annoyed by her running around. If you use the park you know there will be dogs and you take appropriate steps to make sure you are comfortable.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

Please don't change the off leash conditions of the park .

I would genuinely stop using linklater reserve because there are many streets, rivers and reserves closer to me that I could just walk to with my dog on a leash. Very sad.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

I feel passionately about the reserve being able to be worry free about being off leash. We pay so much to even have our dogs, this is one space they can just BE DOGS.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?

(select as many as apply)

Social media

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First name	Sarah
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Last name	Johnson
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Postal address

Email

Phone

Please provide a daytime contact number

Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	I like to travel in to Palmy to use the Reserve
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	There are minimal off leash dog areas in Palmerston North, I go here regularly and have never had any issues. People who would like an on leash park can use other areas and it is well known that it is off leashes so you are taking a risk if you are biking or with kids. I take my kids there with my dogs and have had not issues with other dogs and my kids. But would struggle to take both with my dogs on the leash.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	I am strongly opposed and feel like it will effect my ability to walk my dogs
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025? No

About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
Are you a dog owner? <i>You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.</i>	Yes
Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local

The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	We visit this reserve several times a week and almost every day over the summer months to play disc golf. Our border collie is an integral part of our game, finding lost disc's, etc. The beauty of the park is meeting other owners, seeing other people. We don't need rules for the 99%, we need control of the 1%. This is a heavy handed approach. In all our years of using the park we have yet to see a problem. Yes, o have had another dog eat a disc, but I'm prepared to live with that cost. This new rule won't get more people using the park. It will see people like us looking for somewhere else.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	Feel very strongly about this. Linklater is a great resource and I'd hate to see it spoiled by over regulation. There's plenty of other parks, but only one Linklater.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Poster, sign or billboard

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Stephanie
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Last name	Poulton
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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The proposed change

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area. The rest of the reserve will remain an off-leash exercise area for dogs.

Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	We walk our dog there regularly and I have never seen any trouble with any of the off leash dogs. Most people are responsible for their dogs and have them leashed if it's not ok.
Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.	We walk our dog as a family and enjoy the play equipment and all the amenities together.
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	Because Linklater is one of the few of leash places in town that we actually enjoy as a family.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Caroline
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Last name	Smith
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	I like to travel in to Palmy to use the Reserve
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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

This park is fantastic just the way it is. I travel from Feilding to go to this park and know of others who do as well. Where else is there a park like this for dog lovers? There are plenty of other parks for those who want their dogs on leads on for kids who don't have dogs. This park is well used by dog lovers with people coming from all over the area. Why punish good dog owners when there is no issue?

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

Your proposal to cut out the water area which dogs love is really ridiculous. Do the people pushing this actually have dogs?

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

Because I have only just found this fantastic park. I love it for my dogs, I love seeing the other dogs there. I love meeting with other dog owners. Just leave it alone!

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Social media

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First name	Heaven
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Last name	Pybass
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner? <i>You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.</i>	Prefer not to say
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	This is a dog park. Take your kids somewhere else if you don't want dogs around
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	This is the only place close enough and big enough to take dogs to allow them to roam safely and freely.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Janine
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Last name	Hogan
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

Its the only off leash dog park that is a decent size in palmy. If people want to go to a leashed dog area there are plenty around. The proposed space is ridiculously small which will not only eliminate the freedom of dogs and peoples movements but also more dogs in a condensed area and will increase the chance of negative interaction between dogs. You also need to get that plane up the fron with the other playground equipment and make a sign that the dog course is for dogs and not children.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

I'm not happy with the fact pncc are again wasting tax payers money yet again to do another proposal when the majority have already said leave it as it is. It's the featherston street disaster all over again. It doesn't matter what we say, this is just another excuse for pncc to waste our money and not listen to the people who pay rates.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

Because i am sick and tired of the council wasting our hard earned money on proposals and changing things that work perfectly, not to mention not listening to what the people want. Enough is enough!

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
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Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Hannah
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Last name	Rushworth
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	I like to travel in to Palmy to use the Reserve
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Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
Please tell us why.	When I walk my dog at linklater I generally only walk in the area that is being proposed as an on-leash area. If this change is made it would negatively affect how often I utilise the park. Most of the people I see there are there walking their dogs, the majority of whom are off lead. While it is important for all members of the public to be able to access public resources there are numerous playgrounds and walking tracks all over Palmerston North. As far as I am aware Linklater is the only place where there is a decent fenced in area for dogs to be able to stretch there legs off leash. While I'm sure there has been the odd occasion of aggression from dogs at the park, I have been going to Linklater several times a week for about four years and have never had a negative encounter with another dog. I would be incredibly disappointed to lose this space to be able to walk freely with my dog
What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?	As a disc golfer who combines playing the course with walking my dog, in the proposed on-leash area, I am concerned about not being able to go for a casual walk around the park anymore. My dog loves being able to sniff around and play with the other dogs and is always within ten or twenty metres of me. She also helps sniff out my discs when I lose them and I would hate to lose this park as place where I can bond with my dog.
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Poster, sign or billboard

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First name Larissa

Last name Rzoska

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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025? Yes

About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user? Yes

Are you a dog owner? Yes

You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local? Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local

The proposed change

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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

To limit this space to off leash only you will have a larger amount of off leash dogs in a smaller area creating more problems.
To use the agility area we will need to have our dogs leashed and their are no children's activities in this area so why will dogs need to be leashed.

Please write down any other feedback you would like to share with us about our proposal.

This has all come to a head as Kelvin Grove want their own park, there are plenty of other parks to dedicate to those residents, this is the only dog friendly family park in Palmerston North. There are over 60 other parks that dogs are prohibited at.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

I have a permanent disability and Linklater in the only area that caters for my disability and my pets. If you devide this you are removing all access to public toilets and fresh water to people like myself who choose this park for its off leash assessibility.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Social media

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First name	Natasha
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Last name	Stopforth
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Not Kelvin Grove, but I am Palmy local
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Do you support this change?	No, I don't support this change
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How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say? (select as many as apply)	Social media
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Last name	Fecser
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	Yes
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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The proposed change

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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

How can you have a dog agility section in an on leash area? The non dog leash area needs to be brought back further.

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?

(select as many as apply)

Social media

Linklater Reserve on-leash area consultation



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First name	Leanne
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Hearing

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at the hearing on 20 August 2025?	No
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About yourself

Are you a Linklater Reserve user?	Yes
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Are you a dog owner?	Yes
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You do not need to be a dog owner to give feedback.

Are you a Kelvin Grove local?	Yes
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Do you support this change?

No, I don't support this change

Please tell us why.

I am writing to respectfully submit my strong support for keeping Linklater Park designated as a dog off-leash area. As a local resident and regular user of the park, I believe that maintaining its off-leash status is essential for the wellbeing of our community, both human and canine.

1. A Valued Community Resource

Linklater Park is a much-loved and well-utilized space that brings dog owners and other community members together. It serves as a gathering place where neighbours connect, friendships are formed, and a sense of shared responsibility and community spirit is fostered. The off-leash area is not simply a dog run—it is a vital social space that enhances the quality of life for many residents.

2. Responsible and Safe Usage

The community of dog owners who use Linklater Park has demonstrated consistent, responsible behavior. Dogs are supervised, trained, and well-socialized. The park's open layout allows for good visibility and control, minimizing conflicts and ensuring the safety of all users, including children and non-dog owners.

3. Limited Off-Leash Alternatives

Off-leash areas are already limited in our local area. Converting Linklater Park to an on-leash zone would severely reduce the space available for dogs to exercise freely. This change would put additional strain on other off-leash parks and potentially lead to overcrowding and less safe conditions elsewhere.

4. Impact on Wellbeing

For many residents, especially seniors, individuals with disabilities, or those managing mental health conditions, Linklater Park is not just a convenience—it is a lifeline. The ability to walk and interact with their dogs off-leash provides crucial exercise, companionship, and emotional support.

5. Protecting the Park's Character

Linklater Park has a longstanding identity as an off-leash space. This character has made it a desirable and functional place for dog owners for years. Changing its designation would alter the spirit of the park and marginalize a large portion of the community that relies on it.

Conclusion

I urge the Council and decision-makers to recognize the significant social, health, and community value that Linklater Park provides in its current form. Maintaining it as an off-leash area ensures inclusivity, supports responsible pet ownership, and protects a cherished local asset.

What made you want to give feedback on this consultation?

As mentioned in my statement above I believe that changing this will affect the community and the users of the park

How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?
(select as many as apply)

Social media