10.1 Addington Cemetery

Cemetery Character

Addington Cemetery opened in 1858 and closed in 1980. The cemetery was established by the Presbyterian Church of St Andrews in reaction to the 'exclusiveness' of the Anglican Barbadoes Street Cemetery which was at that date the only cemetery in the city. As a public cemetery, Addington was open to all denominations with no segregation according to religion. The cemetery was in effect the city's first public cemetery and its plots were taken up over a relatively short period of time.

The cemetery has a formal grid pattern of rows and graves head to head with a wide central gravel path which terminates at the original circular carriage turning area. The graves and paths are closely laid out, not only because of the defined rectangular site, but because the Presbyterian Church had a requirement to make money from selling individual burial plots at the cemetery. Burials occur right up to the legal boundaries on the north and south sides and near to the edge of Baxter's Creek at the east end of the cemetery.

The masonry styles are predominantly monumental Victorian style. There are a small number of elaborate sculptural monuments. The most common form of grave in the cemetery consists of a plain rectangular flat concrete slab on the ground, with an upright headstone.

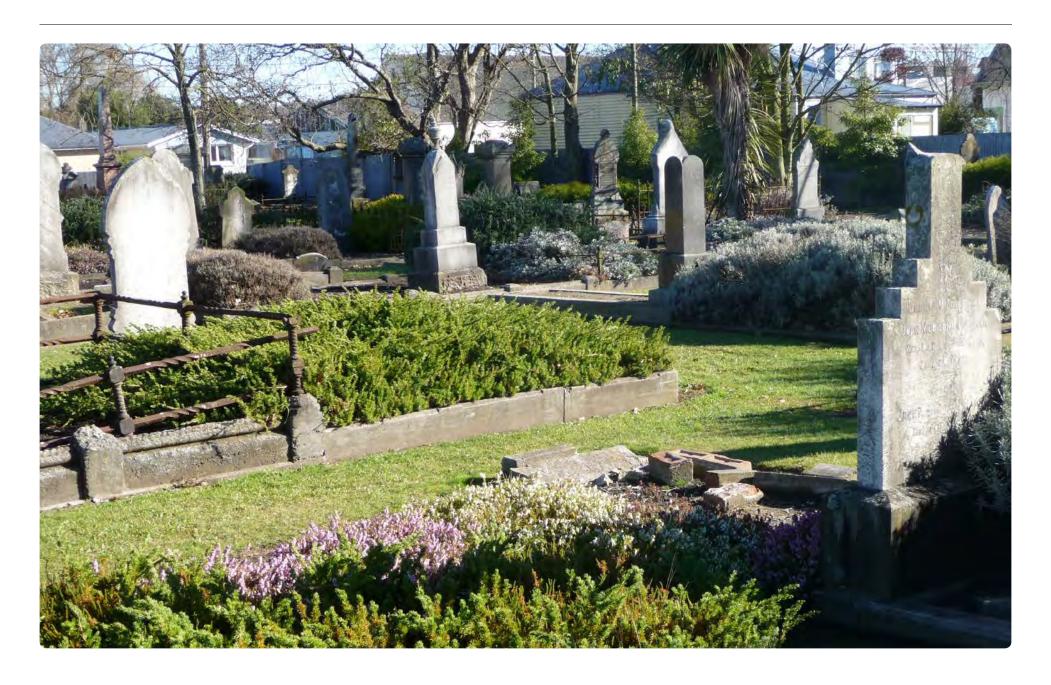
There are a number of established trees in the cemetery, particularly yew trees, however early photographs show that the cemetery had very little vegetation. Recent Oak, Beech and Sycamore trees have aesthetic value and as plant types are appropriate for a Victorian cemetery, however they are recent and they are not significant. Many are intrusive and root growth is damaging the heritage fabric.

Policies

- All work is to align with the Addington Cemetery Conservation Plan, 2005.
- All work is to be carried out according to accepted best practice guidelines for historic cemeteries.
- Historically the cemetery had little vegetation, as the cemetery is full no further trees or landscape planting is proposed to protect the heritage fabric.
- Commemorative plaques and any reinstatement of damaged graves must be placed within the boundary of plots on concrete covers or kerbing and not on the Council land.
- Additional signage and seats are to be in keeping with the style and character of the cemetery and the sites historic context.
- No further interpretation is required, existing interpretation may require updating to maximise the quality of visitor understanding.

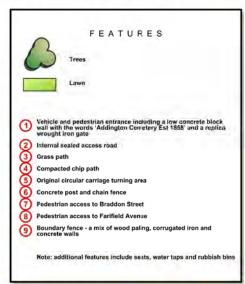
- Planting on graves is to be removed either as plants require pruning or when they die. This is to be done carefully with minimum intervention.
- · Trees that are damaging the heritage fabric are to be removed.
- Additional tree maintenance work including removal and limbing.

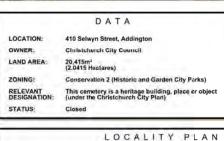




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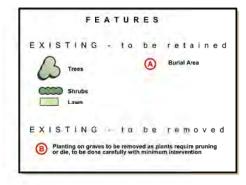




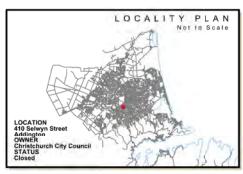


Future Addington Cemetery Development Plan June 2013









10.2 Akaroa Anglican Cemetery

Cemetery Character

Akaroa Anglican Cemetery opened in 1857 and is reaching capacity. The cemetery is available for burial and ash interments in pre purchased plots or second interments only. The cemetery is located on an area of flat to rolling hillside adjacent to the Garden of Tāne overlooking Akaroa Harbour. The cemetery is surrounded by dense native planting and exotic trees. There is a walking connection between Beach Road, the Garden of Tāne and the Akaroa Dissenters Cemetery and Akaroa Catholic Cemetery.

The cemetery has associations with early history and the local community. Graves are laid out in an informal grid pattern on a gentle slope with an interesting range of headstones including some carved Totara grave markers.

Policies

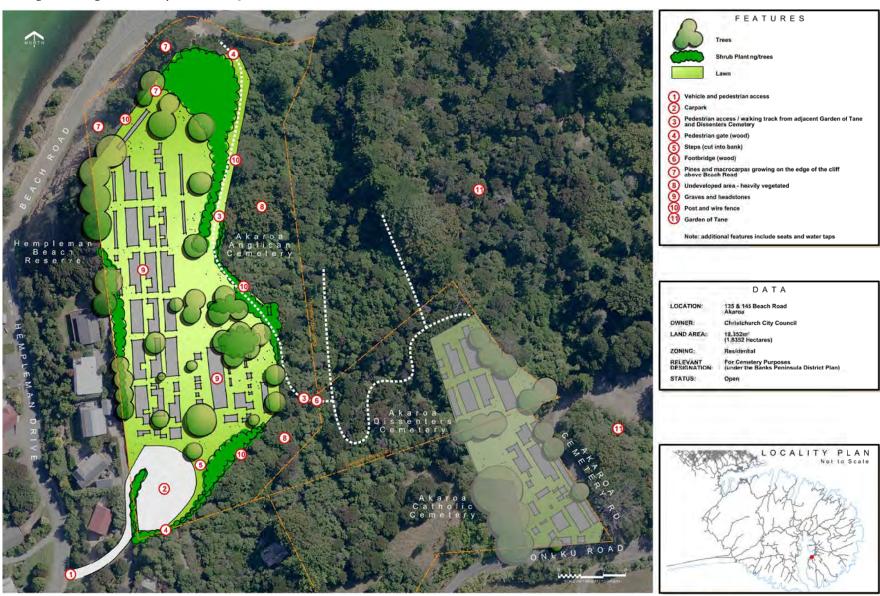
 Additional signage and seats are to be in keeping with the style and character of the cemetery.

- Undertake a joint Conservation Plan for all three Akaroa Cemeteries (Akaroa Anglican Cemetery, Akaroa Catholic Cemetery and Akaroa Dissenters Cemetery) and align it with the Garden of Tane Management Plan.
- The records database and administration of the cemetery is to be centralised at Civic Offices (Hereford Street).
- · Rezone the cemetery land from Residential to Conservation 4.
- · Provide clear entrance signage.
- Remove the post and wire fence around the cemetery boundary.
- Enhance vehicle entrance and car park including signage, planting and post and chain fence.
- Enhance and extend existing walking tracks including signage and entrance improvements.
- Undertake tree and landscape planting as per the Development Plan.
- Planting on graves is to be removed as plants require pruning or when they die. This is to be done carefully with minimum intervention.
- Additional tree maintenance work including removal and limbing.

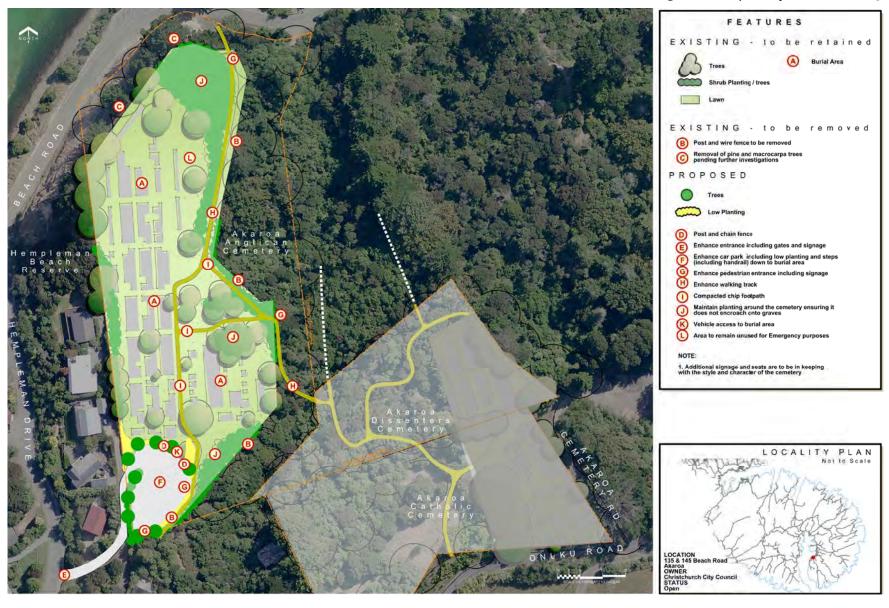




Existing Akaroa Anglican Cemetery Plan June 2013



Future Akaroa Anglican Cemetery Development Plan June 2013



10.3 Akaroa Catholic Cemetery

Cemetery Character

Akaroa Catholic Cemetery opened in 1863 and is reaching capacity. The cemetery is available for burials in pre purchased plots or second interments only.

There are good visual connections to Akaroa Harbour from the top of the cemetery and it is separated from the adjacent Akaroa Dissenters Cemetery by a row of trees and a post and wire fence. Both cemeteries are adjacent to the Garden of Tāne. Dense native plantings and exotic trees surround the two cemetery sites. A network of walking tracks connects the cemeteries to the Garden of Tāne.

The cemetery has associations with the early history of the local community.

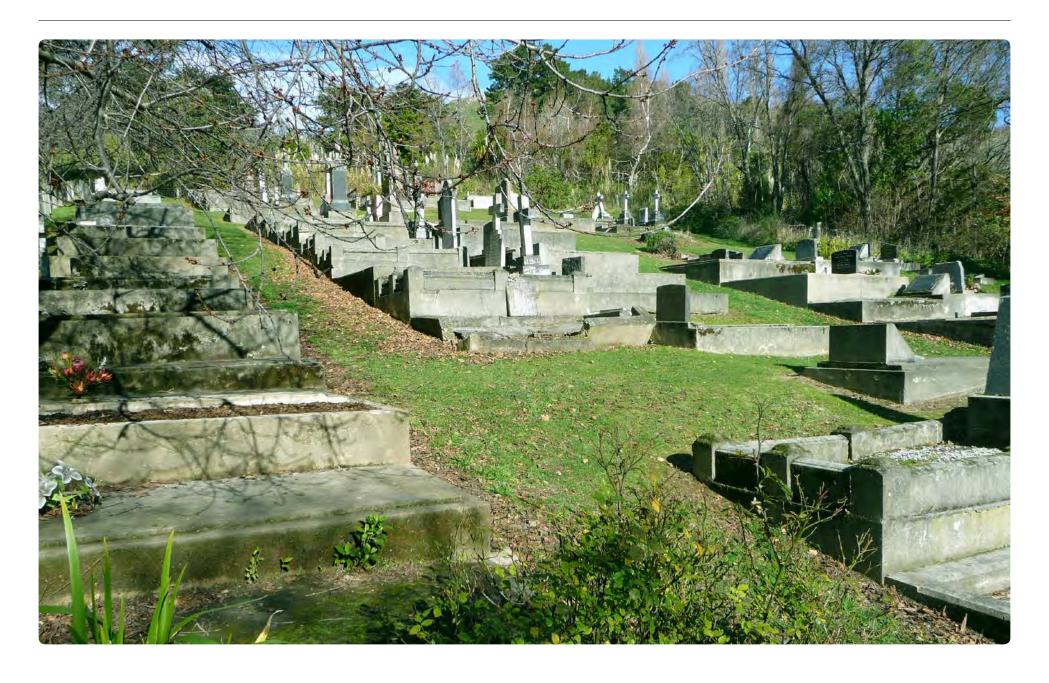
There are a variety of graves and headstones from the older Victorian style plots with covers or kerbing to more recent modern upright stone memorials. The graves are orientated lengthwise in an east west fashion and are stepped down the hillside in distinct blocks with mown grass paths.

Policies

 Additional signage and seating are to be in keeping with the style and character of the cemetery.

- Undertake a joint Conservation Plan for all three Akaroa Cemeteries (Akaroa Anglican Cemetery, Akaroa Catholic Cemetery and Akaroa Dissenters Cemetery and align it with the Garden of Tane Management Plan.
- The records database and administration of the cemetery is to be centralised at Civic Offices (Hereford Street).
- · Rezone the cemetery from Residential to Conservation 4.
- · Provide clear entrance signage.
- The cemetery is managed and maintained by the Council although the land is owned by the Roman Catholic Church.
 Continue negotiations with the Church for either ownership of the site or maintenance and management operations to be returned to the Church.
- Replace the wire fence around the cemetery with a post and chain fence.
- Enhance vehicle entrance including signage, planting and post and chain fence.
- Enhance and extend existing walking tracks including signage and entrance improvements.
- Planting on graves is to be removed as plants require pruning or when they die. This is to be done carefully with minimum intervention.
- · Trees that are damaging the heritage fabric are to be removed.
- Additional tree maintenance work including removal and limbing.
- Undertake tree and landscape planning as per the Development Plan.





Existing Akaroa Catholic Cemetery Plan June 2013





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LOCATION: 1 Akaroa Cemetery Road
Akaroa

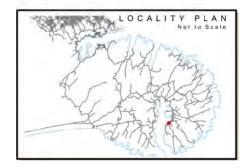
OWNER: Catholic Diocese of Christchurch

LAND AREA: 8,183m² (0.0183 Hectares)

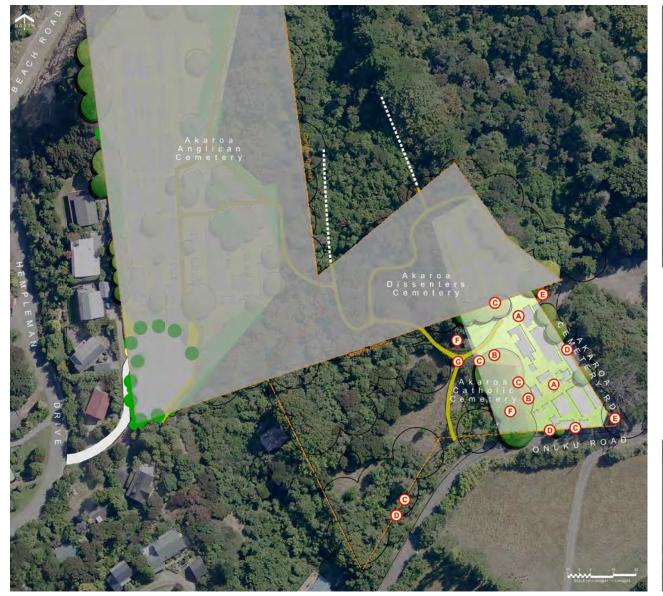
ZONING: Residential

RELEVANT DESIGNATION: (under the Banks Peninsula District Plan)

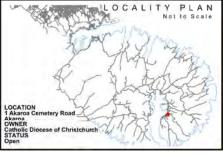
STATUS: Open



Future Akaroa Catholic Cemetery Development Plan June 2013







10.4 Akaroa Dissenters Cemetery

Cemetery Character

Akaroa Dissenters Cemetery is located immediately below the Akaroa Catholic Cemetery. It was opened in 1873 and is reaching capacity. The cemetery is available for burials in pre purchased plots and second interments only.

It is separated from the adjacent Akaroa Catholic Cemetery by a row of trees and a post and wire fence. Both cemeteries are adjacent to the Garden of Tāne. Dense native plantings and exotic trees surround the two cemetery sites. A network of walking tracks connects the cemeteries to the Garden of Tāne.

The cemetery has associations with the early history of the local community.

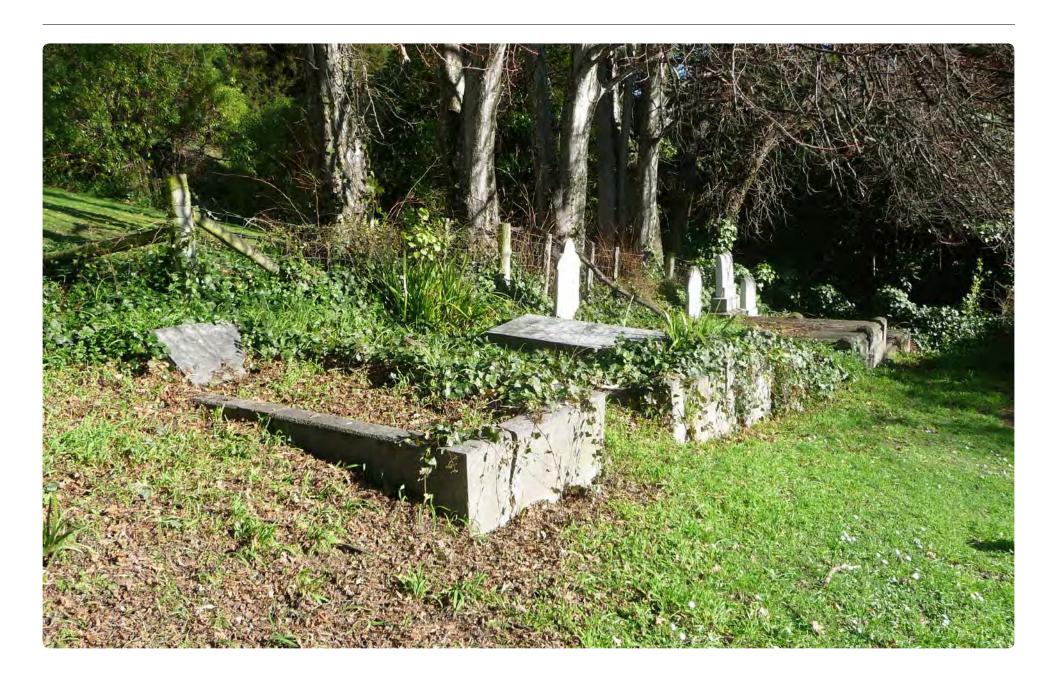
The grave plots in this cemetery appear to be older and more decorative than the adjacent Akaroa Catholic Cemetery. Laid in an east-west orientation across the steep slope, these graves are randomly clustered in blocks separated by mown grass strips.

Policies

 Additional signage and seats are to be in keeping with the style and character of the cemetery.

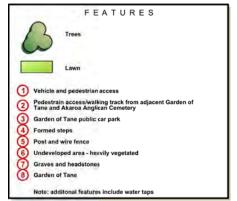
- Undertake a joint Conservation Plan for all three Akaroa Cemeteries (Akaroa Anglican Cemetery, Akaroa Catholic Cemetery and Akaroa Dissenters Cemetery) and align it with the Garden of Tane Management Plan.
- The records database and administration of the cemetery is to be centralised at Civic Offices (Hereford Street).
- · Rezone the cemetery from Residential to Conservation 4.
- · Provide clear entrance signage.
- Remove the post and wire fence around the cemetery boundary.
- Enhance vehicle entrance including signage, planting and post and chain fence.
- Enhance and extend existing walking tracks including signage and entrance improvements.
- · Trees that are damaging the heritage fabric are to be removed.
- Additional tree maintenance work including removal and limbing.
- Planting on graves is to be removed as plants require pruning or when they die. This is to be done carefully with minimum intervention.





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Akaroa

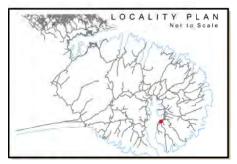
OWNER: Christchurch City Council

LAND AREA: 4,514m² (0.4814 Hectares)

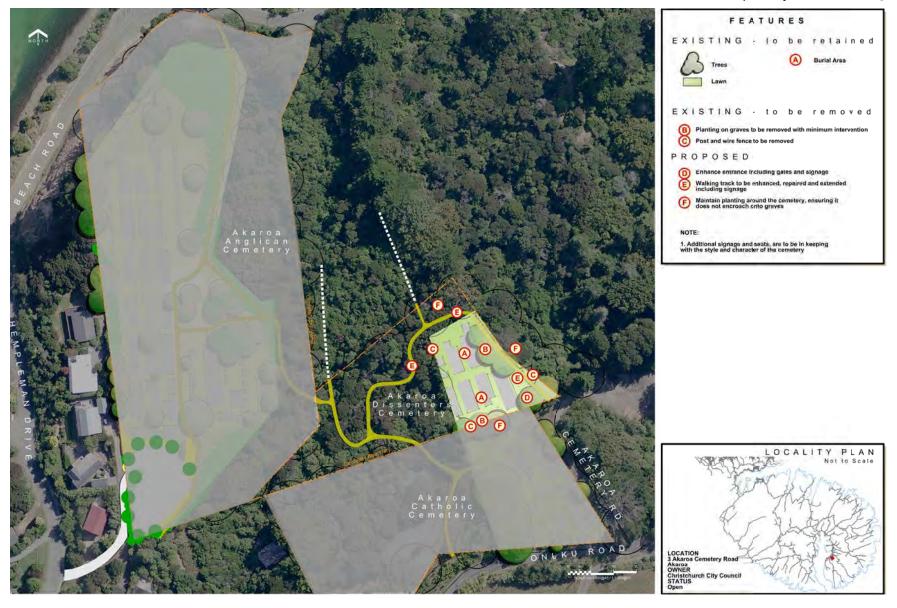
ZONING: Residental

RELEVANT
DESIGNATION: For Cemetery Purposes (under the Banks Peninsula District Plan)

STATUS: Open



Future Akaroa Dissenters Cemetery Development Plan June 2013



10.5 Akaroa French Cemetery

Cemetery Character

The Cimetière Catholiques or French Cemetery as it came to be known is the oldest consecrated European cemetery in the South Island. It opened in 1840 and is now closed.

The cemetery is located on a flat terrace in the L'Aube Hill Reserve. From early photographs it appears the cemetery had good views down to the township and the waterfront, which is very different to the enclosed feeling the cemetery has today surrounded by established trees and dense shrub vegetation. The layout of the original cemetery is now not visible and there are no remaining headstones as they were removed in the 1926 clean up of the cemetery.

As part of the 50th anniversary of the constitution of the Akaroa Borough, the cemetery was given a total face lift. Funded by the War Graves Commission, all existing plant fabric and remnant grave material was cleared from the grounds. Bodies were reburied in a central plot and two coffin inscription plates were salvaged and included as memorial fabric mounted on a central memorial. The central memorial feature lists the names of those known to be buried on L'Aube Hill as far as it was possible to ascertain.

The cemetery was the first in Akaroa and therefore would have had both French and English burials until the Akaroa Anglican Cemetery and Akaroa Dissenters Cemetery were opened at the opposite end of the Akaroa settlement. Early descriptions of the original cemetery landscape indicate that it was originally hedged with Gorse, Ornamental Willow trees and Roses.

Policies

- Additional signage and seating are to be in keeping with the style and character of the cemetery.
- All work is to be carried out according to accepted best practice guidelines for historic cemeteries.

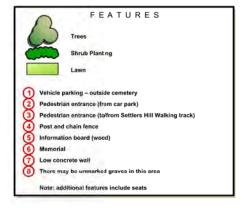
- · Undertake a Conservation Plan for the cemetery.
- Rezone the cemetery from Residential to Conservation 2 (Historic Cemetery), closed to future burials and protected.
- The land the cemetery is situated on is owned by the Roman Catholic Church. Negotiate with the Church for the Council to take over ownership of the cemetery.
- · Repair or repaint the existing information board.
- Enhance pedestrian entrances including signage and interpretation outlining where the extent of the original cemetery was, including historic views to Akaroa Harbour.
- Maintain planting around the cemetery ensuring it does not encroach within the concrete wall. Maintain a two metre clear area around the concrete wall at all times.





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LOCATION:

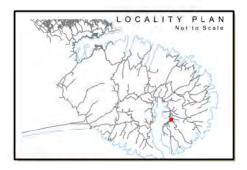
Catholic Diocese of Christchurch

LAND AREA:

Recreation Reserve

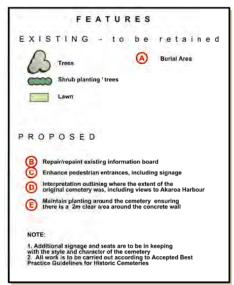
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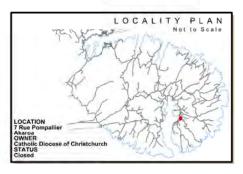
STATUS:



Future Akaroa French Cemetery Development Plan June 2013







10.6 Avonhead Park Cemetery

Cemetery Character

Avonhead Park Cemetery opened in 1983 and is still open for full burials. The cemetery is surrounded by established trees in a park like setting.

Graves are marked either in the original lawn area with plaques or in the newer memorial area with headstones.

When the cemetery was developed in the late 1970s and early 1980s it was proposed that there would be a complete absence of memorials in the cemetery - no headstones and no plaques. Instead, a metal tag was buried on the spot where the deceased lay and names were added to the memorial wall by the records room. A metal detector could be utilised to track the location of specific graves. However, this scheme did not find favour with the community and the placement of lawn cemetery style plaques was allowed. In 1993 additional areas were created allowing for upright memorials.

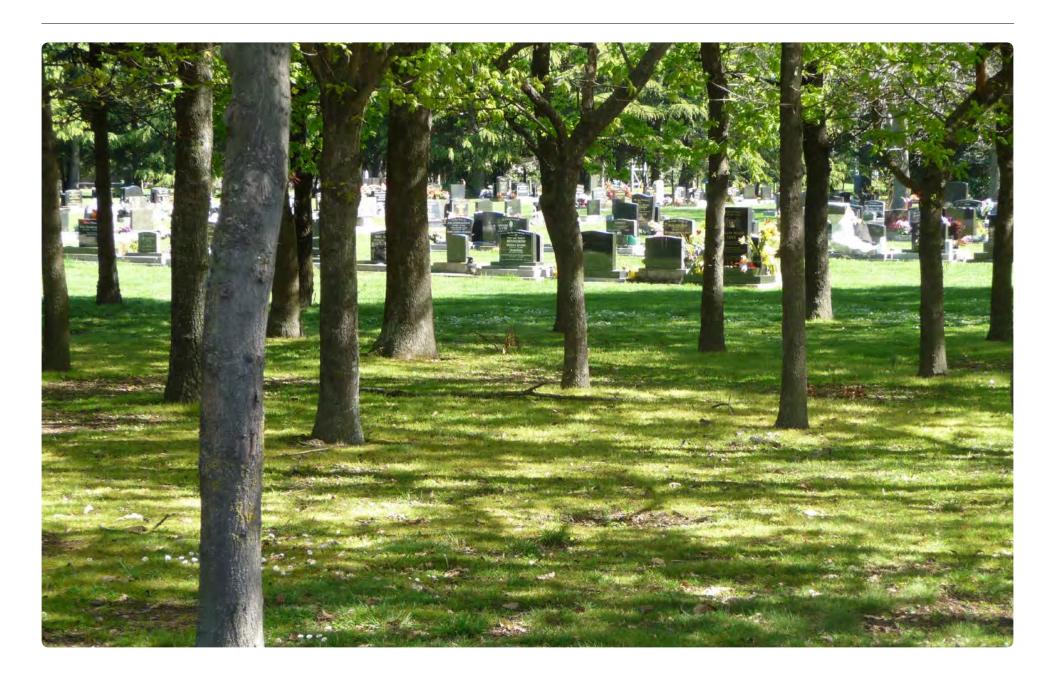
The cemetery is not laid out in denominational divisions, however it is popular with the Polynesian and Asian communities and there are areas for children, stillborn and preborn. The extension to the cemetery was opened in August 2009 and includes the Interment Site for the Victims of the 2011 Christchurch Earthquake.

Policies

- Additional signage, seats, water taps and rubbish bins are to be in keeping with the style and character of the cemetery.
- Ensure any adjacent city plan changes provide a suitable buffer to the cemetery and any future extensions and a connection with future adjacent public greenspace.

- The exterior and interior of the public toilets and records room are in poor condition. Demolish these buildings and decommission the septic tank.
- Provide an open seating area including planting and granite walls with plaques to include information from the existing memorial walls.
- Enhance entrance including signage and modifications to the concrete entrance wall.
- Enhance the pedestrian connection with Avonhead Park including signage indicating the location of the public toilets in Avonhead Park.
- Undertake tree or landscape planting as per the Development Plan.
- Additional tree maintenance work including removal and limbing. The Eucalyptus trees in the northern area are to be progressively removed.
- Investigate options for acquiring adjacent land for future cemetery expansion.





Existing Avonhead Park Cemetery Plan June 2013





DATA

LOCATION: 140 Hawthornden Road, Avonhead

OWNER: Christchurch City Council

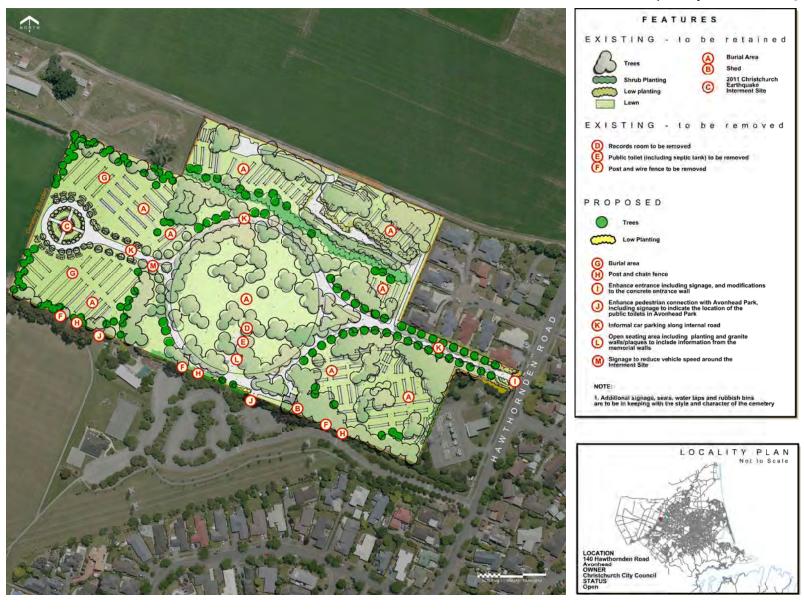
LAND AREA: 70.886m² (7.0856 Hectares)

ZONING: Conservation 4 (Cemeteries)

RELEVANT DESIGNATION: Conservation Provided Provided



Future Avonhead Park Cemetery Development Plan June 2013



10.7 Barbadoes Street Cemetery

Cemetery Character

Barbadoes Street Cemetery, the city's oldest cemetery opened in 1851 and closed in 1885. The cemetery is a cultural heritage landscape made up of three original, denominationally distinct cemeteries. The two lanes of one – way Barbadoes Street separate the former Roman Catholic and Dissenters Cemeteries on the west from the Church of England Cemetery on the east. Despite this significant physical separation there is a strong visual connection between the east and west cemetery landscapes, reinforced by their shared landscape character.

In the years after the cemeteries were closed, desecration and vandalism in the grounds increased. The history of the cemetery through most of the 20th Century was mainly one of neglect and vandalism. Community initiatives over the years have improved the cemetery and in recent years the general maintenance of the cemetery has been orientated towards order and passive amenity.

The Sexton's House on the Cambridge Terrace frontage of the former Church Of England Cemetery is the only surviving historic building associated with the use and management of the cemetery. The present house was built in the 1920s replacing an earlier cottage on the same site. Previously there was also a Mortuary Chapel which was demolished in 1955 and a Lych-gate.

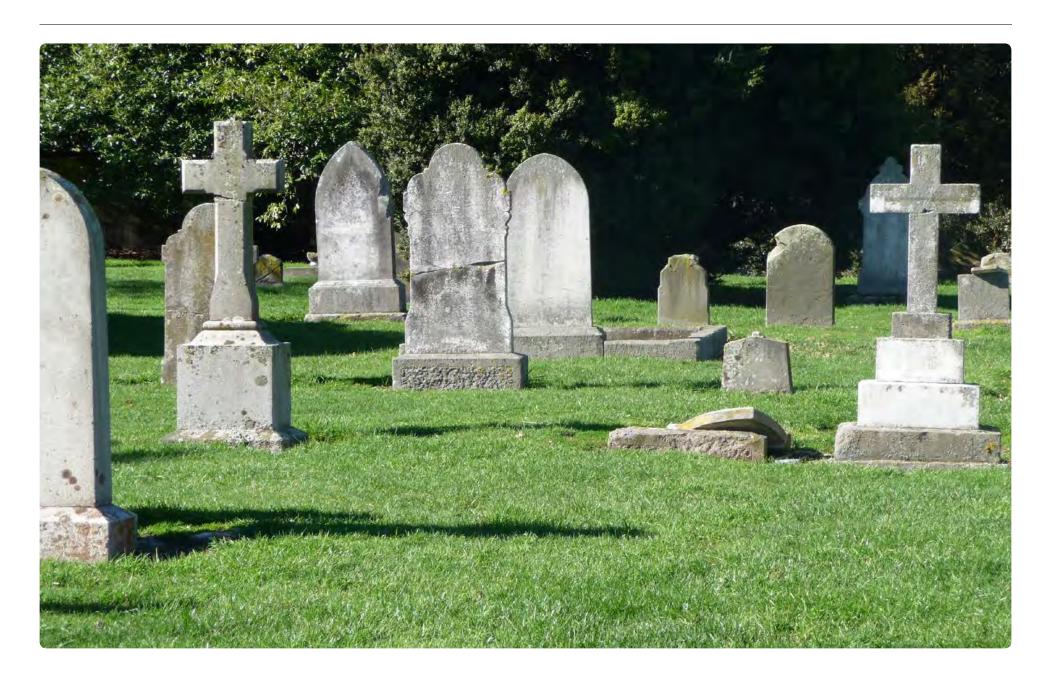
The cemetery contains a mix of remnant ornamental tree species and introduced indigenous and exotic plant species. There are four observable overlays of planting. Remnant vegetation from the establishment and operation of the original cemeteries before they were closed (1851 – 1885), closure and post – closure 'sanitary planting strategies' (1885 – 1890), 1950s exotic ornamentals – possibly influenced by the colonial revival landscape style popular in New Zealand in that decade, 1970s native species plantings and mid 1990s plantings.

Policies

- Additional signage and seats and any modifications to lighting are to be in keeping with the style and character of the cemetery and the sites historic context.
- All work is to align with the Barbadoes Street Cemetery Conservation Plan, July 2009.
- All work is to be carried out according to accepted best practice guidelines for historic cemeteries.
- The Sexton's House and grounds are to be kept separate from the cemetery while the property is not required by the Council.

- · Enhance pedestrian entrance including signage.
- The original Sextons House, Mortuary Chapel and Lych-gate sites (including history, design and location) are to be commemorated on an interpretation panel.
- Investigate means to improve surface water flooding to be done in conjunction with the Historic Places Trust.
- Planting on graves is to be removed as plants require pruning or when they die. This is to be done carefully with minimum intervention.
- Trees that are damaging the heritage fabric should be removed.





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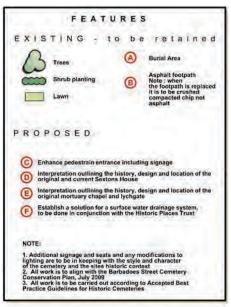


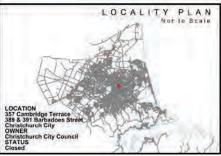
LOCATION: 357 Cambridge Terrace
389 & 391 Earbadoes Street
Christchurch City
OWNER: Christchurch City Council
LAND AREA: 32,653m²
(3.2653 Hectares)
ZONING: Cupsarvation Z
Archaeological site under the Historic Places Act
It is a heritage building, place or object
Notable Trees
(under the Christchurch City Plan)
STATUS: Closed



Future Barbadoes Street Cemetery Development Plan June 2013







10.8 Belfast Cemetery

Cemetery Character

Belfast Cemetery opened in 1904 and is available for burials in pre purchased plots and second interments only.

Originally a traditional cemetery with large traditional monumental style headstones the cemetery was redeveloped in 1985 as a lawn cemetery, catering for upright and reclining memorials. The memorial area of the cemetery is divided into rooms using a series of hedges. There are two distinctive areas in the cemetery, the children's area and the Orthodox Russian area.

The rural location of the cemetery is significant, and is part of the reason the cemetery has been so popular in the past. From all sides of the cemetery there are rural vistas, which help provide a feeling of openness. There are a number of established trees in the cemetery in keeping with the memorial park nature of the cemetery. Plantings include hedges, exotic and native planting. Existing buildings include a public toilet and a shed.

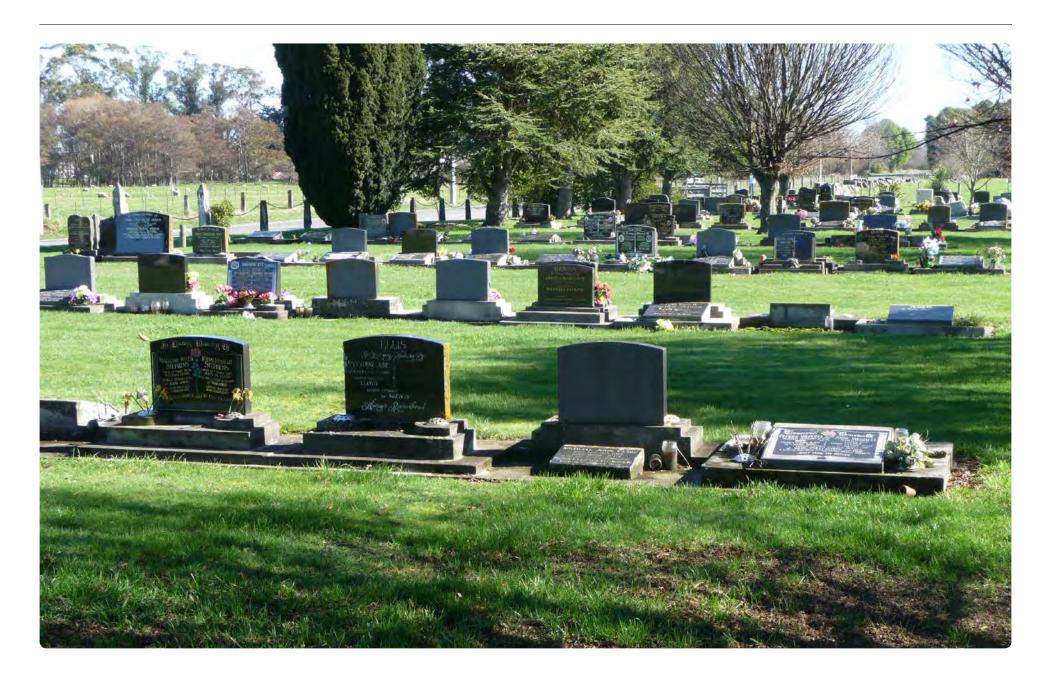
The recent purchase of additional cemetery land will enable further development in the short term.

Policies

- Additional signage, seats, water taps and rubbish bins are to be in keeping with the style and character of the cemetery.
- Ensure any adjacent city plan changes provide a suitable buffer to the cemetery and any future extensions. Ideally this should include a connection with Kaputone Stream via public openspace.

- Cemetery expansion including access road, fencing, footpath connection and landscaping.
- The entrance to the cemetery is to be realigned to allow for access to the proposed extension. As part of the northern arterial development, the entrance location will be negotiated with NZTA.
- · Undertake tree or landscape planting as per the Development Plan.
- Investigate options for acquiring adjacent land for future cemetery expansion including a possible Eco-burial site.
- · Trees that are damaging the heritage fabric are to be removed.





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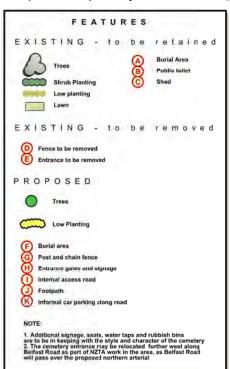


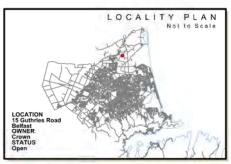
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LOCATION:	15 Guthries Road Belfast
OWNER:	Crown
LAND AREA:	20,319m* (2,0319 Hectares)
ZONING:	Conservation 4 (Cemeteries)
RELEVANT DESIGNATION:	This cemetery is a heritage building, place or object (under the Christchurch City Plan)
STATUS:	Open



Future Belfast Cemetery Development Plan June 2013







10.9 Bromley Cemetery

Cemetery Character

Bromley Cemetery opened in 1918 and although it is approaching capacity it is still open for burials in pre purchased plots and second interments only. The cemetery is located on ancient dunes which are still partly visible along Keighley's Road.

The cemetery is a typical traditional monumental cemetery and is laid out in a highly regimented north-south orientation allowing graves to face due east or west. Narrow mown grass paths bisect the graves breaking the 'mass' of headstones and grave coverings into smaller rectangular 'blocks'. Tree planting is largely confined to the edges of the cemetery and along the main vehicle drive. A Sexton's House is located in the south-east corner and there is a public toilet.

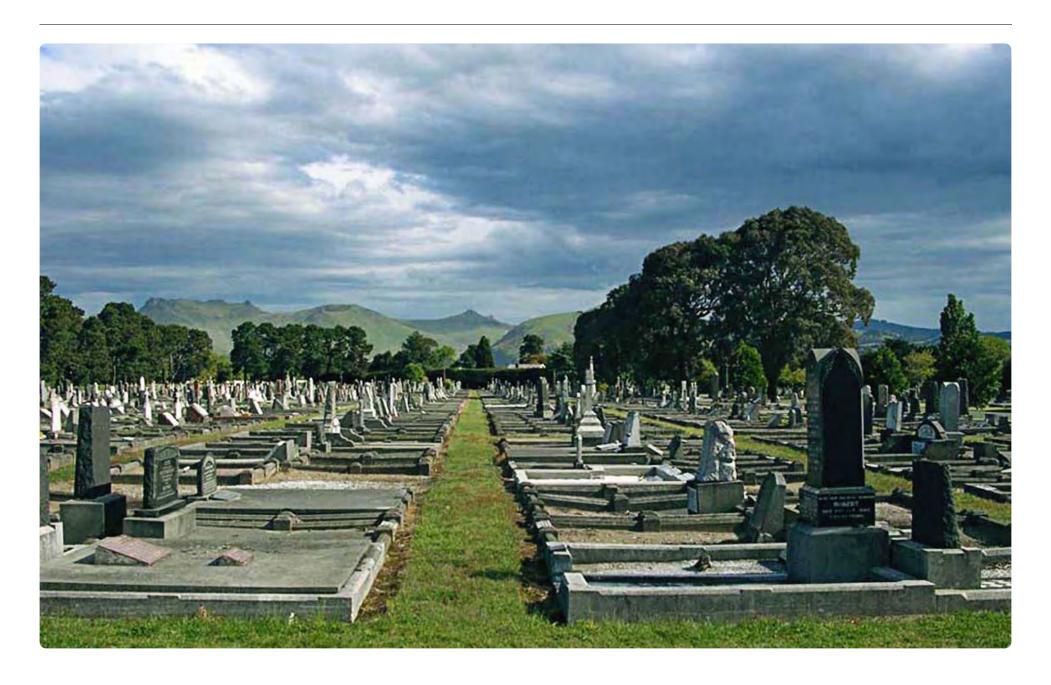
The majority of monuments tend to be lower and more conservative than other cemeteries, providing a more orderly appearance which is accentuated by the uniformity of the Services section. There is an area for stillborns and preborns and there is a memorial for stillborn children.

Policies

 Additional signage, seats, water taps and rubbish bins are to be in keeping with the style and character of the cemetery.

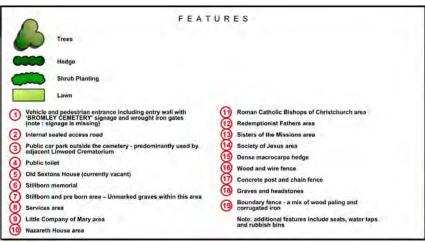
- The Sexton's House is vacant and in poor condition, this is to be removed including outbuildings so the land can be used for burials.
- Open up the cemetery entranceway to improve visibility into the cemetery by removing the large overgrown macrocarpa hedge. Improved visibility into the cemetery from the road could deter vandalism and undesirable behaviour.
- The post and wire fence around the road boundary is to be replaced with a post and chain fence and low planting.
- Remove hedges and replace with low planting and post and chain fence.
- Enhance entrance including replanting, signage and modifications to the entrance wall.
- Undertake tree or landscape planting as per the Development Plan.
- Additional tree maintenance work including removal and limbing.
- Planting on graves is to be removed as plants require pruning or when they die. This is to be done carefully with minimum intervention.





Existing Bromley Cemetery Plan June 2013





LOCATION: 429 Linwood Avenue
Bromley
OWNER: Christchurch City Council
LAND AREA: 107,701m² (10.7701 Hectares)
ZONING: Conservalion 4 (Cemeteries)
RELEVANT
DESIGNATION: The cemetery is a heritage building, place or object (under the Christchurch City Plan)
STATUS: Open



Future Bromley Cemetery Development Plan June 2013



