

As outlined in the Weststone Development Plan, there are a number of benefits to be gained from operating this site for the purposes of gravel processing.

Through the license holders obligations of responsible management, they have identified several land-use objectives which benefit the district, tenure stakeholders and the general public.

In particular, there are 3 objectives which guide this landscape plan. They are:

- 1/ maintain unrestricted public access
- 2/ responsibly manage the land
- 3/ make the river edge accessible and attractive as a community asset.

Further to these, this plan also aims to :

- 1/ provide a better natural aesthetic within the local environment and enhance the overall visual experience
- 2/ promote a greater range of activities available on site and subsequently develop a wider range of user groups
- 3/ encourage a native vegetation regime to gain natural dominance on site, controlling problem flora and fauna and enhancing ecological diversity

Would suggest renaming area as "RIVERSIDE RECREATIONAL AREA" to assist in encouraging greater public participation and sense of ownership.

fig 2.1 detailed plan view of proposed changes

- Revise and raise gravel road and paths to avoid infiltration from tide, and to allow ease of loading in dedicated parking bays for other gravel extraction permit holders.
- Prepare 15 car parks for general public and plant bund with native vegetation to soften entrance.
- Provide a generic signage regime in conjunction with other tenure holders including general site map and lay out throughout site.
- Raise existing gravel road at north face by 500mm to prevent high tide flooding and to allow for all year usage.
- Prepare roundabout crossover for sale extraction vehicles and general public.
- Working in conjunction with other interest groups, prepare a gravel single track for mountain biking, pedestrians, recreational fishing and dog walkers.
- This pathway could work in with existing Grey town centre heritage trails and riverbank walks.
- Encourage rubbish bins, and seating, to be incorporated by local and regional authorities.
- Prepare open space zones along path where users can have direct access to the river, and views.
- Widen gravel road at various positions adjacent to single track for vehicle parking.
- Terminate gravel road around and parking area.

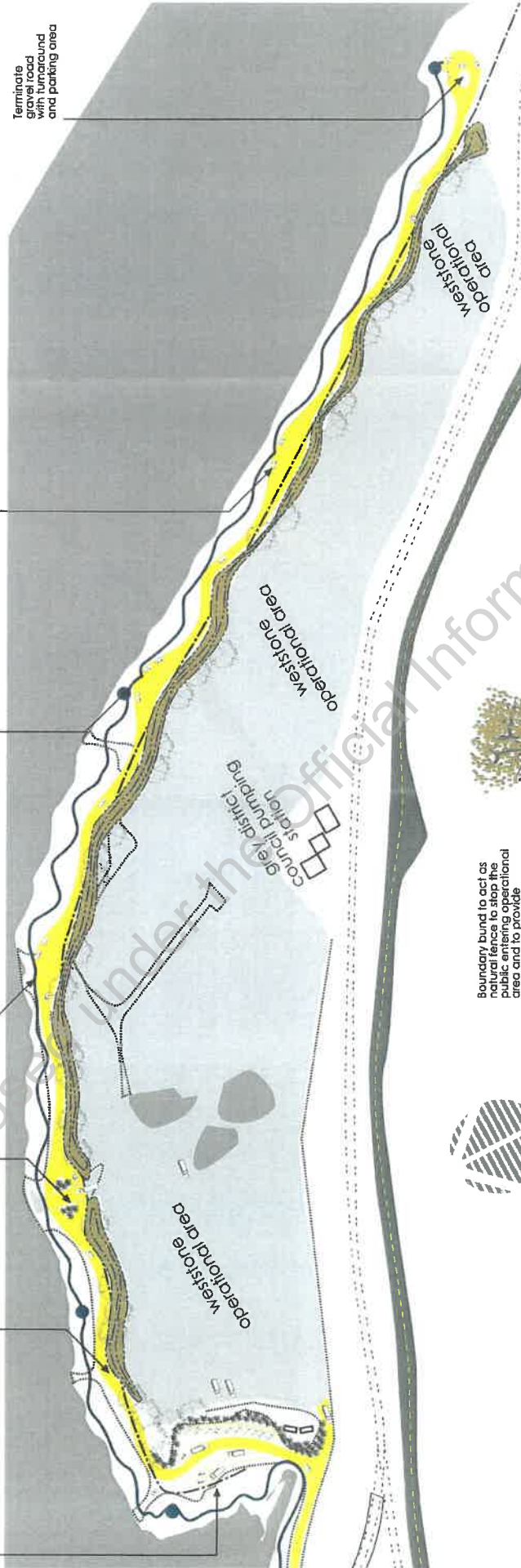


fig 2.2 indicative signage

Boundary bund to act as natural fence to stop the public entering operational area and to provide a more defined native vegetation regime and better aesthetic when viewed from a distance.

fig 2.3 bund profile

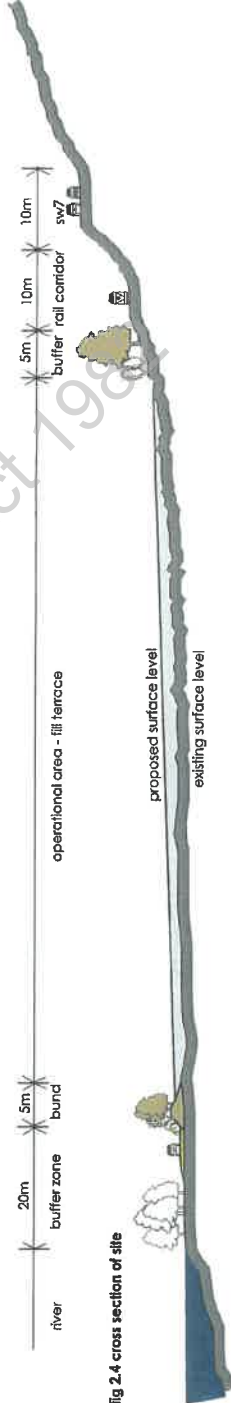


fig 2.4 cross section of site

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