

Parks Planning Masterclass Recreation Aotearoa – Regional Events

Parks Planning Masterclass 2024

Recreation Aotearoa and Xyst have developed a Parks Planning Masterclass which we are proposing to offer to each of the Regions to host in September 2024. The intent is that your Region consider if you would like to host one of the Masterclasses at a location within your Region. The thinking is that as a Region you could decide if you wished to subsidise the cost of participation to your members and/or Generate members for example.

We would ask that the host provide a meeting room with on-line facility and ability to play a recorded video. Our Xyst event organizer will discuss lunch and morning tea arrangements with the host representative.

Collectively the speakers are industry experts from New Zealand local councils, specialist law firm and Xyst. The Department of Conservation are in the process of being invited to participate as well. This class will introduce you to the intricacies of parks planning, including legal insights and obligations about the Reserves Act 1977, parks planning tools and innovative approaches to reserve management planning.

It is proposed to have local content. Once a location and date has been confirmed we will invite up to 3 registered participants to prepare a 15 minute local case study to present at their Masterclass to add local flavour.

Who is it for?

This class is designed for both new and experienced parks planners, park managers, coordinators, planners, and anyone involved in the management and administration of reserves and open spaces.

General

Regions may wish to link an AGM to the Masterclass.

This initial Masterclass may be followed in 2025 with a further event that builds on the outcomes and discussions of this initial Masterclass which will be discussed as part of the conclusion of each of the Regional events.

Date: September 2024

Time: 10am to 4pm

Location: to be identified

Topics Covered:

- Origin of the Reserves Act
- Relevance of the Reserves Act and other legislation relating to parks planning
- Overview of different parks planning tools (other than RMPs)
- Compliance with the RA – what you need to know
- Overview of land status checks and classification
- Local case study discussion
- Development of different types of RMPs.

Participation Fee:

\$375 + GST per participant. This assumes that some of these events can be linked together on consecutive dates to reduce travel costs and environmental impacts.

We think that the Masterclass will likely attract 12 to 20 people at each event and Regions who take on hosting an event will need to be considerate of this in terms of making a meeting space available.

Promotion and Registration:

Once dates and locations have been agreed Recreation Aotearoa will promote the Masterclasses dates and locations nationally while each Region can promote their particular event directly to Regional contacts.

Regions will be asked to provide a contact person for the Masterclass who will co-ordinate any local arrangements with the Xyst organiser. Xyst will receive and manage the booking process and liaise with the local co-ordinator.