Takahanga Domain

The Takahanga Domain is approximately 4 hectares, also included in the Gazette advertised in 1982, described as 4.0986 hectares more or less (4.0905 hectares by balance Proclamation 34). Section 479 (formerly part Section 410), Town of Kaikōura, reserve for the purposes of a recreation ground and site for a cottage hospital by balance Proclamation 34, S.O. Plan 5917.





Images provided in a previous Resource consent, images from the Kaikōura Museum.

The site is home to a number of sports clubs, including, but not limited to, the Takahanga Bowling Club, Kaikōura Squash Club, Kaikōura Croquet Club, Tennis and Rugby clubs. The site is within an archaeological area, below the Takahanga Marae and it is likely that archaeological findings would be made in this area.

Photographs from the Kaikōura Museum show that the bowls club and tennis court have been in the location at the reserve circa 1900. Takahanga Domain is an important part of Kaikōura culture and history, given the archaeological significance, being closely located to the Takahanga Marae, and the historic and current use of the reserve, being home to a number of different sporting clubs.





Left: Publicly available district plan maps showing the subject reserve and surrounding designations Right: Council property maps of the subject reserve

Recently, a resource consent was granted to construct a new club room building for the Kaikōura Rugby Club. Due to the historic uses of the reserve and its relative sports clubs, there is a history of potential soil contamination throughout the reserve. The Community/Tennis courts were damaged in the 2016 earthquakes and a renovation of these courts is being planned.