# FALMOUTH TOILET LOCATION

#### INTRODUCTION

The current toilet located at Grant Street beach carpark has reached the end of its life and needs to be replaced. We considered placing the new facility at the current location, but due to the vegetation removal required we have instead proposed three alternative locations.

The Falmouth community has been instrumental in helping us identify alternate locations as well as develop a design brief for the toilet block and we would like to thank you for all your assistance to date.

To help Council determine where the community believes the best location for the new toilet block should be, we have developed a consultation plan, this includes;

- A Survey you can access this online via the QR code or through our website. You can also contact the office for a hardcopy.
- A FAQ covering each proposed location and the pros and cons of each.
- Community Workshop We will hold a community workshop at the Falmouth Community Centre on 19 February for those that would like the opportunity to tell us in person their thoughts on the toilet block location.

#### **CHALLENGES:**

Some of the challenges that Council has had to consider in determining alternate locations are:

- Access to water Falmouth is not connected to the mains so ensuring that the facility has a sustainable and reliable water supply is paramount.
- Waste Water Treatment and Disposal Falmouth is also not connected to a sewer main meaning that all waste water must be contained onsite.
- Land Ownership We have tried to select locations that are on Council land to allow us easy access and maintenance of facilities.

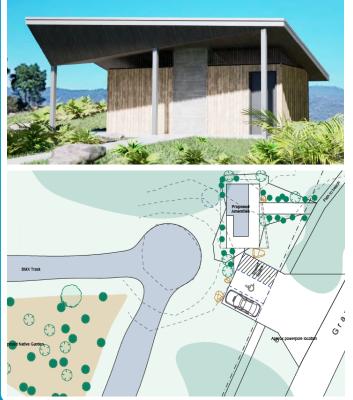
These considerations are covered in the pros and cons for each location.

#### DESIGN

The Concept Designs for the toilet blocks was developed by Matthew Purves of Spectura Studio. The brief given to the consultant to develop the designs included feedback provided to Council by the Falmouth community. This included the community's desire to ensure the building was sympathetic to the natural environment. We believe this is reflected in the design options.



# **LOCATION 1: FALMOUTH RESERVE**



#### **PROS:**

- Moderately accessible for car travellers.
- Close to facilities.
- Level access to road.
- Connecting footpath proposed in area, including direct connection to beach access.
- Council's preferred onsite waste water solution.
- Council owned land
- Electrical connection available.

# CONS

- Construction of new carpark would be required which would include removal of two trees.
- Surrounding residents may be impacted
- Some additional excavation may be required dependent on final siting.
- Further walking distance than Location 2.
- Would restrict part of the existing reserve for provision of waste water absorption area.

# LOCATION 2: GRANT STREET, BEACH CARPARK



#### **PROS:**

- Practical location, closer to beach access
- Existing carpark

**Note:** Council considered replacing the toilet in its current location but due to the vegetation removal required, we disregarded this site.

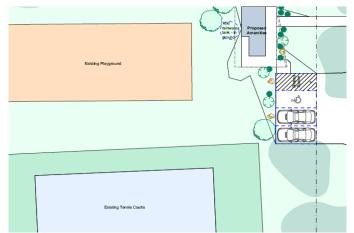
# CONS

- Limited area available.
- Would require formalisation of carparking.
- Excavation in sensitive area.
- Existing water source is unreliable.
- Not Council owned land.
- Off grid electrical connection may be required.
- Elevated construction will require wheel chair compliant ramp.

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# LOCATION 3: FALMOUTH COMMUNITY CENTRE - PLAYGROUND





Break O'Day

#### **PROS**:

- Close to Playground, tennis court and Falmouth Community Centre.
- Council owned land with ample space for future development of park.
- Electricity available.
- Onsite Waste water
- treatment feasible.
- Electricity available.

You can find more detailed plans of each of these

options on our website under My Community/

# CONS

- Decreased visibility;
- Increase in visitor traffic through township.
- Impractical for users of the beach/Henderson's lagoon.
- Limits ability for other future upgrades/ improvements of the park.
- No footpath connections.
- Area of disposal would require restricted access for the public.

