Hutt Valley Tennis Survey



1. Please rank the below the possible options in order of preference.

	Most Preferred					Least Preferred	Rating Average	Rating Count
Keep all courts and club house facilities at Mitchell Park as they stand currently	21.4% (25)	23.9% (28)	15.4% (18)	7.7% (9)	12.8% (15)	18.8% (22)	3.23	117
Re-develop the Mitchell Park club house to become a more efficient, modest building	53.8% (63)	23.1% (27)	8.5% (10)	5.1% (6)	2.6%	6.8% (8)	2.00	117
Move Mitchell Park courts to an existing tennis club site	0.9% (1)	5.1% (6)	6.8%	11.1% (13)	22.2% (26)	53.8% (63)	5.10	117
Move Mitchell Park courts to a new site (not a tennis club), code sharing with other sports	3.4% (4)	12.8% (15)	8.5% (10)	12.0% (14)	19.7% (23)	43.6% (51)	4.62	117
Relocate one or more clubs onto the Mitchell Park site	8.5% (10)	16.2% (19)	16.2% (19)	18.8% (22)	16.2% (19)	23.9% (28)	3.90	117
Create a completely new club at Mitchell Park	14.5% (17)	19.7% (23)	19.7% (23)	8.5% (10)	12.8% (15)	24.8% (29)	3.60	117
						answered	question	117
						skipped	question	5

2. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 1: "Keep all courts and club house facilities at Mitchell Park as they stand currently"

Response Count

45

45	answered question	
77	skipped question	

3. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 2: "Redevelop the Mitchell Park club house to become a more efficient, modest building	
	Response Count
	51
answered question	51
skipped question	71
4. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 3: "M Mitchell Park courts to an existing tennis club site"	ove
	Response Count
	40
answered question	40
skipped question	82
5. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 4: "M Mitchell Park courts to a new site (not a tennis club), code sharing with other sp	
	Response Count
	43
answered question	43
skipped question	79
6. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 5: "Re one or more clubs onto the Mitchell Park site"	elocate
	Response Count
	41
answered question	41

7. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 6: "Create a completely new club at Mitchell Park"

Response	
Count	

43

answered question	43
skipped question	79

8. Please provide any further general comments or questions.

Response Count

20

20	answered question	
102	skipped question	

9. Would you like to be involved in a focus group about this report?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	18.3%	22
No	81.7%	98
	answered question	120
	skipped question	2

10. Would you like to have a meeting to discuss the outcomes of this survey before the subcommittee progresses to the next stage?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	37.5%	45
No	62.5%	75
	answered question	120
	skipped question	2

11. Can you please advise your personal involvement in tennis (tick all that apply).

	Response Percent	Response Count
This survey response is on behalf of a tennis club committee	1.9%	2
Member of a Hutt Valley tennis club committee	13.1%	14
Member of a Hutt Valley tennis club	80.4%	86
Member of a tennis club outside of the Hutt Valley	2.8%	3
Interclub player	43.9%	47
Other league player (eg business house)	24.3%	26
Regular tennis club player (eg club playing days or evenings)	45.8%	49
Casual or occasional player	15.9%	17
Previously active player but now retired or not playing for other reasons	6.5%	7
Professional tennis coach	2.8%	3
No past or present involvement in tennis	0.9%	1
	answered question	107
	skipped question	15

Page 3,	Page 3, Q2. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 1:				
"Keep a	III courts and club house facilities at Mitchell Park as they stand currently"				
1	No. The facilities are in need improvement.	May 13, 2014 10:54 AM			
2	Only If it can be made financially viable	May 9, 2014 9:54 AM			
3	If ings change too much then i could go to Avalon, Maungaraki or Lower Hutt clubs & Play.	May 5, 2014 9:38 PM			
4	I dont think we need a two storey club house but if the building is sound perhaps the spare space could be converted for other uses. If it needs replacing, a single stores facility would be fine. Perhaps the 20 year plan could be to leave it as it is for now and budget for indoor courts	Apr 30, 2014 1:12 PM			
5	Great facility. Allows for expansion in the game in the future	Apr 30, 2014 10:55 AM			
6	Commercial space should be let within the existing building. This could be integrated with tennis facilities or completely separate	Apr 28, 2014 5:33 PM			
7	Yes but to attract and maintain patronage the facility should be moderised and also offer more than today. A tennis centre of excellence or 'tennis experience' centre. Amalgamation of smaller struggling clubs in the valley should be considered. A Cossie club approach should be looked at to bring across memebers from smaller clubs with complimentary mini bus service, cheaper drinks and meals, hire for functions, better shop, also maybe relocate a leading physio practice like silverstream to there(make it worth their while) to add to the facility offerings, maybe that combined with a gym, need to diversify with like activities that could generate revenue	Apr 28, 2014 9:40 AM			
8	The club house is obviously too big for just a tennis centres use - is there a possibility of trying to get a couple of covered courts?	Apr 27, 2014 11:29 AM			
9	Not financially viable longterm	Apr 27, 2014 9:46 AM			
10	Mitchell Park is a lovely community resource/facility. Whatever option is chosen it should be with a view to keeping the courts and clubhouse there in some form	Apr 23, 2014 11:45 AM			
11	I'm not sure what the purpose of Mitchell Park Courts are if not a club or open to the public.	Apr 23, 2014 8:28 AM			
12	Impossible if not also supported by presence of squash - also long-term possible earthquake issues for the squash courts.	Apr 20, 2014 2:56 PM			
13	great location for the courts, leave them as is	Apr 18, 2014 6:06 PM			
14	The club house is out dated and not used by teams regularly. We cannot host any teams there.	Apr 16, 2014 9:00 PM			
15	Any chance of a new squash club starting?	Apr 16, 2014 8:59 PM			
16	\$50 overhead per club player is too high especially when many of these players never use Mitchell Park facilities (e.g. non-interclub playing members).	Apr 16, 2014 4:15 PM			
17	This is a good location for tennis as it stands.	Apr 14, 2014 3:51 PM			
18	Too expensive Courts not fully utilised	Apr 10, 2014 11:07 AM			

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"Keep a	Il courts and club house facilities at Mitchell Park as they stand currently"				
19	changing the facilities will make it less suitable for the big tournaments.	Apr 10, 2014 10:11 AM			
20	Too expensive. Keeping courts and current access is highest priority.	Apr 9, 2014 7:54 PM			
21	Club house not fit for purpose and too expensive to maintain.	Apr 9, 2014 7:30 PM			
22	We live extremely close by, but have had to join LHTC in order for our primary aged children to enjoy summer coaching on Sunday mornings 10-11am. I just didn't understand why you couldn't have offered the same thing at Mitchell Park.	Apr 9, 2014 6:47 PM			
23	This is a community asset and the council need to stump up as well	Apr 9, 2014 6:35 PM			
24	to future-proof; closed or partially closed in facilities. Wider community use of club-house facility Shared club location will require additional courts	Apr 9, 2014 2:08 PM			
25	Club house is run down - will run at a loss once squash goes.	Apr 9, 2014 1:40 PM			
26	Mitchell Park is such a marvellous facility, much used by all Hutt Valley clubs, and now other also with the merging of some greater Wellington clubs into Hutt Valley interclub competitions. It would be sorely missed.	Apr 9, 2014 9:46 AM			
27	Depends who you class as a member. I belong to lower hutt club and there is nothing that michell park does to cater for my needs. I never go to mitchell park.	Apr 9, 2014 8:34 AM			
28	If its already not a viable option Then it will just be a matter of time before the same issue arises	Apr 9, 2014 8:03 AM			
29	I doubt that you will be able to make this one work due to cost increases hitting the existing membership.	Apr 8, 2014 11:23 PM			
30	The current clubhouse is too big and costly to maintain. I can't see club members being happy to front up with \$50 each to maintain the current building.	Apr 8, 2014 11:02 PM			
31	Would like to see some sort of term by term league set up where the kids would be scheduled to play each other - perhaps a \$10 wkly fee for this. It would give them game practice without the higher costs of (or to complement) squad.	Apr 8, 2014 10:34 PM			
32	Expensive	Apr 8, 2014 10:08 PM			
33	Waste of space as much of building won't be utilised. High cost to maintain.	Apr 8, 2014 8:53 PM			
34	Very concerned around costs	Apr 8, 2014 8:01 PM			
35	Cost too high for club members, especially those who don't play any tennis at Mitchell Park.	Apr 8, 2014 7:43 PM			
36	yes keep courts and charge clubs another \$50	Apr 8, 2014 1:38 PM			
37	I feel the clubrooms could be utilised for functions etc.	Apr 8, 2014 1:15 PM			
38	The main question about any proposal for the continued use of Mitchell Park is , what is the level of certainty regarding the ongoing tenure of the site.	Apr 8, 2014 10:42 AM			

Page 3	Page 3, Q2. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 1:				
"Keep	"Keep all courts and club house facilities at Mitchell Park as they stand currently"				
	Obviously HVT could not continue to meet the ongoing costs associated with a building of this type of construction on its own.				
39	This currently works really well, however with squash moving it doesn't sound financially viable, and clubs are already experiencing a drop in numbers.	Apr 7, 2014 7:55 PM			
40	\$50 seems way too much and might decrease the memberships of clubs	Apr 7, 2014 6:24 PM			
41	Too costly	Apr 7, 2014 10:56 AM			
42	This could be good if some other code took over the club house , eg karate	Apr 6, 2014 2:47 PM			
43	I understand that the current building requires strengthening in order to comply with the current seismic requirements. With the squash club going, it would be pointless to do this work.	Apr 6, 2014 2:37 PM			
44	The decision is HV Council to build Mitchell Park and now relocate squash means the Council has the responsibility to ensure the continuation of its original decision.	Apr 6, 2014 11:41 AM			
45	I like the option, but realise the financial difficulty of following this plan.	Apr 6, 2014 11:11 AM			

Page 3, Q3. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 2: "Re-develop the Mitchell Park club house to become a more efficient, modest building"		
1	Do whatever is affordable but thought needs to be taken into consideration around what is easy to maintain and fits the needs for it's purpose.	May 13, 2014 10:54 AM
2	Nice idea, doesn't help the income of Mitchell Park.	May 9, 2014 9:54 AM
3	Its Modest enough as it is, you have strived for all the years i have been playing to upgrade the courts & Club House to an "acceptable" standard, how do you propose to make it even more "Modest"?	May 5, 2014 9:38 PM
4	If Squash goes then this may be required to reduce maintenance	Apr 30, 2014 10:55 AM
5	Tennis does not require the entire space. In fact is doubtful if even the bar could operate without squash personnel to operate/run/support despite the attraction to a few business house drinkers. However if another business operated within the complex it would a) pay rent sufficient to make up the shortfall in R+M/rates ,. b) could provide some services for tennis depending on the tenant.	Apr 28, 2014 5:33 PM
6	it will fail in the long termpeople want more bang for their buck not lessthey already have less at their own small clubsor can go to the renouf as i do when i want better facilities for casual hits and use of plexi	Apr 28, 2014 9:40 AM
7	This could allow better car parking and maybe covered courts in the future?	Apr 27, 2014 11:29 AM
8	It seems a shame but we certainly won't need most of the existing building, especially the squash courts.	Apr 27, 2014 9:46 AM
9	This seems to be the best option to me. The building is not a brilliant use of space as it is.	Apr 23, 2014 11:45 AM
10	If these were to be redeveloped then that should only be if it was going to be used more extensively for a wider group of people and the development of junior tennis,	Apr 23, 2014 8:28 AM
11	This is the prefered option for our club	Apr 22, 2014 10:08 PM
12	As the land belongs to the Lower Hutt City Council (presumably) discuss with them the possible uses for the land which becomes free after the reduction in size of the existing buildings, either as an enhancement of the recreational area, or its commercial use.	Apr 22, 2014 5:00 PM
13	Practical - could still have an upstairs room for meetings, events, and court viewing but could be a simple building. Downstairs for facilities such as toilets, showers and equipment store. Pro shop should be semidetached so it can be leased out separately. Rather than developing a carpark between Mitchell Street and the existing building on the ground currently on the HVT lease, a smaller building would allow an extension of the existing car park.	Apr 20, 2014 2:56 PM
14	If building is too big with squash courts no longer required, then have a small lockwood house, prefab for the proshop and coaches to use	Apr 18, 2014 6:06 PM
15	Is there a chance that covered courts could be considered. At the present moment the only covered courts to my knowledge is in town. I believe we would be able to continue with tennis during the winter if we had the opportunity of covered courts in our own back yard.	Apr 17, 2014 1:02 PM

Page 3,	Page 3, Q3. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 2:		
"Re-dev	"Re-develop the Mitchell Park club house to become a more efficient, modest building"		
16	A single story building that is light and has modern facilities is what is required	Apr 16, 2014 9:00 PM	
17	Is it feasible to demolish the squash courts (ground) level and to lower the building? Or retain the present building and do a conversion to an indoor tennis court, badminton courts, indoor bowls facilities or any other sports facility?	Apr 16, 2014 8:59 PM	
18	Upfront capital costs to do this are a negative, only seems reasonable if there can be an ongoing cash surplus to cover that can pay back the costs of doing this.	Apr 16, 2014 4:15 PM	
19	Modernization of the club house and showers/change rooms would be good. Expanding the pro shop with more products eg clothing. Adding a gym and cafe may attract more people to Mitchell Park creating more revenue.	Apr 14, 2014 3:51 PM	
20	Also too expensive and not making good use of the area	Apr 10, 2014 11:07 AM	
21	superficially this sounds an excellent idea but the devil will be in the detail. If it can be done with modest capital investment this should be done.	Apr 10, 2014 10:11 AM	
22	Keeping the courts at Mitchell Park (and current access) is the highest priority. Club house can be scaled back to minimise costs.	Apr 9, 2014 7:54 PM	
23	Opportunity to establish a modern fit for purpose amenity. Less overheads.	Apr 9, 2014 7:30 PM	
24	It's old and smelly as it is and I would not spend any time in there as it is.	Apr 9, 2014 6:47 PM	
25	what does this exactly mean - if all the same services can be provided in a smaller venue then yes	Apr 9, 2014 6:35 PM	
26	Avoid spending big \$ on retro-fitting; Probably cheaper to demolish and start from scratch to suit multi-users. Look at commercial return / management of facility	Apr 9, 2014 2:08 PM	
27	The location and number of courts is great. With an upgraded (but more modest) building it would be even better.	Apr 9, 2014 1:40 PM	
28	This would need to include sustainable ventures such as cafe, possibly other retail, to make it worthwhile financially	Apr 9, 2014 9:48 AM	
29	If this was necessary to retain the facility, it would be preferable to losing it.	Apr 9, 2014 9:46 AM	
30	Need to be sure that there are cost benefits and what the venue is going to be used for.	Apr 9, 2014 8:34 AM	
31	Difficult to do with no money, but sensible in the long tern in the interests of maintaining the facility.	Apr 9, 2014 8:03 AM	
32	It feels to me like there is too much tennis capability in the Hutt Valley. Perhaps some rationalisation is needed. This option provides no rationalisation.	Apr 8, 2014 11:23 PM	
33	I think a clubhouse the size of Wainuiomata or Lower Hutt would be sufficient. Perhaps with a rooftop viewing area. Vending machines could provide snacks and non-alcoholic drinks.	Apr 8, 2014 11:02 PM	

Page 3	Page 3, Q3. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 2:			
"Re-de	"Re-develop the Mitchell Park club house to become a more efficient, modest building"			
34	Most cost effective and best use of all 13 courts.	Apr 8, 2014 10:08 PM		
35	Great idea. Could see place really humming as hub for hvt. Bigger pro shop. Fantastic coaching facility.	Apr 8, 2014 8:53 PM		
36	Costs main concern	Apr 8, 2014 8:01 PM		
37	Most sensible approach. Should also review business house - currently may be a disincentive to club membership and question if usage has a fair cost v club members levies. Maybe increase costs for this usage.	Apr 8, 2014 7:43 PM		
38	no. costs more money .	Apr 8, 2014 1:38 PM		
39	Very old building so ongoing high maintenance costs. Would like to see a more modern building erected with nicer facilities.	Apr 8, 2014 11:19 AM		
40	This would depend on tenure related issues.	Apr 8, 2014 10:42 AM		
41	The clubroom is great as it is. I believe it is not being used to it's potential, and options for hiring the rooms as venues should be considered. It would be better to re-develop the court area so that all of them are covered. This way tennis could be played year-round and a good facility could potentially draw in all sorts of tennis events.	Apr 7, 2014 7:55 PM		
42	the squash courts are definately not needed	Apr 7, 2014 6:24 PM		
43	Best idea as I would still like MP to be separate to any Tennis Club	Apr 7, 2014 10:56 AM		
44	A new club house with improved spectator options with modern amenities. Reducing the number of courts presently in use would be beneficial.	Apr 7, 2014 9:41 AM		
45	Demolish existing and build new with no squash, make the complex smaller	Apr 7, 2014 8:30 AM		
46	I am in favor of this Current club house is unattractive to spend time in Cafe/Bar facility may attract new players	Apr 6, 2014 6:23 PM		
47	Something similar to Lower Hutt would reduce running costs	Apr 6, 2014 2:47 PM		
48	This option retains the complex as a venue for interclub, tournaments and business house tennis. The issue will be the ability of HVT to support this option financially.	Apr 6, 2014 2:37 PM		
49	The building liability/ ownership remains with whom? Both the old and the new approach plus operating the building in a different vane.	Apr 6, 2014 11:41 AM		
50	Keeps the 13 courts. Need to ramp up utilisation.	Apr 6, 2014 11:11 AM		
51	Purpose built and smaller - assuming squash moves	Apr 6, 2014 8:55 AM		

Page 3, Q4. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 3:			
"Move Mitchell Park courts to an existing tennis club site"			
1	We need to keep this facility central. it is in a great location currently.	May 13, 2014 10:54 AM	
2	Too much expense with no guaranteed outcome	May 9, 2014 9:54 AM	
3	Lets see the options!	May 5, 2014 9:38 PM	
4	This is probably the best location of them all. Why give it up? Sure more parking would help but there is room for this	Apr 30, 2014 1:12 PM	
5	A great faciiltiy will be lost.	Apr 30, 2014 10:55 AM	
6	maybe but not sure this would work in terms of parociolism	Apr 28, 2014 9:40 AM	
7	Once lost this would never be replaced - NOT AN OPTION	Apr 27, 2014 11:29 AM	
8	This would create future conflicts. The venue would not be neutral.	Apr 27, 2014 9:46 AM	
9	Don't support any of the options involving losing Mitchell Park.	Apr 23, 2014 11:45 AM	
10	I most prefer this option because it will ensure the most extensive use of the facilities and as part of a club maintenance costs an be shared. The Avalon Tennis Club has a large space around it that could be used for this purpose.	Apr 23, 2014 8:28 AM	
11	No suitable location in Hutt Valley	Apr 20, 2014 2:56 PM	
12	only if the club is struggling to exist. Don't move in on a club that is successfully being run and has club members who are utilising their courts	Apr 18, 2014 6:06 PM	
13	To many politics and hoops to jump through	Apr 16, 2014 9:00 PM	
14	This would be very costly?	Apr 16, 2014 8:59 PM	
15	Many advantages if you have sufficient spare land or sufficient courts available at another centrally located club.	Apr 16, 2014 4:15 PM	
16	Not sure if there is an existing tennis club that would be big enough to host all the courts from Mitchell Park.	Apr 14, 2014 3:51 PM	
17	This is in keeping with Sportsville ideals and will benefit everyone. Petone would be the ideal location with the possibility of an indoor court.Land may be available in North Park.	Apr 10, 2014 11:07 AM	
18	There is no comparable tennis site, the reverse idea sounds more feasible.	Apr 10, 2014 10:11 AM	
19	Restricted access will deter players from other clubs.	Apr 9, 2014 7:54 PM	
20	Why, when you have perfectly useable and well maintained courts there now.	Apr 9, 2014 6:47 PM	
21	only site feasible may be Hutt Park, where a larger purpose designed (to international standard) and semi closed in complex could be established. Hutt Park seems a sensible Hub with a reasonably central geographic position to all users.	Apr 9, 2014 2:08 PM	
22	Probably not enough courts to be able to run interclub/rep matches etc	Apr 9, 2014 1:40 PM	

Page 3, Q4. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 3: "Move Mitchell Park courts to an existing tennis club site"		
23	Overcrowding issues at the destination club?	Apr 9, 2014 8:03 AM
24	This could work. Not sure who the existing tennis club would be though.	Apr 8, 2014 11:23 PM
25	What Hutt Valley clubs have enough nearby vacant land? Avalon? Could take land from Avalon Park Petone? Could take land from rugby fields	Apr 8, 2014 11:02 PM
26	this is essentially dissolving Mitchel Park	Apr 8, 2014 10:08 PM
27	Not good. Don't want to lose venue for coaching and interclub/ league play.	Apr 8, 2014 8:53 PM
28	Ok with concept but just concerned around available courts at club	Apr 8, 2014 8:01 PM
29	Not feasible for tournaments as unlikely to provide sufficient courts.	Apr 8, 2014 7:43 PM
30	no. the venue Is perfect. apply for more funding.	Apr 8, 2014 1:38 PM
31	Would be hard to find an existing club that has enough courts. This would also mean the club rescheduling most of its own current usage for members.	Apr 8, 2014 11:19 AM
32	This would create a Renouf Tennis Centre situation, rather than a Club situation. Issues around making courts/facilities available for non-club events i.e. inter-club competitions	Apr 8, 2014 10:42 AM
33	I don't like this idea at all. Mitchell Park is centrally located and a central point for all clubs. I'm assuming you would be looking at Avalon due to the recreation area at Avalon Park. People use this all the time to play volley ball, walk dogs etc. It would be a real shame to lose this area.	Apr 7, 2014 7:55 PM
34	this seems ridiculous and what club has room for 13 more courts	Apr 7, 2014 6:24 PM
35	Personally I don't think this would work as it would just become integrated into the Club of choice	Apr 7, 2014 10:56 AM
36	This would lose the great location of MP	Apr 6, 2014 2:47 PM
37	The astrograss is very difficult to relocate and probably not cost effective. The actual grass is quite cheap. Most of the cost of an astrgrass tennis court is in the franchise margins and the labour cost of installation.	Apr 6, 2014 2:37 PM
38	Mitchell Park was located for its central location. What other club could take an additional 13 court and the responsibility to maintain it.	Apr 6, 2014 11:41 AM
39	No.	Apr 6, 2014 11:11 AM
40	providing there is no loss in facilities or finance	Apr 6, 2014 8:55 AM

Page 3, Q5. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 4: "Move Mitchell Park courts to a new site (not a tennis club), code sharing with other sports" 1 This depends on how many courts would be available and what funding and May 13, 2014 10:54 AM benefits for clubs would be included in this. 2 As above. No reason why you couldn't code share at the existing site if that May 9, 2014 9:54 AM was the preferred option 3 Not really an option at this point! May 5, 2014 9:38 PM 4 If this meant better courts with as much future potential and accessibility as Apr 30, 2014 1:12 PM good as present, then why not 5 Reduces availability of the courts Apr 30, 2014 10:55 AM 6 no i would not play for a club with shared code markings on courts etc.. Apr 28, 2014 9:40 AM 7 Again once lost, never replaced -Apr 27, 2014 11:29 AM 8 This is what the council will want so they (the council should pay). After all, it Apr 27, 2014 9:46 AM is the council who have created the situation by encouraging the squash move away. 9 This is my second option because again, it would promote extensive use of Apr 23, 2014 8:28 AM the facilities and attract people/kids from other codes too. 10 Prefer retention of exiting site: 1. Tradition 2 .Location - central.. protected Apr 20, 2014 2:56 PM from wind and attractive .. both factors important as a location for national and regional tournaments 3. Not clear who would provide the finance for a move - HCC likely to be cash-strapped for years with funding the proposed Petone stadium and completing projects such as Fraser Park Sportsville. 11 It would depend what sport you would be sharing with, sounds very costly -Apr 18, 2014 6:06 PM use a venue that you have already got 12 Would give economies of scale and even attract new players Apr 16, 2014 9:00 PM 13 Yes - but who/what would fund it?. Apr 16, 2014 8:59 PM 14 This has many advantages if the cost of clubhouse facilities, parking etc. can Apr 16, 2014 4:15 PM be shared with other codes. Would likely work especially well with a winter sports code. 15 This would limit the schedule for tennis if shared with other codes as well as Apr 14, 2014 3:51 PM mark the courts. This is a good option as the costs are spread and better utilization of the 16 Apr 10, 2014 11:07 AM courts will result. 17 Code sharing is a good idea, can squash courts be converted to badminton Apr 10, 2014 10:11 AM or indoor basketball or 'bridge' club or new internet gaming clubs (a concept still in infancy). Moving NOT a good idea. 18 Restricted access may deter players. Apr 9, 2014 7:54 PM

If you just changed your coaching options and provided memberships with

Apr 9, 2014 7:30 PM

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This is in line with the Sportsville concept.

Page 3, Q5. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 4:

"Move Mitchell Park courts to a new site (not a tennis club), code sharing with other sports"

21 need facts to evaluate 22 Code sharing will not work. The wider Tennis Community would foster and develop a larger player pool also enticing "opted out" players back into the game through a new start of the art facility. Would also attract players from throughout thegreater Wellington region 23 Many benefits in the way of cost. Not sure about availability of courts when required. 24 Not a bad option to maintain the separate MP club But generally not preferred. Just a bit messy. 25 This is a great idea. Sell up at Mitchell Park and build a smaller tennis capability code sharing with Boulcott Farm Golf Club. 26 Fraser Park ? Hutt Park ? Could use the bar/food facilities at the Hutt Indoor Sports Centre. Plenty of car parks. Closer to "bays" suburbs (Days Bay, Eastbourne, etc) 27 code sharing is difficult during peak times and littigious 28 yes but without the code sharing 29 Not good. Need to maintain soley for tennis venue to grow our sport. We need courts all year round. 30 Dilutes tennis flavour. 31 Some attraction but multi use a turn off. 32 No. 33 It would have to be "shared" with another sport/s, but who?. I would think Netball, hockey, rugby etc require different surfaces than tennis. 34 This could be included in a Sportsville type development. 35 While this may financially make sense, I feel that tennis will continue to compete with other sports if the right facilities are not provided. Covered courts or year round play; enough courts for competition. 36 Join with Boulcotts Farm Golf Course or the fraser park venue 37 Apr 7, 2014 6:36 PM Apr 7, 2014 6:36 PM Apr 7, 2014 6:36 PM Apr 8, 2014 10:38 PM Apr 8, 2014 10:42 AM		after hours accesslike LHTC do then you might improve your member numbers and by default increase your income and profits so you don't need to move.	
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Page 3, Q5. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 4: "Move Mitchell Park courts to a new site (not a tennis club), code sharing with other sports"		
41	Coding sharing requires a lot of planning based upon location of club house to courts.	Apr 6, 2014 11:41 AM
42	Code sharing is not in the best interests of tennis.	Apr 6, 2014 11:11 AM
43	Good if aligned with sportsville and supported by council	Apr 6, 2014 8:55 AM

Page 3, Q6. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 5:		
"Relocate one or more clubs onto the Mitchell Park site"		
1	How would you decide what clubs would be involved in this.	May 13, 2014 10:54 AM
2	If any clubs are willing probably the easiest option to implement (or most cost effective option). Or as per the next option maybe it needs to be a completely new club (which other tennis clubs won't like).	May 9, 2014 9:54 AM
3	Why not, surely the likes of Avalon or Hutt with fewer courts and facilities would be better moving over to Mitchell Park.	May 5, 2014 9:38 PM
4	It's a great sight and if that helped justify the improvements which would make it even better then - sure	Apr 30, 2014 1:12 PM
5	This will ensure the clud and courts are ultilised	Apr 30, 2014 10:55 AM
6	yes as above i the first one	Apr 28, 2014 9:40 AM
7	Would mean the loss of other clubs	Apr 27, 2014 11:29 AM
8	Which clubs would move?	Apr 27, 2014 9:46 AM
9	The clubs already have their history, buildings and communities. I think it would better to build on those than relocate the clubs to a new site that doesn't have any of these things.	Apr 23, 2014 8:28 AM
10	Could work well but only club that seems even a possibility is Avalon. To move Lower Hutt would mean too great a loss of courts in the Hutt Valley. For advantages of having a home club at Mitchell Park, see also the comments on the final option.	Apr 20, 2014 2:56 PM
11	possibility if other clubs are struggling	Apr 18, 2014 6:06 PM
12	Would be conflicts in weekends	Apr 16, 2014 9:00 PM
13	Would the facilities cope with club play and interclub?	Apr 16, 2014 8:59 PM
14	Seems like a sensible way to cover clubhouse operational costs, however will likely to lead to scheduling clashes with club days and interclub matches.	Apr 16, 2014 4:15 PM
15	This is feasible seeing as Mitchell Park has enough courts to host at least 2 clubs.	Apr 14, 2014 3:51 PM
16	This would not work as Mitchell Park is mainly utilized on the Weekends, restricting club play on weekends.	Apr 10, 2014 11:07 AM
17	Yes this is a good idea, for cost sharing. What happened to all the good folk at Glenn Iris?	Apr 10, 2014 10:11 AM
18	Restricted access will deter players from other clubs.	Apr 9, 2014 7:54 PM
19	Could solve the problem of dwindling membership in some clubs.	Apr 9, 2014 7:30 PM
20	Yes, a good option worth considering.	Apr 9, 2014 6:47 PM
21	Sharing is always a good base - but not if it severely limits current users	Apr 9, 2014 6:35 PM
22	Mitchell Park is under0utilised apart from Summer interclub.Clubs need to	Apr 9, 2014 2:08 PM

Page 3, Q6. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 5:

"Relocate one or more clubs onto the Mitchell Park site"

	find large sums of cash to keep up with building and court maitainence. If the joint efforts of fundraising were put inot one facility a better overall bang for the buck could be achieved.	
23	Could be good for clubs that are struggling with maintaining their own facilities/courts. Will bring in more revenue.	Apr 9, 2014 1:40 PM
24	Good option if there are a couple of smaller, less financial clubs who will benefit from this. If not, then potential overcrowding issue again?	Apr 9, 2014 8:03 AM
25	If this involved selling up existing club premises and rationalising on Mitchel Park this is a good idea.	Apr 8, 2014 11:23 PM
26	If the land at Mitchell Park is wanted by the hospital I suspect there is little long term certainty over the use of Mitchell Park.	Apr 8, 2014 11:02 PM
27	Which club would want to move there? How will it affect its membership prices to make up for the cost of running the place?	Apr 8, 2014 10:08 PM
28	Ok option if it means keeping venue just for tennis.we want to encourage growth in participation numbers.	Apr 8, 2014 8:53 PM
29	Some attraction as would help with costs. Glen Iris looked a this but was not supported by other clubs.	Apr 8, 2014 7:43 PM
30	This could be an option.	Apr 8, 2014 1:38 PM
31	Ask for "registrations of interest" from other clubs first. You need to see if this is even an option.	Apr 8, 2014 11:19 AM
32	This would depend on tenure related issues.	Apr 8, 2014 10:42 AM
33	This is also a possibility with many clubs struggling for volunteers and members. I would like to see facilities that bring the community together, and give the kids something to do not only for practice nights and Saturday morning interclub, etc., but Friday night round robins, a pool table, and fish and chip night. You would be amazed how many parents are looking for somewhere safe for their teens to go. This would definitely attract numbers.	Apr 7, 2014 7:55 PM
34	Seems the most realistic option. I can see it working out	Apr 7, 2014 6:24 PM
35	Which club would want to go? Not Muritai.	Apr 7, 2014 10:56 AM
36	If this is a realistic option then it is worth considering	Apr 7, 2014 9:41 AM
37	This would still leave the problem of running the expensive complex building	Apr 6, 2014 2:47 PM
38	The existing clubs are based on local communities. It is difficult to think of a club which would want to move to Mitchell Park.	Apr 6, 2014 2:37 PM
39	The reduction of tennis numbers makes this option less likely.	Apr 6, 2014 11:41 AM
40	Looks difficult.	Apr 6, 2014 11:11 AM
41	Would need to be at club request	Apr 6, 2014 8:55 AM

Page 3, Q7. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 6:			
"Create a completely new club at Mitchell Park"			
1	Waste of money.	May 13, 2014 10:54 AM	
2	Will not help relations with other clubs in the HVTA catchment	May 9, 2014 9:54 AM	
3	WHY?	May 5, 2014 9:38 PM	
4	It's not about the club, its about the facility. This is an impressive - hard to beat site and location	Apr 30, 2014 1:12 PM	
5	Exisintg clubs will probably suffer due to reduced numbers and may struggle to survive	Apr 30, 2014 10:55 AM	
6	yes as above in the first but create a Hutt valley club and other clubs are feeder clubs? similar to soccer so Hutt Valley could always have a strong regional one team represemntation etc etc	Apr 28, 2014 9:40 AM	
7	Again would mean losses of members from other clubs who are already struggling to retain membership	Apr 27, 2014 11:29 AM	
8	How would this be achieved?	Apr 27, 2014 9:46 AM	
9	I least support this option because I think there are already enough clubs around. Also, this option will result in players/supporters leaving their current local clubs and I think it will weaken tennis if the players/supporters are spread thinly across many clubs.	Apr 23, 2014 8:28 AM	
10	A real possibility. Like option for moving a club to MP, this would overcome the lack of involvement with Mitchell Park. The Masterton Club in the Wairarapa is a good example of a centre that is a regional facility, with court development in the past supported financially by other Wairarapa clubs, but with the advantage that the facility is managed by a home club (including bar facilities, the revenue from which goes to the Masterton Club).	Apr 20, 2014 2:56 PM	
11	if other clubs aren't surviving, this could be an option	Apr 18, 2014 6:06 PM	
12	Another chance to consider some covered courts.	Apr 17, 2014 1:02 PM	
13	Possible	Apr 16, 2014 9:00 PM	
14	As above	Apr 16, 2014 8:59 PM	
15	Hard yards to create a completely new and financially viable club from scratch, especially when you have other existing clubs in close geographical proximity.	Apr 16, 2014 4:15 PM	
16	This is feasible. Turning Mitchell Park from a host venue to a club could be a good thing.	Apr 14, 2014 3:51 PM	
17	There are enough clubs in the Valley.	Apr 10, 2014 11:07 AM	
18	Unless tennis in NZ gets a resurgency this would be hard for a traditional type of tennis club. This is meritorius idea which would need to have a point of difference perhaps, with some casual public courts, some kids games courts (games that need a fenced space), etc.	Apr 10, 2014 10:11 AM	
19	Redevelop the club. Turn it into a racquet club with indoor courts. Sell	Apr 10, 2014 8:50 AM	

Page 3, Q7. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 6:

"Create a completely new club at Mitchell Park"

	shares to founding members \$1000 then annual mbship fees. Make the complex the best racquet facility south of Akld. In door out door courts, gym, lounge bar etc.	
20	Similar to option 2. Viable if costs kept down.	Apr 9, 2014 7:54 PM
21	Yesimprove what you have on offer. There's plenty of families and schools as well that might take the opportunities if you offered them, at reasonable costs. Our school doesn't even promote or offer tennis and we are Central Lower Hutt based. We have no tennis courts!	Apr 9, 2014 6:47 PM
22	need to know how this could work	Apr 9, 2014 6:35 PM
23	Should a new muti use facility be built, this would be seen as a new club / Hub.Still a good option to develop this idea. May-be the Hutt Valley is too small to accomodate the amount of existing clubs. Only juniors in a couple of cases have a rising membership.	Apr 9, 2014 2:08 PM
24	Could have negative impact on other clubs. Still need to upgrade facilities at MP.	Apr 9, 2014 1:40 PM
25	Depends if there is a market and you dont take members at the expense of other clubs. Maybe you need to consider your service proposition statemeng and what the venue is there for and cater for wider activities. Therd are lots of senior club players in the hutt mitchell park offers nothing to that segment.	Apr 9, 2014 8:34 AM
26	Not sure. New club will likely not bring in any more significant income to secure the club, than the existing Or will it?	Apr 9, 2014 8:03 AM
27	It may not work but if it did it would probably cause other clubs to close. Effectively option 5 but sneakier.	Apr 8, 2014 11:23 PM
28	If the land at Mitchell Park is wanted by the hospital I suspect there is little long term certainty over the use of Mitchell Park.	Apr 8, 2014 11:02 PM
29	Do we have members for another large club in LH? Petone (medium), LH (large) and Avalon (large) cater reasonably well. I don't think we need another club.	Apr 8, 2014 10:08 PM
30	Good option if it means keeping venue just for tennis. Would be better to build new clubhouse and keep all courts.	Apr 8, 2014 8:53 PM
31	Why? The problem is clubs losing members so some would need to fold. Better to run with Opt 5	Apr 8, 2014 7:43 PM
32	No	Apr 8, 2014 1:38 PM
33	I think Tennis Clubs are struggling all round at the moment and by doing this it could weaken other local clubs. Tennis needs to increase its exposure and attract new members to the sport before this can happen.	Apr 8, 2014 11:19 AM
34	This would depend on tenure related issues.	Apr 8, 2014 10:42 AM
35	This could work, but you will find that many of the clubs will close. They are already running on the smell of an oily rag, and are struggling to find volunteers and to generate interest.	Apr 7, 2014 7:55 PM

Page 3, Q7. Please provide any comments or questions you might have about option 6: "Create a completely new club at Mitchell Park"			
36	It would be good to get new courts.	Apr 7, 2014 6:29 PM	
37	I dont want everyone to just move to mitchell park it could affect current clubs badly in terms of members	Apr 7, 2014 6:24 PM	
38	Too expensive and not necessary; Glen iris weren't able to do this.	Apr 7, 2014 10:56 AM	
39	This would depend if the new club was privately or publicly funded	Apr 7, 2014 9:41 AM	
40	This would only be sustainable if the building was changed to reduce running costs	Apr 6, 2014 2:47 PM	
41	Membership of a new club at Mitchell Park would probably draw a significant part of its membership from existing clubs. It would also offend other clubs in terms of the loss of the interclub facility and a venue for tournaments.	Apr 6, 2014 2:37 PM	
42	The reduction of tennis numbers makes this option less likely unless it affects other clubs.	Apr 6, 2014 11:41 AM	
43	How does the pay-as-you-go model integrate with this. Current facility encapsulates this whereas a new club may have difficulty achieving it.	Apr 6, 2014 11:11 AM	

Page 3,	Q8. Please provide any further general comments or questions.	
1	The current facilities for tennis can be downsized without bowling the building. The pro shop could be expanded and/or form part of a commercial lease. Whether the squash courts are turned into offices or used for indoor training (any sport) could be decided based on the best yield	Apr 28, 2014 5:33 PM
2	think big to attactanything else will wither and die eventuallyAuckland waterfront stadium v Eden Park? bet theres a few short sighted [people wishing they had not waisted that opportunity	Apr 28, 2014 9:40 AM
3	If Mitchelle Park is going to be continued/redeveloped or re-located, it needs to be done so that the most benefit to the most tennis players can occur. Its important for the future of the game that the younger tennis players are developed and one aspect of this is giving the younger players good Courts to play and train on.	Apr 23, 2014 8:28 AM
4	The long-term future of tennis at Mitchell Park could be enhanced by moving a club there. Without this, there seems a need for professional management of the facility as a whole, including all coaching and tournament play at that site, as there seems an ever-dwindling pool of candidates for the HVT management committee, who are often required to take on the day-to-day management issues that might be appropriate within their own clubs, but are additional and often very time-consuming roles in the case of operations at Mitchell Park. In an era of increasingly professionalised sports administration, the current model for managing the Mitchell Park site is likely to be outdated and unsustainable. A Sportsville type of approach is one alternative, but the move of both squash and bowls from the area makes this impracticable. So: 1. A club on the site, either new or an existing club OR 2. A pared-down facility, the entire management of which is contracted out. HVT management committee assumes in future its proper role of governance only.	Apr 20, 2014 2:56 PM
5	Mitchell Park is a great location, been a place where coaching, business house, interclub utilises the courts - it would be a shame for these tennis courts not to exist	Apr 18, 2014 6:06 PM
6	Just the current set up is not acceptable. The existing courts would also need investment. Tennis could actually grow with top notch facilities. Wellington club facilities are generally far superiror to Hutt Valley	Apr 16, 2014 9:00 PM
7	I think the decisions to be made on the future of Mitchell Park will have far- reaching consequences and will have to be made with future tennis needs in mind.	Apr 16, 2014 8:59 PM
8	I think Mitchell Park is a great location and very central to the Hutt.	Apr 14, 2014 3:51 PM
9	We would like Mitchell Park to join Petone Sportsville and look at indoor courts.	Apr 10, 2014 11:07 AM
10	would like to be advised of results of this survey, and would like to be kept up to date with what MAJOR decisions get made on Mitchell Parks future.	Apr 10, 2014 10:11 AM
11	Questions should be asked of the council/Sportsville backer if their actions result in the closure of such an important facility. This surely would not be consistent with the purpose of Sportsville.	Apr 9, 2014 7:54 PM
12	Improve what you offer, for families what LHTC is offering - and probably other Lower Hutt clubs is more than you are offering, and I think you should go down that same path, def for summer coaching.	Apr 9, 2014 6:47 PM

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