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23569	<p>As I work within close proximity to these changing rooms, they affect me quite closely. Customers from my workplace use them regularly. In the summer especially, the changing facility is not properly checked up on. The level of hygiene in them is despicable. The locks may as well be non-existent, but at the same time a small handful of people have been locked in them, so not sure how that has been possible. So a better lock system would be great, regular upkeep of the changing rooms is also suggested, with a better system to keep the water draining from the floor. Also, as people using them are fresh out of the ocean, therefore bring a lot of water into the facility.</p>	<p>Something subtle that doesn't stand out too much, a nice nature mural with simple tones nothing too outrageous.</p>	Brittany Andrews	
23590	<p>I think the Installation of a Changing Facility in Sumner is a good idea and something that has been needed for a while on this part of the beach.</p> <p>However I do not agree with the position of them. The position suggested looks like a temporary location tacked onto the end of the park. I think they would look better tucked in by the toilets and amongst the trees. Some trees would need to be removed but I don't have a problem with this.</p>	<p>A mural with a Sea/Surf scene similar to Taylors Mistake would be good.</p>	Sandra O'Neill	
23672	<p>Always nice to have better facilities.</p> <p>I stop here about once a month to use the toilet.</p> <p>It needs to be open 24/7.</p> <p>The toilets at surf club building get locked for some reason.</p> <p>Also need hand washing liquid. Not good enough to build a new facility without hand washing liquid refreshed regularly.</p>	<p>Shower for swimmers and surfers.</p>	Sue Cooke	
23674	<p>Toilets needed there with the changing rooms, sorry if they're already planned there.</p> <p>I love modern arty buildings.</p>	<p>Make the walls graffiti walls so people can change them frequently with their person art.</p>	Paddy Brocherie	
23742	<p>As this is in the direct view from our house, it would be great to have something which either blends in with the environment or is fun and contemporary (doesn't look like it's done on a budget).</p>	<p>It would be great to see a local contemporary artist paint a mural wrapping around the entire facility (similar to the style of the new mural on the wall by Joes Garage Sumner) - something simple and fun which blends in with the natural environment and suits the surf community. An actual image or photograph will lack in character and look tacky I believe - Cedar screening or even a single bright colour over the whole thing would be preferable to this.</p>	Ruby Morgan-Potts	
23796	<p>Not sure if this is the best location. It may encourage swimming in an area unpatrolled over the summer. It won't be used by most surfers, who currently have no issues with changing in the most discrete way of course, immediately by their car and surfboards. + Cheers Al, Long time Sumner Lifeguard.</p>		Alastair Malcolm	

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23798	<p>I do not support this proposal for the following reasons:</p> <p>This should not be a temporary facility either by use or by design intent.</p> <p>There is a need for more, up to date, accessible toilets, change rooms on their own are of marginal value. My 86 year old mother who lives with us has very limited options for accessible toilets, which as we live so close to the beach is a real loss of amenity for her.</p> <p>If a temporary solution is all that the Council Officers will support, then a port-a-cabin toilet block will be far more use to the local community and visitors to our beaches.</p> <p>Kind Regards</p>	<p>Whatever the external look likes, the more temporary the building solution the more certain it is that it will be vandalised.</p>	Malin Zachau	
23816	<p>The design looks like it lacks privacy.</p> <p>The entranceway allows someone to see part way into the cubical, to the point that the only 'safe' place to stand is right in the corner of the bench, away from the entranceway.</p> <p>With drones and selfie sticks etc. being so common I'd also feel uncomfortable with the lack of even a rudimentary roof.</p> <p>Rotating the benches 90° should provide more non-visible space for changing.</p> <p>An elevated roof, maybe corrugated pvc or the likes, like the recently demolished changing shed in New Brighton would be reassuring while allowing light in.</p>		Anna-Maria Covich	
23818	<p>I surf regularly at Sumner and in the winter often wish there was access to hot showers there.</p> <p>A simple coin operated system attached to this block would be so awesome.</p> <p>So many people surf all year round and we all shiver out of our wetsuits at cars.</p> <p>In summer we can rinse in the cold water showers and then carry on with going to work etc. but in winter need to head home for a hot one.</p> <p>I realise it would need to be coin or card operated (like a parking meter I guess) which would be fine!</p>		Sylvia Smyth	
23844	<p>I have lived close to the site on the Esplanade for 39 years.</p> <p>The changing facility has my full approval.</p> <p>Beachgoers and surfers need a place to change and especially with school children of any age with the learn to surf programme based close by.</p> <p>Unfortunately the skate ramp did not happen so use this area for some good.</p>	<p>Keep in the same theme - waves and surfers and swimmers.</p>	Peter Bradley	
23936	<p>I like that the changing facility is relocatable.</p> <p>I think this is important, as the area is likely to be affected by sea level rise due to climate change.</p> <p>From the diagram, there does not appear to be any doors but I think each changing space should have a door.</p> <p>Without a door, I don't think they will be well used because people may be interrupted while changing if someone comes in without realising the space is in use.</p>	<p>Something reflecting the local marine life.</p>	Arthur McGregor	
23960	<p>Would like to see internal showers where people can rinse off in private as outside you can't get the sand etc. out of certain areas.</p> <p>This is why I don't swim in the sea anymore.</p> <p>They used to be inside in the good old days, why not today?</p>		Anderw Driver	
23962	<p>A roof on the changing rooms would be a good idea!</p> <p>The design is also rather uninspiring.</p>	<p>A collaboration artwork by local artists would be nice.</p>	Jo Spillane	
23976	<p>This is a great project that will be an excellent addition to the area - although a little more detail on the images would be great.</p>	<p>Wooden walls or some sort of native plants.</p>	Aaron Tunnicliff	

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23989	<p>Long overdue but I welcome this new facility, particularly with the added pressure of the surf school close by.</p> <p>The current toilets are totally inadequate to meet demand. There should be at least four &amp; made into unisex. The other option is to make the current two toilets unisex &amp; include toilets with the new changing facilities.</p>	<p>Surfing is such a huge part of Sumner with the backdrop of the alps.</p> <p>One wall could have a surfer similar to the Taylors Mistake one. Another wall with the ocean stretching to snow covered mountains &amp; a breaking set of waves void of people.</p>	Raymond Button	NA
24029	<p>I think having a changing facility almost like what is in place at the botanical gardens would be great in Sumner, as this would provide a place for surfers to get changed rather than on the street, particularly when the weather isn't great. You definitely need to maintain the facilities though, as those toilets that exist currently near the beach the lock on the Male toilets has been broken most of the summer - I am surprised that this hasn't been picked up when these toilets are cleaned.</p>	<p>Something that blends in and represents the community. Maybe a surf artist could create something unique.</p>	Ian Burton	
24043	<p>Great idea.</p>	<p>I'd prefer something that blends in, like a digital wrap photo of bush or treescape.</p>	Julie Young	An Esplanade property owner
24060	<p>I walk passed this area several times each day and agree changing sheds are a good idea.</p> <p>However, I strongly disagree with the proposed siting of them. The changing facility is needed for surfers almost exclusively. Virtually no swimmers start from this area. The main surf school which is about 80 - 100 meters to the east, is the main user of the toilets/showers and the changing rooms need to be closer to this. Around the current toilets, possibly in the bushes there is ample room for the changing facility. It would be a real shame if it just goes where it's planned in a beautiful grassed area used all the time by families.</p>	<p>Some of the proposals I've read about sound good.</p>	Owen Blockley	
24171	<p>As the whole esplanade is used to access the beach by surfers, ideally there would be several changing and fresh water shower facilities located near the access ramps to the beach or stairs over the sea wall.</p> <p>In summer the esplanade is packed from one end to the other by surfers and beach goers, I feel like it's worth some proper investment as surfing is only getting more popular.</p>	<p>Surf etiquette guidelines, water and rip safety.</p>	David Tyson	
24175	<p>I do not feel that putting a set of changing sheds to entice people to swim is a good idea, unless additional services are looked in to in regard to lifeguard services. Please think long and hard about what has happened in the area within the last 18 months, and the report that was commission by the CCC in regarding to signage service and other interventions on a dynamic bit of coastline. Now you're asking people to swim in the only area in the CCC catchment that doesn't have a patrol service when the council has provided facilities. Also, how much are the local businesses who operate in that area supporting this, as their customers will be the majority of the users.</p>	<p>No, I assume someone with a design background will get it right.</p>	Stu Bryce	
24187	<p>I feel a tin shed will not withstand the ocean environment or vandals. I can't see the point in making it movable, make something long lasting.</p>	<p>Ocean or palm tree, native scene.</p>	Katherine Edyvean	
24197	<p>Great initiative. It does look very temporary, but better than nothing.</p>	<p>On the internal walls, can you have plenty of hooks for towels and clothes?</p>	Philippa Curtis	
24209	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Need to be totally relocatable</li> <li>2. Re the above, need to be able to be lifted by HIAB crane truck. Dimensions to fit truck, include lifting eyes, able to be bolted below ground to mounting block</li> <li>3. There is also a need for changing facilities near the beach restaurant</li> <li>4. Plan shows Esplanade Road. There is no road in Esplanade.</li> </ol>	<p>Nautical scenes, sunrise, anchored ships etc.</p>	Jens Christensen	

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24248	<p>I do not support this structure being installed.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Apart from the surf businesses can you please advise who has been advocating the need for changing rooms in this location?</li> <li>2. The location is by one of the more dangerous parts of Scarborough beach. Sadly people have drowned whilst swimming near this location. It is inappropriate and unsafe to provide a facility that will encourage people to use the beach in this area for swimming, particularly as these facilities are more likely to be used by inexperienced swimmers rather than experienced surfers.</li> <li>3. As a regular user of the beach there is limited parking near this location and what is there is the most popular as this is the location for both surf schools. It is unlikely that regular surfers, will walk from Hardwick St or Menzies St to use this facility.</li> <li>4. Why is this designed as a temporary facility?</li> <li>5. With an open sides, and from the information provided no roof, how does this facility pass a CPTED review, particularly from a voyeur perspective?</li> <li>6. Given that the public toilets, rather than change areas are the issue in this area what will be done to prevent these facilities becoming a Pissotière. (Open urinal)?</li> <li>7. What plans are in place to prevent this tin shed becoming a trust Tinnie house?</li> </ol> <p>Many Thanks</p>	<p>This facility is conceptually flawed and nothing will make it look like something other than what it is - a temporary, ill conceived solution to a perceived rather than actual problem.</p> <p>The best thing would be to go back to the drawing board and devise a practical, permanent solution.</p> <p>Thanks</p>	Tim Anthon	
24298	<p>The proposed location is inappropriate, that area of lawn is well utilised by people having picnics etc. I also doubt the need for the changing sheds, as it encourages swimmers at a non-patrolled beach. If the sheds are required, they would be better placed beside the toilet block or in the area behind instead of that random sculpture.</p>	Razor Robertson and Robin Judkins. A couple of great Sumner residents.	Craig Redmond	
24327	<p>I think the proposed changing facility are a good idea, but would like to complain about the toilet facility.....</p> <p>The old toilet block was 100% better!!!!</p> <p>The latest one is always in a disgusting state and only has one male and one female toilet.</p>		Heather Seaton	
24360	<p>Good idea, not sure about the site, looks temporary and not well thought through. The actual design is AWFUL. As someone else commented, it looks like a tin shed.</p>	Nothing, as the whole design should be scrapped and started again with some careful thought.	Mette Kristiansen	
24363	<p>This looks ridiculously cheap and tacky, from the material of the walls to the idea to put imagery on the outside. I feel like a 'fall mat' would be stolen like everything else is in Sumner these days.</p>	I would like the structure to be made of wood in keeping with the natural theme of Sumner/the Surf Lifesaving Club etc.	Nicole Hughes	
24422	<p>Doesn't seem to look very substantial a structure - is this going to be durable enough to resist the attentions of afterhours hooligans? Appreciate it is probably intended to be a fairly modest structure, but this is one of Christchurch's most popular beaches, and it would make sense to have something that will last the distance rather than looking like a temp structure. How will CPTED issues be addressed? Is there going to be any lighting on the area? Subtle uplighting on the graphics on the walls on strips under the walls could make it a bit more engaging at night and in the off-season + allow people to see if they are occupied.</p>	Historic photos of the beach area would be cool - even sketches from early colonial times. Failing that get a street artist to do a wraparound mural of a colourful beach related art piece - nature theme - native coastal birds are probably a safe bet?	Gabriel Ross	

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24480	<p>I think you need additional toilets</p> <p>Graffiti protective paints or a mural (not orange) - Neutral or natural colour</p> <p>It would have been preferable adjoining existing block</p> <p>Have you consulted potential users??</p>	<p>Graffiti protective paint (not orange like I have seen elsewhere)</p> <p>A Mural can be a deterrent</p> <p>Use natural color's if possible to blend with foliage.</p>	Margaret Joblin	
24499	<p>Changing facility with no means to lock the space while changing is not a good option. Doors with simple sliding locks and Engaged/Vacant indication will provide both privacy for person already inside and certainty for the person outside waiting to have a change.</p>	<p>Surfing or marine wildlife themed graffiti/street art would be ideal.</p>	Peter Pletnyakov	
24530	<p>I feel strongly that enough thought has not been put into the location of the proposed facility. The grassed area chosen is very popular as a picnic/sunbathing/relaxation area. It is also a visually attractive entrance for visitors and residents approaching the pathways to the beach. The changing sheds would certainly detract from that image were they to be placed on your proposed location near the road.</p> <p>There are many open spaces around the existing toilet block that are closer to the showers, toilets and beach access ramps. These would meet any perceived safety/openness requirements. There is a concrete slab area next to the showers which is wasted space and could be suitable, thereby incorporating the structure to appear as part of the existing toilet/shower area rather than having a stand-alone intrusive structure in the middle of a well-used lawn and constant foot traffic. There is also enough space in a very unkempt garden area adjoining the pathway to the beach ramp where surfers and swimmers exit the promenade.</p> <p>I do hope consideration will be given to locate the changing facility closer to the promenade wall in a less 'in-your-face' space thereby retaining the pleasant aesthetics on the roadside area of a very busy part of the Esplanade.</p>	<p>Something that reflects our beautiful environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- sea, hills, sky.</li> <li>- Fish, rock pools and birds.</li> </ul>	Joy Brugh	
24596	<p>The proposed position of the facility could be placed in a less public place. It does need to be seen, but where it seems to be going is a spacious, green stretch of picnic suitable lawn!</p> <p>Could it not be moved further back seaward, near to the toilets and path?</p>	<p>Any beach/bird/wildlife mural...colourful and funky!</p>	Gay Syme	
24632	<p>Great to see more facilities BUT more toilets are also required. Please consider altering the current two toilets to unisex and altering their design to fit in a third toilet- I'm sure there's plenty of room.</p>	<p>Any sea theme or wild life associated with marine environment.</p>	Margaret Button	

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24656	<p>There is a definite need for changing facilities in this area. Thanks for the opportunity to provide feedback. I operate Learn to Surf the surf school in close proximity to this area. My comments about the proposed design are as follows :-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Size of cubicles is quite small, only room for one person at a time, what about increasing the size to allow for families. Also even one person needs quite a bit of room when trying to pry off a wetsuit.</li> <li>2. Location, proposed location has quite a large visual impact on the area, perhaps under the tree's behind the existing building would be better.</li> <li>3. Shelter from rain. The surf in Sumner is often best in a cold wet southerly. A roof or even sun sail would be nice to provide a dry area to change.</li> <li>4. Cladding, plywood cladding could look good. It would be nice to keep the design or look in line with some of the great new buildings in Sumner like the Sumner Surf Club. Perhaps woodplanks but perhaps this is too expensive?</li> <li>5. Graffiti, how will this structure be protected from graffiti?</li> <li>6. Surfboard rack, where do you put your board when getting changed? On the grass is fine but perhaps a simple surfboard rack on the outside could be a nice 36touch. See attached for a couple of ideas.</li> <li>7. Hooks inside for towels and clothes.</li> </ol> <p>*See <b>Attachment A</b></p>	<p>On the outside a mural or work from local artists like Kees Bruin or Bradley King would be great. This could also be the ideal location for an information board / map with info about the local area and location of local businesses (Sumner Business group would probably be keen to get involved on this). Good place for Safety Info too like the "Rips" sign that Coastal ranges put up this summer.</p> <p>*See <b>Attachment A</b></p>	Aaron Lock	Professional Surf Coaching Ltd
24743	<p>Think they would be better situated closer to the Surf School as it is the surfers who use the toilet block.</p>	Not really	Gail Halvorsen	
24745	<p>I would like to state at the outset of this submission that, firstly, I am a long time surfer and member of the Sumner surfing community and secondly we are affected neighbours.</p> <p>Rightly or wrongly, I see the drivers for erecting changing sheds as the vastly increased activity levels of a commercial operation on public/council land i.e. surf school.</p> <p>Rightly or wrongly, I see a hastily prepared response/reaction to a commercial operation out stripping and/or over running the terms of the current lease arrangements.</p> <p>I understand the lease terms are up for renewal, which I would hope will require a greater level of control by the council and compliance by the operator.</p> <p>On the face of it the council seems to be, fully or partially, facilitating a commercial operator by providing changing sheds.</p> <p>There is no such facility at the clock tower end of the beach, which has a swimming pool and playground with its associated intensity of use.</p> <p>I want to strongly reiterate that I do not oppose a surf school operating at Scarborough Beach but I would like to be given an opportunity to submit my concerns and suggestions around intensity and duration of operation.</p>	<p>Style of construction current presentation looks totally inappropriate for immediate environment.</p> <p>A circular form would be softer on landscape. Wooden or natural cladding would be more sympathetic to environs.</p> <p>A would be a strong advocate for the existing toilet block being revamped and/or remodelled which would have much less visual impact on space proposed.</p>	[Name provided]	

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24746	<p>I can only assume the main driver wanting changing sheds in this area between Stoke and Mariner Streets is the Surf School (Learn to Surf) Business.</p> <p>In the past 4 - 5 years this commercial business has vastly increased its activity levels on public/council land.</p> <p>Changing Sheds</p> <p>There is a high density of people, families, swimmers and surfers utilising the Scarborough (Clock Tower End) of the beach. Why is there not a plan to put changing sheds here.</p> <p>Why is there a focus of changing sheds at Mariner Street?</p> <p>Style of construction current presentation is not environmentally considerate. There is nothing nearby of a similar construction style nor material.</p> <p>Current toilet block could be utilised and/or remodelled. The existing toilets are not great, often dirty and lacking care. 2 Toilets are not efficient for the numbers of Surf School people, public swimmers and surfers for this area.</p> <p>I totally believe if changing rooms are to be built, build them with some environmental aesthetic consideration for this area please. We are a seaside village.</p>	<p>My SOLUTION IDEA - The Commercial operator of the Learn to Surf School could erect his own temporary/daily "Easy-Up" changing facility as he already uses his own Easy-Ups on the grassed area.</p> <p>If changing rooms are to be erected, please consider a softer shape, clad in a natural timber that is more environmentally pleasing other than what is proposed. Painting a mural on the cladding is not a great disguise sorry.</p>	[Name provided]	
24753	<p>I would prefer the structure to be located next to the existing toilet. This would require claiming a small area of garden, but I don't have a problem with that. I also think the design is pretty average and would like to see something a bit more innovative, like a simple circular structure divided down the middle with two separate entrances. I think something like that would look good painted up with colourful graphics in keeping with the area.</p>	<p>A colourful mural depicting local scenes e.g. Ocean, garden, landscapes.</p>	Rob O'Neill	

Attachments

Attachment A – Submission 24656 – A Lock - Professional Surf Coaching Ltd

