

**WHANGAREI DISTRICT COUNCIL  
WHALE TAIL PARK PLAYGROUND CASE STUDY**

# A SPLASH OF FUN

**A once-loved local playground was in desperate need of a rescue. But with a little imagination and a lot of community spirit, Whale Tail Park has been given a new lease on life.**

Whangarei City Council was faced with the challenge of revitalizing the aging Whale Tail Park playground in Ngunguru. The playground had reached the end of its lifespan, suffering from deteriorating equipment, increasing maintenance costs, and inadequate drainage. These issues resulted in waterlogging, safety concerns, and a decline in playground

usage, negatively impacting the community's enjoyment of the space. The council sought a solution that would not only address these problems but also create a vibrant and engaging play area for the local community.

The Council partnered with Park Supplies & Playgrounds to transform Whale Tail

Park into a fresh new and modern play space. The project involved a complete overhaul of the playground, including the installation of new and exciting equipment, addressing the drainage issues, and creating a safe and inviting environment.

To ensure the new playground met the community's needs, local school children were





involved in selecting the initial design. Their valuable input was instrumental in helping to create a final design that caters to children of all ages and abilities.

Whale Tail Park's iconic name is a nod to its proximity to the beach and sculpted whale tail entry gates. The new playground design enhances this theme with a striking ship-themed structure facing the ocean. Children can embark on imaginative adventures with the ship's tube and wave slide, rope ladders, and nets. A new swing frame, nestled under

existing shade, caters to children of all ages with basket, toddler, and belt seats. The revitalized Whale Tail Park has been a resounding success. The new playground has not only addressed the drainage issues but also transformed the space into a vibrant community hub.

Its diverse range of equipment has proven immensely popular with children of all ages, while the playground itself has become a favorite gathering spot for families.



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Overwhelmingly positive feedback from the community, including glowing reviews from local residents and children, highlights the project's success. Spencer Jellyman, the council contact for the project, praised Park Supplies & Playgrounds for their professionalism and collaborative approach. "The Park Supplies team were really good to work with," he said. "It ended up being a really good design. Installation was great and the kids love it. The whole process went really smoothly."

The Whale Tail Park playground revitalisation stands as a testament to the transformative power of well-designed play spaces. By partnering with Park Supplies & Playgrounds, Whangarei City Council has created a thriving community hub that not only addresses local needs but also exceeds expectations.

Are you looking to breathe new life into a public space in your community? Park Supplies & Playgrounds can help you turn your vision into reality. With our expertise in playground design, installation, and maintenance, we can create an exceptional outdoor space that will be enjoyed by generations to come. Let's work together to build something amazing for your community.



**READY TO CREATE AN AMAZING PLAYGROUND EXPERIENCE?  
CONTACT US TODAY AND LET'S GET STARTED!**



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