

# **Asset Management Planning: 'The World is Changing!'**

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## **Abstract**

'World is changing, you can feel it in the water, you can feel it in the air' is a classic line from the Lord of the Rings movies.

The world of Parks and Community Infrastructure asset management is also changing with the impact of a number of strategic trends starting to be 'felt' by the sector.

Macro changes in New Zealand population distribution, demographics, urban form, and fiscal constraint will all impact on Parks and Community Infrastructure.

Ross's presentation will summarise these major changes, and examine some of the potential impacts on Parks and Community Infrastructure.

The 'shrinking town' impacts on Detroit, USA will be reviewed, along with community lead initiatives that have followed. The potential issues with community lead initiatives will be discussed.

The presentation will conclude with observations regarding how to start positioning Parks and Community Infrastructure asset management to meet the challenges presented by these change trends.

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