

Combined church for Brooklands

Tenders will be called this weekend for the construction of a combined church at Brooklands, New Plymouth.

Designed by New Plymouth architect Mr F. J. Bowering, the building will combine the spiritual, cultural and social activities of two parishes, St Margaret's (Presbyterian) and St Michael's (Anglican), both based in Bliford Street.

The combined church will be built next to St Margaret's Hall, now used as the Presbyterian church.

The building, expected to cost between \$50,000 and \$60,000, has a floor area of 3600 sq ft.

The main worship space will be large enough to accommodate 200 people and folding doors will connect it to a lounge seating up to 100. No

fixed seating or sanctuary lay-out is provided. All furniture will be movable into a variety of layouts.

The church will be of reinforced concrete blockwork with a steel framed roof. The roof will be concrete tiled, and interior ceilings will be specially sprayed acoustic panels with some stained boarding. Oil fired central heating will be used.

Included in the building will be a vestry, office, kitchen, creche and storeroom.

The entrance will be a large covered porch under which vehicles will be able to drive.

The building is expected to be completed about 12 months

after the tender is let.

St Margaret's Hall will be retained, but the St Michael's buildings will be sold.

Each parish will hold its own services in the church, but once a month a combined service will be held.

On Sunday, October 15, the agreement on the use of the church will be signed at a special service at St Margaret's. Archdeacon G. A. Butt and the Moderator of the Taranaki Presbytery, the Rev. R. W. Morris. Stratford, will be present for the signing with the Rev. A. V. Mudie (St Margaret's) and the Rev. D. E. Hall (St Michael's).

BOARD RIDERS IRATE

in the city who did take drugs none was a member of the surfing fraternity.

None of them knew of any school age people who had taken drugs.

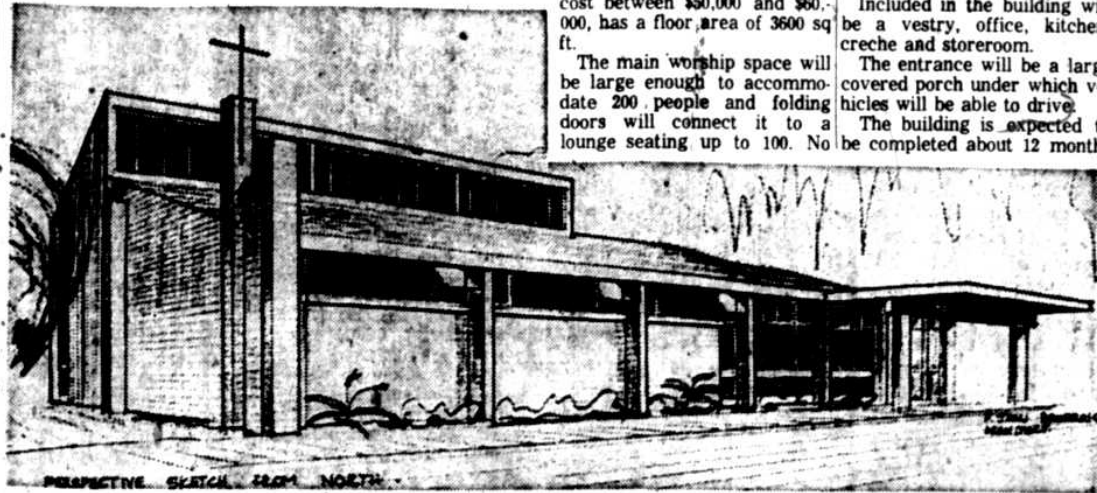
One boy who still attends the New Plymouth Boys' High School said his mother had asked him this morning if he took drugs. The question was a direct result of the claims made in the newspaper article yesterday.

"This is just another case of people picking on board riders," another youth said. "People seem to regard us as a lot of long haired, dirty louts. We are not."

Mr Dwyer said the Cape Board Club had a membership of 80 ranging from members

Claims yesterday that New Plymouth had a drug problem centred largely round the surfboard fraternity brought strong reaction from board riders today.

A small deputation led by a life member and former president of the Cape Board Riders' Club, Mr Nigel Dwyer, said they found this and other statements made by an American trained in psychology completely "staggering." They said they appeared to have been made by someone completely unfamiliar with surfing in Taranaki.



PERSPECTIVE SKETCH FROM NORTH

"ONE-PARTY DEMOCRACY" IN ZAMBIA

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LUSAKA, Thursday. — Zambia will become a one-party State before the end of the year, President Kenneth Kaunda said here tonight.

Speaking at a state banquet in honour of visiting President V. V. Giri of India, the Zambian leader apparently set a deadline for scrapping