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Draft Golf Investment Plan 2022

Waiheke

Local Board

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I support the encouragement of younger players , women and ethnic diversity. I also support moves to ward measures that support climate change issues such as the use of electric powered mowers etc

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: People should be able to use walkways and bikeways around the courses

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Some places eg Waiheke) have low a ASian and Pacific population

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: So long as it it supported by the council

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Golf is very important to older citizens. They get great exercise and social meetings.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why: As long as there is council financial support

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Golf is very important to the growing number of retirees. It is excellent exercise for the older people in our community. Its a hard games to learn which is why we we should be encouraging young people to learn.

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Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Support

   Tell us why: They are good objectives.

Objectives

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2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: There would be no need to increase equity of participation at Waiheke Golf Course as there are already strong programs in place.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: Biodiversity is positive

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why: Golf course need positive futures to develop properly

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I do not support change for Waiheke Golf course as it is already part of a larger sporting development. Walking tracks are part of the golf course.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Support

   Tell us why: Waiheke Golf course already appeals to a wide group of people.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I would describe it as a 'daft divestment' plan. When the world is facing a serious climate plan and our local council decides it's time to get rid of green spaces it defies logic. Urban green spaces contribute to mitigate climate change impacts via carbon sequestration and offer many co-benefits. Urban green spaces provide health, social and environmental outcomes for all population groups as the World Health Organization Europe reports.

   Golf courses are the best of all sports grounds because they are used all day, every day and are enjoyed by people of all ages and ethnicities. Green fees mean anyone can play on most golf courses at an affordable cost and probably cheaper than most children's clubs.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Auckland needs its green spaces and golf is a sport everyone can play from age 2-102

   Enough golf courses have already been merged for housing in Auckland

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: Many golfers are people for whom that is their only recreational activity. On Waiheke 'tradies' are the biggest group of golfers to use the course - instead of a sign gone fishing - they say gone golfing. I'm sure NZ Golf stats would show more Asians and Maori play golf than other sports - especially

in the older age group. . Also most golf clubs have very cheap rates for young golfers to play golf - probably cheaper than other sports like rugby. Also people can play every day of the week.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Tell us why: Auckland Council has not shown best practice since taken over the wetlands at Waiheke Golf Course. Go and see - gorse and weeds are prevalent in those areas when they were not when the wetlands were managed by the golf club. The counci9l might have principles but has not the budge to enable them. Volunteers have planted natives - not the council. Also volunteers have helped to take out weeds - not the council.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Tell us why: Divesting golf club land and building housing during a climate crisis is only going to create environmental problems - not solve issues. The bird life on golf courses thrives and also walkers and riders enjoy golf courses.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Waiheke Golf course already has a bridle and walking and cycling path so the land is used by all Aucklanders not just golfers. More course can be opened up to others. Golf course are used every day of the wek unlike most sports grounds.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Support

   Tell us why: The Waiheke Golf club has suffered for years because Auckland Council has not granted them a long lease. They could expand to provide an 18 hole course that would appeal to more Aucklanders. They could also offer a driving range that would appeal to young people . If the council got rid of the Waiheke golf club then it would be too time consuming, difficult and expensive for golfers to travel to Auckland for golf. The council should allow the club to expand the course to make it a better sports facility open to all.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

Tell us why: All golf clubs are already environmentally managing their clubs so what would be different - the council needs to up its game. Every golf club has trees and planting plans and looks after the land and waterways. Most clubs are now using electrical mowers and using environmentally friendly weed killers. Birds enjoy golf courses and thrive on them. Housing with roads would not be environmentally friendly or biodiverse.

Other feedback

9. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?

Golf courses unlike other sports facilities are used all day and summer evenings. Clubs encourage young people to play and are popular with all ethnicities - especially Asians and Maori .

I am a member of the Waiheke Golf Club and believe it should be given a long term lease by Auckland Council.

Waiheke Golf Club should be given an Auckland Council lease on the land it now uses as a golf course on Rangihoua Park which is owned by the Crown (not an Auckland Council asset as stated in the draft golf divestment plan). All Aucklanders can already use this publicly-owned land. The land is the only area of public land suitable for a golf course on the island and should not be taken for housing. The park's very name means it provides sports facilities – not housing.

Waiheke Golf Club is one of the cheapest places to play golf in Auckland with the lowest membership cost of any club and special rates for under 30s and juniors. Most juniors pay only $50 for a year's membership and have free access to junior club gear.

The Waiheke Golf club is the only course on the island and is the largest club in the Waiheke community by far. Its members are largely people for whom golf is their main exercise - especially older members – many of whom play 3 times a week – keeping them fit and healthy. Waiheke also has one of the largest and most active group of young golfers of any club in Auckland and the club provides coaching and training camps on a regular basis.. Women golfers have their own club morning but can play also on any day of the week.

Visitors to the island also enjoy access to the course but if it was developed as an 18 hole course it would be even more popular with locals and visitors.

The golf course is well maintained by volunteers and a handful of staff, most of whom are club members. Auckland Council had done little in the way of maintenance since taking over the waterways on the course – gorse and weeds are rampant in those areas when they were not before the council took over.

Riders, cyclists and walkers all enjoy access to the golf course and the club house is open to any member of the public. The area of the park which is used for golf practice is seldom used by members of the public although it is always open to them. It is maintained by the golf club and should be used to extend the course to 18 holes. There are already golf architect's plans to do this.

The golf club already uses best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of this publicly-owned golf land. People using the course enjoy the wide array of birdlife and the native trees that have been planted. There is not much flat parkland on Waiheke which is easy for walkers and cyclists to access so it is important to keep this land for recreational use.

If the club had an agreed lease it could set up a proper golf driving range that would provide more sporting opportunities for Waiheke Islanders – especially for the young people on the island. It is expensive for them to take the ferry to Auckland to practise golf or to play golf and there are limited recreational activities on the island for young people.

The land on which the golf club sits was originally gifted to the Crown by local farmers for use as a golf course. It should continue to be used as a golf course with continued access for walkers, cyclists and riders.

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Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: There are already several parks on Waiheke available for walking,cycling,walking dog etc without targeting the golf course.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: We already have a designated sports park and tennis courts developed by the council for other sporting activities

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Our golf course difficulty is relatively easy and is inclusive with rated purple tee blocks for beginners.We have already a big junior participation encouraged by the members.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: We have already gifted land for a walkway cycle track on the golf course.We actively ferret and rat trap to increase the bird life.We already have a designated wetland area managed by the council.

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Our golf course is available to all visitors and could easily become a tourist destination,with lots more commercial development across the road.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf course is adjacent to a existing Sports Field.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The course is open 7 days a week and available to all aged between 5yrs -95 yrs.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Designated wetland areas already exist.

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   The golf course is considered a green belt between the two commercial areas of Ostend and Onetangi in the Gulf District Plan.Denial of the existing lease has prevented furthur development of our course to an 18 hole course which would make it more inclusive and attractive.We already have in excess of 350 members.

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Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: In respect of Waiheke Golf course, it is classified as part of a Sports Ground, and is not exclusively golf only

Objectives

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2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Already occurs on Waiheke

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: The more the merrier

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: Already have lots of flora and fauna protection/development on Waiheke course

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   I don't know

   Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Already used by a range of non-golfers

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why: as per previous Q.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why: already happening on Waiheke

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Waiheke Golf Club should be given an Auckland Council lease on the land it now uses as a golf course on Rangihoua Onetangi Sports Park which is owned by the Crown (not an Auckland Council asset as stated in the draft golf investment plan). All Aucklanders can already use this publicly-owned land and golf course. The land is the only area of public land suitable for a golf course on the island and should not be taken for housing. The park's very name means it provides sports facilities – not housing.

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The land on which the golf club sits was originally gifted to the Crown by local farmers for use as a golf course. It should continue to be used as a golf course with continued access for walkers, cyclists and riders.Description: Image removed by sender.

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Objectives

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2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

Don't support

Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Overall it looks like a plan to destroy the public golf courses of Auckland. Golf in New Zealand has a long history of having many public golf courses that make it accessible to a diverse cross section of society. From my experience this is often not the case in many countries overseas. The report is written to make one think this is not the case - that only a select lucky few get to use these courses. In my experience this is not the case in Auckland. I see both lots of women and men playing. I see all different ethnic groups and all ages.

   If ACC decide to convert some of these courses into other uses - it will be a very short sighted action.

   If you take the Waiheke Course as an example. The island has a permanent population of about 8000 people. I believe the Waiheke Golf Club has a permanent membership of about 400 - 500. There would not be another sporting club on the island that would have anywhere near this membership. That membership is very diverse - lots of old people (very good for their exercise), lots of local tradesmen (good for their exercise and mental health), many women of all ages and more and more younger people.

Objectives

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2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Again taking the local Waiheke Course - it is open to everyone and as we see from the membership is very popular and well used.

   There is a walking track around the perimeter. It would be unnecessary to make it more accessible for people to use in other ways - no one is asking for that. There are already huge numbers of walking tracks on the island. There other facilities for other sporting activities in other locations. Increased equity seems a pointless exercise - it is already a hugely popular club and open to all walks of life.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Again - not sure I really understand the goal here. Taking Waiheke - as it is a 9 hole course. People can play 9 or 18 by going around twice. What would be good would be to have a proper practice range and a golf professional (maybe on a part time basis)

   Adding a further 9 holes to make it an 18 hole course would be great. Waiheke is one of the key tourist attractions for Auckland, having a great 18 hole course would seem to be a good goal if ACC are keen to make Auckland a good golfing destination - as long as it remains a public course.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: We all appreciate the special environment we have on the island and this seems to fit with the overall ethos of the island.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: This worries me. It would be very bad if ACC thought they could get a better return on Golf course land by redeveloping it, as an example.

   We are extremely lucky we had some sensible people in council in the past that had the foresight to put aside land for these Golf Courses. To take them away now based on some cost benefit analysis would be short sighted and potentially destructive to our overall environment and well being.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Based on this we should convert rugby pitches to dirt bike drag strips and turn public tennis courts into places where Yoga can be taught. Of course this is ridiculous - but a golf course exists to play golf as a rugby pitch is there for the enjoyment of rugby etc.

   It is nonsensible to think you can make it so it can be used by everyone regardless of whether it is golf, horse riding etc.

   As stated before - we are extremely lucky to have these public courses - its what makes us a bit unique and they are accessible to a diverse range of people.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

Partially support

Tell us why: Not sure what is behind this - but would support any investment that improves the existing courses

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why: Already noted above

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Very worried this Plan is a ruse to justify removing some of the Public courses and changing their use. This would be a very short sighted and worrisome move by ACC. I understand that a cost benefit analysis could easily be made that would show a public golf course could be put to other more "productive" use from a Council point of view - but one must keep in mind that not all things can be measured in dollars and cents and that we are a diverse community with many different needs and removing these would not result in a net gain but a big loss that would never be able to rectified in the future!

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Draft Golf Investment Plan

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Waiheke Golf course is a special case. The neighbouring land is the Waiheke sports park with tennis courts, football and rugby fields, walking tracks and cycle paths (flat and mountain bike trails). There is a walking path which is adjacent to the 2 a a 3 holes.

   The club is widely used (has about 350 members) and is a healthy exercise for the members who have regular working parties to maintain the course.

   The Island has the public walkway (Te Hurt) which is well known. However the council has not reinstated the paths at Church bay and around Ophanake Bay. The storm damage was about three years ago and nothing has been done to make the paths safe after the slips.

   Most residents are close to one of the beaches which also are used by residents as they are flat.

   Hence the draft document is irrelevant to the Waiheke Golf Course.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As stated above the sports park is ext door

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: This has taken place already

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: Members maintain the course

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: The sports park is fulfils this role

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Safety issue. The sports parks safe.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Safety concerns

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Already in place. Ducks and wild life in abundance on the course.

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Please refer to overall comments at the beginning.

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I think the whole community is enriched by the opportunity to play golf and that golf courses are available to wide range of people to enjoy.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: most courses are already open to a wide range of people, whether they want to walk the course or play on the driving range.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: More and more people are playing golf and it's one of the better sports for health and wellbeing

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: We believe that other golf courses can follow RGC in being a leader in environmentally sustainable recreation facilities. RGC has achieved GEO certification, carbon positive results, tree planting, enhancement of bird species and effective pest management. We also support other clubs in their commitment to step forward as leaders for climate action.

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I think that like other surveys I've completed for Auckland Council, that you have already made up your mind to self-serve your own ideology...I bet no matter what you receive in submissions you will go ahead with your own predetermined objective.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: You don't know what you are even talking about on this matter! You have some vision of changing the way people enjoy golf.

   A lot of the land being used for golf was gifted to the city for the express purposeof golf, get your hand off it!!!

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why: As explained above

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: For reasons set out in Golf NZ letter to AC.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As above

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: As above

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: As above

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

Don't support

Tell us why: As above

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As above

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why: As above

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Tell us why: As above

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Existing golf courses should be kept intact not transferred into housing or business land. Golf courses can be opened up to a range of other recreational activities without constraining their purpose of golf for exercise and recreation. Golf is particularly important for the health of older people.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: The interests of all Aucklanders cannot be met whilst still maintaining golf courses as golf courses. Some people's preferred activities will not fit.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   I don't know

   Tell us why: Without details I can't have an opinion.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: Golf courses provide an important natural environment and best practice environmental care should be taken.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   I don't know

   Tell us why: No details given

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: No details

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: It is right that Auckland assets are optimised, and this includes golf courses. However, it is important that community gathering and support groups like the Waiheke Golf course are not lost

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Agree that the land / facilities can be shared, as is currently the case in Waiheke. The golf course is a big part of the community, with people like myself regularly using the facilities. I also use the course as do my friends to ride their bikes as well as having lunch and coffee.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: There is an opportunity to attract more interest in the golf course, although this would require investment beyond the golf clubs current financial means to achieve this. Greater investment, greater community participation

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: There is an opportunity to enhance best practice with this, although it will cost money. Joint council / golf club investment and volunteer works would be popular

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: There is limited understanding on where investment t comes from and the focus objectives

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: There is opportunity to encourage greater participation, but not at the expense of golfers

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why: There is plenty of land on Waiheke for all, investment needs to work for all

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why: The golfing community will get behind this, and will volunteer to help

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   NO

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Another land and revenue grabbing initiative- golf is accessible to all

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As per above

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Gobbledegook

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf courses already do this themselves

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

Don't support

Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf will disappear as a sport - find out how many young people now play it, you'll be surprised

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Yeah right

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why: You're kidding aren't you- best practice??

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Certainly on Waiheke, the golf course here is very inclusive and community friendly. The reason it's maintained and beautiful is because there are paying members that pay a membership and feel ownership of it so look after it (with working bees etc)

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As I mentioned before, our golf course is a community asset that most of its members work very hard to preserve. We have lots of tournaments and social events that everyone can participate and be a part of. There are a number of rules involved with golf, that need to be respected, otherwise its firstly dangerous and also everything starts to fall apart due to misuse.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: We already do this, with a junior golf program, segments that encourage women to play, older folk and all sectors of our community.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Our course is an example of this, but we also must be able to have a playable fun course.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I think that golf is a challenging game, that requires concentration, respect for other players and the rules. If you aren't "into it" you ruin it for everyone. A golf course isn't a park to take your kids along to and kick a ball around and have a picnic. You need to have equipment, a knowledge of what you're doing and respect for the course, other players and golf rules. I don't think that fits in with "all Aucklanders".

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As I have already mentioned, golf needs structure and rules followed or it becomes dangerous and will deter from the game.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Support

   Tell us why: The more people that play golf the better!

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why: We are very conscious about maintaining our beautiful ecosystem, but we need to be able to make changes to our golf course, as our golf course needs to be improved.

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Golf on the island is played by all sectors of our community, we all get together and enjoy playing and socialising together. If we had 18 holes it would be much more attractive for tourists to come over and play, and great for our island economy.

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Support

   Tell us why: On Waiheke the golf club has become a place to meet also and introducing all residents to the game a cheap pastime local government should invest in

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Support

   Tell us why: It suits all age groups

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: Encouraging all age groups of kiwis to walk around playing a round can only be good

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: Best practice should be done at all times a stupid question

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why: It's a cheap and good opportunity to learn a game that stays with you

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Some people are deprived

   Of playing golf because???

   Commercial pressure???

   Revenue gathering is what it is all about!!!

   Commercial pressure???

   Waiheke Island Golf is doing a phantastic job

   Taking care of this land.

   If council of is responsible

   It would be an administrative and financial nightmare!!!

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: You play golf you pay for it.

   Fees on Waiheke are reasonable. It is open to all

   Auklanders .

   You make it free for all?

   What a dishonest proposal

   This seems to be.

How can we make more money is the driving force

Behind this proposal.

Nothing to do with

Above moral high ground.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: No confidence

   Lots of admin swallowing

   And increasing fees.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: Already happening

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: No trust in this organisation

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Just not true

   Walking tracks already

   There. Want to destroy

   Golf for the benefit of all.

   What a dumb and twisted

   Spin.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: You will not attract more

   People to golf with your spin. You destroy by selling

   And make it more exclusive

   With your questionable objections.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why: Can be done without

   Spin doctoring around

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Waiheke Golf is doing a lovely job in taking care

   Has plenty of members

   And is as far as I know

   In good financial health.

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: considered conservation and planning protection are great objectives for the future generations of our great region

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: golf has a proud history - it needs dedicated land - golfers dont play nor are seeking to play on other council land (airports , reserves , play grounds) - by the way , I dont play golf - but i have always been welcomed by members - and I enjoy the green-spaces i go past and having them in our environment

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: you play golf - you dont play golf - who cares - playing golf is not the only way to enjoy those golf spaces as a ratepayer or visitor.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: sustained ecology and considered conservation - but dont muck with the game. create world class golf parks that showcase the regions art and park landscapes - but stay off if you are not a player.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: same reason - leave them to it. I dont expect to be able to walk out on a runway , train track, or port just because the council owns it.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: play tennis on the tennis courts - play golf on a golf course -

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why: only if it promotes golf and golf services

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why: so long as the golf experience for ratepayers and visitors is not diminished.

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   I dont play golf - I understand it and why people in our region get recreation from it - I value the green spaces and I am happy others enjoy the game - leave them alone.

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The golf course on Waiheke Island is a fantastic community golf course already where all demographics enjoy the sporting and social benefits of a golf course.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It is already opened up to all Aucklanders.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Open to increasing golf experiences

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Waiheke Golf club already supports Women's golf, Junior golf and community involvement

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf courses are purpose built for golf. There are plenty of parks in the greater Auckland region for other activities

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I support this in principle, but Auckland council will screw it up!

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: We need guidelines and experts not bureaucrats making the rules

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: This like asking "do you still beat your wife"

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Courses for horses, was never more true

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Just look at the real number increases in golfers

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Targets yes, Rules NO!

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I don't feel the Aucakland Council can be in touch with the reality that golf is so popular and its popularity is increasing creating a greater demand for golf facilities as the Auckland population grows

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf is a sport that crosses all ages, many ethnicities, both genders and played most daylight hours seven days a week. You could take a golf course like Chamberlain park and reduce it to 9 hole and convert the area taken into Parks withsedwalkways . You presently have Western Springs Owairaka reserve the walkway extending from May Rd to Waterview How widely are these facilities used though the day compared to the Chamberlain Golf Course VERY LITTLE

   I lived in Mt Albert for 33yrs in La Veta Ave and can relate to reality

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: Golf is an activity that is great for ones health and well being You typically walk 5 -6 km in a round of golf It can be played by all ages in my family three generations play golf making a great family occasion. It is a social activity where a mix of socio economic groups play and communicate. Business gain great benefits from a networking perspective

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: I can only relate to my experience at the Waiheke Golf Club

   There is an active programme to eradicate stoats and rats bringing back the bird life The wetlands are actively protected and every month a group of club members volunteer to assist the green keeping staff in maintaining the golf course

   Furthermore the Waiheke Golf Club replaced its greens mower with an electric version spending $30,000 more than if it was replaced with a diesel version

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I have chosen a middle of the road position

   Fundamentally I do not trust the Auckland Council as they waste huge sums of rate payers money and do not carry out what they have promised

   Here on Waiheke they promised to rectify the stormwater down Moa st after their badly planned earthworks created flooding problems That was approx 6 years ago and we are still waiting.

   The Waiheke Residents built the second Rescue helipad after Auckland Council spend all the funds for the project on consultants.

   Auckland built a bus shelter on Great Barrier Island where the have no public transport

   Do you want me to keep on going

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: This question has been answered above

   Golf is growing faster than other sports it span across all age groups and so is a sport which one can play from a child to a retiree It fosters great family Social and business values

   In the Auckland central area you have Akarana Golf club, Maungakeikei golf club and Chamberlain Golf club. As mentioned above these facilities are used seven days a week during most day light hours . There are many adjacent parks with concrete walkways that are not used WHY??

   There are few people in them through the day

   They can be a hangout for many of our less desirable Aucklanders

   People dont feel safe there (look at recent assault on teenagers in Pakuranga)

   Making more parks like these is not going to reduce this problem

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why: already answered this above

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why: we need to look after our environment for the future Aucklanders

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Because the Golf Course is part of our Waiheke community, we have other recreation resources such as tennis courts, playing fields for football and rugby, walk ways, cycle paths in Whakanewa reserve. The course takes away elitism for golf as it is more accessible to everyone. Its a busy course! I actually propose that you extend the course as it is so busy with people from all ages, young kids learning, teenagers, young professionals, all ages and all walks of life! It is a social hub for everyone! Locals and visitors! Imagine a retiree if lives on their own who is isolated - this is a community place to gave a healthy game of golf with others and then to meet afterwards for a coffee or a drink. We have been living with a lot of restrictions over the past few years, and now finally when we have freedom you would like to again take away recreation for many many people!

   Is this decision being made by a bureaucrate sitting behind a desk who has not experience of the health benefits of golf? Look at the research since the lock down of the huge increase in numbers of people taking up golf!

   I feel this is an uninformed researched decision from the Council - The current leaders should stand down and return and be sedentary and unhealthy and let the healthy ones live a full health life walking around a golf course.

Objectives

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2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Since lock down there is a huge increase in the number of people wanting to play golf. The public courses make it assessable to many many more and it decreases elitism because the fees are reasonable.

   Its a healthy sport assessable to everyone. On Waiheke many many locals and visitors of ALL ages enjoy the course. We use it 4 times per week!

I propose you extend Waiheke Golf course as it is so popular!

consider our retirees who may live on their own and the golf club is the place for exercise, socialising and its only healthy lifestyle !

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: What does this question even mean? It doesn't make sense - !!!

   I wrote don't support because your questions is unclear!

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: What does this even mean again? We walk around the golf course in fresh air and it is maintained - it has natural ponds and wild life - It has its own ecosystem

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Your questions aren't clear. I say increase the golf courses and get people out moving! Golf is a great way to move, exercise, social, wild life on the course loves it at well. do you plan to isolate people away from their social hub!

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Because if you look at the statistics the number of people playing golf is extremely high. I think taking away this recreation you will need invest in nurses and psychologists and the medical system to support the community that will have to stop playing golf. You will have more sedentary, lonely people that you will have to support. Movement is an analgesic it creates happiness!

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I don't know what you mean - is this a money making debacle ?

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Come from your desk to Waiheke and see the amazing ecosystem at the club! WE have many birds, plants that also have a home at the course.

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   This is a travesty. The courses have people out moving, socialising, having fun, enjoying nature. I've paid my rates and taxes for years, you have locked me up with COVID restrictions. Give us a break and let us enjoy a sport and recreation that is enjoyed by many. On many levels, health and wellbeing, Socialisation for the isolated, fun interaction for tournaments that raise money for charities. I'm and we in our community will not vote for you if you take away this sport that a huge percentage enjoy.

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Our club already does most of the objectives in the plan

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: All for equity, but golf balls can kill. So having people picnicking in the middle of the course won't work. We already have walking tracks through our course, so as golfers we need to be very careful. Will the council take responsibility for injuries or deaths? No I didn't think so.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: We try to do this within the capability of our budget

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: Goes without saying. Pity the council forbade our volunteers to remove weeds from the wetlands, which we had been doing for years, as they wanted to do it, but then claimed it had no budget for this work when we pointed out the weeds had taken over again!

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Sounds nice

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: See above re dangers of the sport when non golfers are roaming the fairways

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   I don't know

   Tell us why: Don’t understand

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why: Makes sense

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   As mentioned previously our club encourages membership, green fee players, has the largest junior program in Auckland, does not discourage members of the public utilising the grounds as long as they are careful and mindful of the risks. Basically we do everything your plan states

   except provide safety cages for picnics.

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The plan is does not support golf at all it is a golf Di vestment plan.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Because there is not detail on what's being proposed

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: There is no detail

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: There is no detail

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

Don't support

Tell us why: There are not details or framework so one does not know what to support

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: There are no details

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: No detail

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why: Support the concept

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   There is a very poor piece of work and I think we have a obligation to expect a more professional approach

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf is the fastest growing sport in the world. It caters for the widest age group of any sport in the world. People are still playing at 90 years old like my uncle and godfather. I play occasionally at Chamberlain golf course and watch Maori and Pacifica having a wonderful time playing in jandals. No dress code needed. Asians love the game. Yesterday at Waiheke there was a father with two small children enjoying their outing on the course. Golf caters for everyone!! No one plays rugby, soccer, basketball etc at 70 years old. It is very short sighted as you will never replace a golf course once it has gone. Saying it doesn't meet the wider range of community needs is absolutely untrue. Look at statistics worldwide, open your eyes and listen. Stop this unwarranted land grab!!!

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf is the most popular and growing sport in the world

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Until I see the detail of what you are proposing I can't say.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: It is already been practiced on golf courses

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Anything has to be better than the ad how situation now. I can't make a decision Until I know what you are planning.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf is the fastest growing sport and caters for virtually all ages unlike all other sports.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I can't make a decision until I see what you are planning

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why: Because that is the aim of all golf courses and carried out already

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Yes leave the golf courses as golf courses please

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I currently play golf and my experience is different to the points outlined in your plan. I play golf with people from all walks of life, all genders and see all ages either learning to play or playing. It is an opportunity to mix with others socially and encourages community interaction unlike most other sporting/ activities. I don't have friends to play golf with other than those I meet at my club and I really enjoy talking to people from all over Auckland. Golf meets a huge need socially. And it keeps a large portion of older people actively engaged in sport.

   Ecologically, I don't understand how mixed use could improve the environmental impact. Currently, the trees and vast expanse of grass contribute hugely to the water cycle and any compromise in this regard, ie more hard surfaces, would be a hugely negative and disturbing development. The beautiful environment is half the reason most of us play or wander the course..

   Our club is open to the community to enjoy , as a recreational space as well as the restaurant facilities. The latter is hugely popular with the nearby aged care facilities.

   Golf is enjoyed by a large number of Aucklanders and I see the proposed plan as severely compromising the current players enjoyment. So many people do play that it is already difficult to schedule a game so it appears your plan is to reduce times further. Recreation is a vital aspect of a healthy life and if Council's aim is to keep corroding options this then what is your goal? An unhealthy, discontent population?

   Please leave the courses alone as an option for people to remain active and enjoy a community and the environment.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

Don't support

Tell us why: There are lots of parks for people to enjoy recreation without diminishing the golf courses available for the large number of golfers who want to play.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I feel opportunities are already there for those who want to learn golf but if there is more that can be done then it would be worth looking into this.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I can't see any disparity in this aim to what is already being undertaken.

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I don't see how past decisions can be labelled ad how and there are a wide range of recreational facilities available to Aucklanders who want to partake. Some responsibility has to fall on the individual to become involved without compromising the rights of those who take the initiative.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: A golf course provides choice to everyone of partaking in golf as a sport,the same a pools, kayak facilities, bush walking. Take that away and you are depriving Aucklanders of choice.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Again, this would diminish the current resources, reducing enjoyment for those who do play.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

Don't support

Tell us why: The courses currently do an excellent job environmentally in my opinion.

Other feedback

9. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I agree the public should have access to the golf course and that it is not exclusively for members. But I do not agree that the golf course should restrict members to the pleasure of the game and all the positive outcomes of being a member of a golf club

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The golf course is attached and part of current sports grounds involving all sports, walking tracks and multiple use. The golf course currently has walking tracks and cycle ways through the course. The public are welcome to access the sports parks via the golf course. As long as it is safe. There is no need to open up areas where golf is being played to give more use to the public. There is heaps there now that is open to all.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: The golf club is open to full participation already. Programs are run for young people (juniors) with coaching. Besides regular competition there are women's programs being run to encourage more women into the sport. Everyone is always welcome. There are two days a week when those players who are getting elderly or don't play so well meet and play 9 holes - not serious golf and a great social opportunity for those who don't play so well and are non competitive. They would be absolutely lost if they did not have this regular contact and outing.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: The golf club already does this. They are not huge chemical spray users. They look after the wetlands. The bird life on the course is great. Waiheke is a Country Course - it is not manicured to the enth degree.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: If the golf course was upgraded to an 18 hole golf course it could become a destination for all Aucklanders to come and enjoy. Currently it can get very congested over the summer months with so many visitors.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: This is already happening. As mentioned. The golf course is attached to a huge sports part including tennis, mountain biking, sports fields, walking tracks and more. The golf course is simply apart of this. There are often people walking along the edges or using the access paths from the road to the sports parks. It would be absolutely dumb to have people walking across fairways because of the danger of flying balls.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why: The golf club currently try to attract a broad range of people. They are inclusive - not exclusive. It should be noted that the membership fees are very reasonable and is less than an annual subscription at the local gymnasium. Members are able to play most of the time except the very odd time it is closed due to adverse weather or maybe the odd private tournament.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why: This is obvious. Of course the golf club would want best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation. However this is probably fairly well managed now.

Other feedback

9. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?

I think it is very important to note that it is a wrong impression to think the golf course is only here for the wealthy. As mentioned it is very affordable and is open to everyone. There are no restrictions.

It is also important to note the positiveness of having a golf course in our community. Not only is the benefit of regular exercise obvious there are all the other benefits of mental wellness, community spirit, something that is available to the young and old alike, socialising, the absolute pleasure of the beauty of the golf course and much much more.

I joined the club when I retired from work. I have made umpteen new friends. I play at lest three times a week. I am welcome there when ever I go there.

As I keep mentioning it is already available to all. I would be heartbroken if this facility was ruined in any way. It's great how it is attached to the sports park and a real pleasure to see it being used so much by people taking part in a wide range of activities. T

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It is based on hunches and not data. If you're doing a consultation, do it properly. Else dont pretend its a consultation. Also in Waiheke there are so many places to go for recreation that are better than the golf course, why would anyone want to walk around the course when we have te ara hura and all our beaches.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: There are plenty of places for recreation on Waiheke including all of our amazing beaches

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Why are you trying to force this onto people. Do something useful with your time. Its not a game of old white males anymore and you still think it is. Maybe even visit a golf course. Or go to Uni and get a data qualification instead of making it up. This is an absolute joke

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Most people would support however we all know that this is just an avenue for you to push your agenda so we can't support it. Just like Waka Kotahi's vision zero.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The question is a lie in itself. And coercive.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: There's a sports facilities EVERYWHERE in Akl. We dont need additional land in Waiheke for recreation. Maybe you should visit our island.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Comment doesnt make sense. What is earth is a broad golf offering. It's either golf or its not. The course is how I've made so many of my friends in the last 5 years and the only place I get my exercise.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why: So you're saying the council now knows what best practise is? What a load of rubbish. We all know if you work at the council you're a battler

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   One of the most abhorrent abuse of power I have ever come across. I hoe one day someone investigates who came up with idea and whatever links they have and whether or not there is corruption involved.

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I believe Waiheke Golf Club already meets all the objectives of the draft Golf Investment Plan

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: The Auckland Council Rangihoua Onetangi Sports Park contains the Waiheke Golf Club and is available for sport and recreation to all members of the public. There is no restraint on the use of this land which is used for rugby, football, frisbee golf , walking, mountain biking, tennis and golf.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: The Waiheke Golf club has a diverse membership that is open to all members of the public. You don't need to be a member to play golf at any time. Children are encouraged to play and have special coaching courses. Women golfers have their own club morning but can play also on any day of the week. There are many older players in their 70's and 80's who benefit from the no- stress excercise of a regular round of golf . Waiheke Golf Club is one of the cheapest places to play golf in Auckland with the lowest membership cost of any club and special rates for under 30s and juniors. Most juniors pay only $50 for a year’s membership and have free access to junior club gear. Green fees are also very affordable.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: The Waiheke Golf club already uses best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of this publicly-owned golf land. People using the course enjoy the wide array of birdlife and the native trees that have been planted

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Access to sport and recreation are a vital part of as long term balanced life style that ensures continuing mental health as well as a benefit to physical health.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: The Rangahoua Onetangi Sports Park provides sport and recreation to all Aucklandersy. The golf club is only part of this Sports Park and horse riders, cyclists and walkers all enjoy access to the golf course and the club house is open to any member of the public

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Support

   Tell us why: The Waiheke Golf Club offers a broad golf service that appeals to a wide group of people. Our membership is growing every year and the course is used more and more by a diverse mixture of players. The golf course is well maintained by volunteers and a handful of staff, most of whom are club members.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why: We are totally in favour on Waiheke and the golf club members of using best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

Other feedback

9. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?

Waiheke Golf Club would love to develop a golf driving range that would provide more sporting opportunities for Waiheke Islanders – especially for the young people on the island. It is expensive to take a ferry to Auckland and travel to a city golf driving range to be able to practice golf.

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: ACC is hopeless, useless and now broke. Until ACC has been completely rebuilt and rationalised through new legislation it should avoid this type of major reform. 500+ hectares is a valuable asset and we can't afford the risk that the council will screw this process up.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: ACC is not fit for purpose and is definitley not the right organisation to decide what will and will not improve equity, etc.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: ACC knows little/nothing about sport/golf. ACC can't effectivley run it's core activities so how can it hope to achieve any of these nice sounding KPIs.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The waterways around our golf course are now managed by the council. They are in the worst condition i have ever seen. The council does not know what the "best practises are" and doesn't have the money to do so.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Local councils made decisions that best suited their local area. The area they new well. ACC does not know any area well and just cannot seem to make good decisions. An example is the public transport debacle in our area.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: In our area the golf club land was either donated or sold at a reduce price to the council. The council became the custodians but the land was to be used for golf.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: ACC isn't capable of doing this. You are hopeless useless and broke.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The waterways around our golf course are now managed by the council. They are in the worst condition i have ever seen. The council does not know what the "best practises are" and doesn't have the money to do so.

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   This is an attempt to confiscate local land to fill a huge financial hole because ACC is broke. This action will be met with protests and violence. You saw what happened in Wellington/Parliament. That is what will happen in Auckland.

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Reducing Golf Land is not viable.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Dont support taking away golf land

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: You're just taking away golf courses by making promises of investment you wont deliver on

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As above

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

Don't support

Tell us why: Other Aucklanders wont use the land - Leave as is

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Other Aucklanders wont use the land - Leave as is

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Other Aucklanders wont use the land - Leave as is

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: No details on the golf investments

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: There would be no golf course

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

Don't support

Tell us why: Leave as it is, change will not work

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: THe plan is based off outdated data and misrepresents the use and facilities associated with Waiheke Golf Club

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: The Club facilities are open to all and the course is available for walkers and cyclists o n tracks around the golf holes.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The plan does not recognise the work already being undertaken in this regard

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: This is already in place and well managed

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The Auckland Council are incapable of "robust investment frameworks" as witnessed by cost and time over runs in ALL major projects currently underway

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Land is already available to all. There is no exclusivity to Waiheke Golf course

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The is a broad based community approach already in place

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why: A conservationist eco system friendly approach is already in effect at Waiheke

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Council are already aware that this pplan is based on outdated and inaccurate data, and have chosen to move forward regardless of the potential for poor descision making

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: The presented plan is based on very inaccurate information and should be withdrawn, corrected and redrafted.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf courses are used by masses of people all day long every day, and by all ages and ethnicities

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: So many more people are now playing golf and the courses and ranges are readily available to everyone

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Management of courses has changed over the last couple of years to very good ecosystem practices helping with conservation.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: All Aucklanders benefit already .

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As above, all Aucklanders can use the present golf courses

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Your plan ignores the growth of golf over the last five to ten years. How many older people can still play tennis or golf or hockey or rugby?

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why: The best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation are already in use in most courses and improving and increasing in use .

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   You need to have major consultation with Golf New Zealand to get the facts right and redraft an accurate plan.

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Possibility of Auckland CC being sued under OSH for not taking all practicable steps to ensure peoples safety by placing them in danger from golf balls.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Aucklanders can not play golf on other council owned or managed land and parks so why should Aucklanders be allowed picnic on golf courses.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Large scale earthworks required to achieve these objectives on Waiheke.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: Any help to get rid of noxious weeds on land & in wetlands is good.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Auckland CC has already shown in fighting between departments which delayed decision making for many years. Nothing in plan to stop this in future.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: On Waiheke this land was developed by the private owner before being transferred to council who have continually inhibited any development to increase general public participation.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Extra practise areas along with 18 holes for Waiheke would attract more golfers.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why: Clearing all noxious weeds will benefit all.

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   People currently walk around the edge of the existing course on Waiheke.

   Extending it to 18 holes, adding better practise areas to attract new players & removing weeds & adding water retention features will benefit all.

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf in New Zealand is and should be available to all New Zealanders and there is a diverse lot of people playing from many different ethnicities and a huge range of ages. It is hard to get a tee time at many golf clubs. Therefore it is vital to keep all existing courses.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As above

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: Good idea to assist people into the game, whether they play 9 holes or 18.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why: As long as we are talking about golf courses - there are many parks, cycle tracks etc for the public

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Support

   Tell us why:

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I understand the competing demands arguments, but golf courses are critical green space for the city. I have been a golfer for 30 years since 8 years old on mainly cheap public courses. Golf courses do need to be targeted and promoted at different levels of participants, as have a tendency to all want to be elite and prestigious. Relly like your assessment of the different types and styles of courses required along the continuum.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Golf can now be better scheduled using apps etc. and biking, walking and running tracks are integrated to their design safely. These are good ideas. But people tend to do those activities close to home, rather than drive to run, etc. However the plan seems to focus on the total land area when only a few of the courses are in congested space., where there is a lack of undeveloped land. Counting Bethalls Beach, Clarks Beach, Great Barrier and Waiheke are examples.

   Waiheke in particular suffers from not being an 18 hole course, where land availability allows, is already running and biking multi-use despite being not promoted as such, and could be a mix of 9 holes of Introductory and 9 holes of Development. However there seem to be some strange resourcing priorities.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

Tell us why: I was always impressed at the Hutt Park golf complex in Wellington for allowing greatest flexibility of use. Only experienced players need 300+ metres holes in my opinion. Shorter courses actually make the game faster and more accesible.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: From my understanding this seems to be a governance issue, that the well resourced Council expect a poorly resourced golf club to improve the land's biodiversity and ecosystem management. Improving environmental outcomes are the responsibility of the land owner and an opportunity for the city not a threat to volunteer committees. Agree that pollution, run off and poor maintenance are the responsibility of the lease holder, but this could be levied rather than required of a small workforce. and fragile club, when there is a broader externality to consider.

Key shift

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5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Appreciate the Super City and Aktive approach but there are differing participation needs and available options/substitutes of local users, as those of Omaha Beach, Waiuku, Takapuna and Great Barrier are quite distinct. Agree that a standardization of the environmental outcomes is important and as suggested doing this through levy rather than leaseholder obligation would achieve better outcomes rather than suggesting the golf club as an incorporated society of members, could attain the benchmark desired.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: The slogan is correct but..Personally not convinced that actual demand would realise from opening up courses (actually just promoting) to the general public for other activities. Many a dog is already walking on golf courses at dawn and dusk. Perhaps a pilot of the concept and promotion of alternative uses on one course without extensive investment in paths and safety equipment to see if there is actual demand.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Support

   Tell us why: Sadly as a lifelong golfer I agree. Golfer don't want to share as congestion interrupts the experience, increases risks and slows play. Plus experienced golfers don't want to be near beginners and twosomes don't want to be forced into foursomes. A better demarcation who allow for a broader

favourable experience. I hope but am not sure that your slide 17 is that of GOLF NZ not Council, as this would be much more LOVEGOLF than the current initiatives I've seen.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Partially support

   Tell us why: See above. Agree that a standardization and improvement of the environmental outcomes is important and as suggested doing this through levy rather than leaseholder obligation would achieve better outcomes rather than suggesting the golf club as an incorporated society of members, could attain the benchmark desired.

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Overall it is a good NOT policy, but the challenges will be the ability of all but the wealthiest or prestigious to implement it and the obligations implied for lease renewal. Many of the clubhouses are woeful for their community resource. Plenty could be taken from a multisport Country Club / Spa type mentality used by private courses and in the UK, USA, Europe and examples in Australia. It doesn't need to be 5 star to be a community jewel.

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I'm commenting specially on Waiheke Golf Course. It is accessible, both logistically and financially, for anyone wanting to play golf. It also takes up a small fraction of the total land space on Waiheke, so to take that land seems illogical and lazy. Please do not change the use of that land - Waiheke needs a golf course to complete its tourism offer.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As above.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As above.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As above.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Auckland Council cannot manage an integrated framework and should not be applying an underlying 'anti-golf' philosophy to current assets.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As above.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As above.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As above.

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Waiheke

Your feedback

1. **Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: statistics used seems at odd with what anectdotal evidence supports- an increase in people playing gold and it veing harder to obtain membership or simply play golf. A reduction in council owned or leased faciltiies seems at odds to this and the desire to be the worlds most livable city. You must have spaces preserved for low impact sport for all ages to achieve this. Gold courses do this.

Objectives

The draft plan sets regional policy for council-owned or managed golf land and has three objectives. Please tell us whether you support each objective.

2. **Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders**

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I based my decision to live in Waiheke due to the proximity of an affordable gold couse. It should be expanded to 18 holes and I understand the council has in the past agreed to this but is reneging on this commitment. As a community social hib, it is important to maintain the club and expand it to 18 holes. selfishly I like that its not 18 holes because if it were 18 holes, it would be more popular and have an even greater sense of bringing the community together. The course of Waiheke must be retained and expanded and be accessible to everyday NZers like tokoroa golf course, like putaruru golf course, they are the social connection that so many on Waiheke enjoy and put energy into.

3. **Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups**

   Support

   Tell us why: I dont agree with BROAD as a goal. Golf means diffierrent things to different people. Not everyone wants an easy course- equally not everyone wants a challenging Resort course. Waiheke Gof Club appeals to a broad cross section of society with alot of volunteer suport. That should tell Council it must be expanded so it can attract a broad cross section to be active.

4. **Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land**

   Support

   Tell us why: This must be determined site by site and no blanket approach adopted. The Council must refer back to the origins of the club and determine if the club has grown as a social benefit. Ownership if the council wants to exit should be offered to the club in the first instance. I think a fair and equitable solution is ensuring the value of the club to Waiheke still rings true. I get no benefit from the league club, rugby club, soccer club but I am envious of their flash facilities compared to the golf club. Mney, either from club members or Council must be invested nto the golf club to be equitable witrh other sports. Golf is the most participated sport in the world and at Waiheke we have student, young adults, parents and grand parents enjoying the privilege of exercising in the gully, unused by many others on the Island.

Key shift

Below are the four key shifts that the plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

5. **FROM: ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils**

   TO: a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why: Be careful here, to day previous decisions are adhoc is unkind and doesn't reflect the connection previous office holders have had to communities or promises made that should be upheld. Golf is the largest sport in the world so if anything more investent should be into tapping into this social sport.

6. **FROM: publicly owned land used exclusively golfers**

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golfers are Aucklanders and golf courses are available for all Aucklanders to play on a user pay basis. The maritime museum isnt available for free and neither are the tennis courts on Waiheke or the Rugy League Club grounds or Rudgby or Soccer grounds. The tructh is everyone plays a subcription to play sport and access grounds across Auckland. You are being discriminatory by picking out Golf. As a Samoan and untypical golf player, I am offended by this question and certainly think the exclusivity bias placed on golf is totally unwarranted.

7. **FROM: asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses**

   TO: a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Do one thing and do it well. This apparent new found approach says nothing as to the how this will be delivered and how the needs of each different community and demographic will be met. Waiheke Golf Course survives on volunteers who love sport and community and are the best ones to determine what that should look like, not some analyst in the CBD.

8. **FROM: variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land**

   TO: best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets

   Support

   Tell us why: They are the same argument and ther eis no one size fits all as courses are on different lands and differing manu whenua considerations.

Other feedback

9. **Do you have any other feedback on the draft Golf Investment Plan?**

   'The Plan lacks in depth community research and the basis for the argument to divest from golf in Auckland is based without socil or community basis. It seems an easy target to compare these grounds with other sports, however golf courses are used 7 days a week yet soccer and football grounds one a week. Golf is growing in popularity globally and in New Zealand. Who says golf is unsustainable anymore? What about the myriad of other sports facilities offered across Auckland? Each community needs to be considered in isolation, not scooped up together seemingly to solve an assumed singular problem, of what, being unprofitable? What are you measuring? I certainly wasnt asked for input into the information provided in this presentation and many Ive asked are also stunned.

   If the problem for Council is funding, then approach the club/communities and suggest a different funding model, but it must be equitable across all codes and not juts pick out golf. I disagree with the stats on page 14 so please supply the data source. What is golf about- he tangata, he tangata, he tangata! Michael Campbell grew up in Titahi Bay Wellington and through access to public golf courses, became a US Open Champion winner in 2005. Many other public golf club players aspire to achieve the pinnacle in their chose sport of Golf, or inspire their children. What you are proposing stinks of land grabbing for housing development and deteriorating green spaces and quality of life. I do not support any erosion of sports grounds as sport is the fabric of New Zealand. Golf, as much as Rugby, Rugby League, Football, tennis, frisbee on Waiheke is part of that and why I choose to live here. Dont take that away.

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Your feedback (all questions are optional)

1. Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Auckland Golf Investment Plan?

- [ ] Support
- [ ] Partially support
- [x] Don't support
- [ ] I don't know

Tell us why

MOST GOLF CLUBS HAVE A WIDESPREAD OF ETHNICITIES AND WHOLE RANGE OF AGE GROUPS. THE WAIHEKE GOLF CLUB HAS A STRONG WOMEN CONTINGENT & YOUNGER MEMBERS – ACCESS IS ALREADY THERE FOR CYCLISTS & WALKERS

2. Objectives

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	Objective	Support	Partially support	Don't support	I don't know
1	Increased equity, sport and recreation by opening up publicly owned golf land to all Aucklanders	☐	☐	☑	☐
1A – Please tell us why					
2	Increased equity and participation by providing a broad range of golf experiences that attract and retain participants and services targeted at low participation groups	☐	☑	☐	☐
2A – Please tell us why					
3	Best practice in ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation of publicly owned golf land	☐	☑	☐	☐
3A – Please tell us why					

3. Key shifts

Below are the four key shifts that the draft plan aims to achieve in order to benefit all Aucklanders. Please tell us whether you support each key shift.

	Key shift	Support	Partially support	Don't support	I don't know
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1A – Please tell us why					
2	FROM publicly owned land used exclusively golfers TO sport and recreation for all Aucklanders	☐	☑	☐	☐
2A – Please tell us why					
3	FROM asset-based investment in traditional mid-level (development) golf courses TO a broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people	☐	☑	☐	☐
3A – Please tell us why					
4	FROM variable environmental management of publicly owned golf land TO best practice in ecosystem management	☐	☑	☐	☐

	and biodiversity conservation that meets clearly defined targets				

4A – Please tell us why

4. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Auckland Golf Investment Plan?

YOUR COUNCIL SEEMS TO THINK GOLF IS AVAILABLE ONLY TO RICH PEOPLE. YOU SHOULD INTERVIEW WHANGAREI GOLF CLUB MEMBERS AND YOU WILL FIND PEOPLE OF ALL INCOMES — SIMILARLY CHAMBERLAIN PARK WHICH ONE OF YOUR LOCAL BOARDS TRIED TO CUT IN HALF THERE IS PLENTY OF LAND FOR OTHER SPORTS AND AS FOR CYCLING - HALF OF AUCKLAND IS AVAILABLE!!

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