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Draft Golf Investment Plan 2022

Henderson-Massey

Local Board

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Submitter details

Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback

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

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Contrary to your assessment, golf is a game that is rapidly increasing, and players are having issues actually getting bookings on golf courses. So to say that numbers are falling is incorrect. Aucklanders need space for their activities, and golf is one of them - by taking away facilities, especially those closer to Auckland city is removing the accessibility for people to enjoy these 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**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Some courses can be made smaller (Chamberlain Park), but most should remain full 18-hole 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: Simply saying that increased equity and participation is a flawed argument. I don't play rugby, but wouldn't expect rugby fields to be sold. Golf is played by all ages and many ethnicities.

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

   I don't know

   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: Golf is a sport like any other - so facilities should be available for golfers. You can't play golf on a soccer field - you need to cater for ALL sports, and golf needs the facilities and courses to support the growth of 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

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Again, golf requires a larger area/facilities to play golf, so courses are needed for this sport.

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: There is absolutely nothing wrong with the golf course management currently of publicly owned golf land.

Other feedback

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

   Golf has had a massive growth over the past few years, and needs the facilities and courses to keep up with the demand, By changing the golf course structure/selling off land, this will impact the game overall in Auckland. It seems like the council has gone for low-hanging fruit with a perception of golfers, without any real research.

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Your feedback

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

   Don't support

   Tell us why: This is a tired trope. What about underused rugby fields. Western Springs is empty most business hours.

   Once open land is developed, and sold off piece meal, then it is gone for all future generations.

   What about all park land. Why not build 30 storey apartment blocks, and pretend we are singapore.

   Japanese are amazed we can play golf - and not just at a very expensive multi-story driving range.

   There are four golf courses in Ukraine - totally irrelevant, yet a fun bit of trivia.

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: there are parks for general use, and parks for singular purpose.

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 are many reasons for low participation, and i do not think this is due to poor opportunities. Having said that, if golf was offered the same as say, Javelin (i think i had three lessons in high school) then we are wasting our time.

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

Partially support

Tell us why: That sounds great, but generally that just means less golf course and more wetland.

I like the idea of enhancing the natural native environment, and yet that is an interwoven 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

   Support

   Tell us why: Each park is currently managed separately under its own management scheme.

   the golf-focus for Chamberlain park is partly off set by the general use of Western Springs and Orangahina.

   The eco focus is supported by Pollen Island and Orangahina.

   We need these linkages to be explored, noted and achieved.

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

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf is one of the few games where a few friends can turn up and play from their teens into their seventies.

   NZ is one of the few countries in teh world where golf is not exclusive to the rich. A few hundred for some clubs, a few dollars for green fees and you are off.

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: more the better, as long as that is not weasle words for reducing the size of the 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

   Partially support

   Tell us why: just so those arent weasle words aimed at camoflaging the diminishment of the golfing experience

Other feedback

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

The number of people participating in sport is dropping (i think). and many of those are spectators. We can hardly get 20,000 spectators to watch a top level rugby game.

Golf on the other hand is mostly participatory (i think only the NZ open has spectators) so this is a really good opportunity for all of auckland to walk for over 3 hours and occassionally release an expletive at a small round ball.

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Your feedback

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

   Partially support

   Tell us why: More spaces are required for people to be outdoors 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: Many other sports have easier access and availability for people to participate in. Walking tracks, disc Golf, tennis courts are low or no cost options for many people to enjoy outdoor spaces.

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: Many sports exist, why focus on promoting only one for public use?

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

   Support

   Tell us why: More natural spaces are needed to bring people more balance within our unique NZ environment

Key shift

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   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: As an example, Frisbee golf is a super inclusive sport for people of all ages. It is extremely low cost and courses require minimal maintenance. Bike tracks and playground parks are extremely popular. Better use for public land for more aucklanders to utilise.

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: Each and every sport should have an equal footing for growth.

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?**

   The use of these spaces to better allow a larger majority of Aucklanders to utilise them should be a priority.

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Your feedback

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

   Support

   Tell us why: Golf courses serve a super narrow segement of Auckland's population that is already over-priveleged when compared to other groups i.e. female and non-pakeha

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:

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:

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

   Support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

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   Support

   Tell us why:

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   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

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Your feedback

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

   Don't support

   Tell us why: You are going to devalue Golf as a sport, Chamberlain for example is public so there are no restrictions on sex or ethnicity. I would not cycle inside a Gold course nor would I run, walk or take my kids it's just not practical. Also wouldn't go to a Golf course to play mini putt there are plenty of other options out there. You will effectively water it down and only those that can afford private courses will get the full opportunity to play golf

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: There are no race or sex based courses in New Zealand

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: Promote Golf as a sport and activity its already inclusive

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

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

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

   Partially 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: Can I then cycle around Eden park whilst they are playing cricket?

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

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

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

   Promote golf, and have woman-only amateur events alongside Men. Have kids days but do not water down the golf courses

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Your feedback

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

   Partially support

   Tell us why: the fact golf courses in most privileged parts of city (e.g. remuera) are tied up in small return contracts goes against equity principle - paying the least to get most advantage

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: council land should not be at exclusive use of privileged predominantly white men... just because they have history of such privilege is poor reason to maintain it.

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: not sure why council feels need to promote golf at all - walking and cycling investment has both individual and societal benefits (unlike a individual focused recreation)

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

   Support

   Tell us why: golf courses are difficult to support in relation to global warming and responsible use of water/weedkillers

Key shift

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

   Tell us why: have to put distance between "boys-club" council deals and modern equitable approach to city life

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

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why: current arrangement gives disproportionate benefit to few

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: some of these golf courses would be better investing in social housing alongside recreation spaces - e.g. remuera

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 should be lead by Māori and manaakitanga

Other feedback

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

   more co-governance with iwi

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Organisation (if applicable):

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Your feedback

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

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It's important to retain our green spaces in Auckland

   Every major city in the world has huge green spaces except us

   The golf courses are the only ones we do have

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 don't want these spaces lost and used for housing

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:

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

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

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   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

   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:

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:

Other feedback

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Your feedback

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

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I am worried that park land will be sold off for housing - please don't allow this to happen. It would be very short sighted to loose valuable green space to housing and roading, given how much the population is bulging.

Objectives

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

   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: I wouldn't go crazy - golf is falling out of popularity. The land could be better used for cycling, and bike skills, pump tracks, to train up riders for the road.

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

   Support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

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   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:

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: Golfing is out of fashion, use the land for wider forms of recreation.

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?**

   I don't want housing in the parks.

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Your feedback

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

   Partially support

   Tell us why: These are large tracts of public land that should be shared, however you need to include horse riding in some of the areas as you are constantly only thinking walking and cycling and not true multi-use paths - walk, cycle, ride.

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: Absolutely - public land must be used efficiently for the public.

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:

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

   I don't know

   Tell us why:

Key shift

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   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:

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

   I don't know

   Tell us why: Not sure that golf courses are ever going to meet any sort of biodiversity targets, they are by nature mono cultures that are managed artificially so unless you stick to the edges this is just a waste of time or box ticking exercise.

Other feedback

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

   Stop ignorning horse riding. Whenever thinking of paths and adding recreation it should be walk, cycle, horse ride. There are multiple golf courses that are near, Muriwai and Waitakere (within riding distance of Pae o Te Rangi) or already used by horse riders (Awhitu) and there are others which could include bridleways - true multi-use paths or trails not just walk\cycle.

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Organisation (if applicable):

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Your feedback

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

   Don't support

   Tell us why: There is better sports and recreation development to be made from under-utilised land that golf currently occupies. Changing to different types of golf services only one sport code.

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: Opening land currently used exclusively for golf to other users (non golf users) is a worthwhile objective.

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: Golf has failed to use the land effectively. The land is better used for other sport codes. This objective services golfers not Aucklanders.

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

   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

   Support

   Tell us why: The wider Auckland area continues to get wider and mobility to the outskirts is easier. Statistics show Aucklanders are willing to travel to access quality opportunities and investment in those must be made to benefit all Aucklanders, not just the insular local community who may have benefited from geographic advantages or protectionist/exclusionary legislation.

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

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   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: Of golf as a sport needs to change what it offers to increase participation then that is an initiative best lead by golfers not by those whose focus should be on increasing overall better usage of the land for recreation. It is pandering to the golfing co

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: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback

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

   Don't support

   Tell us why: It is trash

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:

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

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

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback

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

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I am a keen golfer and like to get out and play with friends on the weekends. Golf has really taken off in Auckland since the COVID19 lockdowns and it has only continued to grow. With the current options of golf courses in Auckland, there is already high demand and sometimes you may not even get a chance to play on a course in the weekend. Proceeding with the suggested plan and limiting and cutting golf courses around Aukland will only heighten the demand of course times and may lead to casual golfers losing interest in playing the sport at all due to not being able to enjoy their sport at all. Public golf courses are sometimes the best chance for some casual golfers to enjoy the golfing experience due to the attractiveness of the green fee price. In a financial climate that is increasingly becoming more expensive to live in, golf is already an expensive hobby to have and sometimes private courses can charge "private prices" that can be unrealistic for a young golfer on a normal household wage. I do not support this plan and believe it is untrue to call this plan a "Golf Investment" plan. I can only see this plan pouring water on what is currently a hot and thriving golfing community.

Objectives

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   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**

   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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   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:

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   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

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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback

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

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I think this is a Ridiculous proposal and in fact raises many concerns regarding the over population of Auckland that we are looking to cut away recreational activities and facilities that bring interest to our City rather than dealing with the actual issue at hand. Having Golf courses available to play golf and use for Golfers as a community creates an appeal that keeps people around. The question to ask is has anyone that's keen on this proposal played golf ? Understood the Mental wellbeing factors when playing a sport like golf and how you feel like you are not in a suburban area. you feel separated from the hustle and bustle of people and traffic and overall clutter.

   It poses significant health and Safety risks to allow other patrons on a golf course while people are playing , all it will take is someone with headphones in walking and a ball strikes them and puts them in a coma and the sport is banned. Sadly the blame will fall on the person that hit the ball but in fact that should fall on the people that make the decision to allow this. In all fairness its ridiculous to think that visitors on a golf course will adhere to keeping quiet or maintaining the land there wont be respect. These courses will be littered / vandalised and then will KILL the sport. For what ? just to eventually bulldoze and build more houses and some rich person soaks up all the coin ? Trap us all like tin sardines and then have more issues with transport /infrastructure. Stop looking at Auckland as a Investment opportunity and if you really cared you would leave these as they are.

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:

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 is already happening if you paid attention.....

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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   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

   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

   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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Your feedback

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

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Because behind all the bluff you're hiding what you really want and that is a land grab. Like all political issues you just give us the truth on exactly what you propose to do. It's getting harder to book places to play and you want to close them down.

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: As my previous answer

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 that waffle actually mean???

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

   Don't support

   Tell us why: They do that already

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: Want exactly what you propose not fancy grab bites.

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

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: 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

   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

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

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

   Stop the fancy sound bites and be honest with us. We'll try it'll be a first.

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Your feedback

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

   Partially support

   Tell us why: We support specific objectives and key shifts - and we are neutral about others.

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: The Commission supports this move towards more equitable active recreation outcomes from existing public recreational space. In particular we support moves towards opening up walking access to the wider recreational catchments surrounding golf courses o

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:

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

   Support

   Tell us why: We note that effective management using appropriate ecological advice/principles can enhance the biodiversity for its intrinsic values as well as the enjoyment of those using/accessing the area. If well managed, golf course land can contribute to carbon

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: We think the plan should provide a mechanism for all Auckland communities to advocate effectively for key public access connectivity across public land reserved for recreation. As the pubic land in question has been used exclusively for golf for some time, it may be that there are many opportunities that become available for connectivity which would have been excluded from plans in the past – e.g. greenways or local paths plans may have omitted any connections across the golf courses.

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

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Support

   Tell us why: Regarding participation, Auckland regional statistics from the 2019 Active NZ data showed that 85% of adults walked, 43% participated in jogging/running and 26% cycled - while just 10% of the adult population played golf over the same 12-month period.

   Walking and related informal activities are incredibly important forms of active recreation - as the barriers to participation are low. Walking access is a key driver of health outcomes: research shows that people living in suburban areas with poor walking connectivity are statistically more likely to suffer poor health outcomes.

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:

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: Golf course land in many cases could be contributing to a range of biodiversity and community ecological outcomes - we support maximising this yeild.

Other feedback

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

   Where there is existing specific provision of legal public access, golfing activity should be withdrawn from that area. One example is that of Clark's Beach Golf Course, where the reserve land (on which the

golf course is sited) is adjoined by Esplanade Reserve, onto which the golf course has encroached. This makes it impossible for the public to use the esplanade reserve to follow the coast safely– and indicates to anyone attempting to traverse that coastal margin that they are not welcome – even though the space is specifically reserved for ecological and access purposes.

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Your feedback

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

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf has send a huge boom and data used in this is old, courses are busy everyday of the week

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:

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:

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

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Your local board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback

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

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf has had a massive resurgence in the last 3 years, if anything we need more courses not less

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: Everyone should be able to enjoy what Auckland has to offer

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: Indoor simulators are not the same as 18 hole golf courses

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

   Partially support

   Tell us why: .

Key shift

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   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

   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

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Agree with what is said

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?**

   Leave our golf alone!!!

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Your local board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback

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

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Lack of consultation with golf groups

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: Do not believe that council officials are best placed to develop sports

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:

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

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

Key shift

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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: I firmly believe there is an anti golf sentiment at ACC

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

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

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

   Specifically in relation to Chamberlain Park this already meets your stated objectives of encouraging Maori/Pasifika/Asian/Female/Child participation. It is already an excellent learning facility for would be golfers. In addition as the only public course south of the harbour bridge it should be retained as is with better support from ACC

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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: Equity should not be used lightly. There is no equity when the rich continue to hold all the power. There are other lands that could be used.

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

   Partially 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?**

   If its not broken dont fix it

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Your local board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback

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

   Don't support

   Tell us why: I disagree with any moves to reduce the number of golf courses in the Auckland Region. My experience of trying to make tee bookings is that the existing clubs are very well patronised and it is often difficult to find available playing times. With population growth there will be increasing numbers of golfers and a reduction in courses will only make the problem of find playing times more difficult. Good courses taken time to develop and mature. It would be a real shame to undo all that good work. There are plenty of open spaces in Auckland for other sport and recreation activities without impacting on golf courses.

   I largely agree with aims of the Plan to make golf courses more environmentally sustainable and the clubs need to be financially 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**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Golf on golf courses should have priority. Other activities should only be allowed on courses if they do not restrict play or damage the 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**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I agree with initiatives to increase golf participation .. but this should not be at the expense of full size 18 hole courses. Events to increase participation can easily be accommodated on courses with encouragement of Golf Clubs.

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

   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

   Partially support

   Tell us why: I agree that consistent policies should be applied across the Region. I disagree that golf investment policies need to be for the benefit of all Aucklanders. Rather investment in golf should be seen as a benefit to the whole community in the same way investment in other sports facilities are .. swimming pools, playing fields etc.

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

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Golf by the nature of the game needs large areas of land. There are plenty of open spaces for other sport and recreation activities without cutting into golf courses. It is natural for golf courses develop and change shape over time. Any reduction in land area needs to be done in discussion with the affected club and golf needs to be the priority.

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 dont understand the the "broad golf service offering across the network that appeals to a wider group of people" .. please provide specifics. My view is that innovative ways of promoting golf participation can be found on existing golf facilities .. amb

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: I support initiatives to minimise the environmental impact of golf courses.

Other feedback

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

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Your local board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback

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

   Don't support

   Tell us why:

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**

   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**

   Tell us why:

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

   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

   Tell us why:

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

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   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

   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

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

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

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