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Organisation (if applicable):

Your local board: Papakura

Your feedback

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

   Partially 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**

   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:

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:

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

   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

   Support

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

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

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   Support

   Tell us why:

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   Support

   Tell us why:

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Tell us why:

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Your feedback

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   Partially support

   Tell us why: Would like to see more multi sport purpose specifically Disc golf. Which is one of the fastest growing sports in the world and NZ.

   It has much lower cost of entry and training costs than golf so is suitable for all genders, socioeconomic status' and ages.

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: Disc golf would increase equality

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: Disc golf would increase participation for groups that don't typically fancy regular golf

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

   I don't know

   Tell us why:

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   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

   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

   I don't know

   Tell us why:

Other feedback

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

   Disc golf is a great sport with serious traction for top athletes in the US. The top US athlete recently signed a $10m endorsement deal.

   NZ is blessed with some great course designers at the discshop and an awesome growing diverse community.

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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 are plenty of other green spaces that council can use to achieve the objectives without removing another public style golf course

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: If people wish to play they can either join or pay a green fee

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 aiming at low participation groups who already have little interest otherwise they would be more involved. This spits in the face of those who play the game regularly yet will receive less assistance due to going to the minority rather than the majority

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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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: For a start not all Aucklanders play golf, nor do they all play football, rugby, league etc...how do all Aucklanders benefit if you're changing a legacy that was set up to assist those of us who choose to play..sounds suspiciously like go-governance with one particular entity making the rules

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

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Golf courses are for golfers, like rugby fields are for rugby players. There are plenty of open green areas for those who wish to have a walk, dog walk, ride their bikes etc

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 courses have become too elitist..my course welcomes anyone yet it will probably be chosen to be taken from us..go after the council owned courses who are not allowing either by choice or expense for all players to use the course

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:

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: The way it is currently worded means that the repurposing of golf courses on council land could end up with golf being the loser. Given the expected increase in Auckland's population, the demand for golf courses will grow so the council should look at adding more facilities rather than trying to repurpose the perfectly good golf courses that we currently 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**

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Aside from the Health and Safety considerations, golf courses are used 7 days a week during daylight hours to play golf on. If we look at the environmental side of the equation, any areas of the golf course that are not required for golf should be planted in native vegetation, not concreted as walking paths or cycleways.

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: People are time poor so any offering that gives people an introduction to golf without the full 18 hole experience is good. Most golf clubs offer this experience already though, so not much is required to keep this going.

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

   Support

Tell us why: Areas of the golf course that are not required to be maintained for the golf (areas between tees and greens, areas of rough that are well off the course proper) should be either planted or be allowed to regenerate.

Key shift

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

   Support

   Tell us why: Every organisation should have a strategic plan and not operate in an ad-hoc way.

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

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Partially support

   Tell us why: We still need land that has a dedicated purpose. Maintaining a golf course, or bowling green, or rugby field, or hockey turf, requires specialist management to ensure the quality of the product and maintain the enjoyment of the participants and, where applicable, spectators. By turning a golf course into a multi-purpose venue, you will only create a space that is at best passable and, at worst, not suitable for either activity.

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 agree with the assertion that golf courses are "mid-level". All golf courses offer a variety of tees aimed at beginners (orange or purple) to advanced (blue or black) golfers. It is in the interest of every club to encourage people to take up the 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

   Support

   Tell us why: This is totally in line with what all golf courses in NZ are heading towards anyway.

Other feedback

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

   I believe that a lot of the statistics quoted, and assumptions made as the basis for the plan are either out of date, flawed or subjective. Golf has never been in better health in Auckland and this should be built

on, not dismantled and reworked. The plan should be re-drafted and resubmitted and would then gain wider support.

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Your feedback

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

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Golf is available to the whole population in Ak. Especially at my course at Clark's beach. We have the complete range of Ak residents as players both in gender, ethnicity, and age. Players come not only local residents but from all suburbs in south and eastern Ak.

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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 already alternative recreational parks, and cycle znd walking paths. Chamberlain golf park is a disaster now due to council manipulation and motorway construction. It's a course that is used by many people as it's a public course dating back 50 years or more. That's where I first played my golf as a teenager

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**

   Support

   Tell us why: My club is already doing this at Clark's beach. We utiliser the storm water and recycling oxidation pond water

Key shift

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   Partially support

   Tell us why:

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   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

   Partially support

   Tell us why:

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   Don't support

   Tell us why:

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   Don't support

   Tell us why:

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   Don't support

   Tell us why:

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   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**

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   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 feedback

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

   Don't support

   Tell us why: You clearly haven't consulted with Golf New Zealand, Auckland Golf and Northland golf to get current up to date statistics. You should review this before moving forward.

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: You should be putting more golf courses and driving range facilities into the Auckland region.

   in the average game of golf, a person walks 12,000 steps. Imagine if more Aucklanders got out and about. It would lead to a healthier more mindful community.

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: As a young female golfer new to the game, there is already a large number of beginners groups for females but they could do with more funding and community meetups.

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

   Support

Tell us why: Yes, more resources and education are to be offered to golf courses in general in New Zealand. It would be great if you actually consulted with Golf New Zealand, Auckland Golf and North golf. How amazing would it be if you actually worked as a team.

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

   Support

   Tell us why: There are already driving ranges.

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: See above answer

Other feedback

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   Get your statistics right before moving forward

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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 is like any other sport and requires dedicated areas to play in. Open access to courses for non-plyaers is both hazardous to their well-being and will be chaotic and severely disrupt games - non-golfers wandering across fairways will be hit by balls

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 plenty of existing spaces and places for Aucklanders to enjoy outside recreational facilities. There is a significant health and safety risk to pedestrians and cyclists and children wandering through golf courses. Who's liable when injury occurs

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: Yes totally agree but they need to be dedicated golf environments - are you going to open up netball courts, mountain bike tracks and rugby fields to allow multi-use as games are in progress

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

   Partially support

   Tell us why: Its clearly a green space already and is being well managed by the clubs themselves and I would suggest paths and play grounds are not eco-friendly at all not to mention littering and vandalism that goes hand in hand with public access

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: The framework isn't robust. The plan is thin and has no real outcomes - I have no idea what the planned development of any of these courses or land is from this plan. Give us a picture of what you are actually physically changes at each course

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

   TO: sport and recreation for all Aucklanders

   Don't support

   Tell us why: As stated - safety, disruption, and vandalism will destroy the course, disrupt the game, and is the antithesis of best practice eco-system mangement

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 support a broad gold service offering but not turning golf courses into walking and bike parks 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

   Don't support

   Tell us why: Again - what targets - non are stated - impossible to comment on a question about targets when non are mentioned - the statement is meaningless without actual activities and actions attached to it.

Other feedback

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

   Consider who is liable for sustained injuries when a member of the public is hit in the head with a ball traveling at 140 Kmh

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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
- ☐ Don't support
- ☐ I don't know

Tell us why

Not all golf courses are used during week

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	as above extra use mon → Fri				
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
1	FROM ad hoc historic decisions of legacy councils TO a robust investment framework that is focused on increasing benefits to all Aucklanders	☐	☑	☐	☐
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?

while I do not wish to see any golf courses close, it makes sense to see more accessible esp mon-Fri day when golf courses are generally quieter

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