
Local dog access rules 2025

Franklin local parks

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711	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Current situation works well and enjoyed by many
779	I don't know		Children's playgrounds & sports field in total area should never have access for dogs Irrespective of whether it's north of here or south of there. Who wants to play sports sliding on dog ***** or have children put in danger with an uncontrolled dog whether it be on or off leash.
780	I support the proposed change		Love dogs but not when they run everywhere and jump up on people. Unfortunately not all owners have trained their fur babies
906	I support the proposed change		I did not realise Clevedon Show Grounds was accessible for dogs, so this is great to know. Signage should be appropriate and large enough for users to see and understand what is on / off limits to dogs.
942	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	You continue to remove access and opportunity for People to socialise there dogs in an appropriate manner and then use the increase in issues caused from this to justify more stringent rules. Give the population of people living in Auckland suggest that you would be better placed to encourage more controlled interactions with the general public in everyday life to develop a better standard of dog behaviour in public and improve the current situation, perhaps more effort in supporting the people who are abiding by the already stringent rules and a crackdown on the irresponsible owners would be a better approach. Once again easy to disadvantage the compliant honest people as opposed to the few who do not pay for so abide by the current rules. Continual restrictions in relation to dog experience within the world makes for unsocialised animals and poor outcomes. Would like to see u actually consult with people Who work in this area and have experience rather organisations like the SPCA who have there own political agenda. DNZ and the Companion animal association. Would be a good place to start
1312	I support the proposed change		Many visitors do not have sufficient control of their dogs off leash, the smaller area will be helpful in preventing dog incidents.
1422	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	There are so few off lead places to walk in this area. Prosecute those who do not abide by the current "under control" law instead of punishing responsible dog walkers
1505	I support the proposed change		It appears reasonable to ensure sports fields are kept clean but surely dog handlers clean up after their charges have toileted.

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1663	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Your proposed rules will only affect responsible dog owners. They are discriminatory and grossly unfair. I strongly oppose the changes.
1664	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I strongly oppose these changes.
1673	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	The proposed new laws are unfair and will not be effective. The effect will be disproportionate and not reduce unwanted behaviour. They will unfairly affect responsible dog owners who are law abiding anyway. I strongly oppose these changes.
1685	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I strongly oppose the changes
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1721	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I strongly oppose these changes.
1873	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	We are limited already with the areas that dogs are allowed to run around off leash. There have been no issues so far, and all the dogs love it. So why change it?
1922	I support the proposed change		This is a dog event area though and it's usually quiet so alot of people use it for off leash time being there's no where else
2179	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I walk my dog at the Clevedon showgrounds every weekday morning. She happily runs off leash beside me along all the paths and we have not had any negative experiences in the whole time we've been there. There is a lovely and regular group of fellow dog walkers on weekday mornings and it such a lovely part of my day. It would be so sad to be restricted to a small off leash area when all the pathways that loop through the showgrounds are so great for walking. I strongly disagree with this change.

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2794	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Since moving to Clevedon five years ago we have regularly walked our large dog on the showgrounds off leash. Generally we will walk the perimeter which gives the dog a good 40 minute run. Whilst I accept that there may be irresponsible dog owners, we have never had a problem at this reserve with uncontrolled or aggressive dogs. Most of the people we encounter are exercising dogs off leash as we are. Being a rural area there are many larger dogs around who need a good run and this is one of the few places locally (if not the only place) where this is possible. The showgrounds are a large area and there is plenty of opportunity for the various users of the reserve to do their own thing without upsetting others. Obviously if there is an equestrian event occurring we do not walk in that part of the showgrounds, for instance. I think that the proposed change is unnecessary and would not be welcomed by the people I meet actually using the wider showgrounds area. At the moment there is plenty of space again for us to exercise our dogs off leash without intruding on the sports field activities. The space proposed for off leash dogs does not allow big dogs to have the length of walk/run that they need.
2918	I support the proposed change		Seems a reasonable change
3778	I support the proposed change		Works well as law is now
3780	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	We walk our dog every day, off leash, and as other dog walkers experience nil issues. To implement the proposed changes would cause unrealistic restrictions on owners and dogs. The current policy is sufficient in this area. Who is going to police it?
3823	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	There are a large number of the local community who value the ability to walk our dogs off leash in the Clevedon showgrounds. The off leash area proposed is very restrictive, I presume the council intends to fence it,? A compromise is to have the area around the sports fields "under control on a leash". (currently off leash) and allow off leash under control for the rest of the showgrounds unless there is a horse event. Access is already denied around dressage arenas when there is an event on. we have coexisted happily together for decades.
4285	I support the proposed change		This area is popular for sports, markets and animal events, it is a farming community after all. Having to deal with dog poo when you are trying to run around with your children or dogs left loose, I think more management and updated signage is needed so people are aware of the changes too

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4428	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Clevedon is still a rural area where country people walk their dogs off leash with no problems. I walk my dog off leash there every day in the current area specified for off leash walking along with a large number of people. I have NEVER seen any issues with dogs, running off leash. The owners that have no recall choose to put their dogs on leash. When horse events are taking place everyone avoids the area where horses are present. The current area is large enough for you to walk and avoid other dogs and people. The Clevedon showgrounds in not represented in your documents correctly. You refer to Schedule 2. There is no mention of Clevedon Showgrounds in Schedule 2. There is no mention of Clevedon Showgrounds in your Statement of Proposal or in Appendix C and the map shown in Appendix D only shows proposed which is in contention of what is written in Appendix A. To change the off leash area (if in fact this is what you propose which is very hard to understand given all the conflicting documents) would be totally unacceptable given my personal experience of the area. Why I oppose Council's proposal: 1. The proposed off leash area is far too small to accommodate the number of dogs walked off leash at the Clevedon Showgrounds. With the new development of Clevedon Meadows and more people and more dogs coming into the area, this will create a recipe for disaster with so many dogs off leash confined to such a small area. 2. The proposed off leash area, as vaguely shown on the Council map, is not possible in fact due to the layout of the area.
4493	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	As a regular user of this park and all of its facilities i do not support this change. As a responsible dog owner who walks daily, it is second nature to leash my dog when an equestrian event is running and we're walking around those areas. The proposed change severely limits the off leash area which is a real shame for the whole community. Dont punish us all for the mistakes of one or two individuals who cant control their dogs.
4668	I support the proposed change		DOGS SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO RUN FREE BUT SHOULD STILL BE UNDER VOICE CONTROL WHEN OTHER DOGS ARE PRESENT
4705	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	We walk there regularly. It is rarely used for sports and equestrian and when it is, dog walkers are respectful. It would be better to restrict off leash 'when the sports field/equestrian arena is active'
4707	I support the proposed change		I just do

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4750	I do not support the proposed change	Allow dogs under control on a leash on areas of the showgrounds not restricted (Schedule 2).	The new proposed rules do not address the issues that are driving these changes, that is uncontrolled dogs off leash and people who don't pick up their dog droppings. All the proposed rules are doing is again penalising the law abiding rate paying dog registration paying and responsible dog owners. Those who are causing the issues currently will continue to behave in the same manner as they currently do.. Address the root cause of the issue!
4957	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	No changes are necessary - showgrounds work really effectively as they are - dogs do not currently go on sports surfaces which I totally support no dogs on sports grounds but what you are proposing around a small area for offleash only is ludicrous - there are so many dogs that use the Showgrounds and the beauty of it is that it has wide open spaces for dogs and their owners to walk freely. Putting more dogs in a confined area will lead to lots of behavioural issues and the showgrounds are only used for equestrian events around 10 times per year and during those times dog owners are very respectful to the equestrian competitors who put up signs asking for dogs to not come through a particular area or be on a lead. There are very limited and safe offleash areas for dogs in Clevedon and to enforce on leash for the majority of the showgrounds will be detrimental to the local community. It also will not be enforceable unless you have resources and funding to put in staff to monitor - Camp Sladdin is a perfect example of a supposed on leash walk and I'd say 70% of the dog walkers who walk that track do not have a dog on a lead
5038	I support the proposed change		It needs to be amended to NO off leash areas. There have been too many instances of dogs chasing children, getting in the way of sports training, feces left on the ground in the sports fields. It's disgusting and disappointing for the children to play sports amongst this mess. Just have to look on the community page to see how many arrogant dog owners there are. They cannot recall their dog and do not pick up after them.
5570	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	The current rules are fine, there is one or two dogs that create issues. When a report is made about a uncontrolled dog, it needs to be actioned better.
5603	I do not support the proposed change	Allow dogs under control on a leash on areas of the showgrounds not restricted (Schedule 2).	dogs on leash in public areas

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5661	I do not support the proposed change	Allow dogs under control on a leash on areas of the showgrounds not restricted (Schedule 2).	Responsible dog owners should be able to walk their dogs here. Stop limiting the good owners and restricting them. It is not fair on them or the dogs.
5813	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	This works perfectly well currently, no change required. Clevedon has no other areas for dogs to have a run, we dont have footpaths on many of our roads , we need a safe sociable area for our dogs to run and interact with other dogs. i have lived in clevedon for 25years , walked my dogs here during that time , there is no reason to change when this works well
5861	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	The proposed changes do not reflect how the Clevedon Showgrounds are used daily and unfairly disadvantage responsible dog owners and their pets. The assumption that all activities—such as sports and equestrian events—occur simultaneously is inaccurate. In reality, most daily dog walkers visit the showgrounds early in the morning, long before these events take place. As a result, the risks the proposed rule aims to mitigate are often non-existent during these times. Currently, dog owners can find quiet spaces away from other off-leash dogs to facilitate play, training, and enrichment activities. Forcing these activities into a smaller, more crowded, and overstimulating environment increases risks and makes it more challenging to maintain control over dogs. Responsible owners already exercise good judgment, leashing their dogs when necessary to ensure the safety of all park users, their pets, and themselves when events are taking place. Retaining the current rule or implementing time, day, or seasonal restrictions would be a fairer and more balanced approach that accommodates all users of the showgrounds.
5864	I do not support the proposed change	Allow dogs under control on a leash on areas of the showgrounds not restricted (Schedule 2).	if dogs aren't under control off leash, which they often aren't, they can be a danger to other users at the grounds
6347	I support the proposed change		The new wording is readable and simple

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6434	I do not support the proposed change	Allow dogs under control on a leash on areas of the showgrounds not restricted (Schedule 2).	Much clearer to remember and understand
6478	I do not support the proposed change	Allow dogs under control on a leash on areas of the showgrounds not restricted (Schedule 2).	There are very few places already where we can take our dogs; parks and waterways provide enrichment and socialization opportunities. Council should aim to increase the areas where dogs are allowed, instead of reducing them. This could be a great opportunity for economic development associated to pets and pet owners. The city should be looking at this as an opportunity rather as an obstacle.
6746	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	Dogs should not be prohibited from leased areas...this should be the option of the lessor.
6748	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	We are one of many families who have walked our border collie dogs at the Clevedon Showground's for nearly 24 years now. We have never had an issue with other dogs who are being walked off-leash. There are many Clevedon residents who have dogs, and one of the treasures of the area for our dogs and our own well-being is the showgrounds. It is such a wonderful area for us all to exercise and exercise our dogs. I know of no local dog owner who wants to change the regulations regarding the showgrounds and I cannot think of any reason to change the rules. I fear that perhaps some tiny vocal minority has had their voice amplified through social media or complaints to the council. Please do not consider this to be representative of the community. We have had three generations of Border Collies who have enjoyed the freedom of walking the entire Clevedon Showgrounds. One did not particularly like other dogs, so we kept her on a leash if we ever thought there might be an issue. The next in the generation felt that he was duty bound to police the showgrounds and keep all dogs in line and behaving well. The third is very timid of other dogs, but we have never had an issue with all the dogs running off leash, she just keeps clear. 99% of dog owners who use this facility are incredibly responsible owners. Do not ruin one of our greatest assets without the community even asking for a change. Please be aware that people in the community who are quite happy with the status quo will not have ever reached out to the council to tell them that everything is all good. Let me close by saying that in nearly 24 years of walking three generations of dogs at the showgrounds, I have never never seen a single incident where dogs off leash have caused a problem. Do not make
6776	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I dont think you should limit the off leash areas.

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6812	I do not support the proposed change	Allow dogs under control on a leash on areas of the showgrounds not restricted (Schedule 2).	The area proposed as off leash is very small - it would be good to see a larger area available for controlled, off leash dogs. At this location, it should also be stipulated that dogs should be within xx metres from their owner, as there are often issues with dogs straying to far from their owner, and worrying other dogs that are off leash.
6941	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I am submitting regarding the proposal for Clevedon Showgrounds Reserve ("CSR"). I OPPOSE the proposal that Dogs allowed under control off a leash on grass areas of the area used as the sports fields west and north of the equestrian areas (Schedule 2) I WISH TO SEE THE FOLLOWING CHANGE I want to keep dogs allowed under control off a leash on areas of the showgrounds not restricted ADDITIONAL COMMENTS I have lived in Clevedon for over 30 years and have always walked my dogs in the CSR. I do not accept that there is any need for change. Dogs need big off leash areas and there does not need to be any further restrictions than those currently in place to restrict where I may walk my dog off leash. We deliberately chose to live in Clevedon as it is more of a rural setting and one of the attractions to us in settling here was walking our dogs in the CSR off lead. I meet a number of other walkers, and we walk together with our dogs under control off lead. I am now a widow, and it is a huge part of my day to meet my fellow dog walkers as we walk around the perimeter of the CSR. Restricting dogs and walkers to a much smaller area takes away
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404	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Human does more harm than dogs, bad dog owner should pay the price, not the responsible good dog owners.
523	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	Dogs should be allowed on all public areas under control at all times unless there is a non kauri die back conservation need

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541	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Dogs should be allowed on -leash on all walking tracks, car-parks and parks in Auckland! There are too few dog-friendly off-leash exercise areas for dogs in all Auckland areas! We need many more dog-friendly off-leash exercise areas!!!! Rules should not be changed as a result of complaints against a few negligent dog owners spoiling it for the remainder of decent dog owners!! Instead, the Council should be targeting and educating the negligent and problematic dog owners!! Cats are responsible for far more bird killings than dogs! Why do you still allow cats to be unlicensed, un-neutered and to roam freely???
689	I support the proposed change		Although this is a bit more restrictive it seems fair enough given the other uses of the area.
985	I support the proposed change		I like the proposed changes, specifying where dogs are and not allowed.
1171	I do not support the proposed change	Allow dogs under control on a leash on areas of the showgrounds not restricted (Schedule 2).	Most dog owners are responsible no reason to make any changes feel it is unfair on the dogs they needs there outings as well
1298	I support the proposed change		This is fantastic - and provides clear guidelines for all dog owners using the showgrounds. My only suggestion to provide greater clarity is to use the paths (that for the most part) align with the proposed boundary (rather than the nominal proposed rectangle on the map) as the markers for the off-lead area.
1358	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	Dogs should be allowed on leash in all park areas. Provision for off leash play should be made in all parks.
1379	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	More dogs in Auckland and your solution is to restrict where and when they can go places, removing areas of much needed off leash areas and giving nothing in return. This makes absolutely no sense.
1443	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Leave dogs alone. Enforce the current rules by fining people who do not comply. Simple

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1587	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I believe the current rules are sufficient and shouldn't be made stricter. Many of us already struggle to find spaces where dogs can enjoy off-leash fun. Tightening regulations would only make it more challenging and disappointing. As mentioned, dogs are like our kids. If stricter rules are necessary, then why not regulate children too? For example, keeping babies away from other creatures, restricting them from playgrounds, or even banning screaming and crying in public. It's about fairness and balance for everyone.
1755	I support the proposed change		Clarity, reduces risk when everyone isn't sure of rules, ability to enjoy the space is better
1806	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Stop restricting dog access at public spaces.
1854	I don't know		Same for all areas - we should have a section for owners and dogs to be off leash during summer.
2086	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Never had issues before, punishing everyone for a small handful of irresponsible owners isn't fair. The less our dogs are out in society the more harmful to their behavior moving forward
2139	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Dogs are family members it is already difficult to find activities you can do with your dog. Banning them from beaches and parks will be a step back as a society. In fact more and more people is opting for not having kids and having dogs instead. This will new proposed policy will definitely have a huge negative impact on the wellbeing of NZ dog owners. We should promote healthier, active lifestyle. What other alternatives we have as dog owners is the equivalent of banning kids in parks. that does not make sense.
2183	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	We share this land - with all living things. We cannot prohibit access because it might cause issue with a few biased individuals. This doesn't solve an issue it creates disconnect and segregation between demographics. Focus on educating dog owners as well as non- dog owners and simplifying regulations. If people get used to dogs everywhere, the less of an issue it will become. Dogs bring joy to peoples' lives. Stop trying to take away their rights to play. That's all they ask...we have people that treat them horrifically, people who hit them, beat them and try to kill them and yet they stay loyal to their owners and only ever ask for love and a good walk in return. Just let them be part of the community.
2184	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Keep current
2185	I don't know		Please provide as many opportunities as possible for on-lead walking.

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2343	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Responsible dog owners are already highly restricted on area and times if access. Increasing those limitations is unfair and discriminating. The majority should not be penalized for the minority who are not responsible dog owners.
2488	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	It's already to minum the parks and areas that you currently can walk with your dog, and to keep a healthy and balanced dog at least the dog need to be walked once a day.
2627	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	None of this will make any difference. It's how it's working now.
2652	I don't know		I can't quite make out from the images where dogs will be allowed on leash in future.They should be able to walk around the exterior (off) the entire park - and around the sports areas on leash at any time to allow owners of dogs or their family members are competing, to watch or take an extended walk instead of limiting to a very small area. The off leash designated area is frequently full of plants that are allergens to dogs (lots of dogs are allergic to certain type of grass) and also usually very boggy. Limiting the walk does not encourage people to take exercise with their dogs.
2692	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	No restrictions for responsible dog owners
2713	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	We should be allowed to have access to these places as well
2871	I support the proposed change		Fair
3113	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Give dogs space to run and play off leash. There are already so few places for dogs to be off leash.
3126	I support the proposed change		I like the idea of more space for dogs to run is available to responsible dog owners.
3438	I support the proposed change		It would be helpful if you attached a map for reference.
3617	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Another area where there is less access for dogs, not more.
3733	I support the proposed change		At times when I have been riding my horses at clevedon showgrounds, in the grassed jump course, I have been concerned of dogs that are off leash wandering up to my horse and attacking her, so having then on leash would help with my anxiety

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4197	I do not support the proposed change	Allow dogs under control on a leash on areas of the showgrounds not restricted (Schedule 2).	The original proposal is horrendously worded and many people can't tell the difference between South and East, so let's stick to easy terms like "keep your dog off the sports field"
4385	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I have never had any issues whatsoever walking my dog off-leash here. All walkers are local people that manage their dogs well. It would be sad to decrease the area when there are no issues here.
4461	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Just leave alone is fine as is
4489	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I want less restrictions not more and this is overly complicated
4619	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Rule works fine as is
4696	I don't know		I don't want to comment on any particular area. My concern is about consistency and clarity of the rules. It needs to be made clear to all users of public areas, when, where and how dog owners and their dogs are able to use a space so that other users can make their choice about when and where they might like to use the same spaces. Dogs need free running spaces and this needs to be safe for all.
4754	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	Best dog ground in Auckland. Little problems ever with dogs. Need to relax the laws even further and give dogs more access - ie like between sports fields (eg trees in the middle etc)
4764	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	there are few options for safe off leash dog exercise areas
4821	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	If dogs are under control there is no problem.
4879	I support the proposed change		Personal safety
4947	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	This is reducing the amount of space available for off leash/on leash walking. I do not support this.
5060	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	The current rules are perfectly sufficient. There is no reason to restrict dog access further.
5103	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	There is no reason for the change, it is an attack on dog owners

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5365	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Clevedon Showgrounds is a great place to let the dogs off leash, provided they are away from other activities. There is no reason to ban dogs on leash even where there are events happening. Most dog owners would either have dogs on leads or would leave the dog at home if they were attending an event. NZ Equestrian already have rules for competitors' dogs.
5452	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	The current rules work fine and there is no reason to change something that isn't broken
5493	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	This area does not require further restrictions on dogs, the current rules are adequate and should remain
5522	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	Dogs under control have great owners, owners that have trust with their dog will only take them off leash
5642	I don't know		I'd like to know what the "significant risks" are and if alternative steps can be taken to mitigate them, as socialisation is a key part of dog handling, and off-leash areas are essential for this. I fear there will be a slow erosion of these public areas, which concerns me.
5680	I support the proposed change		We visit every Sunday with our dog. Love that the markets are dog friendly and nice that she is allowed to be off leash whilst we are having a feed (recall good)
5728			I would like dogs to be allowed on tennis courts and dressage arena. They are great dog training environments.

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5760	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	To whom it may concern I am submitting regarding the proposal for Clevedon Showgrounds Reserve I OPPOSE the proposal Dogs allowed under control off a leash on grass areas south of the area used as sports fields and west and north of equestrian areas (Schedule 2) except during events where temporary dog access rules may apply. I WISH TO SEE THE FOLLOWING CHANGE: I ant to keep dogs allowed under control off a leash on areas of the Showgrounds.not restricted. Since moving into Clevedon last November I have used the Showgrounds most daysto walk my labradoodle. The dogs we meet are well socialised and trained. I have not encountered any issue with menacing or unruly dogs so am quite surprised Council feels there needs to be a change. The horse facilities are used infrequently and certainly never on weekdays. If there are horse events I have noticed that the regular dog walkers keep well out of the way so anee already self regulating. Similarly when cricket is being played dogs are kept away from the participants. Again self regulation. There is no other dog exercise in Clevedon for dog walking. It

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5761	I do not support the proposed change	Allow dogs under control on a leash on areas of the showgrounds not restricted (Schedule 2).	I am submitting regarding the proposal for Clevedon Showgrounds Reserve . I OPPOSE the proposal Dogs Allowed under off control off a leash on grass areas south of the area used as sports fields and west and north of equestrian areas (Schedule 2),except during events where temporary dog access rules apply (Bylaw Clause 10). I wish to see the folloowing change: I want to keep Dogs allowed under control off a leash on areas of the showgrounds not resticted. This area is used by an ever increasing number off dog walkers because its useable all year around. If restricted to the grass only,this would almost make walking your dog in winter impossible, because of the muddy grassy area. Several of the dog walkers are elderly and can only really cope with the hard surface roading area. Where else can dog owners go. This is a situation of "if its not broken dont try and fix it". Its becoming quite a social occasion for dog owners to gather. Every walker i have seen have picked up and disposed of their dogs faeces which is more than you can say for the horse owners who frequently take over the area,thats even more resticting for dog owners, when equestrian events are held. Please don't restrict responsible dog owners any more than they are already. Thank you for considering my submission.

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5766	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I am submitting regarding the proposal for Clevedon Showgrounds Reserve. I OPPOSE the proposal Dogs Allowed under control off a leash on grass areas south of the area used as sports fields and west and north of equestrian areas (Schedule 2), except during events where temporary dog access rules may apply (Bylaw Clause 10) I WISH TO SEE THE FOLLOWING CHANGE: I want to keep Dogs Allowed under Control off a leash on areas of the showgrounds not restricted. Since moving to Clevedon 7 years ago, I have made a habit of walking my dog daily down at the Showgrounds, and previously my 2 older dogs before they passed away. I have made some wonderful friends from the Clevedon Community there and we all look out for each other, walk with each other and also go to the local cafe for coffee afterwards. The owners I meet there are all responsible dog owners, who abide by the rules, picking up after their dogs, not going near the equestrian area when its in use, not going on or near the cricket, rugby or tennis areas when in use. There's even a wonderful elderly lady who recently lost her dog, but still walks every day and carries dog treats for all her canine friends she has met there. This is a vital part of Clevedon life and what living in the Village and surrounding areas means to us all. Do not change what isn't broken. I implore you to use common sense in this case and don't let one rule fits all to take over.

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5767	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I am making a submission relating to the proposal for Clevedon Showgrounds Reserve. I oppose the proposal that dogs be allowed under control off a leash on grass areas sought of the area used as sports fields and west and north of equestrian areas (schedule 2), except during events where temporary dog access rules may apply (by law clause 10). I wish to see the following change: I want to keep dogs allowed under control off a leash on areas of the showgrounds not restricted. My family have walked/run our dogs in the showgrounds for over 10 years. It is the only area in Clevedon (including the wider area) where this is presently permitted. The coastal walkways, beaches etc all have council restrictions. Walking dogs off lead is a daily ritual for many local dog walkers and allows some freedom for the dogs and a decent walk for their owners. The off leash area proposed does not permit a decent walk, nor allow the dogs to have really good free exercise.

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5772	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I am submitting regarding the proposal for clevedon showground reserve. I oppose the proposal dog's allowed under control off leash on grass areas south of the area used as sports fields and west and north of the equestrian areas. I wish to see the following change: I want to keep dogs allowed under control off leash on areas of the showground not restricted. I am new to the area and walk my well behaved off leash dog every morning It has been wonderful to meet all the locals who use this area to walk there dogs every day, sometimes twice a day. I have found 99.9% of people and there dogs to be respectful and well behaved. It gives the dogs a chance to sniff around and enjoy themselves. This area is used by alot of people to walk their dogs and would be very sorely missed if it were to be taken away Thank you for listening and I hope you take this seriously.
5773	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	To whom it may concern, The current situation is ideal . Researchers have shown it doesn't work to have a confined space with multiple dogs loose. Being able to move around freely at the reserve caters to all levels of fitness and dogs requirements. In the best interests please leave as it stands. I'm a regular user @ 6.30 am at that time there is only a handful of people who use it . I did 9 kms today taking advantage of all areas .

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5775	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I am submitting regarding the proposal for Clevedon Showgrounds Reserve: I want to keep dogs allowed, under control and off a leash, on all areas of the showgrounds, and not restricted. I walk 5 days a week around the Clevedon Showgrounds, and do not own a dog, though I walk with four other ladies that have five dogs between them. I feel comfortable with the behaviour of the numerous dogs I see during my walks. There are many dog owners who walk their dogs here and I do not believe the restrictions are necessary. The size proposed is ridiculously small and all it would do is concentrate the number of dogs into a smaller area, and thus increase the chance of dog to dog interaction and possible negative consequences. Having the entire area off leash allows dog owners to walk in areas that other dogs are not.
5781	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	My submission is in regard to the proposal for Clevedon Showgrounds Reserve I propose that dogs off leash, but under control, should continue to be allowed in all areas except the sports grounds. The more space available the safer the dogs will be if they have an anxiety issue with unfamiliar dogs. If they are restricted to a smaller area there is more chance of problems. There is so much housing development locally that there will inevitably be greater numbers of dogs in the area. This is the loveliest place to walk and meet other dog owners, but restricting the permitted area will make it unsafe, leaving very little opportunity to avoid conflicts.

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5782			hy As dotterels do not always nest in the same part of the beach, this option does not sufficiently reduce risk to the dotterels. It does not prevent people from getting too close to nests causing the birds to be flushed off and leaving eggs vulnerable to predation and the elements. It also does not prevent people walking their dogs directly up to a nest. The year round option in particular causes conflict with many dog owners. The alternative option I support, agreed by Hibiscus Coast
5783	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I am submitting regarding the proposal for Clevedon Showgrounds Reserve. I OPPOSE the proposal "dogs allowed under control off lease on grass areas south of the area used as sports fields and west and north of equestrian areas. (Schedule 2), except during events where temporary dog access rules my apply. (bylaw Clause 10). I WISH TO SEE THE FOLLOWING CHANGE: I want to keep Dogs allowed under control off a leash on areas of the showgrounds not restricted. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: The Clevedon Showgrounds Reserve is a valuable community space that should remain accessible to responsible dog owners. Allowing dogs off-leash in unrestricted areas promotes community engagement, encourages outdoor activity, and benefits both residents and their pets. Responsible dog ownership, including supervision and cleaning up after pets, ensures that all users of the reserve can coexist harmoniously. The current proposal unnecessarily restricts access, and I strongly believe that maintaining off-leash access in all non-restricted areas is the best approach for the community.

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5784	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I am submitting regarding the proposal for Clevedon Showgrounds Reserve. I OPPOSE the proposal, "Dogs allowed under control off a leash on the grass areas south of the area used as sports fields and west and north of the equestrian areas (Schedule 2), except during events where temporary dog access rules may apply (Bylaw clause 10)". I WISH TO SEE THE FOLLOWING CHANGE: I want to keep dogs allowed under control off a leash on areas of the showgrounds unrestricted. I believe that the users of the Showgrounds are unaffected by the current access afforded to dogs and that the dog owners currently using the Showgrounds do so in a thoughtful and respectful manner. I have been walking my dog on the Showgrounds for some time and have never had an issue with the dogs that are walked there. All the owners I have ever seen have been 100% respectful and will put their dogs on lead without prompting if they feel other Showground users are in any way uncomfortable with their animals. There are very few off leash areas available for dogs in the area and as a rate payer I feel that the council should be providing for my needs as much as they are for those that do not own a dog. Having one open area that we can freely use (in a respectful way) seems the least that can be done. Clevedon does not have issues with roaming or uncared for dogs and during previous visits to the showgrounds dog owners
5822	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	I can't fathom why children can no longer take their dogs to the park to play
5918	I do not support the proposed change		Current Rules clear.

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6116	I don't know		Dear [Council Representative/Committee], I am writing to urge the council to reconsider current restrictions on dog access to public parks and to advocate for policies that allow dogs to be present in all parks without limitations, provided they are on a leash, with balanced measures for off-leash times during peak usage. As urban development increases housing density, private outdoor spaces are diminishing, placing greater importance on public recreational spaces for all residents — including dog owners. Dog ownership continues to rise, and yet, despite paying levies and registration fees, dog owners face significant restrictions on their ability to use public parks fairly and equally. Key Reasons for Allowing Unrestricted On-Leash Dog Access to Parks 1. Equity and Fair Use of Public Spaces Dog owners contribute to the community through fees and levies, and they should be entitled to equal access to recreational areas. Public parks are communal spaces, and no group of responsible users should be excluded. Ensuring that dogs on leashes are permitted in all parks supports equitable use. 2. Adapting to Increased Housing Density With the city's strategic plan prioritising higher-density housing, many residents now live without access to private gardens or yards. This makes local parks vital for responsible pet ownership. <i>Responsible dog owners deserve equal access to parks to ensure that</i>

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6438	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed changes restricting dog access at Madills Farm. As a regular visitor and advocate for responsible pet ownership, I believe these changes will negatively impact the community and contradict the original intent of the reserve. Background Madills Farm, located in Kohimarama, Auckland, has long been a cherished community space. The reserve features sports fields, playgrounds, and open areas that are integral to the local lifestyle. Currently, dogs are permitted in designated areas, fostering a harmonious environment for both pet owners and non-pet owners. Proposed Changes The proposed changes aim to prohibit dogs from the sports fields at all times. This includes areas where dogs have traditionally been allowed, potentially leading to increased congestion in other parts of the reserve. Such restrictions could diminish the quality of life for many residents who rely on these spaces for recreation and socialization. Concerns 1. Community Impact: Madills Farm serves as a vital recreational area for families, individuals, and pet owners. Restricting dog access could lead to overcrowding in other areas, reducing the overall enjoyment of the reserve. Conclusion I believe the current policy strikes a balance between responsible pet ownership and community enjoyment. I urge the council to reject the proposed changes and maintain the current off-leash area.
6444	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Misplaced Focus on Irresponsible Ownership The proposed changes appear to target issues related to irresponsible dog ownership.
6447	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	Expand areas and times that dog owners can access with their companions
6461	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	The current policy works extremely well. The vast majority of dog owners are very responsible and keep to the current off-leash area. When there are horse events, dog owners respect and avoid the area where there are horses. Also the proposed new off-leash area is in the middle of a grass area which is often under water in the winter. How are dog owners meant to access this with no paths or dry areas?
6544	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Would like to see rules that better capture useage of more areas when equestrian events etc are not on

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6881	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I am submitting regarding the proposal for Clevedon Showgrounds Reserve: I want to keep dogs allowed, under control and off a leash, on all areas of the showgrounds, and not restricted. I do not believe the proposed restrictions are necessary. I walk several days a week around the Clevedon Showgrounds. I own a dog, and usually walk with four other women. We have five dogs between us, and our dogs enjoy running together and apart off leash. The reserve area is the only safe fenced off area for our dogs to run off leash and they really benefit from the exercise, which they need in the safety of a secure area in a neighbourhood with increasingly heavy road traffic. I feel comfortable with the behaviour of the numerous dogs I see during our walks. During the time of our walks, (0700-0800) it is rare to see walkers without a dog and over time we have become familiar with many of the dogs and their owners. I enjoy the company of these other walkers who make up a friendly community of caring and responsible dog owners.
6885	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I oppose the proposal Dogs allowed under control off a leash on grass areas south of the area used as sports fields and west and north of the equestrian areas (schedule 2) except during events where temporary access rules apply (Bylaw clause 10) I wish to see the following change-i9 want to keep Dogs allowed under the control off leash on areas of the showgrounds not restricted. There have never been any incidents reported and been walking my walk who loves to catch frisbee for 14 years. This is a woke ideas on land that was gifted to the council from the AMP trust. Please put my submission forward and a local village meeting will be planned for all locals to have there say.

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6888	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Hello I am submitting regarding the proposal for Clevedon Showgrounds Reserve. I OPPOSE the proposal Dogs allowed under control off a leash on grass areas south of the area used as sports fields and west and north of equestrian areas (Schedule 2), except during events where temporary dog access rules may apply (Bylaw clause 10). I WISH TO SEE THE FOLLOWING CHANGE: I want to keep Dogs allowed under control off a leash on areas of the showgrounds not restricted. Restricted areas being the standard areas in parks, ie prohibited on sports surfaces and areas not under council control and under control on a leash in vicinity of sports surfaces when in use and on parking areas (Schedule 1). As a casual but observant walker, I would suggest that the current
6889	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I miss read what that lady asked us to send to you. ! Dogs SHOULD be allowed off leads. There are hardly any dogs who walk here. I've walked here for 20yrs. Only dogs need to be onlead IF HORSES are being ridden there. Ive fostered over 100 dogs. If aggressive yes on leads always. If never then this area is SAFE for all dogs. Such a large area barely ever dogs walk close to another. Keep this beautiful natural area registered as off lead is allowe

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6900	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Hello The council website is not allowing me to submit my personal details and feedback this afternoon. Therefore please accept this email to be added to your feedback on the proposed changes for Dog Walking rules at the Clevedon Show grounds. I do NOT accept the proposed changes. In particular, the restriction of the size of the off-leash dog walking area at the showgrounds. I feel it will be too small. If there is another council owned area in Clevedon that could please be allocated for off-leash dog walkers like myself Off-leash is the only proper way to exercise a dog. They need to be able to move at their own pace, sniff what interests them. Alter their pace and direction at their will. It is natural canine behaviour
6908	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	To whom it may concern I am submitting regarding the proposal for Clevedon Showgrounds Reserve. I do not want to see any change to having my dogs of leash. The current situation has been in place for well over twenty years and is currently self policing as far as dogs are concerned. During the week the whole grounds during the day are there is very little activity other than the odd runner and dog people. The market days is dogs on leash only. During equestrian events there are no dogs allowed in competition areas. Dog walkers tend to walk around the perimeter of the whole grounds complex and in doing do are not walking on the sports fields as a general rule. any change to the existing policy will be vigorously defended.

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6918	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Good morning, I am submitting regarding the proposal for Clevedon Showgrounds Reserve. I OPPOSE the proposal Dogs allowed under control off a leash on grass areas south of the area used as sports fields and west and north of equestrian areas (Schedule 2), except during events where temporary dog access rules may apply (Bylaw clause 10). I WISH TO SEE THE FOLLOWING CHANGE: I want to keep dogs allowed under control off a leash on areas of the Showgrounds not restricted. Additionally, there are various reasons as to why dogs should be ALLOWED to roam off leash, under control. I have taken the time to list a few below: Allowing dogs off leash creates community engagement. Dog owners often meet and form connections. I personally have engaged and met lots of locals through walking my dogs at the Clevedon show grounds, people I haven't had an opportunity to meet otherwise. Banning off leash activities punishes well-behaved dogs and responsible owners for the actions of a few. Off leash time allows dogs to socialise with other dogs and

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6937	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I am submitting regarding the proposal for Clevedon Showgrounds reserve. I Oppose the proposal Dogs allowed Under control off a leash on grass areas south of the area used as a sports fields and west and north of equestrian areas (Schedule 2), except during events where temporary access rules may apply (Bylaw clause 10). I WISH TO SEE THE FOLLOWING CHANGE:- I want to keep Dogs allowed under control OFF a leash on areas of the showgrounds NOT RESTRICTED. Additional Comments. I am a Clevedon resident for 15 years, and have a border collie, working dog and have enjoyed walking my dog for my own exercise and for hers, for the last few years. It is the only area where we can have an interesting walk, meet other people and for our dog to socialise off leash, which is a necessary part of their training. This is what makes Clevedon special. I have a farming background and there are many retired farmers in the3 times a week and go up area. Larger dogs need exercise and stimulation. I walk the perimeter of the entire showgrounds for 3 days a week, early in the morning and for the other 2 mornings I go up the Camp Sladdin hill. We often meet the same people at the two venues. Please don't embark on unnecessary controls and unwanted

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6944	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Good morning, I am submitting regarding the proposal for Clevedon Showgrounds Reserve. I OPPOSE the proposal Dogs allowed under control off a leash on grass areas south of the area used as sports fields and west and north of equestrian areas (Schedule 2), except during events where temporary dog access rules may apply (Bylaw clause 10). I WISH TO SEE THE FOLLOWING CHANGE: I want to keep dogs allowed under control off a leash on areas of the Showgrounds not restricted. Additionally, there are various reasons as to why dogs should be ALLOWED to roam off leash, under control. I have taken the time to list a few below: Allowing dogs off leash creates community engagement. Dog owners often meet and form connections. I personally have engaged and met lots of locals through walking my dogs at the Clevedon show grounds, people I haven't had an opportunity to meet otherwise. Banning off leash activities punishes well-behaved dogs and responsible owners for the actions of a few. Off leash time allows dogs to socialise with other dogs and
6957	I support the proposed change		So many incidents of poor, aggressive, unleashed ill controlled dogs, I don't even walk there anymore as I don't feel safe
6970	I do not support the proposed change		See attached Summary of Attachment: • Mistake in 2019 Policy: Should be off-leash but is currently presented as on-leash due to a mistake in the 2019 policy update. • Community Feedback: Regular users feel the proposed changes were made without local knowledge and would not work.

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7261	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	PARKS: I am very against the restricting of offlead areas in the Auckland Botanic Gardens and in Clevedon Showgrounds. Dogs, especially young and high energy dogs, cannot be exercised adequately on lead. They also cannot play with other dogs which is important for their wellbeing. The NZ Veterinary Association states that dogs are “sentient beings”. That is, they experience many emotions that we do. This includes the enjoyment of socialisation with their own kind. In addition, very many dogs have been kept confined in a house or run all day while the owners are at work. They therefore require adequate exercise in the form of off lead playtime to prevent frustration. My opinion on these 2 areas is that the status quo should remain.
7273	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	• Concerned about proposed changes to dog access rules for Clevedon Showgrounds. • In Clevedon Showgrounds, 90% of park users are dog walkers. • Not many rugby or cricket games on. • It's a waste to leave the showgrounds unused. • Horse people get along with dog people – Dog walkers respect horses and most people with horses also have dogs. • Need more poo bins. Bins have been removed. • Need signs stating dogs are prohibited from showgrounds when in use.
7278	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	• Only learned about consultation yesterday. • Live and walk dogs in Clevedon. • Concerned about proposed changes to dog access rules for Clevedon Showgrounds. • Dogs should only be restricted on Clevedon Showgrounds when there are events on, which doesn't happen very often. • Need to know why Clevedon is changing since many reasons have been given including: (1) Increased density - Time limit may be useful here. (2) Council regulations – Changes should be made in response to demonstrated need. Seems like no real analysis and no demonstrated need responding to. Proposal was done as part of a regional approach, but should be focused on local needs. Why is council interfering with something that's working? (3) Need to prepare for the future - Respond when things happen and get data before making any changes.

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509	Other (please explain below), Other (please explain below)	They must be on a leash to protect other dog owners
586	I support the proposed reclassification, I do not support the proposed reclassification	The amount of off-leash allocation in Patumahoe is already limited and I do not see any proposal by the council to replace the area with an alternative off-leash area within the same vicinity of equivalent size.
681	I support the proposed reclassification	Dogs need an area where they can run and sniff. Council claim they have the dogs welfare in mind so we need more off leash areas not less.
703	I support the proposed reclassification, I do not support the proposed reclassification	This area has alot of families with dogs and crazy need access to areas to exercise there dogs of the lead. If people are scared of dogs they should use all the other parks where dogs are not allowed. Better patoling of areas for dangerous unmuzzled dogs would be more appropriate
715	I support the proposed reclassification, I do not support the proposed reclassification	As far as I know we have never had any dog attacks or similar incidents at the Patumahoe reserve so I don't see the need to change the rules. There are alot of dog owners around Patumahoe and the majority are very responsible. When there are no sports on the fields, or children playing, the locals enjoy letting their dogs off together to have a play. if you were to put in fenced in designated dog park, I would be more likely to agree with the change.
779	I support the proposed reclassification, I support the proposed reclassification	It is apparent one will feel a lot safer with these new changes.
906	I support the proposed reclassification, I don't know	I am not familiar with the Patumahoe Reserve, so don't have a response to know correct answer.
1052	I support the proposed reclassification, I support the proposed reclassification	With the amount of dogs in the area we need more areas off leash.

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1319	I support the proposed reclassification,I support the proposed reclassification	The 2 areas are not far apart giving dog owners a choice
1336	I support the proposed reclassification,I don't know	Dangerous dogs cannot be controlled off-leash, even with a muzzle.
1401	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	Nothing wrong with the current classification
1485	I don't know,I support the proposed reclassification	Sounds sensible
1539	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	there are so many dog attacks, why are we going to make it worse?
1726	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below)	All dogs should be leashed no matter if they are classes as safe or dangerous, to keep everyone humans, dogs and other animals safe, all dogs should be leashed.
1731	I support the proposed reclassification,I support the proposed reclassification	Lo'ts of children coming and going from swimming lessons after school ends
1766	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I don't know	Dog access to exercise areas is already limited. Some priority to the provision of dog exercise areas is still necessary. Many "dog exercise areas" are simply partially fenced areas of open grassed areas which are small and provide little value for exercising dogs

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1922	I support the proposed reclassification,I support the proposed reclassification	Again who's going to be there to check this...I know pots of people who use this foe off leash free time cause there's no where else...
1943	I support the proposed reclassification,I support the proposed reclassification	areas need to be safe both for dogs and other members of the community. in saying this. too often it is the people that are at fault. either through, poor knowledge of dogs /disregard for others. those that have a dog should be made to apply for a licence to have an animal. where beaches are concerned. owners should apply for a permit to have their dogs present
2036	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	There aren't many areas where dogs can safely walk off leash
2422	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	I'm not spending money on a muzzle for my Pomeranian when she isn't a threat to people or dogs! I pay enough to register her and keep her healthy. This is a ridiculous proposal!
2475	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	Dangerous dogs should be on leash and in control at all times. My dog was mauled by two others at Cloverlea Park Feb 2024 and there was nothing I could do.
2737	I support the proposed reclassification,I support the proposed reclassification	If there is to be an off leash area theses need to be fenced
3293	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below)	If it's a public space then dogs should be on leash at all times unless there is a fenced off leash area, dangerous dogs should not be allowed in public spaces at all.

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3424	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	All dogs should be on leash. My personal experience of 9 years walking golden retrievers is that many dogs (not designated as dangerous) have aggressive tendencies and have owners who do not understand their responsibilities to bring their dogs under control when showing aggressive behavior. In some cases, owners are completely ignorant to the signs they should look out for e.g. growling, raised hair on their backs, rigid wagging tail etc.
3755	I do not support the proposed reclassification	In the Franklin area, the reclassification of all Sports Fields reduces the number of exercise areas for dogs to a very limited list. If you visit sports fields during the working week you will find that the majority of users of these spaces are dog owners with their pets. The very few off leash & on-leash areas are not sufficient for the number of dogs in the area. If the sports field problem is related to dogs fouling the fields, I agree that there should be stronger measures to ensure that dog owners pick up & remove dog poo from all dog walking areas.
3923	I do not support the proposed reclassification	dog owners get such few benefits. People still whinge even when you have your dog and are acting lawfully in a dog exercise area. Please can dog owners have some "ownership" of some spaces... there are so few areas where our dogs can be off leash.
4285	I support the proposed reclassification,I support the proposed reclassification	Patamahoe is a bit more out of the way currently, and the other areas could be encouraged for other activities or environmental changes.
4342	I support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	Is there any other off leash areas that dogs can go locally ?
4679	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below)	Not enough fenced dog parks. All these “clarifying” and changes are great, but I don’t support more restrictions (more than there already are). Auckland has to make an effort to be more dog friendly. The amount of FENCED dog parks is laughable for the amount of dogs there are in Auckland, do we have 1 fenced park per every.. 10,000 dog? A wild guess. Auckland has to make an effort to be more accessible for pets (ie fenced parks) and pet owners (ie ridiculous rental restrictions).
4750	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	The new proposed rules do not address the issues that are driving these changes, that is un controlled dogs off lease and people who don't pick up their dog droppings. All the proposed rules are doing is again penalising the law abiding rate paying dog registration paying and responsible dog owners. Those who are causing the issues currently will continue to behave in the same manner as they currently do.. Address the root cause of the issue!

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4816	Other (please explain below), I don't know	These areas are being touted as sufficient., in place of restrictions being imposed on other dog exercise areas. They are not sufficient, as follows: -Cape Hill Reserve - is not large enough for dogs to spread out. Steep terrain for elderly dogs/people to navigate -Ernies Reserve - dead ducks in pond not cleaned up by council, grass area becomes flooded, bogged and muddy in winter, pathways slippery from duck faeces. Not large enough for dogs to spread out. Close to main road with cars speeding - no fence or natural barriers / space.
4847	I do not support the proposed reclassification, I support the proposed reclassification	Most owners of dogs have very limited control of their dogs when off-leash, because they don't know how or can't be bothered training them. Provide fenced off leash parks for dogs to run around in. There are too many children, elderly and vulnerable people who are at risk when around improperly trained off-leash dogs.
4892	I don't know	I would like to add Leigh Auton Reserve in Beachlands as a park to be reviewed by the Auckland Council. This is the start of walk way access towards Maraetai from Beachlands. We are parents to 3 children. 2 of which have had incidents where they have been jumped on by dogs at Shelly Bay Beach in Beachlands (another off lead dog location in in our area.) Our daughters then developed fear of dogs. It is very saddening that the local walk way to Maraetai with beautiful coastal views is inaccessible to us as a family now. That walkway is completely dominated by dogs and their owners. I do occasionally walk there myself without out children and am a rarity as the majority of those that walk through there have dogs. There are multiple picnic tables in the area but I have never seen them in use as it is not a safe place to sit and spend time as a social group as dogs will then run up to you. You don't often see other children around the Leigh Auton Reserve at all. I feel it would be best if a fenced area was created within Leigh Auton Reserve to be used as off off leash Dog area. Then the Reserve would be used more as it would increase access to families. It would be so lovely to see families go there to meet others and use the picnic tables for shared meals together. It would be so lovely if our family could use it to bike/scooter/run to Maraetai but we can't as the girls don't feel safe with all the off leash dogs. We moved to Beachlands as we love exploring the outdoors but unfortunately we can't use Leigh Auton Reserve or our local Shelly Bay Beach. Thanks for your consideration.
4963	I support the proposed reclassification	I support the reclassification of Patumahoe Recreation Reserve but doesn't this reserve have sports fields? If this is the case then it should be treated like all the other sports fields - no dogs allowed full stop. While there may be an area of the reserve when dogs can be exercised this won't deter owners from exercising their dogs on the sport fields area.

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5001		I don't use Patumahoe RR, so that is a concern for the local people and people that use the reserve. I would think we need to relook at all the 'sports' facilities from the perspective of place where people can use the facilities for all sorts of activities safely rather than highlight male sports fields over dog walking and running areas. Dangerous or unpredictable dogs should always be leashed and wearing a muzzle in public places.
5392	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	There are so few safe spaces for dogs to be exercised and socialised, taking another local one anyway is not necessary
5563	I support the proposed reclassification,I support the proposed reclassification	My fear is that dogs seen in the area off leash do not have responsible owner that care about the environment and this is seen an increase in attacks and desecration of native plants and trees.
5603	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	dangerous dogs should not be let off leash and should have a muzzle on - you are waiting for an accident to happen
5615	Other (please explain below),I don't know	I understand Kariotahi beach is currently off lead all season. I searched through pages of council rules but couldn't actually find what you propose for this beach. To me the area in front of the surf club should be on lead but as one goes down the beach it should be off lead and under control. It would be really helpful to have a search button on your pages and pages of proposals where I could for example just search Kariotahi to find out what is proposed. I have spent ages looking then gave up.
5661	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	Responsible dog owners should be able to walk their dogs here. Stop limiting the good owners and restricting them. It is not fair on them or the dogs.
6347	I support the proposed reclassification,I don't know	A muzzled dog can still be a nuisance, there's no reason those dogs need to be off leash.

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6478	I support the proposed reclassification,I support the proposed reclassification	There are very few places already where we can take our dogs; parks and waterways provide enrichment and socialization opportunities. Council should aim to increase the areas where dogs are allowed, instead of reducing them. As pet owners, we understand the consequences and risks associated to being pet owners. Like stated before, the city needs to look at pets as an opportunity for growth and therefore act upon it as an economic force.
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144	I support the proposed reclassification,I support the proposed reclassification	Dogs classed as menacing and must remain on leash should not be forced to be amongst off leash dogs that will trigger them.
396	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I support the proposed reclassification	It is better for those who are scared of dogs or not wanting to walk in designated dog areas to be fully aware that these areas are for dog exercising and thus they should not enter the space if they do not wish to encounter ant dogs. They are untold alternative places for dog-free or on leash experiences so this is a small concession to dog owners, most of whom are responsible and follow the rules.
417	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	I advocate for being allowed dogs under control and on leash in more of aucklands regional parks and within more areas of aucklands regional parks. Walking and hiking in Aucklands regional parks is a perfect activity for having canine companionship. There is plenty of space for everyone and when dogs are under control on leash there is little room for that to be problematic to anyone. Currently the options for getting fresh air and exercise for dog owners in Auckland are already incredibly limited. I do not support limiting this further. Again, the emphasis should be on policing and preventing nad dog ownership, not making it impossible le for good dogs and owners to enjoy wholesome, healthy activities in our own neighborhoods.
523	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	Dogs should be allowed on all publics areas under control at all times unless there is a non kauri die back conservation need
557	I support the proposed reclassification,I support the proposed reclassification	Sensible and fair.

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569	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	Off leash areas are vital to dogs
773	I support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	Listen, reclassification of dog exercise areas as "offleash areas" is good because it eliminates some confusion. But we need more offleash exercise areas, not less!
985	I support the proposed reclassification,I support the proposed reclassification	I like the proposed changes, specifying where dogs are and not allowed. I am also more inclined to all zones being always on-leash, but I also think that a compromise between is needed so that more dog-owners and the general public are happy with the changes.
1358	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	Dogs should be allowed on leash in all park areas. Provision for off leash play should be made in all parks.
1367	I support the proposed reclassification,I don't know	Dog owners are already limited to where they can have a run with their fur-babies. Council seems to be making it harder
1379	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	More dogs in Auckland and your solution is to restrict where and when they can go places, removing areas of much needed off leash areas and giving nothing in return. This makes absolutely no sense.
1847	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	For all reductions in dog access areas, I strongly oppose the changes. Resources for dog owners are already so minimal. There are nearly limitless options for people that don't want to be around dogs. Why continue to punish dog owners? It will only cause more problems as dog owners will become desperate so start ignoring rules entirely. More areas for dogs to be adequately stimulated, exercised and socialized will only lead to better behaved dogs.
1854	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below)	Same for all areas - we should have a section for owners and dogs to be off leash during summer.

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1914	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	I don't support the reduction of dog access, and don't hide it behind saying it was a mistake in the wording making things unclear
1939	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	because there is no issues now. I do support dangerous dog breeds or any dog that have a history of misbehaving being muzzled
2086	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	Never had issues before, punishing everyone for a small handful of irresponsible owners isn't fair. The less our dogs are out in society the more harmful to their behavior moving forward
2139	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	Dogs are family members it is already difficult to find activities you can do with your dog. Banning them from beaches and parks will be a step back as a society. In fact more and more people is opting for not having kids and having dogs instead. This will new proposed policy will definitively have a huge negative impact on the wellbeing of NZ dog owners. We should promote healthier, active lifestyle. What other alternatives we have as dog owners is the equivalent of banning kids in parks. that does not make sense.
2183	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	We share this land - with all living things. We cannot prohibit access because it might cause issue with a few biased individuals. This doesn't solve an issue it creates disconnect and segregation between demographics. Focus on educating dog owners as well as non- dog owners and simplifying regulations. If people get used to dogs everywhere, the less of an issue it will become. Dogs bring joy to peoples' lives. Stop trying to take away their rights to play. That's all they ask...we have people that treat them horrifically, people who hit them, beat them and try to kill them and yet they stay loyal to their owners and only ever ask for love and a good walk in return. Just let them be part of the community.
2184	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	Keep current

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2185	Other (please explain below), Other (please explain below)	Please provide as many opportunities as possible for on-lead walking.
2295	I do not support the proposed reclassification, I support the proposed reclassification	All dogs should be on leash unless dog has been certified that it has Social Development and basic obedience.
2343	I do not support the proposed reclassification, I do not support the proposed reclassification	Responsible dog owners are already highly restricted on area and times if access. Increasing those limitations is unfair and discriminating. The majority should not be penalized for the minority who are not responsible dog owners.
2488	I do not support the proposed reclassification, I do not support the proposed reclassification	It's already to minum the parks and areas that you currently can walk with your dog, and to keep a healthy and balanced dog at least the dog need to be walked once a day.
2535	I do not support the proposed reclassification, I do not support the proposed reclassification	I believe dangerous dogs should not be allowed in any public space, even on a leash.
2692	I do not support the proposed reclassification, I do not support the proposed reclassification	See previous
2713	I do not support the proposed reclassification, I do not support the proposed reclassification	We should be allowed to have access to these places as well

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2871	I support the proposed reclassification,I support the proposed reclassification	Fair
3126	I support the proposed reclassification,I support the proposed reclassification	It seems like a common sense policy to make the area safer.
3263	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I support the proposed reclassification	More on-leash areas please, not the opposite.
3515	I do not support the proposed reclassification	Trust the dog owner to have their dog off leash. If the dog is not controllable then a responsible owner will have it on leash anyway.
4013	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	Dogs should be able to be off leach and under control in these areas
4387	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	I do agree that dangerous dogs should be muzzled however, having off leash areas is important to a dogs well being. Making one blanket rule for all is heavy handed. Just because I chose to keep my dogs on a lead it's unfair for other dogs and dog owners to miss out.
4461	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below)	Again just leave as is
4489	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	they are muzzled already - let them have a run.

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4577	I support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	No reason to have a blanket on leash policy most dog owners will put their dogs on leash if they think that the park is busy and they may not be able to control their dogs and there is a danger that their dogs may scare children or are in danger of being attacked by other dogs.
4619	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I support the proposed reclassification	Leave it alone
4696	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below)	Same comment as previous question. Special concern should be given to what is considered a 'dangerous dog'. Are these particular breeds or ones that have proven themselves to be dangerous. If the latter, they should not be permitted to be off leash with other dogs or in an unfenced area.
4764	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	there are few options for safe off leash dog exercise areas
4821	I do not support the proposed reclassification,Oth er (please explain below)	If dogs are under control there is no problem.
4879	I support the proposed reclassification,I support the proposed reclassification	Personal safety
5103	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	There is no reason for the change, it is an attack on dog owners

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5419	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	There is no need to change
5488	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	The more specific terminology used, the better people can understand what's expected of them.
5522	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	Dogs under control have great owners, owners that have trust with their dog will only take them off leash
5642	I don't know,Other (please explain below)	I would like to understand the reasons why Patumahoe Recreation Reserve is considered unsuitable for an off-leash area before I can support its reclassification. I believe that clear justifications should be provided before any area undergoes a change in classification. Socialization is a crucial aspect of responsible dog ownership, and off-leash areas play an essential role in this. My concern is that this decision could lead to a gradual reduction of accessible public spaces, which I find troubling.
5822	I do not support the proposed reclassification	Dogs need off leash time
5886	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	Designated dog areas are just that - areas with priority for dogs and their owners. Changing areas to "off leash" means fewer safe places for dogs and their owners to enjoy. Dogs need spaces where they are free to run and mingle with other dogs and their likeminded owners. This proposed change is completely disingenuous. The current policy for Patumahoe works well. Status quo should remain
5918	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I do not support the proposed reclassification	Current Rules clear.
5977	I do not support the proposed reclassification,I don't know	The reclassification means there is no where in the Franklin district where dogs are the priority user of a space. This is at odds with how many dogs live in the area. We should preserve some areas as dedicated dog exercise areas.

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6447	I do not support the proposed reclassification, I do not support the proposed reclassification	Expand areas and times that dog owners can access with their companions
6940	I support the proposed reclassification, I support the proposed reclassification	All off-leash areas should be considered dog-exercise areas. If a dog is off-leash it cannot be considered 'under control'. Please see attached submission.
6970	Other (please explain below)	See attached Summary of Attachment: • No new off-leash areas have been added since 2019, despite the increase in dog population and new subdivisions.
7261	I do not support the proposed reclassification of 'designated dog exercise areas' to 'offleash'	BEACHES: I disagree with the further restrictions proposed for Kariotahi Beach. The motorbikes and vehicles that are allowed on the beach there are much more of a public hazard than dogs that are loose and under control. I would like to see the status quo remain. CONCLUSION I am appalled that the Council is considering further restrictions to dog exercise areas. There are not enough dog exercise areas as it is.

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703	I do not support the proposed change	Apply a time and season rule on beach and foreshore areas that prohibits dogs between 10am and 5pm, 1 December to 1 March (dogs allowed under control off a leash at all other times) (Schedule 2). Allow dogs under control off a leash on Whitford Point Reserve and Kawakawa Coast Road Reserve (Schedule 2). Allow dogs under control on a leash on Department of Conservation land and other 'narrow grass areas' between Clevedon-Kawakawa Road	This area has alot of families with dogs and crazy need access to areas to exercise there dogs of the lead. If people are scared of dogs they should use all the other parks where dogs are not allowed. Better patoling of areas for dangerous unmuzzled dogs would be more appropriate
711	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	This is crazy, it would mean I can't walk my dog to get a coffee without walking along the road when there is a perfectly adequate foreshore away from traffic. What is currently safe to send kids to do would now be risky. Also the beach often sees vehicles parked up and even driving on the mudflats. You need to ban this if you want to protect birds who seem to thrive on being in the thick of things as let's face it there's plenty of quieter places to nest and yet they come back here in growing numbers year after year. We've had cattle roaming unheeded on the beach with little response by council despite the danger to traffic let alone nesting birds which makes this seem ridiculous. Also council mow this area so I imagine that will stop in case it upsets the birds too?
779	I support the proposed change		We love our dogs but by nature we love all of that too:)
781	I support the proposed change		I live across the road from the beach and have seen the danger uncontrolled dogs pose and the destruction of sea birds

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1115	I do not support the proposed change		The proposed ird season negates the current rules. It will mean no dogs in any of these areas all summer. Visitors with dogs are the problem.
1312	I support the proposed change		To help stop the many bird deaths during breeding season
1495	I don't know		It seems very restrictive on responsible dog owners who wouldn't let their dogs get near the bird breeding areas. In saying that I can see how it puts some clear cut guidelines that are enforceable for those who are irresponsible with their dogs and excuse their behaviour by saying they didn't understand/know.
1569	I support the proposed change		I am sorry I did not realise there was already a time and season rule in place. I have seen no signage to communicate this rule and I am a resident. I have also seen no Dog Control patrols in the bay that would indicate any enforcement of the rules.
1663	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Your proposed rules will only affect responsible dog owners. They are discriminatory and grossly unfair. I strongly oppose the changes.
1685	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I strongly oppose the changes
1686	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I strongly oppose the changes
1710	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Most K Bay residents behave responsibly with their dogs
1933	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Walking dogs on our beach is part of the amenity value to the residents. We DO NOT have an issue with dogs, (local or visiting)at any time during the year. I live beside the beach and have never seen an issue in 15 years. This is a draconian and ideology driven change that will impact gravely on our residents.
2179	I support the proposed change		I agree that we should be trying to protect the endangered sea birds. Even though I am a dog owner, I would happily keep my dog on a leash during these periods for this very good reason.
2242	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Domestic dogs aren't eating birds. Unregistered cats are.
2366	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	I support the proposed bird breeding times, but only with dogs under control on a leash in the areas currently proposed to be prohibited. Off-leash in all other areas.
2739	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I do not agree with this bird breeding season, that's 6 months you're prohibiting dogs from the beach. I've never seen birds like this in these areas.

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2830	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	As a local, responsible dog owner who has never had an issue in 20 years I am sick to death of the ever increasing restrictions and limitations being imposed, it defeats the point of moving to this area. It does nothing to address the problem of irresponsible owners and is a collective punishment of those who are responsible. The problems that irresponsible owners create will persist till something is done to address them. The idea that more rules will stop those that won't comply anyway is at best facile.
3564	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	My dog has never harmed a human. My dog does not disturb, harm or kill birds (of any kind). Until you can prevent cars from riding/parking/camping on the grassy areas of the beach AND until you can prevent visitors (with or without dogs) disturbing the shoreline birds, this access rule for Kawakawa Bay beach is preposterous. Until such time a walk path is provided, I oppose any proposed changes!
3861	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	Dogs should be on leash & under control at public beaches at all times
3871	I support the proposed change		To protect people and endangered birds
3985	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	I support the prohibited area proposals, however disagree that dogs are allowed in any areas off leash, very few dogs can be continuously controlled off leash.
4077	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Allow dogs off leash on all areas at all times
4285	I support the proposed change		Oh, yes please!! Bird breeding in Orere Point too? I believe these are acceptable rules as summertime is definitely more popular and winter has the odd person walking. Agreed.
4428	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Kawakawa Bay is a very quiet place for most of the year. The current Policy works well. Dogs off leash are supposed to be under control and can therefore be expected to come when called to protect the bird life and prevent approaching people.
4443	I support the proposed change		We need to protect our native birds
4707	I support the proposed change		I just do

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4722	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Understanding that the aim is to maintain a balance of dog-friendly and dog-free spaces in Tāmaki Makaurau, I find the proposed changes to Kawakawa Bay too restrictive on local dogs and their responsible owners for off leash walking. The Bird breeding season of 1 Sept to 31 March is too long a period when in fact there may be no birds in fact breeding restricting dog walking access. There is usually a fenced off breeding area in the first bay alerting everyone to take care which is very adequate for purpose and enabling the breeding zone. This allows responsible owners to walk dogs off leash from the shop to the boat ramp. The problem is not local dog owners but those who are visiting an area.
4750	I do not support the proposed change	Allow dogs under control on a leash at all times in high-risk areas (beach, foreshore and adjoining parks between Turei Road and Rautawa Stream next to Ferndale Drive, including Whitford Point Reserve and parts of Kawakawa Bay Foreshore Reserve - Zones 3, 4 and 5) (Schedule 1). Allow dogs under control off a leash on remaining areas (on beach, foreshore and adjoining parks from the western shoreline to Turei Road and from Ferndale Drive to	The new proposed rules do not address the issues that are driving these changes, that is un controlled dogs off lease and people who don't pick up their dog droppings. All the proposed rules are doing is again penalising the law abiding rate paying dog registration paying and responsible dog owners. Those who are causing the issues currently will continue to behave in the same manner as they currently do.. Address the root cause of the issue!

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5002	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Proposed changes are heavy handed and far too restrictive. The people affected most by these changes will be the locals, who on the whole respect and understand the breeding bird areas on our beaches. Unless there is going to be a constant council presence every single day for 7 months these new rules will not be enforced fairly (or at all) and will be completely ignored by visitors, a lot of whom have complete disregard for our beaches and our wildlife. If this proposal is to protect birdlife, then can council confirm they are also going to ban from these same areas all vehicles, loud music, children playing and splashing around, camp fires and barbecues for the same 7 months, as all these things are extremely detrimental to breeding shore birds? If not, then the most that should be required is an on-leash rule for specific breeding areas, (not almost the entire beachfront of both bays) and plenty of signage explaining why. Also even though the shore birds in question can breed over a 7 month period, has anyone actually done thorough research of the birds breeding here in the bay to see if 7 months is really necessary? Or to see that even though an occasional dotterel is seen in 2nd bay the majority of all the breeding birds are in the 1st bay? More of information is needed, along with more care and consideration for the people who live here - including us dog walkers who also act as unofficial caretakers, cleaning up all manner of rubbish left behind by thoughtless visitors, every week of the year.
5026	I support the proposed change		Providing protection for our shorebird species 24/7 during breeding season is of utmost importance. We have noticed a decline of some of these birds including the endangered Dotterels due to human and dog constant disturbance. Providing a space for all species is important to our conservation efforts in and around the Firth of Thames and Auckland Eastern Beaches. These areas are breeding grounds for a lot of shorebirds species.

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5034	I do not support the proposed change	Allow dogs under control on a leash at all times in high-risk areas (beach, foreshore and adjoining parks between Turei Road and Rautawa Stream next to Ferndale Drive, including Whitford Point Reserve and parts of Kawakawa Bay Foreshore Reserve - Zones 3, 4 and 5) (Schedule 1). Allow dogs under control off a leash on remaining areas (on beach, foreshore and adjoining parks from the western shoreline to Turei Road and from Ferndale Drive to (Ferndale Drive to Turei Road))	It's important that locals can walk their dogs on leash at any time. The banning from a certain area for 7 months of the year is not a sensible option it will not be adhered too and it would be a waste of resources to monitor and enforce it. If the signage is clear and visible in all the appropriate areas the problem that occurs with nesting birds would be minimised. Clear signage is of the rules, whatever is decided, is imperative to make this work for both locals and visitors alike.

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5118	I do not support the proposed change	Allow dogs under control on a leash at all times in high-risk areas (beach, foreshore and adjoining parks between Turei Road and Rautawa Stream next to Ferndale Drive, including Whitford Point Reserve and parts of Kawakawa Bay Foreshore Reserve - Zones 3, 4 and 5) (Schedule 1). Allow dogs under control off a leash on remaining areas (on beach, foreshore and adjoining parks from the western shoreline to Turei Road and from Ferndale Drive to (Ferndale Drive to Turei Road))	It is hard to identify if you are trying to protect birds or people! Locals who walk their dogs every day as a community activity mostly on a leash are not the problem for birds, which incidentally, are only known to nest in the first bay in front of Stoddard House. It is visitors who arrive with their untrained and unleashed dogs that are the problem all along this coast. To ban people from walking their dogs along the foreshore is a breach of their rights to enjoy the foreshore and a complete overkill by council. There is no alternative when walking between the bays as there is no footpath that you could request people use instead of the beach and grassy foreshore. One has to wander if anybody making up these new policies has even been to Kawakawa Bay and looked at how it is laid out. A solution might be to permanently fence an area in front of Stoddard House where birds are known to nest with netting that the birds can get through but not the dogs that would then provide a sanctuary for the nesters. Using flimsy electric tape and string is not going to protect birds from people or dogs.
5570	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	I was not aware of any restrictions on walking a dog during the day, or during summer. Most of the dog owners in the area are aware of their dogs behaviors and can control them at all times (off lead) or have them on leash at all times. Dogs are not the issue in bird breeding season, other predators and humans are. Its unfair to control the time of day a dog is walked in its home town!

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5603	I do not support the proposed change	Allow dogs under control on a leash at all times in high-risk areas (beach, foreshore and adjoining parks between Turei Road and Rautawa Stream next to Ferndale Drive, including Whitford Point Reserve and parts of Kawakawa Bay Foreshore Reserve - Zones 3, 4 and 5) (Schedule 1). Allow dogs under control off a leash on remaining areas (on beach, foreshore and adjoining parks from the western shoreline to Turei Road and from Ferndale Drive to (Ferndale Drive to Turei Road))	there is a pack lady having problems with who runs 12 dogs off a leash - 1 dog has been killed already - how long do we have to wait till its a small child ! fix this asap - no more than 6 dogs and all must be leashed -
5661	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Responsible dog owners should be able to walk their dogs here. Stop limiting the good owners and restricting them. It is not fair on them or the dogs.
6347	I support the proposed change		Birds are creepy, but they deserve to have their babies in peace, people can take their dogs a bit further to an off leash space
6434	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	I would support a solely dogs on leash under control at all times. Or no dogs in this area at all

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6812	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	The current policy is fine and there are no issues with it at Kawakawa bay. It is ridiculous to not allow dogs at all for 7 months of the year. I would say it is people, not dogs that cause the most issues to bird breeding, and that the dunes areas or where the bird breeding is happening, should simply be fenced off to protect it
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311	I don't know		The proposal restricting dogs is only supportable if there is also a policy for managing cats in the breeding area as well.

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523	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	Dogs should be allowed on all publics areas under control at all times unless there is a non kauri die back conservation need
541	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Cats are responsible for far more bird killings than dogs! Why do you still allow cats to be unlicensed, un-neutered and to roam freely??? Dogs should be allowed on -leash on all walking tracks, car-parks and parks in Auckland! There are too few dog-friendly off-leash exercise areas for dogs in all Auckland areas! We need many more dog-friendly off-leash exercise areas!!!! Rules should not be changed as a result of complaints against a few negligent dog owners spoiling it for the remainder of decent dog owners!! Instead, the Council should be targeting and educating the negligent and problematic dog owners!!

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689	I support the proposed change		This is the perfect example of a trade-off between protecting people and wildlife and allowing dogs to exercise. Responsible dog owners will appreciate this.
783	I support the proposed change		Excellent change to support dotterel, thank you!

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896	I do not support the proposed change	Allow dogs under control on a leash at all times in high-risk areas (beach, foreshore and adjoining parks between Turei Road and Rautawa Stream next to Ferndale Drive, including Whitford Point Reserve and parts of Kawakawa Bay Foreshore Reserve - Zones 3, 4 and 5) (Schedule 1). Allow dogs under control off a leash on remaining areas (on beach, foreshore and adjoining parks from the western shoreline to Turei Road and from Ferndale Drive to (Ferndale Drive to Turei Road))	When going to beaches in the summer I see no reason families can't take their dogs to these areas as long as they are on a leash. This enables all the family have the experience of enjoying the beach and water without having to leave their pet at home. Most dogs that i see on leashes at beaches create no issues.
1342	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Restrictions don't work if people don't keep their animals safe at home - what about the ROAMING dogs. They are the problem. NOT Professional dog walker pack life dogs. Professional dog walkers know how to control their pack. ROAMING dogs that are left to their own devices and make their own packs can be a problem, but they don't read signage.
1358	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	Dogs should be allowed on leash in all park areas. Provision for off leash play should be made in all parks.
1379	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	More dogs in Auckland and your solution is to restrict where and when they can go places, removing areas of much needed off leash areas and giving nothing in return. This makes absolutely no sense.
1406	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	If needed summer rules should change to on-leash not remove access completely for something that is needed to help cool dogs off in the summer heat

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1587	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I believe the current rules are sufficient and shouldn't be made stricter. Many of us already struggle to find spaces where dogs can enjoy off-leash fun. Tightening regulations would only make it more challenging and disappointing. As mentioned, dogs are like our kids. If stricter rules are necessary, then why not regulate children too? For example, keeping babies away from other creatures, restricting them from playgrounds, or even banning screaming and crying in public. It's about fairness and balance for everyone. I believe the current rules are sufficient and shouldn't be made stricter. Many of us already struggle to find spaces where dogs can enjoy off-leash fun. Tightening regulations would only make it more challenging and disappointing. As mentioned, dogs are like our kids. If stricter rules are necessary, then why not regulate children too? For example, keeping babies away from other creatures, restricting them from playgrounds, or even banning screaming and crying in public. It's about fairness and balance for everyone.
1755	I support the proposed change		Owners walk and don't watch their dogs and there is risk of harassing birds as well as I hate being on the beach and exposed to faeces that they've been too lazy to pick up. Also I know when I can go if I don't want dogs around
1854	I don't know		Same for all areas - we should have a section for owners and dogs to be off leash during summer.
1914	I support the proposed change		Bird areas to be protected
1954	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	People generally use common sense and keep their dogs away from birds
2086	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Never had issues before, punishing everyone for a small handful of irresponsible owners isn't fair. The less our dogs are out in society the more harmful to their behavior moving forward
2114	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Again making it so hard for dog owners
2139	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Dogs are family members it is already difficult to find activities you can do with your dog. Banning them from beaches and parks will be a step back as a society. In fact more and more people is opting for not having kids and having dogs instead. This will new proposed policy will definitively have a huge negative impact on the wellbeing of NZ dog owners. We should promote healthier, active lifestyle. What other alternatives we have as dog owners is the equivalent of banning kids in parks. that does not make sense.

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2183	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	We share this land - with all living things. We cannot prohibit access because it might cause issue with a few biased individuals. This doesn't solve an issue it creates disconnect and segregation between demographics. Focus on educating dog owners as well as non- dog owners and simplifying regulations. If people get used to dogs everywhere, the less of an issue it will become. Dogs bring joy to peoples' lives. Stop trying to take away their rights to play. That's all they ask...we have people that treat them horrifically, people who hit them, beat them and try to kill them and yet they stay loyal to their owners and only ever ask for love and a good walk in return. Just let them be part of the community.
2184	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Keep current
2185	I don't know		Please provide as many opportunities as possible for on-lead walking.
2231	I do not support the proposed change	Apply a time and season rule on beach and foreshore areas that prohibits dogs between 10am and 5pm, 1 December to 1 March (dogs allowed under control off a leash at all other times) (Schedule 2). Allow dogs under control off a leash on Whitford Point Reserve and Kawakawa Coast Road Reserve (Schedule 2). Allow dogs under control on a leash on Department of Conservation land and other 'narrow grass areas' between Clevedon-Kawakawa Road	Because you're slowly shrinking dog access across this shitty city!!

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2245	I do not support the proposed change	Allow dogs under control on a leash at all times in high-risk areas (beach, foreshore and adjoining parks between Turei Road and Rautawa Stream next to Ferndale Drive, including Whitford Point Reserve and parts of Kawakawa Bay Foreshore Reserve - Zones 3, 4 and 5) (Schedule 1). Allow dogs under control off a leash on remaining areas (on beach, foreshore and adjoining parks from the western shoreline to Turei Road and from Ferndale Drive to (Ferndale Drive to Turei Road))	Dogs love the beach and Moana stop hurting whanau and pur dogs
2343	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Responsible dog owners are already highly restricted on area and times if access. Increasing those limitations is unfair and discriminating. The majority should not be penalized for the minority who are not responsible dog owners.
2436	I support the proposed change		The birds need to be protected and there is still a fair amount of beach that dogs are allowed to access.
2488	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	It's already to minum the parks and areas that you currently can walk with your dog, and to keep a healthy and balanced dog at least the dog need to be walked once a day.
2627	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Educate people and put signs up where there are birds. Keeping dogs off the beach at all times over summer will not work and very restrictive rules cause non-compliance. These are public areas paid for by the tax and rate payer. People have a right to use them for healthy recreation (including walking with their dogs).
2713	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	We should be allowed to have access to these places as well

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2850			Always under control on leash or no dogs permitted
2871	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	New proposals too restrictive to responsible dog owners
3263	I support the proposed change		Year-round prohibition, please, not seasonal.
3853	I support the proposed change		Fully support any provisions to help protect the amazing shorebird colonies we have in the Kawakawa and Orere / Miranda areas. thank you in advance for going ahead with these changes!
3862	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	The rules are acceptable; their enforcement is the issue. Changing the times a dog can be off leash in part to the beginning of September makes little sense - the area's usage doesn't ramp up until summer is in full swing, and it certainly isn't September, not at least in recent memory.
3982	I support the proposed change		For all the reasons stated, the need to protect other wildlife that otherwise would be killed or scared off. It is up to us to control our domestic animals and this is the only way to do it.

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4025	I do not support the proposed change	Apply a time and season rule on beach and foreshore areas that prohibits dogs between 10am and 5pm, 1 December to 1 March (dogs allowed under control off a leash at all other times) (Schedule 2). Allow dogs under control off a leash on Whitford Point Reserve and Kawakawa Coast Road Reserve (Schedule 2). Allow dogs under control on a leash on Department of Conservation land and other 'narrow grass areas' between Clevedon-Kawakawa Road	Access should BE ALLOWED 'ON lead' & 'off lead' during day & for most areas for trained Dogs & Owners who are licenced & registered
4162	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	The current rules are fine. You cannot prohibit dogs accessing the park during summer. That is unfair. If they are off leash there should be no problem
4197	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	I don't understand why we're prohibiting dogs full stop between certain hours, and then outside of those hours allowing dogs off leash - it seems counter-intuitive and I doubt that just because it's 5:01pm the risk has changed? Therefore, I recommend relaxing the rule so that during the period between 10-5, dogs are permitted on a leash only, and remain permitted off leash after hours.
4412	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I do not support any further restrictions on where dog owners can take their dogs for a walk. There are so many restrictions already! The focus should be on education and licensing, not access.
4461	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Leave as is. People not dogs are the issue

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4535	I do not support the proposed change	Allow dogs under control on a leash at all times in high-risk areas (beach, foreshore and adjoining parks between Turei Road and Rautawa Stream next to Ferndale Drive, including Whitford Point Reserve and parts of Kawakawa Bay Foreshore Reserve - Zones 3, 4 and 5) (Schedule 1). Allow dogs under control off a leash on remaining areas (on beach, foreshore and adjoining parks from the western shoreline to Turei Road and from Ferndale Drive to (beach to the east))	Dogs should be allowed to access the beach in summer with their families and if they are on leash there should be no concerns. These rules are more likely to have people visit the beach and keep their dogs locked up in hot cars. The beach is for everyone to enjoy and that includes man's best friend, on leash at all times of the day, all times of the year.
4540	I support the proposed change		I still think dogs should be off leash at the bird sanctuary area because dogs are temperamental & all owners aren't perfect.
4696	I support the proposed change		I agree that dogs should not be allowed on beaches during protected bird breeding seasons at all. At other times, I think they should be permitted off leash mornings and evenings.
4699	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	As dotterels do not always nest in the same part of the beach, this option does not sufficiently reduce risk to the dotterels. It does not prevent people from getting too close to nests causing the birds to be flushed off and leaving eggs vulnerable to predation and the elements. It also does not prevent people walking their dogs directly up to a nest. . - The current time and season rule (a total ban of dogs on the beaches between 9:00am and 19:00pm from December 1st to March 1st) . During bird nesting season 1st September – 31st March: - Dogs are prohibited

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4759	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	There are limited off leash areas on beach. I would be happy for on lead on the Tawhitokino track as this is native forest with bird breeding, but otherwise the beach is rock and cliff with no bird breeding sites
4821	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	If dogs are under control there is no problem.
4879	I support the proposed change		Personal safety
5040	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	Dogs should be on a leash at all times
5103	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	There is no reason for the change, it is an attack on dog owners
5268	I support the proposed change		Important to protect our native wildlife
5522	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	Dogs under control have great owners, owners that have trust with their dog will only take them off leash
5642	I support the proposed change		I fully support the protection of at-risk species and believe the amended policy is justified, as it aligns with these important conservation goals.
5712	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	I am also deeply concerned by Auckland Council's plan to increase on-leash and dog-free areas. These restrictions further reduce dogs' access to exercise and socialisation—key factors in preventing behavioural issues. It seems clear that dog welfare is not the Council's priority, as these proposals not only limit safe exercise spaces but also restrict access to trained professionals who can provide it. a key factors of animal welfare are the "5 freedoms", one of these main pillars is freedom to express natural behavior. it is natural for a dog to run freely! I think there has been an overall lack of insight from professionals in the animal welfare, medical, training and walking community.
5886	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Simply because September is too soon to begin summer hours
5918	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Current Rules clear.
5964	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Stop punishing dogs humans have so many places to go!

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6116	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Dear [Council Representative/Committee], I am writing to urge the council to reconsider current restrictions on dog access to public parks and to advocate for policies that allow dogs to be present in all parks without limitations, provided they are on a leash, with balanced measures for off-leash times during peak usage. As urban development increases housing density, private outdoor spaces are diminishing, placing greater importance on public recreational spaces for all residents — including dog owners. Dog ownership continues to rise, and yet, despite paying levies and registration fees, dog owners face significant restrictions on their ability to use public parks fairly and equally. Key Reasons for Allowing Unrestricted On-Leash Dog Access to Parks 1. Equity and Fair Use of Public Spaces Dog owners contribute to the community through fees and levies, and they should be entitled to equal access to recreational areas. Public parks are communal spaces, and no group of responsible users should be excluded. Ensuring that dogs on leashes are permitted in all parks supports equitable use. 2. Adapting to Increased Housing Density With the city's strategic plan prioritising higher-density housing, many residents now live without access to private gardens or yards. This makes local parks vital for responsible pet ownership.
6333	I support the proposed change		No dis on beach in summer, during DLS
6444	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Misplaced Focus on Irresponsible Ownership The proposed changes appear to target issues related to irresponsible dog ownership.
6447	I do not support the proposed change	Other (please explain below)	Expand areas and times that dog owners can access with their companions
6548	I do not support the proposed change	No change to current Policy (dog access) rules	Dogs need an area to exercise in, reducing the areas and times dogs are allowed off leash are not conducive to a dogs well being.
6799	I support the proposed change		because to many dogs leaving poo behind and running up to my wife and jumping up on her

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6970	I do not support the proposed change		See attached Summary of Attachment: • Proposed Changes: From time & season to prohibited during bird breeding season and some off-leash at all times. • Community Concerns: The changes are based on minimal impact studies, and there is a request to consider on-leash during the bird breeding season instead of prohibiting dogs. • Dotterel Impact Study: The study referenced by Auckland Council staff shows that leashed dogs have a minimal impact on dotterels compared to other human activities.

Sub #	Q4 FR-D Waiau Pa to Ellets Beach	Q4 FR-D Comment
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305	I support the proposed change	If dogs are currently harming shore birds in this area then I agree they should be prohibited
703	I do not support the proposed change	This area has alot of families with dogs and crazy need access to areas to exercise there dogs of the lead. If people are scared of dogs they should use all the other parks where dogs are not allowed. Better patoling of areas for dangerous unmuzzled dogs would be more appropriate
780	I support the proposed change	Not all owners have good control over their dogs. Wildlife needs all the help it can get
1194	I support the proposed change	Keep wildlife safe. Doesn't look like an area many would walk dogs anyway!
1922	I do not support the proposed change	Yes dogs should be on leash if others are around people and dogs kids etc but if no one's around dogs should be able to have a swim and free sniffing time... if under control but let's be honest people dont care and are usually on there phones not paying attention
2242	I do not support the proposed change	Based on what evidence of dogs eating birds? Start regulating cats
3923	I don't know	Is there not a breeding season rather than a blanket no dogs allowed policy?
3961	I do not support the proposed change	They should be allowed on a leash
3985	I support the proposed change	During the more than twenty years that I have lived at Clarks Beach I have witnessed far to many dog attaches on coastal birds, it saddens me to see dog owners allowing their dogs to chase seabirds as though it was a game of fetch a stick. I have personally collected up injured seabirds that have been attacked by dogs and taken them to Bird Rescue and local vets only for them to be euthanised due to the severity of the injuries. The problem is escalating as the population of Clarks Beach increases with new residential subdivision developments in proximity to the foreshore, and also to some extent the growing popularity of Clarks Beach as a recreational and holiday destination. Talking to numerous dog owners on the beach, they are often not locals, often travelling significant distances knowing they can let their dogs run unrestrained on these beaches, it seems Clarks Beach is becoming a go to location for many less responsible dog owners, due to its relatively remote location with almost zero consequences if they breach existing dog rules.
4079	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs need exercise areas.
4160	I do not support the proposed change	It is already restrictive as to where large dogs can be exercised and with increased housing and increased dog population it would congest areas too much. To be clear I have seen no dog interference with bird populations so I do not see why this is even a discussion
4342	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs are already on leash so why does this need changing?

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4437	I support the proposed change	I strongly support the proposed change. I would prefer that for the whole stretch west of Ellets Beach to the end of Torkar Rd were requiring dogs on the beach to be on a leash 24/7, for similar reasons to those underpinning the prohibition proposal (ie to stop them chasing seabirds). But I am pessimistic that the Local Board/Council will do anything to enforce the proposed rule, just as I have never seen enforcement of the existing requirements in summer for dogs to be on leashes 10am to 5 pm and under control 24/7 throughout the year. In my mind a dog owner 50 metres away does not have control of their dog on the beach, and I see this more often than I would hope, with no apparent concern from the supposed dog controller when the issue is raised with them. I believe the fees for dog ownership should be raised and the money put to enforcement. .
4750	I do not support the proposed change	The new proposed rules do not address the issues that are driving these changes, that is un controlled dogs off lease and people who don't pick up their dog droppings. All the proposed rules are doing is again penalising the law abiding rate paying dog registration paying and responsible dog owners. Those who are causing the issues currently will continue to behave in the same manner as they currently do.. Address the root cause of the issue!
4761	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs need different places to exercise and explore. They do no pose a risk on leash.. Fines should be upheld for not picking up poo and letting dogs off leash instead of banning them
4951	I support the proposed change	The propsed area is removed from much of the populations of this area leaving them plenty of beach areas to allow their dogs to enjoy the sea. We have some rare and endangered species of bird/wildlife in this area and a great group of passionate warriors who are dedicating huge personal time and resources to protect. They battle enough with climate issues, so potential dog disturbance and damage should be mitigated. The rare wildlife has the right to be and should be protected.
5446	I do not support the proposed change	This is a lovely area the community love to go and walk their dogs on and off leash
5661	I do not support the proposed change	Responsible dog owners should be able to walk their dogs here. Stop limiting the good owners and restricting them. It is not fair on them or the dogs.
5906	I do not support the proposed change	The rules to prevent dogs from beaches, bush walks, reserves and gardens seek only to punish good dog owners. A dog under control on leash cannot harm a bird. I support this being an on leash only area, and am happy for big fines to enforce this.
6088	I do not support the proposed change	There are already very limited places we can take our dog, and the waterbodies provide enrichment, socialization, and stimulation, all of it contributing to a well behaved dog; council should attempt to increase dog access instead of reducing it.
6478	I do not support the proposed change	There are very few places already where we can take our dogs; parks and waterways provide enrichment and socialization opportunities. Council should aim to increase the areas where dogs are allowed, instead of reducing them.
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523	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed on all publics areas under control at all times unless there is a non kauri die back conservation need
531	I support the proposed change	Protects wildlife/ birds on shell banks
541	I do not support the proposed change	Cats are responsible for far more bird killings than dogs! Why do you still allow cats to be unlicensed, un-neutered and to roam freely??? There are NOT enough off-leash dog exercise areas in Auckland. Many more in ALL areas need to be provided URGENTLY. LARGE areas, not small areas! Dogs SHOULD be allowed on-leash in all parks and beaches and many more parks and beaches should become off-leash
689	I do not support the proposed change	On-leash dogs should not be disturbing wildlife anyway — better to specify short leash (no runner leashes and the like) and leave it on-leash.
718	I support the proposed change	Dogs are harmful and a nuisance here
896	I do not support the proposed change	This restricts families from taking their pets on walks. Leashed Dogs are not the issue its the owners who need to be educated. Keep the rules in play as they are.
1113	I do not support the proposed change	There is no reason to ban dogs in these areas if they are on a lead
1171	I do not support the proposed change	Give dogs there freedom as well most people like dogs and get are controlled
1191	I do not support the proposed change	The existing dog control system does not need to change and I mean the existing dogs rules not the the silly temporary rules that make no sense.
1203	I do not support the proposed change	Pathetic rule to ban all dogs!!! Ridiculous
1358	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed on leash in all park areas. Provision for off leash play should be made in all parks.
1379	I do not support the proposed change	More dogs in Auckland and your solution is to restrict where and when they can go places, removing areas of much needed off leash areas and giving nothing in return. This makes absolutely no sense.
1617	I support the proposed change	I assume birds are still being attacked/disturbed even when on a lead for the suggestion of prohibition

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1854	Other (please explain below)	Same for all areas - we should have a section for owners and dogs to be off leash during summer.
2086	I do not support the proposed change	Never had issues before, punishing everyone for a small handful of irresponsible owners isn't fair. The less our dogs are out in society the more harmful to their behavior moving forward
2139	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs are family members it is already difficult to find activities you can do with your dog. Banning them from beaches and parks will be a step back as a society. In fact more and more people is opting for not having kids and having dogs instead. This will new proposed policy will definitively have a huge negative impact on the wellbeing of NZ dog owners. We should promote healthier, active lifestyle. What other alternatives we have as dog owners is the equivalent of banning kids in parks. that does not make sense.
2183	I do not support the proposed change	We share this land - with all living things. We cannot prohibit access because it might cause issue with a few biased individuals. This doesn't solve an issue it creates disconnect and segregation between demographics. Focus on educating dog owners as well as non- dog owners and simplifying regulations. If people get used to dogs everywhere, the less of an issue it will become. Dogs bring joy to peoples' lives. Stop trying to take away their rights to play. That's all they ask...we have people that treat them horrifically, people who hit them, beat them and try to kill them and yet they stay loyal to their owners and only ever ask for love and a good walk in return. Just let them be part of the community.
2184	I do not support the proposed change	Prohibit yourself
2185	Other (please explain below)	Please provide as many opportunities as possible for on-lead walking.
2231	I do not support the proposed change	Same as before!! Less and less opportunities and spaces for dogs. Watch rates of depression and dog abandonment increase.
2343	I do not support the proposed change	Responsible dog owners are already highly restricted on area and times if access. Increasing those limitations is unfair and discriminating. The majority should not be penalized for the minority who are not responsible dog owners.
2488	I do not support the proposed change	It's already to minum the parks and areas that you currently can walk with your dog, and to keep a healthy and balanced dog at least the dog need to be walked once a day.
2692	I do not support the proposed change	See previous
2713	I do not support the proposed change	We should be allowed to have access to these places as well
2837	I support the proposed change	Confused by the inclusion of Waiau Pa which is just farmland but that isn't mentioned in the actual by-law.
2871	I do not support the proposed change	Too restrictive to responsible dog owners
3072	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs are these birds least problem. If you are saying dogs can't go there say humans can't go there either, dogs on leash pose less risk than humans to these birds.

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3771	I support the proposed change	Important bird habitat..
3853	I support the proposed change	100% support any measures to help protect our shorebird taonga populations. thank you!
4063	I support the proposed change	Birds rest here before and after long flights to Northern hemisphere. Careless owners let dogs rush along the beach and chase off these flocks of migratory birds. This is a breach of our duty of care to other creatures in our environment. Rules need to be supported by much more education and by enforcement. I am happy to pay a little more rates and charges to support this.
4489	I do not support the proposed change	I want less restrictions not more
4696	I don't know	What is wrong with dogs being on a leash along this foreshore?
4764	I do not support the proposed change	there are fewer accessible beaches for dogs, especially with current summer rules
4821	I do not support the proposed change	If dogs are under control there is no problem.
4851	I do not support the proposed change	The rules are restricting too much the dog access, people want to be with their dogs.
4879	I support the proposed change	Personal safety
4947	I do not support the proposed change	This is reducing the amount of space available for off leash/on leash walking. I do not support this.
5103	I do not support the proposed change	There is no reason for the change, it is an attack on dog owners
5522	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs under control have great owners, owners that have trust with their dog will only take them off leash. Stop taking places away from us, we already have a lack of options
5568	I do not support the proposed change	If a dog is on a leash or under control no further restrictions are necessary. Don't punish good dog owners. We have as much rights to use our public spaces as everyone else.
5642	I support the proposed change	I fully support the protection of at-risk species and believe the amended policy is justified, as it aligns with these important conservation goals.

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5712	I do not support the proposed change	I am also deeply concerned by Auckland Council's plan to increase on-leash and dog-free areas. These restrictions further reduce dogs' access to exercise and socialisation—key factors in preventing behavioural issues. It seems clear that dog welfare is not the Council's priority, as these proposals not only limit safe exercise spaces but also restrict access to trained professionals who can provide it. a key factors of animal welfare are the "5 freedoms", one of these main pillars is freedom to express natural behavior. it is natural for a dog to run freely! I think there has been an overall lack of insight from professionals in the animal welfare, medical, training and walking community.
5822	I do not support the proposed change	At least allow on leash for locals
5886	I do not support the proposed change	dogs should be allowed under control of a leash
5918	I do not support the proposed change	Current Rules clear.
6116	I do not support the proposed change	Dear [Council Representative/Committee], I am writing to urge the council to reconsider current restrictions on dog access to public parks and to advocate for policies that allow dogs to be present in all parks without limitations, provided they are on a leash, with balanced measures for off-leash times during peak usage. As urban development increases housing density, private outdoor spaces are diminishing, placing greater importance on public recreational spaces for all residents — including dog owners. Dog ownership continues to rise, and yet, despite paying levies and registration fees, dog owners face significant restrictions on their ability to use public parks fairly and equally. Key Reasons for Allowing Unrestricted On-Leash Dog Access to Parks 1. Equity and Fair Use of Public Spaces Dog owners contribute to the community through fees and levies, and they should be entitled to equal access to recreational areas. Public parks are communal spaces, and no group of responsible users should be excluded. Ensuring that dogs on leashes are permitted in all parks supports equitable use. 2. Adapting to Increased Housing Density With the city's strategic plan prioritising higher-density housing, many residents now live without access to private gardens or yards. This makes local parks vital for responsible pet ownership. Denying dog owners reasonable access forces them to travel further afield, which can be impractical and counterproductive to community goals around local engagement and sustainability. 3. Supporting Mental Health and Well-being Dogs play a crucial role in the mental health and emotional well-being of many

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6447	I do not support the proposed change	Expand areas and times that dog owners can access with their companions
6548	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs need an area to exercise in, reducing the areas and times dogs are allowed off leash are not conducive to a dogs well being.
6970	I do not support the proposed change	See attached Summary of Attachment: •General Sentiment: Concerns about the impact of dog restrictions on bird breeding seasons, with a request for more balanced approaches considering other human activities. •Dotterel Impact Study: Similar findings as for Kawakawa Bay Beach, highlighting that dogs on a leash have a minimal impact compared to other human activities.

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267	I do not support the proposed change	I lead my dog around the edge of the sports park and during hot months grass is better than concrete . I understand not on sports fields but around the edge should be allowed
350	I do not support the proposed change	Grassy areas should be fine but totally get it for other surfaces
586	I do not support the proposed change	These are significant destinations for dog walkers that are often not in use for sports purposes 95% of the time. As an example, the Colin Lawrie fields are in the heart of residential land and often the only place with bins - I have to walk over 1200m to get to the fields to use both the fields and the bins. This blanket ban is discriminatory, the council might as well say no blacks or people with wheelchairs allowed as it puts other people off playing sport. It is ridiculous. If you prohibit dogs in these places the council must provide equivalent new areas but of course it cannot do this because it does not have the funds and has to allocate these spaces for new subdivisions instead. Do not take these areas away from the people who need them most.
681	I do not support the proposed change	There is absolutely no reason why dogs can't be exercised in these areas when there are no sports being played.
715	I do not support the proposed change	There is no walking path around the fields and a pathway from the adjacent subdivision leads onto the fields so where would people walk with their dogs. I am a member of the rugby club and always take me dog to watch the games. He is practically the mascot. It would be most unfair to not be able to take him. There is no designated fenced in dog park in Patumahoe but an awful lot of dog owners. So it is very popular to take your dog for a play off leash with others on the sports field when it is not being used by others. There has never been any problems with that. I would support a sign being erected like in Hamilton that says 'Please pick up after your dog. \$300 fine if caught not doing so'.
750	I do not support the proposed change	I go to Colin Lawrie Fields heaps with my dog . Heaps of other dogs there too. he doesn't ruin the field and I clean up after him. Why should we not be able to run across the field while not in use !? Crazy
780	I support the proposed change	The sports fields are for our kids to play on. Not all owners pick up their doggy poos
869	I support the proposed change	I'm a sports player and we continually have to scan our sports fields prior to our games for dog poo that has been left by irresponsible owners.
942	I do not support the proposed change	Once again I'll informed, suggest that u look at the issues that people Getting into there facilities that cause the biggest issue, and perhaps actually I force the rules that are currently in place instead of having even more that u will not i force
1194	I do not support the proposed change	I am a rugby supporter and see Dogs on leads every week during the season in the Franklin area. I believe they should be allowed too as a lot Are part of families supporting players, We take our dog to sons games and are sensible about where we would stand. Have not seen rules about dogs during The season.

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1401	I do not support the proposed change	Nothing wrong with the current policy
1539	I support the proposed change	There have been many dog attacks in Bledisloe Park all dogs should be on lead all the time
1611	I do not support the proposed change	These fields are great for training dogs. They should only be used when sport isn't being played
1766	I do not support the proposed change	Leave the sports areas available to exercise dogs when sports are not occurring. If this is a problem due to soiling, and/or damage, then impose more severe penalties to dog owners who fail to clean up after their dogs, or allow damage to occur in order to support owners who are responsible, and penalise those who are not
1777	I support the proposed change	Too many people don't pick up dog poo and kids are often in contact with the ground. On leash may be ok because you know when your dog has done a poo and can pick it up
1968	I do not support the proposed change	I play sports on some of these fields and 99% of dogs with owners are very respectful and control of their dogs. No need to change law.
2036	I do not support the proposed change	It's is a safe area to walk dogs and we don't have many in our area
2212	I do not support the proposed change	Bledisloe park in Pukekohe is a great place to train distancing from distractions. There are minimal places in Pukekohe for dogs to be on lead. Removing this Park is a huge detriment. Ive had more issues with kids on motorized vehicles almost knocking people over traveling at ridiculous speeds here than I have ever had with dogs. Stop criminalizing canines.
2242	I do not support the proposed change	Where is the evidence of doemstic dogs eating and hunting birds?!
2517	I support the proposed change	Will the signage also make it clear to owners what the "rules in other park areas" is?
2532	Other (please explain below)	Clarity on what is proposed would be helpful. Overall my comment is that dogs should not be allowed on sports fields. BUT, you need to provide more secure, safe exercise areas, so small dogs don't have to mix with large dogs. Provision of split exercise areas is essential. If you want more control of dogs, you need to provide facilities.
2737	I do not support the proposed change	Majorly restricting opportunities for dogs to exercise and socialize them fully. There are very few areas that will be left to do this and the areas currently fenced are limited meaning that thee are over subscribed often making if more difficult for dogs who are less social or suffer from anxiety to have their needs met.

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3322	I do not support the proposed change	As a responsible dog owner, I ensure that I walk my dog only when no formal sports activities are taking place at the grounds, especially if my dog is off-lead. Even then, I stick to the outer perimeter of the sports ground or walk on the pathways, avoiding areas designated for sports activities. If informal sporting activities are in progress or sports are being played outside of usual practice times, my dog remains on a leash, and we continue to use only the pathways or the park's outer perimeter. This ensures we do not interfere with others' enjoyment of the field. I always clean up after my dog and properly dispose of any waste in designated bins. Additionally, many dog walkers, including myself, regularly pick up litter from the area and dispose of it, helping to maintain a clean and welcoming environment for all users. Colin Lawrie Field provides an important community space where both dog owners and non-dog owners can meet, interact, and enjoy a friendly atmosphere. It is a key walking area for local residents, many of whom can access it on foot without needing to drive. Since COVID-19 and the shift toward remote work, for many dog walkers, this may be their primary daily social interaction. The strong sense of community among dog owners makes this an invaluable gathering space. If Colin Lawrie Field were to be restricted for dog walking, the current off-leash area at the bottom of Cape Hill would not be able to accommodate the increased number of dogs and walkers. This area is also not flat, making it difficult for some walkers to navigate. Additionally, during the winter months, rain often leaves the area boggy and slippery, making it an unsafe and unpleasant place to walk.
3363	I do not support the proposed change	Build us some better dog parks if we cannot use sports field. Contained, with a walking path bins and seats. Clovelly Park is so rough and difficult walking for many. No path and often the grass is very long. Look at the dog park at Beachlands. Easy walking, contained, and seating. Penalize those who don't clean up after their pets. Parks and sports fields are paid for by ratepayers. They should be utilized as much as possible by all.
3431	I do not support the proposed change	Colin lorries Park is safe enclosed environment for people to walk their dogs and meet other people without the fear of their dog getting on the road it has plenty of parking it has good separated areas for timid dogs and foot training unlike some of the other places around removing this with disadvantage a lot of people with dogs from having the safe place for them in their dogs
3473	I do not support the proposed change	I walk my dogs responsibly on these fields. I am a rare payer and dog registration payer. Why should I keep my property and pay a mortgage and rates and dog fees when you are proposing banning them! I and like other owners in this area don't let our dogs run free or cause problems when people are playing sports. Look at the cat owners whose mongrel unregistered cats roam free!!!!
3543	I do not support the proposed change	When not in use it should be available for dog walking and exercise.

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3569	Other (please explain below)	Why is the Clifton/Potts/Porterfield Bridleway NOT included in any of the current areas on your list? This must be added to your controlled spaces. We are desperate for change. Dog walkers are coming here because there are no rules and they are threatening the very purpose of the BRIDLEWAY - a place where you can ride your horse....
3622	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs are family members too. Some dogs have anxiety issues, should only prohibit menacing dogs not all.
3755	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs prohibited at all times from sports fields - there are not sufficient alternative dog exercise areas in the Frankling area to meet demand.
3923	I do not support the proposed change	This is a bit difficult to understand... are you suggesting the family dog cant come and watch the kids play soccer from the sidelines on a winters morning? That would be very sad. Our dog has grown up watching our kids play sport... this contact with kids and people makes for a happy, well socialised dog. I would definitely not support any moves to ban this.
3961	I do not support the proposed change	They should be allowed on a leash
4228	I support the proposed change	Good Morning Council People I wish to make a submission Specifically in respect of Colin Laurie Fields Pukekhoa I ACCEPT. I can accept the logic of no dogs on sports fields and all dogs on leash MY REQUEST. My submission is that dogs be allowed on leash on the perimeter trail on Colin Laurie Fields Pukekohe.. This is presently used for dog walking probably in excess of a hundred times daily and has been for some 40 years. There is also currently an element of peer pressure self enforcement in respect of dog droppings that would make this work. Dog owners would be on your side. FLAWS. There is flawed and illogical thinking to present the proposal The proposed total restriction would seem to be enforceable. What's the use of any such law or regulation that is unenforceable. ? The park has 5 entrances. Is it planned to have a compliance person there daily from dawn to dusk ! If the council allows dog walking on this walkway, the result will likely be cooperation. from dog walkers. Rather than opposition. And a significant measure of self policing of errant owners. Which would be a positive outcome.

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4279	I do not support the proposed change	Hi, I disagree with this proposal. As a responsible dog owner I do not go on the field when it is practise or playing time but I do regularly outside of those times. Wether it is to play ball with the children and dog, dog training, to run in an area that is flat and where I can see other dogs or people in the area as to access safety or not sure. I have met more people...as has my dog than on the dog designated areas the council has provided, which are either all hilly, quite frankly boring spaces, or areas that bigger dogs go. The playing field's tend to be more safe, creates a sense of community across the many uses of the field. To stop us the responsible dog owners from the whole use of the fields because of dog droppings is wrong. The people who neglect to pick up after their dogs now...won't be stopping but the council will be negatively impacting those who do pick up after their dogs. I have seen joggers after work put their ear buds in and go for a run with their dogs dropping behind them...not picking up. Parents who drop their kids off at sport training then go walk the dog while on the phone...not picking up after their dogs. There are those who are elderly and have elderly dogs who walk round the corner and join the younger generations and discuss their days in the middle of the field while our dogs run round and socialise....this is more important and valuable than dog droppings on a field that will continue either way, those who have no respect for the bylaws now regarding this....won't be stopping just because the council changes something. The sport fields should be multi use spaces for everyone...including responsible dog owners...when they aren't in use for sport practise or games. More dog bins...or bins in general...could possibly help. The council designated dog off leash area on Cloverlea in Pukekohe has one bin on the very far side or the field...and the council wonders why we have issues
4342	I do not support the proposed change	When not in use the fields should be available to anyone to use

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4359	Other (please explain below)	I am a 75 year old widow. I bought my house in Pukekohe specifically in Eastside Drive because of its proximity to Colin Laurie fields. I purchased a small dog (cavoodle) two months after shifting as company, and for my fitness. I walk in the park, morning and night and have met some very nice people who are small dog owners. Without exception my friends and myself pick up our dogs excrement. It makes us very angry when we see unresponsive owners ignoring their dogs mess. It seems to bearded dog owners who mostly walk early in the morning and late evening. If we see anyone blatantly ignoring their dogs mess we offer them a bag, but more often than not get verbally abused. I would be devastated if I couldn't walk my dog in this park and would not take her up to Roseville as I have heard about dog attacks on small dogs. I wouldn't drive her to another park because of the cost of petrol. It's hard enough trying to make ends meet at the moment. I don't know how I would've survived the past two years without my little dog and the lovely people I have got to know in the park. I do think there should be a sign each side of the park telling people to pick up after their dogs. I know you shouldn't have to but unfortunately some people are just plain ignorant. I thought after I submitted my survey, there is a large area down the back of Colin Laurie fields under the trees where it is suitable to let our small dogs off lead to play. Away from the sports fields.
4382	I do not support the proposed change	this would mean we could walk around the outside of the field I hope
4384	I do not support the proposed change	This is one of the very few areas we have available to walk our dog and have some much needed social interaction with like-minded responsible dog owners. I do acknowledge there are challenges with some people not cleaning up after their animals, but this is not unique to this popular walking area. I do understand and support the idea of dogs not running onto the fields when sport activities are done, but there is a paved area around the sport fields that allow for walking. Cape Hill is not an option accessible for all people with physical difficulties or young children participating in their daily walk with their beloved pet. Another issue personally is we as a family do not feel like getting into a vehicle to travel somewhere to take our beloved whippet for a walk after many hours stuck in traffic already for the day working in Auckland. Please do not take away one of the few options to residents living close by. Kind regards, Stephan

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4389	I do not support the proposed change	I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposal restricting dog walking at our local park. This park is one of the few accessible spaces where responsible dog owners can exercise their pets and connect with others in the community. While I acknowledge that some owners do not always clean up after their dogs, this issue is not unique to this park and should not penalise the majority who act responsibly. I fully support keeping dogs off the fields during sports activities, but the paved areas provide a practical walking route that does not interfere with these events. For many residents, alternative locations like Cape Hill are not viable due to physical limitations or the difficulty of taking young children along. Additionally, after long commutes, the last thing my family wants is to drive somewhere just to give our whippet the exercise he needs. Please consider the needs of local residents and maintain this vital space for dog walking.
4690	I do not support the proposed change	Apart from sport practices in the afternoon most of the use of the park is for people to walk their dogs. If you stop people from walking their dogs then the parks will hardly be used except for sport - and the sport is for a very limited segment of the population and most often not the people that live in the immediate area. The council rules will make the parks obsolete and a significant investment and cost greater than the benefit obtained by the population.
4750	I do not support the proposed change	The new proposed rules do not address the issues that are driving these changes, that is un controlled dogs off lease and people who don't pick up their dog droppings. All the proposed rules are doing is again penalising the law abiding rate paying dog registration paying and responsible dog owners. Those who are causing the issues currently will continue to behave in the same manner as they currently do.. Address the root cause of the issue! Colin Lawrie Fields is my local dog walking grounds I visit twice a day regardless of the weather. Im elderly, mid 70s, and this walk is important for my physical and mental well being. Its also a place my dog and I can meet other dogs and their owners and socialise, important for both me and my dog. Walking the street pavements is not safe from cars. truck and buses and the pavement at times can be very hot also, a grassed area to walk on is more suitable. There are a considerable number of elderly and other people in this area who also have dog pets and use the Fields for the same reason.
4761	I do not support the proposed change	Same as last answer re beaches

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4816	I do not support the proposed change	This proposal is beyond belief. In my area (Valley area Pukekohe), there are no large dedicated green spaces for dogs to exercise. These fields are council maintained areas, and should be utilised as multi use. We wouldn't use them if we had sufficeint dog exercise facilities. Pukekohe drowns in sports fields, but absolutely not one wide open field to throw a ball for a dog. The Colin Lowrie fields are used by residents of the nearby retirement village also for exercise. There is more rubbish and damage left by the sports use, than there ever is because of dogs. Near by residents wont be able to walk their dogs a convenient route to get to their houses. The elderly won't have a place to walk their dogs Families with children will need to exercise their dogs separately, and wont be able to utilise the playground facility alongside exercising their dogs. Doesn't it make more sense to better utilise existing facilities - particularly if council doesn't want to provide access to equivalent dedicated areas?
4963	I support the proposed change	Absolutely support this change. Had an incident when watching my granddaughter playing soccer at Rosa Birch Park. The referee had to stop the game to pick up dog faeces! My big concern is WHO IS GOING TO ENFORCE THIS. A footpath runs around the perimeter of Colin Lawrie Fields which I regularly walk around. On a daily basis there are numerous people walking their dogs off leash and exercising them on the playing fields. It is a waste of time having a bylaw if it cannot be enforced on a regular ongoing basis.
4985	I support the proposed change	Our home over looks the #2 grounds at Navigation Stadium and every day we see people walking and exercising dogs on the playing field, sometimes with little regard to picking up turds as they are produced. Meanwhile when we walk through Roosevelt Park where the dog exercise park is, there is very rarely any dogs and their owners using it.
4998	I do not support the proposed change	Should be able to walk dogs on leash

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5001	I do not support the proposed change	All the fields in the centre of Pukekohe and the eastern area have essentially be identified as sports fields leaving people with dogs completely out in the cold. This proposal would see the whole of Franklin road with the PUBLICS HOLDINGS OF LAND USED FOR PRIMARILY MALE SPORTS including: the stadium and the park between the rec centre and Stadium and Colin Lawrie. This is a completely disgraceful capture of PUBLIC LAND. I accept the actual stadium should be dog free, however all over fields should have off leash areas allocated as well as on leash. It seems to me that we need to MAKE SPACE FOR DOGS! If we worked with the good owners it would be very clear who the negligent owners are. They are fewer then the good owners. Bledisloe should be treated the same way. All I wanted to say is that why can't we work with people to find solutions, particularly in Colin Lawrie where there are so many older residents who need to walk their dog. Why cant we have a place within the park? A fenced off place for dogs to run. People do generally use Roosevelt for bigger dogs and Colin Lawrie for smaller breeds. Lawrie is open, flat and safe. I've checked out all the nearby stormwater parks and they are marginal land and boggy in winter. Some of them are great but not off leash. We are all frustrated by the people who don't pick up their dogs poop but the good people far out weigh the neglectful ones.
5392	I do not support the proposed change	Some of these areas we frequent for dog walks, between people playing, other dogs walking, and children scootering/running around. Some times it is needed to cross the sports fields for space, to get from A to B etc. if the field is not in use, then why can't it be utilised by any and all users of the park.
5615	Other (please explain below)	Some sports fields have huge areas around them suitable to dogs to run around on without going on the field. Dogs should be allowed on a lease to watch sport games and in car parks.
5661	I do not support the proposed change	Responsible dog owners should be able to walk their dogs here. Stop limiting the good owners and restricting them. It is not fair on them or the dogs.
5701	I do not support the proposed change	In regards to specifically Bledisloe Park and Colin Lawrie the dog owners who use these parks in my experience are always responsible owners. Both are nice parks to walk dogs most often the dogs are on leads and if not are under control. The only issues I've ever had has been walking round streets not at these parks.
5923	I do not support the proposed change	I think it would be better to have them monitored more and people who don't clean up after their dogs fined heavily. Rather than spoil it for the majority of people who do the right things.
6088	I do not support the proposed change	Parks provide enrichment, socialization, and stimulation, all of it contributing to a well behaved dog; council should attempt to increase dog access instead of reducing it.
6153	I support the proposed change	Changes are fair across the board area in my view - however I do stress the need to ensure there is good signage and enforcement as required.

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6433	I do not support the proposed change	Provide more rubbish bins and bags so dog owners can pick up any pooh.
6478	I do not support the proposed change	There are very few places already where we can take our dogs; parks and waterways provide enrichment and socialization opportunities. Council should aim to increase the areas where dogs are allowed, instead of reducing them.
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57	I support the proposed change	If there are alternative places in town for the dogs to run off leash at all times then there is no need to be on a sports field on leash
311	I do not support the proposed change	It seems unreasonable not to be able to bring one's leashed dog when supporting kids playing on the playing fields
396	I do not support the proposed change	"We are proposing to better protect sports users from nuisance and sports surfaces from damage" Then ban everyone including people as they can be a nuisance and cause far more damage to surfaces than most dogs. As the fields are not in use at all times and, often, sports grounds are the only local green space to exercise with a dog, this seems very unfair.
417	I do not support the proposed change	I advocate for being allowed dogs under control and on leash in more of aucklands regional parks and within more areas of aucklands regional parks. Walking and hiking in Aucklands regional parks is a perfect activity for having canine companionship. There is plenty of space for everyone and when dogs are under control on leash there is little room for that to be problematic to anyone. Currently the options for getting fresh air and exercise for dog owners in Auckland are already incredibly limited. I do not support limiting this further. Again, the emphasis should be on policing and preventing nad dog ownership, not making it impossible le for good dogs and owners to enjoy wholesome, healthy activities in our own neighborhoods.
510	Other (please explain below)	My query is regarding "Riverpark reserve Massey" this area is not listed on your plan for changes, and those are crucial for protecting general publick especially children, this park is mixed for dogs and public even if it is clearly in regulations that all dogs should be on leash in close proximety off playground this in reality is not the case more then once Us asparents had to react on to the owners to put their dogs on leash, to the instance that we had to call police, just this Sunday elderly turist copule had wonderful experience of being bitten by three dogs, what wuld be if those were children??? My recomendation is to clearly forbid all dogs without leash from and near kids playground with fine off \$10000 separate kids playground and dogs area completely create specifically dogs area only and build fence in between, and additionally build up control in all kids playground, so kids parentsand elderly dont have to have traumas! If we wont protect our kids and our elders from crayzines and human stupidity who will?
523	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed on all publics areas under control at all times unless there is a non kauri die back conservation need

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541	I do not support the proposed change	Cats are responsible for far more bird killings than dogs! Why do you still allow cats to be unlicensed, un-neutered and to roam freely??? There are NOT enough off-leash dog exercise areas in Auckland. Many more in ALL areas need to be provided URGENTLY. LARGE areas, not small areas! Dogs SHOULD be allowed on-leash in all parks and beaches and many more parks and beaches should become off-leash
544	I do not support the proposed change	This seems like an unnecessary change, and overly restrictive
572	I do not support the proposed change	It is very one sided. The teens that disturb are far more of a nuisance then well controlled dogs who watch their family play sports.
628	I do not support the proposed change	I do not support reducing dog access areas. If the fields aren't in use then why shouldn't we be allowed to walk or dogs there. We have just a much right to access these areas. Reducing dog walking spaces will cause more problems by condensing dogs into less spaces.
689	I support the proposed change	Totally support. I never let my dog on any sports field even when supposedly allowed to. It's a hygiene issue.
773	I do not support the proposed change	We need more places we can walk our dogs, not less!
839	I do not support the proposed change	If these areas are not in use, Then why can't they be used for dogs? might as well get all the use you can from these areas seeing as rate payers pay for the upkeep of the parks.
995	I do not support the proposed change	Taking the dog to sports games was always something special. The kids loved it and often adopted dogs as a mascot. Standing on the side lines with your pet was something we enjoy and was enjoyed by others.
1171	I do not support the proposed change	Freedom for dogs
1358	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed on leash in all park areas. Provision for off leash play should be made in all parks.
1379	I do not support the proposed change	More dogs in Auckland and your solution is to restrict where and when they can go places, removing areas of much needed off leash areas and giving nothing in return. This makes absolutely no sense.
1385	I support the proposed change	Dogs should be prohibited from sports fields at all times
1847	I do not support the proposed change	For all reductions in dog access areas, I strongly oppose the changes. Resources for dog owners are already so minimal. There are nearly limitless options for people that don't want to be around dogs. Why continue to punish dog owners? It will only cause more problems as dog owners will become desperate so start ignoring rules entirely. More areas for dogs to be adequately stimulated, exercised and socialized will only lead to better behaved dogs.
1854	Other (please explain below)	Same for all areas - we should have a section for owners and dogs to be off leash during summer.

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1875	I do not support the proposed change	Dear council I am writing to urge you not to ban dogs from our beloved regional parks, beaches, and public spaces. As a vibrant part of our community, these natural areas should be open to everyone, including responsible dog owners, who are an integral part of our society. Why Dogs in Parks Matter: 1. Health and Well-being: Dogs are not only wonderful companions, but studies have shown that walking with dogs encourages more physical activity, which can help combat the rising rates of sedentary lifestyles and chronic diseases. These outings promote better mental health, lower stress levels, and a deeper connection to nature—benefits that extend to the whole family. 2. Economic Impact: Dogs help generate revenue for our parks. Local businesses benefit from dog owners spending on pet-related products, pet services, and park fees. Tourism also sees a positive impact as people often choose destinations where they can bring their dogs, boosting the local economy and increasing the sense of community. 3. Social Responsibility: Responsible dog ownership is a core part of being a good community member. Many dog owners are highly committed to respecting public spaces—cleaning up after their pets, keeping dogs on leashes when required, and ensuring their pets do not disrupt others. Banning dogs punishes those who are mindful and courteous, while the real challenge lies in enforcing responsible behaviour. Ensure you are fining and implementing consequences for those who
1914	I do not support the proposed change	These areas are often fenced and are fantastic for training in public when they aren't otherwise being used and using them won't disturb other people.
2086	I do not support the proposed change	Never had issues before, punishing everyone for a small handful of irresponsible owners isn't fair. The less our dogs are out in society the more harmful to their behavior moving forward
2139	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs are family members it is already difficult to find activities you can do with your dog. Banning them from beaches and parks will be a step back as a society. In fact more and more people is opting for not having kids and having dogs instead. This will new proposed policy will definitively have a huge negative impact on the wellbeing of NZ dog owners. We should promote healthier, active lifestyle. What other alternatives we have as dog owners is the equivalent of banning kids in parks. that does not make sense.

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2183	I do not support the proposed change	We share this land - with all living things. We cannot prohibit access because it might cause issue with a few biased individuals. This doesn't solve an issue it creates disconnect and segregation between demographics. Focus on educating dog owners as well as non- dog owners and simplifying regulations. If people get used to dogs everywhere, the less of an issue it will become. Dogs bring joy to peoples' lives. Stop trying to take away their rights to play. That's all they ask...we have people that treat them horrifically, people who hit them, beat them and try to kill them and yet they stay loyal to their owners and only ever ask for love and a good walk in return. Just let them be part of the community.
2184	I do not support the proposed change	Keep current
2185	Other (please explain below)	Please provide as many opportunities as possible for on-lead walking.
2336	I do not support the proposed change	If fields are not in use, why not allow dog walkers access. We all pay for the upkeep of these fields.
2343	I do not support the proposed change	Responsible dog owners are already highly restricted on area and times if access. Increasing those limitations is unfair and discriminating. The majority should not be penalized for the minority who are not responsible dog owners.
2409	I do not support the proposed change	These parks are for all to share. Our dogs need spaces like these to be able to run free, you take these away and there is no where for them to do this safely. We all pay rates and registration so why should the small minority get want they want!!
2488	I do not support the proposed change	It's already to minum the parks and areas that you currently can walk with your dog, and to keep a healthy and balanced dog at least the dog need to be walked once a day.
2521	I do not support the proposed change	Families having kids and dogs can enjoy the sports and games together in those big fields when there are no sport events or sport teams.
2629	I support the proposed change	Sports surfaces should be protected from nuisance and damage.
2692	I do not support the proposed change	See previous
2713	I do not support the proposed change	We should be allowed to have access to these places as well
2837	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs cause far less damage to sports fields than both people and rabbits do.
2871	I do not support the proposed change	Too restrictive for responsible dog owners
3072	I do not support the proposed change	Responsible dog with on-leash dogs should still be allowed to access these areas.
3150	I do not support the proposed change	The rubbish remaining following a sporting event greatly outweighs the need of council attention rather than allowing for a resident to walk their dog.

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3464	I do not support the proposed change	Totally unnecessary and unwarranted, as it is New Zealand as a whole is a very dog unfriendly country to own a dog, Auckland and Tauranga council being the worst at it, the board should have been fighting for more access to dogs in malls and restaurants etc, even our biggest Airline doesnt allow dogs to fly on board when other so called less developed countries do. Then again every one goes on about fragile environment and preserve native species, but that is just another way of saying to developers go build 10 townhouses where one used to be and charge a million for it, that will definitely save the fragile environment, but a well trained dog walking on a path will destroy it.
3515	I do not support the proposed change	A dog should be able to be walked around the periphery of a sports field on leash, or stand on the periphery of a sports field if their owner is watching a game. What harm can come from this????
3578	I support the proposed change	We need to ensure the safety of pur children on the sports fields
4013	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be able to be off leach winthin sorting areas as they areas are not used all the time. When they are used then dogs should have the perimeter to walk. Dogs also don't damage fields. Recreational sports event players damage the ground. Soccor being an example,, many players in the same area dig up the grass leaving holes and no grass, when wet from rain these holes get larger. Kids who play dig in the ground with their boots and run jump into the huge puddles made by them simply cause it's fun. It's not the dogs who dig
4025	I do not support the proposed change	Access should BE ALLOWED 'ON lead' & 'off lead' during day & for most areas for trained Dogs & rOwners who are licenced & registered
4029	I support the proposed change	As a dog owner and parent of children who play sports and simply enjoy the space, I share the concern about dog urine & faeces on the fields constantly. Too many of my fellow dog owners are being negligent and it is disgusting for my children to fall into the faeces while playing, not to mention the bigger dogs running over my youngest due to not being on leash and out of control, which is frightening. I fully support these reasonable and fair amendments
4089	I do not support the proposed change	More of the community would be getting their exercise through walking there dog then organized sports. So it is important that they have an area they can go to to connect and socialize with other dog owners as well as get there exercise in
4207	I do not support the proposed change	Dog owners should have access to public sports facilities and have the ability to allow dogs to exercise off leash (under control) when these facilities are not being used by organised sports. These facilities are for all Aucklanders to use and enjoy and dog owners should not be discriminated against.
4461	I do not support the proposed change	Leave as is
4489	I do not support the proposed change	I want less restrictions not more
4511	I do not support the proposed change	This area provides a good place to exercise animals and if it is simply closed or prohibited when the fields aren't in use for sports then owners will have to find space elsewhere which is just unfair and unrealistic in some cases
4696	I support the proposed change	Sports grounds are not a place for dogs, especially if they are ball chasers.

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4734	I support the proposed change	All 3 beaches mentioned on Waiheke in the proposed changes outlined above have ample room for people and dogs!
4764	I do not support the proposed change	there are few options for safe dog exercise areas
4821	I do not support the proposed change	If dogs are under control there is no problem.
4879	I support the proposed change	Personal safety
4947	I do not support the proposed change	This is reducing the amount of space available for off leash/on leash walking. I do not support this.
5103	I do not support the proposed change	There is no reason for the change, it is an attack on dog owners
5419	I do not support the proposed change	Stop taking away green space for people to walk their dog
5428	I support the proposed change	I agree There should be no reason a dog should be on a sports feild or playground
5465	I do not support the proposed change	This just removes big chunks of land from dog owners' use. They are already prohibited when in use; no need for a change
5522	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs under control have great owners, owners that have trust with their dog will only take them off leash. Stop taking places away from us, we already have a lack of options
5568	I do not support the proposed change	If a dog is on a leash or under control no further restrictions are necessary. Don't punish good dog owners. We have as much rights to use our public spaces as everyone else.
5642	I do not support the proposed change	Since leashed dogs do not inherently cause harm or disruption, I disagree with restricting access to public spaces for part of the community. Prohibiting leashed dogs from public recreation areas when they are not in use seems an unnecessarily restrictive measure for responsible dog owners.
5728	I do not support the proposed change	Those sport fields provide great environments for training dogs. I would like dogs to be allowed there.
5886	I do not support the proposed change	There is far more damage to surfaces from the playing of sport than there is from dogs. Dog owners have the right to use shared community facilities - it is not simply for sportspeople. We all pay rates so we should have access - keep the status quo.
5918	I do not support the proposed change	Current Rules clear.
6256	Other (please explain below)	These areas are not marked well as on lead and are mostly used as off lead areas when sports are not in play. Clearer signage and enforcement is needed, as well as more options for safe off lead exercise
6444	I do not support the proposed change	Misplaced Focus on Irresponsible Ownership The proposed changes appear to target issues related to irresponsible dog ownership. Impact on Community Connection Recreational spaces play a vital role in fostering social connections. This is particularly important for those without children or who live alone, as it may be one of their primary social outlets.

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6447	I do not support the proposed change	Expand areas and times that dog owners can access with their companions
6487	I do not support the proposed change	Only place around to take your dog. Please
6524	I support the proposed change	-Dog owners do not pick up dog excrement and therefore if our children play on these areas they put their health and the health of others in their family at risk. - watching sport is a relaxation for the public to enjoy and not being continually worried about where dogs are and what they are doing - do not want children frightened by dogs when out enjoying valuable time with the family
6544	I do not support the proposed change	There is no need to restrict access to grounds not in use
6940	I support the proposed change	Please see attached submission: Any off-leash areas should be at least 100 - 200m away from sports fields, playgrounds or any other busy areas. Please also alter the wording from 'nuisance' to 'dangers'. Wording that dogs might pose a 'nuisance' significantly invalidates the real experience people have when dogs attack.
6970	I do not support the proposed change	See attached Summary of Attachment: •Community Feedback: Strong opposition to the removal of access, with concerns about the lack of alternative areas for dog owners.