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## **Dog policy, bylaw and regional park access rules 2025**

### **Q3 Regional park dog access rules**

**(Q3F. Muriwai Regional Park)**

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| ALBERT-EDEN LOCAL BOARD |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 155                     | Other (please explain below)         | I was horrified to read about the penguins being killed at Muriwai recently. The proposed change doesn't go far enough, dogs should be fully banned at Muriwai regional park at all times. The problem with having changing rules is that the irresponsible dog owners whose dogs harm wildlife think the rules don't apply to them, they'll continue to let their dog roam off leash in the supposedly leashed areas as well as the restricted areas. If there's a clear blanket ban coupled with tough enforcement, people should get the idea. It's a typical case of a few bad eggs ruin it for everyone, but unfortunately every dog owner thinks 'my dog wouldn't do that' but by the time they do, it's too late. There are plenty of other parks in NZ where vulnerable native birds aren't nesting. Dog owners can enjoy those instead. |
| 362                     | I do not support the proposed change | The current rules seem simple to follow and sufficient to protect the gannet colony                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 636                     | I support the proposed change        | For the reasons I have given previously although I would prefer that dogs not be allowed on beaches at all.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 720                     | I support the proposed change        | It's more specific                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 960                     | I do not support the proposed change | Agree dogs should not be off lead around the birds yet Dogs should have the right to enjoy all beaches under control of their owners, if owners do not have control harsh penalties should be enforced.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 1198                    | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs are a fundamental part of our lives, we pay council tax and walk our dog safely at all times. The council is becoming prejudice against dogs. I am happy to start a dog protest against the auckland council if needed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 1530                    | I support the proposed change        | clearer                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 2325                    | I do not support the proposed change | Access is easiest south of the surf tower. Dogs on leash south. Off leash north.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 2359                    | I do not support the proposed change | A four wheel drive can race up the beach, horse manure is everywhere. But a dog needs to be on leash walking beside the four wheel drive access around the walking loop. That is a stretch. The rest of the rules look good, but if I have read the map correctly, that is pointless.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 2784                    | I do not support the proposed change | Rules are already too restrictive to responsible dog owners. The ones causing the trouble already will continue to ignore the rules. This only punishes those who aren't contributing to the perceived problems with dogs.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 2823                    | I do not support the proposed change | I support the changed but dogs should be prohibited on Muriwai beach from 10am-5pm daily all seasons.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 2871                    | I do not support the proposed change | Too restrictive                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 2990                    | I do not support the proposed change | For reasons already provided                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 4096                    | I support the proposed change        | Allowing dogs on a leash to have access to this limited area of the park at limited times makes it safer for visitors to the park and the wildlife.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 4324                    | I support the proposed change        | Would prefer they were prohibited from any off leash activity on the beach to protect and encourage wildlife to return                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

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| 4368  | Other (please explain below)         | I have general concerns about any restriction of green areas where people and dogs can exercise. Especially on 'conservation' grounds, as I fear that such changes are driven more by ideology than fact or science. Also that these changes are not addressing more fundamental concerns about dogs in Auckland - undercontrolled breeding, which underpins growing issues like free-wandering, menacing, attacks on other dogs, cats, people, wildlife - in the final analysis all dog related problems including conservation related, are a numbers game. Continual killing at the pounds won't fix. Education and mandated/facilitated/funded de-sexing is required. This general comment from me applies to all the regional parks. |
| 4412  | I do not support the proposed change | 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.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 4512  | I do not support the proposed change | Auckland needs more dog off leash and accessible areas, not less.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 4538  | I support the proposed change        | Clarifying these rules with specificity is great.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 4611  | I do not support the proposed change | no valid logic for prohibition                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 4947  | I do not support the proposed change | This is reducing the amount of space available for off leash walking. I do not support this.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 5251  | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs should be on a leash at all times throughout the summer months                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 5493  | I do not support the proposed change | I do not support the change. The proposal is too restrictive on where dogs can be. This is a popular walking area for dogs and we have visited many times under the current rules without issue.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 5502  | I do not support the proposed change | While understand and am happy with the proposal to protect native bird life by further clarifying the rules, this change goes beyond this and seeks to remove a lot of access to walking trails that are enjoyed currently by dogs. This is especially unfavourable in summer, when it is too hot to be on the beach so walking trails are far cooler areas to exercise dogs.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 5811  | I support the proposed change        | We need to protect theGanet colony .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 6125  | I support the proposed change        | The off leash area is retained and now dogs can be with owners on leash on the grass which makes things logistically much easier of you want to have a picnic on the grass or your kids want to play on the grass but you also have a dog.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 6538  | I don't know                         | I understand protecting wildlife is of most importance, but our dogs are on a leash what is the harm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 6629  | I do not support the proposed change | Again, you are letting a small majority ruin it for everyone by enforcing ridiculous rules that even you don't know how you're going to enforce.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 6743  | I don't know                         | I support changes to protect wildlife. As I don't know Muriwai but our dog walker goes out there a lot with 10 dogs, I am hoping the changes will still allow dogs to run around off leash somewhere on the beach and around the quarry.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 6749  | I do not support the proposed change | I do think there could be set times when on leash is wise. Many owners are great and follow rules, they are involved in their dogs training but there are some who couldn't care less let their dogs wander out of sight. There needs to be human rules not just for the dogs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

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| <b>DEVONPORT-TAKAPUNA LOCAL BOARD</b> |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 578                                   | I support the proposed change        | Sounds fair.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 1954                                  | I do not support the proposed change | There are already plenty of places that dogs are not allowed, people that don't like dogs can go there. Think of the dogs quality of life having to be on lead all the time. They need to be exercised off lead (as long as under control) for their mental and physical health. You should be going after people that have unruly dogs that are causing trouble, not responsible dog owners that already abide by the rules, because you will find most people do! Have you seen the mess that HUMANS leave behind at our beaches and regional parks, they leave rubbish, cigarette butts and all sorts, you should be going after these people, not dogs. |
| 2419                                  | I do not support the proposed change | restrictions on dog access areas are not wanted. keep the existing rules                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 2461                                  | I support the proposed change        | More detailed rules are easier to follow and appreciated as a dog owner that frequents Muriwai                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 3688                                  | I do not support the proposed change | AND                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 3762                                  | I do not support the proposed change | Let the dogs be on the beach                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 4773                                  | I do not support the proposed change | Only on leash should be permitted to prevent naughty dogs running south of the tower and attacking the gannets or annoying other beach users/dogs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 5009                                  | I support the proposed change        | More clear and more access for dogs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 5151                                  | I do not support the proposed change | FREE the dogs!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 5192                                  | I support the proposed change        | it is reasonable and easy to follow                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 5722                                  | I do not support the proposed change | I think there should be more off leash areas                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 5943                                  | I do not support the proposed change | Muriwai beach is one of the famous dog beach Auckland. Many dog owners in North and west Auckland go there for their dogs. I personally think current rule is enough.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>FRANKLIN LOCAL BOARD</b>           |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 1766                                  | I support the proposed change        | Muriwai has the space for dogs and people alike                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 2242                                  | I do not support the proposed change | Rules for the sake of rules. There are less kids and more dogs - this is actually cheaper                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 2422                                  | I do not support the proposed change | If bird life end up in jeopardy then perhaps revise it next summer?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 4428                                  | I do not support the proposed change | The proposed change makes the policy so much harder to understand and follow. What is wrong with what is written now. You want to make more "clarity"? This makes it so much more complicated!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 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.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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| 5906                                | I support the proposed change        | I agree with banning around the Gannet colony. This one seems fair as dogs can still visit this beach, and also can sit on leash with their humans in the picnic areas. This allows an off leash area, an on leash area, and a no dog area; so is quite fair I think.                                                                                                       |
| 6430                                | I do not support the proposed change | Not necessary.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 6434                                | Other (please explain below)         | This law clarifies the existing restriction somewhat but detail tends to confuse most of the population with it being too complex for them to read or bother with. Restrictions to no off leash would get a better result with easier regulation and compliance.                                                                                                            |
| 6746                                | I do not support the proposed change | 2. B. Is good to be able to walk the tracks, and safer with a dog, with what has been going on in the area and women being unsafe....as per stories reported over recent years and in a recent documentary.                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>HENDERSON-MASSEY LOCAL BOARD</b> |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 139                                 | I do not support the proposed change | I think that the bush area in the back of Muriwai (at the horses end) is a great location for dogs to be off-leash under control and so should be able to have access there.                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 251                                 | I do not support the proposed change | Summer, on leash during peak hours                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 832                                 | I do not support the proposed change | Why can the dogs not be off leash and under control on the tracks? They can run and walk with their owners.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 950                                 | I do not support the proposed change | This has been a safe zone for dogs for years                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 998                                 | I support the proposed change        | I support clarifying current access rules, but not imposing more rules                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 1069                                | I support the proposed change        | Doesn't impact us overall, we stick to the current rules and those will not be impacted                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 1203                                | I do not support the proposed change | It is no problem to anyone just the way it is, there is getting less and less places to take/walk a dog which in the long run is going to cause more problems with dogs being locked up, not exercised and therefore barking and causing more trouble. The current rules are already too much! Can't take my dog hardly anywhere anymore and now you want to make it worse! |
| 1556                                | I support the proposed change        | There are places non doggie people can enjoy the park and places where dog friendly people can go. "Dogs under control" appears to be open to interpretation with many dog owners letting their dogs run free 50m away and out of site from them.                                                                                                                           |
| 1606                                | I do not support the proposed change | You are taking away so many places for people to exercise their dog and enjoy at the same time. it's backwards instead of improving it's just restricting and becoming unreasonable                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 1609                                | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs should be prohibited at all times. Recent experience shows that people do not distinguish or respect the boundaries of where dogs are prohibited.                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 1628                                | I support the proposed change        | for dogs that are dog selective it restricts access to those areas due to too many dogs off leash                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

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| 1666                                 | I do not support the proposed change | What a great beach to take a dog to and let them stretch their legs with the family. I am comfortable with the current restrictions to the gannet colony, we don't need any more restrictions. The forest has been and should continue to be a great off lead area to exercise both yourself and your dog, the beach is big enough to share!! |
| 2155                                 | I do not support the proposed change | The current policy is good enough and there is no evidence of any negative effects of dog access                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 2248                                 | I do not support the proposed change | Stop with more rules. It's fine as is.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 2258                                 | I do not support the proposed change | I don't want my dog on leash prohibited.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2308                                 | I support the proposed change        | Much clearer and easier to understand.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 2375                                 | I do not support the proposed change | What a shame!!!<br>Too much restrictions that are not strictly motivated by birds protection. Lack of freedom is a generally matter that matters in a democracy.                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 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.                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 2920                                 | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs on the leash at all times, no exception to time of the day. Create fenced areas for loose dogs only and allow the public to remain safe.                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 3636                                 | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs should be on leash in all areas at all times for public safety                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 3790                                 | I do not support the proposed change | You are limiting places to walk, despite charging a huge licencing fee, for no logical reason. Those dogs who are the issue should be treated as such, all should not be punished.                                                                                                                                                            |
| 5352                                 | I support the proposed change        | Ok with the changes, and thanks for still allowing dogs at the campsite, please don't change this, we go regularly and it's great. Lovely people there.                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 5419                                 | I support the proposed change        | Seems a fair rule                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 6317                                 | I support the proposed change        | The gannet colony is unique and very special and it's important that we encourage and protect these amazing birds.                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 6523                                 | I do not support the proposed change | Local body heavy handedness. Changing rules for the sake of it...                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 6540                                 | I support the proposed change        | as long as dogs are still allowed north of the beach and there are areas for dogs I support the proposed change                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>HIBISCUS AND BAYS LOCAL BOARD</b> |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 449                                  | I do not support the proposed change | Dog access should not be limited. It will discourage people from visiting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 485                                  | I do not support the proposed change | current restrictions are adequate                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 566                                  | I support the proposed change        | To limit all the various harms badly behaved dogs cause                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 646                                  | I support the proposed change        | Dogs are often out of control in this beach south if the tower. My son was jumped on near the gannet area by a large dog & the owner did not care, in fact she yelled at us when we suggested her dog should be on leash.                                                                                                                     |

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| 690   | Other (please explain below)         | More dog access should be granted at this park                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 706   | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs should be prohibited fully from this park. That would make it very easy to enforce and better protect the wildlife.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 864   | I do not support the proposed change | The current rules are sufficient                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 1026  | I do not support the proposed change | I recently moved up here from Christchurch which is fairly dog friendly and I'm surprised at the lack of fenced of dog parks with utilities like bins for dog poo and drinking stations. Don't you think creating spaces for dogs and owners is a positive thing for communities? I live in gulf Harbour and we have no where to take them up here other than parks and beaches. Do you expect them to live in a backyard their whole life? |
| 1031  | I support the proposed change        | it protects the gannets well, clarifies in general and allows plenty of off leash room                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 1150  | I do not support the proposed change | Unclear and gives to many options. Just say no to dogs on the Muriwai if you are going to have a chance of making it clear and manageable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 1272  | Other (please explain below)         | Don't agree with dogs being banned from Maori bay but do agree with the rest. I think Maori bay is a big area to outright ban dogs from                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 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 regional parks.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 1546  |                                      | not sure about on leash on the loop track, if you reduce number of dogs able to walk with one person. Then is that necessary?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 2140  | I do not support the proposed change | Same as previous park.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2168  | I support the proposed change        | When on leash they are under control and there shouldn't be any problems                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 2265  | I do not support the proposed change | Let people bring a dog on a lead at all times. They don't do any harm!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2435  | I do not support the proposed change | I do not support this change. Dogs should be able to go to all of the areas mentioned as long as they are on leash and under control.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 2522  | I do not support the proposed change | We need more areas not less                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 2580  | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs require adequate exercise and for some active breeds, this can only be done off lead. Muriwai represents one of the last areas where this is possible in Auckland                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2598  | I do not support the proposed change | High energy breeds need areas to exercise.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 3803  | I do not support the proposed change | As long as the dogs are under control off leash why do you need to limit the areas even more with a substantially more complicated rules (aren't you meant to be simplifying them?!?!?)<br>There doesn't appear to be any justification for doing this so why?                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 4347  | I do not support the proposed change | Too complicated, hard enough already.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 5385  | I support the proposed change        | Keeping the areas clean for children and families to enjoy<br>Without fears of dogs or irresponsible owners<br><br>And also clean from dogs toileting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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| 5430                         | I do not support the proposed change | Again, not whānau friendly and unnecessary                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 5712                         | I do not support the proposed change | <p>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.</p> <p>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!</p> <p>I think there has been an overall lack of insight from professionals in the animal welfare, medical, training and walking community.</p> |
| 5829                         | I support the proposed change        | It is important that beach users feel safe and that the Gannet Colony is protected at all times.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 5997                         | I do not support the proposed change | No changes to the bylaws required.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 6315                         | I do not support the proposed change | I thought you were intending to make it simple to understand. I don't know all these roads and areas. North of the surf tower off leash perfect, easy, got it sorted. Why confuse and complicate it.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>HOWICK LOCAL BOARD</b>    |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 541                          | I do not support the proposed change | <p>Dogs should be allowed on-leash in all park areas at all times.</p> <p>There are too few dog-friendly off-leash exercise areas for dogs in all Auckland areas!</p> <p>We need many more dog-friendly off-leash exercise areas!!!!</p> <p>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!!</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 2135                         | I do not support the proposed change | <p>Restricting dog access which is already limited.</p> <p>Rules are too complicated and hard to follow. Keep it simple.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 2692                         | I do not support the proposed change | See previous                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 4566                         | Other (please explain below)         | Dogs should have ON-LEAD ACCESS to all regional parks. With additional areas within those parks designated AND FENCED for off leas access.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 5453                         | I do not support the proposed change | <p>This is not needed in NZ. Our pets are well looked after and trained. They help with most owners mental health, and something that helps with mental health is getting out and about, and the amount of good it does for the dogs overall health.</p> <p>This is a very stupid proposal and should not be brought up ever again.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| 160                          | I do not support the proposed change | Reducing access for well behaved dogs is not a good idea. Penalise those people breaking the rules, don't add other unenforceable rules.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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| 289   | I do not support the proposed change | I believe off leash should be from the car park at the northern end of the Coast Road                                                                                                                                                      |
| 337   | I do not support the proposed change | Prohibiting access will create more problems than they will solve                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 377   | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs need safe places to exercise and socialise                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 381   | I do not support the proposed change | It's perfect as it is!                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 516   | I support the proposed change        | It doesn't change much and still allows an off lead area for dogs                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 1387  | I support the proposed change        | Sounds fair                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 1400  | I do not support the proposed change | Again kids want to see the gannets but no I can't let them do this on their own and I can't leave the dog in a hot car ! No win situation for families. Well controlled dogs on a leash should be allowed anywhere at any time             |
| 1587  | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs are family members to us, just like our children. So why are there so many regulations for them?                                                                                                                                      |
| 1654  | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs should have access to all areas when under control.<br>Families and children should be able to go to the beach with there dogs!!                                                                                                      |
| 2013  | I support the proposed change        | This makes sense - and it is a better clarification of the existing rule.                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 2072  | I support the proposed change        | Please be more strict with the dog rules around Muriwai. As a dog owner myself, I have seen dogs going to the south of the surf tower and this poses risk to the birds.                                                                    |
| 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                                                 |
| 2465  | I support the proposed change        | seems fair                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 2511  | I support the proposed change        | Clear wording                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 2713  | I do not support the proposed change | We should be allowed to have access to these places as well                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 2909  | I support the proposed change        | Sensible to support Gannet colony                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 2994  | I do not support the proposed change | The current rule is fine                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 3051  | I support the proposed change        | Dogs have access to the beach at all times. This is great! Also very clear where they are not allowed.                                                                                                                                     |
| 3146  | I don't know                         | It is not clear to me whether dogs are allowed in the Woodhill forest walks (accessed from the Muriwai carpark / car beach entry) and the estuary from the car entry to the beach towards the sea (the end of Coast Road). Please clarify. |
| 3286  | I do not support the proposed change | Include more dog access but on leash. Removing access does not help owners who are looking to enjoy walks responsibly                                                                                                                      |
| 4167  | I support the proposed change        | Good clarification                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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| 4177  | I support the proposed change        | This beach can get busy and it is unpleasant for beach goers to share the beach with dogs                                                                                                                          |
| 4592  | I do not support the proposed change | The proposed changes are adding unnecessary restrictions                                                                                                                                                           |
| 5138  | I do not support the proposed change | dogs should be allowed off leash on Muriwai beach loop track at all times                                                                                                                                          |
| 5318  | I support the proposed change        | Sweet                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 5363  | I support the proposed change        | Dogs should not be allowed into regional parks as they ***** all over the place and pose risks of injury/attack. If they are to be allowed, this should be on leash at ALL times... and no more than 1 per person. |
| 5568  | I do not support the proposed change | This is a lazy proposal. Responsible owners already take care of wildlife. Enforcing restrictions won't do anything to irresponsible owners. Restrict access to wildlife instead.                                  |
| 5585  | I do not support the proposed change | The current policy is already sufficiently strict.                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 6092  | I do not support the proposed change | While protecting wildlife is essential, it's important to ensure that sufficient dog-friendly areas remain available to accommodate the needs of dog owners.                                                       |
| 6287  | Other (please explain below)         | I appreciate the additional detail of rules, though I'm uncertain about the balance of on- and off-leash areas. I think dog owners are already limited in terms of off-leash walking tracks.                       |
| 6413  | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs should be allowed off lead in the muriwai loop track                                                                                                                                                          |

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| 590  | I do not support the proposed change | I feel that these proposed changes are unfair on responsible dog owners. I frequently take my dog to Muriwai for an off leash run. I have never seen any issues of poor dog management while in the area north of the surf club area. There is plenty of room for those who do not want to be in the proximity of dogs on the south end of the beach.<br><br>I am tired of being treated like the worst of dog owners - we do the right things responsibility and get treated like we are bad dog owners. Put more resources in your policing the bad dog owners and leave the rest of us alone. |
| 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.                                                                                                                              |
| 2483 | I support the proposed change        | Seems fair to dog owners while protecting native wildlife                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 5081 | Other (please explain below)         | I believe dogs on leash should be able to exercise anywhere at any time on all beaches. Owners must have the dog under control at all times.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 6024 | I do not support the proposed change | The current policy is clear. Could be strengthened to be very clear dogs are to be on leash south of the tower to the carpark.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

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| 4843                                   | I support the proposed change        | Council must be prepared to enforce these rules at all times.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 6580                                   | I do not support the proposed change | <p>Auckland already lacks sufficient dog exercise areas, and further restrictions in regional and local parks will make it harder for dog owners to provide their pets with sufficient exercise and socialisation. Additionally, further restrictions will either push responsible owners to break the rules or force dog owners into unsuitable areas where conflicts are more likely to occur.</p> <p>Dog owners use parks for exercise, companionship, community and stress relief. Restricting access may negatively affect the well-being of both dogs and their owners.</p> <p>Instead of reducing access, Auckland Council should be expanding designated off-leash areas with proper fencing and signage to accommodate responsible dog owners.</p> |
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| 228                                    | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs should be allowed off leash in these areas if they are under control.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 639                                    | I do not support the proposed change | Stop banning access. Walking dogs is a great family and healthy activity in this location.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 739                                    | I do not support the proposed change | <p>Again the issue lies with uncontrolled dogs. Those which are well behaved off leash are not the challenge. Propose a strong focus on dog management/ownership vs punishment for all. Recommend an update to 'Dogs which do not have strong recall or can not be controlled off-leash should be on leash at all times'. Focus on the issue and responsible management of these dogs vs punishment for both owners and dogs who are managed, well behaved off leash.</p> <p>All issues as Muriwai beach are specifically related to the gannet colony which is located in the dog prohibited area. Dogs are prohibited there so improve comms on this vs implementing beach wide bans.</p>                                                                 |

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| 943   | I do not support the proposed change | <p>Yesterday I submitted my feedback for the proposed changes to the council's dog policy and bylaw.</p> <p>I am making a correction.</p> <p>I am against all the proposed changes to the current rules.</p> <p>I do not accept any of the alternative options offered.</p> <p>I also do not see how my age, gender and ethnicity are relevant to these views in any way whatsoever, and I would appreciate an explanation why these questions are included, and how they relate to the matter at hand.</p> <p>The proposed rules are not good for dog owners and seem to serve a vocal minority who either simply don't like dogs, or who have had bad experiences with dangerous dogs. Dangerous dogs and their owners should be held responsible as appropriate, and we should not punish the majority who are responsible.</p> |
| 2545  | I do not support the proposed change | why                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 2809  | I support the proposed change        | It makes sense.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 2876  | I support the proposed change        | clarity of same rules                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 3760  | I do not support the proposed change | It works well now. No issues.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 3959  | I do not support the proposed change | One if the few beach dogs can enjoy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 4470  | I do not support the proposed change | I do not support this. There are no current issues I use this daily                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 4655  | I do not support the proposed change | This is a fantastic place for responsible dog owners to exercise and socialise their dogs. Changing the access rules unfairly prohibits responsible dog owners from this important opportunity and space. It would be better to enforce existing bylaws about dogs needing to be under control, rather than penalising all owners (including responsible ones) for the actions of few.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 5371  | I do not support the proposed change | I am a frequent off leash dog walker at Muriwai regional park and strongly oppose a move to change this to an on leash area. We have an extremely high energy dog and it is not feasible to provide adequate exercise for him when he is being walked on leash.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 5500  | I do not support the proposed change | The new rules are a bit confusing. I agree dogs should be prohibited from children's play areas and south of the surf tower. They should be allowed under control in other areas.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 5522  | I do not support the proposed change | Give us the beach off leash 24/7                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 6078  | I do not support the proposed change | I would like to keep the off leash area for dogs as specified in the original point a section of the rules                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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| 6107                      | I support the proposed change        | <p>Have more grassed and picnic areas where dogs are not allowed at all.</p> <p>No dogs in the campground.</p> <p>And in the more wild longer northern part of the beach how are dogs impacting the native birds and wildlife? should there not be more control and also when they are off leash they are more likely to go and poo and owners leave it or they wee on the logs people like to sit on etc.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 6444                      | I do not support the proposed change | <p>I do not support the proposed changes to access for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Unfair Restriction of Park Space</b><br/>The newly prohibited area represents a large percentage of the park, prioritizing other groups use at the expense of others who have peacefully enjoyed it for years. This is neither fair nor reasonable.</li> <li><b>2. Restricting responsible dog owners from using these spaces goes against this fundamental purpose.</b></li> <li><b>3. Lack of Supporting Evidence</b><br/>The justification for these restrictions lacks factual support.</li> <li><b>4. Misplaced Focus on Irresponsible Ownership</b><br/>The proposed changes appear to target issues related to irresponsible dog ownership.</li> <li><b>5. Impact on Community Connection</b><br/>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.</li> <li><b>6. Contradiction to Auckland Council's Dog Policy</b><br/>With increasing dog ownership, the focus should be on maintaining—or expanding—public spaces for dogs rather than reducing them. This aligns with the Auckland Council Policy on Dogs, which aims to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Maintain opportunities for owners to take their dogs into public spaces.</li> <li>o Minimize problems caused by dogs through appropriate management.</li> <li>o Protect dogs from harm and ensure their welfare.</li> </ul> <p>As per the Council's own policy, dogs provide companionship, emotional support, and help foster social connections. Please take these factors into account when making your decision.</p> <p>Thank you.</p> </li> </ol> |
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| 209                       | I support the proposed change        | Less dogs in parks around kids increases safety. Parks are for people not dogs.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 369                       | I do not support the proposed change | too confusing just keep as is                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 388                       | I support the proposed change        | This is much clearer for where dogs are allowed. And still allows the off leash space                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 519                       | I support the proposed change        | They will still have dogs and that too off leash at all times. You must have consequences fir not following the rules.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 520                       | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs should be able to run along some of the beaches they need exercise and many places are already leash only you are making it very hard to take them anywhere there should be a designated part of the beach they are allowed                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

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| 1064  | I do not support the proposed change | the rules work as they are                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 1114  | I do not support the proposed change | I feel that areas to take your dog are already very limited, especially over summer and i therefore disagree with restricting, reducing and limiting these areas further<br><br>I agree on restrictions around the Gannet colony                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 1248  | I support the proposed change        | Better for environment                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 1861  | I do not support the proposed change | Current rules are fine. Wasting time in council over thinking ways to exclude dogs rather than make them part of life as many European countries do successfully.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 2091  | I do not support the proposed change | Too complicated. Just keep them away from the gannets                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 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. |
| 2315  | I do not support the proposed change | This is unnecessarily restrictive and a disproportionate reaction to the level of issue and complaint that comes from existing dog control bylaws. Many Aucklanders have dogs and this will create further restrictions on their use and enjoyment of our local natural environment. We should put more emphasis on bylaws concerning cats who are actually much more likely culprits in hurting our wildlife, for example.                                                                                                              |
| 2864  | I do not support the proposed change | Beach access should be 'on leash' at all times. Muriwai Beach Loop Track should also be 'on leash' at all times.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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| 3107  | I do not support the proposed change | The change is based on a redundant/old fashioned view of dogs (big & dangerous) & owners. While there are irresponsible dog owners in the minority - the majority of dogs & their owners are well trained, socially adjusted, contained, clean, small in size & socially important for the health & wellbeing of Aucklanders, A blunt instrument is being proposed that will punish dogs & owner's freedoms and our access to common spaces that are for all to enjoy. You're not fixing anything; you're neglecting to face the problem head on. The issue that should be addressed is responsible dog ownership. In Switzerland you must first demonstrate ability to become a good dog owner before you're allowed to bring a new pup home - they complete a course & take a practical & written exam. Responsible dog ownership (also in France & the UK) includes dogs allowed on buses, in restaurants/cafes, shops, museums, local parks, hotels - culturally the nation has moved on from dogs as hunters, fighters, working on farms to kind gentle creatures that are an extension of whanua. We don't go anywhere without our pup - to that end it's our freedom you're curbing, not just that of the dog. I would visit a lot more places & be more active/participatory if Akld was canine-friendly (instead of Uber Eats I'd spend my money at Akld businesses who are currently struggling). In Germany laws discourage pet owners from leaving their dogs at home for too long, In Hungary microchipping is mandatory, a program to make neutering affordable, rules to ensure every dog gets the minimum required exercise every day. In France messy footpaths were solved by adding more poop/doggy bag stations (again dog owners can subsidise the cost). Have you considered delineating dog rules based on the type of breed & size of dog? Owners paying more to register a dog in order to recoup council costs of legislating the rules seems fairer. On our affluent street we have a very large mastif owned by a family for security - he has no space to run & isn't walked, so he howls all the time. Where is the genuine Akld Council focus on the welfare of animals? I'm disappointed you're not taking the opportunity to modernise & pay attention to what's happening in your communities - the proposal |
| 3536  | I do not support the proposed change | They sound reasonable however on principle you guys are wasting my rates. Stick to core services and stop inflicting new costs and rules on those whom pay the bills.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 3618  | I support the proposed change        | sounds reasonable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 3695  | I do not support the proposed change | It should be the decision of the dog owner to allow Dogs to be on/off leash rather than a mandated law. I strongly oppose these changes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 4132  | I do not support the proposed change | Restricting the space dog owners have when there is increasing dog numbers, will only force dogs to interact in these smaller spaces which brings about potential for conflict/incidents.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 4660  | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs should be prohibited from all areas of this beach.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 4735  | I support the proposed change        | seems ok                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 4775  | I do not support the proposed change | These proposed changes are totally unnecessary.<br>Dogs and dog owners need to be able to exercise their dogs and interact with other dog owners. Some of our less fortunate can not get access to the proposed dog of lease areas. They rely on this for their recreation and wellbeing                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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| 5120  | I support the proposed change        | Large roaming dogs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 5271  | I do not support the proposed change | There are so few areas to walk dogs where they can run off leash. It is unfair to responsible dog owners (which are the majority). The dog owners who are irresponsible won't follow the rules regardless so why punish the good people. Dogs are part of the family now. Get with the times, it's 2025. The public are sick of it.                         |
| 5301  | I do not support the proposed change | There is few areas to walk dogs where they can run off leash. It is unfair to responsible owners - which are the majority. The irresponsible dog owners wouldn't follow the rules anyway so it is unfair to punish the good majority. Dog owners are more common now and are members of their respective family's. it's 2025 so time to get with the times. |
| 5520  | I do not support the proposed change | Some people make a trip to Muriwai, it's a long drive for some. So people would make the most of the day and explore the area. Is the concern to protect the Gannet colony? You really should put a fence around them. If people are not allowed there, means dogs are not allowed as well. The birds can live happily ever after.                          |
| 5751  | I support the proposed change        | Even though we use a leash at all times there are times when other owners have no control of their dogs and there are many animals that live in these areas that need protecting.                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 5918  | I do not support the proposed change | Current rules work                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

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| 6116  | I do not support the proposed change | <p>Dear [Council Representative/Committee],</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Key Reasons for Allowing Unrestricted On-Leash Dog Access to Parks</p> <p><b>1. Equity and Fair Use of Public Spaces</b><br/>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.</p> <p><b>2. Adapting to Increased Housing Density</b><br/>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.</p> <p><b>3. Supporting Mental Health and Well-being</b><br/>Dogs play a crucial role in the mental health and emotional well-being of many</p> |
| 6122  | I do not support the proposed change | <p>These changes make it harder for responsible pet owners to exercise their dogs and themselves, which will negatively impact our health, happiness, and sense of community. The new rules are making spaces more dog-unfriendly, reducing the joy, endorphins, and positive interactions that come from exercising with our pets. I ask that you reconsider these proposals and acknowledge the negative effects they will have on our well-being and our communities.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 6229  | I do not support the proposed change | <p>Again, why are you making it more complicated and tricky. Just leave things as they are.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 6395  | I do not support the proposed change | <p>The proposed changes are excessive, majority of dog owners are responsible and able to exercise their dogs without causing any problems for other park users. Dogs need opportunity to exercise off leach and to socialize freely with other dogs. Not allowing this will cause significant behavior issues for many dogs and impact on the health and wellbeing of dog owners.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 6490  | I do not support the proposed change | <p>Same as long bay</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

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| 6645                                | I do not support the proposed change | Current rules are adequate.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 6673                                | I support the proposed change        | to reduce nuisance and protect wildlife                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 6687                                | I do not support the proposed change | Current rules are adequate, and council rate payers who own dogs have the right to enjoy the beach too, along with other people.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 6719                                | I do not support the proposed change | Current rules are good enough. We only need to ensure people observe the rules.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 6772                                | I support the proposed change        | At this park the proposal areas are relevant                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 6783                                | I support the proposed change        | This change makes things clearer for everyone. Thanks                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 6831                                | I do not support the proposed change | This is a beautiful place for pet owners and their dogs to enjoy, and there is plenty of space to allow dogs off leash under control on the beach north of the surf tower without interrupting other peoples enjoyment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 6849                                | I do not support the proposed change | The current policy already sufficiently protects the gannet colony which is the only thing I can see of legitimate concern here. It doesn't make sense to limit their free exercise area any more than this. If the public has an issue with dogs being off-leash around this area, maybe they should just take themselves somewhere else instead of imposing their will onto dog owners.                                                               |
| 6879                                | I do not support the proposed change | There is nothing wrong with the existing rules, they're working fine the way they are                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>ŌTARA-PAPATOETOE LOCAL BOARD</b> |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 2245                                | I do not support the proposed change | Maori land to be determined by iwi you have already had huge push back stop doing it<br>Family and dogs love it there                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 2850                                | Other (please explain below)         | All dogs prohibited.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 5267                                | I do not support the proposed change | Just keep it to the current policy.. no owners would purposely allow their dogs to harm any other animals/birds. Most owners just enjoying letting their dog run along the beach and not go viewing birds.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>PAPAKURA LOCAL BOARD</b>         |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 1574                                | I do not support the proposed change | There are so few places for us to legally and correctly exercise our dogs. Rather than shoving dogs and dog owners into corners, why not make spaces more accesible to educate the pubilc and owners on dog ownership and correct dog behaviour. Again, a license to take dogs off-lead in areas or parks could be an idea. Owners can get a license (not some silly annual thing, for the life of the dog), to take their dog in spaces such as parks. |
| 2109                                | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs should be allowed in all areas and areas should only be designated by on/off leash and these should be enforced to achieve the same results.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 4162                                | I do not support the proposed change | The current rules are fine. Why change them                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 4455                                | I do not support the proposed change | No change needed                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 4619                                | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs should be allowed under control on leash                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

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| 5060                          | Other (please explain below)         | I agree with dogs prohibited on the playground, tennis courts, and other facilities. However, the rules should otherwise stay the same. There is no need to minimise dog access.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 6461                          | I do not support the proposed change | The existing policy is perfectly clear and adequate.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>PUKETĀPAPA LOCAL BOARD</b> |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 558                           | I do not support the proposed change | dogs should be allowed in Picnic areas                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 995                           | I do not support the proposed change | A lot of families have dogs and this further limits the already limited areas where you can walk your dog.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 2327                          | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs should be restricted to on leash on all beaches during the bird breeding season.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 2602                          | I support the proposed change        | I support protecting the birds.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 4059                          | I do not support the proposed change | Council should be looking at ways of improving the number of areas dogs can be exercised and socialised within Auckland. Proposed changes look to limit this considerably. Proposed changes look to penalise good dog owners that do the right thing by limiting access across Auckland rather than addressing the real issue which is irresponsible dog owners with menacing dog breeds.                                                           |
| 4436                          | I support the proposed change        | The off leash section North of the surf tower is an excellent off-leash area and access to it has been maintained.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 4565                          | Other (please explain below)         | I think all regional parks should have dogs prohibited at all times. Keep it simple and clear. The parks are not appropriate places for dogs.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 5452                          | I do not support the proposed change | The current rules work fine and there is no reason to change something that isn't broken                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 5573                          | I support the proposed change        | Seems fair                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 6563                          | I support the proposed change        | Fair to all park users                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>RODNEY LOCAL BOARD</b>     |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 137                           | I do not support the proposed change | Locals have been using this space forever. Most are very respectful. I think the prohibited areas should be on leash only.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 199                           | I support the proposed change        | Fair.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 564                           | I do not support the proposed change | I would prefer that a beach area is made available for off leash dogs as this is where a number of my friends take their dogs to play in the sea. This is difficult to do when on leash!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 638                           | I do not support the proposed change | Beaches are places of endangered wildlife and also places for families with young children to go. Dogs should not be allowed off leash at all. Dog owners are able to take their animals to dog parks so should do so. A child's safety is more important than a dog's run on the beach off lead. The off leash policy mentions under control - this does not happen, some owners have no control over their animals and don't seem to care either. |
| 974                           | I support the proposed change        | Better clarity for all                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

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| 1036  | I do not support the proposed change | <p>Support 1</p> <p>Support 2</p> <p>Isn't the above already the case?</p> <p>The council should enforce both options above which they currently don't appear to.</p> <p>Support 3a and 3b</p> <p>3c should be removed from all communications, it is one area that locals can use during summer and the general public seems to be unaware of.</p> <p>Related information:</p> <p>Locals should be able to go to the playground with their children and their dog (if it is under control), what other options do they have? Please rewrite the rules to include this, maybe this should be seasonal? (and not necessarily exclude visitors)</p> <p>Muriwai golf club should not have any say, the council should make the rules</p> |
| 1180  | I support the proposed change        | <p>I own a dog and live in muriwai</p> <p>The beach is overrun and with dogs ,</p> <p>The loop track needs to be on leash as too many dogs are roaming off into dunes and protected areas</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 1247  | I do not support the proposed change | I believe that with dogs on a leash /off and controlled that dog owners should have same rights to enjoy the out doors Humans create more damage I believe.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 1280  | Other (please explain below)         | support so long as dogs can be off leash in the 'forest' and north of the surf tower                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 1300  | I support the proposed change        | The essence is 'under control'. I'm my 20 years living at this location and walking my dogs or riding our horses on the beach I've only seen a ranger twice. We've had numerous occasions of off leash dogs attacking/chasing horses and also attacking on leash dogs. Unless there is regular patrolling to ensure off leash dogs are truly under control, this bylaw is pointless.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 1511  | I support the proposed change        | Where there are small children and dogs off the leash and frequently not under full control of the owner. The dogs are more interested in chasing birds. Seagulls and other.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 1568  | I support the proposed change        | I think dogs in camping grounds is a good thing and would generate more business if you are saying they may be allowed in the golf course then camp ground is a grassed area and i myself would stay there if this was permitted.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 1583  | I do not support the proposed change | There are large parts of the park north of the tower including the Loop Trackd where there are hardly any people go and plenty of space. Thats the only area close to Auckland cbd that has suffient space for dogs to do decent running and exercise. The current rules are fine no need to change.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 1589  | Other (please explain below)         | I live at Muriwai and know that visitors do not know which way north or south is. A clearer explanation is required, for example, dogs are not allowed on the beach between the rock pools and the surf tower- Looking at the ocean, dogs are not allowed to the left of the surf tower looking at teh(or something like that) Imagine if you were somewhere for the first time, would you always know which way was north or south?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 1646  | I do not support the proposed change | Tell me how seriously how dogs on a leash can propose a threat?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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| 1647  | I do not support the proposed change | <p>You are not addressing the problem of people taking a number of dogs of the leash that cause distress to other users.</p> <p>I use to use Muriwai to walk my 2 dogs on leash as it is close but the number of unleashed dogs that are not under any control has caused me to stop going.</p> <p>The problem is the people that say "Oh my dog wont cause a problem' and just let it run riot is the problem. Fix that</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 1868  | I support the proposed change        | It clarifies any ambiguity                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 1869  | I do not support the proposed change | I agree with some changes but not section 3b and 3c regarding the loop track and lookout track. This is a very liked and well used off leash area. If you don't want dogs off leach in other areas provide a variety of options for off leash at Muriwai other than just a part of the beach please.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 1891  | Other (please explain below)         | Dogs should be allowed under control and off leash north of the creek                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 1906  | Other (please explain below)         | <p>I mostly support the changes but think dogs should be allowed off leash on the muriwai loop track.</p> <p>Dogs should also be allowed on a leash at the cafe.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 1936  | I support the proposed change        | Muriwai is the most dangerous beach to walk on - due to many uncontrolled dogs that owners allow to run free. The beach should be safe for children and vulnerable people to walk on, not a 'dog park' where dogs and owners have priority.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 1945  | I support the proposed change        | There are too many irresponsible dog owners visiting the beach, not necessarily locals, as they generally respect the eco system and wildlife there. Visitors often allow dogs off leash and there have been several dog attacks on other dogs in recent years. Some of this may have to do with them being overstimulated, e.g. first time at the beach, cars everywhere, wildlife etc. I am all for protecting the wildlife and eco systems and wish visitors to our area felt the same. Please make the rules very clear before people enter the beach! Now just to place some restrictions on the vehicles entering there too! |
| 1995  | I support the proposed change        | I support the change but would also be great to somehow have more accessibility further up Muriwai beach. There is 60km of beach that is presently unable to be utilized. With many types of users and increasing numbers all being forced into a small area.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2070  | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs should be allowed on leash at the playground and tennis court, they are part of our families and as a family we use these facilities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 2073  | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs should be allowed - but must be on leash and well controlled                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 2178  | I support the proposed change        | Muriwai is my favourite place to walk my dogs. There is plenty of room for everyone. The locals all have dogs. EVERYONE gets on well at Muriwai. I agree that the gannet colony needs to be protected. Dogs need to be UNDER CONTROL but that's about it.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 2537  | I do not support the proposed change | Rural and one of the only beaches in that region to access.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 2558  | I don't know                         | Current policy rules seem pretty straightforward, don't understand the need to change them.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

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| 3227  | I do not support the proposed change | No dogs should be on Muriwai Beach. There's too much wild life. Every year i see dogs attacking birds, seals, and the occasional turtles.<br>Although there was no chances to the rules on walking dogs on Muriwai Beach, This should be re-visited.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 3236  | I support the proposed change        | It gives our bird life more of a chance to survive without interference                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 3343  | I do not support the proposed change | I do not believe any further prohibitions should be put in place                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 3367  | I don't know                         | A map showing differences would be useful                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 3563  | I do not support the proposed change | <p>Dear Auckland Council,</p> <p>I am writing to express my concerns regarding the increasingly restrictive dog policies in Auckland. While I understand the need for reasonable regulations to ensure public safety and cleanliness, the current level of prohibitions and limitations on dogs in public spaces is becoming excessive.</p> <p>Globally, there is a movement toward recognizing dogs as part of the family and allowing them in more public areas, including cafes, beaches, and parks, with responsible ownership. Unfortunately, Auckland's restrictive approach seems to be going in the opposite direction, making it increasingly difficult for dog owners to enjoy the city with their pets.</p> <p>These restrictions are not only inconvenient but also contribute to the broader feeling that Auckland is becoming less welcoming for responsible pet owners. In fact, for some—including myself—such regulations are becoming a factor in decisions to leave New Zealand in search of a more dog-friendly environment.</p> <p>I urge the council to reconsider its stance and look toward more balanced policies that reflect the global trend of inclusivity while still maintaining necessary guidelines for safety and hygiene. Auckland has the potential to be a truly dog-friendly city, and I hope to see more progressive changes in this area.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p> |
| 3596  | I don't know                         | Please reconsider. Dogs require exercise for health and socialisation. There are already few areas where dogs are free to explore, please don't increase these restrictions. Many people are considerate and responsible dog owners and deserve to be able to enjoy our national parks and beaches with their dogs I love dogs and want to see our parks full of them!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 3610  | I do not support the proposed change | Should be allowed in the bush area furthermore, dogs sometime run up there from the beach so cannot be stopped                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 4120  | I support the proposed change        | Because it provides more clarification.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 4128  | I support the proposed change        | Clarifies the rules for areas that have plenty dog traffic at the moment                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 4199  | I support the proposed change        | I support this change because dogs will still be allowed a sufficient space for free exercise.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

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| 4278  | I support the proposed change        | Thank you for giving me and my family a place to play and enjoy our dog. This is particularly important to us in the summer months, where most of the beaches are closed to our dog.<br><br>Thanks.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 4311  | I support the proposed change        | Yes I support this                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 4408  | I do not support the proposed change | I think the Muriwai loop track is an excellent place for dogs to be walked off leash so long as they are under control. There needs to be more strict ruling on what under control is. There also needs to be more control over vehicles on the beaches, there have been numerous incidents of dogs being hit by cars on the beach due to speeding or reckless driving. Vehicle access should be restricted to the south head access                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 4654  | I support the proposed change        | Too many out of control dogs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 4747  | I support the proposed change        | Provides clarity                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 4821  | I do not support the proposed change | If dogs are under control there is no problem.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 5165  | Other (please explain below)         | The presence of dogs at Muriwai (including Maukatia) is disturbing to both wildlife and people and needs better enforcement. We support clear and consistent rules so that dogs are not on walking tracks or beaches anywhere south of the surf tower, including bush tracks and car parks. This would make the rules easier to understand and monitor and ensure there's a buffer for wildlife                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 5260  | I do not support the proposed change | Auckland is already so restrictive to dogs, give us and them a break. Stop with all the restrictions, its madness. Please. Look amd learn from the south island.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 5275  | Other (please explain below)         | These issues are cross cutting: I live at Muriwai and walk my pedigree German Shepherd Margaux in the regional park and sometimes on the beach north of the stream. We keep her on the leash till we are 100 metres along Coast Road and leash her whenever we see difficult dogs or horses. What surprises us (and you will see in my earlier comments about Border Collies and out of control dogs) is the lack of recall and control exhibited by many dog owners. This is what needs addressing. My dog Margaux was attacked by a pair of Border Collies and the owner said they've never done that before.....but in conversation with other dog walkers on this matter the comment was oh the dogs that have never done that before....or the man with the golden retriever who parks his ute and the dog does zoomies and disrupts those of us managing our dogs. You cannot restrict access but perhaps more on education, a condition of a dog license is dog training courses..<br><br>As for walking on the beach - the speed that drivers on the beach travel is hazardous, not only to dogs and walkers, but to drivers. Is beach access for vehicles something to consider as part of this work? |
| 5395  | I support the proposed change        | I believe that as long as people follow the rules it is great to have this beautiful beach to walk and exercise their dog.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

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| 5432  | I do not support the proposed change | I do not support limiting further the parks & other council areas where dogs are allowed both on & off leash. I believe maintaining good off leash areas is important to dogs & owners.                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 5440  | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs on leash are safe and no bother to anyone                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 5491  | I do not support the proposed change | Should remain the same, no change.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 5587  | I support the proposed change        | When using the park with my grandchildren I do not want to be approached by any dogs. This lessens the risk of my grandchildren or myself being harassed or bitten by a dog.                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 5822  | Other (please explain below)         | Why can't people bring their dogs to the campground? Camp grounds all over NZ allow dogs and Muriwai beach itself is fantastic for a family holiday with their dog                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 5901  | I do not support the proposed change | The rules are fine as they are.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 6043  | I do not support the proposed change | <p>There are more issues with off leash dogs 'on Muriwai beach' compared to the other areas</p> <p>1. Off leash dogs on the beach cause havoc for;</p> <p>Horse riders</p> <p>Wildlife on beach</p> <p>Other beach users</p> <p>Owners are unable to control their dogs in such a large open space</p> <p>There are off leash dogs running up to other animals and people.</p> <p>Chasing wildlife.</p> |

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| 6387                      | I support the proposed change        | <p>Dogs Roaming Over Dunes at Long Bay and Muriwai</p> <p>Concern: People are allowing their dogs to roam freely over dunes in Long Bay and Muriwai, potentially causing damage to the environment and disturbing wildlife.</p> <p>Supporting Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Long Bay and Muriwai are ecologically sensitive areas, home to native plants, birds, and marine life.</li> <li>Uncontrolled dogs can disrupt nesting seabirds, including protected species such as the New Zealand dotterel and fairy tern.</li> <li>Dune ecosystems are fragile, and dog activity can lead to erosion, loss of vegetation, and habitat destruction.</li> <li>While some restrictions exist, enforcement appears to be inconsistent, leading to continued violations by irresponsible dog owners.</li> </ul> <p>Suggested Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stronger enforcement: Rangers or animal control officers should actively patrol these areas and issue fines for violations.</li> <li>Clearer signage and education: More visible signs should be placed at all entry points, explicitly stating dog restrictions and penalties for non-compliance.</li> <li>Community reporting system: Allow local residents and visitors to report dogs roaming in restricted areas via a dedicated phone line or app.</li> </ul> <p>Enforcement by Rangers – Fining Owners Who Violate Rules</p> <p>Concern: There are not enough rangers or enforcement officers ensuring dog owners comply with regulations. Many people ignore leash rules and other restrictions without consequences.</p> |
| 6578                      | I do not support the proposed change | <p>Rules are being set by unfriendly dog people a small minority is the problem and your rules effect everyone</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| UPPER HARBOUR LOCAL BOARD |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 129                       | I support the proposed change        | Lots of room for error in current bylaws                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 138                       | I support the proposed change        | I support the change but it would require people to ensure that the people who flout the rules (because their dog is special) have some type of enforced fine etc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 304                       | I do not support the proposed change | If dogs are under Control and on a leash they should be allowed as in the current laws.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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| 846   | I do not support the proposed change | <p>This proposal is a perfect example of over-complication. If you think anyone will read, let alone understand, this labyrinth of rules, you're delusional. People go to Muriwai to enjoy the beach, not to memorise a legal document.</p> <p>I've taken my pup there several times, and it's a great spot with plenty of dogs and responsible owners. The current rules are straightforward and work just fine—why mess with them?</p> <p>The sheer volume of restrictions in this proposal is absurd. No one is going to keep track of what's allowed on each specific track, section, or patch of sand.</p> <p>Dogs and their owners are part of what makes Muriwai such a vibrant and enjoyable place. The current rules north of the surf tower are reasonable and already respected by most dog owners. This overreach is unnecessary and risks ruining the experience for responsible dog owners who simply want to enjoy the beach with their pets.</p> |
| 1035  | I support the proposed change        | This makes it very clear where dogs are allowed if you know the area well. Will need signs I would think, so it's very clear.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1250  | I do not support the proposed change | I agree that dogs should not be allocated by the Gannet colony. But again too tight dog laws restricting dogs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1363  | I support the proposed change        | Yes because it gives us more access to grass areas. This seems to be the only policy that does so.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 1390  | I do not support the proposed change | The restrictions on Dogs on the Auckland beaches will mean that in summer we will not be able to take our dogs on the beach between 10am and 5pm. We use Muriwai at least once a week travelling from Hobsonville These proposals mean that we will have very limited access to provide our dog with much needed exercise. New Zealand and especially Auckland is not dog friendly.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 2723  | I do not support the proposed change | As a responsible dog owner, we love to enjoy a good nature walk with our lovely well behaved dog. Unfortunately ,there are less and less dogs allowed or safe place to walk my dog, not CBD,(not safe for human either), not shopping malls, not regional parks, not lot of reserves, then where can we walk? Auckland is an international inclusive city, and it's famous for it. If we can include all/none genders or LGBTQ human beings from all the world, we should do the same thing to dogs, our closest best friends                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 3976  | I do not support the proposed change | dont make changes that don't need to be made - we go to Murwai ALL the time - DO NOT TAKE THIS AWAY FROM US -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 4172  | I do not support the proposed change | There is to few areas dogs are allowed leading to these areas being congested                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 4477  | I do not support the proposed change | We use this beach and walkways already in places and have for a few generations without any cause of concern or reason to think it should be changed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 5702  | I do not support the proposed change | Too complicated                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 5749  | I do not support the proposed change | It makes no sense to require dogs to be on a leash on the Loop Track, particularly before 10.00a.m and after 5.00p.m.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

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| 5873                                | I do not support the proposed change | Why don't you just have it under control on leash, and it can't be one of those stupid stretchy/extending leads                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 5880                                | I support the proposed change        | I would like to have the southern end's wildlife more protected                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 6209                                | I support the proposed change        | To protect wildlife and people there should be more restrictions on dog access at regional parks.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 6424                                | I do not support the proposed change | Seems to be again punishing good dog owners!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>WAIHEKE LOCAL BOARD</b>          |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 2731                                | I support the proposed change        | To clarify where dogs can go and to protect the gannet colony                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 4893                                | I do not support the proposed change | dogs should be allowed on an off a leash as per the current laws                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 5935                                | I do not support the proposed change | <p>I do not want any dogs off leash in the Muriwai Regional Park area or anywhere on the Beach.</p> <p>I go there with my grandchildren who have been rushed at and jumped up on by unruly dogs both on and off-leash. Owners do not always have full control over their dogs. Dogs also can play aggressively with each other and run through people sitting. I have seen off-leash dogs urinating on peoples towels and possessions whilst the people are away swimming.</p> |
| <b>WAITĀKERE RANGES LOCAL BOARD</b> |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 433                                 | I support the proposed change        | Doesn't look like a change to me. We use Muriwai on a very regular basis and this doesn't seem like much of a change. However dogs should still be allowed in cars at the car park of Māori Bay                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 486                                 | I do not support the proposed change | The dog walkers should take the call as to when to walk their dogs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 523                                 | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs should be allowed on all public areas under control at all times unless there is a non kauri die back conservation need                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 634                                 | I do not support the proposed change | Should be allowed at all times on leash                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 713                                 | I support the proposed change        | they are ok on a leash                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 965                                 | Other (please explain below)         | Dogs which are under control and on leash, should be allowed to access all public areas of the park at all times                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 1325                                | I support the proposed change        | Please provide better enforcement.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 1519                                | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs must not be prohibited in Muriwai instead must be on leash on those high risk areas.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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| 1576  | I do not support the proposed change | The places we can take our dogs for off-leash runs become less and less. Dedicated dog parks are not the answer as stress levels in our dogs tend to rise if they're exposed to too many dog encounters at the same time and with it tension and escalation. We avoid dog parks and beaches like the plague. It's not relaxing. It would be nice to be able to take our dogs for beach strolls where they can roam free and enjoy the sunset with their owners. Why punish everyone when most dogs fit into the community so well. It's understandable to limit dog access to protect wild life and flora of course. |
| 1613  | I support the proposed change        | In addition to the proposed changes, I believe dogs should be prohibited from the grassed and picnic areas because too many dog owners do not abide by the leash requirements. These areas should be guaranteed to be safe for children and families.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 1833  | I support the proposed change        | This makes the rules much clearer - thank you! We use the grass areas as (on leash) training areas and it's annoying to be rushed at by off leash dogs there when they really shouldn't be off until they get to the beach                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 1918  | I do not support the proposed change | NO DOGS OFF LEASH AT ALL not in our regional parks protect our wildlife NO DOGS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 1930  | I don't know                         | So many areas where the rules are different. Are these clearly signposted? it gets confusing when you are out for a walk as to what you can and can't do                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 2095  | Other (please explain below)         | Please see answer already provided under Section 2 which applies to all areas. It is the owners who allow their dogs to roam out of control that need to be policed/controlled. Activities should not be curtailed for the majority, who manage our animals well.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 3309  | I do not support the proposed change | To many rules!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 3690  | I don't know                         | I think it's important to give people enough incentives to want to train their dog. limiting the freedom and access (in places that don't affect native wildlife) dogs have is becoming very deflating and doesn't give people a strong desire to want to train their dogs. i agree it needs to be balanced with places that protects wildlife and people that are nervous of dogs. But it is starting to feel unbalanced.                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 3743  | I do not support the proposed change | In my experience dog owners keep their dogs on leash if their dog has issues. Again, it is usually the dogs in the community outside the parks that are the biggest threat to people.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 4044  | I do not support the proposed change | I have had issues with individuals with off leash dogs they cannot control. Education around why you need to have your dogs under control in off leash areas would be far more beneficial.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 4637  | I support the proposed change        | understandable that dogs should be on lead around picnic areas and wildlife. I think this rule is pretty much how it is now anyway so no objection<br>I would however like to see clear signage about dog paws being burnt by hot black beach sand during the summer months                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 4813  | I do not support the proposed change | Doesn't go far enough. Complicated. Just say no dogs.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

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| 4827                         | I do not support the proposed change | Absolutely disagree. It's an absolute disgrace to restrict the access of dogs to these wonderful areas in Auckland. I see no good reason why a dog cannot be on the beach at any time, off-leash as long as it is under control. The more dogs socialise with other dogs and people - the better behaved they become. You have no right to continually restrict the time and space for use to enjoy time with our animals and for our animals to explore and get joy out of the environment.                                           |
| 5411                         | I support the proposed change        | The problem is that almost all dog owners at the park leave their dogs without a leash, which doesn't follow the rule.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 5480                         | I do not support the proposed change | The current rules work well. Prosecute those that do not follow them.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 5582                         | I do not support the proposed change | <p>Dogs on a leash aren't an issue. Stop restricting people from taking their dogs places they enjoy and pay for with rates. I pay extremely high rates AND pay for dog registration and don't even get to take my dog barely anywhere. It's getting ridiculous. Stop banning on-leash dogs from everywhere. There's almost nowhere left to go</p> <p>Further dog restrictions are not needed here. It is already anti-dog. Keeping dogs AND people away from the gannet colony makes sense, but leashed dogs are doing no damage.</p> |
| 6082                         | I do not support the proposed change | On-leash and prohibition rules should only apply where dogs may potentially cause harm or disruption to another animal, person or property.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 6447                         | I do not support the proposed change | Expand times and areas that dog owners are able to access with their companions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 6765                         | I do not support the proposed change | The existing rules are adequate for maintaining separation between dogs, sensitive areas and other beach-goers. They reflect the preferences of the local community and should not be standardized with those from very different areas.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>WAITEMATĀ LOCAL BOARD</b> |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 156                          | I support the proposed change        | I think that these changes are reasonable given that there are multiple endangered species that roost in the muriwai area.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 165                          | I support the proposed change        | More details is better so we know where we are allowed or not                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 835                          | I do not support the proposed change | They should be allowed on leash in the areas that you have proposed them to be prohibited. This is far too extreme.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 948                          | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs should be allowed off leash somewhere                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 1235                         | I support the proposed change        | Clearer                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 1379                         | I support the proposed change        | Protection of native birds is important. Consider restricting humans too.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 1651                         | I don't know                         | It doesn't seem like much is changing.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 1910                         | I do not support the proposed change | stop restricting access to dogs.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 2184                         | I do not support the proposed change | This is ridiculous. Current policy is best for the people                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

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| 2185  | Other (please explain below)         | It is already too difficult to find a place to walk my dog (legally). I strongly urge you to not make it more restrictive in this regard. I am happy to walk my dog on a lead. If changes must be made, I recommend limited off-lead dogs and requiring them to be on-lead as an alternative for outright banning them. Thank you for your time.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 2232  | I do not support the proposed change | Yes and no the rules need to be tighter but murawi is a big beach that you should allow some off Leash dogs in certain times                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 2397  | I support the proposed change        | Safer                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 2989  | I do not support the proposed change | Getting dogs from the carpark to the beach does not require the dogs to be on a leash, this is draconian                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 3094  | I support the proposed change        | Nothing changes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 3263  | I support the proposed change        | <p>There have been too many attacks on birds. Less dogs in critical areas will keep birds safer, and allow for harsher fines if the rules are broken.</p> <p>There will need to be more dog control officers at the same time, or the changes will be completely useless.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 4582  | I do not support the proposed change | The rules should stay the same but made clearer...just fine people who repeatedly break them                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 4591  | I support the proposed change        | I sometimes ride on the bridle path and on the beach north of the horse car park and am aware of occasional issues with off leash and uncontrolled dogs attacking horses causing injury and endangering safety of horses and riders, however not heard any recent reports                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 4738  | I support the proposed change        | This will ensure dogs are under control in more ares of Muriwai that are heavily used by other members of the public who deserve to feel safe                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 5004  | I do not support the proposed change | Parks are public resources that should be accessible to all Aucklanders, including dog owners. The proposed restrictions disproportionately affect those who follow the rules while doing little to address the real issue of non-compliance. Rather than creating more restrictions, Auckland Council should focus on improving compliance with existing regulations through education, signage, and enforcement.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 5011  | I do not support the proposed change | <p>I support the majority of these proposed changes but would like to see dogs allowed on leash on Muriwai beach south of the surf tower - perhaps contained to within the flags - we often walk northwards until we encounter the horses and vehicles on the northern end of the beach. We turn back then as it often becomes unsafe for the dogs to go any further because of the unpredictable and dangerous driving we have witnessed on the beach. In my opinion the vehicles on the beach are far more dangerous than any dog I have ever witnessed in 9 years.</p> <p>On returning to the Southern end of the beach we like to swim as a family - as does our dog, if dogs are not allowed further south then we have to make the decision to either not swim, swim away from the flags or leave the dog sitting on hot black sand while we quickly swim.</p> |
| 5027  | I do not support the proposed change | The rule change won't stop bad actors, just penalize everyone.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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| 5358                    | I support the proposed change        | Good                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 5638                    | I support the proposed change        | More control of dogs on this beach provides more protection for the wildlife there. It also would make it more pleasant for dogless people.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 5964                    | I do not support the proposed change | THERE ARE SO MANY PLACES AND NEARBY PLACES FOR HUMANS AND THERE Children to enjoy! LEAVE THE DOGS HAVE A SPACE TOO! It's ridiculous getting rid of so many spaces for dogs! It's not ok you are messing with there mental health!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 6182                    | I do not support the proposed change | The changes should be made after the policy changes are made and agreed in a separate consultation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 6839                    | I do not support the proposed change | I do not support changes to parks if they limit the number of dogs. With dog licencing dogs can be managed.<br><br>I do support protecting the bird life. Although existing access areas should remain unchanged,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>WHAU LOCAL BOARD</b> |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 52                      | I support the proposed change        | Makes good sense                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 728                     | I support the proposed change        | It's safer for the kids to use the park, especially when there's no confined areas for kids/dogs where they can't be isolated from each other.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 792                     | I do not support the proposed change | Dogs should be prohibited during summer in all areas during summer and under control on leash in all areas during winter.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 850                     | I do not support the proposed change | There are few off leash options as it is. What is the rationale for this proposed change?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 1186                    | I do not support the proposed change | I support Dogs under control off leash in muriwai loop track                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 2034                    | I do not support the proposed change | I think this is quite a large area and dogs should be allowed without a lead north of Muriwai. This seems unreasonable as places to take your dog without lead are not becoming non-existent                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 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.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 2372                    | I do not support the proposed change | Muriwai Beach is a very long beach, more than 60 kms.<br>Recent restrictions has been made where vechiles are unable to go onto the beach during the busy season, now there are proposed changes for dogs onlead only. Where I understand the likes of certain areas along the beach that may have bird colonies, these colonies are strict in certain areas only, like the far south end, where the training grounds are, or the northern end where the gannet colonies are. I can respect restrictions for dogs in this area, but not the entire beach. |
| 2819                    | I do not support the proposed change | Already enough restrictions to owners with their dogs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

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| 3432                          | I support the proposed change        | I support making it clearer                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 3651                          | I support the proposed change        | Where there is a valid need to protect wild life I support a dog ban. Where it is reasonable for dogs to enjoy the beach and surrounds in a well controlled manner I support that.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 3827                          | I do not support the proposed change | On leash/off leash gets very confusing in new proposal- leave as is protecting gannet colony and whole family including the 4 pawed can enjoy exercising together. These proposed changes appear a reaction to a very few poorly behaved owners/dogs - Perhaps better to legislate the removal and ban of poorly behaved parties than penalise all. It is a real shame when the poorly behaved very few ruin enjoyment, exercise, off leash fun for all. |
| 4025                          | Other (please explain below)         | should be allowed on LEAD for<br>Dogs are prohibited –<br>on Muriwai beach south of the surf tower; and<br>on the Park, beach and foreshore areas on the seaward side of Waitea Road, including Gannet Colony, Ōtakamiro Point, Ōtakamiro Point Track and Maukatia (Māori Bay) Track, Flat Rock and Maukatia (Māori Bay).                                                                                                                                |
| 4281                          | I do not support the proposed change | Current policy is adequate to protect the gannet colony. Dogs on leash under controlled should not be restricted further as they pose little to no risk to the public or wildlife. There just needs to be increased enforcement of off leash dog walkers who need to be fined on the spot.                                                                                                                                                               |
| 4879                          | I support the proposed change        | Personal safety                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 4888                          | I support the proposed change        | As previously noted                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 5023                          | I support the proposed change        | Too much unnecessary information: on the Park, beach and foreshore areas on the seaward side of Waitea Road, including Gannet Colony, Ōtakamiro Point, Ōtakamiro Point Track and Maukatia (Māori Bay) Track, Flat Rock and Maukatia (Māori Bay).<br><br>North and south of the surf tower and gannet colony is clear enough. No need for all these extra names. People won't bother reading all of them.                                                 |
| 6077                          | I don't know                         | It's too vague using landmarks as identifiers. Just use signage and let surf dogs sit on the beach while they watch their person surf.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>UNDECLARED LOCAL BOARD</b> |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 474                           | I don't know                         | The proposal does not make it clear if the new rules are more permissive or prohibitive than the current position. I would support more permissive, not more prohibitive                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 903                           | Other (please explain below)         | Council is overreaching and complicating something that can be really simple. Dogs can go everywhere on a short leash. Including DOC areas. Special areas to stipulate no leash required.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 1806                          | I do not support the proposed change | One of the last true dog friendly areas. Stop cutting our areas.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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| 1875  | I do not support the proposed change | <p>Dear council</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Why Dogs in Parks Matter:</p> <p>1. Health and Well-being:<br/>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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</p> |
| 1914  | I support the proposed change        | This is more clear.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2183  | I do not support the proposed change | <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 2584  | I do not support the proposed change | <p>This is discrimination! My dog should be allowed in the same places where I go. Use tax money to have a ranger that checks dog owners that you believe cause problems.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 2652  | I don't know                         | I only go to Muriwai infrequently, as long as there is sufficient area for dog owners to enjoy the beach with their dogs, then this is probably ok.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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| 2676                    | I do not support the proposed change | Absolutely miserable proposal that isn't even backed by the department of conservation.<br><br>Sucking the joy and life out of the beach and park whilst also discouraging families and people from even going at all                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 4489                    | I do not support the proposed change | I'm sick of the constant and endless restrictions on where you can take your dog. Surely AC have bigger priorities.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 4818                    | I do not support the proposed change | New Zealand doesn't seem to be particularly dog-friendly and appears to lag behind other countries in this regard. Dogs are cherished members of the family, yet the increasing restrictions on accessing regional parks mean that many people are missing out on opportunities to enjoy these spaces with their pets. Dog owners pay registration fees, and homeowners contribute through rates. Shouldn't they be allowed to spend quality time with their furry family members in these public places? |
| 5103                    | I do not support the proposed change | The changes are unreasonable and unneeded. They will not help with the actual issues we face with roaming dogs, and only punish responsible dog owners                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 5330                    | I do not support the proposed change | There are good dog owners who know when is appropriate and when not appropriate to have their voice controlled dog off leash, who read and respect signs and laws. Don't punish the good ones because of the bad ones. Also this will not help in the prevention of rouge dog attacks which should be the main thing you are focusing on at the moment. We already so so little space to be able to let our well behaved dogs stretch their legs.                                                         |
| 5387                    | I do not support the proposed change | Muriwai is a huge beach, it is unfair to restrict dogs to only a certain part. My dog is elderly and injured and I prefer to not have him around other dogs.....so if I follow your new rules I can't walk him at Muriwai at all....even though I'm a responsible dog owner who does everything right. Feel like the good people are being punished because of the useless people.                                                                                                                        |
| 5911                    | I do not support the proposed change | No need to change as this is not a busy dog area and most dog owners and dogs are lovely and respectful                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 6178                    | I support the proposed change        | It makes the information easier to understand.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 6594                    | I do not support the proposed change | This change makes it incredibly difficult for families to gain an understanding where they can walk all together with their dog and where not. It also serves no purpose. A dog on a lead is under control and that is enough. Keep the rule the way they are - simple and effective.                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 6940                    | I support the proposed change        | All council-run campgrounds should be dog-free. We are now unable to use campgrounds that have dogs due to concerns about the safety of the children, and previous issues with dogs in campgrounds compromising their safety.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>OUTSIDE AUCKLAND</b> |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 5410                    | I support the proposed change        | Clarification is fine                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

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| 5426  | I do not support the proposed change | <p>Other than the obvious impacts on the health of dogs and their owners (!) these are big changes that do not meet the criteria of the Dog Policy 2019.</p> <p>Much of what has been suggested as 'findings' is merely a statement of what is happening already, and in many cases completely wrong interpretation of councils own survey.</p> <p>Most of what has been cited as 'structural change' and 'significant risk' are in fact minor changes, if any, or low-impact issues (by councils own findings).</p> <p>The way the policy works is that Council and Dog Management are supposed to manage the low impact issues from irresponsible dog owners through better education and direct intervention, not massive changes to access. The policy is NOT designed to enable mass changes to dog access without significant reasons and due consideration to alternatives and/ or providing other places – neither of which are present in the proposal.</p> <p>In short, these are 'issues' that could and should be managed with a few good signs and better management of irresponsible dog owners, not sweeping dog access changes for the vast majority of responsible dog owners!</p> |