
Dog policy, bylaw and regional park access rules 2025

Q3 Regional park dog access rules

(Q3D. Long Bay Regional Park)

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ALBERT-EDEN LOCAL BOARD		
593	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	I hoped there were going to be some times/ times of year that dogs were allowed at Sullivans Bay - but doesn't look like it
636	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	For the reasons I have given regarding the previous park.
960	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	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. If an owner cannot control their dog around stock they should not own a dog.
1198	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	It good that dogs are not more prohibited during Daytime (10am to 5pm)
2524	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Also, a waste of time
2784	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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.

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2871	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Too restrictive
2990	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	For reasons already provided
4096	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,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, stock and wildlife.
4324	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should always be on a leash in public places unless in a dog park.
4368	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below),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 the proposed change,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	Other (please explain below)	Auckland needs more dog off leash and accessible areas, not less.

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4855	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	With the increase in high density housing dogs need space to run around. Limiting this seems counter to the infrastructure needs of the city. With more people being single and not having children dog ownership is on the rise. We need to ensure dogs have places to be free.
4947	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	This is reducing the amount of areas available for dog walking. I do not support this.
DEVONPORT-TAKAPUNA LOCAL BOARD		
17	I do not support the	There are already enough restrictions for dogs, I don't see the problem with dogs
181	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	Prevents dogs roaming uncontrolled into areas adjacent to tracks and foreshore. Protects stock, wildlife, and ecosystems.
1620	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	its also about safety of the lambs and the farms, so good move
1954	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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.
3149	I do not support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dogs on leash rule will not be followed. Dogs will enter Regional Park from Tungutu lookout track. Dogs are already running off leash in Mitre Bay during prohibited hours.
3688	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	AND

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5129	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	because it takes half the morning to just get there.
5346	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	I'd like to enjoy dog free spaces, protect birds and wildlife and stock.
FRANKLIN LOCAL BOARD		
655	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dogs on lead at any time is okay.
1182	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dogs on.lead and controlled should cause no interference to.other independent of area
1766	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Auckland has one of the highest dog ownership. Reducing access will force owners to concentrate exercising their animals on fewer sites, creating more problems by having more dogs in smaller, and fewer numbers, of exercise areas.
2242	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	The rules are hard enough as it is. Domestic dogs aren't the problem.
5661	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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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5872	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	We need to be allowed to take well-behaved dogs to the beach and on tracks. Restrictions can be on the number of dogs per person, and on training dog owners and getting them to behave better. Currently I see that my dog and I are being punished for rule-breaking owners and badly behaved dogs. Please deal with those people rather than restricting all of us.
5906	Other (please explain below),I do not support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	I agree with the banning during lambing season. I actually go on a walk without my dog, as dogs are not allowed, where it is actually banned for people during lambing season too. I respect this. I do not support the banning of dogs on beaches. This punishes good dog owners. The irresponsible dog owners do not take their dogs here; they instead let them roam the streets.
6430	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Not necessary.
6434	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Again it's not the answer to increasing issues with owners and their dogs where training and behaviour understanding is reducing over time to allow off leash. Dogs can be off leash in dog parks only
HENDERSON-MASSEY LOCAL BOARD		
251	I don't know,I don't know,I don't know	Should be standard to all other beaches and parks
1412	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	It is already ridiculously hard to find places to walk dogs ESPECIALLY if you want to allow the dog to be off leash. We claim to be a country that loves animals but there are very few places that you can actually take a dog which is crazy considering almost one third of Aucklanders have dogs. Summer is particularly difficult as it is so hot during the day, and you can't walk the dog unless it is at a beach or river where they can play in the water to cool down. However, the council continues to make this harder and harder particularly in summer. Either provide more beaches that are dog friendly and create more dedicated dog friendly off leash parks and walks that aren't small boring areas, around the whole of Auckland. Or at the very least do not put this proposal in place. You claim that the reason for these changes is to minimize risk in these areas. The reasonable solution would to be to create somewhere that people can go instead.
2258	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	I don't want my dog on leash prohibited (with the exception of lambing season).

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2375	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	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,I do not support the proposed change,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.
3790	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	You are limiting places to walk, despite charging a huge licencing fee, for no logical reason.
5419	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	I don't support restricting access except during lambing season and/or if there is an endangered wildlife that reported attacks are happening.
6317	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below)	In European and British countries dogs are permitted to accompany their owners in all terrains provided they are well controlled. New Zealander dog owners need to be afforded more trust.
HIBISCUS AND BAYS LOCAL BOARD		
95	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dogs under Control should be allowed in most places in regional parks. Dogs on lead should be allowed in all places in regional parks. Regional parks are for all Aucklanders and should not be off-limits for those with dogs wanting to enjoy them
566	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	To limit all the various harms badly behaved dogs cause

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579	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	There is no need to take dogs into this area of conservation
607	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	I strongly object. You are further discriminating against dog-owning ratepayers by further denying access to public shared spaces.It's too confusing and discriminates against dog-owners unnecessarily. Make it all accessible to ON LEASH DOGS ONLY.
690	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below)	More dog access should be granted at this park
706	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be prohibited fully from this park. That would make it very easy to enforce. There is so much wildlife here to protect. Can't humans have some areas which they can visit without any dogs ever please?
1026	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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 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 nowhere to take them up here other than parks and beaches. Do you expect them to live in a backyard their whole life?
1034	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Limiting green spaces available for dog walking
1150	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below)	No dog on beach at anytime unless council will be there to enforce.

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1358	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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.
1537	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Need more access to the park and beach
1699	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	If the dog is under control and on lead why is he not allowed in certain areas.
2022	I do not support the proposed change,I don't know,I do not support the proposed change	Dog should be allowed everywhere humans can go as long as they are under control and mess is picked up, anytime of year and day
2140	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Same as previous park
2229	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	Restricting dog access more and more is not the answer!!
2268	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	Reasonable
2598	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Providing space for dog owner to exercise their dog on leash or responsibly during summer months is important especially for high energy breeds. To meet the dogs wellbeing they need different areas to explore and sniff!

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3235	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	So nice to go a regional park and there are no dogs we were at Sullivans Bay boaties bring there dogs ashore are an issue the signage is very poor
3824	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	A dog well controlled on a leash is not a problem. Limiting these tracks is also deterring owners from getting out and about too. Sometimes it is only because someone has a dog that they leave the house to exercise it and themselves.
4755	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	I understand that people love their dogs however non dog people also need spaces where they can go without having to deal with poorly trained dogs and dog messes.
5221	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	Dogs should always be on leash
5422	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	We walk our dogs here all the time - nearly always the only people in the area- we pick up litter/bottles/ nappies/ fish bait/ bags - if you are going to police something make it the people who come and abuse our beautiful area. Who take numerous shellfish/ tiny fish - never seen a dog doing that. Break all the rules re jetski and boats travelling at speed 20m from shore - don't see dogs doing that either.
5430	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Too restrictive
5479	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	There are alot of people, especially children at this park and beach in summer. It makes it safer. It helps protect the native environment (flora and fauna) from dogs

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5712	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	I am also deeply concerned by Auckland Council's plan to increase on-leash and dog-free areas. These restrictions further reduce dogs' access to exercise and socialisation—key factors in preventing behavioural issues. It seems clear that dog welfare is not the Council's priority, as these proposals not only limit safe exercise spaces but also restrict access to trained professionals who can provide it. a key factors of animal welfare are the "5 freedoms", one of these main pillars is freedom to express natural behavior. it is natural for a dog to run freely! I think there has been an overall lack of insight from professionals in the animal welfare, medical, training and walking community.
HOWICK LOCAL BOARD		
541	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	There are too few dog-friendly off-leash exercise areas for dogs in all Auckland areas! Dogs should be allowed on-leash at all parks / beaches anytime! We need many more dog-friendly off-leash exercise areas!!!! Rules should not be changed as a result of complaints against a few negligent dog owners spoiling it for the remainder of decent dog owners!! Instead, the Council should be targeting and educating the negligent and problematic dog owners!!
2223	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	I see no reason why a dog under control cannot be off leash at Scott's Landing. It is not a busy beach. The emphasis should be on be that that are under control.
2692	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	See previous
2856	I don't know,I do not support the proposed change,I don't know	I think there should be an "off-leash" area provided for dogs. They need it. I don't support restricting dog access when "on-leash" is a safe option. What endangered species are being protected? How does having a dog on-leash endanger any species including lambs? The proposed changes are restrictive for no reason. If anything there should be more inclusive access for dogs.

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4566	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below),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,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	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. This is a very stupid proposal and should not be brought up ever again.
6333	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	Dogs should be banned from regional park ar Mahurangi, Scott Point
KAIPĀTIKI LOCAL BOARD		
160	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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.
289	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	The main reason I support this is you have dedicated areas to be non dog and some pro dog. ie there can be no confusion about where dogs are allowed at all times and where they are not allowed. - I support this differentiation which allows families to go where there are no dogs allowed if they want to without being bothered by unwanted dog attention. I absolutely support the removal of designated times when you can have/not have dogs in a beach area
337	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dogs need safe places to exercise and socialise

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1587	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should have access to all areas when under control. Families and children should be able to go to the beach with there dogs!!
2511	I don't know,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	It just seems a little unfair to only allow dog owners to take their dogs on one track / one beach at the entire park
2713	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	We should be allowed to have access to these places as well
3286	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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
4592	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	The proposed changes are adding unnecessary restrictions
4616	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	Dogs should not be allowed in Regional parks
4746	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below)	Prohibit all dogs. People cannot be trusted to do the right thing and typically don't

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5318	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	As per before. Why? Prove that this will make a change. Instead of following a one of your peers in Auckland council that selfishly what's to change the rules because they don't like dogs. Once again enforce personal responsibility.
5363	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,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.
5391	I do not support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	There doesn't seem to be any reason why dogs should be prohibited from Cudlip Point loop track. Obviously they would need to be kept away at lambing season but why the complete blanket ban?
6092	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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.
MĀNGERE-ŌTĀHUHU LOCAL BOARD		
1847	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	It is incredibly hard to understand these changes, why don't you include maps for explanation. But 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 do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Status quo should remain to many restrictions already. If you can't access places within reason why and are dog registration fees paid
MANUREWA LOCAL BOARD		

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6580	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below)	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. 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. Instead of reducing access, Auckland Council should be expanding designated off-leash areas with proper fencing and signage to accommodate responsible dog owners.
MAUNGAKIEKIE-TĀMAKI LOCAL BOARD		
639	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	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.
2545	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	why
3760	I don't know,I don't know,I don't know	Dint know this area well enough.
4211	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	Yes. The less dogs around making a mess the better at our regional parks.
4470	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Too restrictive. No need to a change

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4655	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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.
5522	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Give us off leash all day
ŌRĀKEI LOCAL BOARD		
209	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	Great idea. Dogs should be kept away from kids and families for safety reasons.
369	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	keep as is
417		I advocate for being allowed dogs under control and on leash in more of aucklands regional parks and within more areas of aucklands regional parks. Walking and hiking in Aucklands regional parks is a perfect activity for having canine companionship. There is plenty of space for everyone and when dogs are under control on leash there is little room for that to be problematic to anyone. Currently the options for getting fresh air and exercise for dog owners in Auckland are already incredibly limited. I do not support limiting this further. Again, the emphasis should be on policing and preventing bad dog ownership, not making it impossible for good dogs and owners to enjoy wholesome, healthy activities in our own neighborhoods.
519	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	They will still have dogs and that too off leash at all times. You must have consequences for not following the rules.

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917	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	I think that most dog owners are in control of their dogs and not causing problems.
952	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Further limiting dog access
1027	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Proposed change is too wordyn which can lead to confusion and/or misinterpretation.
1064	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	the rules work as they are
1114	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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 I agree on the restrictions during lambing season
1341	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Too draconian. Also this proposed policy treats small and medium sized dogs with the same treatment as aggressive larger dogs. Post-covid there has been a significant increase in small-medium sized dogs in families and rules need to adapt as 'dogs' under policy definition is too broad
1861	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Current rule fine.

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1957	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below)	Dogs should be prohibited during lambing season but should be allowed on the beaches.
2091	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	I have no idea what reasoning could justify the exclusion of dogs in this area. NZ seems to have this crazy need to exclude dogs from parks unnecessarily
2139	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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,I do not support the proposed change,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.

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3107	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	General waste of time and resources.
3695	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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. Definitely oppose a daytime full dog ban.
4132	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Restricting the space dog uses have when there is increasing dog numbers, will only force dogs to interact in these smaller spaces which brings about potential for conflict/incidents.

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4735	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	seems ok
5918	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Already clear
6116	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dear [Council Representative/Committee], I am writing to urge the council to reconsider current restrictions on dog access to public parks and to advocate for policies that allow dogs to be present in all parks without limitations, provided they are on a leash, with balanced measures for off-leash times during peak usage. As urban development increases housing density, private outdoor spaces are diminishing, placing greater importance on public recreational spaces for all residents — including dog owners. Dog ownership continues to rise, and yet, despite paying levies and registration fees, dog owners face significant restrictions on their ability to use public parks fairly and equally. Key Reasons for Allowing Unrestricted On-Leash Dog Access to Parks 1. Equity and Fair Use of Public Spaces Dog owners contribute to the community through fees and levies, and they should be entitled to equal access to recreational areas. Public parks are communal spaces, and no group of responsible users should be excluded. Ensuring that dogs on leashes are permitted in all parks supports equitable use. 2. Adapting to Increased Housing Density With the city's strategic plan prioritising higher-density housing, many residents now live without access to private gardens or yards. This makes local parks vital for responsible pet ownership. Denying dog owners reasonable access forces them to travel further afield, which can be impractical and counterproductive to community goals around local engagement and sustainability. 3. Supporting Mental Health and Well-being Dogs play a crucial role in the mental health and emotional well-being of many

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6122	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	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.
6379	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed undercontrol and on leash
6395	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	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.
6673	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	to reduce nuisance and protect wildlife
6772	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Unreasonable proposals.
ŌTARA-PAPATOETOE LOCAL BOARD		
2245	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Maori land to be determined by iwi you have already had huge push back stop doing it Family and dogs love it there
2850	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below)	No dogs at all. No dogs at any point in time.
PAPAKURA LOCAL BOARD		

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1574	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	We drive from Papakura to Mahurangi to come to this park as there are so few other options in Auckland to exercise our dogs. We have never had or seen an issue. Many locals like being able to walk their dogs in these areas. 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 accessible to educate the public 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,I do not support the proposed change,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,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	The current rules are fine. If dogs are kept on lead. No health and safety concerns to the public or other animals
4455	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	No change needed
PUKETĀPAPA LOCAL BOARD		
84	I support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	Access for dog's needs to be opened up not limited.
995	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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.
4059	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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.

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4565	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below),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,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	The current rules work fine and there is no reason to change something that isn't broken
RODNEY LOCAL BOARD		
813	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Agree that dogs should not be allowed near lambs but not with the prohibition of everywhere lease if they are on a leash.
980	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	The rules are already to restrictive. Dogs need time off the leash, Instead of banning Dogs off the leash why not Police the activity and prosecute Dog owners that allow their dogs to be a nuisance
1010	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dogs on a leash should be allowed at any time if under control by an adult. Therefore they cannot cause any problems with stock or birds etc.
1247	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	I believe that with dogs on a leash and controlled that dog owners should have same right sto enjoy the out doors Hunans create mire damage I believe
1280	I do not support the proposed change,I don't know,I do not support the proposed change	dogs should be allowed off leash below the high tide line. And access at Sullivans Bay

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1516	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	Tired of dogs running all over the place and owners taking no responsibility.
1550	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	I don't know why you're taking away dog access on Cudlip point track. Plus, in general, this is so confusing!!! The proposed changes are very unclear... For example the weird rule about only being able to park in certain places if your dog is in your car is nonsense. And also what dates count as 'lambing season' was not clear when I've searched online in the past. Just so confusing trying to figure out what few places are left that allow dogs...
1589	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Any further restriction in dog access is not supported.
1646	I don't know,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	You cant ban dogs altogether??? What are we as a society now?
1652	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	You have to run this so you should know what is Needed to make sure everybody including Dogs are safe
1722	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed under control and off leash at these parks, there are not alot of open spaces for dogs to run around in, letting the dogs run around at the park is better than dogs roaming the streets. There should be no limitations on dog access. Dogs do not damage the regional parks.

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1842	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dogs already have limited access to enough. Not once in my 10 years living in the area have I heard of any issues regarding dogs. I have however heard of issues with irresponsible owners not watching their dogs if and when off leash but 98% of dog owners are pretty responsible in this area and it's the rare few who are ruining it for all dogs. I've heard much more issues with roaming cats than I have with any dogs whatsoever. We pay taxes don't we? We register our dogs and yet every time it's the responsible ones who get more and more restrictions and it's the dogs that suffer. Next we will be getting "concerned neighbours" calling dog control because dogs aren't able to be conveniently walked and taken on adventures because they're bored stuck at home because there's no convenient place to be able to take your dog for a good walk. Everyone is aware of the dotterals and whatever other protected/endangered birds there are here so everyone is very responsible when it comes to walking their dogs and yet we want to restrict dogs from being able to enjoy the convenience of what's on our doorstep for more unsuitable options. I feel this will affect our beloved dogs who we consider a part of the family all for issues that 1) don't exist 2) not an issue with dogs but more so cats or people 3) our dogs pay the price for nothing they've done.
1955	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	To preserve the regional parks and the business of running them
2147	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Currently signage and the way it has been managed at Scott Point is the above wording except it is off leash under control. I think there still needs to be an off leash exercise area for dogs in the area.
2178	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	STOP RESTRICTING - ITS not like the place is teeming with people.
2417	I support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	It would be wonderful to enjoy parts of mahurangi east regional park with dogs especially if they're controlled.

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2537	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Full prohibition is restrictive, unfair and unjustified. No justifiable reason to restrict dog access.
2558	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	I understand restricting dogs during lambing season, but as long as dogs are controlled and on a leash they should not be prohibited
2609	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	There are already very limited options for dog walking in summer yet the council seem to be out to make life even more difficult for dog owners. I see no reason at all to ban dogs between 10am and 5pm- this window is too big and forces people to walk dogs on the burning hot streets. Many, many people in the region have a pet dog, yet Auckland Council seems to be extremely anti-dog compared to most other places. As long as dogs are on leads and under control, I see absolutely no reason why they should be banned over summer. Most dogs I see are better behaved than most children on beaches!
2638	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	The revised wording is confusing and appalling. For example when is lambing season ? The original wording was much clearer although allowing dogs on the beach up to 10 am in summer is too late and needs to be pulled back to 8 am and extent out to 8 pm
2640	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	There is nothing that makes my morning walk on my local beach more fulfilling than seeing dogs socialising and frolicking and chasing balls and swimming in the sea... they exude joy and love and I enjoy every one of them I am almost 70 and have no dogs of my own any more but I look forward to the pleasure each day of sharing in the love shown by every pooch on our local beach.... leave them alone
2716	I don't know,Other (please explain below),I support the proposed change	I thought dogs were already prohibited in Mahurangi east Scandretts . It would be nice to have the extra dog walking time at Scotts point.
2789	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	because of the impact dogs have on the local environment

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3302	Other (please explain below)	I live at Opahi Bay adjacent to Mita Bay. We are now becoming overrun with loose dogs on our beach most weekends and sometimes through the week. The rules may be fine in theory but once the dogs are off leash many owners think their job is done. I also do predator bait lines through Mita Bay, with my wife, and on 3 occasions have found wounded or dead penguins above the high-water mark which have obvious signs of dog attacks. One was still alive, bleeding with its wing ripped apart. Many people, from anchored boats and dog walkers, continually let their dogs off leash in Mita Bay, and I try to reason with them but get the same ole answer, "my dog would never do that". We never had the problem when the little used Jamiesons Bay was the designated 'dog beach' which was ideal because it is not a good beach for the public for swimming or relaxation and was great for dog walking. When it was closed, don't know why? and Opahi was then made the local "dog Beach", then most of us who use Opahi Bay, swimming, kayaking etc., are continually having to pick up a lot of dog droppings especially now that there are a lot of younger kids and grandkids in the bay. When my grandkids, (2 and 4) are swimming, paddling, I am continually trying to keep the excited dogs at the other end of the beach to separate them from many of the younger kids who are genuinely frightened. Anyway, back on subject, many of these loose dogs end up charging around into Mita Bay off leash mainly chasing all the poor birds. We have/had, a large flock of resident Oyster catchers in Opahi which obviously disappear over the Summer, which is sad for everybody. Most of the dog owners do not live here so my wish would be that Opahi Bay is treated as the same as the Regional Park for its wildlife protection and Jamiesons Bay is reinstated as 'the dog beach', because it is always deserted and worked well by separating the good swimming beach, (Opahi), with the good dog beach, Jamiesons Bay. We were never consulted as to why Jamiesons beach was closed to dogs, (it is always deserted), and why Opahi Bay was opened to the dog walkers/watchers. It makes no sense however you look at it. In closing, it makes a lot of sense to close the
3343	I support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	I believe the additional allowances for dogs should go ahead with no further prohibitions put in place.
3367	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Reducing the areas that dogs are allowed without providing alternatives, making it harder for locals to have different places to exercise dogs.
3596	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	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!

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3642	Other (please explain below)	My comments refer to residential communities that use Omaha, Snells, Martins, Algies Bay.
3805	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	The Cudlip Point Track is a favourite walk for all locals to take their dogs. It is extremely restricted now to just a six month period. It is totally unreasonable to take away in leash access to this area. We are extremely limited in this area for access to dog walks. I strongly oppose this change.
3808	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I don't know	There are several dotterels nesting in the area and they need protecting at all times. Native species in the area need to be kept free of threat as much as possible.
3809	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	We have a dog friendly community and as it is not safe to walk dogs and kids on the side of busy roads, this is our best option
3814	Other (please explain below)	This is the only long walk that I can do with my dog up to Cudlip Point in the Mahurangi West area that is not on a road. I have lived here for over forty years and find the constant restriction on dog walking totally unreasonable
3834	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	It's hard to read all of these. I'd like more dog space. These all reduce dog space when covid brought us so many more new dogs. Why are you reducing allowed space?
3843	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	We need to be able to walk our dogs in open spaces
3933	I do not support the proposed change,I don't know,I do not support the proposed change	I believe that dogs should be allowed off leach but under control of the owner on the beaches and foreshore areas
4175	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	The rules are already in place they just need to be properly enforced, new rules will not stop owners or people who don't respect the current regulations.

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4186	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Most families with children and dogs want to spend time together. This restriction will severely impact the communities where dogs are well trained
4361	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Limiting access for controlled dog spaces is an issue when you have identified growing population of dog owners in Auckland. You also stated the loving, social connection and companionship dogs provide so policy should reflect this, not the opposite.
4380	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	Dogs in public places should be on a leash at all times
4508	I do not support the proposed change	I would support a change which added Cudlip Loop Track to those areas in the Park which are available except during lambing season. I would support access to Mita Bay Track and Beach at all times since there is no stock or lambing on the land adjoining the beach. The Tungutu Point paddock, in which lambing and grazing does occur, is well-fenced and is only accessible over a stile and is clearly signed. For the same reasons, I would support making Mita Bay an off-leash beach since It is isolated and since repeated attempts by blue penguins to establish burrows have been frustrated by rock falls on the headlands.
4821	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	If dogs are under control there is no problem.
4905	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed on leash in all these areas
4950	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed to be walked on all beaches, at all times provided they are on leash and controlled.

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4966	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	I support the changes to make the rules clearer and do away with time specific rules in favour of simple bans and restrictions.
4971	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	I support the changes to make the rules clearer and do away with time specific rules in favour of simple bans and restrictions.
5165	Other (please explain below)	We often see dogs in Mahurangi West, so better enforcement is needed but feel the rules would be more clear and consistent to offer protection to shore birds if dogs were prohibited from Mahurangi West Regional Park at all times
5260	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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.
5429	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Again why put all these restrictions in place?? It's working ok at the moment so why the prosecution We are not being given reasons for all these prohibitions!!
5440	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	We need more dog friendly places in Auckland not less.
5491	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Should remain the same, no change.
5587	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	When on the beach areas 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.

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6102	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	These proposed changes seem to make sense and not negatively impact the majority of responsible dog owners and professionals dog walkers
6465	I do not support the proposed change	I am outraged. As a resident on Mahurangi West peninsula for 40 years, the proposed regulations banning dogs from Mahurangi West Regional Park Cudlip Point loop track effectively ban me from using a facility I have paid taxes and rates for all my adult life. Discriminatory regulations without justifiable reason! Legally, the only dog friendly walk available to me with a dog, my family member, would be the Mita Bay loop track, which,, despite being a reasonably fit person, I regard as unsafe due to the elevation and terrain. I have been walking in Mahurangi West park for 40 years, over the past 7 years with my dog, without incident, respecting both wildlife and humans. My dog is trained to ignore livestock and birds. On leash she couldn't possibly cause harm. I see dead livestock and human faeces, often not removed for quite some time:a health hazard. This would deny me and my dog the enjoyment and exercise, the mental and physical health, I believe we are entitled to as citizens. Moreover, legally I am required to provide my dog with regular exercise. There are no footpaths on rural roads, and the Mahurangi West Road speed limit is 80kph, under the current government, soon to be 100kph. Trucks and boat trailers sway perilously toward pedestrians, and vehicles regularly speed. Very few residents have the courage or foolhardiness to walk or run on that road. This is all unsafe. Should access to Mahurangi West Regional Park be denied, my only option will be to travel at least 15 minutes off the peninsula. This constitutes unreasonable expense but also added environmental pollution. I and my dog walk along the public road, Ngarewa Drive, during lambing season, because traffic is very infrequent in that period and the speed limit is just 40kph. It appears that even that will be banned should new regulations be put in place. Does Waka Kotahi not control that roadway? I am a responsible dog owner and have belonged to the Hibiscus Coast Dog Training Club for 7 years. I ask that you reconsider these discriminatory proposed regulations
6578	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Rules are being set by unfriendly dog people a small minority is the problem and your rules effect everyone
6632	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	This is an amazing resource for dog walkers

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6696	I don't know,I don't know,I don't know	i dont know
UPPER HARBOUR LOCAL BOARD		
304	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	The way it currently is has caused virtually no issues and as long as dogs are under full control of dog owners or Professional Dog Walkers at all times. Lambing Season should be respected and this needs more discussion with all concerned.
448	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	What is the reasoning? If on leash, it should not be a problem.
2723	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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
2837	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Over-complication of rules: these are bookable buildings, all that matters is specifying that dogs are forbidden at the time of booking than creating confusing rules for people. Banning dogs inside vehicles from places is such a ridiculous proposal. One should not have to pay attention to dog by-laws whilst driving their car.
3976	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	dont make changes that don't need to be made
6209	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	To protect wildlife and people there should be more restrictions on dog access at regional parks.
6662	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Please continue to allow dogs on lead
WAIHEKE LOCAL BOARD		

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2731	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	To reduce stress between dogs and humans and issues during the lambing season
4893	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed on a leash in all these areas.
5935	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below)	I do not think that dogs should be permitted in any Regional Park because of birds and other natural wildlife. Even the best behaved dogs disturb the natural wildlife with their barking and or smell.
WAITĀKERE RANGES LOCAL BOARD		
433	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Apart from lambing season there's no reasoning as to why the proposal prohibits dogs in these sections. Lambing season makes obvious sense the other sections do not
486	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	The dog walkers should Ake the call as to when to walk their dogs
523	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed on all publics areas under control at all times unless there is a non kauri die back conservation need
634	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Should be allowed at all times on leash

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689	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	Same reason: extending restrictions, in this case providing a small sop with opening up one area a little.
713	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	sick of dogs coming up to you
965	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below),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
1148	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below)	I do not support reduced access for dogs even though they are on a leash. However, I do support prohibition during the lambing season.
1220	I don't know,I don't know,I don't know	Dogs should be aloud to go through parking to get to dog approved areas. Parking spaces are not big enough
1325	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	There is no point in changing the rules without enforcement.
1576	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below)	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 doc 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.

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1833	I do not support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	It would be sad to loose the loop track, especially when dogs are already prohibited from so many areas
1918	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	NO DOGS OFF LEASH AT ALL not in our regional parks protect our wildlife NO DOGS
2095	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below),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.
4044	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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.
4363	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dogs on leash should be able use all areas, all year
4767	Other (please explain below)	We welcome the change to allow dogs on-leash at all times at Scott Point but do not support all the other proposed increased restrictions
4827	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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.
5579	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	I am unsure why a dog in a vehicle is not allowed. If the dog remains safely in the vehicle then it is unreasonable to prohibit this. An example of when I would need to do this is if we were kayaking as a family. The dog and I go to drop the paddlers off then meet them at the end of their journey. The dog remains in the car whilst the paddlers set up & leave. There is no risk (the dog wears a seatbelt in the car)

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5582	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	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 There is no need for the additional anti-dog restrictions here. Leashed dogs should continue to be allowed to go places they are currently allowed.
6447	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Expand the areas and times that dog owners can access with their companions
WAITEMATĀ LOCAL BOARD		
122	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	I think this is a clunky solution to irresponsible dog owners who let their dogs off leash and don't have control/consistent recall of their dog, and don't well socialise their dog, and the proposed changes greatly affects all responsible dog owners. Unfortunately, I think there needs to be more 'legislation' around dog ownership (for example needing to pass a basic test to get a dog ownership license) and enforcement around irresponsible dog owners (non-registered dogs etc), as opposed to clunky restriction to public parks.
1910	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	stop restricting dog access
2184	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Prohibited is the only word I see in the new policy another limitation stick to old policy
2185	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below),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.
2397	I support the proposed change	Safer

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3263	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	We need to protect the natural environment and give birds a chance to recover.
5004	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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.
5027	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	The rule change won't stop bad actors, just penalize everyone.
5358	I support the proposed change	Good
6182	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	The changes should be made after the policy changes are made and agreed in a separate consultation.
WHAU LOCAL BOARD		
460	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Where is the evidence to support this? Again punish the many for the actions of the few. Council is under resourced to manage those who break the rules so all other responsible dog owners are now paying. Please resource Animal Management so they can do their job.
1447	Other (please explain below),I do not support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	I do not support policies reducing the places where dogs can be taken (even on-leash). Some of the proposals where you can't even park and take on-leash dogs to the trails will increase risks to dog-owners and other motorists having accidents by parking on the road side.
2343	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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.

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2455	I do not support the proposed change,I don't know,I do not support the proposed change	Lambing season is sensible. The rest of this is complex and unwieldy and penalises locals - I can't understand why you would prohibit dogs on leashes like this. Parks are for whole families - and families include pets.
2544	I do not support the proposed change,Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below)	Dogs should be allowed in regional parks and other areas when on a lead. Prohibited during lambing season.
4879	I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	Personal safety
5023	I do not support the proposed change,I support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	I think the information is the clear as it is. The only one that makes the most sense is Mahurangi East. The information about lambing season is good to add as well.
6077	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Again, the description is too vague and confusing if you are not conversant with the locality. KISS
UNDECLARED LOCAL BOARD		
903	Other (please explain below),Other (please explain below),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.

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1875	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dear council I am writing to urge you not to ban dogs from our beloved regional parks, beaches, and public spaces. As a vibrant part of our community, these natural areas should be open to everyone, including responsible dog owners, who are an integral part of our society. Why Dogs in Parks Matter: 1. Health and Well-being: Dogs are not only wonderful companions, but studies have shown that walking with dogs encourages more physical activity, which can help combat the rising rates of sedentary lifestyles and chronic diseases. These outings promote better mental health, lower stress levels, and a deeper connection to nature—benefits that extend to the whole family. 2. Economic Impact: Dogs help generate revenue for our parks. Local businesses benefit from dog owners spending on pet-related products, pet services, and park fees. Tourism also sees a positive impact as people often choose destinations where they can bring their dogs, boosting the local economy and increasing the sense of community. 3. Social Responsibility: Responsible dog ownership is a core part of being a good community member. Many dog owners are highly committed to respecting public spaces—cleaning up after their pets, keeping dogs on leashes when required, and ensuring their pets do not disrupt others. Banning dogs punishes those who are mindful and courteous, while the real challenge lies in enforcing responsible behaviour. Ensure you are fining and implementing consequences for those who
1914	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I support the proposed change	I don't support the reduction of dog access
2183	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	We share this land - with all living things. We cannot prohibit access because it might cause issue with a few biased individuals. This doesn't solve an issue it creates disconnect and segregation between demographics. Focus on educating dog owners as well as non- dog owners and simplifying regulations. If people get used to dogs everywhere, the less of an issue it will become. Dogs bring joy to peoples' lives. Stop trying to take away their rights to play. That's all they ask...we have people that treat them horrifically, people who hit them, beat them and try to kill them and yet they stay loyal to their owners and only ever ask for love and a good walk in return. Just let them be part of the community.

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2584	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	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.
2684	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	As per my note about Long Bay
4243	I do not support the proposed change	What is obviously missing is reason for proposed change and why an annual event to change rules (apart from job creation). Why can't dogs walk the cudlip loop track, ***** elsewhere to walk unless petrol costs etc. to increase tax revenue, false when reducing exercise and health costs . In the civilised western world humans and dogs can walk anywhere as long as on lead (dogs on lead, have to be explicit given the audience intelligence) when crossing a field of sheep lambing or not. Give rationale argument for change, and why such restrictions anyway? Before form filling give reasoned argument for change and why forms in first instance since no argument for change given. As globally known, 100% pure NZ , yes should be upset but correct as you continue to prove. It's strange, we have beautiful countryside, allowed to look, not use as in the western world. Heard of comparisons to Sweden, nonsense, right to roam impossible in NZ
4329	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	You are making life hard for dog owners n taking away too many areas. And too many rules....we the public will oust you all out, look at how many households have dogs these days!
4489	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	I'm sick of the constant and endless restrictions on where you can walk your dog. Surely AC have bigger priorities.
4818	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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?

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5103	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,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,I do not support the proposed change,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 leesh, 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,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	It's not fair. Why should dog owners and good dogs be punished for irresponsible people and dogs, let alone the useless parents who don't train there kids how to act around dogs.
6178	I don't know,I don't know,I don't know	No opinion on these changes.
OUTSIDE AUCKLAND		
4517	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Ridiculous, unfair and unnecessary. As the rest of the world gets more dog friendly why would we become so ridiculously unfair to our dogs?!
5410	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	There is not compelling evidence to change current rules and it is unduly restrictive to dogs and their owners enjoyment of their local communities.

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5426	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	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. 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. 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). 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. 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!
6428	I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change,I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed on leash access to all places at least. Why is on leash a problem. There are so many people with dogs snd dogs need exercising. Limiting areas causes more problems to well being of both humans snd dogs.