
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		
240	I support the proposed change	I do not believe dogs should be off leash at any time in Long Bay Regional Park.
636	I support the proposed change	For the reasons I have given regarding the previous park.
788	I support the proposed change	I have seen a number of dogs act unsafely and off-leash during the summer season mentioned above.
863	I support the proposed change	Numerous times during peak public use I have seen dogs off leash run up in other people's spaces and areas near children and create potentially dangerous situations during peak usage hours. It is a safety improvement to remove dogs during peak hours.
960	I do not 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.
1190	I do not support the proposed change	Summer restrictions should remain all year around
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.
1472	I do not support the proposed change	Because it's ridiculous that they are entirely prohibited during the day.
1530	I do not support the proposed change	It's not clear if during summer time during Daytime (10am to 5pm) dogs are allowed on a leash.
2443	I support the proposed change	Across Auckland we desperately need more options for places to enjoy time out with our family and dog
2528	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed on the beach on a leash during summer daytime hours
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	Out of summer season should have the same restrictions as summer.
2871	I do not support the proposed change	A huge amount of families own a dog, and this would have to be one of Aucklands most iconic family picnic spots. What is being proposed excludes families that wish to be responsible and take their dog on an enjoyable family day out. No dog should be left more than 3 hours by itself.
2990	I do not support the proposed change	For reasons already provided
3062	I do not support the proposed change	what about family with dogs that want to spend the day with friends and family- limiting this hours mean they cant bring their dog and the dog stay at home alone all day long? The main point is dog under control leash or off leash
3218	I do not support the proposed change	on leash walks should be allowed when ever. dog on leash should be under control
3348	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be able to be walked under control and onleash at Long Bay, DURING the Daylight hours time frame

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4258	I do not support the proposed change	Long Bay is enormous and primarily empty during the day - with the exception of summer school holidays and summer weekends. Rather than punish all dog walkers who are making the most of this incredible empty space, I would recommend prohibiting dogs during weekends and summer school holidays only (eg end of January). This will be such an amazing space go to waste if dogs aren't allowed during the day when no-one else is there.
4324	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be prohibited from all regional parks.
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 do not support the proposed change	I don't understand why dogs are prohibited from being at the beach on a lead during the day. This makes no sense.
4600	I do not support the proposed change	I think that current rules are fine and should not. Change
4611	I do not support the proposed change	no valid logic for prohibition
4708	I do not support the proposed change	I'm struggling more and more to find beaches that I can go to and enjoy with my onleash dog. What issues could an on-leash dog ever pose?
4721	I do not support the proposed change	I do not support prohibition of dogs in summertime of beach. It is great that families with dogs are not completely locked out of every single beach on summer months. My dog swim with leash on with our family and we all keep him under control I do support dogs being on leash and council or ranger monitoring this! I think council should do more about monitoring parks people and their dogs
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	Should be on leash at all times during the summer months
5493	I do not support the proposed change	The proposal is unnecessarily restrictive to not allow dogs at all during the day.
5502	I do not support the proposed change	Extremely disappointing to see further restrictions to dogs in this park, which was already very limited. I do not agree that they should be removed from "busy people areas" as this is bad for dog and human socialisation.

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6401	I do not support the proposed change	This is a public place. You cannot stop the public from enjoying the land.
6538	I don't know	Once again, dogs on a leash shouldn't be an issue
DEVONPORT-TAKAPUNA LOCAL BOARD		
17	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs on lead are unlikely to cause disturbance to other beach users or disrupt wildlife - the presence of humans is just as disruptive (if not more so with kids chasing birds and accidentally destroying nests). Children are often unsupervised, whereas dogs on lead should not cause issues.
181	I support the proposed change	Support prohibition of dogs between 10-5 on beach during summer time and other outlined prohibitions. Also recommend some on-leash hours during Out of Summer Season. Beach area is still well-used during this time.
331	I do not support the proposed change	Under control on leash rules should remain as they are. We do not have enough areas accessible to dogs as it is
554	Other (please explain below)	I like hiking and going to beaches, but I saw many people who do not follow the rules
777	I support the proposed change	I would also like to see dogs on leash during day time in off season. This beach is popular with families and we have had dogs weeing on sandcastles the children were building. The owners seemed to think it was ok but I did not.
985	I support the proposed change	I understand why now dogs are not permitted during summer at peak times.
1396	I do not support the proposed change	As long as dogs are under control on lead there is no reason to keep them off the beach during the day
1452	I do not support the proposed change	No need to change.
1620	I support the proposed change	its a huge park and one where you can spend the day safely with your pet controlled, if we are looking to make this rule, maybe you need to say, no samoan or tonga busloads of visitors are to come in or no more than 10 people may picnic together, if you dog is under control and well behaved and on lease when appropriate, leave it has it is! Stop trying to police us
1687	I do not support the proposed change	This just further limitates spaces that dog owners can exercise their dog. There are already limited places in Auckland particularly beaches that are appropriate for walking dogs. In summer it is incredibly difficult to find places to bring your dog and not allowing them to go to the beach during the hottest season and time of day seems unfair as this is the time ideally dogs would be able to access the beach and swim/cool down. It is also the time of day where most adults should be working so it doesn't make sense to not allow dogs during these hours but allow them when most finish work and would be free to use the beach at 5
1807	I do not support the proposed change	On leash 10-5 should be allowed . It causes no issues

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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.
1985	I support the proposed change	Allows dog owners to enjoy the park but also accounts for other users who wish to enjoy it without dogs present
2322	Other (please explain below)	Dogs prior to 10 and after 5 should only be allowed on leash's and at no time should be allowed off leash. There are a huge number of people who have their dogs of leash and don't appear to be in control. This is more often seen with big dogs. As this is a busy area in summer children/ elderly/ pregnant women amongst others should be free to use the park without the intimidation and interference of dogs. Eg Many are having picnics and off leash dogs come sniffing around or small children should be free to play without the worry of dogs approaching / attacking them. If the owner wishes to walk their dog off leash during summer there are plenty of other areas
2419	I do not support the proposed change	Restrictions on dog-friendly places are not wanted. the existing rules should continue.
3149	I support the proposed change	To protect people and wildlife.
3688	I do not support the proposed change	AND
3762	I do not support the proposed change	Allow dogs on leash during the day. That is not fair to prohibit them. People live near these places to be able to use them. People with dogs should not be discriminated against.
3800	I do not support the proposed change	I support the current rules at Long Bay, where dogs are allowed on the beach in the summer during 10am - 5pm, as long as they are under control on a leash. This is a very valuable area to have to walk our dogs on the beach in summer, and it would be a shame to lose it. They won't be bothering swimmers or other beach goers as long as they are on leash, so I don't see a reason to prohibit them.
4375	Other (please explain below)	I support this in principle, but I would make it 6pm as families still enjoying area at this time. I would also make the rule on leash at all times
4556	I support the proposed change	Because people don't follow the rules and have out of control, off leash dogs all the time. This needs to be policed and rules tightened.
4773	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should only be allowed on the beach under control on a leash. This will allow dog owners to enjoy the beach with their dog without causing a nuisance to other members of the public who may not want a dog running up to them, or annoying other dogs on the beach
4790	I support the proposed change	More pleasant for people to enjoy without ***** dogs running around, barking and pooping

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4885	I do not support the proposed change	The area where dogs can walk on leash during the day is only a small part of the park. There is plenty of space which is dog free for the rest of the community.
5009	I do not support the proposed change	It's a massive beach and a dog on a leash is not going to upset anyone. Majority of nz households have pets so we should have more places to walk them not less
5151	I do not support the proposed change	Long Bay Regional Park is an amazing place to enjoy with families and friends. For a lot of us, our dogs are part of our families and friends. This makes this regional park exclusive only for some people.
5346	I support the proposed change	I'd love to be able to enjoy the beach without dogs. I stay away because of the dogs. It would be nice to bring back some rights for people that don't want to be around dogs.
5732	I do not support the proposed change	Why need to prohibit? Just fine if found off leash.
6557	I support the proposed change	Strongly agree with the proposed change. With increased use of the park there are increasingly number of dog owners who do not comply with the current policy rules. A stronger policy and better presence by the dog control team will ensure a better parks experience for all.
6720	I do not support the proposed change	Long bay beach is well known for being a dog friendly beach. It seems misguided to "Prohibit" dogs on leash from the beach during the Daytime (10am to 5pm). As Auckland increases it's housing density, it's now more crucial than ever to have inclusive green spaces for families and their pets.
FRANKLIN LOCAL BOARD		
305	I support the proposed change	Long Bay beach is very busy during summer time with young children and I agree that the beach should be dog free during the day during peak time
350	I do not support the proposed change	Again you are restricting owners!
655	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs under control on lead should be allowed at any time.
1065	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be permitted during the day on the beach on leash still.
1766	I do not support the proposed change	There is almost no other beach area to exercise dogs during summer between 10am and 5 pm on the North Shore. Kennedy Park has no access since storms destroyed access from the staircase down the cliff, and St Leonards is inaccessible for exercising dogs when the tide is in. All other beaches restrict access
2242	I do not support the proposed change	Banning for the sake of banning. Do not support
2739	I do not support the proposed change	Why are dogs being prohibited completely during the daytime. What are the issues that are leading to this? I see no problem if they are on a leash during this time. Its very frustrating being a dog owner and losing all these great places to walk the dogs. I do not agree at all. Dogs should be allowed on the beach all year round.
3906	I do not support the proposed change	Means we can't take a well train dog with us to the park.

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3923	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs are being squeezed out of more and more spaces. Surely council can appreciate that dog owners make up a high percentage of the population...and unlike other sectors of the community actually contribute financially. In a city where sections are getting smaller (council collects more rates) pet owners are needing more space, not less to exercise their pets. Long Bay is one of those spaces. Leave the dogs alone!
4560	I support the proposed change	there are always dogs off the lead at prohibited times
5038	Other (please explain below)	Agree with the prohibited part, but all other times the dog on the beach should be on leash! Too many occurrences with dogs running after people and defecate not being picked up
5661	I do not support the proposed change	Responsible dog owners should be able to walk their dogs here. Stop limiting the good owners and restricting them. It is not fair on them or the dogs.
5906	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs love the beach, and dogs get a lot of enrichment from going to the beach. Their owners too. This rule punishes nice retired elderly people, who are lonely as they just lost their spouse, so they get a nice little dog to share their life with and to take for daily walks along the beach. What did this nice old person do to you? Stop punishing responsible dog owners and actually go pick up the trash in South Auckland. BAN GUARD DOGS. BAN PIT BULL CROSSES AND ACTUALLY ENFORCE THE BAN.
6088	I do not support the proposed change	There are already very limited places we can take our dog; the waterbodies provide enrichment and stimulation and access to grassed areas, at least on a leash allows owners to have a day trip, including lunch. Changing prohibited to on-leash would be a better approach.
6430	I do not support the proposed change	Not necessary
6434	I do not support the proposed change	Training of dog owners and their dogs is lacking and reducing. Reducing restriction and opening up dogs off leash is not the way to go. Dogs should be off leash in dog parks not on beaches with people and their families.
HENDERSON-MASSEY LOCAL BOARD		
251	I support the proposed change	Brings in line with other beaches
275	I do not support the proposed change	Not fair
423	I support the proposed change	Too hot for dogs in the day. Safer for kids
823	I do not support the proposed change	Excessive to ban onleash dogs
950	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs are not safe at home in summer for long hours. This will reduce attraction to people coming to the beach.
998	I do not support the proposed change	I support clarifying current access rules, but not imposing more rules

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1203	I do not support the proposed change	It is no problem to anyone just they 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 ate already to much! Can hardly take my dog anywhere anymore and tpu want to make it worse!
1412	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.
1666	I do not support the proposed change	Just No, again where is there left for me to take my dog? If your dog is on a lead and is sociable, I cant see why they should not happily share paths and beaches with other users? Why shouldn't your fury family member be able to spend the day at the beach with the rest of the family enjoying nature and socialising safely with others - some data on what is casing these proposed changes would be useful
2258	I do not support the proposed change	On leash dogs should be allowed.
2375	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. I also think prohibiting access to beaches till 5pm is too much. It should be 3pm or 4pm.
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.
2556	Other (please explain below)	I'm not familiar with the landmarks there but I support the current rules PLUS the proposed prohibiting time of 10 to 5 during summer.
2920	I do not support the proposed change	All dogs ON LEASH at all times regardless of hours of the day. Dedicated fenced areas set up for dogs where they can be off the leash only. No longer public free access to dogs given the owner's lack of discipline and their dogs.
3636	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be on leash and under control at all times in this very popular area
3731	I do not support the proposed change	There are many areas in the Long Bay Regional Park and surrounding it that people can access over the summer period. It would be good to have an area where during the day people can travel to and have their dogs at a relatively safe beach
3790	I do not support the proposed change	You are limiting places to walk, despite charging a huge licencing fee, for no logical reason. This is over complicated and people will accidentally break the rules incurring a fee .

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3829	I do not support the proposed change	Another example of areas where dogs are allowed becoming smaller and smaller. If dogs are under control and on leash, I don't see an issue. People want to bring their dog with them to the park.
4968	I do not support the proposed change	A dog on a leash is a dog that should be under control and should be allowed at the beach.
5419	I do not support the proposed change	Again, restricting access to the beach during the daytime isn't fair. If you go down the mount, their beaches are packed and lots of dogs hanging with their owners, swimming, in the middle of the day. I would like to see more beaches giving full day access except those like Mission Bay which are just a throng of people.
6317	Other (please explain below)	Dogs are proven to provide healthy companionship to family members. They should be allowed to accompany their owners and families to the beach to enjoy family time together.
6540	I do not support the proposed change	I would like to be able to walk my dog controlled on leash between the hours of 10am-5pm
HIBISCUS AND BAYS LOCAL BOARD		
3	I support the proposed change	To be in line with other beaches in the Auckland area. Notices about the bylaws need to be a lot simpler than the examples you have given.
9	I do not support the proposed change	No dogs should be allowed off leash in public areas due to the risks the animals have. Animal behaviour is completely unpredictable and the behaviour of an animal in all situations, no matter how well trained can be predicted or completely controlled.
89	I support the proposed change	I support this change. It allows for a period of time when people can use the beach in confidence, knowing there will be no dogs. Many people (particularly young children) fear dogs, and when dogs are allowed on a beach, even when supposed to be on-leash, there are inevitably people who will break the rules and allow their dogs to be off-leash. The rule allows for greater clarity, making it easier to abide by and enforce. The rule also allows for plenty of time for dogs to enjoy the beach too.
105	I do not support the proposed change	Long Bay beach is one of the only recreation spots in the area providing a large space to exercise dogs. Being able to take our dog for a walk during the day (as long as the sand isn't too hot!) along the beach on a leash is extremely valuable. As a shift working household, it's often not possible to get down to the beach during 'off peak' hours in summer, so a stroll on a leash during the day is important. I believe this policy change makes the Bays even less dog friendly than it already is.
125	I do not support the proposed change	Long Bay beach is one of very few beaches that dogs can access during the day in summer, it would be very sad to lose this. The dog owners are pretty good at always being on leash at this time. Unless the Kennedy Park stairs are going to be fixed there are no other summer beach day options for dogs in the Bays.
184	I support the proposed change	This allows for plenty of time in the morning and evening if you have a dog. And allows for general public to enjoy the prohibited hours. Often tides can be high and young children are playing in the sand etc even though dogs are on leashes they can still lurch at kids. The constant leaving of faeces on the sand is also not ideal.

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214	I do not support the proposed change	The current rules work well for all. There is no explanation as to why you feel the need to reduce access and reduces times allowed on the beach. The council has approved more residential building without consideration of who needs and would benefit from continuing with the access as it is. Walking dogs, getting out in the fresh air with their pet is hugely beneficial to their owners health. Dog owners are being treated as second class citizens instead of responsible tax payers and rate payers.
219	I support the proposed change	I support the proposals because not all dog owners controlled dogs between 10 and 5 in summer.having a blanket ban makes it clearer.
272	I do not support the proposed change	I think it's fine to have dogs on leash in summer daytime hours. I see a lot of people
435	I do not support the proposed change	We have a nervous (of other dogs but great with people) dog that we take to long bay on leash only during the 10 to 5 summer rule as there are so few dogs there at that time. If you remove this, we will not be able to take the dog to the beach at all. This is similar for other owners who use long bay beach for dogs who are unable to tolerate beaches with dogs off leash. Please do not reform this.
449	I do not support the proposed change	On leash dogs 10-5 is best as it is a quieter time of beach use as most people work or are at school, thus there would be less dog related issues than prohibiting at this time and increasing the number of dogs after 5pm
451	I do not support the proposed change	There are so few beaches where you can take your dogs in the summer hours, even though it's on leash, its nice to have this. Dogs being on leash means they should not be a problem for people who don't like dogs.
458	I support the proposed change	Too many incidents with dogs not controlled by their owners. My own 3 year old son even got attacked by a dog running at my son with speed which resulted in my son falling to the ground.
479	I do not support the proposed change	too many regulations and rules - there is room for everyone to enjoy the park
485	I do not support the proposed change	never witnessed a problem with dogs off leash in that area. dogs need to run free and socialise, impossible for them to play on-leash
518	I do not support the proposed change	Responsible dog owners deserve to have access to the beaches also. Keep it the same, dogs on leashes do not disturb other people. It's people who break the rules that are the issue. Which means the responsible dog owners would now be banned but the disruptive law breakers will still be out there doing whatever they want... Don't punish those who follow the rules.
533	I do not support the proposed change	Absolutely senseless change. It benefits nobody. I demand an explanation as to what harm a regular dog can do at any other time of day than the limited dog walking hours. Also we have been dying for a change where under control dogs on a leash can be allowed through the rest of the park again not causing any harm whatsoever because they are both under control and on a leash, and uet this has not been proposed

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543	I support the proposed change	Non major impact, just clarifies rules about what is allowed with small change to leash vs prohibited. Would like to see more enforcement as currently theres a lot of rule breakers
566	I support the proposed change	To limit all the various harms badly behaved dogs cause
579	I support the proposed change	This is the main time families visit. They should not have to worry about unpredictable and out of control dogs. I have had to remove bags from the beach when swimming to avoid dogs peeing on them when unattended, have had dogs sniffing around food and digging nearby and generally being a nuisance.
606	I do not support the proposed change	The first small parking area inside the park, that currently allows dogs, needs to be maintained as there is not enough parking spaces on Beach Road for everyone over Summer who walks their dogs. The new rules are very ambiguous and not clear. There should also be access to a toilet block track so that dog owners who need to go to the toilet when walking their dog can do so. Otherwise the dog is left in the car.
607	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.
609	I support the proposed change	Signage will say no dogs but people still bring them. Hopefully this will be good way of keeping rules clear.
646	I support the proposed change	There are so many dogs in this beach. Often more than humans & often far from their owners, beyond their owners control. I have seen them all over the dunes & behaving aggressively often. There are just far too many.
676	Other (please explain below)	I do not support removing on leash access during summer hours but I am in support of the others changes around accessing the beach
680	Other (please explain below)	I support proposed change but when dangerous dogs are off leash they must have a muzzle on and all dogs have a licence especially dangerous dogs
690	I do not support the proposed change	More dog access should be granted at this park. Especially access to the cliff walkway should be granted
734	I do not support the proposed change	I would like to take my dog on the beach on leash during the day
745	I support the proposed change	Some people are scared of dogs so it means they can enjoy the beach during the day.
771	I do not support the proposed change	Long Bay has great walking areas. Dogs on lead should be allowed through the park on the roadway only and along the walkways to Glenvar Ridge Road before 10am and after 5pm. I do not agree that unleashed dogs should be on this grass in this area. There needs to be some form of control over dogs knowingly brought into the restricted areas. I have seen pitbull type dogs on the grass, unleashed.

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785	I do not support the proposed change	I do not support prohibiting dogs on lead on beach during the day, and on leash dog is a safe and happy dog, this is the only on leash beach on the north shore during the day and provides the perfect place to fulfil your dog. On lead dogs are not a bother during the day and allow families to include the 4 legged friend on days out instead of ALWAYS being discluded because of unfair rules. Let our dogs be apart of our families and teach people how to control their dogs better.
814	I support the proposed change	In summer I believe it is too hot to walk the dogs between 10am and 5pm anyway
859	I do not support the proposed change	All dog owners should get allowed to access a beach with leash on after 10am and before 5pm. It is not difficult to manage and during these hours should be managed based on weather. If it a wet day and no one is on the beach, why can't the dog owner let their dog off to enjoy? I also don't understand the logic of not allowing onleash dogs to walk in the regional park. The only stipulation is that if the dog owners do not pick up the dog poo at anytime or anywhere in the park, should have the fines increased dramatically to deter them from leaving it., and veing strickly on leash only in the park shuld be easy to manage this. Any responsible dog owners follows regulations and it seems rules are made to deter the minority again.
864	I do not support the proposed change	Makes no sense, dogs go to the beach during the day with their owners during summer for a day at the beach. They on a lead and under control. Taking the day time access away removes opportunities for families and pets to go out together
1002	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs to be on leash during Daytime hours. We enjoy taking our trained dog with us to the beach on leash. We ensure that she does not bother or harass beach goers.
1006	Other (please explain below)	I would like to allow dogs on a leash in the first parking area just past bridge as often the car park before the bridge is full. People do this already. I don't see why it is a problem if dogs are on a lead whilst in this area
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?
1034	I do not support the proposed change	Limiting green spaces available for dog walking
1106	I do not support the proposed change	I should be able to take my dog with my friends and family to the beach during the day for a swim if it's under control and on a short leash
1111	I support the proposed change	I would like to note that dogs are frequently in the out of bounds area's. Long bay is such a special place being both a regional park and a marine reserve and I personally feel the whole area should be dog free. Mount Manganui's Main beach is a great example of what a dog free beach is like with dotiral birds happily nesting on the beach and Oscar the seal safely residing in the local walk around the Mount for all to see. Browns bay beach is a 5 minute drive away and would suit dog walkers much better as it is both neither a regional park or marine reserve

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1150	I do not support the proposed change	No dog on beach at anytime unless council will be there to enforce.
1152	Other (please explain below)	I would like to see dogs banned from the entire Long Bay Regional Park at all times. There is confusion currently over which areas can be accessed which results in dogs being in other areas of the park and beyond the Vaughans stream. This is damaging to the wildlife in the park. Being so close to the island sanctuaries there is a good chance rare birds could use the Long Bay park if dogs were not an issue.
1160	I support the proposed change	We've had incidents of dogs chasing our kids during the summer months when swimming.
1246	I do not support the proposed change	There are already limited beaches to take dogs for proper recreation and exercise on the North Shore. For the most part owners on this beach are responsible, it is the everyday people using this beach who are ruining it with not taking their rubbish with them and playing loud music.etc, not the dogs and dog owners.
1257	I do not support the proposed change	There are such limiting times and beaches as it is to walk our dog. During the day is much better as there are less people and dogs at that time due to people being at work/school. Why not bring the date forward to 1st Feb, as children are back at school by then. It's impossible to pick a quiet time when the hours are limited, so then "every man and his dog" comes to the beach at the same time. It's too restricting.
1272	I support the proposed change	It's to hot for dogs to be walking at that time anyway plus it allows people to enjoy the beach during summer without worrying about dogs running up to them and interfering
1292	I do not support the proposed change	The rules as they are are OK
1317	I do not support the proposed change	As a regular user of Long Bay Beach with a small dog, I don't see any issue with the current proposal to be able to walk him on leash at any time of the day. The tide doesn't always allow for the morning or afternoon as I like to walk him at low tide so that the sand isn't too soft for me.
1327	I do not support the proposed change	Happy to have them on leash but need to be able to walk them during the day
1329	I do not support the proposed change	I thinks dogs should be allowed on Long Bay Beach any time, any day. I'm not happy with the council proposals further restricting good dog owners. I pay my dog registration fees and am a responsible dog owner and ratepayer, and feel I am not served well at all by the council dog rules. There is a lack of off leash areas for dogs in my area. The council should focus on problem dog owners, not the majority of good owners. We need a permanent off leash area in Long Bay, we have been asking council for this for years now and nothing ever happens. The council treats good dog owners as a cash cow and provides nothing in my area. Car access to Long Bay Beach via the North entrance on Glenvar Ridge Rd should also be allowed. The fact you can't drive through the park with a dog in the car is dumb.
1345	Other (please explain below)	We need monitoring of these rules as people are breaking them anyway.

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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.
1367	I do not support the proposed change	As dog owners, nothing gives me more comfort than having a swim with my boys in the ocean when we are really hot. Long Bay was one of the few places we could go to early afternoon for a quick swim. Now you want to remove that.
1374	I do not support the proposed change	Controlled dogs on-leash are better behaved than some human users of the regional park who do not follow the rules by littering and unruly behaviour
1375	I do not support the proposed change	I think that from 10am-5pm, if dogs are on leash, they do not need to be prohibited. Let them have a place to walk
1438	I do not support the proposed change	Long Bay is one of the only beaches you can take your dog during the day in summer. I am a local here and have never seen any problems with the current rules, almost all dog owners follow the rules and it is lovely to be able to walk our dog here during the day, not just night and morning
1460	I do not support the proposed change	behaved dogs should be allowed on the beach during peak hours, especially if they are properly trained, leashed, and pose no risk to others.
1464	I support the proposed change	very young children use the beach and grassy areas - irresponsible dog owners also leave droppings where children play. Off leash dogs can make people (especially parents with children and the elderly) feel anxious about making use of these areas.
1465	I do not support the proposed change	I'm not sure why you are proposing to change this, there are a lot of dog owners in this area and it currently works well as it is. It is not always possible to walk my dog before 10am or after 5pm and it's so good to be able to still take my dog to the beach even if it's on a lead. There are so many times when I walk my dog between 10am - 5pm during summer that there are hardly any people around and it's very unfair that you are proposing that I can't walk my dog during those hours, I assume, because some people don't like there being dogs at the beach while they are sunbathing etc. Please don't change it.
1478	I do not support the proposed change	I think it should stay the same with dogs being allowed on the beach under control of a leash. I think the current rules work and allow beach goers to still enjoy the beach.
1480	I support the proposed change	During summer the beach is packed with people. It is not nice being in the water and watching someone's dog wee on your stuff on the beach, or having a dog come up and wee on your baby's pushchair while you are walking along.. Dogs don't need to be added into the craziness that happens at Long Bay during peak summer time. Often the sand is too hot for dogs to be walking on it anyway...paved areas certainly are too hot so it dangerous for dogs too.
1503	Other (please explain below)	I think dogs should not be allowed at the beach at all. Convert one of the parks to a dog park. That will be better than off leash dogs and especially those whose owners never pick up ***** at the beach. It's unsafe & unhygienic. And dog owners seem to know there are limited resources to ensure they pick up after their dogs.
1518	I support the proposed change	Dogs are out of control. Menace to children. Waste not collected.
1537	I do not support the proposed change	Why can't we still access the beach during the day, on leash?

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1546	Other (please explain below)	I feel that during school hours dogs could stay on the beaches to 11, but I feel 6pm is a better time to reintroduce them to beaches, as there are still a lot of families about at that time, especially after school, often eating. I think it may be time to consider a different layout all together, weekends are now very different at beaches then years ago, for example there are not many people at Long Bay or other reserve during the weekdays but crowds during weekends, school terms intertwined. It would be great to get pedestrian dog access from Long Bay Village to Long Bay Beach. Is there a way to separate big dogs from small breeds, or is this in the too hard basket. (Like a height line on entry). NZ has one of the highest number of dog ownership per head of capita in the world, dogs are vital to peoples lives. Smaller homes in particular in Auckland means more smaller dogs, that a lot of people are afraid to take out due to large breeds roaming off leash and their owners not keeping them under control. Consider having off lead dog parks for larger breeds, but not combined. I have only come across this in NZ, the divide in type of dog ownership.
1592	I do not support the proposed change	This is one of the last remaining local north shore beaches that allows dogs on the beach during summer. Making this change prevents families from including their dogs in their summer activities. Increase fines for those that break the existing rules and increase regulating presence. We visit Long Bay throughout the year and would be greatly disappointed especially as responsible dog owners.
1615	I do not support the proposed change	Not all dogs like to run freely with other dogs off leash, my dog has been injured by other dogs off leash. I prefer to walk her on the leash while others do the same, there are no other beaches in the bays that she can walk on during the day comfortably without being harassed
1618	I support the proposed change	I have seen owners walking dogs off leash during on leash only times during summer when there are a lot of children and people around, banning them altogether would make it easier to police.
1621	I do not support the proposed change	As long as they are on leash I think it's nice area for families to be able to take dogs year round
1634	I support the proposed change	Not everyone wants dogs around.
1702	I do not support the proposed change	We have a dog that likes to swim and needs exercise and due to work and school we cannot always make it to the beach very early. We cannot use any of our local beaches after 10am. Long Bay is the only one we can use without driving too far. Walking the streets is rarely an option, the pavements are busy and too hot in summer during the day. We have never once broken a dog bylaw in 5 years, our dog is on a leash unless swimming regardless of the time of day and we even clean the beach as we walk but with the proposed new rules we will have nowhere to walk our dog before evening. It seems unfair that all access to beaches are removed for dog walkers in summer, non dog owners can go to any beach any time of the day so why can't dog owners have 1 beach to use.

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1704	I support the proposed change	It's too hot for dogs during the day in the Summer months anyway and they can't access the water whilst on the lead, which is cruel.
1756	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed to be walked on lead at any time of the day.
1786	I support the proposed change	There are a lot of families with young children who use the beach in the summer and it would be very good for them to have dog free hours at the beach.
1791	I do not support the proposed change	I live near by and use the beach all the time for my dog. They are already on a leash, if you're going to start changing rules maybe first focus on: people with stupid big speakers playing obnoxiously loud music, people with speak attached to the OUTSIDE of their car!! people leaving litter all over the place, people parking on the grass, people blocking off parts of the grass/ beach like they own it, people drinking and smoking. Once you've resolved all those much bigger problems, revisit well behaved dogs already on a leash!!
1792	I do not support the proposed change	I have lived near Long Bay Beach for over 25 years and have never had a problem seeing dogs being walked in the summer on the beach. Often the beach in bad weather can be empty and only people walking their dogs on the beach. Dog walkers are generally considerate of beachgoers.
1804	I do not support the proposed change	Long Bay is the only beach in the area where dogs can be exercised during the day in summer while on leash. We spend a lot of time here in summer and have never had any issues with dogs being there during the day
1832	I do not support the proposed change	I think it needs to be clear which is the "south" end. Many people seem to be confused by the current rules and think that the beach is out of bounds to dogs (see the community Facebook pages). I think that dogs should be allowed on all areas in no.2 on a short lead. The only reason I think dogs should not be allowed on the beach between 10am and 5pm is because of the heat. If it's a rainy/cloudy/windy/cool day and the beach is empty during those times we should be able to walk our dogs.
1834	I do not support the proposed change	Secluded area for beach goers without dogs at all times where children can play freely without dogs.
1843	I support the proposed change	Dogs should not be allowed on the beach during peak time at any beach as there are many people and children during those times.
1876	I support the proposed change	I believe dogs presence in regional park shud be strictly regulated. Many posts on community pages / examples where ppl arent following guidelines n its becoming a nuisance due to waste mgmt challenges, rowdy owner behaviour, untrained and dangerous dog behaviour, impact on local nature, birds, fauna etc - please please DO Ensure adherence multiple times now also i have seen owners just conveniently by passing rules.
1990	I do not support the proposed change	It is extremely unfair and divides our local community by not allowing access to the beach from the dot access on Gender Ridge are. Surely a fenced pathway and leashed dogs could be allowed to beach and also use the park. There is no shelter on the beach.
1991	Other (please explain below)	My concern is access to Long Bay Beach for the newer end of Long Bay. We have to go by car to Beach Road, rather than walk to the beach from Luff Place. Surely there could be a prescribed route to the beach with rules about the dogs being on leads and not leaving the path?

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2003	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should not be prohibited from the beach during day time hours. On the leash during daytime hours poses no risk.
2004	I do not support the proposed change	Long Bay beach is probably the only one beach where it is allowed to walk a dog between 10am and 5pm during summer time. Please leave this rule as is. I support clarifications regarding the access rules to the beach. However, during summer time car parks near south entrance are quite often overcrowded. Allowing on-leash access via the track near Glenvar Ridge Access Road could significantly ease the tension on carparks and make access more convenient for dog owners living in Long Bay suburb. Currently they have to drive to the same car parks as residents from neighbouring suburbs.
2005	I do not support the proposed change	I believe that the on leash current rules allow for everyone to share the beach. If dogs are off leash then fines can be applied. As for north of Vaughan stream, I'd like to know the reason for this as the border instead of the end of the cliff area BEFORE Granny Bay. This area would be away for most people sitting on the beach. Many years ago there were birds nesting on the rocks but since the cliffs started eroding, the birds are now nesting way up high and no where near where dogs would walk. The stream moves a lot so this current rule could chop off a good chunk of the current beach. The rocks at the end are fixed and I've never seen dogs walking over these rocks to the next beach.
2007	I do not support the proposed change	We, like many others, specifically purchased a house at a premium, to take advantage of easy access to a dog friendly beach. Considering the huge, ever increasing rates we pay and the lack of dedicated dog parks on the area, we vehemently oppose this rule change. Dogs on leash during the day over summer doesn't cause issues and people are very respectful of this. I also feel for shift workers who may only be able to take their dog out at this time. Given the amount of disrespect visitors show to our local beaches and parks over summer(rubbish strewn everywhere, loud music, illegal parking, illegal campsites set up), I would think some local dogs on a leash would be the least of your concerns.
2022	I support the proposed change	Dog should be allowed everywhere humans can go as long as they are under control and mess is picked up, At anytime, anytime of year
2026	I do not support the proposed change	I believe that dogs should still be allowed to be walked on lead at any time that if they are under control
2031	I do not support the proposed change	I cant see what problem a unleash dog during the day will cause. Not everyone will be able to make the after 5 before 10 times, but the dogs still need the "outside time"
2033	I do not support the proposed change	There are limited parks and beaches on the north shore that allow you to walk your dog. I understand and support the desire to have dogs on leash on the beach however completely banning them from the beach during any time is unreasonable.
2041	I support the proposed change	Thousands of people on the beach during summer, dogs freak out. Or get left on the hot sand while the family swim.

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2062	I do not support the proposed change	I would like to have more context around why dogs have gone from 'under control on leash' from 10-5pm to 'prohibited' during the summer season. I don't think this is reasonable, especially considering the holiday time is only over December and January. Perhaps there could be a sign made for over the holiday season (Christmas - second week of January) and public holidays during summer if the issue that with the beach being so crowded it becomes unsafe to have dogs on the beach?
2064	I do not support the proposed change	The current rule at Long Bay beach is the dogs during daytime (10am to 5pm) can be on the beach when Under control on-leash. There is no reason to change that.
2079	I don't know	not sure exactly where Vaughans stree is (you perhaps need to put a small map with the submissions
2084	I do not support the proposed change	Because alot of people want to walk their dogs between 10am - 5pm - and they should be able to! Already they are banned from the park - leave them alone! They can be walked on lead between 10am - 5pm and people can also enjoy themselves on the beach!
2140	I don't know	Families have dogs, dogs are part of the family. So long as the dog is under control and not interfering with anyone else's quiet enjoyment of the park they should be welcome. there should be considerable fines for any dog owner who is not being responsible, they're the ones who ruin it for we responsible dog owners.
2168	I do not support the proposed change	This is unfair to prohibit on leash dogs.
2229	I do not support the proposed change	Under control dogs should be allowed to go to the beach during the day.
2234	I do not support the proposed change	If my dog is under control and on leash they should be allowed on the beach during summer. The clarification in terminology for the balance of the policy rules i agree with
2265	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs and their people use this beach every day year around. There is a great community around this and it is absurd to suddenly prohibit the most frequent users of the beach access. On a lead the dogs bother noone!
2268	I support the proposed change	Changes are clear and understandable. Include a instant penalty if not followed.
2296	I do not support the proposed change	There should be a complete ban on all dogs on Long Bay beach. We see blatant disregard to current bylaws daily as it is, and a lot of unsafe interactions between dogs and public. It is one of Aucklands most popular beaches for swimmers, and permitting dogs on the beach (regardless of the season or time of day) introduces unnecessary risk, especially considering there's plenty of alternatives nearby for dog walkers. Not to mention issues regarding sand and water quality because of owners not cleaning up properly, the threat dogs pose to nesting shore birds, erosion and damage to sand dunes, as well as the beach being a marine reserve. It is baffling that dogs are permitted on such a pristine, special and popular beach.

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2299	I do not support the proposed change	This is a very large beach with plenty of room to walk dogs. This should not be changed
2376	I do not support the proposed change	dogs should be allowed on the following areas under control of a leash from
2384	I do not support the proposed change	I would like to keep the rules as they are (summer). Dogs should be allowed on the beach between 10.00am and 5 pm on lead. As dog owners, such as myself, need to exercise their dogs after 10.00 a.m.
2411	I do not support the proposed change	I live in the neighborhood and think dogs on leashes should still be allowed during the day in summer. This however should be enforced to ensure dogs off-leash are stopped, as those are the problem causers, not those on leashes.
2412	I do not support the proposed change	My dog comes for swims with my on leash during the day, she comes with on family days out. Dogs may not be part of some people's families but they are for mine and others like me...it's like leaving a child at home when they want to come with. I haven't experienced a negative interaction with a dog or owner during the times that the council wants to prohibit dogs so i find no need.
2433	I support the proposed change	It's nice to be at Long Bay during summer without the nuisance of dogs while swimming and using the beach and park. More and more dog owners are ignoring the rules about being on a leash between 10-5 so prohibiting them during those hours would be great. It's actually better for the dogs as well to not be on the beach during that time. It's usually the hottest part of the day, they should be at home somewhere cool and shady.
2435	I do not support the proposed change	I do not agree with banning dogs on the beach all together 10-5 during the summer months. I have never had a bad encounter with dogs at long bay during these times and it would be a shame to limit beach access to humans. Our dogs are a part of our family's and deserve to come with us as long as their on leash during the hours that require it.
2442	I do not support the proposed change	There are already incredible few options for walking a dog on the east coast pays between 10am and 5pm during summer. Please do not close one of the last remaining options. Local dog owners are responsible and pick up after themselves and abide by the leash laws. There is also bigger problems there with boombox music, littering and alcohol consumption that you don't currently manage.
2456	Other (please explain below)	I very much support the explicit direction about access/car parking; I see too many people bringing their dogs across the parkland at present. I also regularly see people walking their dogs north of Vaughan stream in summer months, which is against current rules. However, I oppose outright banning dogs between 10am and 5pm and would rather see better enforcement of existing rules. Any responsible dog owner wouldn't have their pet on the beach between those hours during summer anyway as it is far too hot.
2477	I do not support the proposed change	I think the change to summer prohibited between 10am and 5pm is unnecessary - unless maybe it is on weekends and public holidays - that would be acceptable as there are a lot more people then. However, to make this a blanket rule for everyday in summer is unfair. Its only the same locals down there with dogs - most of whom are walking off peak anyway. But this seems to be too blanketed a rule for everyday.

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2482	I do not support the proposed change	Beaches are family friendly areas, that all members of the community including beloved dogs should be able to access. Beaches remain a safe environment for dog walking away from busy roads. The current hours allow all members of the community to walk their dogs that fit into their busy work-home life. With the current policy, it allows for dogs to remain under control and therefore reducing any threat to others in the shared area. There are plenty of beaches that have restrictions, if others would like dog free areas they have nearby options.
2494	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs and dog owners need exercise and areas to walk their dogs. Prohibiting dogs from 10am-5pm in Summer is draconian, unfair and heavy handed so delete this proposed change please.
2498	I support the proposed change	I don't like dogs
2507	I do not support the proposed change	People should be able to take their dog in a car or restrained backpack via Glenvar ridge access to get to the beach road access end
2512	I support the proposed change	This is a fantastic proposal as Long Bay regional park is one of few parks in greater Auckland area that is both a marine reserve and a regional park. These need to be treasured and promote birdlife/native species.. I'd suggest further to make some beaches dog beaches and others non-dog beaches similar to how Australia does this and Mt Maunganui (and suggest Long Bay be a non-dog beach completely)
2514	I do not support the proposed change	This will impact many in our community. Leashed dogs regularly walked by local dog owners pose no problems for beach goers. Shift workers, parents, dog walkers amongst many others will be negatively impacted by this proposed change. From my observations and experience as a resident and dog owner in this community, there are many, many days during summer weeks from 10am-5pm where there are not many people using the beach. To restrict dog owners from walking leashed dogs seems over arching. Given the majority of dog owners wouldn't walk their dogs on the beach during hot hours a fairer restricted access would be from 11:30am - 3pm, which would help protect dogs being walked in the hottest hours. Please don't make this change. As a near daily dog walker at Long Bay beach, there are frequently days when we go to the beach and there is barely a soul there. This rule could be fairer if it was just restricted during super busy times such as the Dec 20 - Jan 20 when the beach is a bit more popular.

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2518	I do not support the proposed change	I do not support restricting dog access at Long Bay Beach during summer. To improve current approach to dog management you need more enforcement of current rules, not more rules and restrictions. You say you are doing this to minimise the risk to people at busy times. How much risk is involved with dogs being walked on a lead? It's a cop out excuse to reduce dog access to Long Bay Beach. The problem here isn't dogs being walked on a lead at busy times. It's people breaking the rules. But you won't enforce the rules? It seems you just want to keep the anti-dog crowd happy by making more restrictions instead of managing the rules you've already put in place. You owe this to dog owners as our access to public places has been reduced already. You say you are further restricting the times dogs are allowed on Long Bay Beach to balance the use of public space to meet the needs of dogs and people... where else can we take our dogs to the beach in summer on the North Shore that has good access and is safe for people and dogs? People can go to any other beach on the shore. Should we leave our dogs at home to bark for 6-8 hours or take them with us as part of the family? Dogs can only go to Long Bay, particularly at high tide, no other beach. Churchill is not accessible at high tide nor is it safe with crumbling cliffside (refer to dog walkers death some years back from falling rocks). It's also not accessible for elderly dogs or people with reduced mobility who can still manage a flat beach at Long Bay. Churchill access is sprayed with chemicals (without signage) so you don't know when it's safe to walk your dog down there. We quite frequently see dogs in the Long Bay Reserve. Just a few days ago, near the playground, a family had set up their picnic and spent hours in the Reserve with their puppy. The signs clearly say no dogs in the Reserve. These people don't care
2521	I do not support the proposed change	With good instructions, dogs and their owners can behave better. Instead of forbidding dogs, giving more outdoor spaces back to dogs for walking and running is a better way to reduce the risk causing dogs to be aggressive when staying at home for a long time. Meanwhile, elder people having dogs need to walk and socialize outside with their dogs.
2522	I do not support the proposed change	Taking off leash areas away will only add more congestion to the very few we have
2535	I support the proposed change	I would prefer the dogs to be leashed after 9.00am, so that young families avoiding the heat of the day can enjoy the beach without the worry of young children being knocked over by a dog.
2546	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs on leash in peak times on beach works well. Keep all current rules.

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2549	I do not support the proposed change	Dog owners in this area are responsible and respectful of others. New Zealand already has many severe restrictions on where dogs can go. I understand and support that this is needed to protect our fragile flora and fauna. Having a dog on the beach, on lead, still maintains control of the animal when there are more people around. It does however, further penalise dog owners with the options they have on where to exercise their pet. It would be useful to have evidence to back up the restriction, that people taking dogs on the beach, on lead, are causing a nuisance to others.
2563	I do not support the proposed change	I support the change but would like to see a grassed area where dogs are permitted. Perhaps fenced off to show that it is the designated dog friendly zone.
2580	I do not support the proposed change	Long Bay represents one of the last places that people can walk their dog in summer during normal daylight hours. The current regulations require dogs to be on lead during this time and so do not represent any threat of disruption to others using the beach during this time
2589	I do not support the proposed change	Long bay is regularly used by many dog walkers. The community gets a lot out of the current rules. Generally dogs are really well behaved and people really enjoy the park and beach. The current rules seem like a good balance. We've been using the beach for the last 10 years and it's a great place for dogs and people.
2598	I do not support the proposed change	Walking the dog on a leash during peak time is important to retain during summer months as it provides a nice area for high energy breeds to exercise. Currently I am unaware of issues relating to this so see no need for changes.
2608	I support the proposed change	Sensible. We do not take our dog to any beach between 10 am and 5 pm in the Summer as it is too hot and people should be able to enjoy the beach.
2631	I support the proposed change	I have a child who can't enjoy the beach as she is allergic to dogs and a lot of dog owners do not stop their dogs touching them
2661	I support the proposed change	Our family avoid this beach in summer as the dogs are a real problem. They also attack the shore birds, which is an odd thing to allow happen in a park.
2672	I do not support the proposed change	The beach should be treated differently to the park. It also doesn't suit everyone to walk their dog at the hours outside 10.00am and 5.00pm. The Summer hours should in fact be relaxed with the restrictions related to the school holidays. Most of the time outside the school holidays, the beaches are often deserted as tertiary students are working.
2742	I support the proposed change	Much clearer about where dogs are not allowed. I support no dogs on the beach between 10am and 5pm to make it safer and more hygienic for beach goers especially children and families.
2777	I do not support the proposed change	Long bay is one of the most dog friendly beaches in the north shore and currently one of the only ones that allow dogs on leads between 10am and 5pm during summer. The beach is full of dogs all year and is a wonderful stretch for them to be on. Please do not change the on lead rules for them during the summer months. There are so few places to go for a swim on a hot day with our dog

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2857	I do not support the proposed change	It is working well now, so why change it.
2870	I do not support the proposed change	I think the way it is is fine. Dogs being allowed on the beach 10am- 5pm as long as they're on a leash is all good. Could even keep the on leash until 6pm. It would also be nice to be able to walk through the north end to Glenvar Ridge on leash so that you can walk a loop with your dog. But I understand that people would not obey that rule and ruin it for everyone else. And the wildlife in the park Ned's to be protected.
2932	I do not support the proposed change	If the dogs are on-leash what is the risk or impediment of anyone's use of the beach during the day. It is inconsequential so should not be prohibited.
2998	I do not support the proposed change	I have already formally submitted my feedback via the Have Your Say website on the proposed changes to the number of dogs which can be walked at one time. However, I also wanted to submit feedback on proposed access changes to Long Bay Regional Park. Although we don't walk our dog often at Long Bay Regional Park beach in the summer, I do not support the changes to remove access to the beach during summer hours. The North Shore of Auckland is already short of places where you can walk your dog, removing the access to Long Bay during the summer will only leave Dog Beach/St Leonards Road as a place you can walk your dog in the summer. There is only one dog park on the shore at Sanders Reserve where you can take your dog during the day. Last year, the local board discussed creating a dog park at Long Bay, acknowledging that there are so few places to take your dogs removing access without providing an alternative is really limiting the opportunities that responsible dog owners have to exercise their dogs during the summer months.
3122	I support the proposed change	Would like to enjoy the beach during the day without the issues that come with dogs being around ... eg some constant barking of some dogs takes any enjoyment away of being at the beach.
3235	I support the proposed change	I think the time prohibited should be from 9am-6pm
3433	I do not support the proposed change	Don't see why it needs to be changed
3450	Other (please explain below)	The proposed "Summer" rules, should be implemented all year - regardless of season.

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3500	I support the proposed change	There should be no further increase in dog access to the Long Bay Regional Park and Marine Reserve due to the sensitive wildlife. There are already too many dog owner breaching rules. Fines should also be increased and enforcement applied with any funds received being put back directly into Regional Park funding. Many people have requested getting access to walk their dog into Long Bay Regional Park from Glenvar Ridge Access Road, however that must not be allowed as it will further open the park to abuses of the regulations and will impact the amazing birdlife around that entrance to the park. There should be a reserve allocated as a dog park and infrastructure/facilities provided for off dogs off-leash.
3654	I do not support the proposed change	I support most of the proposed change but would like some consideration to be given to providing on- leash access to the beach from the Long Bay Village from March 1 to Dec 1.
3803	I do not support the proposed change	That is the point? There is a huge area of longbay that is already banned from dogs completely, why do you need to limit the area they are allowed even more?
3819	I do not support the proposed change	Off-leash exercise and socialisation is incredibly important. There are already few areas whereby responsible owners can exercise and socialise their dogs in an appropriate manner, taking any away i do not consider to be an appropriate action, especially without the addition of alternative/additional off-leash areas.
3824	I do not support the proposed change	We shouldn't be limiting the times and areas dogs can go but extending them. Dog owners generally don't take their pets out in the heat of the day so this is the sort of time it would be suitable to ban dogs. As they feel the heat it is in the mornings and evenings that dog owners like to get out with their pets.
3856	I do not support the proposed change	There should be beaches that people can visit WITH dogs during the day, during the summer. These places should be regional parks, not local suburban beaches. The dogs are currently allowed to be there, on-leash - if they aren't being kept on leash, then deal with the problem instead of banning them.
3988	I support the proposed change	Clear I have taken Guide Dog onto out of bounds area. It was on leash & under control at all times, I showed Ranger dog's passport (just before GD issued new passports). It is always clear what the rules are. My own are always on leash in appropriate areas. If signs are clear it makes it easier for everyone to comply
4054	I support the proposed change	Long bay is nz most visited beach and the current dog rules do not allign with the amount of visitors. The southern dog entrance to access the long bay beach literally wrecks of dog urine.
4082	I do not support the proposed change	No off leash at any time Protect our, land and beaches. Keeping them safe and clean for people
4347	I do not support the proposed change	Prohibiting dogs during summer days is pointless, the beach is a space for all to enjoy. Stop letting a few bad eggs ruin for all the rest of us responsible owners.
4353	I do not support the proposed change	I do not support dogs being allowed on the beach during summer during the day. No one follows the dogs on leash rule during the day, and families and small children are approached by other peoples dogs. Long Bay is a safe family beach for small children and should be a dog free area during the day during the summer months . This can be relaxed during winter.

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4574	I support the proposed change	Long Bay Beach is very popular and too many people bring their dogs and don't control them. Banning them would be great.
4577	I support the proposed change	For all beaches and regional parks the 10 to 5PM restriction is fair
4590	I do not support the proposed change	Unfair to prohibit dogs during school and work hours. Most people taking their dogs for a walk at those hours are retired elderly. The safest time to walk dogs are while kids are at school which are during the prohibited hours.
4620	I support the proposed change	The beach is getting busier and busier and it is better to set rules like these in place before an incident occurs
4623	I do not support the proposed change	There are very few beaches you can take your dog to cool off during the day. Leave it as on-leash during the day. What harm is a dog on leash?
4742	I do not support the proposed change	I think there should be access to the beach from Long Bay shops. Agree this should be on leash of course but with the number of houses being built in the area it would be great to access the beach during allowed times from either end of the beach instead of having to drive and try find a park.
4755	I support the proposed change	As dog numbers have increased substantially over the last decade so also has the risk of unintentional injury to the young and the elderly. My elderly mother is now afraid to walk on the beach at certain times of the day. Not everyone cleans up after their dogs either which isn't pleasant for non dog owners.
4777	I support the proposed change	Should be banned during the day as its so popular
4786	I support the proposed change	During the day we have large groups of people and so it's safer for all especially children
4814	I do not support the proposed change	Long Bay is a very large beach, there is no reason the space can't be shared. It is one of the only beaches in the local area that don't have dogs prohibited during the day. Outside of a couple of weeks the beach is largely empty during the day, particularly on weekdays, dog walkers are the main users.
4842	Other (please explain below)	I support the proposed change but I would like to see it go much further. I would really like to see dogs banned from Long Bay Regional Park - and an alternative off-leash area provided for dogs and their owners somewhere nearby. Long Bay is a marine reserve and we need to exclude dogs in order to support wildlife survival and restoration. I would also like to see much more compliance by way of council officers issuing instant fines to dog owners who ignore the rules. We have too many dog owners actively ignoring current rules and without more compliance officers this will continue and is likely to grow!
4851	I do not support the proposed change	It's not fair at all, so many people from the community enjoy walking the dogs at Long Bay. Is the only place to walk dogs for some people. Dogs are already not allowed in the grass area or the trails. It's not fair to prohibit them during the summer between 10am to 5pm.

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4869	I do not support the proposed change	Long Bay beach is the only North Shore beach you can take dogs after 10am in summer to cool down, when it's too hot to exercise them elsewhere. Rules should remain on leash 10am-5pm as dogs are under control and don't pose a risk to the public. A large amount of local dog owners use the space during these times and it would be a huge shame to take that away, giving less access to locals who respect and take care of Long Bay.
4890	I do not support the proposed change	I struggle to understand why I can take my dog anytime under control on-leash on all local beaches and foreshore areas, local parks and reserves but not on the same foreshore areas at Long Bay Regional Park. As example, I can walk my dog along the beach foreshore anytime at Browns Bay and Waiake beachfront areas but cannot go literally over the hill to Long Bay Regional Park and do the same. I believe the regional rules for the grass foreshore areas at Long Bay Regional Park and other suitable Regional Parks be amended to align with the under control on-leash policy for other local foreshore areas.
4945	I do not support the proposed change	The rules are confusing, as there are so many variations. Dogs should be on a leash at all times, no exception. This is a regional park which is busy at all times of the year. There are student events occurring frequently. There are other places people can walk dogs off leash, they do not have to go to a regional park.
4958	I support the proposed change	My kids used to be scared of dogs and having on the beach in summer was scary for them. It would be good to have a time when dogs aren't at the beach for people like them to enjoy the beach and not to have to worry about dog wee around too. It is a marine reserve and i think that restricting dogs fits in with that too
5152	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs as long as they are controlled should be allowed to walk at any time within the current guidelines. The restrictions for summer between 10am & 5pm not being allowed to walk your dog at all are too strict, as long as they are in lead it should be allowed. The current rules in place should continue as is.
5162	I do not support the proposed change	1. Dogs on leads pose no threat if under control. 2). Dogs in cars pose no threat. It makes no sense that dogs are prohibited on the access rods even within a vehicle.
5221	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be on leash only in all public parks and beaches for the safety and enjoyment of all.
5430	I do not support the proposed change	There's nothing wrong with the current rules and on leash between 10 and 5 is fine, again, restricts whānau outings and is just not at all family friendly, it's ridiculous
5479	I support the proposed change	There are alot of people, especially children at this park and beach in summer. It makes it safer and helps protect the natural environment (flora and fauna) from dogs
5488	I do not support the proposed change	I believe the current policy and rules are fair for both dogs and humans.
5662	I support the proposed change	In the peak of summer dogs shouldn't be on the beach for their own safety due to high temps

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5692	I do not support the proposed change	What difference would it make? A dog on a leash should be allowed. During the hours of 10-5 on weekdays kids are at school and majority of adults at work. Why not just make this weekends. It's crazy to have empty recreational areas. We are all rate payers.
5710	Other (please explain below)	I support all the changes except article c. I do not see why a dog can not be in a vehicle driving through the access road—internal road or carpark. Sometimes, families may want to collect their children and have the dog in the car. As long as the dog stays in the car, what is the actual problem?
5712	I do not support the proposed change	these changes make it greatly inaccessible to those who work early or late and
5795	I do not support the proposed change	If a dog is under control and on a leash then they should be aloud
5829	I support the proposed change	Long Bay is a popular busy beach and the rules should apply here as they do on other North Shore Beaches in summer. I also support no dogs on the bush/ridge walks as this helps protect the bird life.
5946	I do not support the proposed change	Same as previous
5984	I support the proposed change	This a great space and room for all however offleash dogs are always poses danger to wildlife. There are kiwi and dotterel etc in this area
5997	I do not support the proposed change	No changes required. The current dog walking restrictions and bylaws are sufficient.
6014	I support the proposed change	The beach at Long Bay is very busy in summer and it's almost impossible to walk a leashed dog with so many people around. also, it's generally too hot to walk a dog in the middle of the day in summer anyway.
6034	I support the proposed change	The new proposal seems similar to the existing regulation.
6162	I do not support the proposed change	I do not see why dogs under control on leash during the day should be changed to no longer allowed as this would also be the quieter time of the day with people at work and school. I also find it very confusing when areas get split into being allowed within certain sections of an area.
6214	I do not support the proposed change	People make more mess and litter more than dog owners I don't see how this is going to protect the park when so many issues with hbs human uses

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6315	I do not support the proposed change	As a council with an ever expanding base of dog owners you are not providing new dog areas for people to exercise their dogs. Your current dog laws are not acknowledging the worldwide movement to accepting dogs everywhere in everyday life. You are still draconian in your thinking in where dogs should be and the punishment that should befall a dog should it step out of line. 1. Dogs to be well rounded and social need interaction from a young age with other dogs. If this is allowed many issues of reactive, aggressive dogs would be overcome. However, there are very limited areas secure for dogs to learn these skills. 2. Many dogs need a great deal of exercise. Running and playing with other dogs is far more effective than 20 times round the block. More such spaces where dogs get priority are needed. 3. You ban dogs from beaches in summer from 10 to 5pm and it is an insane rule. Why, because during the week days, after school returns, the beaches are deserted during the days. Then after schools out and work finishes the beaches become busy just when dog owners are allowed to take their dogs off leash. It is daft beyond question. Whoever thought it a good idea. Dogs should be allowed to frequent beaches all day long during the week year round. I counted 4 people at Browns Bay and about 8 at Long Bay last week. 4. You want people to get out and about and be healthy but walking a dog around urban areas isn't exciting. I would like to walk to Oakura over the Long Bay hills with a dog. I would like to walk through the Waitakeres with a dog. I would like to walk Muriwai with a dog. I would like the opportunity to say let's go explore this track and know I can have the company of my dog. Dogs are banned from just about every possible place I can think of taking them for a bush walk and from these bylaw changes you just want to squeeze dogs out more and more. Your words in the intro are hollow.
6432	I do not support the proposed change	the authorities have failed to effectively educate the public on the rules and in enforcing the rules.
6571	I do not support the proposed change	I agree that dogs should be prohibited from the beach but the dates and timings
6609	I support the proposed change	I think the change does not go far enough. During summer dogs should be on leash after 5pm. The dogs come onto the beach when there are lots of children running and playing and are a nuisance in the summer.
6867	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be ON LEASH on all beaches and public spaces

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6874	I support the proposed change	Long Bay beach is one of the most intensively used public recreational spaces it's too crowded with people particularly children to have dogs as well. Dogs often exhibit the following problematic behaviors: Frightening people by running up to them particularly children and trying to lick their face, sniff their genitals and/or their anus. Try to perform simulated sex acts on someone's leg. Urinating on someone's leg and/or feet. Urinating on people's clothes and towels while they're swimming. Jumping up on people and scratching them with their toe nails. If a man did these behaviors he would be put in prison, but because it's a dog we're supposed to just put up with it. Dogs also try to eat your food or run off with your ball and puncture it. The worst aspect of Long Bay beach and surrounding parkland is the off-leash dogs and their inconsiderate owners. As a long term local resident in Torbay I have had a lot of unpleasant experiences with off leash dogs and passive aggressive behaviour and/ or abuse from their owners if I ask them to control their dog or inform them their dog is not allowed in the area where they are e.g. North of Vaughans Stream. As a member of the public who has regularly been harassed, intimidated and assaulted by off-leash dogs it's difficult to identify the owner and dog because the only identification is on the dog's collar (if it's registered). So when you're confronted with a menacing dog and often a bullying and/or abusive dog owner's behaviour you can't go to the dog's collar to get it's ID number. So unless you follow the owner to their vehicle or residence it's almost impossible to get a complaint.
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541	I do not support the proposed change	There are too few dog-friendly off-leash exercise areas for dogs in all Auckland areas! We need many more dog-friendly off-leash exercise areas!!!! Rules should not be changed as a result of complaints against a few negligent dog owners spoiling it for the remainder of decent dog owners!! Instead, the Council should be targeting and educating the negligent and problematic dog owners!!
761	I do not support the proposed change	There aren't many beaches you can take your dog during the day in summer, and this removes one of the only options. Dogs are part of families and also like trips to the beach on warm days.

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1225	I do not support the proposed change	I don't understand why dogs, who are on a leash can't enjoy the beach. I am a responsible dog owner. I pick up after my dog, I make sure he's respecting other peoples space, I don't let him go up to random people because not everyone is a dog person, and now I feel like us good owners are being punished. These new rules won't change anything, it'll just make us dog owners more frustrated that we can't do more things with our dogs and now we need to pay the price. The beach is a natural place for dogs to enjoy. Why would you put even more rules?
1837	I support the proposed change	Good
2692	I do not support the proposed change	See previous.
2702	I do not support the proposed change	I would like to see dogs maintain leashed access during the day in the summer - there is a such wide range of weather and tide conditions in those months - a leashed dog can often be walked without causing any disruption to other beach users.
2707	I do not support the proposed change	I oppose the proposed changes to dog access rules at Long Bay Regional Park. The amendments would significantly reduce the ability of responsible dog owners to enjoy the park, especially by prohibiting dogs on the beach south of Vaughan Stream during daytime hours in summer. The current rules already strike a fair balance by allowing off-leash access in the mornings and evenings, with on-leash access during the day. Prohibiting dogs entirely during these times unnecessarily restricts access for dog owners without sufficient justification. This beach area is one of the few places where dogs can enjoy time outdoors with their owners while avoiding more crowded or sensitive areas. Responsible dog ownership, combined with proper enforcement of leash rules, ensures minimal disruption to other users. The proposed changes unfairly punish all dog owners rather than addressing specific concerns. Additionally, prohibiting dogs from most grassed areas, paths, tracks, and foreshore areas further limits access and creates unnecessary confusion for park users. These spaces should remain accessible for leashed dogs, as they currently are, to maintain equitable use of the park. Restricting dogs from parking areas and vehicles also seems unreasonable. Dog owners rely on these areas to access permitted spaces like the southern beach. Clear signage and enforcement of leash rules in these zones would be a better approach than outright prohibitions. The current policy strikes a better balance between protecting the environment and allowing dog owners to enjoy the park responsibly. Rather than implementing overly restrictive rules, I urge the council to focus on education and enforcement of existing policies to ensure the park remains an inclusive space for all users.

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2856	I do not support the proposed change	Long Bay is a different park/beach than other beaches in Auckland. There are BBQ's and picnic areas provided as a destination for families to go for the day. If dogs are on-leash, they normally do not cause problems for others even at busy times. Dogs are part of the family and if they are left at home for the day it causes other problems for the dog and the community. There is no need to apply the rules for other beaches to Long Bay when it is a different setup.
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.
4699	I support the proposed change	But would like to see the time being earlier - say 9am
5453	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	Dogs should be banned from regional park
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31	I support the proposed change	Having no dogs during the day in summer is fine. There are other beaches dogs can go at any time so owners can take their pets there
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.
335	I do not support the proposed change	I would like to take my dog with me when we visit the beach in the day time
337	I do not support the proposed change	Limiting access to beaches and swimming areas for dogs will create more problems than they would solve.
377	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs need safe places to exercise and socialise off lead
380	I do not support the proposed change	I believe the majority of dogs are part of petioles families and Auckland council places so many restrictions on them in public recreational places. People with unsocial dogs generally have unsocial owners who do not care for the rules. Dogs should be allowed to join their humans for a day at the beach during summer.
381	I do not support the proposed change	Why do you keep restricting dogs from everywhere? Long Bay is a HUGE beach, and we already need to keep our dogs on the lead during summer. LEAVE US ALONE!
550	I support the proposed change	Dogs should be licensed to be off lead, owners have zero control on a majority of dogs off lead. True off lead dogs should be rewarded with freedom to run around, and owners who have not put in the effort to appropriately train their dogs recall shouldn't have the same privilege. So many dog bites are caused by dogs off lead that the owners haven't trained correctly.
865	I do not support the proposed change	Too restrictive
1015	I support the proposed change	Practical and makes sense for use of the park during peak times.

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1142	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs under control do not pose any risk at all
1380	I do not support the proposed change	Some people can't just walk dogs during mornings and evenings when they have work. Daytime should also be allowed all year on leash
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. Families and children should be able to go to the beach with there dog!!
1679	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs are not an issue here and summer is really only school holidays not all of summer some would think you didn't actually want anyone using our parks ever
1864	I do not support the proposed change	There are few places where dog owners can take their dogs. If the dogs are under control and on a leash I don't see how that is bothering anybody?
2013	I support the proposed change	I support this, originally I would have opposed it. But its fair for all dog users. Dogs should be walked in the morning or evening anyway - especially during hot summer months. And then for the rest of the year if you fancy taking your dog to these locations you can take them off leash anyway.
2055	I do not support the proposed change	Control on leash by and large is working. Families can take their dogs with them during the day.
2068	I support the proposed change	Seems reasonable as the beach is a busy one during summer and dogs can post a hygiene and health and safety concern.
2082	I do not support the proposed change	We need access during summer to take dogs to cool off in the water or access to partake in water activities, access in summef on the north shore are few and far between already which makes these changes all the more restrictive and a detriment to dogs and owners. People affrad of dogs or who don't want family around them can find any number of other beaches to use.
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
2105	I do not support the proposed change	On lead and under control dogs do not pose any threat or risk whatsoever to any other space. Implement better monitoring and harsher penalties for people who do not comply with that.
2377	I do not support the proposed change	It is really great to have a beach which has an on lead policy. I do not take my dogs to the beach during off leash hours as there are so many owners who let their dogs run up to all other dogs whether they are on leash or not. I take great comfort in knowing everyone during 10-5 needs to have their dog on a leash, this provides peace of mind while still being able to enjoy the beach environment.
2452	I do not support the proposed change	Making it harder to access parks with your dog
2465	I support the proposed change	I have always taken my dogs here before 10am and after 5pm during the summer and these times aren't that hard to deal with
2511	I do not support the proposed change	Why prohibit the dogs between 10am-5pm? That makes it very tricky for families with dogs, so why not and not just leave it as under control on leash?
2583	I do not support the proposed change	On leash should be allowed at all times

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2713	I do not support the proposed change	We should be allowed to have access to these places as well
2779	I do not support the proposed change	From changing from 10am to 5pm dogs are prohibited doesn't make sense as that is peak heat and sun hours where it is too hot for dogs on the beach and people are less likely to take them.
2878	I do not support the proposed change	If dogs are on leash then there is no issue so things should stay the same
2994	I do not support the proposed change	I cannot understand why dogs are not allowed on the park lands at Long Bay Regional park if on a lead. Dogs need exposure to public environments. Blanket bans do not address this
3051	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed on the beach in summer under control on a leash. So many people have dogs that are like family members and not allowing them on the beach in summer means the dogs have to stay home in hot houses. It's unfair to dog owners who are the people who actually use the beach the most year round.
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
3303	I do not support the proposed change	35% of aucklanders own a dog and this is unfair to that group. Unleash should be possible
3429	I do not support the proposed change	Too many restrictions being proposed. People like to enjoy the beach with their pets as they are part of the family. Dogs should be allowed access if under control on or off leash & not endangering local wildlife
3464	I do not support the proposed change	Totally unnecessary and unwarranted, as it is New Zealand as a whole is a very dog unfriendly country to own a dog, Auckland and Tauranga council being the worst at it, the board should have been fighting for more access to dogs in malls and restaurants etc, even our biggest Airline doesn't allow dogs to fly on board when other so called less developed countries do. Then again every one goes on about fragile environment and preserve native species, but that is just another way of saying to developers go build 10 townhouses where one used to be and charge a million for it, that will definitely save the fragile environment, but a well trained dog walking on a path will destroy it.
4153	I do not support the proposed change	We're an active family and enjoy spending time hiking and at the beach. We have a beloved Welsh Springer spaniel she is very much a member of our family. The current restrictions on dog walking at many Auckland regional parks and beaches, already impacts our day to day life as there are so many places we simply can't go as leaving our dog at home for many hours is not an option. Any further restrictions puts additional strain on our ability to enjoy what Auckland has to offer. Changing the dog rules will only punish those who already abide by current expectations and won't change the behaviour of those that already ignore them. But it will negatively impact how local families with dogs can enjoy our parks and beaches. Dogs need to be able to have spaces to run off-leash and release energy. If they don't, it will just lead to increased behavioural issues and boredom which will likely manifest into increased barking and reactive dogs in our neighbourhoods.
4167	I do not support the proposed change	Point 1 is fine. I do not want to limit the areas dogs can go as in point 2

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4177	I support the proposed change	Long Bay is very popular and I have regularly seen dog poo on the beach which is unpleasant and could create a health risk.
4487	I do not support the proposed change	I don't see why leashed dogs have to be prohibited. The owners have the right to enjoy the beach with their dog companions provided they are under control. Suggestion: prohibit sharks instead, they will become more of a problem as the water warms.
4592	I do not support the proposed change	The proposed changes are adding unnecessary restrictions
4616	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should not be allowed in a reserve. We must protect the birdlife
4659	I do not support the proposed change	Auckland already has a limited number of off-leash areas, and restricting these further will only exacerbate the problem. With fewer spaces for dogs to roam freely, owners will be forced into more crowded, often less suitable environments, undermining the very purpose of off-leash parks. The joy of seeing a dog run freely and interact with others in a safe environment is a shared experience that both owners and dogs cherish. Denying this opportunity through an increase in on-leash only areas erodes not just the health of our pets but the quality of life for Auckland's dog owners as well. By reducing the availability of off-leash areas, we are not just impacting the dogs, but also the community. We are taking away a place where people can come together, interact, and enjoy a sense of community while watching their dogs play. This is a service that contributes to a well-rounded, active lifestyle and fosters positive social interactions among dog owners. It's essential that the council takes this into account and ensures that off-leash areas are preserved, not restricted, for the benefit of both dogs and their owners.
4877	I do not support the proposed change	I have a dog and enjoy taking her to the beach. I am a good dog owner and have her controlled and on leash
5315	I do not support the proposed change	There is already limited beaches on this coast that allow dogs after 10am in the summer, the only current options being Long bay and St Leonard's. St Leonard's is an okay option to go throw a ball and let your dog have a dip in the sea but it not a beach you can actually "walk" along. If taking away Long bay it would be good to have another option added where you can actually walk your dog on the beach while on the lead. There are plenty of beaches along this coast would be nice if people can enjoy them with their dogs under control in the summer.
5317	I do not support the proposed change	Provided dogs are on leash during peak summer hours this should be kept to allow all to enjoy the beach
5318	I do not support the proposed change	As per before. These hours work.

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5338	I do not support the proposed change	It's a mess. Clarify areas first Then clarify access. Also I have no idea what it where Vaughan stream is and I've been going there for a decade. Explain it better.
5362	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs need walks, on lead is acceptable to most other uses of the region
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.
5367	I do not support the proposed change	It limits extended stays in which one could transition from off-leash to under control on-leash. Families with dogs would have to make arrangements for leaving their dogs at home if they intend to use the Park from 10am to 5pm in the summer. Visiting from more distant places would be difficult due to a short window of permitted dog access time in the summer.
5391	I do not support the proposed change	There are hardly any walks available for dogs on any of the walks and tracks along the foreshore. What would be the harm in letting people exercise their dogs on lead, giving dogs and their owners valuable exercise. People don't use tracks for their own exercise if they have a dog. Why would they leave their dog at home while they walk?
5459	I do not support the proposed change	Prohibiting dogs completely from 10 to 5 in summer will make it difficult for families that travel from far and want to enjoy the day at the beach. Nowadays they can keep dogs on leash under control in that period and exercise their dogs before or after. Also, this might prevent Aucklanders from enjoying their beaches if they cannot leave their dogs alone at home
5484	I do not support the proposed change	why prohibit ON LEASH from 10-5? it makes no sense
5504	I do not support the proposed change	families having dogs can not enjoy the beach during the day in summer, unfair
5568	I do not support the proposed change	One of the extremely few places you can cool off during the day. Not ok to remove this
5585	I do not support the proposed change	The current policy is already sufficiently strict.
5600	I do not support the proposed change	As long as the owner has control of the dog, there should be no issue having dogs on a leash with people around
5684	I do not support the proposed change	If dogs on lead what's the issue
5897	I do not support the proposed change	Dog access - to remain on leash in summer during day time
6032	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs are a core part of people's lives, and this change will limit people's ability to care for their dogs.
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.

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6287	I do not support the proposed change	Long Bay is one of the very few beaches on the North Shore that dogs are allowed on during the day in summer. The only other two I am aware of are Kennedy park beach (which is currently inaccessible) and St. Leonards beach. Dog owners need access to beaches so they can provide exercise where dogs can cool off in the water and reduce risks of overheating. There are already too few beaches for dogs to access safely. Myself and other dogs owner friends are already deeply saddened by this, as the high concentration of dogs at places like St Leonards makes it feel unsafe for us to use. So we drive to beaches like Long Bay where there is a better balance of people and dogs. It is not clear how further restricting dog access to public spaces is the solution to people's concerns about dogs and irresponsible owners. It only penalises responsible dog owners and their dogs.
6316	I do not support the proposed change	I don't support the restrictions
6350	I do not support the proposed change	We love walking with our dog
6400	I do not support the proposed change	I do not support any changes that reduces access to council controlled outdoor spaces where dogs can currently be walked.
6413	I do not support the proposed change	Long bay is the only beach on the north shore that i can take my dog for a swim during the middle of the day. If you want to change this beach, why not change the rules for another less busy beach to allow dogs on lead during the day in summer
6709	I do not support the proposed change	If dogs are on a lead and under control then there shouldn't be an issue. It's also one of the more easier places to access for people with disabilities or physical impairment
6793	Other (please explain below)	Support proposed time and season rule changes at Long Bay, as provides fair balance between access for dog owners and ensuring the beach remains enjoyable and safe for all during peak times. I'm disappointed dog owners lost access to the walking track north of Long Bay sometime ago, even outside of season restrictions. I would like to see reconsideration of this decision, as it provided a valuable walking option for dog owners while minimising impact on the main beach area.
6807	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs under control ON lead during the day is a huge benefit in the summer - they can go swimming and cool off just like we need too
6832	I do not support the proposed change	Too limited for dog owners. If you are going to change and limit so much make the time more reasonable ie till 10.30 and after 4.00 pm. Dog owners have families to look after too ... by being so restrictive dogs get mistreated and you get more neglect. All over the world digs and people happily collect exist.
MĀNGERE-ŌTĀHUHU LOCAL BOARD		
1847	I do not support the proposed change	I don't support the proposed change or current state. The dog access rules at Long Bay are already draconianly limited.
2093	I do not support the proposed change	I havent seen any problems with dogs on that beach during summer but i don't know why this rule is changing. Could be wildlife.

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2150	I do not support the proposed change	Its basically impossible to take dogs to the beach in summer, if they are controlled and on a lead I do not see why they should be restricted from the beach.
2483	I do not support the proposed change	There are already to many restrictions and status quo should remain to allow family children and dogs to enjoy together
2751	I do not support the proposed change	The amount of enjoyable on-leash areas for responsible owners are diminishing or being "developed" constantly, we are slowly being confined to *****, muddy, no beach access etc. Offleash areas are key to socialising your dog fully with responsible training, aswell as exhibiting and interacting with non dog owners to further reduce the stigma.
4302	I do not support the proposed change	As previously mentioned, encouraging a similar approach to Byron Bay, Australia, where specific sections of beaches are designated for dogs. This would allow dog owners to enjoy the beach without affecting those who prefer dog-free spaces. Clear signage and proper management can help balance the needs of all beach users. Long Beach is an area where there are many family, and is a good place for people to go with their dogs. Prohibiting dogs from parks and beaches doesn't seem to be the solution. Instead, implementing more patrols and consequences for failing to follow leash rules would be a more effective approach. This would ensure that dog owners are held accountable for their pets' behaviour while still allowing responsible owners and their dogs to enjoy public spaces. By focusing on enforcement of existing rules rather than blanket bans, we can maintain the balance between allowing dog access and ensuring safety for all park and beach users.
4321	I do not support the proposed change	Too restrictive. Dogs should be allowed on leash during summer.
4772	I do not support the proposed change	I dont understand the reasoning behind removing leashed access.
6024	I do not support the proposed change	The current policy is clear and easy to understand for ALL park users. There is no need to change
MANUREWA LOCAL BOARD		
222	I do not support the proposed change	Considering the distance to long bay it's impractical to only allow access to dogs in the morning and evening. Day access on leash should be allowed.
1788	I do not support the proposed change	it's a great area for dogs and owners, and beach goers might not be there every single day in summer if it's raining or overcast, so why prevent more people from enjoying the space just because they have a dog?
5503	I do not support the proposed change	Not many nice beaches allow dogs on the beach, our pups are our family and not being able to have them with us will mean very less to no beach trips for us. We have had an instance where we weren't aware of the dogs on beach rules and had to leave making a 1.5 hours drive there and another 1.5 hr hour drive home a waste of time.
6548	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs need an area to exercise in, reducing the areas and times dogs are allowed off leash are not conducive to a dogs well being.

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6580	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		
180	I support the proposed change	It's very unsafe to have dogs around with large numbers of children present. Many dog owners can not resist taking their dogs off leash no matter what the signage says. It's way safer to prohibit dogs during peak visiting hours.
249	I do not support the proposed change	Point 2 c seems pedantic and unnecessary. Especially as the signage currently is in adequate.
615	I do not support the proposed change	I would like to be able to walk my dog on leash during the day
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	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.
783	I support the proposed change	This is good but it would be so much nicer to have penguins in the marine reserve than dogs on the beach. Penguins use the beaches in twilight hours.
1228	I do not support the proposed change	This is one of the few beaches in Auckland you can take your dog to in the summer during the day. Agree with keeping the dogs on lead but not with a full ban. Responsible dog owners use this park for walking their dogs on leash. If there are issues with irresponsible dog owners then strengthen leash laws rather than punish dogs and owners who are doing the right thing. There are already so many limits on where dogs cannot go, this ban seems unnecessary here.
1437	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs under control on a leash should be permitted to access the beach area
1976	I do not support the proposed change	I don't think the law needs to prohibit dogs during summer day time as they often are harmless when under control anyway
2492	I do not support the proposed change	Why are we restricting more dog access.

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2545	I do not support the proposed change	why.
2876	I do not support the proposed change	under control on leash should be used instead of prohibited for the 10-5pm
3726	I don't know	That is a lot of criteria to memorise and confusing to someone that isn't a regular visitor to know when they suddenly aren't allowed to be. This could also cause aggression from locals that verbally attack someone that is unknowingly entering into a spot where the rules change
3760	I do not support the proposed change	Any person with a the responsible dog owner license that picks up their poop should be able go walk their dog on any beach at any time on leash between 9am _5pm .
3771	I support the proposed change	Love seeing dogs on the beach but stronger policing is needed for the stream crossing.. often dogs are allowed across.
3959	I do not support the proposed change	Reasons fir limiting access nit good
4152	I do not support the proposed change	No need to change what works well in the main.
4211	I support the proposed change	Yes. No dogs on the beach when busy in summer.
4470	I do not support the proposed change	Too complicated. Leave it
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.
5095	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs and families should be able to enjoy beach days together. They are a part of the family and all of the dogs I have ever seen at the beach during the day are well trained and behaved.
5167	I do not support the proposed change	It seems incredibly restrictive and doesnt allow the best use of the council property
5500	I do not support the proposed change	Making it harder for dog owners
5522	I do not support the proposed change	Give us the beach all day long
5801	I do not support the proposed change	This is one of my favourite beaches as it's accessible to Auckland suburbs (live in one tree hill). Not being able to bring my dog would discourage me from going.
6107	I do not support the proposed change	There should be some part of this beach during summer and winter where no dogs are allowed. Why should everyone have to go at the hottest time of the day in summer to not have dogs and in the winter have to have dogs at all times? Please designate more areas where dogs are not allowed at all in summer and winter. I do support the prohibiting of dogs in summer change from on leash to not at all.

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6181	I do not support the proposed change	dogs on leash should be allowed.
ŌRĀKEI LOCAL BOARD		
183	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs are part of families and should be allowed under control
197	I do not support the proposed change	I do not believe there is any such thing as "under control off a leash" when the dog is intent on chasing down a young kid, or their ball, as owners yell at their dogs to stop and the dog NEVER does, my kids have been charged at by dogs and had their soccer balls destroyed and completely terrified by dogs that were supposedly "under control off a leash". I do not support any of this in an area where there are likely to be young kids.
209	I support the proposed change	Great idea. Dogs should be kept away from kids and families.
369	I do not support the proposed change	Keep as is
417	I do not support the proposed change	I advocate for being allowed dogs under control and on leash in more of aucklands regional parks and within more areas of aucklands regional parks. Walking and hiking in Aucklands regional parks is a perfect activity for having canine companionship. There is plenty of space for everyone and when dogs are under control on leash there is little room for that to be problematic to anyone. Currently the options for getting fresh air and exercise for dog owners in Auckland are already incredibly limited. I do not support limiting this further. Again, the emphasis should be on policing and preventing nad dog ownership, not making it impossible le for good dogs and owners to enjoy wholesome, healthy activities in our own neighborhoods.
422	I do not support the proposed change	It's dumb
468	I support the proposed change	Only thing is all Parks need the same rules
505	I do not support the proposed change	This is restricting dog access to good areas they can cool off and get the exercise they need before continuing to be restrained. If you are prohibiting this area, what area are you opening up for dog exercise and socialisation?
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.
691	I do not support the proposed change	Why make dog restrictions any harder than they already are?? Long Bay is a favourite place for dog and their families. MAKE IT MORE ACCESSIBLE, NOT LESS.
907	I do not support the proposed change	There doesn't appear to be any change. I would prefer to have no dogs at any time on regional parks, they are funded by all rate payers not just dog owners
952	I support the proposed change	All you are doing if further restricting dog access. Not one amendment is in allowing more access to dogs.
955	I support the proposed change	I would prefer that dogs are on leash.

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1028	Other (please explain below)	Summer period should be universally aligned to the daylight savings period and the dog free hours extended to accommodate evening picnics and bbqs
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 This is a great family beach and dogs are also part of the family - let us enjoy these areas with our four legged family members too
1181	I do not support the proposed change	I'm extremely disappointed to see proposed prohibited between 10-5. Current on leash rule was perfect, when you can go to a back and enjoy your swim, while you have your dog with you on the beach, sitting with the leash. Long bay is the only beach I can go for a swim and as it takes time to drive there, it's worth going for the whole day and I share my time with my dog all the time. Off leash after 5 is fine, so by this time I would stop swimming and chilling on the sun and can go for a walk with my dog. Unfortunately, some people don't clean up after their dogs, but when I see it I run to them with a cleaning bag. Making prohibited during day time will not make this problem go away, ppl who doesn't clean or dont have dogs under control will do it in the morning or evening anyways. On leash during the day is great and allows dog owners to enjoy the day at the beach, and time with best friend/family who is the dog to them
1226	I support the proposed change	My young child was chased by a large dog 'under control off leash' on the beach at long bay regional park. This was terrifying for my child. The dog owner said her dog wouldn't hurt anyone and she added that we need to teach our child not to run from dogs as that would make the dog think the child was playing with it and chase our child more. This is clearly not 'under control off leash' so how can you prevent this happening? I am a dog owner. Our dog is always on leash at beaches and parks.
1248	I support the proposed change	Despite the rules people still have dogs off lease during the day during summer hours. By Prohibiting dogs are not allowed which means they cannot hide.
1341	I do not support the proposed change	No need to change
1861	I do not support the proposed change	Rules fine currently.
1957	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed on the beach during the day on leash.
2029	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should not be prohibited during summer Dogs are good for health connection and wellbeing

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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	Dogs that cannot be around off leash dogs need to be able to have 'on leash' hours. Some dogs like their space and it is not fair to them & their owners to not have time in areas because there is no 'on leash' hours.
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 is not a solution in these times. This is to be done. Provide better support to responsible

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3458	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be able to exercise freely
3535	I support the proposed change	Fair and reasonable
3536	I do not support the proposed change	Wasting time - stick to core services. A dog on a leash and under control is fine. - a lot about nothing really - how much is this costing during a cost of living crisis?
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. Definitely oppose a daytime full dog ban. I strongly oppose these changes.
3816	I do not support the proposed change	Current policy is sufficient
3990	I don't know	I'm not understanding as best as I could
4103	I do not support the proposed change	It is already nearly impossible to take our family dog with us when we got to a beach or park in Auckland, and changes in policy only head in one direction, to restrict dog access further. We feel that Auckland council hates dogs. When on holiday out of Auckland we've found other councils allow access on lead during the day rather than prohibiting access.
4132	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.
4660	I support the proposed change	I support the proposed changes. I also suggest the standard time of 10am is too late in the day. Children should be out of the summer sun as much as possible and 9-10 is a popular time for young children to use beach areas. The summer hours should be 9-5.
4735	I support the proposed change	seems ok
4943	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed on leash between 10-5pm, You are punishing good dog owners.
5263	I do not support the proposed change	I disagree with the prohibition of dogs in the daytime. This removes the enjoyment of these areas for people that are a) only able to exercise their dog at this time and b) live in the area on the basis of the current rules.
5302	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs on leash should be permitted.
5918	I do not support the proposed change	Already clear

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6116	I do not support the proposed change	Dear [Council Representative/Committee], I am writing to urge the council to reconsider current restrictions on dog access to public parks and to advocate for policies that allow dogs to be present in all parks without limitations, provided they are on a leash, with balanced measures for off-leash times during peak usage. As urban development increases housing density, private outdoor spaces are diminishing, placing greater importance on public recreational spaces for all residents — including dog owners. Dog ownership continues to rise, and yet, despite paying levies and registration fees, dog owners face significant restrictions on their ability to use public parks fairly and equally. Key Reasons for Allowing Unrestricted On-Leash Dog Access to Parks 1. Equity and Fair Use of Public Spaces Dog owners contribute to the community through fees and levies, and they should be entitled to equal access to recreational areas. Public parks are communal spaces, and no group of responsible users should be excluded. Ensuring that dogs on leashes are permitted in all parks supports equitable use. 2. Adapting to Increased Housing Density With the city's strategic plan prioritising higher-density housing, many residents now live without access to private gardens or yards. This makes local parks vital for responsible pet ownership. Denying dog owners reasonable access forces them to travel further afield, which can be impractical and counterproductive to community goals around local engagement and sustainability. 3. Supporting Mental Health and Well-being Dogs play a crucial role in the mental health and emotional well-being of many residents. These restrictions 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.
6122	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.
6229	I do not support the proposed change	Just leave it as it is - stop trying to be under dog police. Concentrate on more useful matters
6379	I do not support the proposed change	Too restrictive on leash controlled dogs should be permitted
6382	I do not support the proposed change	The proposed change would severely impact families with dogs, particularly those with children who cannot always find the time. Further, it'll also mean that all of the dogs and dog walkers would have to be out at the same times, meaning dogs and puppies that are training, skittish, nervous, rehabilitating etc will be at more risk and more of a risk to others around them as they won't be able to find a quiet time with fewer people and other animals.

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6395	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.
6460	I do not support the proposed change	Detrimental to access and rights
6490	I do not support the proposed change	Leave our on lead off lead times as they are We can control our dog don't punish good citizens when few people don't follow the rules
6595	I do not support the proposed change	This is draconian. Dogs come to the beach as part of a family. If dog cant be on beach, then parents and kids wont be either. If dogs are on leash what is the problem.
6673	I support the proposed change	to reduce nuisance and protect wildlife
6772	I do not support the proposed change	The proposed times and seasons are fair. The rest are just not reasonable as people should be able to take their dogs out in these area just use the same times and seasons rules
6783	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs on-leash during the summer days do not threaten wildlife or other park users.
6831	I do not support the proposed change	No need to prohibit during day as long as dog is on leash. This is punishing owners who actually follow rules rather than addressing those that do not.
ŌTARA-PAPATOETOE LOCAL BOARD		
2245	I do not support the proposed change	The current rules are perfect and work well
PAPAKURA LOCAL BOARD		
557	I do not support the proposed change	The change from under control on leash during the day to prohibited during the summer season is unreasonable and extreme. Dog owners should be allowed enjoyment of these spaces, and keeping dog on leash and under control surely already accomodates the needa of other beach users. Continuing to erode and restrict dog walking areas to cater to the comfort of other users only serves to increase the anxiety and fear of animals that many people grow up with. Having safe dog walking so that others (especially children) have a chance to encounter friendly dogs safely helps teach thwm there is nothing to fear and that animals deserve our care. Knee jerk reactions and reatrickions will only make it harder for non-dog owners to safely encounter dogs, and lead to more fear and harm.
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.

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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 rule is fine with being able to walk your dogs on lead during the day time. Unless council can provide statistics to show dogs negatively impact the community then the current rules should be kept as it is
4455	I do not support the proposed change	No change needed
4619	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed while on leash and under control
PUKETĀPAPA LOCAL BOARD		
674	I do not support the proposed change	Under control off leash is not clear. More criteria required. People have their dogs running around everywhere and the timings will make it harder for people to follow. There needs to be clearly marked areas along the beach (not just the pathways leading to the beach) as to which areas are always no dogs allow, always dogs on leash, and always dogs off leash - moving further away from the no dogs allowed 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.
1787	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs are an essential member of families 99% of dogs owners are responsible People cause more issues than dogs
2327	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be on leash on beaches during the bird breeding season. Restrictions are put in place for parks that having lambing, the same should apply for parks with beaches during the bird breeding season
2602	I do not support the proposed change	I don't see any reason for the change.
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.
4364	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs on Lead and under control can not cause a nuisance
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.
5117	I do not support the proposed change	Prohibiting day time walking is totally unfair and completely unnecessary.
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
6212	I do not support the proposed change	Once again, what is the issue of being able to take your dog on leash for a walk at any time of the day.
6511	I do not support the proposed change	During summer, Beachgoers should be able to take their dogs with them during the day. Many people from all over Auckland travel far to enjoy Long bay as a big day trip and they should be able to have their dogs accompany them instead of leaving them at home for extended periods of time.

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123	I do not support the proposed change	I believe the current rules in place are enough
213	I support the proposed change	It's too hot for dogs on sand in the middle of the day in summer
439	I do not support the proposed change	Greatly reducing the places people can walk dogs during day hours reduces human and animals well-being.
661	I support the proposed change	Safer for families and people using the beach during the day and safer for dogs too
749	I do not support the proposed change	Should be allowed leashed
813	I do not support the proposed change	I disagree with dogs not being allowed on the grassy area...why not if they are on a leash? Ok with no dogs during the day when most people are there sunbathing etc.
1589	I do not support the proposed change	Not allowing a dog in a vehicle is just stupid. What if someone just wants to look at the beach from their car? Do not support this at all.
1604	I do not support the proposed change	I think dogs on lead should be allowed in more places - I agree that dogs off lead can be a nuisance as lots of dog owners are ignorant and their dogs are not well behaved. However, if dogs are on leash only, this should be no issue.
1646	I do not support the proposed change	Why ban dogs from 10-5 and have all dogs then concentrated in a small window, What about those people who have shift work? or work different hours? How many complaints have you already had to make you want to change the rules?
1849	I do not support the proposed change	Lessening of amenity
1936	I support the proposed change	Dog owners do not obey rules to keep their dogs on leash - during the day. They must be prohibited during the day
2073	I do not support the proposed change	Keep the rules as is, dogs should be allowed to be on the beach in summer on leash. many people rely on Long Bay beach to exercise their dogs.
2178	I do not support the proposed change	Because its too restrictive. Exercise is good for people. Dog walking is good for people and dogs. What's with the big downer on dogs? NZ would be a better place if a few more families walked with their kids and their dogs - instead of being glued to an iPhone or iPad.
2256	I do not support the proposed change	Sometimes these are the only times people can walk their dogs and the pavement is too hot.
2537	I do not support the proposed change	Unfair and not required. Current limits are safe for all beach goers

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2609	I do not support the proposed change	There are already very limited options for dog walking in summer. 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!
3526	I do not support the proposed change	99% dog owners do the right thing. Suggest keeping current rules but more aggressive fines for those few who don't follow rules.
3563	I do not support the proposed change	Dear Auckland Council, 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. 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. 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. 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. Kind regards,
3596	I do not support the proposed change	Please do not increase restrictions on dogs being allowed in national parks and on beaches. There are already so many areas where dogs are not permitted. Many people love dogs and are responsible and considerate dog owners. It is crucial that dog owners have places to exercise and socialise our dogs. It is good for the dogs and good for us! If further restrictions are put in place it will be very difficult for me to give my dog the exercise he needs, which increases the chance of bad behaviour for dogs. Please reconsider this proposal!
3610	I do not support the proposed change	What is the harm to dogs on leash?
3793	I support the proposed change	Makes sense

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3850		Our dogs and the owners deserve a decent long walk of an hour or two. Currently there are very limited options for on-leash walks of several hours for owners with their dogs in the Auckland area. Regional parks are for long walks, as they have plenty of space for people, birds and animals. They also often have walks, trees, farmland, and beaches. I would support on-leash dog access to paths, walkways, and beaches within regional parks. Agree with the off leash area and timeframes.
4053	I support the proposed change	Unsafe on beaches during busy period and young children there
4186	I support the proposed change	Good idea in summer to limit dog accesss
4311	I do not support the proposed change	On leash at all times instead of prohibiting dogs
4361	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.
4788	Other (please explain below)	I would like to see dogs prohibited altogether when off leash. And on leash only outside peak hours before 9am and after 8pm
4805	Other (please explain below)	A a fellow dog owner I believe that dogs should be on leash at all times, as not all dog owners are responsible enough to have their dogs off leash
4821	I do not support the proposed change	If dogs are under control there is no problem.
4950	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed on all beaches at all times of day provided they are on leash.
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.

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5335	I do not support the proposed change	Submission on proposed Dog regulation changes - Auckland Council 2025 Specifically; on the following proposed change to Long Bay Regional Park, namely “Amend the summer daytime rule for the beach south of Vaughan Stream from on-leash to prohibited (off-leash access before 10am and after 5pm in summer and at any time in winter unchanged)” Firstly, Long Bay Regional Park is different from all other regional parks in that: It is urban rather than rural; and It is used by locals more than visitors (7 days/week vs 2 days/week). It is accepted that usage is higher on weekends and public holidays, however most days of the year the beach has plenty of space for both beach users and dog walkers. It would be silly to deprive dog owners of using this space when it is already under-utilised over 70% of the time. Yesterday (18 February 2025) my wife and I walked our dog at around 2pm and there would have been less than 30 people on the entire length of the beach. Secondly, Long Bay Regional Park is different from all other North Shore and Hibiscus Coast beaches and reserves in that: It is the longest beach on the North Shore; Most if not all other urban beaches have reserve land where dogs are permitted – Long Bay is the exception. If these proposed changes were to go ahead then dog owners in Long Bay, Torbay, Albany, Fairview Heights and surrounding areas would have no access to any part of Long Bay Regional Park (beach or reserve) during summer daylight hours; and It is the only Hauraki Gulf beach north of the Harbour Bridge where dog owners can walk their dogs between mid-morning and late afternoon during the summer
5440	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs on leash do not bother anyone. We need more dog friendly places in Auckland not less.
5491	I do not support the proposed change	Should remain the same, no change.
5901	I do not support the proposed change	Lived by long bay for many years and never had an issue with my dog vs other dogs or my dog vs people whether morning, midday or evening. All dogs I have seen at the beach while walking mine have always been under control by their owners. Never seen any trouble even when the beach is packed out. Don't think the dates should be until March 1, they should be Dec to start of Feb maximum.

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6111	I do not support the proposed change	Long Bay beach is used by an enormous catchment of dog owners, from Riverhead, Coatesville, Albany, Northcross to Torbay (a huge family-home-oriented suburb). If all local dogs are funnelled into two narrow slots, which would mostly be the after 5pm slot, I fear that the beach will change from a wonderful dog walking place to a place clogged with dogs forced into close quarters to one another and with all the people who come after work for a swim. This seems to be asking for trouble. Dog owners treasure this unique beach, where the canine family member does not have to be left at home during family outings to the beach. This is why it is a peaceful, happy place, where people can chat with other owners. Older people, who have worked hard all their lives and often foregone dog ownership can use their days in a healthy way by driving to the beach for a walk with their beloved pets. Many of these folk are widows and widowers with small dogs. Not everyone is healthy enough to jump out of bed and get to the beach first thing in the morning and if we honour our elderly, surely we can allow them to have one beach where they can go at a time convenient to them. Many people have chosen to live near Long Bay in their golden years for precisely that reason. The very lovely park is already off-limits to those with a dog in the family, which is quite heartbreaking enough, when other beach reserves are open to leashed dogs. How harsh and unfeeling this proposal is! It really says that the developers crowding the suburb have all the wins, locals lose. Locals know to stay home in the crowded summer weekends, so they already lose out. This beach is a long, long beach and dog owners also know to avoid high tide, when there is less space for dogs on leashes. Long Bay dogs and their owners are ok. "Why fix it if it ain't broke?" Funnel funds to policing the hundreds of portable speakers that are coming to blight the bay.

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6387	I support the proposed change	Dogs Roaming Over Dunes at Long Bay and Muriwai 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. Supporting Points: - Long Bay and Muriwai are ecologically sensitive areas, home to native plants, birds, and marine life. - Uncontrolled dogs can disrupt nesting seabirds, including protected species such as the New Zealand dotterel and fairy tern. - Dune ecosystems are fragile, and dog activity can lead to erosion, loss of vegetation, and habitat destruction. - While some restrictions exist, enforcement appears to be inconsistent, leading to continued violations by irresponsible dog owners. Suggested Action: - Stronger enforcement: Rangers or animal control officers should actively patrol these areas and issue fines for violations. - Clearer signage and education: More visible signs should be placed at all entry points, explicitly stating dog restrictions and penalties for non-compliance. - Community reporting system: Allow local residents and visitors to report dogs roaming in restricted areas via a dedicated phone line or app. Enforcement by Rangers – Fining Owners Who Violate Rules 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.
UPPER HARBOUR LOCAL BOARD		
83	I do not support the proposed change	No off leash area in winter!! This is ridiculous!!
129	I support the proposed change	Big beach that needs dedicated dog spaces
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.
179	I do not support the proposed change	Why are dogs prohibited if they are under control ON LEASH??? Why not strictly enforce people breaking the law off leash and allow dog access when on leash?
274	I do not support the proposed change	Long bay is the only local beach where people can enjoy the summer weather with their dogs. I think having dogs on lead is sufficient
304	I do not support the proposed change	The way it is set up currently works very well with virtually no incidents.
448	I do not support the proposed change	Off leash is being allowed and this is harder to manage, than on leash... So why ban on leash?

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466	I don't know	Dogs should be prohibited from this area all year round. There needs to be a balance and areas where people can go without dogs. Dogs often run up the tracks here into the reserve that is ment to be prohibited at all times.
545	I do not support the proposed change	We are a young family with a dog and not being able to being our dog to Long Bay would make us find an alternative. Excluding dogs during what is a peak period is not right. There are kids and adults who damage our parks more than dogs, graffiti, rubbish, noise pollution etc.
664	I support the proposed change	Long bay regional park and beach is a place that families come to and while I appreciate that some families do have pets, those who don't want to have dogs running around interrupting their experiences shouldn't have to. I fully support these changes
735	Other (please explain below)	Allow dogs to roam as long as they are controlled and on leash
754	I support the proposed change	It is a generous freedom given to dog owners.
846	I do not support the proposed change	This proposal is utterly ridiculous. I strongly oppose the changes. The rules are already confusing, and this amendment will only make them worse. Good luck to anyone trying to figure out where dogs are or aren't allowed—it's a bureaucratic nightmare. I've taken my pup to Long Bay many times, and the current rules are already hard enough to navigate. Adding more restrictions won't improve anything. If anything, you should focus on creating simple, enforceable policies that people can actually follow. Unless you plan to have staff patrolling the park full-time, these rules won't work. People with small dogs already take them everywhere at Long Bay, whether the rules allow it or not. Instead of wasting resources on unenforceable restrictions, focus on educating dog owners and ensuring people control their pets. If you're looking to make the beach a better experience for everyone, how about addressing the real nuisances—like unsupervised kids running wild and leaving rubbish everywhere? Prohibit children during the day if you're so keen on banning something. Dogs, on the other hand, are usually well-behaved and under control.
925	I do not support the proposed change	No dogs at all times.The current and proposed laws are not monitored and most Dog owners ignore them now.
1018	I do not support the proposed change	Prohibited at the beach and playground I agree with. On a lead or in the car should be fine.
1140	I do not support the proposed change	All the proposals are trying to limit even more the rules that are already to restrictive and preventative of having a good time. Well behaved dogs that can be controlled should be allowed off leash at all times

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1245	I support the proposed change	To many dogs running free and not under control. Families playing and swimming don't want dogs running around.
1250	I do not support the proposed change	There are limited beaches that you can walk your dogs on in summer. Long Bay is one of the few beaches on the North Shore that you can walk your dog. I find that NZ has one of the tightest dog control laws in the world and as a whole is not a dog friendly country.
1266	I do not support the proposed change	As a North Shore resident Long Bay has always been a great spot to walk my dog and allow it to cool off in the Summer on a leash. During daylight summer hours there are minimal options that allow this for my dog. I already feel as though the dog access rules in Auckland are extremely restricted. I commonly have to drive at least 30min or out of Auckland to give my dog a long adequate walk in Summer. Changing the rules to prohibit dog access during summer also negatively affects my dog as its exercise options are greatly reduced since practically every other beach in Auckland has banned dogs in this way. Once schools go back at end of January, there are usually minimal people on the beach during working hours, likewise when the weather is bad the beach is empty - quite often it is only dog walkers utilising the beach during this time. Enforcing this rule would mean that the beach is not utilised efficiently during these times as dog walkers will not be able to access. Perhaps the summer period should also be shortened to end of Jan? Dogs are an essential part of Auckland life - overly restricting their access within the community would negatively impact the wellbeing of dog owners and walkers within the community. The wellbeing of dogs is also negatively impacted as they cannot enjoy the beaches in Summer and cool down in the ocean.
1363	I do not support the proposed change	Absolutely against this. Long bay is one of the few places where dogs can be taken during the day. I'm a regular here WITHOUT my dogs and I love seeing the dogs being walked and mist people obey the unleaded rule. Please stop taking away people's access to walk dogs, we have nowhere to go!
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 Long Bay at least 3 times a week travelling from Hobsonville as it is a great beach for the dog and has direct access from the southern car park. These proposals mean that we will have very limited access to provide our dog with much needed exercise.
1394	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs on a leash are under control. What is council going to with those who leave rubbish, do burnouts? The current rules work fine
1496	I support the proposed change	Have swum at Long Bay for years and in NO WAY are dogs under control! Have seen dogs pooping on the sand and in the water which is absolutely disgusting for swimmers and everyone who wants to enjoy the fantastic facility. Dogs running over people sitting quietly enjoying the park. Unfortunately a few have wrecked it for the other responsible owners and dogs need to be banned when the beach is so busy.

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1706	I do not support the proposed change	If dogs are on leash there is no reason it should be changed. Dogs should not be prohibited between 10am and 5 pm. Leave as is dogs on leash, they are co trolled causing no harm
1814	I do not support the proposed change	The restrictions for dogs are already pretty tight. It's such a tiny area.
1818	I do not support the proposed change	I do not understand why dogs cannot be walked on leash in summertime between 10.00am to 5.00pm. I walk my dog often at Long Bay and there have not been problems. Why change what is working? This is punitive towards dog owners who respect others and follow the rules.
1828	I do not support the proposed change	Same as before, I believe it shouldn't be a problem as long as you can keep your dog under control and be mindful of others (people & dogs)
1830	I do not support the proposed change	They should be allowed during the day if on-leash
1881	I do not support the proposed change	Who is going to police this? Is every "no dogs welcome" area going to be fenced off or is the already stretched Animal Management somehow going to have multiple officers around to enforce? This policy is short-sighted and doesn't solve the issue - people will still keep doing what they want. This is punishing good owners and dog walkers who know how to control their dogs, while having no impact on bad dog owners who are irresponsible and let their dogs run free. Better licensing and enforcement of that is needed to try and solve the problem at source. This might take more time and effort but will have a greatly more positive outcome rather than enforcing a "nanny state"
2172	Other (please explain below)	support the changes with the following amendment: c. on any roads and parking areas, including dogs unrestrained in a vehicle (for example from Glenvar Ridge Access Road, on any internal road, bus turnaround and car parking areas). reason: not quite sure why a dog is prohibited if it is fully confined in a car that is moving or just driving through the area. there should be some distinctions between people driving through the area in a fully enclosed car, and people with vehicles like ute where dogs are placed in the open tray or unrestrained
2650	I do not support the proposed change	Long bay is only beach that's allowed dog go with their family to swim or walk during summer all day such give us flexibility to enjoy the beach together especially kn the weekend or summer school holiday. It's benefits both dog and people health abd mental.
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

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2733	I do not support the proposed change	Responsible owners will ensure their dog is on a leash and under control if that is the rules. Why penalize the majority...we need to target the minority of irresponsible dog owners with tougher fines regardless ie no excuses policy.
2763	I do not support the proposed change	This is one of the only locations to walk their dog even on leash during the day with access to the beach. Why would you ban dogs?? There are hardly any other beaches on the shore to take your dog to?? Please, tell us where you want to walk our dogs, so many areas keep getting taken away.
2837	I do not support the proposed change	Most people walk dogs in during crepuscular hours, restricting dogs during the midday is unnecessary. The people that cause issues with their dogs will not bother to obey any updated rules.
3471	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be able to be walked during the day in summer. Current rules (on leash) are fair and should be maintained. I would prefer dogs allowed off leash all times of year however the on leash rule means those who are uncomfortable with dogs can use the beach in the popular times (summer) without concerns. No need for total prohibition.
3652	I support the proposed change	It's basically the same as the previous rules - what's the difference????
3976	I do not support the proposed change	dont make changes that don't need to be made
4146	I do not support the proposed change	Again, another stupid rule to prohibit dogs from places where they were allowed. What is the reason? You had one bitter person who complained and now you want to punish everyone?
4172	I do not support the proposed change	There is to few areas dogs are allowed leading to these areas being congested
4289	I do not support the proposed change	On Point #2 - why are dogs prohibited on these areas? I think dogs should be allowed on any of these areas so long as they are on-leash at all times. We wated to visit Long Bay for the longest time but couldn't because dogs are not allowed. It's unfair because our dog (Maltese) is very well behaved. We just want to walk and exercise. Most of the times, just sit and people watch. Too much restriction.
4513	I do not support the proposed change	Seems too extreme
4608	I do not support the proposed change	If people want to take their dog for a swim, on a paddle board... they need to be able to walk their dog across the sand to the sea. This should not be prohibited
4658	I do not support the proposed change	Im happy for dogs to be onleash during the day. These are big grass areas with some shade. I would prefer to see a ban on owners walking their dogs down a suburban street at say 2pm when the concrete is too hot or certainly the black ashpelt of the road. This is a park with grass and shade.
4710	I support the proposed change	Dogs have been very annoying when we are at the beach, they run around and get sand on people that are trying to enjoy the beach. Also, people do not pick up after the dogs poop when they go in teh water and it is disgusting to see that. I believe that there should be dog parks like in many other countries. No dogs in public beaches

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4853	I do not support the proposed change	Not everyone is available to walk their dogs in the Summer before 10am and after 5pm. Also the weather may not be appropriate during these times so having access all day is important for the dogs mental health and that of their career.
5223	I do not support the proposed change	Current rules work well
5225	I do not support the proposed change	As per previous comment, what is this new policy achieving other than creating chaos for dog owners and their pets? Enforce on leash rules than prohibit our poor dogs from being in nature.
5261	I do not support the proposed change	This beach is the longest a furthestest away from housing with the park as a barrier if they are under control Correctly it shoold not be a problem
5625	I do not support the proposed change	If dogs are on leash between 10am to 5pm they are under control and should therefore be allowed access.
5685	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be able to continue to be allowed leashed in specified zone during the day, dogs are part of family units.
5702	I do not support the proposed change	To complicated
5749	I do not support the proposed change	It should be possible to walk a dog under control on a leash
6209	I support the proposed change	To protect wildlife and people there should be more restrictions on dog access at regional parks.
6386	I do not support the proposed change	This will restrict families taking their dogs for a long walk and being with their families
6424	I do not support the proposed change	It's punishing good dog owners!!
6577	I support the proposed change	too many dogs on the beach including dog walking businesses
6634	I do not support the proposed change	Leave it as it is
6662	I do not support the proposed change	We need more dog off leash during the day in summer
WAIHEKE LOCAL BOARD		
2731	I support the proposed change	To reduce stress between dosgs and humans during the holiday season and t protect the native fauna
4893	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed in all areas if on a leash.
5465	I do not support the proposed change	If dogs are on a leash there isn't a problem, is there? This change makes a problem where one doesn't actually exist and penalises people who for various reasons can not access the beach before 10am and after 5pm in the summer. The prohibition on dogs IN VEHICLES is a reaction to what problem? Surely a dog is permitted in uour own vehicle!
WAITĀKERE RANGES LOCAL BOARD		
170	I do not support the proposed change	Summer is so limiting in terms of where we can walk. At least on lead on the beach is better than walking on the hot pavement

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433	I do not support the proposed change	Section 2. Needs changes
486	I do not support the proposed change	They should be allowed to walk at any time
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 all times on leash
689	I do not support the proposed change	Once AGAIN you are restricting the ability of people to exercise and socialise their dogs, which will lead to more problems. It is hard to escape the notion that it is a deliberate policy of Auckland Council to restrict dog access to the point where it all just gets too hard and people stop owning dogs. Dogs are vital members of families and it is already so hard to try to find places where families can enjoy spending time in public places with their dogs.
713	I support the proposed change	sick of dogs coming up to you
965	Other (please explain below)	Dogs which are under control and on leash, should be allowed to access all public areas of the park
1148	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should remain on a leash during the day
1168	I do not support the proposed change	I think that dogs on-leash should be allowed at all times
1196	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed on a lead between 10am and 5pm.
1219	I do not support the proposed change	Should be allowed during day on leash in summer
1220	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be allowed on leash on the beach. Also should be allowed to go from parking to beach over grass on leash. The south car park is not big enough
1325	I support the proposed change	There is no point in changing the rules without enforcement.
1576	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 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.
1833	I do not support the proposed change	It's really nice to be able to take your dog to the beach as part of a family outing during the day time
1918	I do not support the proposed change	NO DOGS OFF LEASH AT ALL not in our regional parks protect our wildlife NO DOGS

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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.
2395	I support the proposed change	Dogs running or uncontrolled at peak times can be a nuisance. My dog is always on a lead so the change doesn't affect me much.
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.
4767	I do not support the proposed change	this is restricting access to walking dogs in far too many areas
4813	I support the proposed change	It sounds better for people who are sick to death of dogs being everywhere all the time
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.
5137	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should not be prohibited between 10 am and 5 pm as I like to go to the beach during this time with my dogs. They are on leash at all times. Already they are not allowed on the park area
5490	I do not support the proposed change	My dog absolutely loves a walk along the beach and in the water. And it frustrates me that our family member is being restricted from enjoying the outdoors with us when we go out . Especially during summer months , you can't just leave your dog inside while you head to the beach. Feels totally unfair
5579	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs are part of the family and need to be included in outdoor adventures. It is reasonable to keep them under control and on leash and this should continue.
5582	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 It's a long drive to Long Bay for many people. Dogs are already banned from the rest of the beach - there is plenty of space for people across the whole beach. Further restrictions aren't needed.
6447	I do not support the proposed change	Expand the areas and times that dog owners can use with their companion

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6765	I do not support the proposed change	Long Bay is a special case among the regional parks as the only urban regional park. While providing an amazing escape for all Aucklanders for a few weeks over summer, it is the local beach for several surrounding suburbs. From Dec-March it is the only beach on the entire North Shore where dogs can be exercised during the day. It is also by far the longest beach on the North Shore, with ample room for dogs walkers and other beach-goers to maintain separation. Most cities set aside a 'dog beach' for off-leash exercise year round, but on the North Shore the closest thing we have is Long Bay. The existing 'on leash' restrictions are more than adequate to ensure beach-goers and dog owners alike can enjoy Long Bay Regional Park. Unlike other North Shore beaches with adjacent reserves where dogs can be exercised, in the case of Long Bay the entire area could now be off limits for dog owners. The people most affected by the proposed changes will be the local, predominantly retired people who rely on Long Bay to exercise themselves and their dogs. If the proposed changes are adopted they will be left with the worst possible outcome over summer: hosting large numbers of often loud and unruly visitors from across the region while effectively being barred from their own beach. Once the 'silly season' is over they will be left looking at a largely empty beach for weeks waiting for the dog restrictions to be lifted.
WAITEMATĀ LOCAL BOARD		
122	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.
165	I do not support the proposed change	It is already hard enough to find dog friendly beaches around! We should be allowed to go out during the day with our dogs to enjoy summer (when not too hot obviously) and not only early morning and evenings...
784	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should still be allowed on the beach over the summer on-leash during the day. Prohibiting dog during the day will prevent many families from coming to the beach during the summer as the alternative would be to leave their dog behind at home on its own for long extended periods. Dogs on-leash and under control cause no problems to other people - the beach is large enough for everyone to have their own space.
835	I do not support the proposed change	Far too restrictive
914	I do not support the proposed change	There is no demand from anyone outside council for any changes to the dog bylaws. This is just council staff "creating work" where no work needs to be performed on this unnecessary "project!".

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1379	I support the proposed change	I'm happy to support this as dogs paws shouldn't be exposed to the high heat of sand in the summer
1474	I do not support the proposed change	retain undercontrol on lead during the day in summer. enforce standard leads, not long-leads.
1910	I do not support the proposed change	dogs are part of our family and need to go where we go.
2098	I do not support the proposed change	Current rules work
2184	I do not support the proposed change	Keep current policy, new policy too dictatorship
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 support the proposed change	They should be on Leash in busy peak times.
2397	I support the proposed change	Safer
2587	I do not support the proposed change	Offer on time as on leash before 10am or after 5pm for all to use. After 5pm it should on leash so everyone can enjoy the space
3263	I do not support the proposed change	The changes need to be harsher and shouldn't be seasonal. 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. There will need to be more dog control officers at the same time, or the changes will be completely useless.
4738	I support the proposed change	It is a better balance between dog owners and those wanting to enjoy Long Bay in summer and feel safe with their kids at a close to town heavily used regional park.
4930	I support the proposed change	Restricted areas for dogs and insist dogs are on leash at all times during daylight hours
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.
5027	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
5454	I do not support the proposed change	Banning dogs completely is awful! On leash is good.

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5638	I support the proposed change	Dogs are scary for many people. Dogs poo wherever they like and owners do not always pick up after them, frequently causing public places to be messy and disgusting.
5812	I do not support the proposed change	The proposed changes significantly reduce off-leash access in several regional parks and beaches, including Long Bay Beach, Waitawa Regional Park, and Pākiri Beach. While I acknowledge the need to protect wildlife and ensure public safety, a more balanced approach is required. Key Concerns: Many of the restrictions are disproportionate and do not consider alternative management strategies, such as seasonal or time-based access. The outright prohibition of dogs on Pākiri Beach and Te Ārai Beach appears excessive and does not consider responsible dog ownership and existing conservation measures. Changes to Long Bay Beach (banning dogs during peak hours in summer) unfairly restrict dog owners who wish to exercise their pets responsibly. Requested Amendments: Consider time-based restrictions rather than outright bans, allowing access during low-use hours (e.g., before 10 am and after 5 pm). Conduct a scientific review of the impact of dogs in conservation areas before imposing prohibitions. Ensure any new restrictions are based on robust evidence of risk, rather than a precautionary approach that unnecessarily penalises responsible dog owners.
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.
WHAU LOCAL BOARD		
52	I support the proposed change	Makes good sense
80	I do not support the proposed change	We need less restrictions. If there are problems, police them.
292	I do not support the proposed change	too long for people to read. The first one is more clear.
460	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.
792	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs should be on leash during winter time or prohibited
850	I do not support the proposed change	There are few dog walking options as it is. What is the rationale for this proposed change?
1122	I do not support the proposed change	Shouldn't ever be a situation where dogs are prohibited
1447	I do not support the proposed change	I don't support the Daytime prohibition. Dogs should still be allowed but under-control on leash.

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2034	I do not support the proposed change	Retain that dogs are allowed under control of a lead during the day, it's already such a limited space
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.
2455	I do not support the proposed change	You should be able to go to beach with your dog! What else are you supposed to do? Just never go out? A dog on a leash has negligible affect on a beach. Most dogs cannot be left at home without crying which causes social unrest and many people rely on their dogs for companionship and will be further isolated by this kind of pointless change.
3033	I do not support the proposed change	Once again, Auckland is actually not super dog friendly, an on leash controlled dog is not an issue. The owners not registering their dogs or following the rules will still flout them even if you make it no access from 10-5 during summer.
3549	Other (please explain below)	There should be no off leash access for dogs as there is no such thing as "under control" off leash.
3651	I do not support the proposed change	There are few places I can take my dog for a swim during the day. This council has a militant anti dog agenda and it has to stop. Summer is hot and dogs suffer. There needs to be more beaches open to dogs for swimming during the heat of the summer days.
4025	Other (please explain below)	Summer - daytime - on lead should be OK
4281	I do not support the proposed change	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	Very well used park
5023	I do not support the proposed change	I like the colours but the rest of the information is too confusing (there is too much of it). People will need to read everything and they won't. It needs to be clear and concise. I would keep the same information the same but highlight 'prohibited' in red and 'under control on a leash' in orange as the new suggestion. All the extra street names becomes too much to read and too confusing. People will want a quick overview of the places they can visit and not have to check every street name. I will copy this feedback for the rest of the parks as I've had a read through all the parks and changes and I share this sentiment for all parks.
6077	I do not support the proposed change	If dogs are on leash they are fine. It shouldn't be any different to Orewa Beach rules
UNDECLARED LOCAL BOARD		
903	I do not support the proposed change	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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1765	I do not support the proposed change	Dogs being on a leash is already a requirement so those who would be making the area unsafe will not listen to this rule and those that do are being punished
1806	I do not support the proposed change	Too draconian for dog owners and dogs
1816	I do not support the proposed change	Poor dogs if you guys exclude them in every place, whats the problem if I want to spend the day with my family and friends at the beach and bring my dog too
1875	I do not support the proposed change	Dear council I am writing to urge you not to ban dogs from our beloved regional parks, beaches, and public spaces. As a vibrant part of our community, these natural areas should be open to everyone, including responsible dog owners, who are an integral part of our society. Why Dogs in Parks Matter: 1. Health and Well-being: Dogs are not only wonderful companions, but studies have shown that walking with dogs encourages more physical activity, which can help combat the rising rates of sedentary lifestyles and chronic diseases. These outings promote better mental health, lower stress levels, and a deeper connection to nature—benefits that extend to the whole family. 2. Economic Impact: Dogs help generate revenue for our parks. Local businesses benefit from dog owners spending on pet-related products, pet services, and park fees. Tourism also sees a positive impact as people often choose destinations where they can bring their dogs, boosting the local economy and increasing the sense of community. 3. Social Responsibility: Responsible dog ownership is a core part of being a good community member. Many dog owners are highly committed to respecting public spaces—cleaning up after their pets, keeping dogs on leashes when required, and ensuring their pets do not disrupt others. Banning dogs punishes those who are mindful and courteous, while the real challenge lies in enforcing responsible behaviour. Ensure you are fining and implementing consequences for those who
1914	I do not support the proposed change	This is one of the only beaches I can take my dog to during the day. He loves swimming as it cools him down when the summer is hot. As a dog owner I too would like to enjoy Auckland beaches during the heat of the day.

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2183	I do not support the proposed change	We share this land - with all living things. We cannot prohibit access because it might cause issue with a few biased individuals. This doesn't solve an issue it creates disconnect and segregation between demographics. Focus on educating dog owners as well as non- dog owners and simplifying regulations. If people get used to dogs everywhere, the less of an issue it will become. Dogs bring joy to peoples' lives. Stop trying to take away their rights to play. That's all they ask...we have people that treat them horrifically, people who hit them, beat them and try to kill them and yet they stay loyal to their owners and only ever ask for love and a good walk in return. Just let them be part of the community. By prohibiting dogs from the beach you are taking away rights of their owners as well to share in the space. Stop excluding them - it's wrong and mean and doesn't solve any issues.
2584	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.
4489	I do not support the proposed change	Fewer and fewer areas are being made available to dog owners. 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	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 their kids how to act around dogs.
5514	I do not support the proposed change	What a stupid amendment proposed.
5738	I do not support the proposed change	Under control on a leash on the beach during the day should pose no threat, assuming the dogs are in fact on a leash and under control. Police this better if it's not happening, don't penalise the many for the crimes of the few!
5787	I support the proposed change	I think proposed changes such as dogs prohibited on all park, beach and foreshore areas etc reduces confusion. Families, friends are sitting on the grass and it is annoying when dogs approach, Mostly it is friendly, but it can be scary if bigger dogs come around small children,

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6408	I support the proposed change	Dogs should be only allowed off leash after 6pm.
6544	I do not support the proposed change	There are so many beaches we are already restricted from during day time hours, it's a true privilege to be able to spend a day as a family at long bay with the dogs. We have been there several times this summer and have not seen any need to remove the current on leash rules.
6594	I do not support the proposed change	Prohibiting dogs during the day serves no purpose. It is unfair on families wanting to enjoy a lovely outing together with their pet. The current rules are sufficient, keep them this way so everyone can enjoy a day out.
6940	I do not support the proposed change	We frequently drive to Long Bay with our children but are often unable to use the beach due to off-leash dogs. I have experienced an incident with my own child at this beach where an off-leash dog chased and then started to attack my two year old child just after we had arrived at the beach, when I had a newborn in a front-pack. Dogs should be on-leash on most of the beach all year round, and should be allowed off-leash only at the very Northern end of the beach around Vaughan stream. Dogs should be prohibited from the beach during the day in summer.
OUTSIDE AUCKLAND		
5410	I do not support the proposed change	It is ridiculous to ban on leash dogs from the beach during the day. There is literally no justification I can think of. As long as dogowners follow the current rules there is no problem! It is unduly restrictive for dogs and their owners enjoying their local communities.

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5426	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	Dogs should be allowed on leash access to areas. Too many places are prohibited.